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Jarawa Facts

The 500 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

The Oceanic Medley: Of the 25 modern phyla of groups of animals, only four are represented on land, and all 25 are represented in the oceans! However, there is one extremely important class of animals that is almost absent here: insects, which are so abundant on land. Why? No one really seems to know. Some scientist think that crustaceans (shrimps, lobsters, and crabs) may occupy in the sea the place that is occupied by the insects of land.

The Sunlight Zone: This zone is the oceans garden where sunlight streams through. Plants grow here, product food through photosynthesis, and supports animals life. This layer where air meets water is home to many species of animals important to us economically and ecologically. Here you find animals in various stages of their life cycles-eggs, larvae, juveniles, and adults.

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

People's Voice

Legislature aane se logon ka bhalai toh Confirm hai,,, magar kya Government Andaman mein Legislature Grant karega???

- A Citizen



Not one or two leaders... we want to buy the entire party!

Attempt to Get Democratic Setup in the A&N Islands Member of Parliament Introduces Bill in Parliament to Grant Status of a Union Territory with Legislature

Port Blair, Dec 7: The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma on 3rd December 2021 introduced a comprehensive private members bill to amend the Constitution of India and add Article 239C, which will provide for special provisions for Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

Through this provision, the bill seeks to grant Andaman & Nicobar Islands the status of a Union Territory with Legislature on the lines of National Capital

Territory of Delhi & Puducherry.

This Bill is in furtherance of the demand for a separate Legislature for Andaman & Nicobar Islands to achieve national integrity, which can be fulfilled after considering the local aspirations, reasonable and legitimate aspirations of the people of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

There is an imminent need to take cognizance of the growing demands and aspirations of the people of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.



Due to the increasing population, the people of Andaman need to have a proper forum to express themselves or to have a rule of their own through the people's mandate. Their

demand for a forum to express themselves and to have a rule of their own is a highly justified demand.

Through this bill, a democratic setup in the form

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Food Safety Department to Organise Walkathon to Commemorate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

Port Blair, Dec. 7: In commemoration of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and as a part of Eat Right India initiative of FSSAI, the Food Safety Department is organizing a walkathon event on 12th December 2021. The walkathon shall start from National Memorial Cellular Jail at 7:00 AM and culminate at Netaji Stadium covering vintage points viz. Clock Tower, Annapurna Hotel, BSNL Office, IP&T



Junction, DC Bunglow, Fire Brigade (HQ), Vikas Bhawan.

A Food Mela shall also be organized at Marina Park on the same day from 05:00 PM to 09:00 PM. Self Help Groups, Civil Societies, Government Departments,

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LJP Youth President Joins Congress Party

Port Blair, Dec. 7: Shri. Abhibhushan Ghosh, President Youth Wing, Lok Janshakthi Party, ANI has resigned from his post and from his primary membership and joined the Congress Party today. Ghosh joined the Congress Party in a small function held at Gandhi Bhawan in presence of Shri. Rangalal Halder, President, ANTCC, Shri. TSG Bhasker, Chairman Campaign Committee, Shri. VK Abdul Aziz, President, District Congress Committee, South Andaman Dist., Shri. Madai Murshid, President, District



Congress Committee, North and Middle Andaman, Shri. Mohammed Zubair (President, City Congress Committee, Shri. M.A. Sajid, State President NSUI and other senior leaders.

On his joining, Ghosh said that he is impressed with the work of Congress party in these Islands and he wishes to work for

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A&N Administration Contributes Rs. 15,000 for Armed Forces Flag Day



Port Blair, Dec. 7: Members of Rajya Sainik Board along with Secretary Col. DS Godara (Retd) called on Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency on the occasion of Armed Forces Flag Day for Flag Pinning Ceremony. A cheque of Rs. 15,000/- was also handed over to the Board by HLG, as Andaman & Nicobar Administration's contribution.

12 Arrested in a Week for Selling Illicit Liquor

Port Blair, Dec 7: In continuation to the intensive drive, the Police teams of South Andaman District Police are continuously making all possible efforts to curb down the menace of illegal sale of illicit liquor in their concerned jurisdictions. All the history sheeters are being continuously monitored and raids are being conducted daily.

During the period from 01/12/2021 to 06/12/2021, a total of 12 Excise cases were registered in different Police Stations of South Andaman District against

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*Life has no Remote Control. Get up
and Change it Yourself.*

Cuffed and Collared

The sentencing of Myanmar leaders to four years in prison on two separate charges on Monday, by a court run by the military junta, appears to be just the first of a number of sentences aimed at putting State Councillor Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, President Win Myint and other government leaders in custody for decades. The verdicts that relate to cases dealing with "incitement against the military" and for "breaching Covid laws" are frighteningly farcical. One relates to speeches made during protests against the military's decision to dismiss the results of last November's elections, which Ms. Suu Kyi's party, the National League for Democracy (NLD), clearly won. The other, even more ridiculous, is for breaching COVID-19 protocols at an election rally when she was photographed wearing both a face mask and a shield throughout her campaign. The sentences, and the ones that will follow, are meant not only to ensure an end to the NLD and Ms. Suu Kyi's public life but are also part of an effort to break the spirit of democratic groups. Over the past eight months since the military coup in February, more than 1,300 civilians protesting the military's actions have been killed, and thousands including the entire NLD government arrested, with detentions, trials and sentences carried out in secret. In more evidence of the military's brutality, three people were reportedly mowed down by a military vehicle on Sunday, when they took part in a peaceful protest.

The military's messaging is not aimed only domestically, however. Its actions are meant to challenge the international community as well, which has failed to take any action against Myanmar's leadership in the past few years: first on its ethnic cleansing of the Rohingya that drove a million out to refugee camps in Bangladesh (which the NLD government was complicit in), and then its actions against the democratically elected government itself. Since February, the UN Security Council has done little other than issuing statements appealing for an end to the violence and the restoration of democracy, and to suspend the nation's UN seat. While China, which has deep links with the military and a considerable investment in the China-Myanmar Economic Corridor, has sought to protect the junta from sanctions, the U.S. has proven ineffective in ensuring a different outcome as well. It is ironic that Ms. Suu Kyi's sentencing comes in a week when the U.S. hosts a "Summit for Democracy". The Modi government too, given its worries about losing a foothold in the neighbourhood, and its need for cooperation with the Myanmar military over the restive North-eastern border, has chosen silence over any serious attempt to change the course of events in Myanmar. Much like its inability to influence outcomes in Afghanistan, India's ineffectual posture over the developments in Myanmar could also cause it considerable reputational damage as a regional leader.

BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



Christmas, Cribs and Conversion..!

Over one hundred and fifty years old, St Patrick's Cathedral on 5th Avenue, Manhattan, once the tallest building in New York, still manages to captivate with its sheer magnificence! I walked in awestruck by its absolutely stunning Gothic interior, elegant and spectacular, then turned my gaze to the brilliantly created nativity scene in a grotto inside: The shepherds were there, sheep too, and so also a life like Joseph and Mary. An angel hung from the sky.

But the crib was empty.

Baby Jesus would be placed there only on Christmas Day!

Standing there, my mind went back two thousand and twenty one years to the first Christmas, and a real baby, born not in such spectacular a building, nor in such clean a grotto, but in a dirty, filthy manger, in a crib of unruly straw, with cows lowing, sheep bleating all around. A poor Joseph and his virgin wife, with no means to a hospital, or even a room in an inn, had their son's birth take place in the lowliest of low places!

And yet, a mighty ruler, King Herod felt so threatened by this unknown, unprincely, common birth, he ordered the execution of all children below the age of two in the hope of killing the same babe in the manger!

A mighty man threatened by a baby!

And then the news today that a Confirmation service in India was disrupted by a mob of five hundred from another religious community, because they felt a conversion



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was taking place. With stones and sticks they broke the school and allegedly beat people inside.

No conversion was taking place, but it is only one of the many scenes happening in the country where mobs march into churches, desecrate altars, burn Bibles, and injure priests and Christians, a community of peace loving people, who without retaliation, take the blows the mobs inflict, gather their burnt Bibles repair their churches and broken homes.

I stand beside that empty manger in the old cathedral, and think of that Baby. Like the mobs of my country, huger, bigger than the poor Christians they thrash, King Herod, powerful, and majestic! Both seemingly afraid of that tiny infant.

Why?

With no violence on his agenda, with no call to arms, no army, no anger and hatred, and only armed with a weapon called 'love' that Babe called Jesus grew up to be a threat to the King and now a threat to mobs all over our country!

Jesus did not command his followers to fight, but gave them only two to follow, "Thou shalt love thy God, with all thy heart and soul and Thou shalt love thy neighbor like thyself!"

With this, His death and resurrection He conquered not just King Herod but the World!

Why are the mobs afraid, why was King Herod too, of a weapon called love?

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Attempt to Get Democratic Setup in the A&N Islands Member of Parliament Introduces Bill in Parliament to Grant Status of a Union Territory with Legislature

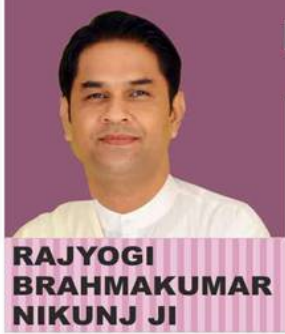
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of a Legislature for Union Territory with constitutional powers is proposed. The bill has provisions for a Legislature, Chief Minister & Council of Ministers for

Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The need of the hour is to give a voice to the people of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and accept their long-pending demand.

Creation of a Legislature will be the right step to lay the foundation of democracy and rule of law in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The Mind's Eye



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Stress has now become our constant companion. Nowadays we get up in the morning with stress and go to sleep with stress. This is the outcome of our living in the world full of uncertainties and injustices. So how does one get away with this companion? There are many ways to relieve ourselves from stress. But the most simple, easy and inexpensive way to relieve stress is Laughter. Laugh and the world will laugh with you. Laughter is the purest form of human expression that transcends all ages, castes, creeds, religions. It is nature's greatest nourishment. A good laugh shakes up the liver and immediately makes us feel better in every way. It lowers our blood pressure, reduces stress hormones, and boosts our immune system. Many of us "enjoy" inflicting "self-wounds"! We all know that laughter kills stress. We also know that there is nothing so cheap and easy to produce as laughter, but still we prefer producing stress knowing very well that it is harmful for us. The most important thing that laughter does to us is that it causes sudden movement in us. It makes us shake, move and giggle; thereby it helps in relaxing our body and thus releases endorphins that are natural painkillers in our body. Its not necessary to laugh loudly whole day; only a smile can work wonders. When you get up in the morning, you should make it a habit to wear a big smile that brightens up our face. Think of nothing, just smile & get out of your bed to start the day. You'll never feel stressed throughout the day. So lets !LOL! To Be Happy & Stress Free .

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NASA's 10 New Astronauts: Pilots, Doctor, Physicist, Cyclist



NASA selected 10 new astronauts on December 6, half of them military pilots, as it looks ahead to the moon and Mars.

The space agency introduced the six men and four women during a ceremony in Houston, home to Mission Control and the astronaut corps.

More than 12,000 applied for the coveted spots. The 10 selected are in their 30s and 40s, and face two years of training before becoming eligible for spaceflight.

Besides the combat and test pilots, the astronaut candidates include a medical physicist, drilling specialist, maritime roboticist, NASA-turned-SpaceX flight surgeon and bioengineer who was a champion cyclist. Two astronauts from the United Arab Emirates will train with them.

One of the pilots — Air Force Maj. Marcos Berrios, who's from Puerto Rico — volunteered during a question-and-answer session to fly a life-size successor to NASA's mini helicopter at Mars.

"I know Deniz, the other helicopter pilot here, and I would love to take it for a spin for science," he said, drawing laughs and applause from the audience.

Navy Lt. Deniz Burnham, an Alaskan, manages drilling projects throughout North America.

NASA has accepted 360 people into its astronaut corps since the original Mercury Seven in 1959. The previous astronaut selection was in 2017.

With SpaceX sending astronauts to the International Space Station and other private companies launching tourists on short rides, and NASA's Artemis moon-landing programme on the horizon, "we are in the golden age right now of human spaceflight," said NASA chief astronaut Reid Wiseman.

NASA plans to put astronauts back on the moon no earlier than 2025.

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Food Safety Department to Organise Walkathon to Commemorate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

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Associations of Food Business Operators and FBOs can display and sale their food articles through the stalls erected at the mela site. These programmes are aimed to create awareness among the General Public about various initiatives like Fit India, Consumption of fortified food, creation of Clean Street Food Hubs, Creation of Clean and Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Markets, Aaj se Thoda Cheeni our Namak Kam etc. under Eat Right India Campaign.

The FSSAI initiative aims at large-scale social and

behavioral change by engaging consumers and educating them on eating right habits. It works on three major focus areas - Building Consumer Awareness, Addressing food Adulteration and enabling Healthy Choices.

For building consumer awareness, an approach has been adopted with programmes like Eat Right Campus and Eat Right School which targets individuals in Workplaces, Colleges, Universities, Institutes and Hospitals as well as at Schools. Further, the Eat Right Toolkit has been launched to reach

communities at the grass-root level by training frontline health workers on messages of eating right.

The Commissioner Food Safety/ Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman District has invited all Islanders to participate in the programmes and make it a huge success and spread messages of various initiatives of FSSAI.

For further queries, call at toll free No. 1077, 236168.

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the youths of the Islands under the leadership of Shri. Rangalal Halder and Shri. G Bhasker.

He joined Congress party along with Shri. Abdul Sajid, State General Secretary, LJP and assured that a large number of

youths will be joining the Congress family soon.

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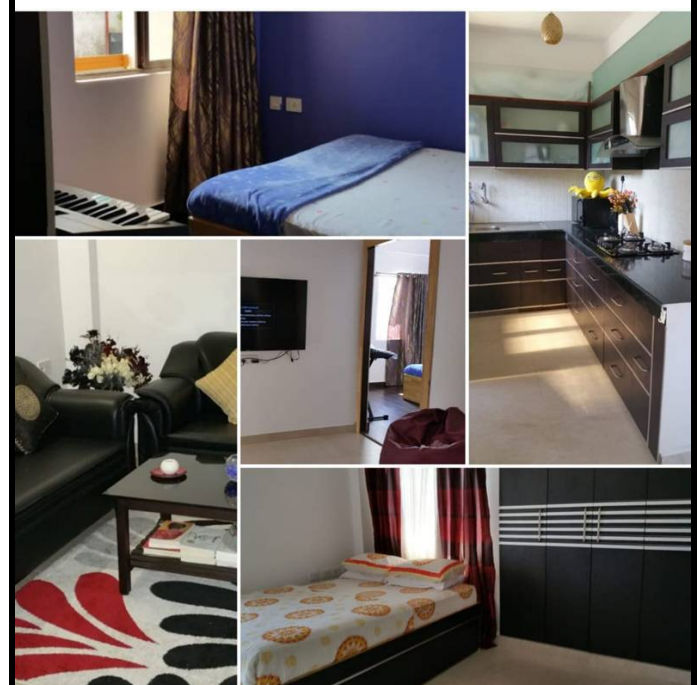
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bootleggers. A total of 33 Nos. 750ml IMFL, 01 No. 375 ml IMFL, 92 Nos. 180ml IMFL and 03 Kg of Handia were seized. All the 12 accused persons were arrested for illegal sale of liquor. Preventive actions

are also being taken against them.

The South Andaman District Police is taking all possible steps to make this district free from bootlegging and other anti-social activities and is keeping strict vigil over bootleggers. General Public

is requested to pass on credible information on narcotics substance, illegal sale of liquor, gambling or any other illegal activity on the telephone numbers: 100,112 and 03192-233077. The identity of the informer will be kept secret.

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DFC Announces Approval to Provide up to \$500 Million of Debt Financing for First Solar's Vertically-Integrated Thin Film Solar Manufacturing Facility in India

Washington, Dec 7: U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) today announced it approved up to \$500 million of debt financing for First Solar, Inc. (Nasdaq: FLSR), the largest American solar manufacturing company, subject to negotiations of definitive agreements. The DFC financing will support the company's previously announced vertically integrated photovoltaic (PV) solar module manufacturing facility in Tamil Nadu, India, with a projected annual capacity of 3.3 gigawatts (GW).

"DFC is thrilled to be in a position to support First Solar's new venture in India, which will boost solar panel manufacturing capacity for a key ally and help mobilize the industry to take up better standards that align with U.S. values," said Dev Jagadesan, DFC's Acting Chief Executive Officer. "This transaction represents another milestone in the United States effort to drive alternative supply chains – and to articulate a vision for climate finance that drives our development mission."

"Like the United States, India has recognized that it must shape its own sustainable energy future, and has sought to supercharge the expansion of its domestic solar manufacturing capacity,"

said Mark Widmar, Chief Executive Officer, First Solar. "DFC's intent to support this facility has the potential to create a high-visibility, repeatable blueprint for enabling the clean energy ambitions of like-minded nations through American innovation, ingenuity, and competitiveness."

This investment will promote DFC's commitment to diversifying supply chains. First Solar produces "thin film" solar panel modules, which do not use polysilicon. First Solar, which was the first of the world's ten largest solar manufacturers to join the Responsible Business Alliance, will replicate its industry-leading transparency and traceability protocols in India, amplifying efforts to boost supply chain transparency throughout the renewable energy sector.

Optimized for the country's unique operating environment, most of the new facility's production is expected to sell into the quickly growing solar market in India, a Quad ally and key partner to the U.S. in the Indo-Pacific region. DFC's proposed financing promotes the

U.S. commitment to tackle climate change at home and abroad and supports the Government of India's ambitious renewable energy goals. Prime Minister Modi has launched a comprehensive effort to install 500GW of renewable power generation in India, which will help save lives by reducing pollution in major cities and contributing to the response to the climate crisis. This financing is also an example of how President Biden's Build Back Better World (B3W) Initiative will narrow the global infrastructure gap, while creating opportunities for American businesses and combatting the climate crisis.

First Solar is the largest solar manufacturer in the Western Hemisphere and the only U.S. company among the world's ten largest solar manufacturers. It announced its intent to build the India facility in July 2021, shortly after it unveiled plans for a new \$680 million factory in Ohio that will add 3.3GW of new domestic manufacturing capacity in the United States by 2023, while creating over 700 new manufacturing jobs. The company expects to reach 16GW of global manufacturing capacity in 2024.

EZCC in Collaboration with Kala Kendra to Conduct Theatre Workshop at Port Blair

Port Blair, Dec 7: The Kala Kendra Society under the Department of Art & Culture, A&N Administration and Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (EZCC), Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India is jointly conducting Seven days "Theatre Workshop" from 10.12.2021 to 16.12.2021 at Andaman Club, Port Blair. Shri. Arup

Kumar Roy MA in Drama from Rabindra Bharati University Kolkata, West Bengal shall be the Resource Person of the workshop. The day class will be conducted at Andaman Club from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. The intake capacity of the workshop is 40 participants only which

will be selected on first come basis.

Interested theatre enthusiasts of the Islands who are above 15 years of age may register their names in the office of Kala Kendra, Directorate of Art & Culture, Cellular Jail Complex Port Blair or over phone No. 03192-231399/9933212010

Pradesh Congress Hands Over Hockey Kits to Coach Xavier

Port Blair, Dec 7: The Pradesh Congress Committee President, Shri. Rangalal Halder and Chairman Campaign

committee Shri G Bhasker handed over 20 hockey sticks and hockey balls to Shri. Xavier, Hockey Coach from Mathura who

has been tirelessly working with the youth of that area to develop the game of Hockey.



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NTPC Conducts State Level Painting Competition as Part of National Energy Conservation Campaign



Port Blair, Dec. 7: The NTPC Ltd organized a state-level painting competition in collaboration with the Ministry of Power & Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the National Energy Conservation Campaign in order to create awareness about energy conservation among school children.

About 200 students across the schools of A&N Islands participated in the competition held at Marine Community Hall, Port Blair on dated 06.12.2021. The competition was divided into two groups viz. school students of Class V, VI & VII in Category-A and Class VIII, IX & X in Category-B. Prize distribution ceremony was held on the same day at Marine community hall in presence of Chief guest Dr Angel Bhati Chauhan, IAS Secretary (Education/Personnel) and Shri V

Karthikeyan, AGM NTPC Ltd

The winners of 1st, 2nd and 3rd position of both the categories were given the prize of Rs. 50,000/-, Rs. 30,000/- & Rs 20,000/- respectively and Consolation prizes of Rs. 7,500/- each were also distributed to 20 participants of this event. Winners in the Group A categories are – First prize winner SHIFA KHATUN (UMMAT PUBLIC SCHOOL), Second Prize: BIDISHA MAITI (Naval Children School), Third prize: EKANSHA SINGH (SAGARTIRA SCHOOL).

Winners in the Group B categories are – First prize winner ADITI GUPTA (Naval Children School), Second Prize J. ISHIKA (SARASWATI SHISHU MANDIR), Third Prize MOUSAM DAS (KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA No. 2).

The state level winners' paintings will be adjudged for Nation level awards on 12th December 2021.

Vaccination Drive in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Dec. 7: A total of 5,65,966 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total of 1,76,400 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date. A total of 1890 people were vaccinated today in A&N Islands. 1555 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 90 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years. Similarly, 305 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which 12 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44. 30 beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District out of which 2 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44.



SPORTS

South Africa vs India | Magala, Rickelton the New Faces in South Africa Test Squad

Johannesburg, Dec 7: Pacer Sisanda Magala and wicketkeeper-batsman Ryan Rickelton were the new faces in South Africa's 21-member squad announced on Tuesday for the three-Test series against India beginning December 26.

Pacer Duanne Olivier, who last played a Test in 2019, is also back in the side to be led by Dean Elgar.

The seasoned pace duo of Kagiso Rabada and Anrich Nortje too returned after being rested in the ODIs against the Netherlands.

Glenton Stuurman and Prenelan Subrayen have also made their way back into the team.

The first Test has been pushed back a week to start on Boxing Day in the wake of a new COVID-19 variant detected in southern Africa. The development threatened the whole series but both BCCI and Cricket South Africa worked together to ensure it goes ahead.

CSA Convenor of Selectors, Victor Mpsang said: "This format is very important to CSA and keeping it relevant and alive is one of the organisation's priorities."

"We are really looking forward to the return of Dean Elgar and his men, it's been a long few months since the last time we saw them dominate in the West Indies."



"We are confident in the team that we have selected and believe fully in backing the talent that we have unearthed and cultivated over the last couple of seasons and giving players the backing that they deserve when they have continuously done well over a significant period of time."

The three-match rubber is part of the World Test Championship and India will be aiming to secure their maiden series win in South Africa.

The first Test will be held in Centurion, second in Johannesburg from January 3 and third in Cape Town from January 11.

Three ODIs will be held after that and four T20s, which were part of the original schedule, will be held later.

The CSA had announced the revised series schedule on Monday.

Squad: Dean Elgar (captain), Temba Bavuma (vice-captain), Quinton de Kock (wicketkeeper), Kagiso Rabada, Sarel Erwee, Beuran Hendricks, George Linde, Keshav Maharaj, Lungi Ngidi, Aiden Markram, Wiaan Mulder, Anrich Nortje, Keegan Petersen, Rassie van der Dussen, Kyle Verreynne, Marco Jansen, Glenton Stuurman, Prenelan Subrayen, Sisanda Magala, Ryan Rickelton, Duanne Olivier.

2019 US Open Champ Bianca Andreescu Takes Time off for Sake of her Mental Health

Washington Bianca Andreescu, the 2019 US Open champion, will take a mental break from tennis and sit out the start of next season, including the Australian Open, saying she wants to "re-set, recover, and grow" after a challenging two years that included getting COVID-19.

The 21-year-old from Canada wrote in a posting on Twitter that she was affected mentally and physically by "multiple weeks in isolation quarantining" and that her grandmother's stay for several weeks in a hospital's intensive care unit because of the coronavirus "really hit me hard." "A lot of days, I did not feel like myself, especially while I was training and/or playing matches. I felt like I was carrying the world on my shoulders," Andreescu said.

"I could not detach myself from everything that was going on off the court; was feeling the collective sadness and turmoil around and it took its toll on me."



Andreescu joins other professional athletes who have cited the need for time away from competition to gather themselves mentally — including, for example, Naomi Osaka, a four-time major title winner and former No. 1-ranked player in tennis. Osaka took a break after pulling out of the French Open in May and again after her loss at the U.S. Open in September, sitting out the remainder of the season.

Andreescu was 19 when she capped a breakthrough season by upsetting her idol, Serena Williams, in the U.S. Open final

two years ago. Soon after, Andreescu rose to a career-best No. 4 in the WTA rankings.

But in October 2019, she tore the meniscus in her left knee and was gone from the tour for about 15 months.

Andreescu returned to action at this year's Australian Open, where Williams offered this assessment: "She has a bright future. She's really young; rather incredibly mature. I've always said I think her light burns brightly. She really has a great game to continue to win more Grand Slams."

Andreescu won her opening match in Melbourne, then lost in the second round. She wound up going 4-4 in Grand Slam tournaments in 2021, including a fourth-round run at the U.S. Open and first-round exits at the French Open and Wimbledon.

That was part of an overall 17-12 mark on tour with no titles this season, leaving her ranking at No. 46 entering 2022.

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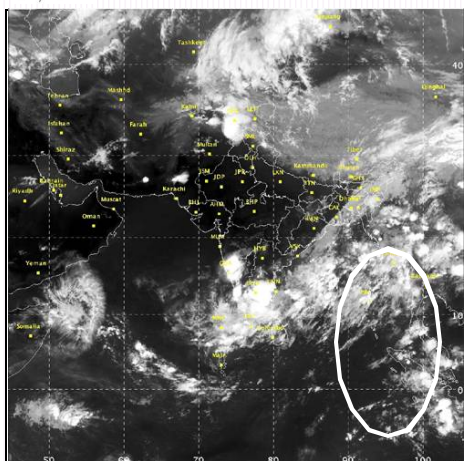
Police Control Room:	100
Fire Service:	101
Ambulance:	102
DC Control Room:	1070
Shipping:	245555
Postal :	232346, 232890
Children:	1098
Women:	244701
Coast Guard for	1554
Search & Rescue (SAR)	
Coast Guard RHQ:	232681
Coastal Security	1093
State Control Room:	1077, 238880
PBMC Control Room:	245798
Kisan Call Centre:	1551
Wildlife Control Room: :	245229, 200661, 200754

Emergency Operation Centres (EOCs)

State Control Room:	03192- 238880 (Tele-Fax), 1070 (Helpline).
District Control Room:	03192-238881
EOC (Campbell Bay):	03193-264020
EOC (Kamorta):	03193-263222
EOC (N&M):	03192-262960
EOC (Hut Bay):	03192-284014



Weather



Max. Temp: 29.6 °C	Min.: 25.2 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 65%	1730 Hrs: 69%
Sunrise: 0527 Hrs.	Sunset: 1655 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	054.4 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Total Rainfall: (From Jan 1, 2020 till date):	3453.2 mm

Forecast

Dry weather most likely. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 25°C respectively on Wednesday 08/12/2021

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