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Scheme and settled at different parts of these islands. Later on, the retired army Personnel too were brought under the same scheme and settled at Campbell Bay.

- 4. Under the rehabilitation scheme, these settlers have been given arable lands, sites for house construction, monetary help etc. More importantly, they have been guaranteed reservation in the government jobs too.
 - 5. Unfortunately, the Ranchi people, who are 15% of the total population of these islands, toiled relentlessly and worked under the most inhospitable conditions to make these islands inhabitable since beginning, now they have been totally ignored by the Administration and the Government of India as well. They are neither treated at par with the settlers nor have ST status.
 - 6. Having left the mainland where they had ST status and A&N Administration not recognizing their ST status in these Islands. Infact they now constitute the lowest rung of the society and are the poorest of poor in the Andaman Islands. Today, they are seeking a little relief in terms of inclusion them in ST category.
 - 7. The Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram, a non-governmental organization, has been working among them since 1990 for their all round development. The aforementioned issues