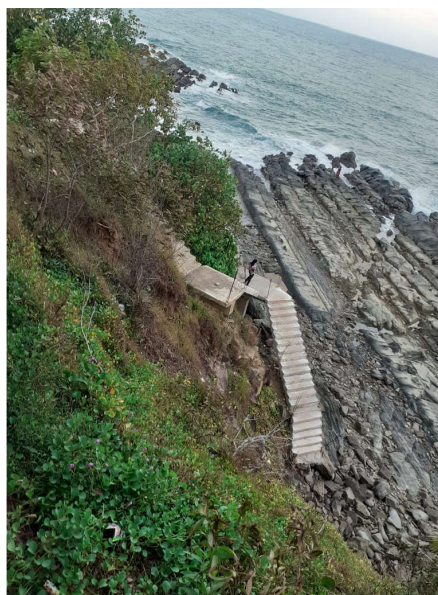


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Unfinished work



Port Blair, December 08 : The scenic beauty in front of Scenic Centre on the way to Carbyns Cove beach is much appreciated by tourists and local people alike. Now a cemented seating arrangement has been made here for people to rest and enjoy the scenic beauty of this place. However the finishing work of this place has not been completed yet.

Apart from this, new stairs built from top of this hill towards the sea is getting destroyed as the steps towards the sea have been left unfinished. The salty water falling over these steps is destroying the exposed iron rods.

If immediate step is not taken to complete the beautification work of this area in time bound manner, the money spent on it will go waste.



Baratang Tourist Fibre Boat Owners Association on indefinite silent Dharna



Port Blair, December 08 : Baratang Tourist Fibre Boat Owners Association is on indefinite silent Dharna to press for some genuine demands effecting their livelihood. Their demands include, reinstating old convoy timings from Jirkatang and Middle Strait, revoking the order

for taking one day prior permission from DC office, reducing the time for registration and renewal of registration of boats, writing off birthing charges of all boats which were made before implementation of IV act of 2016 etc.

Assistant Commissioner of Rangat had met them in person and had assured to sort out the issues concerning DC (N&M). Rest of the matters is concerning the UT Administration and the Association is expecting a positive response from them sooner than later.

Local inhabitants demand increase in number of convoys

Port Blair, December 08 : ATR is the lifeline of North and Middle Andaman. Since the Covid restriction on movement of vehicles came into force, they are facing lot of problems in commuting between Port Blair and their hometown. Now they are demanding restoration of old convoy timings from Jirkatang and Middle Strait.

Currently there are two convoys at 0830hrs and 1430hrs from

Jirkatang, and three from Middle Strait. After the inflow of tourists began, these convoys have become insufficient for the travelers through this route. Now the local residents want the administration to introduce a separate convoy at 0600hrs exclusively for the tourists and at 0830hrs for local residents in order to avoid mad rush at lone morning convoy from Jirkatang at 0830hrs. This will help the tourists

to return back by the convoy of 1130hrs from Middle Strait, thus reducing the rush during the last convoy from Middle Strait at 1500hrs.

An early decision from the part of the Administration will ensure tourism flourishes unhindered and routine life of local residents of North & Middle Andaman goes on smoothly.

आकाशवाणी की खाली पड़ी जमीन पर हुआ कब्जा

पोर्ट ब्लेयर । आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर की खाली पड़ी जमीन पर अवैध कब्जा होने की सनसनी खबर प्राप्त हुई है । एक जानकारी के अनुसार आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर में काफी लंबे समय से स्टेशन डायरेक्टर का पद रिक्त पड़ा हुआ है और जिस बंगले पर स्टेशन डायरेक्टर रहा करते थे आज यह बंगला खंडहर का रूप ले लिया है और इस बात फायदा उठाते हुए इसके आस-पास की जमीन जो खाली पड़ी हुई थी यहां पर किसी अज्ञात व्यक्ति के द्वारा अतिक्रमण कर यहां पर एक शेड बनाया गया है ।



आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर में स्टेशन डायरेक्टर नहीं होने की वजह से आज इस ओर किसी का ध्यान नहीं गया है या फिर जान बूझ-कर यहां पर कार्य करने वाले कार्यक्रम अधिकारी इसकी सुचना राजस्व विभाग को नहीं दे रहे हैं । इससे पहले भी इन क्षेत्रों में कई लोगो ने आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर के आस पास की जमीन में अवैध रूप से कब्जा कर अपना-अपना घर बना लिए थे तथा बाद में राजस्व विभाग के पास शिकायत पहुंचने पर यहां से अवैध रूप से कब्जा किये लोगो से अतिक्रमण को हटाया गया था ।

इन क्षेत्रों में रहने वाले लोगो ने बताया की आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर की लापरवाही के चलते आज फिर से आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर की खाली पड़े जमीन में अज्ञात लोगो के द्वारा अतिक्रमण किया जा रहा है । इन लोगो का यहां तक कहना है कि अगर समय रहते आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर के द्वारा राजस्व विभाग के पास शिकायत दर्ज कर दिया जाता तो आने वाले समय में अतिक्रमण वाले जगह को आतिक्रमण करने वाले लोगो से मुक्त कराया जा सकता है नहीं फिर लंबी कानूनी लड़ाई लड़ना पड़ सकता है जोकि आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर की बस की बात नहीं है क्योंकि आकाशवाणी पोर्ट ब्लेयर आज के दिनों में बिन मां-बाप जैसा हो गया है ।

M.V. सिंधु फिर से सुखियों में

कार्मोटा । अपनी पहली ही यात्रा से सुखियों में आये M.V. सिंधु फिर से एक बार सुखियों में है । इस बार विवाद कार्मोटा जट्टी का है और यह घटना बुधवार 8.12.21 की शाम लग-भग 4.50 मिनट का है ।



प्राप्त जानकारी के अनुसार M.V. सिंधु केंबल बे से कार्मोटा के लिए रवाना हुआ और यह कार्मोटा जट्टी से जैसे ही पोर्ट ब्लेयर के लिए प्रस्थान करने के लिए छोड़ा और समुंद्र में कम पानी होने की वजह से रेत में फंस गया ।

M.V. सिंधु एक बहुत ही आधुनिक जहाज है । एक मामूली इंजन डोंगी चलाने वाले को भी मालूम होता है कि कब हाई टाईड है और कब लॉ टाईड है । M.V. सिंधु एक आधुनिक जहाज है क्या इस जहाज के कैप्टन को यह अंदाजा नहीं था कि अभी जट्टी में पानी का स्तर बहुत ही कम है । क्या जहाज में लगे आधुनिक यंत्र कार्य नहीं कर रहे थे कि जिससे यह पता लगाया जा सके की पानी का स्तर कितना है ।

M.V. सिंधु जहाज के द्वारा कार्मोटा जट्टी में रेत में फंसने की घटना का एक उच्च स्तरीय जांच होनी चाहिए और दोषियों के ऊपर कड़ी कारवाई होनी चाहिए ।

PRESS NOTE

Due to Administration reasons, the scheduled sailing of the vessel MV Bharat Seema for Diglipur via Mayabunder on 09.12.2021 at 1700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and return to Port Blair on 10.12.2021 at 1400 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder has been cancelled. Fresh date of sailing will be announced in due course.

Passengers holding the tickets for the above sailing are advised to cancel their tickets and get full refund from STARS Ticketing Counters.

Inconvenience caused is regretted.

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<div>  <div>EDITORIAL</div> <h1>ओमिक्रॉन की दिल्ली में भी दस्तक, तंज़ानिया से लौटा था व्यक्ति</h1> </div>				
<p>दिल्ली में कोरोना वायरस के नए वेरिएंट ओमिक्रॉन का पहला मामला सामने आया है। दिल्ली के स्वास्थ्य मंत्री सत्येंद्र जैन के मुताबिक तंज़ानिया से दिल्ली लौटे 37 वर्षीय शख्स में ये संक्रमण पाया गया है। इस व्यक्ति का इलाज एलएनजेपी अस्पताल में किया जा रहा है। भारत में यह ओमिक्रॉन वेरिएंट का पाँचवाँ मामला है। इससे पहले बेंगलुरु में दो, मुंबई में एक और गुजरात में ओमिक्रॉन वेरिएंट का एक मामला सामने आ चुका है।</p> <p>स्वास्थ्य मंत्री ने बताया कि 'अभी तक 17 लोग कोविड टेस्ट में पॉज़िटिव पाए गए हैं और उन्हें अस्पताल में भर्ती किया गया है।' बीते सप्ताह दिल्ली के मुख्यमंत्री अरविंद केजरीवाल ने ओमिक्रॉन पर चिंता जाहिर करते हुए प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी से अपील की थी कि वो इस नए वेरिएंट से प्रभावित देशों पर यात्रा प्रतिबंध लगाएं। उन्होंने ट्वीट करते हुए कहा था, "कई देशों ने ओमिक्रॉन प्रभावित देशों से आने वाली उड़ानें बंद कर दी हैं। हम देशी क्यों कर रहे हैं? पहली वेव में भी हमने विदेशी उड़ानें रोकने में देरी कर दी थी। अधिकतर विदेशी उड़ानें दिल्ली में आती हैं, दिल्ली सबसे ज़्यादा प्रभावित होती है। पीएम साहिब कृपया उड़ानें तुरंत बंद करें। उन्होंने ये ट्वीट चंडीगढ़ में दक्षिण अफ्रीका से लौटे शख्स के कोरोना पॉज़िटिव पाए जाने की खबर पर प्रतिक्रिया देते हुए किया है। अब तक दुनिया के 23 देशों में ओमिक्रॉन के मामले सामने आ चुके हैं। नए वेरिएंट के कारण ब्रिटेन, यूरोपीय यूनियन, अमेरिका और कनाडा जैसे देशों ने दक्षिण अफ्रीका सहित कुछ अफ्रीकी देशों से आने वाली उड़ानों पर प्रतिबंध लगा दिया है। 26 नवंबर को विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन ने इसे 'ओमिक्रॉन' नाम दिया और इस नए स्ट्रेन को 'चिंता का विषय' बताया। साथ ही चेतावनी दी है कि ओमिक्रॉन के कारण दुनिया भर में संक्रमण बढ़ने का काफी ज़्यादा खतरा पैदा हो गया है और दुनिया के कुछ क्षेत्रों पर इसके गंभीर परिणाम हो सकते हैं। ब्रिटेन के एक शीर्ष स्वास्थ्य अधिकारी ने चेतावनी देते हुए कहा है कि इस नए वेरिएंट के खिलाफ वैक्सीन के प्रभावी होने की संभावना करीब-करीब कम है। किस टेस्ट से पता चलेगा ओमिक्रॉन का संक्रमण? विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन ने कहा था कि ओमिक्रॉन के साथ अक्की बात यह है कि इसका पता कुछ आरटी-पीसीआर टेस्ट से चल सकता है। इससे इसका पता लगाने में और फ़ैलने से रोकने में मदद मिल सकती है। कई दूसरे वेरिएंट का पता लगाने के लिए जीनोम सिक्वेंसिंग का सहारा लेना पड़ता है। लेकिन कुछ वैज्ञानिकों का कहना है कि यह इतना सीधा मामला नहीं है। ज़्यादातर आरटी-पीसीआर टेस्ट ओमिक्रॉन और दूसरे वेरिएंट में फर्क करने में सक्षम नहीं हैं। वैज्ञानिकों का कहना है कि आरटी-पीसीआर टेस्ट से सिर्फ़ ये पता चलता है कि कोई व्यक्ति कोरोना संक्रमित है या नहीं, न कि वेरिएंट के बारे में पता चलता है। ऐसे में जीनोम सिक्वेंसिंग स्टडी ज़रूरी हो जाती है। लेकिन सभी संक्रमित सैंपल को जीनोम सिक्वेंसिंग के लिए नहीं भेजा जा सकता है। यह प्रक्रिया धीमी, जटिल और महंगी होती है। आरटी-पीसीआर टेस्ट से शरीर में वायरस की मौजूदगी का पता चलता है। टेस्टिंग का विज्ञान समझने वालों की राय इस सवाल पर बँटी हुई है। सार्वजनिक और निजी लैब में किए जाने वाले ज़्यादातर टेस्ट में सार्स सीओवी-2 संक्रमण का पता लगाया जा सकता है। लेकिन ये पता नहीं लगाया जा सकता है कि संक्रमित व्यक्ति वायरस के किस वेरिएंट से संक्रमित है। क्योंकि ये टेस्ट वायरस के उस हिस्से को तलाशते हैं, जिनमें ज़्यादा बदलाव नहीं होता है। वेरिएंट को म्यूटेशन में अंतर के आधार पर तय किया जाता है। ओमिक्रॉन के मामले में, ये अंतर स्पाइक प्रोटीन के म्यूटेशन से जुड़ा है, जो कि वायरस का एक ऐसा हिस्सा होता है जो कि बार-बार बदलता है ताकि वह खुद को दवाइयों और रोग-प्रतिरोध कोशिकाओं से बचा सके। इसी वजह से इसकी जाँच करना मुश्किल है। ऐसे में ज़्यादातर टेस्ट ये बताएंगे कि फलां व्यक्ति को कोरोना संक्रमण हुआ है लेकिन वह ये नहीं बताएंगे कि व्यक्ति ओमिक्रॉन वेरिएंट से संक्रमित है। इसके लिए डॉक्टर को आपके सैंपल को एक लैब में भेजना होगा जो कि जेनेटिक सीक्वेंसिंग की मदद से ओमिक्रॉन जैसे जेनेटिक सिग्नेचर की तलाश कर सकते हैं। ओमिक्रॉन का संक्रमण कितना खतरनाक है? ओमिक्रॉन के स्पाइक प्रोटीन में हुए 32 म्यूटेशन बहुत अहम बताए जा रहे हैं क्योंकि इनका संबंध शरीर की कोशिकाओं को संक्रमित करने और प्रतिरक्षा तंत्र से बचने में होता है। इस तरह के म्यूटेशन कोरोना वायरस के अब तक आ चुके वेरिएंट्स में भी पाए गए हैं। इन वेरिएंट को 'वेरिएंट ऑफ़ कंसर्न' और 'वेरिएंट ऑफ़ इंटरस्ट' की श्रेणी में रखा गया था। जैसे एन501वाई म्यूटेशन जो एल्फ़ा, बीटा और गामा वेरिएंट में हुआ है। टी951, टी478के और जी142डी म्यूटेशंस डेल्टा वेरिएंट में हुए हैं। इन म्यूटेशंस के शरीर में मौजूद एसीई2 सेल रिसेप्टर के संपर्क में आने की भूमिका का पता चला है, ये कुछ एंटीबॉडीज़ के क्षेत्रों में पाए गए हैं। हालांकि, इन म्यूटेशन के एक साथ पाए जाने पर इनका क्या प्रभाव होगा ये अभी पता लगाया जाना बाकी है। दो म्यूटेशन का एक साथ प्रभाव हमेशा जुड़कर आए ये ज़रूरी नहीं है। इनका प्रभाव ज़्यादा भी हो सकता है और घट भी सकता है यानी ये वायरस को और खतरनाक या कमज़ोर दोनों बना सकते हैं। विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन ने इसे वेरिएंट ऑफ़ कंसर्न इसलिए कहा है क्योंकि इसमें संक्रमण का खतरा ज़्यादा हो सकता है। हालांकि, अभी इस बात की पुष्टि के लिए कोई ठोस जानकारी उपलब्ध नहीं है। हाल ही में दिल्ली के एम्स अस्पताल के निदेशक डॉक्टर रणदीप गुलेरिया ने समाचार एजेंसी पीटीआई से कहा था है कि अभी ओमिक्रॉन नाम के नए वेरिएंट को लेकर जो भी जानकारीयों उपलब्ध हैं, उनसे कई तरह की संभावनाओं का संकेत मिलता है, लेकिन किसी ठोस नतीजे पर पहुँचने के लिए उन्हें वैज्ञानिक आधार पर जाँचने की आवश्यकता है। 'बहुत मामूली लक्षण' वायरस का ये नया वेरिएंट इस महीने सबसे पहले दक्षिण अफ्रीका में पाया गया था जिसके बाद विश्व स्वास्थ्य संगठन को इसकी जानकारी दी गई। संगठन ने 24 नवंबर को इस नए वेरिएंट की पुष्टि की और बयान जारी किया। कोरोना के इस नए वेरिएंट को सबसे पहले दक्षिण अफ्रीका की डॉक्टर एंजेलिक कोएल्ज़ी ने पकड़ा। उन्होंने बीबीसी को बताया कि अभी तक तक वहाँ जिन लोगों में ये वेरिएंट मिला है उनमें कोविड के "बहुत मामूली लक्षण" नज़र आए हैं। उन्होंने कहा, "ज़्यादातर मरीज़ बदन में दर्द और बहुत ज़्यादा थकावट की शिकायत कर रहे हैं। और मैं ये बात युवाओं के बारे में कर रही हूँ, मैं उन लोगों की बात नहीं कर रही जो अस्पताल जाकर भर्ती हो गए।</p>				
<h2>12 persons apprehended for selling illicit liquor in South Andaman</h2>				
<p>Port Blair, Dec 07: 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 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, a release said.</p>				
<h2>Member of Parliament introduces bill in Parliament to grant A & N Islands the status of a Union Territory with Legislature on the lines of National Capital Territory of Delhi & Puducherry</h2>				
<p>Port Blair, Dec 08: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and 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 and Nicobar Islands. Through this provision, the bill seeks to grant Andaman and 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 and 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 and 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. So, through this bill, a democratic setup in the form 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. The creation of a Legislature will be the right step to lay the foundation of democracy & rule of law in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands.</p>				
<h2>Youth Wing President of LJP joins Pradesh Congress Committee</h2>				
<p>Port Blair, Dec 8: Mr Abhibhushan Ghosh, President of Youth Wing, Lok Janshakthi Party, Andaman and Nicobar Islands resigned from his post and his primary membership and joined the Congress Party at Gandhi Bhawan in the presence of Mr Rangelal Halder, President, ANTCC, Mr TSG Bhasker, Chairman Campaign Committee, Mr VK Abdul Aziz, President, District Congress Committee, South Andaman, Mr Madai Murshid, President, District Congress Committee, North and Middle Andaman, Mr Mohammed Zubair, President, City Congress Committee, Mr M.A.Sajid, State President, NSUI and other senior leaders on Tuesday. Mr Abhibhushan Ghosh said that he is impressed with the work process of Congress party in these islands and intends to work for the welfare of youth in these islands under the leadership of dynamic leader like Mr Rangelal Halder and Mr TSG Bhasker. He joined Congress party along with Mr Abdul Sajid, State General Secretary, LJP.</p>				
<h2>NYK organizes District-level knockout football tourney</h2>				
<p>Port Blair, Dec 08: A two-day District level Football Knockout match was organized by Nehru Yuva Kendra, Port Blair in association with Garacharma Youth Club and CSC Academy under District Level Sport Meet. Altogether, 10 teams participated namely Gurama Club, 13 Shikhs, JSC, Bimblitan Club, Dollygunj Club, Garacharma Youth Club, MSC, Galaxy XI, FIFA Sporting Club and Spark Boys. In which Semifinal was played between Dollygunj and JSC Dollygung Loss the match by 00/01 goal JSC won the match enter the finals. The final match was played between FIFA Sporting Club and JSC in which FIFA Sporting Club won the match by 00/03 goal against JSC. The chief guest of the event, Mr Binit Jaiswal, Proprietor of Shree Radhey Traders, facilitated the winning team by Medal, Trophy and certificate. Mr Dheerak Kumar Sharma of CSC academy distributed medals, trophy and certificates to the runner-up team member. Mr Gopal Ch Biswas of Nehru Yuva Kendra highlighted the aims and objectives of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan towards organizing sports events for the benefit of youth. Wasim of Garacharma Youth Club proposed the vote of thanks.</p>				
<h2>State-level painting competition by NTPC</h2>				
<p>Port Blair, Dec 08: 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 today 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 that includes 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 (SAGARTILA 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.</p>				

Agromet bulletin for farmers

Port Blair, Dec 08: The Central Island Agricultural Research Institute has released the agromet bulletin for farmers for the period from Dec 8 to Dec 12. In the bulletin, CIARI forecast partly cloudy weather with light rainfall in the next five days in Andaman and in Nicobar Islands. The maximum temperature will be 29.1 to 31.8 oC with minimum temperature of 23.3 to 25.2 oC, whereas the maximum and minimum relative humidity is expected to be in the range of 68 to 80 % and 63 to 77 %, respectively in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Wind speed of 18.8 to 26.9 kmph is expected mostly from North Easterly direction. In South Andaman (Blocks: Prothrapur, Little-Andaman and Ferrargunj) , farmers have been advised to prepare field for cultivation of radish bhaji by thoroughly ploughing the field 4-6 times and keep the soil loose for proper growth and developments of root,

dip seedling of chilly in 1 % Trichoderma solution for one hour before transplanting, clear all the channels and improve drainage in vegetable field. Apply Pseudomonas in the soil @ 400 g/acre, post rainfall/cyclonic period, do netting in the fish ponds and check for removing predatory fishes/frogs in nursery and stocking ponds and deworming of all goats as post monsoon may predispose to worm load. Farmers in North and Middle Andaman (Blocks: Rangat, Mayabunder and Diglipur) have been advised to prepare field for cultivation of radish bhaji by thoroughly ploughing the field 4-6 times and keep the soil loose for proper growth and developments of root, dip seedling of chilly in 1 % Trichoderma solution for one hour before transplanting, clear all the channels and improve drainage in vegetable field. Apply Pseudomonas in the soil @ 400 g/acre, post rainfall/cyclonic

period, do netting in the fish ponds and check for removing predatory fishes/frogs in nursery and stocking ponds and deworming of all goats as post monsoon may predispose to worm load. In Nicobar (Blocks: Nan-Cowrie, Car-Nicobar and Campbell-Bay), farmers have been advised to prepare field for cultivation of radish bhaji by thoroughly ploughing the field 4-6 times and keep the soil loose for proper growth and developments of root, dip seedling of chilly in 1 % Trichoderma solution for one hour before transplanting, clear all the channels and improve drainage in vegetable field. Apply Pseudomonas in the soil @ 400 g/acre, post rainfall/cyclonic period, do netting in the fish ponds and check for removing predatory fishes/frogs in nursery and stocking ponds and deworming of all goats as post monsoon may predispose to worm load.

Chief Secretary visits Corbyn's Cove Beach directs PBMC to keep the beach clean and hassle-free for visitors

Port Blair, Dec 08: The Chief Secretary, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Mr. Jitendra Narain, IAS, visited Corbyn's Cove Beach on Sunday and instructed all concerned departments to keep the beach clean and hassle-free for visitors.

He also directed PBMC, Police and Tourism Departments to keep a constant vigil on violators and impose penalties as per laws. Further instructions were issued on keeping all the water sports jet skis in an organized manner and to create a beach volleyball court

as it was earlier. The existing food kiosk was directed to be revamped with good aesthetic view and instructions were received to create a space for open sit out cum food kiosk at coconut lagoon area and Japanese Bunker.

APPLICATION INVITED FOR COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE BY THE HON'BLE LT. GOVERNOR
Application are invited from bonafide citizens/organizations of A & N Islands for award of Lt. Governor's Commendation Certificate on the occasion of Republic Day, 2022 , to persons who have distinguished in the field of Arts, Commerce, Education, Sports, Games & Culture and Social Welfare etc. or have rendered meritorious service of a high order.
Application in the prescribed proforma should reach the Confidential Cell, Secretariat, A & N Administration latest by 27th December, 2021 along with their Vigilance Clearance Certificate. Sponsoring / Nominating of nominees should be done by the Chief Secretary/ PCCF / DGP/ Pr. Secretary/ Commr.-cum-Secretary/ Secretaries and Deputy Commissioners of respective Districts. Other HoDs can recommend through respective Administrative Secretaries only.
Guidelines for eligibility of Commendation Certificate
The illustrative list of fields which could be covered under this award are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Art (such as Popular arts, Music, Painting, Architecture, Sculpture photography etc.)• Social work.• Public affairs (such as law and public life etc.)• Science, Engineering, Technology and other learned professions• Literature and Education including Journalism.• Trade and Industry (such as Banking. Tourism and Handicrafts etc.)• Civil Service.• Sports, Athletics and Adventure Sports.• Protection of Human Right.• Protection of Environment.• Any other area considered fit by the Lt. Governor.
Those who have excelled in any one of the above mentioned fields and contributed significantly will be considered for award of Commendation Certificate.
If team is being nominated, role of each member of the team has to be clearly defined and only the one who have shown exemplary work in the team should be sponsored.
Both, official and non-officials are eligible for the award.
Association, institution or organization which are exclusively concerned with a particular religion or cast or creed or ethic group and whose services are exclusively confined to the activities thereof and whose activities in anyway run counter to the noble objectives of national integration and understanding fellowship and sense of solidarity should not be considered.
PROFORMA
1. Full Name (Roman & Devnagri Script): 2. Father's/ Husband's name: 3. Date of Birth: 4. Profession / occupation / designation: 5. Residential address (along with e-mail ID, Aadhaar No., Telephone / Mobile number) : 6. Field of activity & achievement: 7. Name of Nominating authority & Telephone/ Mobile number. 8. Vigilance Clearance Certificate & Pay level (for Govt. Servants): (without vigilance clearance certificate, nominations will not be accepted for consideration) 9. Citation (in 150 words only) along with soft copy: * All fields are compulsory / mandatory <u>Applicant / Nominees can send their applications / nominations through email id:hlgccani@gmail.com (Incomplete application / Nominations will not be entertained / accepted).</u>
It is also requested, to kindly adhere to the last date i.e. 27th December, 2021 for sending nominations as the cases will be submitted before the Screening Committee immediately thereafter.
Signature of the Nominating Authority (with seal)

Member of Parliament demands compensation for farmers who have suffered loss due to damage of paddy and vegetable crops in North and Middle Andaman because of heavy rain

Port Blair, Dec 08: Highlighting the problems of cultivators of paddy and vegetables, the Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to direct the concerned departments to assess the damage to crops in the entire North and Middle Andaman region and pay necessary compensation to the farmers, who have suffered losses due to damage of crops because of heavy rain.

In a letter addressed to the Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the Member of Parliament mentioned that very recently due to low pressure formation in the South Andaman region and also because of other natural causes the North and Middle Andaman region witnessed heavy rain, which has caused large scale damage to the standing paddy crops. In many villages vegetable cultivators have also suffered heavy loss due to heavy rainfall, he added.

The Member of Parliament mentioned that in Andaman and Nicobar Islands most of the farmers are completely dependent on paddy cultivation for their need of rice for the entire year while some portion of the rice is also sold in local markets. He informed the Lt. Governor that because of the heavy rain now many cultivators of paddy and vegetables, who have invested heavily for seeds, fertilizers and insecticides have lost source of income for the coming months due to damage to their standing crops.

World Soil Day celebrated by KVK at Tushnabad

Port Blair, Dec 08: Soil Salinization and sodification are major soil degradation processes threatening ecosystem and are recognized as being among the most important problems at a global level for agricultural production, food security and sustainability in arid and semi arid region. World Soil Day 2021 and its campaign ‘halt soil salinization , boost soil productivity’ “aims to raise awareness of the importance of maintaining healthy ecosystems and human well-being by addressing the growing challenges in soil management, fighting soil salinization , increasing soil awareness and encouraging societies to improve soil health. ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair organized “World Soil Day 2021” at Tushnabad Panchayat community hall. Mr Mahadev Majhi, Ex. Pradhan – Collinpur

Panchayat was the chief guest and Smti Marry Jashinta Ex. Pradhan Tushnabad Panchayat, Smti Kokila Ghos, Panchayat Secretary , Fr. Simonolin, Director Surabhi and Smti Udhay Kumari, Agriculture Officer was the guest of honour in the programme. Mr Mahadev Majhi emphasized the farming community to use of more organic manure with minimum use of chemical fertilizers which helps to sustain productivity. Dr. Y. Ramakrishna, Head KVK, enlightened importance of soil health improvement and importance of soil testing for plant nutrition and salinization issues in low-lying coastal areas during post rainy season. He further advice to grow salinity resistant crop varieties to enhance the productivity. Dr. N.Bommayasamy briefed about the influence of soil salinity in crop establishment and growth and

ways to reduce salinity and boost agricultural productivity by adoption of new technologies. Dr. B.K.Nanda delivered on soil salinity affects on quality of irrigation and drinking water with serious economic, social environmental consequences for both urban and peri-urban areas. Dr. Pooja Kapoor and Smti Udhay Kumari, Agriculture Officer, UTATMA, Department of Agriculture elaborate role of women in enhancing productivity and profitability of crops and livestock and also demonstrate on soil sample collection and its processing. Mr. Thanmei Paul, proposed vote of thanks. A total of 43 numbers of farmers, farm women and rural youth were participated. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Eaknath B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair.

Admission to PG (Commerce- M.Com) in JNRM, candidates advised

Port Blair, Dec 05: The Nehru Yuva Kendra Port Blair organized a one-day training of youth on Clean Village Green Village program in Maharashtra Mandal on Saturday to make people aware and motivate them about the need and importance of cleanliness, greenery and non-use of plastic materials. About 100 youths have participated in the programme. On this occasion, Mr. M Vinod, President AATO, was the chief guest and he made the youth aware about the role of youth on clean village, green

village. During the training, the various topics were covered by the Resource Persons Dr. K Venkatesan, Associate Professor, JNRM and Mr. Santosh Kumar Jha, Associate Professor, JNRM – Challenges related to open defecation in villages, importance of village sanitation, need to make villages plastic free and health and sanitation, waste water management How to stop climate change. use of renewable energy, social and community work for green innovations and medicinal and local plant species.

Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Associate Professor, Mr. M. Bala Subramani, JNRM, Mr. Sumit Bain, JNRM, Mr Pawan Roy, Faculty Vedant Education, Mr Gorakh Nath Patil, President, Maharashtra Mandal and Mr. Arvind Patil, Secretary Maharashtra Mandal were also present on the occasion.

Mr Gopal Ch. Biswas, Nehru Yuva Kendra welcomed the gathering and briefed about the aims and objectives of the programme.

ICAR-CIARI conducts training for Nicobarese traditional community on value-added fishery products

Port Blair, Dec 08: ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair conducted a training programme on the value-added fishery products for the Nicobarese traditional community during 1-3 December, 2021 at the Marine Research Laboratory, ICAR-CIARI as a part of the National flagship programme ‘Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav’. The training was organized under the Chairmanship of Dr. Eaknath B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-

CIARI under the Scheduled Tribe Component. In his presidential address, Director, ICAR-CIARI emphasized on the importance of value addition in income generation and economic benefits and sensitized the trainees to get maximum benefit out of the training programme. Both theory and practical aspects on value-added fishery products were covered during the training programme by the team consisting of Ms. Deepitha R.P., Dr. R. Kiruba Sankar, Dr. K.

Saravanan, Dr. Nagesh Ram, Mr. J. Praveenraj and Mr. Benny Varghese. Further, hands-on training was given to the participants on development of different value-added fishery products from the low value fishes. The trainees gave positive feedback on the outcome of the training programme and also expressed their willingness to attend further training programmes. Altogether, 20 participants have attended the training programme.

MESSAGE

Every year since 1949, 7th December is observed as the Armed Forces Flag Day throughout the country to honour the martyrs and the men in uniform who valiantly fought to safeguard the country's honour. At the same time, it is an occasion to express gratitude to our armed forces for their heroic service and selfless sacrifices and also to remember widows and children whom our valiant soldiers left behind while safeguarding the country. The A&N Islands will also be observing the day.

To mark this day, Rajya Sainik Board, Port Blair will distribute flag day stickers and token flags in return of generous voluntary donations to Armed Force Flag Day Fund. The fund is meant for rehabilitation of wounded servicemen, resettlement of ex-servicemen and welfare of the families of those who have lost their lives.

On the occasion of the Armed Force Flag Day 2021, I extend my warm greetings and good wishes to all armed force personnel, veterans and their families. I also urge all islanders to contribute to the Armed Forces Flag Day fund as a gesture of solidarity towards our brave armed force personnel & their families.

Sd/-

(Admiral D K Joshi)

PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.)

Lt Governor, A&N Islands

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Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency

Member of Parliament demands to solve the issues of frequent interruption in Power Supply in Swaraj Dweep and South Andaman region

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to direct the Electricity Department to immediately address the power cut issues of Swaraj Dweep and south Andaman region, which has become an increasing source of discomfort and harassment for the Islanders. In a letter addressed to the Lt. Governor, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma today mentioned that people of the South Andaman region, Swaraj Dweep Island are facing huge problems due to

frequent power interruption, which is not only causing great inconvenience to the public but also leaving a negative impact on Tourism Industry. The children are also suffering heavily as due to frequent power cuts they are unable to focus on their studies, he mentioned.

The Member of Parliament pointed out that in Port Blair and adjoining areas of South Andaman, people are witnessing power interruption for nearly 8 to 10 times a day, which is leaving the public deeply upset and disappointed.

He mentioned that in Swaraj Dweep there are power cuts of seven to eight hours on a daily basis just because the requirement of power is more and supply is less.

The MP added that according to the public, a new DG Set sanctioned for Swaraj Dweep has already reached Port Blair but that has not been shipped to Swaraj Dweep yet. Swaraj Dweep being a hotspot of tourism activities, many people associated with the tourism industry are suffering a heavy loss on a daily basis, he added.

INS Baaz celebrates Navy Day at Great Nicobar

Port Blair, Dec 08: At the southernmost island territory of Great Nicobar, INS Baaz celebrated Navy Day over a series of events commencing 04 Dec 21. The Navy Day commemorates the definitive and decisive contribution of Indian Navy in the 1971 war against Pakistan which paved the way for India's victory, in which Karachi military harbour was heavily destroyed and four ships of PN were sunk.

The celebrations commenced with a mini marathon in the morning of 04 Dec itself.

Approximately 150 participants from all military components, including GREF, veterans, civilians and children ran the 5km long marathon which culminated inside the air-station. After a lively zumba cool-down session, prizes were distributed to the top three runners of each age group.

The next event in the series of Navy week activities was a painting competition for children organised at INS Baaz on 05 Dec 21. School students of all age groups from CGPS and six Govt schools in the island participated in the event. Their enthusiasm and

innovative paintings were praised by one and all. In the subsequent session, live demonstrations of Small Arms/ Meteorological Equipments and Basic Life Support were imparted, which not only inspired them about the services, but also provided insight into medical emergencies.

The week long events will culminate at the Navy Mela scheduled on 11 Dec 21. The Commanding Officer and all ranks of INS Baaz extends a warm invitation to one and all to partake in the upcoming gala mela.

PBGKR stands-up for Craft artists of Delhi

Port Blair, Dec 08: The Port Blair Guru Ki Rasoi (PBGKR) has extended assistance to renowned Paper Craft and Art artistes from Delhi. Mr Suresh Rai and Mr Ramesh Rai have been coming to these islands since 2012 and have taught students of KV I & II, Ummat Public School, Jawahar Boys School, Girls Sr Sec School and many other during their visits to the islands.

Expecting the same business market this year they were used

to during the pre COVID era, the artistes landed here on Nov 5 and after a month long struggle nothing could be achieved and were left with empty pockets. Both struggling to survive needed to go back to their family at the earliest but with peak air fares had left no hope for them.

Mr Ramesh got in touch with Mr Mandeep Grewal, President, PBGKR and Mr Gurmeet Singh, Secretary, PBGKR and narrated their plight. The team immediately

booked the flight tickets for the two and wished them the very best of future ahead. "We were actually moved when he said his wife is due in 10 days and no one is there to take care of her. We feel blessed to have been able to help the genuine artistes and hope they will return when every school starts with the kids coming in for the regular classes," said Mr Grewal.

Admission to PG (Commerce- M.Com) in JNRM, candidates advised

Port Blair, Dec 08: As per the Pondicherry University New Syllabus & Regulations of M.Com (Post Graduate) in affiliated colleges from 2021-22 onwards, the admission in M.Com course should be based on performance in the Entrance

Test Conducted by the college concerned. The PG Department of Commerce has prepared & arranged to conduct the Entrance Test on 14/12/2021 at 9.30 AM in the JNRM, Port Blair. All the candidates are advised to be in contact with the PG Department

of Commerce for further information. The eligibility criteria & other information may be downloaded from the common admission portal <https://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in> or from college portal jnrm@and.nic.in.



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.

CIARI holds demonstration prog. on kitchen gardening

Port Blair, Dec 08: A demonstration programme on "Kitchen gardening in Urban and Peri-urban Spaces for Nutritional Security" was organized at ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair as a part of "Azadika Amrut Mahotsav" celebrations under NABARD-Urban Horticulture project on December 6, 2021. Anganwadi workers from 28 centres along with their supervisor Ms. Kamlesh Kumari attended the programme. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. E.B. Chakurkar, Director of the

Institute by watering the plant. He exhorted the participants to learn the techniques of gardening being demonstrated in the programme and implement in their workplaces. Dr. Pooja Bohra, Organizer of the programme, apprised the participants about the role of various horticultural commodities in imparting nutrition and other health benefits to the consumers. Participants were taken to the Institutional Demonstration Unit on Urban Horticulture, where various plant species suitable for urban gardening have been displayed in

pots, grow bags, vertical models etc. Dr. Ajit Arun Waman, Co-organizer of the programme explained in detail about the uses and cultivation techniques of the displayed species. Participants were then taken to Horticultural Plants Propagation unit for demonstrations on various propagation techniques and cultivation of potted plants. The session was followed by practical demonstration on various intercultural operations viz. basin preparation, manure application, weeding etc. and ended with field planting of fruit plants.

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Port Blair, Dec 08: The Deputy Commissioner of South Andaman, Shri Suneel Anchipaka, along with team of officials from A & N Administration visited Swaraj Dweep on Saturday and held series of meeting with stakeholders regarding the issues pertaining to Swaraj Dweep post pandemic relaxation. A meeting was held at Dolphin Resort, Swaraj Dweep with political parties, boat association, tour and travel agents and deliberated the issues faced by them and assured redressal of issues after deliberations with higher authorities. The team of officials visited the fish market and took review of the

renovation works being undertaken. Directions were given to EE PRI, to expedite the renovation work and make the market operational as early as possible. The Vegetable market area and the toilet complex under the project of Rural Development in Market area were also reviewed by the officials. The team further visited the Swaraj Dweep jetty area with concerned stakeholders and local representatives and reviewed the status of approach road. The representatives of concerned department were directed to immediately take up the issue of the repair of road near jetty area. The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman also interacted with the

tourists at the Jetty area and enquired about the facilities available at the tourist spots and further suggestions, if any required to be implemented at the Swaraj Dweep. The officials also inspected the proposed site for parking area alongwith all stakeholders and reviewed the conditions of roads at Swaraj Dweep. The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman also visited the Primary Health Centre (Health and Wellness Centre) and had interaction with Medical Officer along with local representatives. The team also interacted with patients and noted the grievances and assured upgradation of facilities as well as staff at the Health Centre.