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GDP OF A N ISLANDS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of Andaman and Nicobar Islands during each of the last three years in comparison to that of the whole country; and

(b) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to improve the GDP?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) The Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of Andaman and Nicobar Islands (ANI) and the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of India over the past three years is given in the Table below:

Table: ANI GSDP vis a vis All India GDP (Rs. in Crore at constant 2004-05 prices) and Growth Rates (Per cent)

Year of ANI previous year	GSDP over	% Growth GDP	All India previous year	% Growth over
2010-2011	3460	7.9	4937006	9.3
2011-2012	3734	7.9	5243582	6.2
2012-2013	4025	7.8	5505437	5.0

Source: - Central Statistics Office website as on 01.08.2013.

(b) During the current Annual Plan, the outlay for Agriculture & Allied Activities has been increased substantially for rapid agricultural growth in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Recognizing the fact that a large section of the population is dependent on horticulture, animal husbandry and fisheries, these sectors are being given due importance and measures have been taken to improve productivity of coconut, with the launch of the Coconut Mission. Support is also provided to encourage fisheries in terms of deep-sea fishing through the supply of bigger fishing trawlers, cargo transportation, packaging and marketing.

Various steps have been taken for identifying new tourist destinations, construction of resorts under PPP mode, and for extending better transportation facilities to tourists. The Government is also providing incentives/ subsidies, training/ skill up-gradation and capacity building of small entrepreneurs, artisans and craftsmen.