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# Seek detailed rate analysis from contractors quoting abnormally low rates in tenders: **Contractor fraternity**

# Clamour grows amidst contractors quoting 30-40% below estimated cost of tenders

Public procurement system of the Government of India is aimed at inviting competing offers from contractors who can provide quality services at competitive rates to ensure substantial cost reduction, transparency and quality assurance as well. Although contractors bidding low rates are accepted as the valid financial bid, there are certain norms under the Central Public Works Department Rules which

Port Blair, May.01: mandates that rates quoted abnormally below the market rates should be within such limit that the contractor concerned should be able to execute the work without compro mising on the quality.

For quite some times now, there have been myriad of allegations of certain contractors securing works under the Andaman PWD and the Municipal Council at abnormally low rates by defying the estimated cost put to tender. Recent

trends showed that, some contractors have quoted 30-40% below the estimated costs thereby defeating the very purpose of fixing estimated price by the Department. This happens at a time when prices of commodities are skyrocketing due to the global situation involving Russia-Ukrain conflict and other reasons. Eventually, such abnormally low rates were found to be even lower than the justified market rates which the (Contd/-page.6...)

# Transfers of Junior Engineers in PBMC is untimely as it might affect new work proposals of wards: Councillors

Port Blair, May.01: Barely a month into the new council taking over the reins of Port Blair Municipal Council, there is a proposal to transfer the Junior Engineers of various Sections. Terming the transfer as untimely, newly elected Councillors suggests that, the transfer of Junior Engineers in PBMC might impede with the process of new work proposals as it is the Junior Engineers who are well conversant with the work requirement and status of wards. Some Councillors & Ex-Councillors question the move as uncalled for as it raises questions over the need for transferring the Junior Engineers in less than two months of new Council taking over the affairs.

There had been no transfer of Junior Engineers in the last five years and the incumbent Junior Engineers of various Sections are the fountainhead of information regarding requirement of works in wards under their iurisdiction. In the event of new Junior Engineer taking over the charge of a Section, it will take atleast three months for him to

acclimatise with the new Section & its jurisdictional areas. This will only interfere with the new work proposals put up by Councillors it is informed

In Municipal Council, it is a general practice that, Councillors propose list of works to the Council and after securing mandatory clearance and approval of Committees such as FTA. Works Committee, Budget etc. the works would be listed in the Plan and forward ed to the Junior Engineers for estimation. Here, the role of Junior

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### **MP** demands proper arrangements to bring all teachers to Port Blair after summer vacation by providing special ships and buses

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of A&N Administration to make necessary arrange ments to bring all teachers to Port Blair/place of residence after Summer Vacation by providing special ships for Little Andaman and Southern Group of Islands and by providing special buses for North and Middle Andaman region. In a letter



addressed to the Chie Secretary, the Member of Parliament mentioned that the Summer Vacation is going to start from 2nd May (Contd/-page.6...)

ANTCC organized rally to mark May Day in Port Blair





The A & N Territorial Congress Committee on today took out a rally to mark the 'May Day' from Gandhi Bhawan to Gandhi statue to honour the sacrifices of many selfless workers who fought for rights of working class. They raised slogans against anti-labour policies

of the BJP Government at the Centre. Later, Congress leaders and workers garlanded the statues of Mahatma Gandhi and Indira Gandhi at Aberdeen Bazaar. ANTCC Campaign Committee Chairman Shri. TSG Bhasker ji, ANTCC

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#### Port Blair, dated 27th April, 2022 ONLINE INTERVIEW

Directorate of Health Services (DHS) Andaman and Nicobar Administration, Port Blair will conduct "online interview" for the post on contractual basis for a period of one year or till the regular incumbent joins, whichever is earlier, with effect from the date of joining.

or joining.		
Name of the Post	No. of vacancy	Qualification & Remuneration
Surgical Specialist Medical Specialist ENT Specialist	01 Post 05 Posts 01 Posts	Essential Qualification As per MCI prevailing norms Age limit Preferably below 70 years
Anaesthetist Gynaecologist Paediatrician Ophthalmologist	03 Posts 04 posts 01 Post 01 post	Rs. 2.5 lacs / month (Specialist working in South Andaman.  1 Post Rs. 2.75 lacs / month (Specialist working in North & Middle Andaman)
		■ Last date for receipt of application through online is 12.05.2022 till 4.00 P.M. ■ List of eligible candidates will be published in DHS website https://dhs.andaman.gov.in on 19.05.2022. ■ Tentative dates and time of online interview through Google meet from 24.05.2022 to 27.05.2022 (Time 10.00 A.M to 4.00 P.M) Contact No. 03192 – 232723) ■ For further Details visit Administration's website (www.andaman.gov.in) and DHS's website https://dhs.andaman.gov.in

- Interested eligible candidates should submit their application in the prescribed format available at DHS website <a href="https://dhs.andaman.gov.in">https://dhs.andaman.gov.in</a> alongwith the soft copy of the relevant documents (self-attested) to DHS email (adadhspb@gmail.com).
- The complete application should have the following documents along with the application (1) Proof of age (2) UG Degree Certificate (3) PG Degree Certificate (4) Registration Certificate (5) experience certificate (6) Aadhar Card (7) Pan Card.
- Candidates appearing for the interview must possess the above mentioned documents in original at the time of interview.
- No TA / DA shall be paid for submission of application and attending the interview.
- The Selection Committee has the right to accept / reject any application without assigning any reason thereof and no further corresponding in this matter will be entertained.
- All other terms and conditions are available on the website of DHS (<a href="https://dhs.andaman.gov.in">https://dhs.andaman.gov.in</a>).

#### NOTE:-

The above mentioned schedule is tentative and subject to change at any stage depending upon the availability of the selection committee. Any change made will be uploaded at DHS website (<a href="https://dhs.andaman.gov.in">https://dhs.andaman.gov.in</a>). The Director of Health Services, Port Blair reserves the right to reschedule the above dates & time at any stage of the "online interview".

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### Assistant Director (Admn.)

# Personal vengeance and grudge of DEO (SA) takes centre stage in a staff meeting at GSSS Manglutan: ANTA

# <u>Unable to bear the overbearing of DEO</u> (SA), senior woman teacher collapses

Port Blair, May.01: One would have come across many incidents of officers holding grudge against their subordinates and colleagues which at some point of time would have become evident. In a similar incident that happened in the school premises of GSSS, Manglutan, the DEO (SA) Smti Sangeeta Chand behaved with a senior most teacher of the school with extreme rudeness that, the teacher had collapsed in the school unable to bear the overbearing of the woman officer. Citing the incident as a most demeaning and deplorable, members of the teachers union condem ned the highhandedness of the DEO(SA) and made a complaint to the Director of Education.

According to information, the DEO (SA) had insulted the senior most teacher Smti. Apama Chakraborty, PGT who holds a VALID Master's degree and attached to GSSS Mangultan publicly in an impromptu staff meeting held on 28.04.22.

The impact of the blast was so fierce that the victim almost collapsed due to high blood pressure levels. Immediately, some of her colleagues took her to PHC Mangultan from where she was referred to GB Pant hospital for further treat ment. Doctors informed that though the condition of Mrs. Aparna was stable, she would be required to undergo a CT (brain) as she had complaints of severe headache and vomiting sensation which were not good signs, it is informed.

Even as the DEO(SA) was raging against the senior teacher, some teachers tried to tried to persuade the DEO to listen to what Mrs. Aparna was trying to say, but, the DEO (SA) threated other staffs of transfer to outstations once she assumed the charge of DDE(Perl) if anyone of them comes to the rescue of Mrs.Aparna. This had led to other staffs turning mute spectators as they did not have the guts to raise

any voice fearing backlash from the DEO(SA). According to Mr.Sajeevan, President of Andaman and Nicobar Teachers Association, he had informed the matter to the Director of Education and the DDE (Perl), but there were no information regarding what action had been taken against the DEO(SA) for her personal vengeance and grudge against a senior teacher even as Mrs.Aparna remained in hospital under the monitoring of doctors, it is learnt.

Sources privy to the Education Department revealed that, Mrs. Sangeeta Chand, the DEO(SA) had been holding grudge against Mrs.Aparna Chakraborty PGT since the last civic elections as the former had to look after the election duty as RO by replacing Mrs.Aparna as she was discharged from election duty on medical ground. It is the ego that how I could have been pitted against a junior that had led to Mrs.Sangeetha Chand harbouring uncontrolled grudge against Ms. Aparna, it is informed.

Reportedly, Ms. Aparna would be proceeding to mainland for specialised medical treatment as there is no neurology speciali satoon available in Port Blair. In the meantime, the President of Andaman and Nicobar Teachers Association was to call on the Secretary (Education) and make a request for initiating an enquiry into the matter as the instant incident is a classic example of abuse of power and high handed ness by a public servant against her subordinate officer.

It is also alleged that, the DEO(SA) whose very appointment is illegal and she lacked adequate qualification to adom the post she is holding now, it is informed.

Let's hope that the respected Chief Secretary has zero tolerance against display of grudge and vengeance by public servants in their service against subordi nates and colleagues.

02.05.2022

# **Member of Parliament** demands uninterrupted power supply and solution for frequent power cut problem

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The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to provide uninterrupted power supply and to find the faults and take necessary measures to stop such power cuts.

In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary the Member of Parliament mentioned that he has been approached by a large number of parents, business owners, local youths and the general public, who have raised serious concerns over frequent power cuts in the South Andaman region.

He added that the exams for Class X and Class XII are being conducted in the Islands, thousands of students are facing immense hardship in focusing on their studies and completing necessary revisions. Parents are also equally worried as the power cuts are causing a great deal of inconvenience for their children. The operated in the desired



Member of Parliament pointed out that due to frequent power cuts, electronic equipment in their homes are getting damaged & Islanders are unable to carry out normal daily chores at home.

He added that thousands of students in different schools are also suffering heavily due to frequent power cuts in the South Andaman region during school hours, considering the hot and humid season.

He also mentioned that power cuts are also causing huge problems in G B Pant Hospital as due to insufficient power backup many medical equipment and expensive machines could not be

manner. The Member of Parliament mentioned that Small & Medium business owners, who can't afford generators, are also equally hit by frequent power cuts as they are witnessing heavy loss in business because during power cuts they are unable to operate computers and other machines. Shops are facing difficulties in billing and managing their business.

He pointed out that people of every sector are going through huge problems due to such frequent power cuts which amounts to around 10 to 12 power cuts a day. "It is learnt that due to the lack of power backup system in the Solar Power Plant, the electricity department is facing such issues," he said. Hence the Member of Parliament requested the Chief Secretary to issue necessary directions to the Electricity Depart ment to provide uninterrupt ed power supply and to find the faults and take necessary measures to stop such power cuts.

working with poultry. Last vear China reported the first human case of H10N3. China has huge populations of both farmed and wild birds of many species, creating

an ideal environment for avian viruses to mix and mutate. Growing surveillance of avian influenza in people also means more infections are being picked up.

## **DUGONG Guest House of** PBMC remains idle and fruitless amidst the precarious financial position of the urban civic body

Upon hand over by ANIIMS, the Guest House on the seafront remains deserted for two years now

spiralling hotels and restaurants across the length and breadth of South Andaman, Government Guests Houses and Circuit Houses also assume greater importance in terms of providing hospitality to guests. Although there has been a surge in the number of private hotels and resorts in and around the city still the government quest houses retain their demand and charm among the official quests and officers of central government visiting these Islands. The services of ANIIDCO on the hospitality front are also laudable as it ensures best of class accommodations at its assets such as Mega pode, Hornbill besides the resorts in Havelock and Neil Islands.

Amidst this chaotic rush for accommodations whose demand sees a surge during peak tourist season, the PBMC's quest house namely DUGONG lying fruitless for more than two years now is a matter of concern. It becomes a matter of grave concern about learning of an asset lying unfruitful despite being on the seafront in a prime location when considering the precarious financial position of the Municipal Council. Once upon a time, the PBMC was considered cash cow thanks to copious inflow of revenue through Octroi payments before it was subsumed into GST since its roll out in 2017. Earlier, this Guest house christened as DUGONG was used by the

Together with the ANIIMS as their temporary hostel premises and later the ANIIMS had handed over the asset back to the Municipal Council about two years back. Since then, this guest house with 13 rooms and having prospects to be developed as a best of class accommodation with restaurant and bars is lying unused and idle much to the deprival of PBMC's revenue.

> Members general public demand that, if the Port Blair Municipal Council does not have the capacity or will to utilise and monetize this asset, this could well be leased out to private hospitality service providers on annual lease basis. According to hospitality stakeholders, an asset of such class located on a sea front is having the potential to garner between 10-15 lakh per annum revenue to the Municipal Council Given its vantage location, this guest house could well be developed into an attractive hospitality center with bars, restaurants and well developed suits.

> The Municipal Council despite being in a precarious financial situation never thought of monetizing this asset and chose to keep it idle for the last two years, a hotel industry stakeholder alleges. Its high time the New Chairperson and the Council of Port Blair Municipal Council accord top priority to develop the **DUGONG Guest House** into a state of the art

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# **China reports first human** case of H3N8 bird flu

China recorded the first human infection with the H3N8 strain of bird flu, the country's health authority said on Tuesday, but said the risk of it spreading among people was low.

A four-vear-old boy from central Henan province was found to have been infected with the variant after developing a fever and other symptoms on April 5. No close contacts were infected with the virus, the National Health Commission said in a statement. The child had been in contact with chickens and crows



raised at his home, it added. The H3N8 variant has previously been detected elsewhere in the world in horses, dogs, birds & seals but no human cases of H3N8 have been reported, said the NHC. The commission said an initial assessment deter

mined the variant did not yet have the ability to effectively infect humans, and the risk of a largescale epidemic was low.

Many different strains of bird flu are present in China and some sporadically infect people, usually those

# Coping with mental health in times of global warming

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After long summer days, when a spell of rain soothes the dusty earth, who doesn't feel a sense of joy? Even the peacock breaks into a dance. But when the once-refreshing rain continues incessantly for days, causing floods, landslides and devastation, it triggers stress, anxiety, depression and fear. The changing faces of weather impacts human minds.

Climate is a common topic of conversation — as a casual mention of the weather of the day or a detailed discussion on seasonal changes. Dialogues on climate change, global warming and natural calamities due to the vagaries of weather have taken centre-stage in recent times after scientists & environmenta lists worldwide have indicated that a gradual rise in the Earth's temperature can spell doom for the planet. According to NASA, the Earth's surface continues to significantly warm, with recent global temperatures being the hottest in the past 2,000-plus years. Global climate change impacts the environment, economy. social life, and health of people everywhere.

While the conse quences of climate change on health have been researched over the years and widely accepted, its impact on mental health is not vet well-established or studied adequately — but the situation is changing.

Dr C Naveen Kumar, professor & head, Community Psychiatry unit and consultant, Centre for Disaster Management, Department of Psychiatry, National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS), says, "There is increasing evidence that extreme weather events that are more frequent, intense & complex owing



to a changing climate can trigger post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), major depressive disorder (MDD). anxiety, depression, complicated grief, survivor guilt, vicarious trauma, recovery fatique, substance abuse, and suicidal ideation. "Incremental climate changes, such as rising temperatures, rising sea levels, and episodic drought, can change natural landscapes, disrupt food and water resources, change agricultural conditions, change land use and habitation, weaken infrastructure and give rise to financial and relationship stress, increase risks of violence and aggression and displacement of entire communities," he notes. "Long-term droughts affect food and water supplies and can subsequently affect the economic and mental well-being of landbased workers. They have also been increasingly linked to conflict and forced migration, which can influence psychosocial out comes like the propensity for stress, PTSD, anxiety, & trauma," the professor adds. Dr G Suresh Kumar, professor of psychiatry at the Government Hospital for Mental Care (GHMC), Visakhapatnam, says, "Even though we do not have conclusive studies and scientific data about the impact of global warming & climate change on human psyche, extremes of weather conditions do seem to affect the human mind and social behavior.

It is seen that climatic conditions often determine the food habits, belief systems, culture and lifestyle of inhabitants of a particular region. When ever natural calamities like floods, drought, cyclones and earthquakes occur, people suffer from anxiety, depression,PTSD & so on."

He explains that "Chronic ailments can aggravate seasonally. Also. Affective Seasonal Disorder (SAD), a type of bipolar mood disorder, is prevalent and extremes of winter affect the mood of such patients, who swerve between mania and depression. Very cold and cloudy weather for prolonged periods can make sensitive people depressive, melancholic, even suicidal Extremely hot weather on the other hand, can make vulnerable people aggressive, violent, angry, intolerant, irritable, lethargic and stressed out."

"When climate change is inevitable, it is important to build resilience, which is the capacity of an individual to adapt to challenging circumstances while maintaining mental wellbeing. Resilience involves behaviors, thoughts and actions that anyone can learn and develop. It can be achieved at both individual and community level", says Deepika Saini, project officer in the department of Psychiatry at NIMHANS, who suggests ways to cope with mental health in the backdrop of climate change.

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hospitality centre. If the possibility of development this guest house by the PBMC on its own is sparse, they it may explore the option of leasing out the premises on a PPP mode to ensure that the PBMC garners as much revenue as possible from this.

Furthermore. against the PBMC facing revenue shortage owing to loss of octroi, it should try to garner more revenue through its other assets by developing them. On water supply, if all domestic connections are provided with water meters and the monthly charges are levied

based on the outcome of water meters, it will ensure substantial additional revenue to the Council The PBMC should also try to identify its lands across the city & them for generating revenue. Recreation hubs like Gandhi Park are lacking recreational amenities which were once functional. Children trains. Merry-GO rounds, boating etc which were once functional in Gandhi Park have now become the things of past. The new Council may try to develop the Gandhi Park in order to general revenue to the Council.

# Vaccination- shield against the virus

Port Blair, Apr. 30: The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 6,75,628 beneficiaries in the age group of 18 and above have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands. Similarly, 23.424 beneficiaries have been vaccinated in the age group of 15 to 18 yrs. and 11.726 beneficiaries have been vaccinated in the age group of 12 to 14 yrs. The number of beneficiaries administered precautio nary dose of vaccine so far stood at 19.512.

A total of 431 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, 204 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 8 beneficiaries were

in the age group of 12-14years, 8 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years and the number of beneficiaries administered precautio nary dose of vaccine stood at 83. 111 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District. out of which 1 beneficiary was in the age group of 12-14 years, 3 beneficiaries were in the age group of 15-18 and the number of beneficiaries administered precautionary dose of vaccine stood at 31. 116 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District, out of which 22 beneficiaries were in the age group of 12-14 years and the number of beneficiaries administered precautionary dose of vaccine stood at 27.

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Vice-President Shri, Hamid Ali ji, ANTCC Vice-President Shri. Mohd. Ali ji, DCC President Shri. V.K Abdul Aziz ji, ANTCC General Secretary Shri. Masih Lugun ji, ANTCC Chief Spokesperson Shri. K. Ganeshan ji, Mahila Coordinator Nicobar District Smt. Ratna Kannan ji, ANTCC Spokesperson Shri. Tamil Selvan ji, DCC General Secretary Shri. K.P. Usman ji, INTUC General Secretary Shri. Gyan

Prakash ji, INTUC General Secretary Shri. Rafique ji, Youth Congress President Shri, Elavaraia Alsu ii, Mahila Congress South Andaman Coordinator Smt. Zubaida Begum ji, Congress leader Shri. Aboobacker ji, Block Congress President Shri Shakthi Velu ji, Ward No. 10 Councillor Smt. T. Mangaya karasai ji, Ward No. 11 Councillor Shri, Sanieev Reddy ii along with several other Congress leaders were present in the rally.

# விவாகரத்து

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\_\_\_\_\_ ஒத்து வரவில்லை என்றால் விவாகரத்து வாங்கி விடுங்கள் என்று பேசுவது சர்வ சாதாரணமாகிவிட்டது இப்போது. மிக கொடூர சூழலில் வாம் ந்குக் கொண்டிருக்கும் பெண்களுக்கு விவாகரத்து தேவையே! அதில் மாற்று கருத்து இல்லை. ஆனால் அன்பில் இசைந்து செல்ல வேண்டிய விஷயங்களுக்கு கூட ஈகோ பார்த்துக் கொண்டும், குடும்ப உறவுகளின் வற்புறுத்தலுக்கும் நண்பர்களின் தேவையற்ற ஆலோசனைகள் ஆகியவை விவாகரத்தை நாடி செல்ல காரணமாகி விடுகிறது. ஆணைச் சார்ந்த பெண் வாழும் சுழுலும் இப்போது இல்லை. இது மிகப் பெரிய காரணம் எனலாம்.

உளக்கு என்ன கை நிறைய சம் பாதிக் கிற . உன்னையும் உன்னையும் உன் பிள்ளைகளையும் பார்த்துக் கொள்ள முடியும். யோசிக்கா தே. தைரியமாய் முடிவெடு என்று ஆலோசனைகள் அதிகம் கொடுத்து கெடுத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள். பணம் தேவைகளை பூர்த்தி செய்வது மட்டுமே வாழ்க்கை இல்லை. அதையும் மீறி பல விஷயங்கள் இருக்கின்றது.

உங்களுக்கு வேறொரு கணவன் கிடைக்கலாம். அல்லது கணவனென்றால் வேறொரு மனைவி கிடைக்க லாம். ஆனால் உங்கள் பிள்ளைகளுக்கு அவர்கள் அப்பாக்களோ அல்லது அம்மாக்களோ நிச்சயம் கிடைக்க மாட்டார்கள். பார்ன் சுவாலோ என்ற சின்னச் சிறு பறவையினம் இனப் பெருக்கத்திற்காக 8300 கி.மீ கடலின் மீது பயணம் செய்கிறது. அர்ஜென்டினாவில் இருந்து கலிபோர்னியாவுக்கு வந்து போக, பறந்து செல்லும் 16,600 கி.மீ., தூரத்தில் எங்கம் நிலப்பாப்போ. மலைப்பரப்போ கிடையாது!



அவை அர்ஜென்டினாவில் இருந்து புறப்படும்போது. சிறுகுச்சி ஒன்றை அலகில் கவ்விக்கொண்டு பறக்கின் றன. எப்பொழுதெல்லாம் அவற்றிற்குப் பசியும் களைப்பும் ஏற்படுகின்றதோ, அப்பொழு தெல்லாம் அவை கடல் பரப்பிற்கு தாழ்வாகப் பறந்து வந்து, அலகில் கவ்விய கச்சியை கடல் பாப்பின் மேல் -போட்டு அதன் மீது நின்று கொண்டு இரை தேடிக் ஓய்வெடுத்து பறந்து வேறொரு நாட்டில்தன் இனத்தை விருத்தி செய்குக் கொண்டு அங்கிருந்து மீண்டும் கடலின் மேலே தன் குஞ்சுகளுடன் பயணம் செய்து தன் சொந்த நாட்டை அடையும்.

ஒரு நல்வாழ்வை தன் குஞ்சுகளுக்கு கொடுக்க ஒரு பறவை இவ்வளவு போராடுகிறது . பேரன் பு இருந்தால் மட்டுமே இந்த பயணம் சாக்கியம்

சிறு சிறு விஷயத்திற் கு ம் சண் டையிட்டுக் கொண்டும், சகிப்புத் தன்மை அற்றும் பிற ஈர்ப்பில் மனம் மயங்கியும் ஏன் இந்த வாழ்வை தொடருகிறோம் என்று கசப்புடனும் இருக்கும் தம்பதியினர் அனைவருமே இந்த பறவையின் பயணத்தில் கற்றுக்கொள்ள நிறையவே உள்ளது. தன் இனத்தை நல்லவிகமாக உருவாக்குவகில் இக்கனை போராட்டங்கள் ஒரு பறவையின் வாழ்விலேயே உண்டென்றால் மனித வாழ்வில் இதைக்காட்டிலும் அதிக போராட்டங்கள் இருக்கும். சிலர் பெண்களிடம்

பெண்ணியம் பெண் விடுதலை என்று அதிகம் குழப்பிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறார்கள் ஆணா திக்கம் மிகுந்த ஆணவர்க்கம் என்றால் அவள் மீண்டும் வாழ்வை பெற்றுக் கொள்ள காத்திருக்கும் வர்க்கமும் இதே ஆணாதிக்கம் மிகுந்த ஆண் வர்க்கம்தானே. மாற்றப்பட வேண் டியது மனங்களே. எதிர் கொள்ளும் தையியம் கான்.

தன் கணவனிடமே தன் சுயத் தை நிருபிக்க முடியாடமல் தோல் வியுறும் பெண் வேறு ஒரு ஆணிடம் தன் சுதந்திரத்தை எப்படி மீட்டெடுப்பாள்? அதே கோன்று ஒரு பெண்ணிடம் அன்பை பெற சக்தியற்ற ஒருவன் வேறொரு பெண்ணில் தன் அன்ன எப்படி பேற முடியும்?

சிறு அளவில் அல்லது பெரிய அளவிலும் குறைகள் இருக்கலாம். பேரன்பு கண் கொண்டு காணில் அனைத்தும் சாத்தியமே! மேலை நாடுகள் போல் சுதந்திர வாழ்வு அல்லது வேறு துணை தேடிக் கொள்ளுதல் என்று இப்போது மேற்கோள்காட்டிக் கொண்டிருக்க இயலாது. குடும்பம் அமைப்பினை தொலைத்து வெளியில் தேடியவர்கள் இப்போது மகிழ்ச்சி என்பது அவாவர் குடும்பக்கில் மட்டுமே சாத்தியபடும் என்ற உண்மை யை உணர்ந்து ஒரே பெற்றோர் என்ற வாழ்வை பிள்ளை களுக்கு கொடுக்க துவங்கி இருக்கிறார்கள். அங்கு சில கீழ் தட்டு மக்களே விவாகாரத்து க்கள் இன்னும் அதிகமாக பெற்றுக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றனர் என்று கூறுகிறார்கள்.

இனம் காப்பதில் துணைபை தேர்வு செய்வதில் நேற உபிரினங்களுக்கு இருக்கும் தெளிவு நமக்கு இருக்கிறதா என்று சய பரிசோதனை செய்துக் கொள்வோம்! அறிவென்பது மகிழ்ச்சியை இருக்கும் இடத்திலேயே உருவாக்கிக் கொள்ளுதலிலும் அதற்கேற்ப மாற்றங்களை அழகாய் கொண்டு வருவதிலும்

### சமஸ்கிருத சொல்லை தவிர்த்து: பைந்தமிழில் பேசுவோம்

பூவை புஷ்பமாக்கி அழகை சுந்தரமாக்கி முறைய கேசமாக்கி தீயை அக்னியாக்கி காற்றை வாயுவாக்கி பிணத்தை சவமாக்கி கெட்டகை பாவமாக்கி முகத்தை வதனமாக்கி அறிவைப் புத்தியாக்கி அவையை சபையாக்கி அசானைக் கருவாக்கி இசையை சங்கீகமாக்கி குண்டத்தை யாகமாக்கி பெரியதை மஹாவாக்கி மக்களை ஜனங்களாக்கி நிலத்தை பூலோகமாக்கி அமிழ்தை அமிர்கமாக்கி அருள்மிகவை மீ ஆக்கி ஆடையை வஸ்திரமாக்கி உணர்வற்றதை சடமாக்கி ஓவியத்தை சித்திரமாக்கி கலையை சாஸ்திரமாக்கி விண்ணை ஆகாயமாக்கி களியலை ஸ்நானமாக்கி தொழுதலை பூஜையாக்கி தண்ணீரைத் தீர்த்தமாக்கி மாணவனை சிஷ்யனாக்கி வேண்டுதலை ஜெபமாக்கி முறைகளை ஆச்சாரமாக்கி பத்தாம் நாளை தசமியாக்கி திருவிழாவை உற்சவமாக்கி பருவமடைதலை ருதுவாக்கி உறக்கத்தை நித்திரையாக்கி திருமணத்தை விவாகமாக்கி பயணத்தை யாத்திரையாக்கி செருப்பை பாதரட்ஷையாக்கி படையலை நைவய்கியமாக்கி பள்ளிகளை விக்யாலயமாக்கி பிள்ளைப்பேறை பிரசவமாக்கி வணக்கத்தை நமஸ்காரமாக்கி அன்பளிப்பை தட்சணையாக்கி ஒன்பதாம் நாளை நவமியாக்கி அறிவியலை விஞ்ஞானமாக்கி படிப்பிக்கலை அப்பியாசமாக்கி கருவரையை கர்ப்பகிரகமாக்கி வேளாண்மையை விவசாயமாக்கி குடமுழுக்கை கும்பாபிஷேகமாக்கி

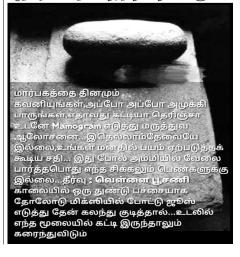
எப்படி எப்படி அழகு தமிழ்ச் சொற்கள் அழிந்துள்ளன. அனைத்து இடங்களிலும் தமிழ்ச்சொற்களை பயன்படுத்த உறுதியேற்போம்.... தாய்மொழி, தமிழ் மொழியைப் பேணுவோம்.



# மூட்டு வலி

குணமாக

சின்ன வெங்காயம், கடுகு இரண்டையும் சேர்த்து அரைத்து வலியுள்ள மூட்டுக்களில் தடவினால் மூட்டு வலி கணமாகும்.



### Seek ...

#### department assess according to the prevailing market rates. In such occasions, some Executive Engineers used to seek justification from the concerned contractor as to how the contractor could execute the work with such low rates, while others ignored the fact and awarded the works to contractors. In such instances, either the contractor had given up the work midway or the work had been foreclosed by the Department citing substandard quality. After some times now, similar incidents have again started cropping up with some contractors quoting abnormally low rates to secure works by defying the norms of quality assurance. In a classic example of such incident, a contractor in Port Blair Municipal Council has quoted very low rate compared to the estimate cost of the tender.

According contractors they are shocked to find lowest bidders quoting amount at the range of 36% below the estimated cost put to tender. Now, question arises as to how the contractor, who quoted such a low rate, will be able to execute the work without compromising on

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Engineers play a vital role as they know the priority and precedence of works according to their nature of urgency.

Transfers...

Now, as the new Councillors have taken charge with little knowledge of work requirement in their wards, posting new Junior Engineers by replacing the existing incumbents would not go down well with the process of new estimates, it is suggested. Since the existing Junior Engineers have been working in the same section for more than five years now, they

have gone up manifold over global situations, such are expected to have fair knowledge of work require ments and urgent works in their areas. As such, it will help in according priority to urgent works for preparat ion of estimates and also guiding the new Councillors in proposing new works,

an Ex-Councillor suggests. Commenting further, he says that, it is existing Junior Engineers who would have knowledge about the works for which estimates already prepar ed and sanctions arrived. In such scenarios, Councillors can take up the matter with respective committees and Executive Engineers for call of tenders also. At the same time, when a new Junior Engineer takes charge of a Section, he may not have much knowledge of the works already sanctioned or estimates submitted and it will lead to delay in execution of works, it is further said.

Councillors opine although the transfers are mandatory and essential part of public service in view of ensuing integrity and probity, if the proposed transfer of

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the quality. Commenting

on this issue, a contractor

said that, in many such

cases, the NIT authorities

fail to adhere to the

CPWD Works Manual by

seeking justification from

the contractor. Where a

contractor has quoted

abnormally lower rates in

a public tender, he ought

to furnish valid item wise

justification regarding cost

of raw materials, labour

and allied items to be used

in the work. Unless the

concerned contractor is an

insane person, he would

not quote rates below his

affordability by incurring

loss. In such occasions,

there could either be a

compromise on quality or

the contractor incurs loss,

he said. Like him, other

contractors are worried

that the current situation

will only vitiate the environ

ment if contractors are

allowed to take up works

at such abnormally lower

rates as the quality of

works will be compromised.

Executive Engineers of

APWD and Municipal

Council have begun to

obtain an undertaking from

the contractors that the

work would be executed

without compromising on

the quality. However, even

after the market prices

Off late, the

contractors continues to quote rates which are about 40% below the estimated cost. This creates suspicion as to how the contractors manage with the procure ment of raw materials, let alone the cost of execution

Against situation, contractor fraternity demand that, the **Executive Engineers may** seek a detailed analysis of rates in respect of items of works for which rates have been quoted abnormally low so as to make a technical and commercial evaluation of how the contractor can execute the works at such low rates. Contractors opine that, quoting low rates of such dismal magnitude may result in good profit to government.

At the same time, authorities have the onerous duty of ensuing quality which may not be suffice with the mere undertaking of contractor. A detailed analysis of prices of raw materials, labour allied items etc should be assessed in respect of each item so as to arrive at a conclusion that the contractor would be able to execute the works. Otherwise, the very facade of the financial aspect of tenders would override and deteriorate the quality of works.

Junior Engineers is deferred to a couple of months later, it would help new Councillors to expedite the submission of work proposals & also identify the status of old estimates. Hence, Councillors are

### MP...

2022 in A&N Islands. During the COVID-19 pandemic the teachers' community worked really hard in various parts of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and in some cases during summer vacations 2020 and 2021 a large number of teachers could not leave their respective station and worked with concerned District Administration in COVID-19 duty. The Member of Parliament mentioned that a large number of teachers were placed in door to door survey, surveillance duty, control room duty etc. during summer vacation.

He added that now when COVID-19 cases are under control, after two Andaman region

planning to put up a formal request for deferment of the transfer of Junior Engineers for atleast six months by which time new Councillors would get well acquainted with the require ment of works in their wards.

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long years, this year, these hard working teachers of Andaman and Nicobar Islands are hoping to avail the Summer Vacation and visit Mainland India with family for tour, treatment, admission of their kids and other purposes. He pointed out that a large number of teachers are serving people in various remote Islands of this Union Territory and hence he requested the Chief Secretary to make necessary arrangements to bring all teachers to Port Blair after 2nd May 2022 by providing special ships for Little Andaman and Southern Group of Islands and by providing special buses for North and Middle

### **MP** demands weekly roster of cargo and dangerous cargo ships for Great Nicobar Islands so that fuel, **LPG Cylinders and essential** commodities reach to the Islands on regular basis

Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to maintain a weekly roster of cargo and dangerous cargo ships for Great Nicobar Islands so that fuel, LPG Cylinders & essential commodities reach to the Islands on regular basis. In a letter addressed to the Hon'ble Lt Governor the Member of Parliament said that due to lack of cargo as well as dangerous cargo ships, the Island is witnessing a crisis of LPG Cylinders, Petrol, Diesel as well as other essential commodities He added that in many areas people do not even

The Member of have sufficient petrol/diesel for medical emergencies.

> The Member of Parliament added that after a gap of several days today some Islanders have been issued a very limited amount of fuel at Campbell Bay, it is learnt. Considering the hardship of people of Great Nicobar Island and to resolve this issue, the Member of Parliament requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor to issue necessary directions to the Shipping Department to maintain a weekly roster of cargo and dangerous cargo ships for Great Nicobar Islands so that fuel, LPG Cylinders and essential commodities reach to the Island on regular basis.

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