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अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन  
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION  
सचिवालय SECRETARIAT

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Port Blair, dated the 4th October, 2004.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta at Port Blair in WP No.48 of 1999, Respondent No. 1 namely Secretary in the Ministry of Home Affairs has to finalize the policy towards the Jarawas of Andamans. This has to be done within the extended time limit of 15th December, 2004.

Based on the judgement of the High Court, proceedings of the Seminar and Open House discussions held at Kolkata in April, 2004 and at Port Blair in May, 2004, respectively, A&N Administration has already taken certain measures towards the protection of Jarawas. The Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti(AAJVS) has been reconstituted with greater representation for Anthropologists and Experts. In order to increase the resource base of the Jarawas, an additional land area of about 180 sq. kms. has been brought under reserve area notification.

As ordered by the High Court, the policy will have to be filed in the Court within the time limit, a draft note as approved by Lt. Governor, is enclosed for consideration of the Ministry of Home Affairs. It is requested that this may be finalized at the earliest in consultation with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(V.V. Bhat)

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