

Nicobar Administration issued notification on

30.10.2007 (Annexure P/5 at Pg 133-134 of SLP

Paper book) declaring a Buffer Zone under the

provisions of A & N Islands (Protection of

Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 (herein after

referred as PAT Regulation) to protect the tribes

and their natural resources from exploitation by

outsiders. 5 kms band around the Jarawa reserve

was carved out and notified as Buffer Zone.

10. That the Jarawa Reserve area is covering an

extent of 1028 Sq.km. That it is clarified that

there is no one residing within Reserve Notified

Area . In fact no one is permitted to reside in the

Reserved Area other than the Jarawa Tribe. The

Buffer Zone area is about 843 Sq. Km within

which there are 34 Revenue Settlement villages

with a population of 22,000. 4 Nos. of Jetties are

located within the Buffer Zone at Middle Strait,

Nilambur, Gandhighat and Uttara Jetty. However,