

PUC is a letter dated 19.4.2018 received from the Managing Director, ANIIDCO raising the problems being faced them in transporting the oil to North & Middle Andaman District. It has been informed that ANIIDCO Ltd is operating two Retail Outlets at Mayabunder and Diglipur. The oil is transported to these retail outlets through IOCL on daily basis. Recently they have faced problem in timely transportation of oil wherein the oil dispatched by them on a particular day either reaches Mayabunder and Diglipur late in the midnight or by next day due to which scarcity of oil has occurred at many occasions. The reason cited for delay is the oil tankers used to park in queue at Jirkatang at Night and they were getting priority in the convoy and subsequent crossing of creek at Middle strait and Gandhighat by boat. Now the oil tankers are not allowed to park in queue during night hours at Jirkatang, they are crossing the convoy at last after all other commercial vehicles. Since, the oil tankers are placed at last in the convoy, it takes time to cross the creek at two places therefore the tankers are unable to reach Mayabunder & Diglipur timely on the same day, which creates inconvenience to general public, public transport and it hampers other essential services.

In this connection, it is submitted that in accordance with instructions issued by the Administration on time to time basis, the convoy system is being regulated through the segment of ATR passing through Jarawa Tribal Reserve by the A&N Police, with the objective to curb the interaction between the Jarawas and non-tribal.

The SDPO, Bambooflat alongwith the Assistant Commissioner (TW) who is also holding the charge of Executive Secretary, AAJVS inspected the convoy system in the JTR and prima-facie they was observed that due to bad condition of road, the vehicles especially the trucks/ busses while crossing the Jarawa Tribal Reserve in a convoy system creates big gap, which enhance the chance of interaction. In order to overcome from such situation, it was decided that the trucks/ busses will go first in the convoy on experimental basis. The outcome of such practice was beyond expectation, which was also been appreciated by the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands.

Now, it has been reported that the JPP has started following the earlier system of convoy. This Administration has received demands from many stakeholders for allowing trucks/ busses first in the convoy, in the larger public interests. Such one of the demand is the demand of ANIIDCO for allowing oil tanker to cross first in the convoy.

In view of the above, it is proposed that we may request the IGP/ Nodal Officer (ATR) by bringing the facts/ position to his knowledge and request him to reinstate the new practice of allowing trucks/ busses first in the convoy for effective implementation of convoy system in the interest of Jarawa and general public, as such the same may be followed regularly.

Submitted please.

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