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Keeping in view the increased population of this Territory, the number of seats in Medical and Engineering Colleges allotted to the students of A&N Islands needs to be increased.

## 3.1.2 By Vishal Jolly, Up Adhyaksh, Zila Parishud:

The widening gap between the level of educational facilities available in urban and rural areas needs to be bridged. While the number of schools in the rural areas is more than adequate, it has been noticed that good teachers, good buildings, facilities like computers, etc. have been mainly confined to schools in the urban areas only. The schools located in rural areas have not been provided with science teachers and lab equipments and their buildings are not being properly maintained. He suggested centralisation of secondary and senior secondary schools at the level of Tehsils where all required facilities could be provided alongwith boarding facilities.

## 3.1.3 By Shri Ibrahim Ali Hussain:

In the southern group of islands the level of education is very poor. The Government schools have not been provided with a sufficient number of teachers, especially in the science stream. He emphasised the need of posting science teachers in the schools located in these islands.

## 3.1.4 By Smt Kumar Raghavan:

She drew the attention of the Hon'ble Home Minister on shortage of science teachers and non-availability of Headmasters and Principals in the schools located in Campbell Bay area.

On this Hon'ble Home Minister stated that all shortcomings pointed out by the members should be taken care of within the next 3 months by the A&N administration and a report be sent to him in this regard.