

Jarawa Policy with a objective to protect the Jarawas from harmful effects of exposure and contact with the outside world while they are not physically, socially and culturally prepared for such influences. In terms of the guidelines / strategies mentioned in the above notified Jarawa Policy copy placed at page 79-82, meaningful research on the Jarawas will be allowed under the advice of AAJVS to further the understanding of their life and culture including their traditional knowledge. Therefore, the permission to BBC needs to be given under the preview of the notified Jarawa Policy.

As per the notified Jarawa Policy, AAJVS will function like a trustee of the interest of the Jarawas and advice A&N Administration regarding the protection and welfare of all aboriginal tribes including the Jarawas. Therefore, it is prime responsibility of AAJVS to see that the interests of Jarawas are protection and no commercial exploitation is made at any level by any machinery.

Again, further the proposal of BBC is not clear as to the name of their Indian representative, copy right, sharing of revenue generated, tentative date of shooting the film. BBC had stated that they would be staying for four weeks with the Jarawa people, which is not permissible as it is pure intervention on the life of the Jarawas.

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