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(50) PUC is the hand written slip given by Prof. Babu, the Chairman of the Scientific Expert Committee to go into the report of Shekhar Singh Commission relating to the environment etc of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. This slip was handed over by the Chairman of the said committee to Director (TW). He has requested to supply of the following documents.

- (i) Copy of the Judgment / Orders of the High Court relating to Jarawa Tribe.
- (ii) Recommendations of the Committee constituted by Central Government as per the directions of High Court in the Jarawas matter. (Report of the Expert Committee on Jarawa).
- (iii) Minutes of the seminar organized by Government of India on the Jarawas issues.
- (iv) Notification of the Jarawa Policy issued by Central Government.
- (v) Planning Commission Report (Sub group of experts of the Planning Commission on Jarawas).
- (vi) Current Tribal Sub - Plan (as requested by Prof. Raju, Member of the aforesaid Expert Committee).

(51) Chief Secretary alongwith other Senior Officers of the Administration had detailed discussion with the above said Scientific Committee in the Conference Hall of the Secretariat on 28/10/2006. During the discussion , Chief Secretary informed that the Committee if so desires may have interaction with the concerned officers of the Administration separately. Mr. A Justine, Officer- In- charge of Anthropological Survey of India, Port Blair made a Power Point Presentation before the Committee on 28/10/2006 at 5.30 PM in the Conference Hall of Secretariat which was attended by among others Secretary (Finance) of the Administration. This matter was informed to Secretary (TW) over phone in the afternoon on 28/10/2006.

(52) The Committee went on tour to other Islands and returned to Port Blair on 4/11/2006. In pursuance of the directions of the Chief Secretary, Director (TW) had brief discussion with the committee on its arrival from tour on 4/11/2006. At that time the committee asked for the documents mentioned at para 50/N above. Documents at Sl.No. (i) , (ii), (iv) and (vi) can be given to the committee. A copy of the report of the Expert Committee on Jarawas Sl No (ii) which is available in the Website was given to the Committee . Now the Committee has left the Islands hence the copies of the documents could be handed over to Forest Department being the Nodal Agency in the matter who may further send the documents to the Committee if approved.