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Hon'ble Minister,

Kindly refer to your D.O.letter No.597/VIP/MOS(C)/2007 dated 2.3.2007 regarding one of the recommendations of the Sub-Group of Experts on the genetic research of Jarawas and Onges to be conducted by the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology(CCMB).

I have spoken today to Dr. Lalji Singh, Director, CCMB also in this regard and he has sent me a copy of the ICMR approval.

Since the CCMB has now obtained no objection from the Indian Council of Medical Research(ICMR) for such study, this Administration has taken up this issue with the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, which is required in all such matters pertaining to primitive tribal groups.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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