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The Secretary (Tribal Welfare)  
Andaman and Nicobar Administration  
Port Blair

Sub: Proposal regarding language documentation of the endangered Jarawa language

Sir,

The Jarawa are one of the very few tribal communities that still maintain a hunter-gatherer lifestyle. Their culture and language are a treasure trove of indigenous knowledge as well as information about the evolution and spread of human civilization. Unfortunately, their language, which is the repository of this knowledge is under threat of being extinct due to the influx of modernity into their lives. Given this situation, we intend to preserve their language and culture by documenting the same.

To this end, we wish to conduct a pilot survey of the Jarawa reserve in order to gather information about the terrain and the people so that we can be better prepared for the documentation on a forthcoming extended field visit.

We request you to take this into consideration and give us permissions as well as arrange the required logistics for the same.

Thank you

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