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Observation of Hon'ble Lt. Governor may kindly be seen at para 212/n. In this context, it may be submitted that SLP (Civil) No.12125 of 2010 (The Lt. Governor, A&N Islands & Ors. –Vs- M/s Barefoot inns & Leisure Pvt. Ltd.) had been disposed of on 05.03.2013 (Flag'P') by the Hon'ble three Judges Bench of Supreme Court accepting the revised Buffer Zone Notification dated 17.01.2013. While disposing the case, Hon'ble Court observed as below:

"We have gone through the latest affidavit of Shri Kuldip Singh Thakur and the accompanying documents and are satisfied that the order passed by the learned Single Judge and the Division Bench of the Calcutta High Court, which became subject matter of challenge in the special leave petition, have become ineffective.

With the above observations, the special leave petition is disposed of as infructuous. However, it is made clear that the petitioners shall strictly comply with the amended regulations and the orders issued for implementation thereof.

As a sequel to the above, the application for intervention is dismissed."

In view of the above direction, the Administration framed a Policy on Jarawa Tribes of Andaman Islands on 30/6/2016, and also an addendum to the original policy framed in the year 2004. Clause IV of the said policy deals with the Regulation of Traffic on ATR passing through Reserved Tribal Area and Buffer Zone issued under the provisions of Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956. Copy of the Policy on Jarawa Tribes of Andaman Islands is collectively placed at Flag 'Q'.

Thereafter, the Tribal Department of A&N Administration issued following orders/circular regulating the traffic on Andaman Trunk Road:

- (i) Office Memo No.1-836/2012-TW/255 dated 14/3/2013. (Flag -A).
- (ii) Comprehensive note addressed to all related Departments being No.1-836/2012-TW/1017 dated 5/11/2013 (Flag -B).
- (iii) Addendum No.1-836/2012-TW/501 dated 10/6/2016 (Flag C).
- (iv) Order No.267 dated 14/7/2016 (Flag -D).

These orders/circulars are being followed, as the Hon'ble Supreme Court observed to comply the amended Regulations and Orders issued thereunder strictly.

With reference to the issues raised by the PRI Members, contained at para 207/n, it is submitted that their prayers have already been accommodated in the above referred orders/circular issued by the Directorate of Tribal Welfare. As such, for the present, there appears no reason to file any application before the Hon'ble Supreme Court for modification of the Order dated 5/3/2013. However, Directorate of Tribal

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