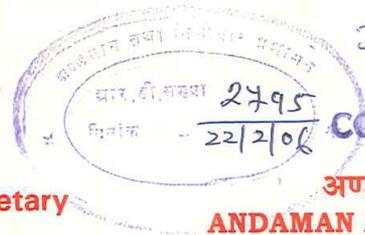




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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
सचिवालय SECRETARIAT

DO No.CS/PS/2006

Port Blair, dated the 17th February, 2006.

Dear Shri Dharmendra Kumar,

As you are aware, consequent to the Hon'ble High Court's order, detailed guidelines about the Jarawas have been formulated by the Administration and the same is being implemented by various Departments. One of the most important matters is the regulation of the traffic on the ATR passing through the Jarawa territory. It is inter-alia envisaged in the policy that the convoys of vehicles shall move escorted by the Police, periodically and the vehicle should not stop en-route. It is also mentioned that no photography or giving food items to the Jarawa by the passengers be allowed during the course of their journey on the ATR.

2. However, I have received reports that in certain cases the vehicles are allowed to ply on this route unescorted, with the result some unscrupulous people stop the vehicle and interact with the Jarawas. I have also been given to understand that the police personnel traveling in the convoy do not take any action against such persons, who decide to get out of the convoy or halt on the way.

3. The Jarawa issue is a serious matter concerning the lives of one of the most distinct primitive tribes in the world. In case of any mishap on account of some unscrupulous people stopping on the way while passing through the Jarawa territory, it will have serious ramifications both national and international. In addition, questions will be raised against the Administration in terms of implementation of the High Court's order.

4. I would, therefore, like you to kindly review the entire implementation of the Jarawa policy especially in relation to the movement of traffic on the ATR and ensure that the policy is implemented in letter and spirit.

5. A line in confirmation will be highly appreciated.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-
(D.S. Negi)

Shri Dharmendra Kumar,
Inspector General of Police, A&N Islands, Port Blair.
Copy to :-

The Secretary(Tribal Welfare), A&N Administration with the direction to coordinate with the Police Department and ensure the Jarawa policy is implemented strictly.

Chief Secretary.

This has to be processed with Police Deptt

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