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A.A.J.V.S. Port Blair

Sub:- Problems faced by the peoples of the village (Viz Tirur, Collinpur and Manpur etc) by the Jarawas reg.

This is to inform that, on 29/3/02 Shri. R.L.Meena, IPS SP (D) Andaman visited the Tirur area and took stock of the following problems reportedly created by Jarawas of the area in adjoining villagers of Tirur, Collinpur and Manpur and made following observation/recommendations calling for necessary action.

- 1. The supply of food items to the JARAWAS by the AAJVS appears to be inadequate which prompts them to come out of their habitat and enter the adjoining villages to take away the food items viz Bananas, Papayas and
- 2. The eatables given to the JARAWAS include mainly the raw Bananas, which, it is felt is not sufficient quantity. Other items like tender and half ripe coconuts should also constitute the part of the food items.
- 3. The scarcity of drinking water in the Jarawa habitats has been forcing them to come out of their reserves in its search in the adjoining areas of Tirur and other nearby villages. It is suggested that arrangements for storage of sufficient drinking water should be made, preferably in the areas where they normally camp.