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Thought for today
When jealousy rises its ugly head, even the ones we love become our enemies.

Supplementary Exams of Pondy Varsity

Port Blair, Dec 21: B.Ed. I and II year supplementary examinations Dec 2021 of Pondicherry University shall be held in Tagore Government College of Education, Port Blair from 18th January 2021. Detailed time-table of these examinations are available on the College Notice Board. The last date for remitting the examination fee is 23rd Dec 2021. All eligible candidates are requested to deposit the prescribed fees to the Cashier of the College before the scheduled date for online registration for the above exams.

Installation of Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Station for city put on fast lane

Port Blair, Dec 21: After running into initial delays due to the lockdown imposed to stem the spread of novel Coronavirus, the Department of Science and Technology has reportedly expedited works for installation of the city's first Continuous Ambient Air Quality Monitoring System (CAAQMS). While the project was awarded to the eligible firm sometime in November 2019, the agency couldn't commence the work due to the restrictions imposed due to the pandemic. However, the firm has now resumed work and currently sensors and hi-tech equipments are being procured from various agencies in mainland and abroad before putting them in the assembly line.

The CAAQMS project is being executed at a cost of over Rs 1 crore and will be located at the selected location at VIP Road in the city. The Andaman and Nicobar Pollution Control Committee under the Department of Science and Technology had invited proposals for eligible players for supply, installation, commissioning, operation and maintenance services for one CAAQMS in the city in 2019. After observing necessary formalities, the project was awarded to the most eligible firm.

Once installed, the system will monitor ambient air quality in the city. It will enable continuously determine present air quality status and past trends, provide Air Quality Index

(exhibits Good, satisfactory, Moderate, poor, Very Poor & Severe) level of Air pollutants, provide background air quality data as needed for industrial siting and town planning, control and regulate pollution from all sources to ensure the air quality standards, help estimate the future worsening or improvement of air quality and to obtain the knowledge and understanding necessary for developing preventive and corrective measures, ascertain whether the prescribed ambient air quality standards are violated, assess health hazard, damage to materials and to control and regulate pollution from various sources, detect air hazards / other poisonous gases risk in the city as also to provide a mobile application enabled data to describe specific sector/ward wise air quality health.

Some of the major benefits of CAAQMS installation include air quality data/AQI will be made for general public to know air quality in a simplified way, chalk out corrective pollution control strategies, using big data can help to guide urban planning initiatives to help more efficiently reduce exposure to pollution at the most important times and in optimal places, identify hotspots and better monitoring of environmental issues, identify clusters of pollutants and analyze data over time in order to understand patterns, indicate areas with particularly bad air quality and take corrective



measures, a mobile application will allow a resident to track their exposure to certain air contaminants, or to navigate through the city based on avoiding urban heat islands, poor air quality, or excessive noise and congestion and other risk factors identifiable, corrective steps like local public can contribute by maintaining vehicles properly, following lane discipline & speed limits, avoiding idling and turning off engines at red traffic signals.

MP distributes INTUC Auto Union IDs, extends New Year greetings to members



Port Blair, Dec 21: The Member of Parliament and All India Congress Committee (AICC) Secretary, Mr. E. Jayaram, distributed Auto Union IDs and New Year Greeting Cards on Monday. On the arrival of the



Member of Parliament, the INTUC Auto Union, led by its President, Mr. E. Jayaram, extended a warm welcome at the Prothrapur Community Hall. Senior leaders on the day appreciated the hard work done by Auto Drivers while acknowledging the hardships they face especially with increasing fuel prices. Mr. E. Jayaram, INTUC, General Secretary, assured auto drivers of taking up their issues with concerned authorities with regard to



Shri M. Vinod, President, Andaman Association of Tour Operators met Shri Purnesh Modi, Cabinet Minister for Tourism, Transport, Roads and Civil Aviation, Gujarat Govt, at his official residence Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat. Shri Vinod who was in Gujarat to attend the 36th Annual Convention of IATO gave a courtesy call to the Hon'ble Minister. The Minister has assured to visit the islands soon with a delegation of Gujarat Tourism.

'Andaman' director Smita Singh on distribution plans, social media campaign for movie

Mumbai, Dec 21: The movie 'Andaman' Director Smita Singh has talked about the distribution plans of the film and how it helped in its promotion.

Talking about its distribution plan and social media campaign wherein audiences are also the profit partners of the film, she says: "Usually debutante filmmakers are always told to not expect recovery from their first film but we are very fortunate to achieve this. The

highlight of my film is its unique distribution plan and I'm very surprised that my recovery is very satisfactory. In fact I'm getting a good response from audiences and many people are suggesting this plan being a profit partner themselves. I have never dreamt that this plan would really create that impact."

Sharing about the responses debutante director Smita is receiving, she says: "I'm receiving

great response from many filmmakers in the industry that we have done a really great job and if we would have got good financial support this would have taken our film to another level. I never imagined that my first project would be this good."

This film is about a failed IAS aspirant who is made in charge of a quarantine centre in an unprivileged village. Helmed by director Smita See... Page 02

They keep city in their nails!



Port Blair, Dec 21: Muthu Laxmi, 38, wakes up as early as 3.30 am. Prepares breakfast for her two school-going kids and husband, wakes up the latter asking him to drop the children to school. Sharp

by 4.30 pm, Muthu Laxmi leaves for the civic body's Dairy farm's Site Office to join her team to undertake her daily chore of keeping the city clean. Skipping the most crucial meal of the day, Muthu Laxmi is

among 1774 sanitary workers of the Municipal Council, who can smell the city on herself.

Being a sanitation worker in our country is more like a terrible sentence than a real job occupation.

PBMC felicitates them, assures all support

Documentary by NGOs 'Safai Mitron Ka Samman' released

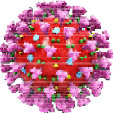
Sanitary workers are the unsung heroes of India sanitation. In order to pay them their due respect and to change the minds of the people that Safai Karamcharis are the unsung heroes who risk their lives every day for keeping the city spick & span, a documentary to spread the message that safai karamcharis too deserve a humanitarian behaviour" from the public was released in the Youtube. At a function held at Marina Park on



COVID-19 status in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Dec 21: During the RT-PCR test conducted on 437 passengers who arrived here yesterday, no positive case has been detected. 12 flights with 2111 passengers arrived on Monday, out of which, 1656 were vaccinated with both doses while RT-PCR test was conducted on 455 passengers (includes 22 international travellers) and the reports are awaited. During RAT conducted on 87 passengers bound for North & Middle

Andaman at Ferragunj no positive case has been detected. At Mahanur Bus Terminus, test was conducted on 79 passengers and all were found negative. At Phoenix Bay Jetty, 57 passengers were tested with RAT and was found negative. During RAT conducted on 9 passengers at Helipad, no positive case has been detected. Today, till 3 pm 413 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated, out of which 389 were of 18 plus age group.



Power interruption on Dec 24

Port Blair, Dec 21: Power supply will remain suspended on Dec 24 from 8 am to 12 noon in with connection with urgent breakdown maintenance of transmission & distribution system near PMB vehicle gate at Haddo Wharf (Gate No. 4). The areas to be affected are Foreshore road and Haddo Wharf.

Success story of roof top production model for horti crops in urban areas

Port Blair, Dec 21: ICAR-CIARI in collaboration with NABARD, Port Blair, has implemented the project on

"Horticulture based sustainable roof top production model for nutritional and livelihood security of urban households of Andaman Islands" in



3 Public sector units and 6 households at different places of South Andaman. Various horticulture crops like vegetables, spices, flowers and medicinal plants are grown by the beneficiaries in grow bags using organic media. This roof top production model is highly successful in all the places of

Info invited for claim of dead body

Port Blair, Dec 21: It is informed to the general public that on 18/12/2021, a UD FIR was registered at PS Ograbraj and the dead body of the deceased identified as Shamal Mondal. Since then, no family member/relative has come forward to claim the body. Further, the body of the deceased has been preserved at cold mortuary of GB Pant Hospital. The family members of the aforesaid person are hereby requested to approach PS Ograbraj and take over the deceased body from GB Pant Hospital. The general public is hereby requested to share/



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Father-son murdered at Rampur village in Rangat Tehsil Quarrel b/w accused and victims lead to blood shed: Reports

Port Blair, 21st Dec, 2021: A double murder case of a father and son reported yesterday at Rangap Police Station. Wherein it is stated that a father and his son were murdered by another villager in Rampur village, ward no 5 area of Rangap region.

Input reveals that accused Ranjeet Roy S/o Late Sharath Roy (37yrs) R/o Rampur ward no 5 reportedly murdered Bimal

Halder S/o Bidhubhusan (68yrs) R/o Rampur ward no 5 and Bipul Halder S/o Bimal Halder (40yrs) R/o Rampur ward no 5. It is learnt that Ranjeet had a quarrel with Bipul Halder due to which Bipul and his father Mr. Bimal attacked Ranjeet with a machete but Ranjeet overpowered Bipul and snatched the machete from Bipul and attacked Bipul Halder and Bimal Halder. Ranjeet reportedly

beheaded Bimal Halder and cut the neck of Bipul Halder thus both of them died on the spot. Later, Ranjeet went and surrendered himself in PS Rangap and confessed the crime. As the accused has confessed his crime and preliminary investigations ascertain the statement of accused, it seems to be an open case. However, police is investigating the matter to un-earth hidden facts, if any.

Vaccination drive going smoothly in isles

Port Blair, Dec 21: The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 5,87,049 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,86,600 (approx.). A total of

1,77,329 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date. A total of 9,020 people were vaccinated in South Andaman District on Monday, 828 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 62 beneficiaries were in the

age group of 18-44 years. Similarly, 63 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which 8 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44. 11 beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District.

Triennial Conf of BMS held at Seva Bharthi Complex in Dollygunj



Port Blair, Dec 21: The Triennial Conference of the Bharathi Mazdoor Sangh, Andaman and Nicobar Island was concluded at Seva Bharthi Complex, Dollygunj, Port Blair, South Andaman on Sunday. The program was presided over by Mr. M. Veeranna, State President,

EDITORIAL

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Solidarity Strike

Solidarity union militants are holding 1,300 miners hostage in a mine in Southern Poland, the Soviet news agency Tass said. The saboteurs of the mine followed a call by Solidarity leader Lech Walesa for mass strikes and passive resistance against martial law. Tass, in a dispatch from Warsaw, said there was similar resistance elsewhere in Polish industry although the official Polish news agency PAP said that 95 per cent of the industry was working normally. The mine where the miners were being held is at Ziemowit at Katowice where seven miners were killed in clashes with security forces last week.

Israel-US Pact Off
An Israeli government spokesperson said that a strategic operation agreement with the US no longer existed because of its suspension by Washington after the annexation of the Golan Heights. The spokesperson said that the decision was taken at a meeting at Prime Minister Menachem Begin's residence. Begin said that the latest US moves were the third in six months "when the US had punished Israel for the actions it had taken". "You will not frighten us with punishment... You have no right to punish us and we protest the use of this term," he added.

Summoning The Editor
The Orissa governor C M Poonacha set an unheard precedent in the state by summoning the editor of an Oriya newspaper, Pragativadi, and allegedly used abusive language against him. What had infuriated Poonacha was a report on the second Pradeshik Shibir of the RSS at Cuttack. The report quoted an RSS sarsanghalak as saying that the governor would inaugurate an eye care camp as part of the Shibir. Poonacha allegedly used words such as "immature", "too smart", "unfit" and "irresponsible" in referring to the editor.

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Smt Shanti Laxman, Mr Noor Islam, Smt Ratna Kannan, Mr Mash Lugun, Mr Abobacker, Mr

'Andaman' director ..
Singh, this film was released independently on an open theatre platform. Written by Anand Raj, who is essaying the main

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BMS A&N Islands. The program was also attended by Mr Surendran, Akil Bhatia Sanghan Mantri, BMS, New Delhi and Mr Ganesh Mishra, Organizing Secretary Eastern Zone, Kolkata. The program started with flag hoisting and song as per the tradition of BMS. All the Executives and workers were welcomed by General Secretary Shri. Ashok Kumar abtaining of the program. There after the gathering pay tribute to the first CDS General Vipin

Success story of ..
implementation and the benefits are being harnessed by the beneficiaries. To popularize this "Roof-top production technology" a field day was organized by ICAR-CIARI under the chairmanship of Dr. Eaknath B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI in which 20 women SHG members witnessed and had interaction with successful beneficiaries of the project. Officials from NABARD and Department of Agriculture also attended the programme. Smt. Bhanumathi and Smt. Uma at Birdline and Prothapara are having vegetables and other horticulture crops for their household utility and their success experience were shared to the women participants. In ANCOOL College, Port Blair, Dr. Jayakumar, Principal explained about the involvement of students in establishment of horticulture crops in grow beds in organic way and the products are harvested and distributed to the students and staff. This horticulture production model established help the students to

Single Window Facilitation-cum-Monitoring unit established for AHP beneficiaries

Port Blair, Dec 21: The Port Blair Municipal Council informs all stakeholders and beneficiaries of PMAY(U) that a Single Window Facilitation cum Monitoring unit has been established in the premises of PBMC

Headquarters, Indra Bhawan, Mohanpura to facilitate all the beneficiaries of Affordable Housing in Partnerships (AHP) of PMAY(U) to cater to all required services for the beneficiaries under one roof.

COVID ON BOARD: 48 TEST POSITIVE ON WORLD'S LARGEST CRUISE SHIP

At least 48 people have tested positive for COVID-19 on Symphony of Seas, the world's biggest cruise ship, according to operator Royal Caribbean International. The ship docked at Miami over the weekend where the cases were detected among the 6,091 on board, raising concerns over the spread of the Omicron variant of COVID-19.

The ship left Miami on December 11 for a seven-day trip and made stops at Caribbean ports St Maarten, St Thomas, and Perfect Day at CocoCay (Royal Caribbean's private island), reported its spokesperson Lyan Sierra-Caro.

Although initially only 44 cases were reported, according to USA Today, Sierra-Caro said today, "This number (48) includes four additional close contacts which were identified as COVID-19 positive at the end of the voyage." She also said that the guests were quarantined on board and assisted upon the ship's arrival on December 18.

Royal Caribbean said 95 per cent

of the people on board were fully vaccinated and 98 per cent of those who tested positive were also fully vaccinated.

In a statement, Royal Caribbean said that "every one who tested positive were asymptomatic or had mild

symptoms, and we continuously monitored their health".

Six guests who tested positive were disembarked earlier in the cruise and transported home, while the other positive passengers were assisted when they disembarked in Miami on

December 18.

Passengers say the cruise was overwhelmed. According to Miami Herald, James Johnson of Orlando attested that his aunt, who was the first person to be tested positive in their group, was highly symptomatic and started

feeling ill with a sore throat, earache and developed a severe cough.

Although the Royal Caribbean promised adequate medical assistance, Johnson said that his aunt received only oxygen and temperature checks. He was told that the medical team was too overwhelmed to keep a continuous check on her.

But the spokesperson commented that it was not the case and that their staff was able to handle all the cases on board, following the right protocol.

Earlier this month, a Norwegian Cruise Line ship that docked in New Orleans was disembarked after 17 passengers and crew members were infected with COVID-19. The Louisiana Department of Health said that at least one of the infected crew members was suspected to have the new Omicron variant.

The US Center for Disease Control and Prevention said that it was aware of the situation and the Royal Caribbean will remain under observation.



Parliament passes NDPS (Amendment) Bill

New Delhi, 21st Dec, 2021: The Rajya Sabha on Monday passed the 'Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2021' with a voice vote to rectify a drafting "anomaly" created by a 2014 amendment to the parent legislation.

However, the Opposition parties did not take part in the debate and raised the issue to revoke the suspension of 12 MPs and demanded sacking of Minister of State for Home Ajay Mishra. Teni over his jailed son Ashish Mishra's involvement in Uttar Pradesh's Lakimpur Khari incident that claimed lives of eight people as a vehicle allegedly belonging to him moved them on October 3.

Speaking on the Bill, Finance

Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said the NDPS (Amendment) Bill, 2021 seeks amendment to the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

The Bill rectifies a drafting "anomaly" created by a 2014 amendment to the parent legislation. The anomaly crept in when the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act was amended in 2014 to allow better medical access to narcotic drugs and remove estate barriers in transporting and licensing of essential narcotic drugs.

The 2021 amendment contains a legislative declaration about what one section refers to. It says Section 2 clause (viia) corresponds to clause (viib) in Section 27, since

2014, when the provision was first brought.

Section 27A of the NDPS Act, 1985, prescribes the punishment for financing illicit traffic and harbouring offenders. In 2014, a substantial amendment was made to the NDPS Act to allow for better medical access to narcotic drugs. In Section 2(viia), the amendment defined "essential drugs"; under Section 9, it allowed the manufacture, possession, transport, import-inter-State, export inter-State, sale, purchase, consumption and use of essential narcotic drugs. But before the 2014 amendment, Section 2(vii) already existed and contained a catalogue of offences for which the punishment prescribed in Section 27A.

122 Students of IITs, IIMs, Central Institutes Committed Suicide During 2014-21: Govt

Port Blair, 21st Dec, 2021: A total of 122 students of IITs, IIMs, central universities and other centrally funded higher educational institutions committed suicide during 2014-21, the Lok Sabha was informed on Monday.

In written response to a question in Lok Sabha, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said that the 122 students who committed suicide, 24 belonged to Scheduled Caste (SC), 41 to Other Backward Classes (OBC), three to Scheduled Tribe (ST). Three such students were from minority category.

According to data shared by the minister, 121 incidents of suicides by the students of Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs), Indian Institute of Science (IISc), central universities and other higher educational institutions were reported during the period.

The number of suicide

incidents by students of various IITs during the period was 34, while four students from different IIMs had committed suicide.

Nine students from IISc Bangalore and Indian Institutes of Science Education & Research (IISERs) had committed suicide during 2014-21, while four such students were from Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs). The highest number of student suicides were from central universities (37), followed by National Institutes of Technology (NITs) which reported 30 incidents of student suicides. The government and University Grants Commission (UGC) have taken several initiatives to check the incidents of harassment and discrimination of students. UGC (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2019 have been formulated to safeguard the interests of the students. Further, the ministry has undertaken various steps such

as peer assisted learning, introduction of technical education in regional languages for students in order to ease the academic stress, Pradhan said. "The government initiative, named MANODARPAN, covers a wide range of activities to provide psychological support to students, teachers and families for mental and emotional wellbeing during the Covid outbreak and beyond. In addition, institutions conduct workshops/seminars on happiness and wellness, regular sessions on yoga, induction programmes, extra-curricular activities including sports and cultural activities and appointment of student counsellors for overall personality development and destressing students. "Further, students, wardens and caretakers are sensitised to bring to notice the signs of depression in fellow students to the authorities so that timely clinical consultation may be provided, he added.



New Delhi, 21st Dec, 2021: The Lok Sabha on Monday passed the contentious Election Laws (Amendment) bill by voice vote, barely hours after it was introduced by Union law minister Kiren Rijiju in the lower house of Parliament amid protests from the Opposition.

The bill proposes to voluntarily link electoral rolls to Aadhaar numbers and make the language of the Representation of the People Act, 1950, gender neutral. The opposition leaders say linking Aadhaar to electoral rolls will lead "mass disenfranchisement".

While introducing the bill, the law minister said it will help curb

First regiment of S-400 missile system arrive in India, to be deployed in this region

The second regiment of S-400 is expected to reach India by June 2022

New Delhi, 21st Dec, 2021: The first regiment of the S-400 missile system from Russia has arrived in India. In 2022, it is likely to be deployed in the northern region of the country, from where it can prevent any kind of air attack from Pakistan and China and protect the country.

The second regiment of S-400 is expected to reach India by June 2022 next year. India can then deploy its S-400 regiments for the security of Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh. Notably, the S-400 missile system is counted among the best air defence systems in the world. In many ways, the S-400 is better than America's missile defence system. Through this, missiles,

fighter aircraft, rockets and even drone attacks can be defended against. Each regiment has 8 launchers. Each launcher has 4 missiles. That is, a regiment can fire 32 missiles at a time. The command centre of this system tracks the attacking missile aircraft from a distance of 600 km and then its destroyed in the range of 2 km to 400 km. This system can track 80 targets at a time and can destroy them when they come in range. If needed, it can be loaded on the truck and carried forward and even then, it becomes ready for action in just 10 to 15 minutes. If this system is deployed then it becomes ready for retaliation within 3 minutes of receiving the signal. The radar of

this system cannot be jammed. On October 5, 2018, India had signed a deal with Russia for five regiments of S-400 with Russia for \$5.43 billion i.e. about Rs 39,000 crore. This type of air defence system is very much needed for India to deal with the air attacks from China and Pakistan. China not only has a large number of good fighter aircraft but also has a large stock of long-range ballistic missiles.

The US had expressed strong displeasure over his deal of Russia with India. America had also threatened to impose sanctions on India under the CAATSA Act. But India had made it clear that it would not accept any control over decisions on its defence needs.

What all has Miss Universe 2021 Harnaaz Sandhu won?

Port Blair, 21st Dec, 2021: Chandigarh's Harnaaz Sandhu's Twitter bio reads, "Shine like the whole Universe is yours," and it certainly is, as she was crowned the 70th Miss Universe at the Universe Dome in Eilat, Israel. Sandhu is the third winner of the title from India, after Sushmita Sen and Lara Dutta who won the prestigious spot in 1994 and 2000 respectively. The entire nation is still in the celebratory mode. Did you know that the 21-year-old has not just won the prestigious title? There are lot of perks of winning the title. Here, let's dig into the awards and benefits that come with the title of Miss Universe.

The Whopping Prize Money- The beauty queen has been rewarded with hefty prize money of USD 2,50,000 which is around Rs 1.89 Crores. She has also won a whopping prize money from the Miss Universe Organisation.

The Swanky New York Apartment- Reportedly, Harnaaz is allowed to stay at the Miss Universe

apartment for any year and she has to share it with Miss USA. All her expenses including groceries, clothing etc will be borne by the organisation.

A Team of Professional Experts Always by Her Side- The Miss Universe will also get a team of professionals, which includes makeup artists, photographers, professional stylists, dermatologists, nutritionists, dentists etc. for a year.

Free Travel And Exclusive Entry- The list of rewards doesn't end here. The 21-year-old will get access to exclusive parties, concerts, screenings and premieres. She will get the opportunity to tour the world throughout the year with Miss Universe Organisation taking care of the accommodation and food charges for a whole year.

Electoral reforms bill linking Aadhaar to voter ID passed in Rajya Sabha

bogus voting and slammed the Opposition for not understanding the proposed law. "They are opposing it unnecessarily," Rijju said. He also cited the findings of the standing committee on the law to justify the Centre's decision. "Appropriate actions for the purpose of linking Aadhaar card number with voter ID card to purify the electoral roll which is in larger interest of democratic polity," the committee had said.

The recommendation was part of a report on demands for grants (2020-21) of the ministry of law and justice tabled in Parliament. Adhir

Ranjan Chowdhury, senior Congress member of Parliament (MP) and the Leader of Opposition, said the bill should be referred to a standing committee for deliberation. "Linking of Aadhaar numbers with the voter IDs will lead to mass disenfranchisement," Chowdhury said.

Electoral reform is an ongoing and continuous process. The central government has been receiving proposals for electoral reforms from various quarters, from time to time, including the Election Commission of India, the government said in

the objectives section of the bill.

"Based on the proposals taken up by the Election Commission, it is proposed to amend the provisions of the RP Act, 1950, and the RP Act, 1951. Accordingly, a bill, namely, the Election Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2021, has been proposed."

The bill proposes an amendment to Section 23 of the RP Act, 1950, allowing the linking of electoral roll data with the Aadhaar ecosystem to "curb the menace of multiple enrolment of the same person in different places". Linking

of Aadhaar numbers to voter IDs has been a particularly contentious provision that has been opposed by civil society and opposition parties. The bill, however, makes a provision that no application for inclusion of name in the electoral roll "shall be denied and no entries in the electoral roll shall be deleted for inability of an individual to furnish or intimate Aadhaar number due to such sufficient cause as may be prescribed, provided that such individual may be allowed to furnish such other alternative documents as may be prescribed".

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PRESS NOTE

This is to inform to the passengers/general public that the vessel MV Chowra which was supposed to sail for Nancowry via Chowra, Teressa & Katchalon 23.12.2021 (Thus) will now sail on 24.12.2021 (Fri) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail back to Port Blair on 26.12.2021 (Sun) at 1700 Hrs from Nancowry via Teressa, Chowra & Car Nicobar.

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I Shri Dayal Chandra Das, Army No.10535751A Rank-LNK, S/O- Amulya Ch. Das, D.O.B. 06/04/1966, R/O- Sagardweep village, Smith Island, Diglipur Tehsil, N&M Andaman District do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:-

1. That I am the permanent resident of these Islands.
2. That my mother's actual and correct name is Dulu Rani Das but due to bonafide mistakes her name has been wrongly recorded as Dulu Bala Das instead of Dulu Rani Das in my Service record in the Department of Territorial Army.
3. That I hereby declare that Dulu Bala Das and Dulu Rani Das are the name of one and same identical person.

The above made statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I have not suppressed any material fact.

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IMA Dehradun Recruitment 2021 | MTS, LDC & Other Posts | Total Vacancies 188 | Last Date Within 45 days | Download Indian Army Recruitment Notification @ www.indianarmy.nic.in

IMA Dehradun Recruitment 2021: Indian Military Academy (IMA) Dehradun has issue new notice regarding appointment of Cook Special, Cook IT, MT Driver (Ordinary Grade), Boot Maker/ Repairer, LDC, Masalchi, Waiter, Fatiguer, MTS (Safawala), Groundsman, GC Orderly, MTS (Chowkidar), Groom, Barber, Equipment Repairer, Bicycle Repairer, MTS (Messenger), Laboratory Attendant posts. It invites online application from eligible candidates. There are 188 vacancies will be filled by IMA Dehradun and post wise vacancy details are given below. Candidates who are searching Defence Jobs kindly submit the application in the prescribed format within 45 days from the date of publication of advertisement in Employment News. IMA Dehradun Group C Recruitment 2021 Notification & Indian Military Academy Recruitment application form is available @ www.indianarmy.nic.in. Candidates who are seeking 10th pass jobs/ 12th pass jobs must check their eligibility i.e. educational qualification, age limit, experience and etc. Selection will be based on Written Test & Skill Test and selected candidates will be appointed at Dehradun. More details of www.indianarmy.nic.in recruitment, IMA New vacancy, upcoming notices, syllabus, answer key, merit list, selection list, admit card, result, upcoming central govt jobs notifications and etc. will be uploaded on official website.

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GRSE Recruitment 2021: Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited invites online applications from qualified, talented and energetic Indian Nationals for the following posts on fixed term. There are 15 vacancies will be filled by GRSE Limited. Now it has published the recruitment advertisement [EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION NO. HR/SUP: 01/2021] for engagement of Supervisor & Design Assistant Supervisor posts & post wise vacancy details are given below. Aspirants who are seeking Diploma Jobs in central govt those candidates kindly make the online registration from 29.11.2021 to 19.12.2021

Appointed candidates kindly submit our hard copy of the online form to given address on or before 28.12.2021. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited selection will be based on Written Test and test will be held on 02.01.2022. GRSE Supervisor recruitment online application link and GRSE Kolkata Recruitment notification is available in official website. Candidates who are seeking Degree Jobs must check their eligibility i.e. educational qualification, age limit, experience and etc. Applications via online mode only will be accepted. More details of GRSE latest notification, latest jobs, upcoming GRSE vacancies, merit list, selection list, result, admit card and etc. will be available at GRSE official website.

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Notice Inviting e-Tenders
No. 130-DB/RCD/e-tender/2021-22/ 3570 Wimberly
Gunt Dt. 17/12/2021

The Executive Engineer, Road Construction Division, A.P.W.D., Wimberly Gunj invites on behalf of President of India online item rate tenders from contractors open for all irrespective of their enlistment in APWD or any other Govt. Department subject to the condition that they have experience on executing the relevant magnitude of work as per CPWD works manual and with other GOI Organizations in these Islands and do not have any adverse remarks:-

1. NIT No. 80/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/21-22 (Tender ID: 2021_APWD_4707_1).
Renovation of Toilet Block at Govt Secondary School Shoal Bay-12 under Wimberly Gunj Sub Division, RCD, APWD, Wimberly Gunj.
Estimate Cost:- ₹. 13,49,718/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months.
2. NIT No. 81/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/21-22 (Tender ID: 2021_APWD_4709_1).
A/R & M/O Residential Building under EE, RCD, APWD, Wimberly Gunj during 2021-22. S.W.- Repairs of Residential quarter Ty-I WG 28 and 29 at Gudda Basthi under AE-I Wimberly Gunj. Estimate Cost:- ₹. 6,52,853/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months
3. NIT No. 83/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/21-22 (Tender ID: 2021_APWD_4710_1).
Renovation of Kisan Karyashala (Agriculture Sub depot) at Templemyo. Estimate Cost:- ₹. 14,39,747/- Time of completion:- 02 (Two) Months
4. NIT No. 84/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/21-22 (Tender ID: 2021_APWD_4711_1).
Renovation of Kisan Karyashala (Agriculture Sub depot) at Wimberly Gunj. Estimate Cost:- ₹. 11,15,445/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months

Last date of Submission: 12/01/2022 at 3.00 PM and Opening date: 14/01/2022 at 10.00 AM.

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website - <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in/nk/gep/app>.
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OPaL Recruitment 2021(New), Apply Executive Vacancies @ www.opalindia.in

OPaL Recruitment 2021 | Executive Pos | 13 Vacancies | Last Date: 12.12.2021 | ONGC OPAL Job Notification @ www.opalindia.in

OPaL Recruitment 2021: ONGC Petro additions Limited (OPaL) is going to activate the online application link for OPaL Executive vacancy. h OPaL latest vacancy notification, they are announced 13 vacancies in following functions such as Marketing, Material Management, Information Technology & Company Secretary. Link for online application for these Central Government jobs will be enabled from 20.11.2021 @ OPaL Careers. The Last date to submit the online application form for OPaL job notification is 12.12.2021. ONGC OPaL recruitment 2021 notification & apply online link for this current job openings will be updated @ www.opalindia.in.

OPaL expect competent personnel at executive cadre to fill up this ONGC OPaL latest vacancy 2021. Candidates must have proven track record in Petrochemicals/ related industry to apply for this ONGC Petro additions vacancy. Before applying, aspirants need to check the eligibility. Selection of candidates may be based on test/ interview. Incomplete application or applications received after the last date will be rejected. Renumeration for selected candidates will be provided on CTC basis. More details of ONGC Petro additions recruitment, www.opalindia.in recruitment, selection list, merit list, results & upcoming job notices will be uploaded at official website. Visit www.opalindia.in to get more career opportunity @ ONGC OPaL. Link for OPaL latest vacancy has provided below. For latest updates, check @ www.dailyrecruitment.in.

FACT Recruitment 2021, Apply for 179 Apprentice Vacancies @ fact.co.in

FACT Recruitment 2021 | Graduate, Trade & Technician Apprentice | 179 Vacancies | Last Date: 18.12.2021 | FACT Job Notification @ fact.co.in

FACT Recruitment 2021: Fertilisers and Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT) is going to hire candidates for engagement of Apprentices under Apprentices Act in Graduate, Technician & Trade categories. Eligible candidates are invited to apply for these 179 vacancies. Candidates who are searching for ITI/ Diploma/ Engineering jobs may apply for this current job openings to join at FACT. Candidates are advised to register their name in BOAT (www.mhrdtrains.gov.in) / NAPS (www.apprenticeshipindia.org). The Last Date to submit the application form for FACT Apprentice Recruitment 2021 is 18.12.2021.

Selection process for FACT Apprentice jobs will be based on merit list. Central Govt job seekers are instructed to apply for these FACT vacancies. Merit list will be prepared on basis of marks secured in qualifying examination. FACT recruitment 2021 notification pdf & application form are available from 23.11.2021 @ www.factco.in. Training will be provided for 1 year. Training location is FACT Kerala. Applications must be reached the prescribed address on or before the last date. More details of FACT Apprentice recruitment 2021, selection list, merit list, results & upcoming job notices will be uploaded at official website.

Check www.fact.co.in for more details about FACT recruitment. Educational qualification, age limit, selection process, apply mode & steps to apply have provided above. Looking forward with www.dailyrecruitment.in to get recent updates.

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SEBI BANS LAUNCH OF NEW DERIVATIVE CONTRACTS OF CRUDE PALM OIL

Markets watchdog Sebi has banned the launch of new derivative contracts of crude palm oil, moong, wheat and few other agricultural commodities with immediate effect amid rising inflation.

With respect to running contracts, no new position will be allowed to be taken and only squaring up of positions will be allowed. The directions will be applicable for one year, Sebi said in a release on Monday.

Launch of new contracts of paddy (non-basmati), wheat, soybean and its derivatives, crude palm oil and moong have been barred till further orders.

The list includes chana and mustard seeds and its derivatives (its complex). The derivative contracts for these commodities were suspended earlier this year.

Deepak Jasani, Head of Retail Research at HDFC Securities, said banning derivatives for seven agricultural commodities for one year seems to be a knee jerk reaction to the unrelenting inflation pressure from food items.

National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange Ltd (NCDEX) said no fresh positions, including intra-day, will be allowed in respect of futures and options contracts of certain commodities and only squaring up of existing positions will be allowed.

"No new futures and options contracts will be launched till further order in any of the commodities listed..." NCDEX said in a circular.

The commodities listed are wheat, chana, rapeseed-mustard seed, soybean, refined soy oil, hipo soybean meal, crude palm oil, moong and NCDEX Soyde.

In a circular, commodity bourse MCX said no fresh position, including intra-day, will be allowed in respect of futures contract of crude palm oil on the exchange from Monday.

Only squaring up of existing position will be allowed and no new futures contract of crude palm oil will be launched till further notice, it added.

National Stock Exchange (NSE), in a circular, said all the existing contracts of Crude Degummed Soybean Oil Futures (DEGUMSOYOL) have been suspended for trading with immediate effect and that no new till further orders.

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will happen when the supply of these commodities rises due to better crop or imports.

"Inflation may dip marginally in the near term but may then depend on whether these prices have again risen or have sustained lower levels," Jasani noted.

In November, retail inflation rose to a three-month high of 4.91 per cent, mainly due to an uptick in food prices. During the same month, the wholesale price-based inflation surged to a record high of 14.23 per cent amid hardening of prices of mineral oils, basic metals, crude petroleum and natural gas.

Solvent Extractors Association of India (SEA) Executive Director B V Mehta said the government was compelled to suspend futures trading in some farm commodities because of the high prices of cooking oils in the domestic market.

"We feel that the futures trading is also important for price discovery. We request the government to revisit the issue during February, when mustard crops start arriving in the market, to ensure that farmers get right prices for their produce and market rates don't fall below the minimum support price (MSP)," he added. SEA is one of the leading industry bodies for edible oil processors. Origo Commodities Vice President K V Singh said the decision to ban derivatives in seven commodities is a "highly regressive step by the central government." "It will have a very negative impact on the health of the agri-commodities derivatives markets in India and the confidence of the market participants," he added.

Likely order of Covid symptoms depends on coronavirus variant: Study

The most likely order of symptoms that patients with COVID-19 experience is different for different variants of the SARS-CoV-2 virus, according to a study.

The researchers from the University of Southern California in the US wanted to know whether the order of COVID-19 symptoms varied in patients from different

geographical regions or with various patient characteristics.

Identifying order of symptom onset of infectious diseases might aid in differentiating symptomatic infections earlier in a population thereby enabling non-pharmaceutical interventions and reducing disease spread, they said.

The study, published in the

journal PLOS Computational Biology, used modelling approach to predict symptom order in a set of 373,883 cases in the US between January and May 2020.

The most likely symptom order differed between the initial outbreak in China - where fever most often preceded cough, and nausea or vomiting was a common third symptom - and the subsequent spread to the US.

In the US, cough was most likely to be the first symptom, and diarrhoea was among common third symptom.

By analysing additional data from Brazil, Hong Kong and Japan, the team showed that the different order of

symptoms was associated not with geographic region, weather, or patient characteristics, but with SARS-CoV-2 variants.

The presence of the D614G variant in an area - which was predominant in the US in early 2020 - was associated with a higher likelihood of cough being the first COVID-19 symptom experienced by patients. As Japan shifted from the original Wuhan reference strain to the D614G variant, symptom order shifted as well, the researchers said. The study authors hypothesised that the increased transmission of D614G could be linked to the symptom order.

"These findings indicate that symptom order can change with mutation in viral disease and raise the possibility that D614G variant is more transmissible because infected people are more likely to cough in public before being incapacitated with fever," they added.



10 TIPS TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS

1. Avoid crowded places and avoid handshakes.
2. Avoid public transport and avoid close contact with others.
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Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Symptoms: Fever, runny nose, cough and sore throat, loss of taste and smell, severe headache, persistent or breathing difficulties. Symptoms may develop within 14 days after exposure.

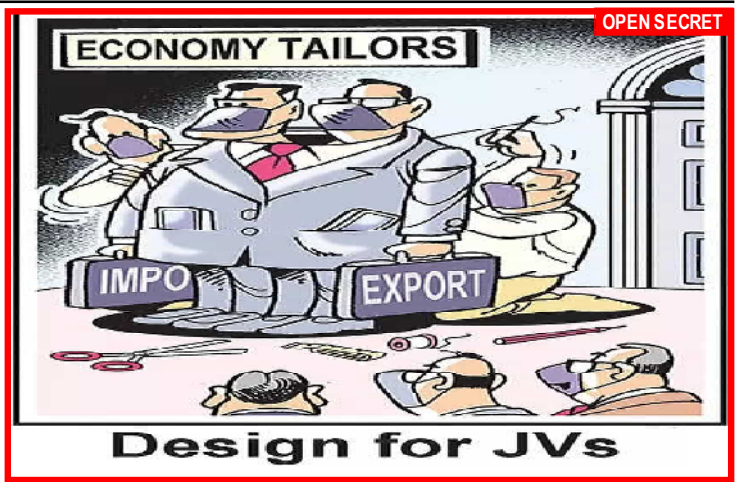
Protect yourself from getting COVID-19

- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoiding close contact with people who have fever and coughing.

When coughing and sneezing cover your mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue.

The use of face mask should be immediately after use.

If you suspect you may have COVID-19, contact +91-20-2696 6177 (Jain and English, contactable 24/7).



They keep city in their nails!..

Sunday, the Secretary, PBMC released the documentary titled "Safai Mitron Ka Saman" produced by Lins Club Aberdeen Andaman in association with TVF NGO. The documentary was directed by Mr. S.P. Suresh Kumar and Photography by Mr. Ram Krishna Biswas. Mr. Suresh Kumar is also a member of the South Indian Film Association. India's flagship sanitation programme, Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), highlights both the importance of latrine use, and also of "safe and proper disposal". Since most of urban India is not connected to sewer, the SBM recommends that cities work towards technological, financing and governance initiatives that would ensure safe fecal sludge management. In practice, this means mechanical (i.e. truck-and-hose) sludge removal as opposed

to the now-illegal manual method of emptying toilet pits. Though there is no official data, but independent surveys indicate that at least 1370 sanitary workers die every year carrying out work. As many as 2 per cent of workers have been estimated to die in the course of their work, because of lack of protective equipment and minimal safety measures. In any case these workers have a major health problems and tend to die early, because of the continuous inhalation of noxious fumes, the susceptibility to disease that comes from dealing with faeces, and related risks. Such work directly leads to nausea, skin infections, anaemia, diarrhoea, vomiting, jaundice and trachoma, which also affect not only the men who enter the sewers and septic tanks to clean them, but the women who carry uncovered loads of



India among world's top 3 dope violators in latest WADA report

NEW DELHI: An uptick in the number of offenders has taken India into the top-three of the world's biggest doping violators in a WADA report detailing the transgressions for the year 2019 with bodybuilding, weightlifting and athletics contributing majorly to the country's embarrassing record.

In the latest report published by the World Anti-Doping Agency, 152 (17 percent of the world total) Anti-doping Rule Violations (ADRVs) were reported in India in 2019, leaving it third in the list with the maximum number of offenders coming from bodybuilding (67).

Among Olympic sports, weightlifting leads the way with 25 ADRVs, followed by athletics (20) and wrestling (10). Boxing and judo reported four ADRVs each. Four cricketers were also found to have committed ADRVs in 2019.

A lightweight in global sport, India is only behind Russia (167)



and Italy (157), while Brazil (78) is fourth and Iran (70) fifth. An ADRV is reported after a final decision has been rendered and a sanction (a reprimand or period of ineligibility) imposed against the athlete following the conclusion of disciplinary proceedings.

Russia was banned from fielding its national team in Tokyo Olympics for not complying with international anti-doping rules.

The country now tops the violators' list reporting more cases than in the previous report of 2018. It had gone down to seventh in the 2017, with 57 ADRVs.

In the previous WADA report meant for anti-doping violations in 2018, India was placed fourth with 107 ADRVs, behind Russia (144), Italy (132) and France (114). Weightlifting (22) had produced the highest number of dope offenders in that report also, followed by athletics (16).

A total of 278,047 samples were collected by Anti-Doping Organisations worldwide in 2019, and subsequently, analysed by WADA-accredited laboratories. Of these samples, 2,701 (1 per cent) were reported as Adverse Analytical Findings.

Based on a compilation of the information received by WADA till January 31, 2021, 1,535 samples (57 per cent) were confirmed as ADRVs (sanctions), the world anti-doping watchdog said.

Among Olympic sports worldwide, athletics leads the number of dope offenders with 227 (18 per cent), followed by weightlifting with 160. Bodybuilding leads overall with 272.

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