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		<p>Administration will have to make a commitment to meet the regular O&M costs. The PBMC showed their inability to meet the O&M Cost and requested Administration to provide subsidy. The matter was not pursued thereafter. However due to scarcity of water and the prevailing situation the matter was again taken up with the Administration.</p> <p>After detailed discussion and deliberation it was decided that instead of 14 MLD, 7 MLD Plant will be proposed as 7 MLD of water will fetch 40 LPCD water for the present population, which is the minimum requirement of an individual as per GOI norms.</p> <p>A proposal is being submitted to MoUD for funding the project from JNNURM (UIDSSMT).</p>	
D(ii). URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Lakshadweep)			
28.	Completion of LTTD Plants by NIOT UTL/MP Lak/Min. of Defence	<p>One Low Temperature Thermal Desalination Plant (LTTD) is functioning in Kavayatti since March 2006. Planning Commission had accorded approval for establishing 8 more LTTD Plants in 8 islands in a phased manner (Agatti, Minicoy & Androth in 1st phase, Amini, Kiltan & Chetlat in 2nd phase and Kalpeni & Kadmat in 3rd phase). Accordingly, UTL Administration executed MoU with NIOT, Chennai for establishing LTTD Plants under 1st phase on 02/08/2006. An amount of Rs.26.60 Cr. was deposited with them in September 2006. The work was required to be completed by September 2008.</p> <p>Considering urgency for establishing LTTD plants in other islands, it was decided to also launch the IInd phase. Accordingly Rs.32.68 Cr. was deposited with NIOT on 7th July 2009.</p> <p>However, none of the Plants have so far been completed. Ministry of Earth Science has now confirmed that NIOT will complete Agatti Plant by August 2010 and Minicoy Plant by January 2011.</p> <p>Commissioning of these LTTD Plants and setting up of distribution network needs top priority as drinking water is a crucial problem in islands.</p>	<p>It was pointed out that the dates of completion of the plants are repeatedly getting deferred. Ministry of Earth Sciences informed that the Agatti plant was delayed due to a freak wave in April, 2010 and this plant was now expected to be completed by October, 2010. The Androth plant is expected to be completed by middle of 2011.</p> <p>It was decided that on behalf of NIOT, Ministry of Earth Sciences would indicate to the Lakshadweep Administration the schedule of completion of the remaining 5 plants which are expected to be done with the help of private partners.</p>