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To,

The Superintendent of Police....

South Andaman District, Port Blair.

Sub : " Same Day Return of Tourist"; - reg.

Sir,

It is to bring to your kind notice that as per the Jarawa Policy the tourists are not allowed to return on the same day while crossing the Jarawa reserve area and for them night stay becomes mandatory.

But due to non-availability of proper accommodation facility at Baratang Island the tourists were facing difficulty for night stay at Baratang Island. To fill up the gap and to accommodate mid - high end tourists and with the vision of promoting rural tourism in Andaman Islands we have developed a Resort at Baratang. The Rural employment generation is also a key factor in this Project.

During the first year of operation it has been noticed that even though thousands of tourists are visiting Baratang every day but very few of them are opting for night stay. On verifying the matter it revealed that 99 % of the tourists are returning back to Port Blair on the same day illegally.

In this regard kindly intervene and initiate action against the tour operators who are conducting same day return trips by violating the rules and such practices may be stopped immediately which is directly affecting this rural innovative project.

If at all there is any change in the Jarawa Policy and if the Same day returns trips are allowed within the provisions of Jarawa Policy, then that may be communicated for our records.

An early action in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Ms / Jessy John) Managing Director