



NATIONAL PLATFORM FOR SMALL SCALE FISHWORKERS

Memo No. NPSSFW/Conv-39/21

November 15, 2021

**Admiral D. K. Joshi,
Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor,
Andaman & Nicobar Islands.**

Sub: Request to meet long pending demands of Fisher People of South Andaman

Sir,

We bring it to your kind notice that the small scale fishers of South Andaman are sitting in Dharna in front of the office of the Director of Fisheries in Port Blair to urge the A&N Administration for meeting some of their long standing demands.

The demands are -

1. Installation of a fishing jetty in Dugnabad locality in place of the Aberdeen jetty which was taken away from the fishing communities in 1994 to develop tourism. For 27 years The fishing communities are demanding a fishing jetty at Dugnabad as a necessary replacement.
2. The A&N Administration has built a slope way at Choulanga jetty for fishers but till date the same has not been opened for use by the fishing communities. The slope way should be cleared of unauthorised occupants and opened for use by the fisher people without any further delay.
3. Immediate release of the subsidy amount to the fishers for purchasing life saving and safety equipments like GPS and DAT machines.
4. Issuance of permit to the South Andaman fishermen for passing through the Batarang creek to carry out fishing activities in the North and Middle Andaman.
5. Livelihood protection of the fishers in the protected water areas of South Andaman and withdrawal of cases registered against them for entering into the protected areas.

National Platform for Small Scale Fish Workers (NPSSFW) firmly support and stand by the above mentioned long pending just demands of the South Andaman fishers and request you to take immediate and effective steps so that the demands are met by the Andaman & Nicobar administration without further delay.

Sincerely,

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