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**Minutes of meeting held under the Chairmanship of
Chief Secretary on 29/09/2005 to review the
implementation of Jarawa policy notified recently**

- I. List of Officers who attended the meeting is annexed to the minutes
- II. Chief Secretary while welcoming the participants in the meeting asked the Special Secretary (TW) and the Director (TW) to brief the Jarawa policy and the action taken so far by various Departments / Agencies thereon. The Director (TW) explained in nutshell the essential aspects of the Jarawa policy framed and notified by the Government of India recently. Thereafter the action taken by various Departments were briefly mentioned. After further discussion in the matter the following decisions were arrived at:-

1. Alternate mode of transport from Port Blair to Middle and North Andaman Islands be taken up as suggested in the Policy. Direct Shipping from Port Blair and Middle Andaman Islands introduced earlier be introduced.

(Action by: D.SS) ✓

2. Similarly feasibility of plying cargo ship / boat between Port Blair and Middle and North Islands be explored which would reduce traffic on the Andaman Trunk Road.

(Action by D.SS) ✓

3. The existing system of traffic on the Andaman Trunk Road between Jirkatang and Middle Strait through convoy mode be enforced rigorously.

(Action by Police) ✓