

Kadamtala in Middle Andaman and G.B. Pant Hospital, Port Blair have been provided for treatment of Jarawas and such Wards are also declared as Tribal Reserve.

The PAT Regulation makes adequate provision of the land and its protection for the benefit of the PTGs including Jarawas in the island territory. The areas inhabited by the Scheduled Tribes of these Islands have been declared as Tribal Reserve. The entry into such area by non-tribal is not only prohibited unless permitted by the Statutory Authority under the said law but acquiring any land is also prohibited. Besides the A & N Administration is making all efforts to enforce the Jarawa Policy by prohibiting persons who illegally enter the Jarawa Reserve area by registering cases against them under the PAT Regulation as well as SCS and STS (Protection of Atrocities) Act 1989. This has created a deterrent effect and intrusion into the Jarawa areas have reduced considerably in recent times. At the same time some Jarawas in small groups are coming out of the Reserve and interacting with the nearby settlements such as Tirur in South Andaman. *Such contact is on the increase, with Jarawas occasionally adopting custom of Jarawas - wearing &*

In order to further protect the Jarawas from the harmful effects of development and exposure and contact with the outside world, an area up to 5 Kms around the Jarawa Tribal Reserve on the land ward side has been declared as a Buffer Zone by the A&N Administration in October 2007, prohibiting any commercial and tourism activities in this zone. *This order has been challenged on technical ground and is presently sub-judice in the Apex Court. To strengthen the PAT Regulation, it is proposed to give additional power to the Administrator to declare any area which is adjacent to the Reserve as Buffer Zone to regulate unwanted developmental activities and to provide penalty for violation of "Buffer Zone" similar to that provided for "Reserve Area" under Section 8 of the PAT Regulation. The proposal for amendment of PAT Regulation has been sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs for approval in July 2010.*

The Andaman Trunk Road is the life line between Port Blair, ~~the main port of the islands~~ South Andaman and Baratang, Middle & North Andaman islands, wherein approximately 30 % population of the islands resides. Essential commodities, building materials etc are transported to these islands through ATR besides the regular passenger traffic. The ATR is also essential from the point of view of security of this Union Territory, as well as providing access for immediate response in all weather conditions, in case of a natural disaster or calamity. The islands, which are affected by strong winds and cyclonic storms during the main South-West monsoon as well as during retreating North-East monsoon, the Shipping services get affected many a times due to rough sea conditions. Thus making ATR as a reliable communication means of transport. The ATR passes through the Jarawa Tribal reserve area in South and Middle Andaman. With increasing traffic for transportation of men and material, the contact with Jarawas with outside world has increased in recent times, as small groups of Jarawas have started coming out on the ATR.

However, every precaution is being taken to ensure that non-tribals using ATR do not contact the Jarawas. To this end, the traffic through the Jarawa Reserve is conducted in convoys put in place by the Police. The employees of AAJVS are also

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Z. P. Pant
AAJVS
Police
Jarawa
ATR
PAT Regulation
Buffer Zone
Reserve Area
Ministry of Home Affairs
Apex Court
Administrator
Technical ground
Commercial and tourism activities
October 2007
A&N Administration
Jarawa Tribal Reserve
Land ward side
Buffer Zone
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