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## PRESS NOTE

Acting on a tip-off, the officials of Tushnabad Forest Range launched an operation in the Beachdera Reserved Forest area on 08.11.2019. During the operation, they nabbed two persons and from their possession, venison weighing around 18 Kgs. and a deer head were recovered. The accused were identified as Shri Sikander Singh, S/o. Late Jagan Singh, R/o. Tushnabad and Shri Bisheswar Singh, S/o. Late Sher Singh, R/o. Caddlegunj. They were later produced before the Hon'ble Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Port Blair and from where they were remanded to judicial custody till 22.11.2019.

The whole operation was carried out by S/Shri Mohammed Shabir, Forester, Kameshwar Rao, Forest Guard, E.M.Mohammed Haneefa, Forest Guard, P.K.Mohammed Shafique, Forest Guard along with Mazdoors namely Sunil Majhi, S.Ramesh, Eliza, Mohammed Younus and Manik Halder under the close supervision of Shri Jainal Abdin, Range Officer, Tushnabad.

In another instance, the Forest officials of Mobile Squad, Wimberlygunj during their routine beat combing exercise seized 15 kgs. venison, one No. dugout engine dinghy, 01 No.12 bore gun, 06 Nos. live cartridges and other utensils used for commissioning of the offence from the forest area of Shoalbay-14 on 06.11.2019. Though the offenders could not be apprehended, a case has been registered under relevant section of W(P)A, 1972 and investigation is on to nab the offenders. This was possible due to the hard work and concerted efforts of the Forest officials namely Shri Uttam Kumar Mistry, Forest Guard, Shri N.Saheed, Forest Guard, Shri Paul Mark, Mazdoor and Shri M.B.Halder, Mazdoor.

The Divisional Forest Officer, South Andaman has, further, appealed to the general public to pass on credible information pertaining to illegal activities related to forest & wildlife over phone No.256178(Mobile Squad), 255344(Mannarghat Range), 224540 (Tushnabad Range), 287336(Manglutan Range), 252334(Garacharma Range), 281585(Jirkatang Range) & 255228(Divisional Office). The identity of the informer will be kept secret.

Divisional Forest Officer, South Andaman.

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- 2. The Director, FTI, Wimberlygunj for publishing the press note in the quarterly newsletter "Aranyak".
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