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Sir,

This has reference to the point no 5 of "Points raised by the PRIs at Rangat during the meeting with Hon'ble LG on 22/05/2011". In this regard it is to submit that the money is being charged for passage through the Jarawa Reserve Area since long back. It is to further mention that if decided so by the competent authority, the system of charging the commuters, willing to pass through the Jarawa Reserve Area, may be done away with.

Please also refer to the issue raised by the PRI members in the meeting chaired by the DC/N&M Andaman on 27/05/2011 wherein at point no 2, the locals of Kadamtala, Baratang and Rangat raised the issue of 'same day return' through the Jarawa Reserve Area. In this regard, it is to submit that keeping in the mind the plight the locals of these area travelling to Jirkatang and beyond and not being able to come back on the same day, which forces them to unnecessarily stay overnight in the area of their visit, the issue has been examined in its totality.

Therefore, if decided by the competent authority, only locals of the N&M Andaman area may be allowed to avail the 'same day return' facility through the Jarawa Reserve Area **strictly at the already designated convoy timings**. It is to further submit that this facility be extended to only private local persons moving for personnel work and not for any commercial activity.

The authority to grant the 'same day return' permit to the locals of these areas may be delegated to the SHOs of the area concerned who shall in turn do the due diligence before granting the permit as it may not be feasible for the residents of these areas to obtain permission from the Office of the SP/South Andaman.

With regard to the point no 4 raised in the said meeting of the DC/N&M Andaman, it is submit that the SHOs of all the PSs of the Middle Andaman jurisdiction have already been given the authority to collect money by issuing Treasury Receipts which in a way also acts as some sort of 'Permit' to pass through the Jarawa Reserves. This seems to be fair enough as far as the convenience of the commuters is concerned.

Submitted for perusal please,

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