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Thereafter visited, the Onges settlement. There are 26 houses for the Onges, all semi permanent structure with raised platform. The basement is used mainly for fogging to keep mosquitoes away. It is observed that these houses needs minor repairs including replacement of wooden planks, painting etc. Many of the street lights were broken / damaged and needs repairs.

An Anganwadi centre is run by the Onges ladies headed by Smti. Kanchan. Sheela and Kakae under the CDPO Little Andaman. It is reported that neither the Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) nor the (Block level worker) BLW ever visit Dugong Creek.

It was also observed that there are a large number of dogs in the settlement which may pose a danger to the Onges. We may take up the matter with Veterinary department for sterilization of the dogs.

After completion for the inspection, a meeting was convened in the newly constructed Guest house attended by the Onges and the Government Officials.

- a) Self informed the Onges that the AAJVS and A&N Administration are making all efforts to provide best service to them. They were requested to send their children to School regularly and not to withdraw them.
- b) Shri. Badaraju, Chief Of Onges stated that they get 09 kg rice, 500 gms of cooking oil, tea and sugar and two toilet soaps per person. This is not enough for them and their family members. He requested to increase the quantity of these items.
- c) During December 2008, 08 Onges died due to consumption of methyl alcohol found in the sea shore. Many of Onges consumed the liquor. Out of them, 2 lost their vision partially. One Onge viz.. Shri. Vicky got back his vision gradually, but the second Onge, Shri. Totanagae still has a blurred vision. He was treated in G.B. Pant Hospital.