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F.No. 1-752/2009-TW 1781
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
Directorate of Tribal Welfare

Port Blair, dated the November 2010.

To

Dr. N.K. Ghatak,
Joint Director to Govt. of India,
Ministry of Tribal Affairs,
Shastri Bhawan,
New Delhi - 110 001

Sub: **Impleading the Ministry in SLP before the Apex Court under Article 136 of the constitution against the decision of the Division Bench of Hon'ble High Court of Kolkata (Circuit Bench Port Blair) in MAT No 031 of 2009 dated 2.7.09 in the matter of LG, A & N Administration and Ors v/s M/s Bare Foot Inns and Leisure, Pvt Ltd., Port Blair regarding the notification dated 30.10.1007 declared the "Buffer Zone" in the Andaman Islands. - reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 12016/9/09-C&LM-I dated 3.11.2010 on the above cited subject.

In this context, it is stated that the SLP (Civil)/2009 was listed for hearing on 29.10.10 before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The Hon'ble Court has desired that an affidavit be filed within two weeks indicating what steps have been taken for protection of the Jarawa Tribe since 2001 (when the Orders of the Calcutta High Court passed in a Public Interest Petition). The Court has also directed that such affidavit must disclose whether there have been other closures that have been ordered in the Reserved area/Buffer Zone.

A self contained status report on the protection and welfare of Jarwas has been furnished to DRC, New Delhi for onward submission to Shri Aman Ahluwalia, Govt. Advocate, Supreme Court of India for filing an affidavit on behalf of A & N Administration in the Apex Court vide letter No. 1-752/2009-TW(PF)/733 dated 9.11.10. A copy of the letter dated 9.11.10 is enclosed herewith for necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: A/a

Assistant Commissioner (TW)

(CF: T2 letter 2010)

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(i) The Secretary (Law), A & N Administration, Port Blair w.r.t his letter dated PA/Secy(Law)/2010 dated 1.11.2010 for information please. It was informed by an advocate that extension of time for filing the affidavit will be sought from the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

(ii) The Deputy Resident Commissioner, 12 Chanakayapuri, Near Chanakaya Cinema, New Delhi -21 to upto date the status on filing of the affidavit and if extension is given, the draft affidavit be sent to the Administration for getting the same vetted before it is filed.

Assistant Commissioner (TW)