

lights have been provided as per approved estimates in most populated areas and are not provided in front of every house holds.

(ii) 80% houses have no connection

2252 Domestic service connections have been provided in Car Nicobar Island. At present no application from any of the tribals for providing electric connection is pending with department. Almost all house holds in all 15 tribal villages of Car Nicobar are provided with electric supply.

Agriculture

(i) 730 fruits bearing trees lost/damaged due to water stagnation in village Small Lapathy, Big Lapathy and other villages.

(ii) A good No. of villages affected by Soil Erosion

The damage of coconut trees at Small and Big Lapathy villages Car Nicobar due to water logging has been surveyed by the Agriculture Department. The water logging problem of Big Lapathy village, Car-Nicobar can be eliminated if the 8 inch dia pipe crossing on the main road is substituted by APWD by Hume pipe culvert of 1 m. dia. APWD has already kept 3 Nos. RCC Hume pipe on this place but not taken up the culvert work. Once this culvert is made the excess water stagnated in the coconut plantation at Big Lapathy will be drained out from the affected water logged area to the opposite side of the road.

The water logging problem in the coconut plantation where trees have dried off at the Small Lapathy is being tackled by making ridges of earthen embankment of about 2 feet height and 10 feet width over a distance of 20 feet center to center and 10 feet in between the ridges. Since getting earth from near by Nicobari villages is problem which could not be sorted out during discussion with the Secretary Tribal council, now it is proposed that the required earth will be collected from Auckchung plantation and brought to this