

## Second meeting held on 08.11.2017

Sl. No.	Agenda/Decision of IDA	Updated status
1	Strengthening of Inter-Island Connectivity for Islanders and Tourists – Civil operation of Naval Air Station Shibpur in Diglipur  (Subsequently taken in 4 <sup>th</sup> IDA Meeting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land allotment to Navy for extension of runway to 3000 meters completed.</li> <li>Refurbishing of Porta Cabins for use as Arrival/Departure Terminals for civilian passengers at Naval Airport Station Shibpur# completed. The airport has been declared open for civil operations by Hon'ble Prime Minister on 30.12.2018.</li> <li>Ministry of Civil Aviation awarded the route connecting Port Blair to Shibpur on 25.01.2019 to M/s Andaman Airways Pvt Ltd for flight operation under RCS-UDAN-3. Operations are expected to commence from June 2019.</li> </ul> <p># commissioned as INS Kohassa on 24.01.2019</p>
2	Improvement of communication through Satellite Connectivity and Submarine Optical Fibre Project	<p><b>Satellite Bandwidth</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bandwidth augmented upto 2.118 Gbps (as on 30/04/2019). Cost of hiring transponders (Space Segment Charges) is being reimbursed by the UT Administration.</li> <li>DPR for augmenting the satellite bandwidth upto 4.484 Gbps submitted to MHA for Standing Finance Committee clearance.</li> </ul> <p><b>Submarine Optical Fibre Project</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work for laying submarine cable connecting Chennai with Port Blair and seven other Islands awarded to M/s NEC (Infrastructures) India Pvt Ltd on 26/06/2018. Project is likely to be completed by June, 2020.</li> <li>Marine Survey work completed.</li> <li>CRZ clearances for landing stations: (a) Port Blair, Little Andaman, Swaraj Dweep, Long Island awarded on 21.12.2018 (b) NCSCM recommendations received for Car Nicobar, Rangat, Campbell Bay and Kamorta landing stations, being sent to MoEF&amp;CC for CRZ clearance.</li> </ul>
3	De-dieselization and Judicious mix of options for augmenting power generation  (Subsequently taken in 4 <sup>th</sup> IDA Meeting)	<p>Moving ahead towards de-dieselization, UT Administration has prepared/submitted an Action Plan for Solar energy to MNRE. Following projects are under various stages of execution in the Islands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Work for 20 MWp Solar Power Plant (Dollygunj/Attampahad) in South Andaman under progress. 2.5 MWp Solar capacity already installed/functional at Dollygunj, while installation of 17.5 MWp Solar Power plant (with battery backup) will be completed by October 2019.</li> </ul>