

- c) **24 hours electricity supply and repair of street lights:** The Assistant Engineer, Electricity department stated that his department has deputed staff for repair of street lights and it will be done soon. Regarding 24 hours power supply he added that it is very difficult to provide 24 hours power supply through diesel generator sets due to non-availability of infrastructure, manpower, uneconomical transportation costs etc. Instead his department has prepared a project to reinstall solar power plant of 5 KW at Strait island and Dugong Creek.

This would cost 5 to 7 lakhs and the extra power generated can be converted into the grid. This supply can be made during day time. The time frame for completion of solar power plan with SPV technology is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013

It was intimated that street light repair work is going on and will be completed soon.

With regard to extension of energy meters and power supply to new houses and staff quarters, Smti. Sandhya Mondal shall co-ordinate with APWD (E&M Division) and Electricity department and complete all administrative formalities for immediate energy connection.

(Action: Electricity department / APWD / AAJVS)

- d) **Completion and handing over of all buildings:-** The Executive Engineer APWD informed that his department has completed construction of all new buildings. The NIT work for retaining wall, toe wall and foot path is in progress and they expect that within this summer the work may be completed.

He added that APWD Had prepared a project for installation of RO plant at Strait Island costing Rs. 12.00 lakhs. It requires 6 to 7 hours of power supply and a load of 3 KW. The plant will be run by APWD officials posted at Strait Island including the Great Andamanese employees. R.O plant will be installed by February 2013.

The Secretary (TW) asked APWD to submit estimates for installation of RO Plant. He asked APWD to run the plant in the evening hours when power supply is available.

The Secretary (TW) further asked APWD to repair all the existing houses of the Great Andamanese. The Executive Engineer, APWD assured that the work shall be completed by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013. He added that his department has received an amount of Rs.3.45 crores against which an amount of Rs.4.71 crores has been spent. He is sending the reconciled statements. Secretary (TW) assured for remaining payment