

PUC is a letter dated 23.2.2018 received from General Manager (P), National Highways and Infrastructural Development Corporation Limited, Branch Office, Ground Floor, APWD Complex, Port Blair, requesting this Directorate to allow them to carry out survey on environmental impact assessment study in Middle Strait Creek from 26th Feb, to 28th Feb 2018.

In this connection, it is submitted that the subject matter i.e. carrying out of environmental impact assessment study in Middle Strait Creek is not concerned with the Department of Tribal Welfare. However, since the Middle Strait area is declared as Jarawa tribal reserve, as such, we may inform the General Manager, NHIDCL that if they will carry out the environmental impact assessment in the Middle Strait area, then it should be done in the following manner: -

- 1) Study of environmental impact assessment should be carried out under the overall supervision of Executive Secretary, AAJVS.
- 2) The team should be escorted with AAJVS officials and Police Personnel. No member of the team shall interact with the Jarawa tribes during the course of study.
- 3) Convoy system should be followed strictly.
- 4) They should deposit the mobile phone, or any camera with the Police Outpost, Jirkatang. No photography shall be allowed in the Jarawa Reserve Area. The team should ensure that no cigarette, alcohol, match box, lighter or any other inflammable articles shall be carried in the Jarawa Reserve Area
- 5) No undue interference in the lives of Jarawa tribes during the course of study
- 6) Necessary statutory permits for entry into tribal reserve should be obtained from the District Administration.

If approved, we may inform the General Manager, NHIDCL on the above lines.

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The matter pertains to EIA in Middle Strait - following clarification

required -

- i) which area of Middle Strait, the letter talks about?
- ii) whether it comes under JTR?

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