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Government of India
Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation
(Water Quality)

4th Floor, Pt Deendayal Antodaya Bhavan CGO Complex, Lodhi Road New Delhi - 110003.

Dated the 3rd February, 2017

The Secretary,
Ministry of Home Affairs,
North Block,
New Delhi-110001 (Kind attn Shri Hitesh Kumar Makwana, JS (UT))

The Secretary,
Ministry of Earth Sciences,
Prithvi Bhawan,
New Delhi. (Kind attn Dr Vijay Kumar Scientist 'F').

Shri Anindo Majumdar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, (UT) Secretariat, Port Blair.

Shri J. Ashok Kumar, Secretary Works, Lakshadweep Islands, (UT), Kavaratti.

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTICE TO DISCUSS THE STRATEGY FOR COMMISSIONING DESALINATION PLANTS IN ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AND LAKSHADWEEP ISLANDS.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that this Ministry proposes to assess the requirement of desalination plants of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep Islands for the supply of safe drinking water. Secretary, Drinking Water and Sanitationhas, has, therefore, been decided to have a meeting on 17 Feb 2017 at 1130 hrs at 4th Floor, Pt Deendayal Antodaya Bhavan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi to deliberate on the requirement vis-avis the proposals for installation desalination plants in above Union Territories and the strategies of implementation of the proposals with the concerned senior officers of the following concerned Ministries/UTs/agencies:-

- (a) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.
- (b) Ministry of Earth Science, Government of India, New Delhi.

- (c) Andaman & Nicobar Islands (UT) Administration.
- (d) Lakshadweep Islands (UT) Administration.
- 2. All the concerned senior officers of your Ministry/UTs/Agencies may be directed to make it convenient to attend the meeting on the above date time and venue.
- 3. Union Territories Administration, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep Islands may please forward a brief note on the need and strategy of the proposals to this Ministry well in advance. A soft copy of the brief note may also be emailed: kn.reddy @gov.in.

Yours faithfully,

(K.Narayana Reddy)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Copy for kind information to:

i) Senior PPS to Secretary, DWS, PV Bhawan, New Delhi.

ii) PS to JS(Water)

iii) MoDWS Web site.