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documentation of all the commuters as well as vehicles using the ATRs will take a long time and cause inconvenience to the commuters as well as law and order problems due to long queues of vehicles as well as passengers and a number of persons/vehicles missing the convoy altogether due to their documentation not being complete.

2. IGP (L&O) viewed that the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its final order dated 05/03/2013 had directed the Andaman & Nicobar Island's Administration to strictly comply with the amended regulations and orders issued for implementation thereof. The Policy on Jarawa Tribe of Andaman Islands notified on Dec 21, 2004 provides for regulation of traffic on ATR. It laid down for the tourist traffic on ATR that it should be strictly monitored to ensure that there is no interaction between the Jarawas and the tourists. The documentation, as was being maintained by Andaman & Nicobar Police at Jirkatang and Middle Strait check posts till 21/01/2013 specifically catered to this requirement. Therefore, the documentation that was in place till 21/01/2013 may be continued and monitoring on ATR be further augmented with use of CCTV Cameras (which have now been installed at Jirkatang) and augmentation of staff deployed with the convoys for their orderly movement.
3. Secretary (Tribal Welfare) submitted that though SLP 12125/2010 filed by the Administration to sustain the Buffer Zone Notification was finally disposed of, thereby vacating of Interim Orders including the one dated 21/01/2013, the issue of ATR was yet to be finally resolved. Hon'ble Supreme Court in their order dated 7/5/2002 in IA No.502 of 1999 in WP No.202 of 1995 had accepted the report of, the Court Commissioner Shri Shekhar Singh appointed by the Apex Court. One of the 47 recommendations submitted by Shri Shekhar Singh related to the closure of ATR passing through Jarawa Tribe reserve. Though, there was no specific order in respect of the closure of the ATR by Apex Court, since there was an unqualified acceptance of the report by the Court, the Administration had filed an application before the Apex Court in March'2003 in IA No.918 for variation of the order seeking permission to keep open the ATR and the matter has not so far been taken up for disposal by the Court. Further on 15/05/2008 the Administration filed reply Affidavit in IA No.1024 of 2008 submitting the steps taken by the Administration to comply with the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 07/05/2002. In the Affidavit the Administration had reiterated its request for variation of the order seeking permission to keep open the ATR. Both in the IA 918 and IA 1024, the Administration had stated that in view of the Jarawa Policy framed by the Central Government, the interaction between Jarawas and the road users had been restricted due to convoy arrangement and intense patrolling in ATR. Therefore, Secretary (Tribal Welfare) viewed that strict implementation of PAT Regulation, 2012 and close monitoring of the users of ATR would be absolutely required, considering the vulnerability of the Administration in case of any fresh challenge before the Hon'ble Apex Court in the matter of ATR.
4. It was decided that a procedure may be devised to simplify the documentation process at the same time collecting the complete details of persons travelling the ATR so as to monitor the vehicular movement

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