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पोर्ट ब्लेयर, दिनांक 25<sup>th</sup> नवम्बर, 2010

To

The Deputy Commissioner,  
South Andaman District,  
Port Blair

R.D.No. 2269 Date 25/11/10  
Secretary (Labour/Ind)  
A & N Administration  
Secretariat

**Sub:- Restriction on same day return permit to Vehicles going to and coming from Baratang and regulation of vehicular traffic on Andaman Trunk Road – Regarding**

Sir,

I am to invite your kind attention to the above mentioned subject and to state that the State Transport Authority in its meeting held on 14/10/2009 had decided to let the tourist buses/vehicles having valid tourist licences for plying to Baratang and return on the same day make 10 trips in a month. Accordingly, the tourist vehicles are being permitted to undertake 10 trips in a month till now. (Copy of minute of the meeting enclosed).

However, the State Transport Authority in its meeting held on 29/03/2010, decided to explore the possibility of getting appropriate orders under section 115 of M.V. Act, 1988 from the notified authority i.e. Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman for imposing restrictions on the movement of the vehicles in the Jarawa area and stated that the restriction on the movement of vehicles imposed in its meeting held on 14/10/2009 was an inadvertent mistake and the same does not come under the purview of the STA in terms of Section 67 & 68 of M.V. Act, 1988 and therefore, the said restriction was withdrawn (Copy of minute of the meeting enclosed).

The Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta, Circuit Bench at Port Blair vide its judgment/order dated 18/06/2010 in WP No. 907 of 2010-(Smti. Gandhimathi -Vs- The A & N Administration & Others) held inter alia that there is no reason for the petitioner for not using the permit granted to her in accordance with law till expiry of the said period as the earlier embargo (put forth by STA) has been withdrawn. **At the same time, it has also been observed by the Hon'ble High Court that this order certainly does not stand in the way of the appropriate authority taking necessary decision on the matter and the respondents (Administration and others) are free to take necessary steps in accordance with law.** (Copy of judgment/order dated 18/06/2010 is enclosed).

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