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	Poachers operating in the Islands. Forest Department ill equipped to prevent poaching - do not have legal requisites, manpower, arms, fast boats etc.	
8.	Many Exotic animals/ Plants introduced in Islands with destructive impact on forest regeneration. - Red Oil Palm Cultivation in Little Andaman and Teak in other islands have significant negative impact.	
9.	Between 1998-2001, officially 2,23,000 cum of sand has been extracted from Beaches using 72 sea beaches, illegal extraction of sand from sea beaches is considerable. Ministry of Environment & Forests has allowed sand extraction arbitrarily causing a lot of environmental damage (sand extraction is not sustainable). There appears to be no efforts to phase out sand extraction/ move towards sustainable, safer, methods of construction.	
10.	Islands fragile ecosystem has limited capacity to withstand impact of Tourism - Forests, marine and coastal ecosystem & coral reefs to be protected from adverse impact of tourism - ANI hold great potential for high value, low volume specialized ecotourism with minimal infrastructure dispersed/ flexible tourism	