

Andaman and Nicobar Islands Marine Fishing Policy

The Comprehensive Marine Fishing Policy-2004 of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries for UT of Andaman and Nicobar Islands:-

- Apart from the large gap between the potential and production, the strength of the island group lies in its rich marine biodiversity, strategic geographic location, nearness to the Southeast Asian markets and entrepreneurship.
- Further development of coastal fisheries would be achieved through introduction of improved type of fiberglass crafts and improved gears and introduction of intermediate class of fishing vessels.
- Offshore fisheries would be developed through introduction of large deep-sea fishing vessels.
- Infrastructure needs for harvest and post harvest operations would be developed in identified Islands.
- Joint venture initiative would be allowed for package proposals consisting of harvest and post harvest operation to be based in the Islands with a view to improving the employment potential.
- A major fishing harbour and processing complex would be set up at Campbell Bay to attract investment.
- Fishery resources survey will be conducted systematically to continuously monitor the fishery resource and its state of health.
- Human resources development in the sector would be given priority to develop skilled manpower needed for meeting the specialized requirement.
