forests until they come forward and claim for it. In view of this no forest rights have yet been conferred on any tribals.

are There encroachers who qualify for being other traditional forest dwellers having resided on the forest land for bonafide livelihood needs for three generations (75 years) prior to cut off date, i.e., 13th day of December, 2005 for the purpose of recognition of forest rights under the Forest Right Act (FRA). So the question of Conferring forest rights on other traditional forest dwellers either does not arise. Thus there is indiscriminate for no scope distribution of land under the FRA in respect of this UT.

Paras 2-24

In view of our comments in respect of Para 1 none of the issues raised in the subsequent paras by the Petitioner concern the Tribal Welfare Department.

Director (TW)