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Refer: Observations of Secretary (TW) at para 31/ante. The matter was discussed with Secretary (TW). The instant proposal is regarding opening a kiosk / food plaza at Middle Strait for the workers to be engaged in construction of a bridge between Middle Strait and Baratang.

Submitted that approximately 201 Jarawas are camping between Jirkatang and Middle Strait in four areas viz.. 09 KM, POtatang, R.K. Nallah and Middle Strait. Their camping in the above areas are almost throughout the year. The Jarawas camping near Middle Strait visit the jetty area on daily basis.

Presently, there is no shop or kiosk to sell eatables and beverages at Middle Strait. Almost 70 to 100 tourist vehicles reach Middle Strait jetty in the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> convoy. The vehicles are parked near the check post and tourists move to lime stone cave, mud volcano etc in Baratang island. The drivers remain with the vehicles or they leave for Baratang to have breakfast / lunch etc.

Similarly, the truck loaded with sand, earth, steel, food commodities, poultry products, POL etc move from Jirkatang in all the four convoys and land up at Middle Strait. They are forced to halt at Middle Strait for longer duration as the vehicle ferry may carry 01 -02 trucks per trip.

If a permanent / temporary or mobile kiosk is allowed at Middle Strait, it will certainly be a relief to the above people forced to stay at Middle Strait and the Police men on duty but will also attract influx of Jarawas. Their eating habits will increase. It may leads to health problems. This is not in the interest of the tribe. Therefore, if agreed and approved, the Directorate of Tribal Welfare may send a reply to the Port Management Board on the above lines.

Administrative Officer

Executive Secretary AAJVS

May kindly see the draft letter placed alongside.

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