

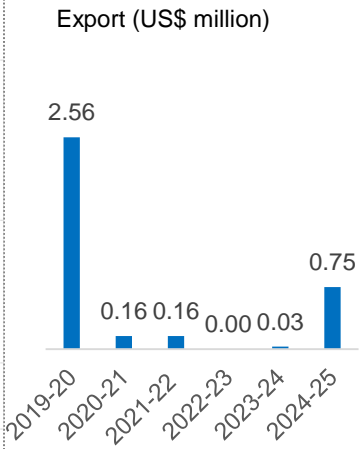
LAKSHADWEEP

KEY FACTS

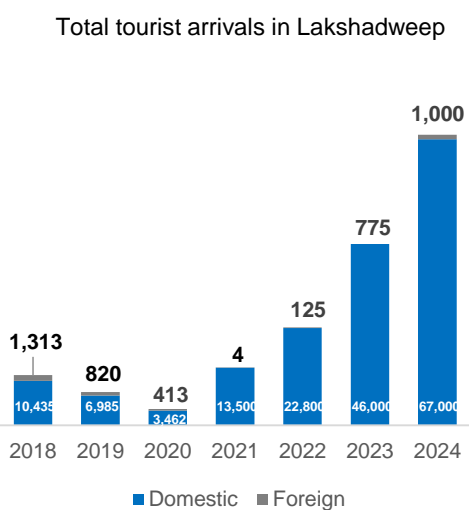
Physical Infrastructure in Lakshadweep

Installed power capacity (MW) (September 2025)	33.40
Wireless subscribers in million (September 2024)	0.06
Airports (No.)	1

Export (US\$ million)



Total tourist arrivals in Lakshadweep



Source: Union Territory Administration Of Lakshadweep, Press Information Bureau, Government of India, TRAI, Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics

ADVANTAGES



Geographic Position

The geographical location of Lakshadweep provides the Indian Navy with great outreach around the western Indian Ocean for patrolling and surveillance. Consequently, it can be used to boost the power projection capabilities of the Navy.



Fishery and Mineral Resource Pool

The abundance of Lakshadweep Islands has provided India with 20,000 sq. km. of territorial waters and 400,000 sq. km. of Economic Zone Exclusive (EEZ). There are valuable fisheries and mineral resources in the lagoons, and the EEZ around the Lakshadweep Islands are of enormous economic significance.



Avenues of Investment

The island's blue economy such as fisheries, aquaculture, and seaweed farming will help the union territory accelerate in line with the growth of modern infrastructure.



Policy and infrastructure support

Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi inaugurated, development projects worth more than Rs. 1,150 crore (US\$ 138.06 million) in Kavaratti, Lakshadweep. The development projects cover a wide range of sectors including technology, energy, water resources, healthcare and education.

The government of India has outlined a comprehensive Rs. 3,600 crore (US\$ 432.17 million) infrastructure upgrade plan aimed at transforming the Lakshadweep islands into a premier tourist destination.

KEY GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES



National Fisheries Policy, 2020

Activities such as game fishing and concept of 'Catch, Photograph and Release' (CPR) scheme to popularise ecotourism and fisheries tourism.



Lakshadweep Tourism Policy, 2020

For the promotion and development of high-end ecotourism in various islands of Lakshadweep.



Draft Social Security (Lakshadweep) Rules, 2025

The draft Social Security (Lakshadweep) Rules, 2025 outline the UT's framework for implementing the Code on Social Security, 2020, detailing registration, benefits, governance structures and compliance procedures.

GOVERNMENT VISION-2030 FOR THE UNION TERRITORY



Infrastructure

Submarine optical fibre cable connectivity in Lakshadweep



Transport

Acquisition of passenger ships and cargo ships in order to meet the increasing demand for passengers/cargo



Employment

Focus on job creation for islanders by promoting tourism and exporting seafood and coconut products manufactured in the islands.



Ecotourism

Bidding process for development of sustainable ecotourism projects in the seven islands of Andaman and Nicobar and Lakshadweep have been undertaken.