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Dear Dr. Hameed,

I have received your letter of 19 July 2010 wherein you have expressed your deep concern at the state of affairs of the Jarawa Tribes in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, especially in the context of using them to promote tourism.

I share your view that this is indeed a serious matter which deserves our immediate attention.

You have referred to the Reports of the Sub-Group of the earlier National Advisory Council which you yourself chaired as well as of the Babu Committee on which no substantive action appears to have been taken. I recall that your Sub-Group had submitted an Action Plan for the protection and preservation of the Jarawas.

I am calling for a report on the action taken by the concerned authorities on the subject.

With good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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