

- Promotion of industrial development and employment generation in A&N Islands

4.4 UT Administration has taken appropriate action for generating maximum employment opportunities without disturbing the ecology of the islands.

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- Priority to be provided in work for repair of Ships (dry docking) of Lakshadweep

4.5 The Cochin Shipyard has been requested by the Ministry of Surface Transport to consider the repairs of ships of UT on priority.

- Provision of Eastern side Harbour to all islands in Lakshadweep

4.6 MP, Lakshadweep pointed out that there is no mention made of the ongoing third stage of work on construction of breakwater at Andrott. In this regard, representative of MOST informed that the work at Andrott is in progress and the initial cost of the project of Rs.19.42 crore has been revised to Rs.38.83 crore. Work on soil investigation and EIA studies have been completed for Minicoy, Agatti and Amini islands. For providing eastern-side harbour facilities at Kadmat, Chetlet and Kilton islands work would be taken up during the 10th Five Year Plan.

- Feasibility of Wave Energy Programme in Lakshadweep

4.7 Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources informed that the subject is now with Deptt. of Ocean Development (DOD). It was informed by DOD that while there is a wave power potential, the techno-economic viability for harnessing this potential has not yet been established and alternative technologies are at the R&D stage.

- Feasibility study for development of Ports in A&N Islands

4.8 MOST informed that work is in progress in various islands.

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