

Andaman and Nicobar Administration finalized a policy on Jarawa tribe of Andaman Islands, on the basis of the recommendations of the Experts, National and International Anthropologists, Socialists and other experts in various fields. This policy was notified in December, 2004 vide Andaman & Nicobar Gazette Notification No. 210 dated 21.12.2004 and the same is being implemented strictly to ensure protection and welfare of Jarawas based on this policy, the Andaman and Nicobar Administration has taken following measures for protection and welfare of the Jarawas:

(i) Exclusive Medical Wards in Primary Health Centres, located near the Jarawa Reserve at Tushnabad in South Andaman and Kadamtala in Middle Andaman alongwith one at G.B. Pant Hospital, Port Blair have been set up for treatment of Jarawas. Such wards are also declared as Tribal Reserve, to prevent non tribals from interacting with them vide A & N Gazette Notification No. 113/2004/F.No. 1-752/2002-TW(PF) dated 8.6.2004. Besides a