

Some of the strategies that the Government may adopt include:

- (i) Introduction of time-bound work permits system which is effective from 2007 for all the immigrants labour entering into islands;
- (ii) Issue of identity cards to all local citizens, completion of the process of issuing the identity cards at the earliest, and a decision on the cut-off date for issuing the identity cards after consultation with PRIs;
- (iii) Restriction on the immigration;
- (iv) Implementation of measures such as reduction in subsidy levels and enhancement of user charges for migrants so that these act as deterrants for migrants to settle in the islands;
- (v) Summary eviction procedures appropriate for Andaman and Nicobar Islands with proper and effective monitoring system be evolved and implemented immediately. These procedures and monitoring system should include the empowerment of Forest officers to evict any encroacher on forest land, and formation of joint Committees consisting of Forest officials and PRIs to maintain strict vigilance on the encroachment of forest land;
- (vi) As per the SC order, a Committee consisting of the Lt. Governor (Chairman), the Chief Secretary, the PCCF and a representative of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Department of Government of India be constituted to oversee eviction of encroachers and their rehabilitation and resettlement;
- (vii) The time framework given by SC to complete the eviction of encroachers is not adequate enough because eviction is a complex process, and the Administration may be given adequate time to complete the eviction process and rehabilitation and resettlement of encroachers; and