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Tour note of Shri S.A. Awaradi, Director (TW) to South Andaman and Middle Andaman Island on 9.8.99.

- 1. Undersigned alongwith Shri A.K. Singh, Assistant Commissioner (TW) proceeded up to Kadamtala on 9.8.99 for field inspection in the Jarawa areas. The following is the note in this connection:-
- 2. In-charge, Jarawa Protection Post at Jirkatang informed that the supplier of the vehicle who have given the vehicles on hire to the Police to patrol the Jarawa areas have withdrawn their vehicles because of non payment of their bills.
- 3. I talked to the concerned Police Officer of the Middle Andaman Island over the Police Control from Jirkatang and informed him that the bills are being cleared by the competent authority and asked him that the patrolling should be resumed immediately.
- 4. On our return journey we stopped at Jirkatang JPP in the late evening and Incharge of JPP informed that the supplier of the vehicles has agreed to provide the vehicle for the patrolling.
- 5. Jarawas have founded a big community hut near the R.K. nallah just at the side of the ATR. On the day of visit there were about 100 Jarawas. Majority of them were the children and few women. It is noticed that the Jarawas particularly children are coming down on the ATR to stop the vehicle, to climb on the vehicle, to get something from the passenger / vehiclists.
- 6. In this context it is indispensable to have a Police picket near such Jarawa camp and patrolling on the ATR. A part of the Police force that is being deployed for the Jarawa areas on the ATR could form a picket near the Jarawa camp to prevent the Jarawas coming on to the road and other part could keep patrolling the ATR to prevent similar interface with the vehiclists on the road.

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7. It is necessary to caution the motorists about the Jarawa camps ahead so that they will drive the vehicle slowly to avoid the road accident involving the Jarawas particularly the children. As such it may be desirable to have a road Sign board "Jarawa Camp ahead drive slowly" such road signals can be erected on either side of the camp at a certain distance. With a

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