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Jarawa Facts

The Jarawa resisted contact with the growing numbers of Indian settlers on their islands until 1998. Now, they are under serious threat. Poachers are camping for days at a time in their forest, hunting the animals they depend on and bringing disease, violence and exploitation.

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

Isi tarah Administration ground mein utar kar Problems ko mehsoos karega toh logon ko koi Grievances nahi ho sakta. DC Sahab sahi mein accha kaam kar rahe hai

- A Citizen



When I was at your age, I was able to see the bottom of this holy river!

DC Suneel Anchipaka Leads Team of Officials for Surprise Visit at Phoenix Bay Jetty and Haddo Wharf

Takes On the Spot Decisions to Ease Issues Pertaining to Tourists and Travel Agents

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri Suneel Anchipaka, IAS today made a surprise visit to Phoenix Bay Jetty and Haddo Wharf along with a team of officers. The team led by the DCSA included Secretary Shipping, ADM, SP (CID), ASP, South Andaman, Director Tourism, Director Shipping and officials of Shipping and Revenue Department.

The team of officials visited Phoenix Bay jetty and Haddo Wharf and met the tourists, locals and travel agents present their and heard their grievances. During the visit, the members of the AATO along with its President were also present.

A lot of positive on the spot decisions were taken by DCSA for the benefit of tourists and tourism stakeholders. Shri Suneel

Anchipaka also assured streamlining of ticketing system. He also provided additional boats for Shaheed Dweep. Later the DC South Andaman held meeting with Private Cruise Operators on the same day in his office.

The President Andaman Association of Tour Operators, Shri M. Vinod and the members of the Association have sincerely expressed their gratitude to

Shri Suneel Anchipaka and the team of officials for their visit and for bringing relief to the visiting tourists and stakeholders.

We are hopeful that soon other issues pertaining to tourism industry will also be sorted out, said Vinod in a communication.

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Akshaya Patra Distributes 400 Ration Kits to Widows and Destitute Women in Bambooflat

Port Blair, Nov. 11: Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa, Director, Strategic Communication, The Akshaya Patra Foundation and Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma today distributed 400 ration kits to widow and destitute women of Bambooflat region.

All ration kits were provided by world renowned NGO, Akshaya Patra Foundation. Altogether 3000 ration kits have been

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Member of Parliament visits PHCs at Baratang and Kadamtala; Interacts with Patients and Health Care Workers

Port Blair, Nov. 11: To take stock of the situation at health centers of remote Islands and understand the problems being faced by people living in far-flung areas, the Member of Parliament, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma visited the Primary Health Centers at Baratang and Kadamtala on 9th November 2021.

During the visit, he interacted with patients, villagers of the region, para-medical staffs and Doctors of both the PHCs to understand the challenges and difficulties faced by the patients and health care workers.

It was informed to the Member of Parliament that the Generator set of PHC Baratang is out of order since a long time for which patients are suffering heavily. As the region faces frequent load-shedding, the admitted patients feel helpless during such power cuts. Even health care workers find it difficult to manage the patients during power cuts. During adverse weather, it becomes difficult for health workers to manage the hospital.

It was also informed to Member of Parliament that there is a shortage of para-medical staffs at PHC Baratang,

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Naveena Neerada Dasa Inaugurates Tailoring & Fashion Designing Course at ANSCU



Port Blair, Nov. 11: Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa, Director, Strategic Communication, The Akshaya Patra Foundation today inaugurated a three month Tailoring and Fashion Designing Course at Bambooflat. The course is being conducted by Andaman & Nicobar State Cooperative Union.

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa was the Chief Guest on the occasion while Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma, the Member of Parliament of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Chairman Andaman & Nicobar State Cooperative Union graced the occasion as the guest of honour.

Finals of Selection Trial for Santosh Trophy Today

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The final match of State Level Football Tournament cum Selection Trial for Santosh Trophy will be held at the Netaji Stadium, Port Blair on 12th Nov. 2021 from 1400 hrs. Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, A&N Islands will be the Chief Guest on this occasion.

The match will be played between Tambi Warriors and United Sporting Club.

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*Life has no Remote Control. Get up
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Investigate the deal

More than a year following the arrival of the first batch of 36 Rafale fighter jets from France, the controversy over L'affaire Rafale refuses to die down, notwithstanding the high quality of the planes and their fit to the requirements of the Indian Air Force, which has been desperate to augment its fighter squadrons. Mediapart, a French portal, has now published a set of alleged fake invoices, and claimed that Dassault Aviation paid middleman and defence contractor Sushen Gupta over €7 million in kickbacks between 2007-2012, when the Congress-led UPA was in power, and has claimed that the CBI had proof of this since October 2018. Earlier investigations, including by The Hindu, had revealed procedural violations, raised questions over the high price of the fighters, the choice of offset partners, the removal of anti-corruption clauses, waiving the requirement of a bank guarantee among other issues related to the India-France Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) signed in 2016. Mediapart's articles point to the dubious role of middlemen both in the proposal to buy 126 aircraft that was withdrawn, and later in the IGA for flyaway aircraft in 2016. In April 2021, Mediapart had detailed that the French anti-corruption agency had found that Dassault had accounted for payment of over a million Euros to a company run by Mr. Gupta for the manufacture of 50 models of the Rafale — the company does not specialise in making models — besides paying several million Euros in secret commissions to offshore accounts and shell companies. It had also alleged that he had supplied classified documents related to the IGA to Dassault Aviation even as talks between Dassault and the Indian negotiating team were deadlocked over the key issue of benchmark pricing.

In its price-redacted audit report on the Rafale deal, the CAG report, tabled in Parliament in February 2019, while examining the earlier bid process between 2007-12, had pointed out procedural violations in defence procurement — Dassault's technical bid was rejected and later it was allowed to incorporate India-specific enhancements to meet bid-compliant qualitative requirements. The report also unequivocally stated that the defence acquisition process needed reforms and streamlining — points that are buttressed by the new revelations that shed light on the role of defence middlemen in mucking up the procurement process to favour a particular vendor. At the very least, investigative agencies such as the CBI and the ED must probe Mr. Gupta's role in the bid process and the IGA. The Government cannot just wish away the questions that are repeatedly emerging about the Rafale deal and must open an investigation into the procurement process. After all, defence preparedness and national security interests dictate that operational readiness goes hand-in-hand with procedural propriety in defence procurement.

BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



Keep The Fizz Going..!

Who's Afraid of Afghanistan..!

"Come on China, come on Pakistan, we're going to discuss Afghanistan!"

"Why should we come?" snigger the two countries as they slither away from the National Security Advisor's meet. The others comprising India, Russia and Russia's little breakaway states went ahead and had their meet, finally telling the Afghani's in a soft friendly voice that, 'they must not be used for terror acts!'

It was like telling a terrorist not to be a terrorist!

How do we counter terrorism, when there's such a dismal situation here? I do believe that we will not win this war with terror, using traditional ways of fighting. Terror uses methods once thought cowardly, but that's how the terrorist fights: No declaration of war. No trumpets or bugles. Nothing but a dagger behind one's back!

The war against terror fought by America in Iraq and Afghanistan, using the latest guns, missiles, aircraft and arming soldiers to their teeth only made a mockery of themselves after spending trillions of their taxpayer's dollars. Which proves that the war against terror cannot be fought on battlefields, or with guns and missiles.

The war against terror, has to be fought in arenas of peace!

Suddenly China and Pakistan whisper, afraid, "Arenas of peace?"

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In the last century two wars were fought, and if you look closely, only one cause started both: justice was not administered fairly! As a result, what was considered to be an extinguished fire turned out to be cinders that kept on burning slowly, eventually bursting into flames, and enveloping the world! Today with the conflicts in the Israeli-Palestinian region and elsewhere, the same restlessness is being felt!

Look carefully at these lit embers and bring justice. If the requirements of justice are not fulfilled, the conflagration and flames from these local wars can escalate and embroil the whole world! So, put out those glowering embers and you save the world from destruction, and where except in the arenas of peace can that be done? Once that's done, the man who loves to tote the gun, the terrorist won't have many followers! The terrorist exists, because there is injustice!

When we weed out injustice small minority groups who feel they are being bullied by the majority will not resort to 'cowardly' methods to get even. Once people live as equals and are treated as equals even if they form a minority, then terrorism will have no takers. The arenas of peace are both the Courts of Law and also a Statesmanlike Government. Judges who deliver justice quickly and impartially are needed as also political leaders who do not use divisive methods to win votes. Then and only then will stop fearing the Afghan terror threat.

Let us win this battle against terror.

"They will win against terror!" whisper the two countries who had not attended, suddenly afraid..!

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Akshaya Patra Distributes 400 Ration Kits to Widows and Destitute Women in Bambooflat

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provided by Akshaya Patra Foundation, out of which 400 kits were distributed today.

Addressing the gathering Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma said that women are the power behind every successful society and empowering of women is the responsibility of every society. The Member of Parliament assured that he

will continue to work for upliftment of women in every sector.

Sharma expressed his deepest gratitude towards Akshaya Patra Foundation for providing the Grocery Kits and Ration Kits for the needy people of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The programme, organized at Durga Puja Mandap of Bambooflat

witness huge gathering of people.

The Akshaya Patra Foundation is an NGO in India headquartered in Bengaluru. Akshaya Patra is the world's largest (not-for-profit run) Mid-Day Meal Programme serving wholesome food every school day to over 1.8 million children from 19,039 schools across 12 states & 2 Union territories of India.

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COVID-19 Pandemic Generated 8 Million Tonnes of Plastic Waste: Study



The COVID-19 pandemic has generated more than eight million tonnes of plastic waste globally, with over 25,000 tonnes of it entering the oceans, according to a study.

The research, published in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, found that a significant portion of this ocean plastic debris is expected to make its way onto either beaches or the seabed within three to four years.

A smaller portion will go into the open ocean, eventually to be trapped in the centres of ocean basins, which can become garbage patches and accumulate in the Arctic Ocean.

The researchers noted that the COVID-19 pandemic has led to an increased demand for single-use plastics such as face masks, gloves, and face shields.

The resulting waste, some of which ends up in rivers and oceans, is intensifying pressure on an already out-of-control global plastic problem, they said.

The team led by researchers at Nanjing University in China and University of California (UC) San Diego, U.S., used a newly developed ocean plastic numerical model to quantify the impact of the pandemic on plastic discharge from land sources.

They incorporated data from the start of the pandemic in 2020 through August 2021, finding that most of the global plastic waste entering the ocean is coming from Asia, with hospital waste representing the bulk of the land discharge.

The study stresses on the need for better management of medical waste in developing countries.

"When we started doing the math, we were surprised to find that the amount of medical waste was substantially larger than the amount of waste from individuals, and a lot of it was coming from Asian countries, even though that's not where most of the COVID-19 cases were," said study co-author Amina Scharfup, an assistant professor at UC San Diego.

"The biggest sources of excess waste were hospitals in areas already struggling with waste management before the pandemic; they just weren't set up to handle a situation where you have more waste," Ms. Scharfup said.

The Nanjing University MITgcm-plastic model (NJU-MP) used in the study works like "a virtual reality," said Yanxu Zhang, the corresponding author and a professor at Nanjing University.

"The model simulates how the seawater moves driven by wind and how the plastics float on the surface ocean, degraded by sunlight, fouled by plankton, landed on beaches, and sunk to the deep," said Mr. Zhang.

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which is ultimately affecting the treatment of patients.

The patients also informed the Member of Parliament that most of the time the PHC Baratang area remains out of BSNL network coverage, hence in case of emergency and other requirements neither

admitted patients can contact their relatives nor family members can contact any admitted patients.

Villagers of the area told the Member of Parliament that the X-Ray machine provided to the PHC Baratang is very old and often remains out of order for which ultimately patients are suffering.

At PHC Kadamtala talking to the Member of Parliament, the general public of the region demanded a new building for the PHC as the present building is very old and congested.

The villagers of Kadamtala also demanded posting of a lady doctor for the region.

IGNOU Re-Registration Commences

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The online Re-registration in IGNOU is the progress for payment of fees for the subsequent year of study for a particular academic programme. Students have been advised to log on to IGNOU site for timely payment of their 2nd year or 3rd year fees.

Similarly BCA, MCA student have been advised

to pay the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th semester fees through online. The website link at Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) site www.ignou.ac.in will be open to pay the Re-Registration fee for January 2022 session till last date.

The last date of online Re-Registration is 30th November, 2021. Students

facing difficulty in online registration, may contact IGNOU Regional Centre, Port Blair, Kannada Sangha Building, Near Syndicate Bank, Mohanpura, Port Blair. Phone: 03192-242888 or 03192-230111, Email: rcportblair@ignou.ac.in.

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Sahitya Akademi Invites Poems, Stories from Bengali Writers or Andamans

Port Blair, Nov. 11: Sahitya Akademi's Kolkata Regional Office has decided to publish a book containing poems/short stories/essays written by Andaman's Bengali Writers. For this purpose, Shri Anadiranjan Biswas, General Council Member of Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi as well as Member of the Bengali Advisory Board, Kolkata has been entrusted to collect the manuscripts from Andaman's Bengali Writers.

Those who are interested to become a part of this prestigious collection of Sahitya Akademi, may send their writings in hard copy (10 poems and/or 5

short stories and/or 5 essays to the maximum, of each writer) to the following address by registered/speed post or courier: Shri Anadiranjan Biswas (Member, Sahitya Akademi), C/o Baakprotima, Junglighat (SBI Building), Junglighat, Port Blair-744103, South Andaman. Soft copy may also be sent via e-mail in protected document format (PDF) to the following e-mail ID: anadiranjan1960@gmail.com.

Last date of receiving the entries is 31st December 2021 (without any time extension). It may be noted that final selection of writings/writers shall be made by the Sahitya Akademi, Kolkata Regional Office.

Vaccination Drive in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Nov. 11: A total of 5,14,559 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total of 1,74,188 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date. A total of 1177 people were vaccinated today in A&N Islands.

924 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 45 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years. Similarly, 253 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which 16 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44.

Power Suspension

It is brought to the notice of the general consumers and government departments that power supply will remain suspended at the following area on 12.11.2021 (Friday) from 0800 Hrs. to 1400 Hrs. in connection with up-keeping of T&D line at Calicut due to diversion of road by APWD.

12.11.2021 (Friday) 0800 Hrs. - 1400 Hrs.: Calicut, Ayanar Temple, Pema Junction, Macca Pahad, New Bimblitan & part of Teylarabad. The above mentioned schedule is tentative, if the work completes earlier the line will be charged accordingly.

The inconvenience caused is regretted.

Last Date for Submission of Online Application at TGCE

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The last date for submission of online application forms for admission to Two Years B.Ed. Degree Programme for the academic session 2021-22 in Tagore Government College of Education, Port Blair has been extended up to 27th November 2021 as

requested by Principal, JNRM, Port Blair due to non-receipts of results from Pondicherry University. Desirous candidates can now submit their online application up to 27th November 2021 via URL <http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in>.

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India Demands \$1 Trillion as 'Climate Finance'

New Delhi, Nov. 11: India has demanded a trillion dollars over the next decade from developed countries to adapt to, and mitigate, the challenges arising from global warming, and has kept this as a condition for delivering on climate commitments made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, a senior official who is part of ongoing climate agreement negotiations in Glasgow told The Hindu.

India's five-fold plan, as Mr. Modi spelt out on November 2, is as follows — India's non-fossil energy capacity would reach 500 GW by 2030; it will meet 50% of its electricity requirements with renewable energy by 2030; reducing its total projected carbon emissions by a billion tonnes by 2030; it will reduce the carbon intensity of its economy to less than 45% and achieve net zero by 2070.

Net zero is when a country's carbon emissions are offset by taking out equivalent carbon from the atmosphere, so that emissions in balance are zero. However, achieving net zero by a specific date means specifying a year, also called a peaking year, following which emissions will begin to fall.

Voice of the future: Youth protesting during the UN Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, Britain, on Wednesday. The protesters sketched eyes and '1.5' on their hands to show they are watching and to urge countries to keep warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius. REUTERS

Draft document of Glasgow pact says climate finance is insufficient

"Our NDCs (Nationally Determined Contribution) are conditional, that is, subjected to the availability of this amount [\$1 trillion] in climate finance. NDCs can be submitted with conditions. The decision on when to submit revised NDCs has not yet been taken," Rameshwar



Prasad Gupta, Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change, told The Hindu. He is among India's key negotiators and currently present at the ongoing talks in Glasgow.

Nationally Determined Contributions are voluntary targets that countries set for themselves, which describe the quantum and kind of emission cuts they will undertake over a fixed period to contribute to preventing runaway global warming.

India's last NDC was submitted following the Paris Agreement of 2015. Before COP26 began on November 1, countries were expected to provide updated NDCs. India, however, did not furnish one.

He added that developing countries, as a group, had demanded \$1 trillion annually. Mr. Gupta did not, however, clarify the members of this group, or if India had formally communicated these demands, or if they had emerged as part of the negotiations.

A panel depicting Planet Earth and a message reading 'While you were Talking', regarding the COP26 Summit is displayed on St John's

Church, in Edinburgh, Scotland, Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021.

COP26 draft says climate finance is insufficient

Delivering on climate finance is among the stickiest points of contention between developed and developing countries because developed countries, as a group, have failed to provide \$100 billion annually by 2020, as promised from a decade ago.

With the conference scheduled to draw to an end on Friday, nearly 200 countries are yet to finalise a final text of an agreement.

As The Hindu reported on Wednesday, a draft consensus document of the agreement underlines that the promised climate finance by developed countries is "insufficient to respond to the worsening climate change impacts in developing countries" and urges these developed countries to "urgently scale up".

"The funds necessary for adaptation must increase," Bhopender Yadav, Environment Minister, had said on Wednesday, adding, "Our consistent stand has been that developing countries such as India need transparency in terms of what kind of market mechanism will be in place. This is necessary to ensure that developing and developed countries are on a level playing field."

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SPORTS

ICC T20 World Cup Second Semifinal | Rizwan, Zaman Power Pakistan to Competitive Total Against Australia

Dubai, Nov. 11: Mohammad Rizwan struck his third half-century of the tournament before Fakhar Zaman roared back to form with a 32-ball unbeaten 55 to power Pakistan to 176 for four in the second semifinal of the ICC T20 World Cup in Dubai on Thursday.

Openers Rizwan (67 off 52) and Babar Azam (39 off 44) shared a 71-run stand before Zaman ended the innings on a high with his unbeaten knock.

The last five overs yielded 59 runs for Pakistan. Pakistan enjoyed their best powerplay of the tournament, racing to 47 for no loss in six overs after Australia put them in to bat.

Rizwan, who was down with flu ahead of the game, did not look at his best early on and Babar took the lead in attacking the Australian pace attack. The Aussies were looking for some swing early on but they were not able to get it. The Pakistan skipper began with a regal cover drive off a late outswinger from Josh Hazlewood. Babar, who had shown supreme form in the group stage, looked in sublime touch. Among the five regal boundaries he hit, his short-arm jab between deep midwicket and long-on stood out.

Leg-spinner Adam Zampa, who has been Australia's go to bowler in the middle overs, finally got the breakthrough Australia needed by having Babar caught in the deep with Pakistan reaching 71 for one in 10 overs. More than the ball, it was the pressure created by Zampa that led to the wicket.



Rizwan, who was dropped twice in the innings, got into the act after Babar's dismissal. The wicketkeeper batter grew in confidence as his innings progressed and once he got his trademark half full half sweep shot right off Hazlewood, he looked much more dangerous.

Australia did well from overs 7-11, conceding only 28 before Rizwan changed gears.

He decided to take the attack to the impressive Zampa in the 12th over which went for 14 runs and included a slog sweep for six.

Rizwan got his second six off Hazlewood two overs later, dispatching the seasoned pacer over deep midwicket.

Zaman, who did not have a lot of runs under his belt heading into the

semifinal, hit a flat six over long off to gain confidence.

With Zampa completing his tidy effort, Pakistan were looking for a big over and that happened to be the 17th when Hazlewood was hammered for 21 runs, including a six off a free hit. After Rizwan's dismissal, Zaman displayed his power hitting skills against Mitchell Starc, clubbing him for a six and four in a 15-run over.

Six-hitting machine Asif Ali had a rare failure in the tournament as he was out first ball off Cummins. Zaman finished the innings on an exhilarating note, depositing Starc for two massive sixes to take the team past 170.

Zampa (1/22 in four overs) was the pick of the bowlers for Australia while Hazlewood was the most expensive, leaking 49 runs in four overs.

Root Wants 'Change and Actions' from Yorkshire

Leeds, Nov. 11: England cricket captain Joe Root called for "change and actions" from his county team, Yorkshire, in response to a crisis over its handling of a former player's racism allegations that have rocked the sport.

"These events have fractured our game and torn lives apart," Root said in a statement issued on Thursday in his first public comments since Yorkshire settled an employment tribunal case with Azeem Rafiq, who had reported a culture of racism and bullying at English cricket's most successful team.

Yorkshire has already lost sponsors and the right to host



England international matches at its Headingley home in the wake of an escalating scandal that has set in motion additional investigations and led to boardroom changes at the county club.

The 30-year-old Root has played for Yorkshire his entire career and has been a teammate of Rafiq, who was the team's

youngest ever captain at the county.

"I want to see change and actions that will see YCCC (Yorkshire County Cricket Club) rise from this with a culture that harnesses a diverse environment with trust across all communities that support cricket in the county," Root said, adding that he will "offer support however I'm able" to the team's leadership.

Rafiq, a former England under-19 captain, said in interviews last year that as a Muslim he was made to feel like an "outsider" during two stints at Yorkshire from 2008-18 and was close to taking his own life.

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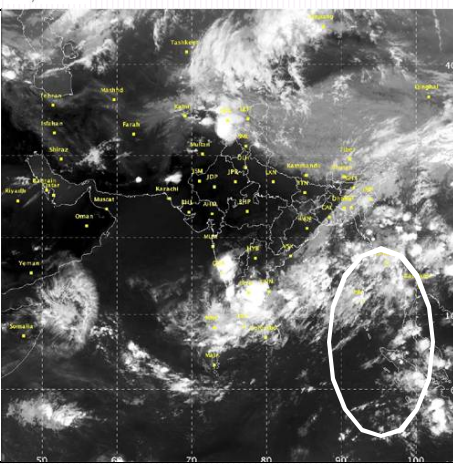
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Weather



Max. Temp: 29.2 °C	Min.: 23.8 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 83%	1730 Hrs: 86%
Sunrise: 0511 Hrs.	Sunset: 1654 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	00.0 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Total Rainfall: (From Jan 1, 2020 till date):	3134.4 mm

Forecast

Rain or thundershowers likely to occur at few places over Andaman & Nicobar. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 24°C respectively on Friday 12/11/2021

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