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SI	Issues	Extract of Minute	Action Taken/Status as on 22.03.2014
			<p>Administration dated 21.01.2013 (Annexure-'P') from Hon'ble Lt. Governor also sent a D.O Letter to Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge), Environment &amp; Forests on 07-2-2013 (Annexure-'Q').</p> <p>The matter was taken up during the meeting held in MHA under the chairmanship of Home Secretary on 02.05.2013 (minutes circulated vide Administration's letter F.No.3-4 (104)/2013-14 Pending issues/CBGN dated 20.05.2013). During the meeting it was informed that the draft amendment notification has been referred to the Ministry of Law &amp; Justice for vetting the notification on the issues related to A&amp;N Islands.</p> <p><b><u>Formal notification in this regard is awaited from the Ministry of Environment &amp; Forests.</u></b></p>
9.	<b>Request for permission for Sand Mining</b>	<p>The LG, A&amp;N pointed out that sand mining is required to be reduced, as per Supreme Court's decision dated 07.05.2002. Practically no sand mining has been done in A&amp;N for last 3 years resulting in serious problems for the construction and development works. The NCZMA, in its 25th meeting, recommended amendment to IPZ notification 2011 for permitting sand mining from identified non eco-sensitive areas. Since there has been delay in issue of the relevant notification, therefore, a local committee under the Chief Secretary may be allowed to go ahead with sand allotment, as approved vide minutes of 25th meeting dated 16.07.2012 and subsequent</p>	<p>National Coastal Zone Management Authority in its meeting held on 16th July, 2012 at New Delhi had decided to recommend amendment to Island Protection Zone (IPZ) Notification, 2011 permitting extraction of sea sand from the identified non-eco sensitive zones in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The Ministry is yet to issue the notification allowing extraction of sand as decided in the above meeting.</p> <p>Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Andaman &amp; Nicobar Islands had taken up the matter in the meeting of the Standing</p>