

Agriculture & Land Data - Little Andaman

Reserved Forest Area

- **Reserved Forest Coverage:** 706.49 km² (~99.9% of the island)
- **Governing Body:** Little Andaman Forest Division
- **Status:** Legally notified reserved forest under the Indian Forest Act
- **Protected Zones:** Includes Onge Tribal Reserve (strictly restricted area)
- **Implication:** Almost the entire island is officially classified as reserved forest land

Agriculture land with farmers (Under cultivation): 11 Sq. Km

No. of Farms (Under Agri Dept) : 3

Land Area used for agriculture :-

1. R.K Pur : 10 Ha
2. Hut Bay : 34.4 Ha
3. Keralapuram : 10 Ha

Agriculture Facilities :-

1. Red Oil Palm Plantation

The Red Oil Palm Plantation is one of the island's key agricultural assets, contributing to the production of palm oil and supporting the local agro-economy and employment.

2. Seed Multiplication Farm

The Seed Multiplication Farm facility is dedicated to producing high-quality seeds for crop improvement and agricultural sustainability programs across the island.

Crops and Agricultural Practices

- **Major Crops:**
 - Paddy (Kharif season)
 - Vegetables: brinjal, okra, tomato, radish, cucurbits, cauliflower
 - Plantation crops: coconut, arecanut, rubber, red oil palm, cashew
 - Spices: clove, nutmeg, cinnamon, pepper

- Fruits: mango, banana, papaya, pineapple
- **Farming System:**
 - Smallholder and homestead farming (0.5–2 ha per household)
 - Mixed cropping
 - Livestock integrated with farm systems (poultry, cattle, buffalo)
- **Soil:** Lateritic and alluvial, acidic but well-drained
- **Irrigation:** Mostly rainfed; limited wells, ponds, creeks