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## Jarawa Facts

The 300 odd - strong Jarawa, along with the other Andaman tribes the Sentinelese, the Onge and the Great Andamanese, were the sole inhabitants of the Andaman Islands until the British and then the Indians arrived. Their ancestors are thought to have been part of the first successful migrations out of Africa.

## Your Nature Guide

**Life in the ocean:** From the shores or from a boat, the sea looks like a huge mass of uniform, inky blue water. It is not so actually. Life in the sea is amazingly different at different depths. From the surface to a few feet below, the ocean is a sunlit world, that changes from day to night. Below this, the ocean becomes cold, dim, and unchanging. And thousands of meters below the surface, the ocean is a region of near-freezing temperatures, crushing pressure, and complete darkness. Most marine plants and animals are adapted to living in one of three regions- the sunlight, twilight, or midnight zone. These zones are defined by the presence (or absence) of light. They differ from one another in temperature amount of pressure, and nutrient supply. We will mainly focus here on the sunlight zone where most of the familiar animals and plants are present.

**Treasured Islands - By Sunita Rao. Courtesy: Kalpavriksh, ANET (MCBT)**

## People's Voice

Paani, Bijli, Sadak, Transportation aur Naukri ... Buss ye he toh Burning Issues hai Andaman mein ...

- A Citizen



**Our rival candidate is also distributing crackers to voters!**

## Member of Parliament Sanctions 20 Lakh Rupees for Purchase of Special Bus for Divyang Islanders

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** Considering the inconvenience being faced by Divyang brothers and sisters of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and their family members in reaching the Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice &

Empowerment, Gol, Brookshabad, the Member of Parliament of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has sanctioned purchase and supply of one special bus under MPLADS fund to the CRC Brookshabad.

Having come to know about the regular struggle of Divyang Islanders and their

parents in reaching the Composite Regional Centre Brookshabad, the Member of Parliament noticed that it is difficult for Divyang people to travel in buses to reach Brookshabad area for Rehabilitation sessions. In most of the cases parents have to book an auto and other vehicles to reach Brookshabad, which is not

only time consuming but also unaffordable for many parents.

The approximate cost of the Bus is nearly Rs. 20,00,000 (Twenty Lakhs) and it will be of great use for persons with disabilities for all transportation needs as it will have special provisions for Divyang brothers and sisters.

## A&N Administration Issues New COVID-19 Protocols for Travellers in A&N Islands

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** In supersession to earlier orders and circulars issued from time to time by A&N Administration regarding COVID management in A&N Islands following are the COVID-19 protocols to be followed for travellers in A&N Islands with immediate effect:

All asymptomatic children below 12 years of age are exempted from RT-PCR test to travel to A&N Islands by sea/air route.

People above 12 years of age intending to travel from mainland who are not vaccinated /partially vaccinated against COVID-19 will

have to undertake RT-PCR test in mainland within 48 hours before commencing such journey to A&N Islands. They will also be tested at Point of Entry.

All asymptomatic passengers undertaking journey to inter-island sectors are exempted from any type of COVID-19 testing irrespective of their vaccination status.

All symptomatic passengers travelling from mainland or travelling to inter-island sectors must undergo RT-PCR testing within 48 hours of commencement of journey irrespective of their age group and vaccination status.

## SAMFAR Events to Organise Men's Physique Competition 'Body Hunt 2'

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** SAMFAR Events will be organising a Men's Physique competition called 'Body Hunt 2'. The aim of the competition is to bring awareness about man physique and encourage health and fitness among the youth of the Islands.

The objective of the competition shall be to bring youth of the Islands to a stage of man physique, thereby opening up opportunities for them in the national stage.



The one-day competition is scheduled to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2022, guided and judged by professional experts from the industry. The form for participation is available the organiser of the event Shri Sameer Iqbal Bajaj (9933206988).

## Hope Foundation Conducts Awareness Programme on Breast Cancer at Ograbraj

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** The Hope Foundation (NGO) is making every possible effort for the better future and health for women and child. Keeping in view the hike in breast cancer cases in India and to aware the women of these Islands about the disease, the NGO organised an awareness programme on breast cancer on 24/10/2022 at Ograbraj



Community Hall under Gram Panchayat Mithakhari. Smti. Pramila Kumari, Adhyaksha ZPSA graced the programme as

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## MOS Chemicals & Fertilizer Calls on Lt. Governor



**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** Shri Bhagwanth Khuba, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Chemicals & Fertilizers and New and Renewable Energy and Member of Lok Sabha from Bidar Lok Sabha constituency in Karnataka on visit to A&N Islands from 24th to 27th Oct., 2022 met Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency today at Raj Niwas. Discussed various Infra/Developmental Mega projects being implemented by Andaman & Nicobar Administration under the aegis of Islands Development Agency.

## Hall Tickets for Combined Recruitment Examination for Group C

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** In continuation to the Vacancy Notice dated 01.08.2022, the Hall Tickets for the combined recruitment written examination for filling various Group C posts under the A & N Administration scheduled to be held on 20.11.2022 in two shifts has been released and will be available online w.e.f. 27.10.2022 from 4 pm onwards.

Accordingly, the applicants may visit the Portal: <https://karmic.andaman.gov.in> and <https://andaman.nic.in> for downloading the Hall Tickets.

## COVID-19 Status in A&N Islands

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** No COVID positive case has been detected today in A&N Islands. Today, 14 flights with 2083 passengers arrived, out of which, 1845 passengers were vaccinated with both doses while RT-PCR test was conducted on 189 passengers and the reports are awaited.

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*Success is not an activity but a process ...*

## Disqualification of Imran Khan

The Pakistan Election Commission's decision to disqualify Imran Khan from completing his term in Parliament is a setback for the former Prime Minister, who has been rallying his supporters against his political rivals as well as the military establishment ever since he was ousted in April. The commission found Mr. Khan, leader of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party, guilty of illegally selling gifts he got from foreign dignitaries when Prime Minister and concealing the profits. And the four-member bench came up with a particularly harsh judgment of barring a popular politician and the main opposition leader from office, an order that is reminiscent of former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's disqualification in 2018. Mr. Khan would also be prevented from heading the PTI as an earlier Supreme Court judgment bars disqualified leaders from heading political parties. The verdict came days after Mr. Khan swept the by-polls by winning six out of seven National Assembly seats, in a sign of his surging popularity despite the different cases slapped on him. He has challenged the commission's verdict in the Islamabad High Court, but, needless to say, the development has added to his legal woes. It could threaten his political career and worsen the political instability.

While the legality of the commission's verdict would be reviewed by the High Court, it is hard to miss the parallels between the disqualification of Mr. Sharif and that of Mr. Khan, barred from office after they fell out with the powerful military establishment. Mr. Sharif always had a testy relationship with the military. Mr. Khan, on the other side, was a beneficiary of Mr. Sharif's ouster. He rose to power with help from the establishment, and the then opposition which makes up the current government, accused him of being a pawn in the hands of the generals. But the tables turned when Mr. Khan tried to rein in the military. Now, he is accusing the military of conspiring with his political rivals to keep him out of power. Whether he is right or wrong, Pakistan's history suggests that any popular leader who tries to mobilise political capital independent of the military's standing would be met with strong institutional resistance. Mr. Khan's story is no different. Pakistan is in a crisis. The Shehbaz Sharif government is a short-term arrangement; the economy is in free fall; and this year's floods have made matters worse, leading to growing public resentment. The civilian leaders should assert themselves, strengthen democracy and take the country out of the morass it is in. Instead, their power struggles, under the long shadow of the military, are further destabilising the country.

## BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



### A No Nose Car..!

It was during one of my visits to the village I heard a commotion, "What's happening?" I asked as I walked out of my gate and saw Ramesh my neighbour and his old mother dancing on the road.

"Mother's a crorepati!" shouted Ramesh.

"Not crorepati," cackled the old lady, "ten lakhs!"

"Uncle died and left her ten lakhs!" shouted Ramesh doing another jig on the road and stopping the lone bullock cart. "Now, mother wants a car! She's always dreamt of buying one!"

"So get one for her," I said, happy for the old lady, and a few days later watched both of them going to town to pick a car for the old lady. They came back towards evening, surly and long faced, "What happened?" I asked.

"She didn't like any of them," muttered Ramesh.

"No noses!" said the old lady.

"Can you believe that?" asked Ramesh. "I showed her the Honda City, Ciaz, and even the Innova and that's what she told the salesman?"

"No noses!" said the old lady.

"You want a car with a nose?" I asked the old lady.

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We watched as the old lady went into her house without a word. We heard her moving a trunk and in a while she ambled towards me holding an old sheet of paper, a newspaper cutting some seventy-five years old. It showed a proud maharajah standing next to his newly acquired Rolls. "See," she said, "look at the nose!"

It was indeed a royal bonnet the car had, long and regal, gleaming and shining. "Come," I said, "lets go down the road!" I had passed the local garage many times and walked to there followed by an eager old lady and her reluctant son. The old rundown Chevrolet, which once had been used for all the village weddings, lay rotting outside, rusty and broken. "How much?" I asked.

"One lakh!" said the garage owner.

"One lakh?" I asked incredulously.

"Vintage sir! Vintage!" said the owner knowing I had no choice.

"How much to repair it?" I asked.

"One lakh!" said the mechanic.

We settled the sum and walked back, the old lady literally doing a waltz in the middle of the road while her gloomy son walked behind. "Okay," she said suddenly turning to him, "you buy a little 'no nose' car for yourself!" And he did just that. The vintage car was done up and she rode up and down the village street, hiring the same mechanic as her trainer for an hour everyday. The son bought a van.

A month later I saw the antique Chevy with the old lady sitting in it towing the van to the garage, "What happened?" I asked.

"She reversed into my car," muttered Ramesh, "and flattened the front."

"No nose!" chuckled the old lady. "See what happens with no nose..!"

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## Hope Foundation Conducts Awareness Programme on Breast Cancer at Ograbraj

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chief guest and encouraged the women to attend all such kinds of awareness camps.

The president of Hope Foundation, Shri. Abdul Razzaq spoke about the importance of knowledge about the disease for its early detection and prevention in their address

Shri Mohd Safiq (Pradhan GP Mithakhari) urged the people to be attentive and ask them to share the knowledge and experience with others and also thanked the Hope Foundation for organising such an awareness camp for women in their village. Dr.

Maneesha also spoke about breast cancer related issues.

The programme was also attended by Shri. T. Mohammed Rafique, Panchayat Samiti Member, Mithakhari, Shri. Jalal (Up-Pradhan), Shri. T.P. Mohammed Rafique (Sarpanch) and other PRI's Mithakhari.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## Thank God Movie Review: Ajay Devgn, Sidharth Malhotra Film is Dull and Pointless

**October 26:** Swerving wildly to save a motorcyclist who comes in his way, Mumbai-based real-estate high-flier Ayaan Kapoor (Malhotra) crashes into a car. The screen goes blank. When he comes to his senses, Ayaan finds himself in front of a man who introduces himself as CG aka Chitragupt (Devgn), and who appears to be lording over an unearthly arena dotted with rows of silent witnesses.

The black-clad CG is judge-jury-executioner and chief inquisitor, all rolled in one. And Ayaan is in the dock: what kind of human is he? The kind who lies and cheats and deserves to fry in hell till all eternity, or spend the rest of his life with his loving family, wife (Singh) and young daughter?

The official remake of Norwegian film 'Sorte Kugler', 'Thank God' marks

Indra Kumar's return to Bollywood after a sizeable gap. Best known for his musical rom-coms with Bollywood stars acting as overgrown delinquents ('Dil'), and the raunchy 'Masti' and 'Dhamaal' franchises stuffed with oversexed men and double-meaning dialogues, his style is still same-old, and it does nothing for a fantasy which needed to be light on its feet.

The conceit born of a human suspended between life and death, embracing reform and turning over a new leaf, is a familiar one. We've had versions of it both in Hollywood and Bollywood, but I'm hard put to remember one which is as dull and pointless.



Shubhra Gupta —REVIEWS

Devgn delivers his trademark smirk, and waits for the obligatory 'Singham' reference, which shows up soon enough because the very svelte Singh is a cop by profession. Malhotra leaves little impact. As ever, the wonderful Seema Pahwa and Kulbhushan Kharbanda are wasted. As is our time. Poor Ms Fatehi comes on to do a shake-and-jive, but sorry, no soap.

This was meant to be a cautionary tale, laced with lessons and laughter. Where's the fun? Even the Almighty can't do a thing about it.

### Priyanka Chopra, Nick Jonas Celebrate First Diwali with Daughter Malti, See Beautiful Inside pics

**October 26:** Priyanka Chopra and her husband Nick Jonas celebrated their first Diwali after welcoming their daughter Malti Marie Chopra Jonas in January. Nick shared beautiful pictures from the festivities and wished his fans and followers a 'Happy Diwali' too.

In the pictures, Nick has hidden his daughter's face with a heart emoji. He captioned the pictures, "Such a beautiful Diwali celebration with my e&p. Happy Diwali everyone. Sending joy and light to you all. #diwali."

In the photos, we can see Priyanka Chopra, Nick Jonas and Malti Marie Chopra Jonas dressed in white Indian traditional outfits. Nick is wearing a white sherwani, whereas the mother-daughter duo Priyanka and Malti are dressed in white lehengas.

Priyanka Chopra- Nick Jonas- Malti Priyanka Chopra and Nick Jonas celebrated Diwali with their daughter Malti. (Photos: Nick Jonas/Instagram) Priyanka Chopra and her husband Nick Jonas celebrated their first Diwali

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In the first picture, the couple is seen posing for the camera with their daughter, and in the second photo, the family is seen performing Diwali puja. Nick's Diwali post received a lot of love from his fans and followers. One fan wrote, "OMG!!! These



pics are everything.. so beautiful. Happy Diwali to you all babe. Have a wonderful day and year a h e a d >Ø" Pd' p>ØY=ØLP=ØOÜ." Another fan commented on Nick's hair, and wrote, "The curls coming back =Ø

P." Last year, Priyanka Chopra and Nick Jonas had thrown a lavish Diwali party at their Los Angeles home with celebrity guests like model Chrissy Teigen and her husband John Legend in attendance. Priyanka had also attended a pre-Diwali celebration hosted by actor-producer Mindy Kaling.

On the work front, Priyanka has several projects lined up, including Russo Brothers' Citadel, It's All Coming Back To Me and Farhan Akhtar's Jee Le Zaraa with Alia Bhatt and Katrina Kaif.

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### Health, Science /Tech

## WhatsApp Resumes After Over an Hour of Disruption



**October 26: NEW DELHI:** Popular messaging app WhatsApp faced a global outage from the UK to India, with users being not able to send and receive text and video messages for more than an hour.

The services were restored for some users after the unexplained disruption that last over an hour. The resumption of service was confirmed by several users.

WhatsApp's services across many parts of India and the world were disrupted on Tuesday afternoon as thousands of users were unable to send or receive messages on the Meta-owned platform.

After the snag hit, WhatsApp had said it is working to restore services.

"We're aware that some people are currently having trouble sending messages and we're working to restore WhatsApp for everyone as quickly as possible," a Meta company spokesperson said in a statement.

#Whatsappdown was trending on Twitter, and many users took to the microblogging platform to share funny memes on the issue.

Downdetector reported a significant rise in complaints around Whatsapp outage; nearly 29,000 reports were flagged by users.

Downdetector's heatmap was showing WhatsApp users in major cities, including Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Kolkata were impacted by the disruption.

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## HRD Programme on Integrated Pest Management on Field Crops (Kharif-2022) Organised at Ferrargunj

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** A two days HRD Programme on impact of pesticide residues on field crops was conducted by Central Integrated Pest Management Centre (CIPMC), Ministry of Agri. & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India, Port Blair in collaboration with Department of Agriculture at Panchayat Hall, Ferrargunj, South Andaman.

The focus of the programme was on the IPM Technology, where Smt. D. Adailaxmy, AA, Dept. of Agri. in her welcome address, briefed on the importance of IPM in agriculture crops. Shri Ramesh, H.P, PPO (E), CIPMC, Port Blair addressed the concern over adverse effect of pesticides residues above MRL and discussed upon safe use of pesticides. Dr. Janardan Saikia (APPO), PQS, Port Blair spoke upon the major insect pest management in field crops through IPM practices.



Shri Navashakthi, A.O, Dept. of Agri., suggested the farmers on the importance of Integrated Farming System, IDM, IPM, ATMA model to ensure all the inputs required for agriculture which are organic in nature and can be derived from field by integrating livestock, poultry and fish cultures. During the technical session Smt. Lipika Mandal, BTM (ATMA), Smt. Sunitha Kumari, ATM (ATMA) and Smt. Meena Kumara, ATM (ATMA) were the resource

persons and covered different topics like seed treatment, pest and disease management on different crops with IPM Technology.

Shri Edmond Baa, Up-Pradhan, Ferrargunj Gram Panchayat in his welcome address talked on the importance of organic farming with all the participants and Panchyat Secretary, Ferrargunj Gram Panchayat was also present. The training programme was successfully concluded with 60 participants including women farmers.

## Nirankaris Celebrate Diwali With Inmates of Sewa Niketan

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** On the auspicious Occasion of Deepawali, the Sant Nirankari Mission Branch, Port Blair shared the joy of festival with young children of Sewa Niketan Ashram (Orphanage) Diary Farm. On this occasion the children and volunteers from the mission distributed Sweets, Crackers, Candle, Diya and Study material among the children of Ashram in the presence of Sector Incharge and Sewadal Sanchalak.

Shri A. Chakraborty, In-charge Sewa Niketan



Ashram, Diary Farm appreciated the good gesture and work being done by the young children of Sant Nirankari Mission. He said that those who share happiness with others are themselves happy from within. He added that this type of service can be done only by the followers of the true spiritual master and they are also inspired from such spiritual master.

## Central Crime Station Seizes 4.320 Kgs of Ganja, Arrests One

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** Acting on a specific intelligence input received from reliable source, Police team from Central Crime Station consisting of SI M.A Rasheed, Head Constables Sanjay Kujur and Constables N.Thangaraj & Raja Rao intercepted one person namely Utpal Dhali S/o Sh. Patitpaban Dhali R/o Netaji Palli, Barasat, North 24 Parganas at ITF Ground,

VIP Road who arrived Port Blair from Kolkata on 26/10/2022 by flight. During checking of his personnel belongings, 4.320 Kgs of Ganja which was clandestinely concealed in the bag was seized and accused person was arrested observing all codal formalities.

A case under relevant sections of NDPS Act-1985

has been registered at PS CCS and investigation is on.

The general public is requested to inform about any credible information pertaining to sale or possession of contrabands or any other illegal activity on the following telephone numbers- 100, 232586, 233307, 9474290250. The identity of the informer will be kept secret.

## Hyderabadis Witness Solar Eclipse with Excitement



**October 26: HYDERABAD:** Hyderabadis were able to get a glimpse of the partial solar eclipse in the city on Tuesday, thanks to clear skies. The eclipse was visible from 4.59 pm until sunset.

The Birla Planetarium in the heart of the city was packed with sky gazers, and there were special arrangements made there for the aficionados to view the celestial spectacle. There was a palpable sense of excitement as throngs of families with children flocked to the planetarium to witness the solar eclipse.

Faculty from the astronomy department at Osmania University (OU) observed the eclipse and captured it on camera using a phone hidden behind a six-inch Celestron telescope with a neutral density filter.

The next celestial event that Hyderabad residents can view is a lunar eclipse on November 7-8, while the next solar eclipse won't happen until 2024, according to the department's associate professor Dr. D. Shanti Priya. According to her, the institution plans to work with an OU alumnus to broadcast the eclipse of 2024 live as it is observed through a telescope in the US.

## Seema Leaders Back with Demand for Statehood to Greater Rayalaseema



**October 26: NELLORE:** With the YSR Congress government battling for Visakhapatnam as executive capital, some senior leaders of Rayalaseema led by former Nandyal MP Gangula Pratap Reddy are back with the demand for a Greater Rayalaseema state with Tirupati as its capital.

Pratap Reddy pressed for a Greater Rayalaseema consisting of Anantapur, Kumool, Kadapa, Chittoor, Nellore and Prakasam districts on the plea that both Chandrababu Naidu and Jagan Mohan Reddy ignored the region even as they are from Rayalaseema.

Speaking to Deccan Chronicle during his visit to Nellore to mobilise support for statehood to Greater Rayalaseema,

Pratap Reddy said their agitation initiated in 2020 was affected because of the Covid situation for two years. "Tirupati is most suitable to become the capital due to fast-paced industrial development, international airport, proximity to Krishnapatnam port as also to Chennai and Bengaluru cities besides the presence of large extents of government land in the vicinity," he said.

Reminding that the capital should be in Rayalaseema region and the high court in coastal Andhra as per the Sribagh pact between politicians of Rayalaseema and coastal Andhra in 1937, he said the agreement was simply ignored. Though the first capital was set up at Kumool after AP was carved out of combined Madras state in 1953, it was shifted to Hyderabad later.



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## PM Narendra Modi Congratulates Rishi Sunak




October 26:  
**NEW DELHI:**  
Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday congratulated Conservative Party leader Rishi Sunak who was appointed Britain's Prime Minister on Tuesday and is the first Indian-origin person to occupy the post.

Modi tweeted: "Warmest congratulations @RishiSunak! As you become UK PM, I look forward to working closely together on global issues, and implementing Roadmap 2030. Special Diwali wishes to the 'living bridge' of UK Indians, as we transform our historic ties into a modern partnership."




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### IGNOU B.SC (Life Science, Physics and Chemistry) Practical Classes and Exam

**Port Blair, Oct. 26:** The Practical Classes and Exams for B.SC (old scheme) for (Life science - LSE 4L, LSE8L, LSE11L, LSE14L, Physics-PHE-08L, PHE-12L, BPHL-108, PHE3L/BPHL103, chemistry- CHE3L, CHE7L, CHE8L, CHE11L AND CHE12L) programme of Indira Gandhi National Open University is scheduled from 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2022 to 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. The practical classes & exams will be conducted at JNRM, College, Port Blair.

The list of examinees, subject wise dates of practical classes and exam has already been uploaded in the social media websites i.e. Port Blair Regional centre, face book, twitter and in the notice board of the Study Centre-0201, JNRM and Regional Centre.

For more details about practical classes /exams, learners may contact the Study Centre-0201, JNRM, Port Blair on 03192-237078 or the IGNOU Regional Centre, Port Blair, over Phone: 03192-242888 or 03192-230111 or Email: [rcportblair@ignou.ac.in](mailto:rcportblair@ignou.ac.in) or.





# SPORTS

## I Want Virat Kohli to Retire from T20 Cricket and Use His Energy to Score Centuries in ODIs: Shoaib Akhtar

**October 26:** Pakistan icon Shoaib Akhtar heaped praise on Virat Kohli after his unbeaten 82 against Pakistan in Sunday's T20 World Cup encounter between the archrivals. Akhtar, who has always been a vociferous supporter of Kohli during his lean patch, said, "According to me, he played the greatest innings of his life against Pakistan. He played like this because he had the self belief that he will do it."

"He was down and out for 3 years, he didn't score runs, he was stripped of his captaincy and a lot of people said a lot of things to him. People even dragged his family into it but he kept training and put in the graft and just a day before Diwali, he played a firecracker on an innings. He decided that this place and this stage is perfect for his comeback. The king is back and he is back with a bang and I am really happy for him. He is a great cricketer," the Pakistan legend added. Akhtar also said



that he wanted Kohli to retire from T20 cricket because he did not want Kohli to put all his energy in that format of the game only. "I want him to retire from T20 because I don't want that he puts his entire energy in T20 cricket. If he used all his might like he did today, he can score three centuries in ODIs," he said.

The former Pakistan speedster also showered plaudits on the Pakistan cricket team, saying they had done marvelously well.



"Pakistan, don't lose heart. You played really well. Iftikhar, I have criticised you but you have played a brilliant innings. Shan Masood, you were brilliant. Naseem Shah, you were absolutely great and Shaheen, you work on your fitness because you are not fully fit," he said. Akhtar also felt that Pakistan were playing a bowler less and said that this needed to be rectified. He also termed the recent clash between the two neighbours as one of the best matches in history.

## T20 World Cup: Team India Finds Falafel and 'Make Your Sandwich' Menu Inadequate

**October 26:** Indian players boycotted the lunch after their optional training session on Tuesday afternoon as they felt it was cold and inadequate. The dressing room menu comprised fruits, falafel and 'make your own sandwich', which was not to the players' liking and they expressed their displeasure to the concerned official at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

The Indians had an optional session attended by captain Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, Dinesh Karthik, Rishabh Pant, KL Rahul, Mohammed Siraj, Ravichandran Ashwin, Shardul Thakur and Deepak Hooda, along with the support staff. The team management gave a rest to Axar Patel, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammed Shami, Hardik Pandya and Arshdeep Singh after the Pakistan game in Melbourne on Sunday.

"The food was not up to the mark. We can't have a sandwich after a practice session," a

member of the Indian squad said.

A few players had falafel at the ground while the rest decided to have food back at the hotel. Meanwhile, India will have a rest on the eve

of their game against the Netherlands. It is learnt that the ICC had decided to hold India's practice session at Blacktown, some 42 km away, but the team doesn't want to travel so far. The SCG will host a double-header on Thursday. South Africa will face Bangladesh in the afternoon before India play the Dutch in the evening. As per the scheduled release by the ICC, South Africa, Bangladesh and the Netherlands will have their practice sessions at the SCG on Wednesday.



The Indian team had its camp at Blacktown during the 2021 tour of Australia where they had stayed at Olympic Park. But the team didn't want to travel such a long distance on the eve of the match.

The ICC hands over the schedules to all participating teams way in advance and gets it approved. But it's up to respective teams to take a call before each game whether they want to adhere to the schedule. However, the ICC doesn't modify the schedule at the last moment unless there's any unforeseen incident during the tournament.

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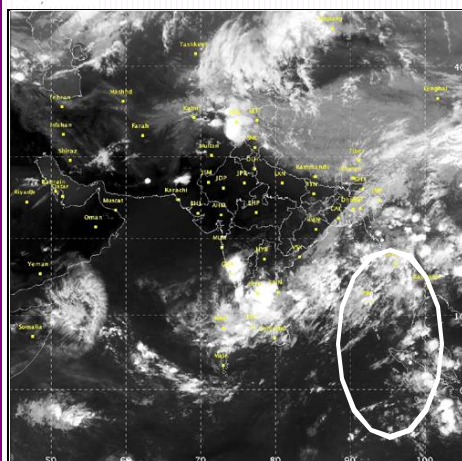
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### Weather



Max. Temp: 27.8 °C	Min.: 25.2 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 92%	1730 Hrs: 89%
Sunrise: 0510 Hrs.	Sunset: 1657 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	009.5 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	002.9 mm
Total Rainfall (From Jan 1, 2022 till date):	2360.7 mm

### Forecast

Generally Cloudy sky and Light Rain or thunder is likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 29°C and 25°C respectively on Thursday 27/10/2022.

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