

SI	Issues	Extract of Minute	Action Taken/Status as on 22.03.2014
		<p>morning 05:45 to 16:50 hrs. About 1.5 acres of land has been identified and AAI has asked the A&N Administration to acquire this land. Notification under Section 5 has also been issued and instrument landing system will be in place on completion of the same. It will be fully functional by 2013.</p> <p>Action to be taken by Ministry of Civil Aviation</p>	
11.	Reduction of air fare and increased connectivity.	<p>According to LG (A&N), Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDG) were expected to improve connectivity in the remote regions such as North-East, J&K and A&N and Lakshadweep Islands. At present 10% quota is earmarked under RDG for these sectors. Most of the airlines prefer to meet this criterion by touching Jammu and other short duration destinations and avoid Port Blair. On 29.06.2011, M/o Civil Aviation was requested to keep A&N Islands in an exclusive category under Route Dispersal Guidelines, followed up by a letter dated 25-08-2011 from LG (A&N) to the Union Minister of Civil Aviation. This will increase connectivity as well as reduce air fares.</p> <p>The LG, A&N said that it is beyond the capacity of the people to pay exorbitant fares being charged by the airlines for journeys</p>	<p>The existing Route Dispersal Guidelines which mandate airlines to fly 10% of capacity on non-viable routes like the North-East, Jammu and Kashmir, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep is being scrapped by the Ministry of Civil Aviation. Instead, the airlines willing to fly to routes considered non-viable would be given subsidy under the Essential Air Service Fund, Jointly by the Government of India, by imposing cess on passengers travelling on metro routes, by the State Government underwriting some seats and concessions on Air Traffic Control (ATC) charges by Airport Authority of India.</p> <p>The exercise of chartering an aircraft by Andaman and</p>