

Jarawas. At that juncture when the matter was heard by the said Division Bench in July 1999 presided over by myself, attention of the Court was drawn by Mr. Hem Raj Bahadur, another member of the Bar who also supported the writ application moved by Ms. Shyamali Ganguly, to a Master Plan prepared by the Administration itself for the welfare of the Tribes of Andaman & Nicobar Islands including the Jarawas. Such Master Plan was prepared by Mr. S.A. Awardi at the instance of the Administration after detailed study after consultation with experts appointed by the Administration.

It will appear from the Master Plan that it was a comprehensive Master Plan suggesting remedial measures both short term, mid-term as well as long term for protection and welfare of different tribes of Andaman and Nicobar Islands including Jarawas, after making an in-depth study in their problems with the help of experts including Anthropologists and Officers of the Health Department. Such Master Plan was submitted for the years 1991-2001. After going through such Master Plan, the said Division Bench by an order dated 9.7.99 was not inclined to accept the report of the

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