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Feb 2010 to Dew Dale Resort in Sundergarh village, Baratang to closedown the resort. Subsequently 3 notices were issued to Dew Dale to close the Resort but the owner of Dew Dale Resort did not close the establishment. The DC (N & M) finally issued Order for sealing of M/s Due Dale Resort, Sundergarh, Baratang on 8-2-2011 Accordingly the premises of M/s Due Dale Resort was sealed on 9-12-2011 by the Tehsildar / Executive Magistrate, Rangat. A copy of Order dated 8-2-2011 is annexed here to as **Annexure – I** and a Compliance Report dated 9.02.2011 is attached at **Annexure –II**.

So far as S.K.M Golden Beach Resort is concerned a notice was issued to owner of S.K.M Golden Beach Resort on 8-12-2010 to close down the resort namely S.K.M Golden Beach Resort. Accordingly the S.K.M Golden Beach, Resort has since closed down its operations and not functioning as 'verily believed' by the Respondent.

So far as Xalxo Beach Resort is concerned it is re-stated that Xalxo Beach Resort situated at Nayagarh Village in Baratang Island is out of Buffer Zone. However, notices have also been issued to the owner of M/s Xalxo Beach Resort, Nayagarh by SDM, Mayabunder for illegal diversion of agriculture land for commercial purpose.

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Considering the complex topography, meandering creeks and dense forest and mangrove vegetation of the island archipelago, earlier 31 villages, many of which partly fall within the 5 km Buffer Zone declared in 2007, were listed. After the issue of other tourist establishment falling within the Buffer Zone was raised by the Respondents, Petitioner re-checked the boundary of the 5 km zone from the Jarawa Tribal Reserve, using satellite imageries and Topographical Sheets and it was found that there were two more villages which were also partly coming in the Buffer Zone and same was given in the Tehsil-wise list of Revenue Villages under the Buffer Zone appended as Annexure III of our affidavit dated 13th Dec 2010.

The jettys and bazaars in these villages are in existence for 40-50 years when the settlements were created and not after 'advent of tourism' as wrongly contended by