



revised draft amendment apart from providing specific regulations with regard to tourism and commercial activities in the buffer zone also provides for punishment in case certain prohibited activities viz. taking of photographs/videos of the tribes, introducing any form of alcohol, germ, bacteria to the tribes are carried out inside the reserve area. That the Ministry of Home Affairs will now-circulate-the proposed amendment to PAT Regulations along with a Circular Order.

5. The Andaman Trunk road has a total length of 330 kms, out of which 56 kms fall in the reserve area and 10km(approximately) falls in the buffer zone. In certain areas where the Andaman Trunk road passes through creeks, it has to be accessed through ferries. It is respectfully submitted that Andaman Trunk road is the only link between North Andaman & South Andaman and therefore the road cannot be closed down as it will lead to closure of all communication between the North & South Andaman
6. Vide circular dated 13th September 2011 issued by the Petitioner herein entry of all vehicles have been decided to be regulated by Police in order to minimize disturbance in the reserve area and buffer zone. Entry of two wheelers and three wheelers have been prohibited from entering the Andaman Trunk road and the number of convoys have been reduced from 8 to 4 per day. A copy of the circular dated 13th September 2011 is being attached and annexed herewith as Annexure A-1.
7. Vide Standing Order No. 7156 issued by the Director General of Police, A& N Islands specific instructions with regard to movement of vehicular traffic on the Andaman Trunk road through the Jarawa Reserve Area in form of the convoys at specified timings have been put in order to ensure that there is least disturbance in the life of the members of the Jarawas. A copy of the standing order is being attached herewith as Annexure A-2.