

establishments like eateries, ration shop, tea shop, tailoring, general grocery shop, cloth shop, saloons, vegetable marts etc are existing to cater to the daily needs of the local residents and also in no way harmful to the Jarawa tribe, a proposal was submitted to the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs for Amending the PAT Regulation defining the Buffer Zone in the Regulation and other provisions. Accordingly with the approval of Union Cabinet, PAT Amendment Regulation, 2012 has since been notified by Central Government on 02.07.2012 and the Regulation has been given effect from 9.7.2012 by the Administration. The amended regulation is annexed herewith and marked Annexure P/1 to this additional affidavit.

13. That in the amendment Regulation, the Administrator of A&N Islands was empowered under section 3(A), to declare any area which is adjacent and contiguous to the Reserve Area as