

With regard to non-compliance of convoy system from Porlobjig, in Middle Andaman, Hon'ble Lt. Governor asked DGP that the night bus and others in convoy system be permitted to ply in the stretch with proper Police escort and Police Department should have a proper protocol in place so that the rules were not violated.

viii) He desired that the Jarawas be sensitized not to enter into settlement areas. On the increasing population of Jarawas, he urged that all future programmes for the welfare of Jarawas should take care of their increasing population and sustenance needs within the limited forest area and at the same time the Jarawas need to be sensitized not to interact with the settlers and others through the new education project.

ix) On the shortage of Research Scholars, he directed to engage more such people in the Andaman & Nicobar Tribal Research and Training Institute on project / assignment basis and also asked the Forest Department to identify Officers interested in taking up research works in Institute on deputation basis for a period of six months.

**B) Shompen:-**

As far as Shompen Policy was concerned, Secretary (TW) informed that the same had been notified and the Divisional Forest Officer, Nicobar Division had been asked to prepare estimates for construction of a structure at 16 KM point on the East-West Road including the repair of the road upto 16 KM point in the Great Nicobar Island for protection of forests and extending the welfare measures to the Shompens. He further desired to visit the Shompen area and to have interactions with Shompens and discussions with the officials engaged in welfare programme by September end.

**C) Onges:**

The Hon'ble Lt Governor desired that a team comprising of Secretary (TW), Prof. Vishwajit Pandya and others concerned shall make a visit to Dugong Creek and come up with a detailed programme for empowerment of the Onges for deciding their freewill within a period of two months besides discussing a range of issues related to the other PVTGs for their welfare and development and a detailed report on steps to be taken to empower the Onges may be submitted accordingly.

**D) Andamanese:-**

He impressed upon AAJVS that the plantation of fruit bearing plants should be raised involving the Andamanese women who shall be responsible for their care, maintenance and sale of the produce derived from such plantations.