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				of India.
	5.6	Problem of introduced invasive species	The problem caused by introduced alien species such as Spotted Deer, Crow and Mynas was discussed in detail by the Board. The	In the matter of Common Crows which are listed as vermin in the Schedule V of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the issue
4			Board was apprised that common crows are listed as vermin under Schedule V of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. In view of this, the Board advised Forest Dept. to take up appropriate action in the matter in consultation with experts. As regards the	will be taken up with the experts. As regards to Mynas which are alien to the islands, but are protected under WPA, a study on its impact on indigenous birds is yet to be taken up with a reputed institution.
ļ,L			Mynas are concerned, Chief Wildlife Warden informed that although Mynas are alien to these Islands but are protected under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. The Board suggested to commission study to assess the impact of Myna on indigenous birds and eco systems to decide further course of action.	
-W	5.7	Publication of awareness generating literature	Regarding publication of awareness generating literature, the Board advised the department to print/ re-print the available literature on wildlife and distribute sufficient number to different department/academic institutions for distribution on important occasions. The Board also advised the Department to reprint literatures published on wildlife conservation by organizations such as Andaman & Nicobar	Action have been taken to reprint the available literature on wildlife