**Andaman & Nicobar Islands**

Andhra Pradesh comprises of one Agro Ecological Regions (AER) namely 20.

**Agro-Eco Region 20 :** Andaman & Nicobar Islands comes under Agro Ecological Sub Region (AESR 20.1) of Agro Ecological Region 20 (AER 20) of coastal ecosystem covering 0.8 mha in three districts namely Nicobar, North & Middle Andaman and South Andaman. The region is comprising of group of Islands, hot perhumid ESR with shallow to medium deep, loamy to clayey Red and Yellow and Red Loamy soils, low to medium AWC and LGP 300 days. The mean annual rainfall and temperature ranges from 1400-1600 mm and 26-27°C respectively.

**Major NRM issues :**

**AESR 20.1 :** The region is hot perhumid ESR with shallow to medium deep, loamy to clayey Red and Yellow and Red Loamy soils, low to medium AWC and LGP 300 days in a year.

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| **Districts** | ***Land degradation*** | ***Soil health & fertility*** | ***Water related constraints*** | ***Environmental constraints*** |
| Nicobar | Exclusively water erosion & Coastal Salinity | Low in OC & Soil deficient in S | - | **-** |
| North & Middle Andaman | Exclusively water erosion & Coastal Salinity | Low in OC & Soil deficient in S | GW Contaminated with F | **-** |
| South Andaman | Exclusively water erosion & Coastal Salinity | Low in OC & Soil deficient in S, Zn, Cu | Saline GW Contaminated with F | **-** |