for submerged land is still under consideration, hence the project can be considered once the same is settled.

(Action: UT Administration)

43. Implementation of long pending "Shekhar Singh Commission" report accepted by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India except the point "Closure of Andaman Trunk Road, passing through Jarawa Tribal Reserve.

The representative of MoEF&CC apprised the Committee that the basic issue was palm tree cultivation. Mono plantations are not advisable. The Committee noted.

44. Opening of Veterinary, Agriculture College. Setting up University at Port Blair

The UT Administration has apprised that the proposal for opening of Veterinary College has been kept in the Vision 2030 and same has been approved in the 8th State Planning Board meeting held on 30th May, 2017. The Committee noted.

(Action: UT Administration)

45. A policy to maintain beaches in all Islands, stop mining in Municipal area, proper solid waste management.

The UT Administration apprised the Committee that all the beaches in A & N Islands are protected either under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 or Indian Forest Act, 1927 and IPZ/CRZ Notifications, notified under Environment (Projection), Act. Mining/quarrying in these islands is only permitted under the Andaman & Nicobar Islands Mines and Minerals Rules 2012. As per the provision of the Solid Waste Management Rule, 2016, the responsibility of collection, segregation and disposal of the solid waste has been entrusted with the local bodies. ANPCC has taken several steps to regulate the solid waste management activities in ANIs. The Committee noted.

46.No Legislative Assembly – Effective A&N Islands Lt. Governor Advisory Council The UT Administration apprised the Committee that the term of Council has expired and re-constitution of the council is under progress. The Committee noted.

47. Online Portal for Yachts/Cruise Liners

The UT Administration apprised the Committee that online immigration clearance for the Yacht and Cruise Liner is not possible at this moment due to poor internet connectivity in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The Committee noted.

48. Visa on Arrival Facility for Tourists

The UT Administration apprised the Committee that as per Visa Manual it is mentioned that, "The Tourist Visa-on-Arrival will be provided only at designated International Airports. The FRO Port Blair, is not having authority to issue or endorse visa to any foreigner. The Committee noted.