Promulgated by the President in the sixty-first year of the Republic of India as follows:-

A Regulation to amend the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956.

In exercise of the powers conferred by article 240 of the Constitution, the President is pleased to promulgate the following Regulation.

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<td>(2) It extends to the whole of the Andaman &amp; Nicobar Islands.</td>
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<td>(3) It shall come into force on such date as the Administrator (Lieutenant Governor) may, by Notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.</td>
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2. In the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (Protection of Aboriginal Tribes) Regulation, 1956 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Regulation), in section 2, the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

(c) “Deputy Commissioner” means the Deputy Commissioner of South Andaman, North & Middle Andaman or Nicobar District as the case may be.

Under section 2, the following clauses shall be inserted below clause (f), as clauses (g) & (h), namely:-

(g) “Buffer Zone” means an area which is adjacent to the “reserved area”, which the Administrator may, by notification under section 3, declare to be a Buffer Zone.

(h) “Commercial Activities” means Resorts, Hotels, Restaurants, Bars and Paying guest accommodation, except Govt. run Guest Houses.

3. In section 3 of the principal Regulation, the following shall be inserted below sub-section (2), as sub-section (3):

(3) The Administrator may, by notification, declare any area which is adjacent to the reserved area as buffer zone specifying the limits of such area; and may from time to time in like
manner alter such limits: All commercial activities shall be prohibited within the buffer zone.

| Penalties | 4 A. In section 8 of the principal Regulation, the following clauses shall be added after sub clause (3) :-
(4) If the unauthorized entry into “reserved area” is found to be for purpose of taking photographs or making videos of the “aboriginal tribes”, the same shall be punishable with imprisonment, which may extend to three years and with fine.
(5) If the unauthorized entry into “reserved area” is found to be for the purpose of encroaching, hunting or poaching from the said area, the same shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to three years and with fine.
(6) If the unauthorized entry into “reserved area” is found to be for the purpose of introducing any form of alcohol or any narcotic drug or psychotropic substance, or any highly inflammable or explosive substance or any form of alien biological germ, bacteria or virus to the “aboriginal tribe”, the same shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to seven
years and with fine.
Note :-“Narcotic drug” and “Psychotropic substance” shall have the meaning as define in the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

(7) Whoever, in contravention of a notification regarding “buffer zone” issued under section 3, undertakes commercial activities in the buffer zone shall be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to three years and with fine.

(8) If any person/agency promotes tourism activities through any advertisement about Jarawa tribe directly or indirectly, the same shall be punishable with imprisonment, which may extend to three years and with fine.

Pratibha Devi Singh Patil
President

Secretary to the Govt. of India
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