# REPORT ON PILOT STUDY BASIC STATSTICS FOR LOCAL LEVEL DEVELOPMENT UT OF LAKSHADWEEP

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# **FOREWORD**

The Constitution 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> amendments envisages a major reform of governance which gives responsibilities and powers to the panchayats and Nagar Palikas and offers opportunity for local planning, effective implementation and monitoring of various socioeconomic developmental programmes . This has thrown plethora of statistical data to assist the developmental agencies in their challenging endeavor. The National Statistical Commission had recommended developing а system of regular collection of data on a set of core variables to be compiled at local level for micro level planning. Thus the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, Govt. of India had launched new "Basic Statistics for local level Development". It aimed to prepare a data programme base having information on important segments like; demography, land utilization, education, health, roads, connectivity and basic amenities of gram panchayats through pilot study.

In Lakshadweep- islands of Agatti (rural) and Amini (urban) were selected for this pilot study. The report on "Basic Statistics for local level Development on Agatti & Amini" contained comprehensive data on all key parameters required for local level planning and socio - economic development of these islands.

It is our endeavor that this survey and report could serve as a meaningful tool to the PRI's planners, policy makers and researchers and go a long way towards achieving the targeted goal of decentralized planning a success.

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PREFACE

The Ministry of statistics & Programme Implementation, Govt.of India had

launched Basic Statistics for Local Level Development. In Lakshadweep Islands; Agatti

(rural) and Amini (urban) were selected on pilot basis for this study. It aimed at to

prepare a data base containing the information on all sectors like demography, land

utilization, education, health, road connectivity and basic amenities with regard to each

gram panchayat. Such information has become increasingly essential for preparation of

plan at micro level.

The preparation of district plan has been made mandatory in the wake of

73<sup>rd</sup> constitutional amendment. Accordingly, the plans prepared by Panchayathi Raj

Institutions are the basis for formulating District Plans. Accordingly, it is a prerequisite

to have the comprehensive data on all key parameters.

The Basic Statistics for local level Development was got conducted by

Directorate of Planning & Statistics. The efforts made by Statistical Officers & their staff

in conducting the survey, feeding the data and preparation of reports remained

excellent.

I hope this survey would go a long way towards achieving the targeted goal of

decentralized planning process a great success.

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# BASIC STATISTICS FOR LOCAL LEVEL DEVELOPMENT (BSLLD)

# 1. INTRODUCTION

73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> constitutional amendment mandated the empowerment of panchayati Raj institutions and local bodies according constitutional status to these institutions and enabling them to take up their development process themselves. A number of schemes are being implemented by various departments and by PRI institutions for the socioeconomic development of different areas throughout our country. The requisite data to assess the development and thrust areas at the local level is not available. The formulation of plans/ schemes without assessing the relevant data has not been successful in the past. As a result, local needs and priorities could not be reflected in the state plans and, therefore, these plans could not be helpful in the socio economic development of the areas. The National Statistical System must assist the various development agencies in this challenging task. The recent advances in information technology in compilation, storage and analysis of statistical data should be fully exploited for development at local levels. In view of the above, the National Statistical Commission recommended preparing a database on local level by regular flow of data from the grass root level to ensure the development at micro level.

# 2. PILOT STUDY ON LOCAL LEVEL DEVELOPMENT

In accordance with the recommendation of National Statistical Commission, the Central Statistical Organization, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Govt. of India decided to carry out a pilot study in the country to collect the basic statistics on the local level development. The objective of this scheme is development of village level

databases on population, demography, employment, village facilities, migration, employment & un employment, disabled, health & family welfare, education etc, which may be used as input for micro-level planning for villages and panchayats to facilitate formulation of local level developmental plans. The Directorate of Planning & Statistics, UT of Lakshadweep conducted the pilot survey in two selected islands and compiled village level data; in the absence of statistical machinery at panchayth level in the islands and is responsible for over all coordination, maintenance of quality of the data, compilation, scrutiny and preparation of reports. The study is being under a Central Sector Scheme of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, GOI on pilot basis in all states covering one or two districts / villages in each state. In Lakshadweep two villages; namely, Agatti (rural) and Amini (urban) have been selected for the pilot study.

# 3. METHODOLOGY

The specific schedules designed by the High Power Expert Committee were supplied to all the field level functionaries and the necessary training was also provided to them by the Directorate of Planning & statistics. There are two types of Schedules for compilation of information at village level.

**a. Schedule - A** is periodic dataset for which data was to be collected once in a year. The data was collected for the reference year 2010. This includes data on population (both for age group and social group), total number of households, number of households headed by women, data on morbidity and disability, number of literate persons, data on enrolment, drop out, land utilization in the village, and number of market outlets, llivestock etc.

**b. Schedule - B** is dynamic in nature and it was to be collected on monthly basis. This includes number of live births, still birth, deaths,, number of pregnant women, data on migration, total number of Indoorpatient and their details, total number of marriages, street children, sex workers, incidence of violence against women, number of small-scale

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enterprises and workers therein etc.

# 6. Location, area and population

Lakshadweep, the tiniest Union Territory of India, is an archipelago consisting of 12 attols, 3 reefs and 6 newly formed/ submerged sand banks. It is a Uni-district Union Territory comprised of 11 inhabited islands, 16 uninhabited islands, six newly formed/ submerged sand banks and 3 reefs. The Inhabited islands are Kavaratti, Agatti,



Bangaram, Amini, Kadmat, Kiltan, Chetlat, Bitra, Andrott, Kalpeni and Minicoy. Bitra is the smallest of all having only a population of 267 (Census 2001). In terms of population; Androth, the largest island has maximum population of 10727 (census, 2001) and Bangaram, the tourist centre has the least population of 65 (census, 2001). It is a single district, Union Territory with an area of 32 Sq.km. Though the land area of this coral paradise is so small, the inclusion of about 4200 Sq.Kms. of its lagoon area, 20,000 Sq.km. of its territorial waters and almost 4, 00,000 Sq.kms of Exclusive Economic Zone makes it one of the largest territories

of our Nation. Kavaratti is its capital (Headquarters). The total population of these islands is 60650 (as per 2001 census).

| SI.No | Island    | Area (Sq.Km) | Population | Household |
|-------|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| 1     | Minicoy   | 4.37         | 9495       | 1354      |
| 2     | Kalpini   | 2.28         | 4321       | 801       |
| 3     | Androth   | 4.84         | 10727      | 1643      |
| 4     | Agatti    | 2.71         | 7009       | 1065      |
| 5     | Bangaram  | 0.58         | 65         | 17        |
| 6     | Kavaratti | 3.63         | 10119      | 1797      |
| 7     | Amini     | 2.59         | 7353       | 1179      |
| 8     | Kadmat    | 3.12         | 5334       | 940       |
| 9     | Kiltan    | 1.63         | 3669       | 658       |
| 10    | Chetlat   | 1.04         | 2291       | 469       |
| 11    | Bitra     | 0.1          | 267        | 71        |
|       | Total     | 26.89        | 60,650     | 9994      |

Malayalam is spoken in all the islands, except Minicoy, where people speak Mahl which is written in Divehi script and is spoken in Maldives also.

The entire indigenous population has been classified as Scheduled Tribes because of their economic and social backwardness and geographical isolation from the main stream. The tribes have, however not been named. The islanders are Muslims by religion.

These islands lie about 220 to 440 kilometers away from the coastal city of Kochi in Kerala between 8° and 12° 13" North Latitude and 71° and

74° East Longitude. The inter island distance varies from about 10 to 200 kilometers. The lagoons and the economic zone teeming with marine life and mineral resources enhance the economic importance of Lakshadweep.

# <u>Administration</u>

Prior to the formation of this Union Territory on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 1956 these Islands formed part of the erstwhile Madras State. The entire group of islands is considered as one District. The Headquarters of the Administration was shifted from Calicut (Kerala State) to Kavaratti Island in March, 1964. The necessity for decentralization of the department was felt and accordingly new offices were created in 1972. The Administrator appointed by the President of the Union, under Article 239 of the Constitution is the head of the UT.

To bring the Administration closer to the people all the inhabited islands along with their attached islands and islets, were divided in to nine Sub-Divisions. Each Sub-Division is under the charge of a Deputy Collector/ Sub-Divisional Officer. They also function as Executive Magistrate for respective islands.

The Lakshadweep Island Councils Regulation, 1988 and the Lakshadweep (Administration) Regulation, 1988 under which the Island Councils and Pradesh Councils were set up have been repealed under Section 88 of Lakshadweep Panchayat Regulation, 1994 promulgated by the President of India on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 1994 consequent on Constitution (73<sup>rd</sup> amendment) Act ,1992. The Island Council came to an end after the expiry of its term on 05.04.1995.

According to new Panchayat Regulation, there are two tier System of Panchayat in Lakshadweep. In the island level Village (Dweep) Dweep Panchayat and in the UT level a District Panchayat, there is no intermediary Panchayat in this Territory. The ten inhabited islands each have Dweep Panchayats. The District Panchayat is having its Head Quarter at Kavaratti, the capital of the Territory. Chairperson / Vice Chairperson in the Dweep Panchayats are looking after the activities of their respective panchayaths.

There are thirty six seats in the District Panchayat which include directly elected 25 members, chairpersons of village/ dweep panchayats and the <u>lone</u> Member of Parliament, Loksabha. President cum Chief Counselor and two Vice President cum Counselors in the District Panchayat are managing the affairs of the District Panchayath. The Panchayat is discharging their functions as provided in the Lakshadweep Panchayat Regulation, 1994 and as visualized in the schedule three and four of the said Regulation.

# **Basic Information**.

| SI.No | Information                       | Unit                      | UTL (2009-10)              |
|-------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1.    | Area                              | Sq.Km                     | 32                         |
| 2     | Village ( Dweep) Panchayats       | Nos                       | 10                         |
| 3.    | Population (2001 census)          | Nos                       | 60650                      |
| 4     | Decadal Growth rate               | Percentage                | 17.30                      |
| 5     | Temperature<br>Amini<br>Minicoy   | Max<br>31.09<br>31.08     | Min<br>25.1<br>25.5        |
| 6     | Rainfall (mm)<br>Amini<br>Minicoy | Total<br>1504.9<br>1645.6 | Normal<br>1800.2<br>1422.9 |

| 7  | Percapita Income (2009-<br>10)(Rough Estimate)(current<br>Price)) | Rs.in 000               | 46.89       |
|----|---|-------------------------|-------------|
| 8  | Percapita Income (2009- 10) (Rough Estimate)(constant Price)      | Rs.in 000               | 21.00       |
| 9  | No. of Educational institutions                                   | Nos                     | 68          |
| 10 | Enrollment  | Nos                     | 16713       |
| 11 | Pupil Teacher Ratio   | Percentage              | 19          |
| 12 | Drop out ratio  | Percentage              | 0.02        |
| 13 | Literacy Rate (2001)  | Percentage              | 86.66       |
|    | Male  | Percentage              | 92.53       |
|    | Female  | Percentage              | 80.47       |
| 14 | Sex Ratio (2001)  | 000 males               | 948         |
| 15 | Population Density  | Per.Sq.Km               | 1895        |
| 16 | CHC/PHC/Hospitals/FAC/Dispens aries                               | Nos                     | 16          |
| 17 | Birth Rate (2009)   | Per 000                 | 10.86       |
| 18 | Death Rate (2009)   | Per 000                 | 1.21        |
| 19 | Infant Mortality Rate (2009)                                      | Per 000 (live<br>birth) | 17.00       |
| 20 | Maternal Mortality Rate   | Per 000(live<br>birth)  | 1.42        |
| 21 | Ships/ vessels ( island to island & mainland)                     | Nos                     | 17          |
| 22 | Helicopter ( Pawanhans)   | Nos                     | 2           |
| 23 | Aircraft( King fisher & Indian Airlines)                          | Nos                     | 2           |
| 24 | Consumer Price Index (2009)<br>(base -1975)<br>(2010)             | Nos                     | 871<br>1030 |

Two islands of Lakshadweep viz Agatti and Amini have been selected on pilot basis for conducting study "Basic Statistics for local Level Development".

The field work for this survey was carried out by statistical functionaries of the Directorate of Planning & Statistics. Further the field operations were supervised by the Statistical Officers of the DPS in the

absence of District Statistical Officers in the islands. The overall coordination and supervision of the field work was under the technical guidance of the Director (Planning & Statistics), UT of Lakshadweep.

As indicated earlier, the data to be recorded in Village Schedules (A & B), includes periodic data sets & dynamic data sets. These are not available with village level field functionaries like Anganwadi workers, ANM, as in the case of other states and UTs because of distinct administrative set up prevailed in the islands. Besides, Anganwadi workers are not started to maintain the village level data due to the poor infrastructural facilities and institutional arrangements. Therefore the Statistical Staffs of DPS directly visits various offices and organizations located in the pilot island and collected the data. The information being maintained by various periphery units of the developmental department of the administration is also obtained, which are more reliable.

As regards the information on education sector, the source of information is schools, as all the schools situated in the same village. Information on health has been collected from CHC's functioning in the village. The livestock census is being conducted regularly, once in 5 years in the islands at par with other states and UTs. The subsequent increases were counted after deleting previous count on account of slaughter, mortality etc and required modification recorded in the survey. Regarding morbidity data, the information has been collected from knowledgeable persons like Karnavans etc. The information on employment is based on the records available with the Panchayath and other offices of the administration. Other social statistics were collected from knowledgeable persons, Khazis, Kathibs etc.

# **Agatti Island**

Agatti is a western most island with unparallel scenic beauty, turquoise blue lagoons, magnificent corals. alittering beaches, vivid fish and lush palm On an average, vegetation. climate here is hot. Total area of Island is 2.7 KM Agatti measuring thousand meters in width and 6 Km in lenath. According to the 2001 census, Agatti has a population of 7009 persons and classified as rural island as per census norms. More than 48% are females. Population density per Sq.Km is



2586 persons ranking 4<sup>th</sup> among the islands and the decennial growth rate is 23.62%. Total workers as per 2001 census were 1842 person (main and marginal) and the women work participation rate was below 13 %.

There are one each Pre Primary, Primary, Senior Basic and Senior Secondary schools functioning in the island for universalisation of education with total enrolment of 1811 students. The percentage of literacy according to last census was 86.80%. Under Medical and Health Service one 30 bedded CHC is functioning in the Agatti island and an average 110 out-patients and 5 in-patients are visiting the CHC daily for treatment.

Shipping is the lifeline of the people for their transportation to mainland and other islands. During 2008-2009 the passenger traffic reported from here was an average 13,000 and the cargo movement was 7313.MT.

It is the only island in Lakshadweep archipelago that has an Airport. Thus making easily accessible from the Indian coast, Kingfisher on every day and Indian Airlines except Saturday are operating services to this island from Kochi in Kerala and vice versa. It also has Helicopter service to Bangaram Island which is in the vicinity. The closest Inter-National airport from Agatti is Kochi, while Agatti Island is 459 Kms away from Kochi.

Agatti has four satellite islands namely Bangaram, Thinnakara and two Paralis. Fishing is the main occupation of the islanders; besides subsidiary industries like copra (dry coconut used for oil extraction) and coir production. In 2007-2008 fish landing was 2086 MT, it constitute 18 % of the total fish landing in the UT. An amount of `. 436 Lakh was earned during the period through marketing of dry fish. Similarly an amount `. 85.3 Lakh earned by marketing of 220.77 MT copra during 2008-2009. Tourism is an emerging industry. Agatti is naturally suited for coir industry as there are several gaps in the reef that cause ripples on the Agatti beach which are considered to be very strong for easy coir soaking.

The Agatti island was electrified by the end of fourth five year plan. The Power supply is mainly through diesel generation. The electricity consumed for various purposes during 2008-2009 was 2612.44 000 KWH.

The Agatti has one of the most spectacular lagoon of Lakshadweep where tourist can treat themselves to be a variety of water sports and numerous activities comprising amongst others speed boat ride at the lagoon, water skiing at the lagoon, banana boating, water scooter ride, day lagoon fishing, night lagoon fishing, day deep sea fishing, night deep sea fishing, glass bottom trip at lagoon, turtile watching by glass bottomed boat, air filled boat, air filled bed, night stay in floating boat at open sea, guided snorkeling of the shallow lagoon deeper inside the lagoon, guided night snorkeling, scuba diving, canoeing and kayaking.

One of the two world class scuba diving schools in Lakshadweep archipelago is found in Agatti. This island also has a beach that is its prime attraction. One day excursion to Kalpitti, Bangaram and Thinnakara islands in glass bottom boats can be arranged from Agatti which give tourist an opportunity to enjoy watching the marine life on the way. Also Kalpitti island night stay and Parali island night turtle watch are exciting options. For the heritage buffs golden jubilee museum and Mohiyuddeen mosque is a real treasure trove.

Agatti is privileged to have the only museum in the entire Lakshadweep archipelago called Golden Jubilee Museum. In this two storied structure various models of traditional Minicoy sailboats called Jihadoni, Anciant Jars, Pots, wooden chests and gold coins are on display that showcase the rich past of Lakshadweep. Two busts of Lord Buddha exhibited on the ground floor are of special interest as they are said to date back to somewhere between 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> century A.D. The museum is generally open for public form 10.am.to 5 p.m.

Identified as the oldest mosque in Lakshadweep constructed sometime in 16<sup>th</sup> century, Mohiyuddeen Mosque is built in Malabar style with no minarets. The tombstones of this mosque are intricately carved. The environs are picturesque as the mosque is surrounded by palm grove with a huge well and a tank in its premises.

Tourists can get accommodation in the Dak Bungalow or Agatti Island Beach Resort which has a restaurant named 'Thakkaram' serving Continental, Chinese and a variety of local flavours.

Guests have an option of either dining indoors or outdoors on the beach. They can also avail of the barbecue facilitates. For people who want to combine business and fun, the Resort offers conference hall facility for maximum 40 people. This Resort is very close to the Agatti Airport.

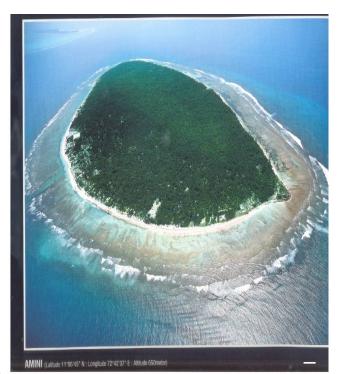
Bangaram, the international Tourist Spot is in the vicinity of Agatti Island and about 10 kms far at north west Satellite island of Thinnakara.

Two paralis are closer to Bangaram and

with in the same lagoon.

# **AMINI ISLAND**

Amini Island has an interesting history. Vasco da Gama is said to have visited this island during one of his journeys around the cape. In 1530 the Portuguese established their way over the Amindivi group of islands. Yet there are no remains of the fort built by the Portuguese on this island. Much later in



1799 the British acquired this island. Today on the seashore opposite Kutcherry there is a raised platform where there are 2 old canons; brought on Mohammed (a pilgrim ship) which wrecked at Amini in 1594. At one tip of this island stands a 30 meter high GI trestle tower lighthouse with black and white bands that was commissioned in 1984.

Amini is about 3 kms long and 1.6 kms wide with a total area of 2.60 sq kms. It is densely occupied island with palm coconut tree. According to 2001 Census, Amini has a population of 7353 persons of which 49.17% are females and classified as urban island as per census norms. The density of population per Sq.Km was 2839 and ranked first among the Lakshadweep group of islands. The decennial growth rate was 23.62%. The total workers as per 2001 census were 1736 persons (main and marginal) and the women work participation rate was 15%.

There are one each Pre Primary, Primary, Senior Basic, Senior Secondary schools functioning in the pilot island Amini for universalisation of education with total enrolment of 2186 students. The literacy percentage according to last census was 82.74 %. Under Medical & Health Services, one 30 bedded CHC is functioning in the Amini island and an average 100 out-patients and 6 in-patients are visiting CHC daily for taking treatments on various diseases.

Shipping is the lifeline of the people for their transportation to mainland like Agatti. During 2008-2009 passenger traffic was 17,000 and the cargo movement was 2050 MT.

Coconut cultivation and fishing are the main sources of livelihood of the people of Amini. In 2008-2009 fish landing was 416 MT and earned Rs 125 Lakh out of this enterprise. Similarly an amount of Rs 152.17 Lakh was earned by marketing 291MT copra during 2008-2009.

Amini also possesses a talented bunch of craftsmen who use tortoise and coconut shells to make attractive walking sticks. Skilled stone engravers carve exquisite flower motifs on hard coral stone. This island was also known for carpenters, building bigger odams (country crafts), used for island-mainland transportation of goods and materials run with sail at mercy of wind.

Tourist can enjoy the tropical climate on Amini Island. It has beaches that are ideal for sun bathing. The Eastern and Western beaches are full of coral sand stones. A glass bottomed boat ride provides a captivating journey to view the coral. Besides, tourists can indulge in swimming, reef walking and numerous water sports such as kayaking and boating (sail boats and pedal boats) on this island. Another attraction is a fascinating diving spot located between Amini and Kadmat islands called Cross Currents where the divers can drift dive at 15-21 meters.

Apart from Amini Island, Amini-Pitti is a sub-merged bank close to this main island of Amini. It is one of the five submerged banks of the archipelago. Its lagoon area is of approximately 156 sq km and its depth ranges from 15-38 meters.

The Amini Island was electrified by the end of fourth five year plan. The Power Supply is mainly through Diesel generation. Electricity consumed during 2008-2009 was 2078.44 000 KWH for various purposes.

# REPORT ANALYSIS

# Periodic data sets

# 1. Metalled Road & All Weather Road

The pilot islands Agatti and Amini are two separate islands comprised of ten wards in each island. These two islands are separated by turbulent Lakshadweep sea. All the wards are connected with metalled / all weather roads and details of network of roads is under.

| Island      | Metalled roads/ All weather roads ( KM) | Percentage |
|-------------|---|------------|
| Agatti      | 16.12                                   | 9.02       |
| Amini       | 20.7                                    | 11.58      |
| Lakshadweep | 178.65                                  | 20.60      |

# 2. Below Poverty Line Households

There are 1792 families (provisional) reported as living below poverty line in this Union Territory as detailed below.

| Island      | Total<br>Household | BPL<br>Household | % age to<br>BPL<br>households | % age to<br>Total<br>Households |
|-------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Agatti      | 1065               | 205              | 11.44                         | 19.25                           |
| Amini       | 1179               | 196              | 10.94                         | 16.62                           |
| Lakshadweep | 9994               | 1792             | 22.38                         | 4.01                            |

It has been revealed that against total 9994 households, according to 2001 census from this Union territory, 1792 families were under BPL based on survey 2002. The percentage of BPL families recorded during the survey from the pilot islands are 11.44% and 10.94% at Agatti and Amini respectively against the total of 1065 and 1179 households.

# 3.Disabled Population Type wise

It has been exposed that there are 919 disabled persons in the UT of Lakshadweep. The rural island Agatti represents highest number of disability which is 33% of the total disabled population in the territory and the urban island Amini shows only 9 % as detailed below.

|                          |        |       |       | Total       | % to t | otal dis | ability |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|--------|----------|---------|
| Disabilities             | Agatti | Amini | Total | Total<br>UT | Agatti | Amini    | Total   |
| Locomotor (LD)           | 80     | 30    | 110   | 318         | 25     | 10       | 35      |
| Multiple Disability (MD) | 39     | 6     | 45    | 136         | 29     | 4        | 33      |
| Hearing Impaired (HI)    | 75     | 7     | 82    | 125         | 60     | 6        | 66      |
| Visual Impairment (VI)   | 70     | 15    | 85    | 166         | 42     | 9        | 51      |
| Cerebral Palsy<br>(CP)   | -      | -     | -     | 10          | -      | -        | -       |
| Mental Retardation (MR)  | 15     | 26    | 41    | 104         | 14     | 25       | 39      |
| Mental illness (MI)      | 16     | ı     | 16    | 16          | 100    | 0        | 100     |
| Autism (AU)              | -      | ı     | •     | -           | •      | -        | -       |
| Others                   | 9      | -     | 9     | 44          | 20     | 0        | 20      |
| Total                    | 304    | 84    | 388   | 919         | 33     | 9        | 42      |

Among the total disabled persons, all the 16 persons suffering mental illness /disability are from Agatti island and followed by hearing impaired of 60%, visual impairment of 42% and locomotor of 25%. Amini island reported 25% are mental retarded of the total 39% from the U.T as a whole (104 Nos).

# 4. Storage and Market Outlets

There are 36 fair price shops, 5 cold storages, 19 godown warehousing facility and 253 other shops in the UT of Lakshadweep. The pilot study wise details are as under:

| Island    | Fair Price | Mandis/ | Cold     | Godown      | Other |
|-----------|------------|---------|----------|-------------|-------|
|           |            | Regular | Storages | warehousing | Shops |
|           |            | markets |          | facility    |       |
| Agatti    | 5          | -       | 1        | 3           | 77    |
| Amini     | 4          | -       | -        | 3           | 176   |
| UTL Total | 36         | -       | 5        | 19          | 253   |

The table reveals that there are no mandis/regular market in the entire U.T and cold storage facilities available are only 5. It is mainly because of smallness of the island and only produces are coconut and fish, which are sold by the farmers and fishermen through cooperatives after processing. There is no agricultural produces like pulses and cereals except a minimum quantity of vegetables and fruits. The entire food items including vegetables, fruits etc are imported from the mainland and sold to the general public through the cooperatives and private shops available in every nook and corner in these islands.

# 5. Employment & Un Employment

The Employment scenario shows that more than 60% of the total employed are engaged in agriculture sector especially in Fisheries sector because of vast sea around Lakshadweep and is rich with fishery resources. Around 22% labour forces are in non agriculture sector. As per Live Register 14,337 persons are registered their name in the District Employment Exchange for opportunities. Out of which more than 34% are females. Island wise details of employment as ascertained from departments and unemployment situation as revealed from Panchayat in the pilot study conducted in the islands of Agatti & Amini are furnished below.

# **Employment status**

|                         |      |                         | Agatti     |                                  |       |      |                                | Amini  |                                  |       |
|-------------------------|------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------------------|-------|------|--------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------|-------|
| Name of the sector      | Male | %ge to<br>total<br>male | Fem<br>ale | %ge<br>to<br>total<br>femal<br>e | Total | Male | %ge<br>to<br>total<br>mal<br>e | Female | %ge<br>to<br>total<br>fem<br>ale | Total |
| Self employed           |      |                         |            |                                  |       |      |                                |        |                                  |       |
| Agriculture             | 888  | 63                      | 100        | 25                               | 988   | 1124 | 66                             | 191    | 55                               | 1315  |
| Non Agriculture         | 174  | 12                      | 205        | 50                               | 379   | 104  | 6                              | 45     | 13                               | 149   |
| Regular/waged employees |      | ,                       | •          | 1                                | •     | •    |                                | ,      |                                  |       |
| Agriculture             | 76   | 5                       | 9          | 2                                | 85    | 81   | 5                              | 8      | 2                                | 89    |
| Non Agriculture         | 286  | 20                      | 93         | 23                               | 379   | 382  | 23                             | 105    | 30                               | 487   |
| Total                   | 1424 | 100                     | 407        | 100                              | 1831  | 1691 | 100                            | 349    | 100                              | 2040  |

The study shows that women participation both in the Agricultural and non Agricultural sector are comparatively below than the male workers. The total women work participation rates are 22% and 17% in the islands of Agatti and Amini respectively.

# **Unemployment status**

| Island | Uı   | nemployed | t     | Unempl | oyed (15-24) |
|--------|------|-----------|-------|--------|--------------|
| isiana | Male | Female    | Total | Nos    | Percentage   |
| Agatti | 974  | 896       | 1870  | 729    | 39           |
| Amini  | 1025 | 1075      | 2100  | 829    | 39           |
| Total  | 1999 | 1971      | 3970  | 1558   | 39           |

The study reported that almost 39 % unemployed are under the age group of 15 to 24 years in these two islands. Unemployment percentage among the males and females are almost at equilibrium ratio. It has been further revealed that more than 24 % population are job seekers according to projected population for the year 2009 ie 16,288 persons (Agatt 8145 Nos & Amini 8143 Nos).

# **Education**

One each Pre-primary, Primary, High School, Senior Secondary Schools are functioning in the pilot islands of Agatti and Amini in order to achieve universalisation of education. Important educational statistics collected during the pilot survey are given below.

# Important statistics on Education.

| Items  |     | Agatti |          | Amini    |      |          |          | Total |      |  |
|--|-----|--------|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|-------|------|--|
|  | В   | G      | Т        | В        | G    | Т        | В        | G     | Т    |  |
| Enrolment  |     | 1      | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | I    | <u> </u> | <u> </u> |       |      |  |
| 1. Up to 5 <sup>th</sup> standard                      | 423 | 443    | 866      | 479      | 470  | 949      | 902      | 913   | 1815 |  |
| 2. 6 to 8 standard                                     | 177 | 263    | 440      | 266      | 216  | 482      | 443      | 479   | 922  |  |
| 3. 9 to 10 the standard                                | 122 | 175    | 297      | 210      | 176  | 386      | 332      | 351   | 683  |  |
| 4. 11 to 12 th standard                                | 94  | 114    | 208      | 194      | 175  | 369      | 288      | 289   | 577  |  |
| Total  | 816 | 995    | 1811     | 1149     | 1037 | 2186     | 1965     | 2032  | 3997 |  |
| Drop Out   |     |        |          |          |      |          |          |       |      |  |
| 1. 1 to 5 <sup>th</sup> standard                       | 0   | 2      | 2        | 0        | 0    | 0        | 0        | 2     | 2    |  |
| 2.2.6 to 8 <sup>th</sup> standard                      | 1   | 1      | 2        | 0        | 0    | 0        | 1        | 1     | 2    |  |
| 3. Secondary level (9 to 10)                           | 4   | 5      | 9        | 9        | 1    | 10       | 13       | 6     | 19   |  |
| Total  | 5   | 8      | 13       | 9        | 1    | 10       | 14       | 9     | 23   |  |
| Students Passed  |     |        |          |          |      |          |          |       |      |  |
| 1. 1 to 5 <sup>th</sup> standard                       | 417 | 437    | 854      | 361      | 410  | 771      | 778      | 847   | 1625 |  |
| 2. 6 to 8 <sup>th</sup> standard                       | 163 | 262    | 425      | 265      | 216  | 481      | 428      | 478   | 906  |  |
| 3. Secondary level (9 to 10)                           | 98  | 132    | 230      | 154      | 166  | 320      | 252      | 298   | 550  |  |
| Total  | 678 | 831    | 1509     | 780      | 792  | 1572     | 1458     | 1623  | 3081 |  |
| No of fresh entry in to school at primary level        | 76  | 75     | 151      | 80       | 56   | 136      | 156      | 131   | 287  |  |
| No of children (age 6 to 14) never enrolled in school. | 4   | 3      | 7        | 2        | 2    | 4        | 6        | 5     | 11   |  |
| Attended School but left on transfer                   |     |        |          |          |      |          |          |       |      |  |
| 1. Primary stage(1 to 5)                               | 13  | 8      | 21       | 5        | 6    | 11       | 18       | 14    | 32   |  |
| 2.Upper Primary stage (6 to 8)                         | 7   | 4      | 11       | 7        | 5    | 12       | 14       | 9     | 23   |  |

The study shows that 3997 students are studying in the islands of Agatti and Amini, of which 51 % are girls. In the enrolment Amini alone recorded 55% which is mainly because of the proportionate increase in the population after 2001 census. The percentage of success is more than

90% up to secondary level. The girls pass percentage is also little bit high compared to boys ie 53 %. The drop out reported up to elementary education was 0.75 %. However 55 students while studying up to upper primary level left the school on transfer. Eleven students are never enrolled in the school perhaps it is mainly because of mental vengeance/retardation or other disabilities.

# LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

(in Nos)

| Livestock & Poultry | 18 <sup>th</sup> LC | S,2008 | Populati | ion,2010 | nual<br>oound |        |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|----------|---------------|--------|
| Livestock & Poultry | Agatti Amini        |        | Agatti   | Amini    | Agatti        | Amini  |
| Cattle              | 419                 | 270    | 492      | 319      | 9%            | 9%     |
| Goat                | 12860               | 8003   | 15818    | 10004    | 11.50%        | 12.50% |
| Poultry             | 18710               | 17045  | 25072    | 23010    | 17%           | 17.50% |
| Ducks               | 430                 | 684    | 645      | 968      | 25%           | 20.76  |
| Total               | Total 32,419 26     |        | 42,027   | 34,301   | 14.82         | 16%    |

The table indicated that the livestock population increased from 2008 to 2010 at annual compound of 16% per year. The growth rate of poultry marked 17.50 over last census. Duck rearing is getting momentum over years, recording 21 - 25% increase.

# **DYNAMIC DATA SETS**

# 1. No. of Live Birth and Still Birth

Hundred and six numbers of births (both live and still) have been reported during the period from August 2009 to July 2010. The island wise details are as under.

| Month      |      | Agatti |       |      | Amini  |       | Total |        |         |
|------------|------|--------|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|--------|---------|
| Month      | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male  | Female | G.Total |
| Augest,09  | 1    | 2      | 3     | 4    | 4      | 8     | 5     | 6      | 11      |
| September  | 6    | 1      | 7     | 0    | 5      | 5     | 6     | 6      | 12      |
| October    | 2    | 4      | 6     | 3    | 4      | 7     | 5     | 8      | 13      |
| November   | 2    | 4      | 6     | 5    | 2      | 7     | 7     | 6      | 13      |
| December   | 2    | 0      | 2     | 5    | 2      | 7     | 7     | 2      | 9       |
| January,10 | 3    | 2      | 5     | 1    | 1      | 2     | 4     | 3      | 7       |
| February   | 0    | 1      | 1     | 1    | 6      | 7     | 1     | 7      | 8       |
| March      | 0    | 1      | 1     | 2    | 2      | 4     | 2     | 3      | 5       |
| April      | 1    | 6      | 7     | 1    | 2      | 3     | 2     | 8      | 10      |
| May        | 3    | 1      | 4     | 1    | 0      | 1     | 4     | 1      | 5       |
| June       | 1    | 2      | 3     | 2    | 1      | 3     | 3     | 3      | 6       |
| July       | 1    | 2      | 3     | 2    | 2      | 4     | 3     | 4      | 7       |
| Total      | 22   | 26     | 48    | 27   | 31     | 58    | 49    | 57     | 106     |

The study reveals that, though the island Amini classified as urban island, the number of live birth reported was little bit high ie 58 numbers against 48 live births in the rural island Agatti. This is attributed to population variation. 50% of births are recorded during August to December.

# Pregnancy cases:-

The statistics of the pregnancy cases reported during the period under study are as under.

| Month      | Agatti | Amini | Total |
|------------|--------|-------|-------|
| Augest,09  | 11     | 20    | 31    |
| September  | 6      | 7     | 13    |
| October    | 2      | 18    | 20    |
| November   | 12     | 8     | 20    |
| December   | 13     | 7     | 20    |
| January,10 | 7      | 7     | 14    |
| February   | 6      | 5     | 11    |
| March      | -      | 22    | 22    |
| April      | 16     | 4     | 20    |
| May        | 6      | 14    | 20    |
| June       | 20     | 13    | 33    |
| July       | 8      | 11    | 19    |
| Total      | 107    | 136   | 243   |

It reveals that births recorded have no correlation with the pregnant women recorded in the pilot study during the period. While there were 64 pregnancies reported from August to October 2009, the births recorded during May to July 2010 were only 20.

# No of Death cases

The total deaths recorded in the pilot islands at the time of study are 77 nos, of which 37 are females. Infant deaths in both the islands are mainly females and the IMR of Agatti is of higher side. The high death rates recorded in the islands are under the age group of 60 & above ie 66% of total death. Age wise details of death recorded in the islands are given below.

Agatti

| 7.94   | Agatti       |   |       |   |   |      |   |       |   |       |   |            |   |       |    |      |
|--------|--------------|---|-------|---|---|------|---|-------|---|-------|---|------------|---|-------|----|------|
|        | Dea<br>(bel  |   |       | No. of Other Deaths (after completion of first birth day) |   |      |   |       |   |       |   |            |   |       |    |      |
| Month  | 1 <b>`</b> _ |   | Total | 1-4   |   | 5-14 |   | 15-49 |   | 50-59 |   | 60 & above |   | Total |    | G.To |
|        | F            | M |       | F   | М | F    | М | F     | М | F     | М | F          | M | F     | M  | tal  |
| Aug-09 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1          | 0 | 1     | 0  | 1    |
| Sep-09 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 1     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1          | 1 | 2     | 1  | 3    |
| Oct-09 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 1 | 0     | 1 | 0     | 0 | 1          | 0 | 1     | 2  | 3    |
| Nov-09 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 1 | 3          | 0 | 3     | 1  | 4    |
| Dec-09 | 0            | 1 | 1     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 1          | 2 | 2     | 3  | 5    |
| Jan-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 1          | 3 | 2     | 3  | 5    |
| Feb-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 1 | 0     | 1  | 1    |
| Mar-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 1 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 1 | 0     | 2  | 2    |
| Apr-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 1    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 0          | 0 | 2     | 0  | 2    |
| May-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 0          | 0 | 1     | 0  | 1    |
| Jun-10 | 3            | 0 | 3     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 3          | 0 | 6     | 0  | 6    |
| Jul-10 | 0            | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 1 | 0     | 1  | 1    |
| Total  | 3            | 1 | 4     | 0   | 0 | 1    | 1 | 1     | 2 | 4     | 1 | 11         | 9 | 20    | 14 | 34   |

Amini

|        | Amini                                |   |       |   |   |      |   |       |   |       |   |            |    |       |    |      |
|--------|--------------------------------------|---|-------|---|---|------|---|-------|---|-------|---|------------|----|-------|----|------|
|        | Death (below  Month age 1 Tota year) |   |       | No. of Other Deaths (after completion of first birth day) |   |      |   |       |   |       |   |            |    |       |    |      |
| Month  |                                      |   | Total | 1-4   |   | 5-14 |   | 15-49 |   | 50-59 |   | 60 & above |    | Total |    | G.T  |
|        | F                                    | M |       | F   | M | F    | M | F     | М | F     | М | F          | M  | F     | M  | otal |
| Aug-09 | 1                                    | 0 | 1     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 2          | 0  | 3     | 0  | 3    |
| Sep-09 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 1 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 2 | 2          | 1  | 2     | 4  | 6    |
| Oct-09 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1          | 3  | 1     | 3  | 4    |
| Nov-09 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 1     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 3  | 1     | 3  | 4    |
| Dec-09 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 3          | 2  | 4     | 2  | 6    |
| Jan-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 1 | 1          | 1  | 1     | 2  | 3    |
| Feb-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 1  | 0     | 1  | 1    |
| Mar-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 2  | 0     | 2  | 2    |
| Apr-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 1 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 1     | 0 | 0          | 1  | 1     | 2  | 3    |
| May-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 1 | 0     | 0 | 2          | 0  | 2     | 1  | 3    |
| Jun-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 0    | 0 | 0     | 1 | 0     | 0 | 1          | 2  | 1     | 3  | 4    |
| Jul-10 | 0                                    | 0 | 0     | 0   | 0 | 1    | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0          | 3  | 1     | 3  | 4    |
| Total  | 1                                    | 0 | 1     | 0   | 1 | 1    | 1 | 1     | 2 | 2     | 3 | 12         | 19 | 17    | 26 | 43   |

The Maternal Mortality Rate at Agatti is zero, where as in Amini a women died during Noveember, 2009 at the time of child birth. The island wise details of deaths of women recorded under age group 15 – 49 at the time of child birth are given below.

No. of Deaths of Women (Age group: 15-49 years) at the time of Child Birth

| No. of Deaths of Women (Age group:15-49 years) at the time of Child Birth |        |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Month   | Agatti | Amini |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug-09  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep-09  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct-09  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nov-09  | 0      | 1     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec-09  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Feb-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mar-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Apr-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| May-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jun-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jul-10  | 0      | 0     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total   | 0      | 1     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

# MTP Cases:-

No MTP cases reported in the pilots islands during the period of study.

# 4. No. of Outdoor Patients/ Indoor patients.

One each Community Health Centres are functioning in the islands of Agatti and Amini since 1994. The island wise and month wise statistics of outpatients and inpatients during the reference period are as under.

|            |       | Agatt  | i    |       |       | <u>Amin</u> | <u>i</u> |       | Total      |       |           |     |  |
|------------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|-------------|----------|-------|------------|-------|-----------|-----|--|
| Month      | Outp  | atient | Inpa | tient | Outpa | Outpatient  |          | tient | Outpatient |       | Inpatient |     |  |
|            | М     | F      | М    | F     | М     | F           | М        | F     | М          | F     | М         | F   |  |
| Augest,09  | 1283  | 924    | 13   | 16    | 618   | 512         | 22       | 36    | 1901       | 1436  | 35        | 52  |  |
| September  | 966   | 578    | 6    | 16    | 1107  | 959         | 20       | 23    | 2073       | 1537  | 26        | 39  |  |
| October    | 950   | 993    | 9    | 23    | 1008  | 932         | 19       | 48    | 1958       | 1925  | 28        | 71  |  |
| November   | 940   | 855    | 17   | 21    | 978   | 866         | 25       | 34    | 1918       | 1721  | 42        | 55  |  |
| December   | 1585  | 1204   | 17   | 18    | 1077  | 831         | 19       | 36    | 2662       | 2035  | 36        | 54  |  |
| January,10 | 1404  | 1156   | 11   | 18    | 893   | 687         | 20       | 32    | 2297       | 1843  | 31        | 50  |  |
| February   | 1165  | 750    | 13   | 10    | 1118  | 997         | 6        | 15    | 2283       | 1747  | 19        | 25  |  |
| March      | 1277  | 832    | 15   | 5     | 871   | 771         | 11       | 24    | 2148       | 1603  | 26        | 29  |  |
| April      | 1828  | 482    | 15   | 21    | 1008  | 1012        | 21       | 15    | 2836       | 1494  | 36        | 36  |  |
| May        | 1012  | 687    | 13   | 14    | 1035  | 946         | 21       | 15    | 2047       | 1633  | 34        | 29  |  |
| June       | 1151  | 834    | 15   | 10    | 1054  | 724         | 13       | 10    | 2205       | 1558  | 28        | 20  |  |
| July       | 1651  | 972    | 14   | 14    | 1075  | 955         | 24       | 26    | 2726       | 1927  | 38        | 40  |  |
| Total      | 15212 | 10267  | 158  | 186   | 11842 | 10192       | 221      | 315   | 27054      | 20459 | 379       | 501 |  |

The study shows that 43 % outpatients are females out of 47,513 outpatients recorded. However, 56 % of total inpatients are female which is mainly because of institutional delivery.

# 5. Category wise Outdoor Patients/ Indoor patients

|              |                    |         | Aga    | <u>tti</u>        |         | <u>Amini</u> |          |          |            |                   |         |        |
|--------------|--------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--------------|----------|----------|------------|-------------------|---------|--------|
| <u>Month</u> | <u>Outpatients</u> |         |        | <u>Inpatients</u> |         |              | <u>C</u> | Outpatie | <u>nts</u> | <u>Inpatients</u> |         |        |
|              | Acute              | chronic | others | Acute             | chronic | others       | Acute    | chronic  | others     | Acute             | chronic | others |
| Augest,09    | 102                | 5       | 2100   | 9                 | 6       | 14           | 105      | 10       | 1015       | 16                | 14      | 28     |
| September    | 62                 | 5       | 1477   | 5                 | 2       | 15           | 73       | 9        | 1984       | 10                | 15      | 18     |
| October      | 90                 | 7       | 1846   | 11                | 6       | 15           | 79       | 10       | 1851       | 13                | 13      | 41     |
| November     | 19                 | 5       | 1771   | 11                | 7       | 20           | 34       | 10       | 1800       | 22                | 13      | 24     |
| December     | 75                 | 5       | 2709   | 13                | 5       | 17           | 69       | 8        | 1831       | 16                | 14      | 25     |

| January,10 | 67   | 13  | 2480  | 10  | 5  | 14  | 68   | 11  | 1501  | 22  | 10  | 20  |
|------------|------|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| February   | 76   | 13  | 1826  | 7   | 6  | 10  | 99   | 16  | 2000  | 10  | 2   | 9   |
| March      | 62   | 13  | 2034  | 6   | 6  | 8   | 63   | 13  | 1566  | 9   | 7   | 19  |
| April      | 30   | 13  | 2267  | 6   | 6  | 24  | 65   | 10  | 1945  | 4   | 9   | 23  |
| May        | 160  | 13  | 1526  | 7   | 4  | 16  | 116  | 14  | 1851  | 6   | 17  | 13  |
| June       | 211  | 13  | 1761  | 11  | 3  | 11  | 174  | 13  | 1591  | 4   | 6   | 13  |
| July       | 234  | 13  | 2376  | 8   | 8  | 12  | 179  | 11  | 1840  | 6   | 10  | 34  |
| Total      | 1188 | 118 | 24173 | 104 | 64 | 176 | 1124 | 135 | 20775 | 138 | 130 | 267 |

The study record that 4.66% and 5.10% are cronic patients among the out-patients recorded in the islands of Agatti and Amini, whereas 30% and 26% cases are cronic patients among the in-patients reported in the same islands.

# In migration & Out Migration: -

No in migration and out migration reported in the study. Perhaps, it is mainly because of geographical isolation and customs prevails in the islands.

# 8. No. of Paid Workers in Enterprise

Lakshadweep is different from any other part of India. This difference is especially visible in the industrial development of the area. The inherent constraints of the area, especially being coral islands having very delicate ecology and environment and no important raw materials, isolated and geographically scattered do not permit it to take up any major/ medium/ minor industrial ventures. The island wise details of paid employees working in various very small enterprises are us under.

| Month      | Agatti |     | Amini |     | Total |      |
|------------|--------|-----|-------|-----|-------|------|
| MONTH      | М      | F   | М     | F   | М     | F    |
| Augest,09  | 124    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 229   | 348  |
| September  | 124    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 229   | 348  |
| October    | 126    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 231   | 348  |
| November   | 126    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 231   | 348  |
| December   | 126    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 231   | 348  |
| January,10 | 127    | 156 | 105   | 192 | 231   | 348  |
| February   | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 232   | 348  |
| March      | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 232   | 348  |
| April      | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 233   | 348  |
| May        | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 233   | 348  |
| June       | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 233   | 348  |
| July       | 127    | 156 | 106   | 192 | 233   | 348* |

<sup>\*</sup> Ladies enrolled in the Self-help group

No. of Marriages :-

|            |              | Α  | gatti    |         | Amini |         |                |    |  |  |
|------------|--------------|----|----------|---------|-------|---------|----------------|----|--|--|
| Month      | Age 18 to 21 |    | Age 21 & | & above | Age 1 | 8 to 21 | Age 21 & above |    |  |  |
|            | М            | F  | М        | F       | М     | F       | М              | F  |  |  |
| Augest,09  | 0            | 2  | 5        | 3       | 0     | 0       | 0              | 0  |  |  |
| September  | 0            | 0  | 0        | 0       | 0     | 6       | 7              | 1  |  |  |
| October    | 0            | 0  | 1        | 1       | 0     | 1       | 2              | 1  |  |  |
| November   | 0            | 3  | 6        | 3       | 0     | 5       | 6              | 1  |  |  |
| December   | 0            | 0  | 2        | 2       | 0     | 4       | 4              | 0  |  |  |
| January,10 | 0            | 0  | 2        | 2       | 0     | 2       | 2              | 0  |  |  |
| February   | 0            | 5  | 14       | 9       | 0     | 1       | 1              | 0  |  |  |
| March      | 0            | 0  | 8        | 8       | 0     | 6       | 7              | 1  |  |  |
| April      | 0            | 5  | 17       | 12      | 0     | 23      | 27             | 4  |  |  |
| May        | 0            | 2  | 5        | 3       | 0     | 11      | 14             | 3  |  |  |
| June       | 0            | 2  | 5        | 3       | 0     | 3       | 5              | 2  |  |  |
| July       | 0            | 2  | 8        | 6       | 1     | 1       | 0              | 0  |  |  |
| Total      | 0            | 21 | 73       | 52      | 1     | 63      | 75             | 13 |  |  |

The study revealed that 149 persons are married during the period of study. Out of 149 married persons 84 girls are between the age group of 18 to 21. Other couples are in the age group of 21 and above. Only one male at Amini reported to have been married in the age group of 18 to 21. Almost 53% marriages are taking place in the months of February – April at Agatti and 63% during March to May in Amini. All the males and 71% of girls married in the period of Survey at Agatti are above age 21.

# Source of Information

It has been observed that no system is followed by the panchayath and anganwadi worker for maintaining data on various aspects pertaining to socio economic indicator in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep due to lack of qualified person to mange the information system. Therefore we are collected all the information by deputing statistical staff attached to the Directorate of Planning & statistics to the concerned institutions/knowledgeable persons and other organizations. Personal interview method is used for collecting most of the information.

# **LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY**

The anganwadi workers are not maintained any information due to special circumstances prevailed in the islands and their poor educational qualifications, compared to other states. The information required for compilation of Basic Statistics for Local Level Development (BSLLD) village schedule (A & B) was colleted from the relevant institutions/ organization and other knowledgeable person by deputing our staff. As there is no regular flow of such data from bottom to upwards so it is very difficult to conduct study each and every year with out additional staff exclusively for the purpose.

# **S**UGGESTION REGARDING STUDY:

a) As these surveys are to be conducted on regular basis, the DES/DPS should be strengthened with additional statistical staff as discussed in the last workshop. Therefore Ministry may consider and accord sanction for a skeleton setup exclusively to look after this survey to facilitate the actual field enumeration, special compilation and generation of data as per BSLLD village Schedules (A & B). These officials would be able to collect realistic data and compile at their own level in a better way on regular intervals.