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20 This is in reference to the telephonic discussion held with DC/A today, regarding grant of Tribal Pass for a period of six months to the research students viz. Dr. Alok Kumar Das; Dr. Shailendra Mohan; Shri Narayan K. Chaudhary; and Shri Abhishek Avtans for visiting and staying at Strait island to undertake a project titled "VANISHING VOICES OF GREAT ANDAMANESE".

21 DC/A informed me that the CS has desired to allow these students for their research work and asked me to find out somehow some-way.

22 In this connection, I am to submit that after the recent earthquake and Tsunami the entire scenario has been changed and decision in this regard by the Executive Council, AAJVS as well as Ministry of Tribal Affairs has taken that no research on PTGS should be undertaken/allowed without their consent and approval. In this connection may refer paras 9/n. to paras 19/n. at page 3-5/n.

As per decision of the Executive Council taken in its meeting held on 24 March 2005 - vide Item No. 3 (Please see page 22/c. marked 'B') that -

23 "It was further decided that the standing committee should call for the details of on-going research works also and decide about the need to pursue these research works. In case the research work has been completed the findings should be placed before the Standing Committee for analysis. All these details should be submitted before the Executive Council alongwith the views/recommendations of the Standing Committee, in its next meeting."

24 Similarly, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, GOI, New Delhi Intimated-vide office letter (copy placed at page 23/c. that -

"kindly ensure that such undue interferences in the lives of Primitive Tribal Groups do not take place without the approval of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs."