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In a statement the [Andaman and Nicobar Islands](#) Integrated Development Corporation Limited (ANIIDCO) said holistic development of the islands will develop the local economy, provide [employment and infrastructure](#) service to the local population for New Andamans.

"The expert appraisal committee of the Ministry of Environment, [Forest and Climate Change](#) while considering proposals for development of eco-tourism projects at Long Island and Smith Island, has recommended clearance from the angle of Coastal Regulation of Zone (CRZ) in its meeting held on February 18 in New Delhi, subject to certain conditions, to be compiled by the developer/stakeholder." the statement said.

The committee has also given positive observations for the CRZ clearance to the proposed eco-tourism projects and [Aves Island](#) with indicative conditions and specific remarks, if the Integrated Islands Management Plan (IIMP) is amended in the future, it said.

"The vision is to leverage the potential of the islands and to

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