

Thought for today

To experience ALL relationships with God means that I have gone beyond all desires.

4.5 magnitude earthquake hits Andaman and Nicobar

Port Blair, Sept 11: An earthquake of magnitude 4.5 on the Richter scale jolted the islands on Saturday morning, informed the National Center for Seismology. The tremors were felt around 8.50 am at the depth of 10 kilometres. "Earthquake of Magnitude: 4.5, Occurred on 11-09-2021, 08:50:20 IST, Lat: 14.50 & Long: 92.97, Depth: 10 Km, Location: 137km N of Diglipur, Andaman and Nicobar island," said the NCS in a tweet.

MP demands relaxation of criteria for isles' youth to apply for Tradesmen in NSRY, Port Blair

Port Blair, Sept 11: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested Mr. Rajnath Singh, the Union Defence Minister of India to exempt the condition of compulsory ex-naval Dockyard Apprentices for the candidates of Andaman & Nicobar Islands for the Tradesman post (Skilled) so as to enable the eligible candidates to apply for the post. However, the candidates in the event of their selections may be given an opportunity to undergo Dockyard Apprentices course at the Dockyard Apprentices schools of Indian Navy.

Blair under HQ Andaman & Nicobar Command has invited applications from the eligible candidates for recruitment of 304 Tradesman (Skilled) posts. In the said vacancy notice, the eligibility criteria fixed for the said posts is that the candidate must be an ex-Naval Dockyard Apprentices school of Indian Navy having qualification of matriculation or equivalent from recognized Institute or Board can only eligible to apply for the posts. He added that the facilities for undergoing apprenticeship courses do not exist in the Naval Dockyard at Port Blair under A&N Command whereas these facilities are only available at Visakhapatnam, Mumbai, Goa etc. Therefore, the unemployed youths of these Islands who belong to poor and economically weak did not get scope to undergo apprenticeship course at the aforesaid Naval Dock Yards schools. Hence, if the criteria of Ex-naval Dockyard apprentices for the above said posts are mandatory, in that case, none of the unemployed youths of these Islands having passed ITI courses of different trades from the Government Industrial Training Institute are eligible to apply for the said posts.

The Member of Parliament further mentioned that in the earlier recruitment of such posts till 2017, the eligibility criteria prescribed for the posts was 10th Pass with ITI and many unemployed youths of these Islands got employment in the Naval Repair Ship Yard on the basis of ITI

qualifications. However, due to the imposition of new conditions of Apprentices schools of the Indian Navy, the unemployed youths are unable to apply for the present posts notified by the Naval Ship Repair Yard, Port Blair. The MP pointed out that due to the absence of industries in these Islands, no employment opportunities in the private sectors are available for unemployed youths in Andaman & Nicobar Islands other than govt. job in the government departments. Moreover, the economic condition of the public in A&N Islands has been drastically affected and because of which, the unemployed youths also victimized due to employment problems.

National Lok Adalat organized by DLSA at Port Blair & Mayabunder

Port Blair, Sept 11: The District Legal Services Authority, Andaman & Nicobar Islands held National Lok Adalats in the District Court Building, Port Blair, ADR centre- 'PRAYAS', Port Blair and Sub-Divisional Court Complex at Mayabunder today by adopting all COVID SOPs issued by the MHA from time to time. The National Lok Adalat at District Court premises at Port Blair was inaugurated by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harish Tandon, Judge, High Court, Calcutta in the presence of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Shivakant Prasad, Judge, High Court, Calcutta presently presiding over the Circuit Bench at Port Blair, High Court, Calcutta. The Lok Adalat was inaugurated in a simple ceremony in the presence of District and Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, District Legal Services Authority, A&N Islands, Port Blair, the Registrar, High Court, Calcutta, Circuit Bench at Port Blair, the Secretary (Law), A&N Administration Judicial Officers and others. Out of the total 318 pre-litigation bank recovery cases, 73 pre-litigation BSNL recovery cases, 1 pre-litigation case registered at the ADR Centre and 1689 cases pending in different courts at Port Blair were referred to the National Lok Adalat, out of which 77 pre-litigation bank recovery cases, 5 pre-litigation BSNL recovery cases and 1272 criminal cases pending in Courts have been settled and finally disposed of by the National Lok Adalat at Port Blair. Disposing of 77 bank recovery cases, the involved amount of Rs. 2,72,74,350.08/- have been settled at Rs. 1,38,40,195/- thus paving a

Media briefing on COVID-19

One new +ve cases among travelers

Port Blair, Sept 11: The Secretary (P&T), Shri Sunil Kumar Singh briefing media persons on COVID-19 in the conference hall of IP&T here this evening said that the District Administration has launched an intensive drive on mission mode to trace out persons who have not taken 1st dose of vaccine by making door to door visit during which such persons will be encouraged to vaccinate themselves. This drive, he said, will help in covering all the target beneficiaries in Isles as early as possible. Giving details about the test being conducted to track COVID-19, the Secretary said, during the RT-PCR test conducted

on 671 passengers who arrived here yesterday, no positive case has been detected. Today, 4 flights with 712 passengers arrived and the RT-PCR reports are awaited. He further disclosed that RAT was conducted on 172 passengers bound for North & Middle Andaman at Farranguni and all were found negative. RAT was conducted at Phoenix Bay Jetty on 86 ship passengers for onward journey to different destinations and all were found negative. At Mohanpur Bus Terminus, 194 passengers were tested and no positive case has been detected. At the airport, 9 passengers were tested and all were found

negative. Apart from this, 45 passengers travelling to Swaraj Dweep were tested at Phoenix Bay Jetty and all were found negative. During the return journey, test was conducted on 79 passengers and one positive case has been detected. The Secretary said, today till 3 pm, 222 beneficiaries were administered vaccines, out of which, 211 were in the age group of 18-44. The Director, ANIMS, Dr. AK Mandal said no COVID patient is admitted in GB Pant Hospital. The Deputy Director, GB Pant Hospital, Dr. Amitabha De stated that there are no COVID patients in COVID Care Centres.

"Fit India Freedom Run" by NYK association with HRS & NCC (JNRM)

Port Blair, Sept 11: Our country is celebrating its 75th year independence which is achieved merely by the sacrifices by numerous freedom fighters and to commemorate the great occasion,

various programs are organized under the theme "Azad Ka Amrit Mahotsav". As part of it, Fit India Freedom Run" was held in Port Blair, Andaman & Nicobar Islands

which was organized by NYK in association with Hindu Rashtriya Sakti & NCC Unit IV (JNRM). Amidst the restrictions for Covid spread, a whopping 100 persons registered for the run which



A team of Youth Congress leaders, along with PCC President Shri. Rangalal Halder visited Capstone Orphanage at Birdline to distribute sweets, biscuits, hand wash, masks and sanitizers to the inmate children to mark the birthday of their leader Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma.



Congress leaders celebrates MP's birthday with inmates of orphanage

Port Blair, Sept 11: In a noble gesture of bringing smiles on the face of orphan kids and keeping in mind the MP's vision of sharing and caring, the members of Indian

National Congress led by Shri. Zahid Hussain, State Secretary Youth Congress on Friday celebrated the birthday of Member of Parliament Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma with



inmates of Pranab Kanya Ashram, Delanipur & Vidhya Ashram Oldage home, Farranguni. Congressmen spent some good quality time interacting with the inmates and staffs of both orphanages. Later, the Congressmen distributed sweet boxes to the inmates of Pranab Kanya Ashram while sweet boxes were handed over to

Vaccination drive continuing smoothly in A & N Islands

Port Blair, Sept 11: The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 3,61,631 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total of 1480 people were vaccinated yesterday in A&N Islands. A total of 1,55,059 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been

vaccinated till date 10-09-2021. 849 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 472 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years. Similarly, 378 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which, 219 were in the age group of 18-44 years. In Nicobar District, 253 beneficiaries were vaccinated out of which, 37 were in the age group of 18-44 years.

ICAR- KVK - Training on Integrated plant nutrient management concludes

Port Blair, Sept 11: ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra, CIARI, Port Blair has organized a three days

training programme on Integrated plant nutrient management system for farmers and farm women of Lambahapur of Wimberlygunj Panchayat from 07th September to



PHC Billiground observes Poshan Maah



Billiground, Sept 11: As a part of celebration of 4th poshan maah, PHC Billiground with the collaboration of anganwari has conducted awareness programme on 10th Sept 2021 at community hall Shivapuram. On the commencement of programme, ANM Smti Kamala Biswas welcomed the gathering. Shri Surinder Singh Health Educator, detailed on the importance of celebration of Poshan maah. After

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strain in labour market

The Periodic Labour Force Survey (2019-20) points towards the steady build up of distress in the labour market in India. As the survey pertains to the July 2020 period, it captures both the economic slowdown prior to Covid, and the period after the national lockdown was imposed to restrict the spread of the pandemic. The survey data shows an increase in the labour force participation in agriculture during this period. This, as some have argued, implies that during this period of stress, agriculture emerged as an 'employer of last resort'. Equally significant is that much of the increase in the women's labour force participation recorded by the survey during this period was in the category of unpaid family workers, and not in more productive forms of employment. These are worrying developments. The PLFS data shows that the share of the labour force engaged in agriculture rose to 45.6 per cent in 2019-20, up from 42.5 per cent in 2018-19 — an abrupt reversal of the decades-long decline in the labour force participation in agriculture. This suggests that the movement of labour out of agriculture, which had gathered pace post 2004-05, seems to have been stymied by the economic slowdown. The reverse migration of labour from cities to villages would have only increased the pressure on agriculture to absorb the workers. The rise in the female labour force participation is also problematic. Under normal circumstances, considering the low rates of female labour force participation in India — for women aged 15 and above it stood at 24.5 per cent in 2018-19 — a rise in participation would be a positive development. However, much of the increase observed in 2019-20 was in the form of unpaid family work. In fact, according to the survey, the employment rate for unpaid workers in household enterprises in rural and urban areas increased to 15.9 per cent in 2019-20, from 13.3 per cent in 2018-19. What these numbers also reflect is the failure of the economy in not being able to create enough non-agricultural jobs (even in pre-Covid times) to absorb both those shifting out of agriculture, and the millions entering the labour force each year. Worryingly, even the jobs that are being created tend to be largely informal in nature.

Fit India Freedom Run...

is quite unprecedented. The level of response received from public was unprecedented. All the participants followed the covid protocol and the run was flagged off by Dr Rajiv Ghosh, ANIMS flagged. Before commencing the run he enlightened the participants with few words regarding the 'Fitness dose' one has to follow every day to keep himself or herself fit. All the participants took pledge to follow the fitness dose and make the general public to follow the 'Fitness Manta'.

On this occasion Dr. N. Venkatesan, Associate Professor, JNRM, Dr. Sunila Patil, Vedanta

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Academy, Mr. Amar Kumar Singh, National Secretary (Hindu Rashtriya Shakti), Mr. Rakeshwar Lal, State President (HRS), Smt. D. Radhika (State General Secretary, HRS), Smt. Tapasi Shah (South Andaman, District President, HRS) and other dignitaries were present.

The Hindu Rashtriya Shakti & NSS UNIT IV (JNRM) played a vital role in making the whole event a great success.

Conducting the event, vote of thanks proposed by Shri Gopal Ch. Biswas, Nehru Yuva Kendra. All the participants were given 'Certificate of Participation'.

ICAR-KVK - Training...

09th September 2021. A total of 25 farmers and farmwomen have been benefited through this training. Dr. Y. Ramakrishna, Principal Scientist & Head inaugurated the training programme and he highlighted the importance of integrated plant nutrient management system for sustainable farm productivity in these islands. He advised to farming community to maintain soil organic matters which help to enhance arborescence capacity, water infiltration rate, macro-porosity, soil aggregate stability and structure, nutrient balance activity and abundance of soil microbial biomass. Dr. L.B. Singh, Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture) emphasized that role of organic manure in soil health and fertility management under high rainfall climatic condition. He urged the participants to adopt integrated use of organic compost with bio-fertilizers not only improve different soil properties and crop productivity but also significantly reduce dependency on use of chemical fertilizers. Dr. N. Bommayasamy, SMS (Agronomy) enlightened the resource component available for nutrient management through organic manures, crop residue, weed biomass, green manures,

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bio-fertilizers, various composting, live and dead mulching, liquid manures, botanicals, lemongrass in cropping system and 4 R concept in nutrient management etc. He also advised ideal green manuring and green leaf manuring crops and its advantages and types of green manuring such as in-situ and ex-situ green manuring and potential of green manuring. Dr. B.K. Nanda, SMS (Agri. Engg.) highlighted that high rainfall areas soil erosion is key processes degrading the surface structure of exposed soil by which topsoil is lost, which impairs soil fertility and results in unsustainable crop production. Dr. Pooja Kapoor, SMS (Home Science) emphasized that recycling and utilization pathway of agricultural crop residues and various factors influencing in crop residues recycling. She advised to farm women to use crop residues of paddy straw, coconut oil for mushroom production and compost making. Mr. Thannal Paul, Farm Manager dealt about importance of essential plant nutrients and its function in crop production. Earlier Mr. Chandra Rao, welcomed the participants and Dr. N. Bommayasamy, (Agronomy) proposed the vote of thanks.

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fruit bearing seedling were planted at St Mary school Betapur. The

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programme ended with vote of thanks and light refreshments.

Doctors Speak on DDK

Port Blair, Sept 11: Doordarshan Kendra, Port Blair will telecast DOCTORS SPEAK Live Phone programme on the topic - "IMPORTANCE OF NUTRITIONAL DIET FOR HEALTHY LIFE" on 13/09/2021, Monday from 1700 hrs to 1800 hrs. In this programme Dr. Kalyan P. Kadhanne, Dy. Director Ayush Hospital, will be the expert. Viewers can participate in this LIVE Phone programme on by dialling 244745 / 9476046367

INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT 'SURVEYS' NEWSCLICK, NEWSLAUNDRY IN TAX CASE

The Income Tax Department, on Friday, conducted separate "survey operations" on the premises of online news portals NewsClick and NewsLaundry in New Delhi, officials said.

The operations are being conducted to verify certain tax payment details and remittances

made by the organisations, they said. Some documents have been found and these are being studied, the officials said.

In a survey operation, which is carried out under provisions of section 133A of the Income Tax Act, 1961, tax officials cover only

the business premises of an assessee and those linked to it and not their residential addresses. However, tax authorities can seize documents.

There was no immediate reaction from the two portals or their promoters, but their social media handles continuously

updated news stories and articles.

NewsClick and its founders were raided by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) in February under provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act and that investigation is linked to alleged dubious foreign funding received by its registered company, which runs the news portal.

The money laundering case arises out of a Delhi Police FIR alleging that PPK NewsClick Studio Pvt Ltd received foreign direct investment (FDI) of Rs 9.59 crore from Worldwide Media Holdings LLC USA during the 2018-19 financial year.

The Delhi High Court has granted interim protection from arrest to NewsClick's editor-in-chief and founder Prabir Purkayastha in connection with the Delhi Police FIR that relates to its probe against the foreign funding of the company.

The high court has also granted Purkayastha protection from coercive action in the ED

case.

NewsClick has argued in its defence in the court that there is no question of siphoning off of funds, as alleged by probe agencies, as the same had been utilised for paying salaries to employees and that there was no loss to the exchequer in the process.

The ED had claimed that it is also probing NewsClick and its promoters for alleged transfer of certain funds to activist Gautam Navlakha, accused in the Elgar Parishad case of Maharashtra.

It has also questioned Navlakha's lodged in a Maharashtra jail, in connection with the case.

Purkayastha had earlier said in a statement that a smear campaign has been launched against the portal, and "selective leaks" from the ED, whose probe is already under challenge before court, reflect the "inherent weakness" in the investigation and the course that it will take in the courts.

Online submission of applications for various trades by Directorate of Industries under Skill Development extended

Port Blair, Sept. 11: The Directorate of Industries, A & N Administration has extended the dates for online submission of applications for various trades under Skill Development Training. The applicant should be between 14 to 45 year with minimum qualification of VII pass. The trades to be conducted in Port Blair are Carpentry - 1 year (Male), General Engineering - 1 year (Male), Cane & Bamboo Handicrafts - 1 year (Male & Female), Tailoring & Garment Making - 1 year (Female). Similarly in Diglipur, training will be imparted for trades like Tailoring & Garment Making - 1 year (Female), Carpentry - 1 year (Male), General Engineering - 1 year (Male) at Bakulata training will be conducted on Manufacturing of Coir based products - 1 year (Male & Female), Cane & Bamboo Handicrafts - 1

year (Male & Female), Carpentry - 1 year (Male), General Engineering - 1 year (Male) and at Hubay training will be imparted for trades like Carpentry - 1 year (Male) and General Engineering - 1 year (Male). The last date for receipt of online applications complete in all respect in the portal <https://services.andaman.gov.in/> has been extended from September 10 to October 9, 2021.

Counseling for intending PMFME & PMEGP beneficiaries of C/Bay & Car Nicobar

Port Blair, Sept. 11: In order to implement the Pradhan Mantri Formulation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) of the Directorate of Industries and Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) scheme at the rural areas of the territory, the A&N Islands Khadi & Village Industries Board will be deputed officer to Campbell Bay and Car Nicobar during 3rd / 4th week of September, 2021 for conducting Awareness Campaigning-People's Education Programme under PMFME and PMEGP scheme in consultation with the PRIs and Tribal Council of the concerned areas. All the unemployed youth of the concerned areas who are interested to setup their self employment ventures under manufacturing / service sector duly availing finance under the captioned schemes are advised to

contact the Office of the Assistant Director, Extension Office, Industries Department, Car Nicobar or Shri Rakesh Kumar, Development Officer over phone no. 9476090911. They have to produce a copy of passport size photograph, copies of Category Certificate / Islander Identity Card, Aadhaar Card, Educational Qualification / training Certificates, if any etc. for a submission of application under the scheme.

National Lok Adalat..

benefit of Rs. 1,34,34,155.08/- to the bank loan customers. A sum of Rs. 8,82,800/- was realized on the spot. Disposing of 5 BSNL recovery cases, the involved amount of Rs. 1,62,780/- have been settled at Rs. 1,25,000/- thus saving a benefit of Rs. 37,780/- to the customers. Amount of Rs. 1,000/- was realized on the spot. Disposing of 1272 Criminal cases, a sum of Rs. 91,550/- was realized as fine amount in Mayabunder, one bench was constituted and 24 pre-litigation cases were taken up, out of which 14 were disposed and settled at Rs. 14,30,000/-, out of which Rs. 40,000/- was paid on the spot. 83 cases pending in different courts were taken up, 33 were disposed of, 31 criminal compoundable cases were disposed and a fine amount of Rs. 20,350/- was realized. 1 bank recovery case was settled at Rs. 5,50,000/- and an amount of Rs.

10,000/- was paid on the spot. 1 matrimonial dispute was also settled at the Lok Adalat. The District Legal Services Authority has constituted four benches at Port Blair and one Bench at Mayabunder. The Benches at Port Blair were presided over by Shri Raja Chatterjee, Additional District and Sessions Judge, Port Blair, Shri Prasanna Kumar Sil, Judge, Family Court, Port Blair, Shri. Sanjay Naskar, Joint Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Port Blair and Shri. Md. Nurjuman Khan, Judicial Magistrate First Class-I, Port Blair sitting with Shri. Maheshwar Lal, Advocate, Ms. Anita Hegde, Advocate, Shri. Navin Kumar Misra, Advocate and Ms. Prejea Menon, Advocate, Shri. Nand Kishore Lal, Ex-Councilor, PMBC, Ms. Sheela Singh, Ex-Councilor, PMBC, Shri. Uday Kumar, Ex-Councilor, PMBC and Ms. Ratna Kannan, Former Member Juvenile Justice Board.

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bench at Mayabunder was presided over by Shri. Jimit Bahan Biswas, Additional District Sessions Judge - cum Chairman, Sub-Divisional District Legal Services Authority, North & Middle Andaman, Mayabunder sitting with Shri. Aabinda Nandi, Advocate and Shri. Ajoy Mondal, Post Graduate Teacher, Govt. S.S.S. Bakulata. In the National Lok Adalat at Port Blair, Shri. Soundara Pandian, Principal, Andaman Law College along with faculty members and students of Andaman Law College were present. Shri. Sudipta Kumar De, Secretary (Law), A&N Administration and the Member Secretary, SLSA was also present on the occasion. The entire programme was arranged by Shri. Ayan Majumder, Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, Port Blair under the supervision and guidance of Shri. Subhash Kumar Kar, Chairman, DLSA-cum-District Sessions Judge, A&N Islands.

'Free online Yoga Sessions' by AYUSH as part of 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah'

Port Blair, Sept 11: The AYUSH Wing of Directorate of Health Services in collaboration with Departments of Social Welfare and Family Welfare Wing of

Directorate of Health Services is conducting various activities/events during the entire month of September 2021 as 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' on the theme 'Converging towards

a Healthy Walk through life'. As part of the event 'Free online Yoga Sessions' will be conducted on every Saturday and Sunday in the month of September.

9/11 anniversary: How the terror strike became a crucial turning point in India-US ties

In 1998, shortly after Atal Bihari Vajpayee became prime minister, India conducted its second set of nuclear tests at Pokhran, Rajasthan. The result was a freeze in ties with the US, which imposed economic sanctions against India. The impact of the sanctions wasn't much as, apart from Japan, no other country imposed total economic sanctions. However, many countries like Australia, New Zealand, and some European nations also suspended aid and credit lines. But, since big countries like France, the UK and Russia didn't impose sanctions, the US intent on isolating India wasn't realised. Also, India's newly liberalised economy was in the 'India Shining' phase. A year later, the Taliban hijacked an Indian Airlines flight, IC-814, with 176 passengers on board, demanding the release of three of its men from Indian prisons. After the slaying of Rupan Katyal, a passenger returning from his honeymoon in Kathmandu, Indian authorities had little choice but to accept the demand and release Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh, Mushaq Ahmed Zargar and Masood Azhar.

Two years later, the 9/11 bombings hit the US and shocked the world. It later turned out that Sheikh was involved in sending funds for these bombings. He was also reportedly involved in the kidnapping and execution of American journalist Daniel Pearl. Masood Azhar, who founded the Jaish-e-Muhammad, is connected with the Indian Parliament attack (2001) and the 26/11 attacks in Mumbai (2008), in which six US citizens lost their lives.

The 9/11 attacks made the US realise that India was a victim to terror as much as they were. It was an early step towards strengthening relationship which is now devolved to a Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership, a title President Joe Biden calls the defining relationship of the 21st century. The turnover wasn't sudden, but it was steady.

The two countries formed a joint working group on counterterrorism in January 2000. Then president Bill Clinton visited India a few months later—an early indicator of a change in heart for the US. It paved way for the subsequent India-US Civil Nuclear Deal, which was

forged during the tenure of Manmohan Singh and George W. Bush (2007). Since Clinton, every US president has visited India. Barack Obama came twice. Given the wary relationship between the two nations in the past, with India's close Soviet ties and the US's close Pakistani ties, the rate of acceleration in the bilateral relations is rather remarkable.

The US supported India in getting memberships into elite nuclear clubs—Australia Group, Wassenaar Arrangement and Missile Technology Control Regime. It strongly supports India's membership into the Nuclear Suppliers Group. The US stood by India in getting Azhar proscribed by the United Nations Security Council, till China too buckled in 2019.

India has found a new defence and strategic partner in the US, having signed all foundational defence pacts—COMCASA, LEMOA, BECA. Now that the US believes India is a responsible player and has accepted India's 'no first use' nuclear policy, the US is actively wooing India to counter its own headache in the region—

China. Though reluctant initially, India has finally embraced the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue or Quad, allowing it to slowly upgrade from the level of joint secretariats to ahead of government level summit.

The first such physical summit could happen this month, subject to pandemic developments. The US changed the name of its Pacific Command to Indo-Pacific Command in 2018, recognising the importance of South Asia, specially India, in the region.

Even as defence and strategic cooperation between the two countries are growing stronger, there remain points of divergence. India's independent foreign policy, especially friendship with Russia and Iran, is one such irritant. The Russian friendship is under a bit of a strain with the defence tie-ups with the US now. India stopped importing crude from Iran when

former US President Donald Trump decided to throw away the Iran nuclear deal and sanction the nation. India is trying hard to balance its ties with Iran, though the going is not easy, with Iran removing India from many of its joint projects.

The US economic sanctions of 1998 did nothing to India much, since there was little trade India had with the US then. The volumes of trade have risen largely in the two decades, but it is lopsided and the balance is in India's favour. Trump was particularly peeved over this imbalance, and the two have not worked out a trade deal yet. India, on the other hand, finds it irksome every time US lawmakers get into a tizzy over perceived human rights violations here. The US government has realised India's touchiness over commenting on India's internal matters, and usually refrains from commenting. With Trump, that worked. With Biden, it may not be so easy. Bilaterals are always a work in progress; this, too, is no different.



Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA)
Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation
Ministry of Jal Shakti
Government of India

Date-06.09.2021

PUBLIC NOTICE No. 12/2021

Whereas the Central Government constituted the Central Ground Water Authority vide notification Number S.O. 38(E), dated 14th January, 1997, followed by notification number S.O. 1124(F) dated 6th November, 2000 and S.O. 1121 (E) dated 13th May, 2010 of the Government of India in the Ministry of Environment & Forests, for the purposes of regulation and control of ground water development and management in the whole of India and to issue necessary regulatory directions.

And whereas the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal, New Delhi, in its Order dated 15.04.2015 in O.A. No. 204/2014 and connected matters, has directed that "any person operating tubewell or any means to extract groundwater should obtain its permission and should operate the same subject to law in force, even if such unit is existing unit or the unit is still to be established".

And whereas, in pursuance to above directions from Hon'ble NGT all existing/new ground water users including Industrial/ Infrastructure/ Mining Projects were directed to submit their applications for No Objection Certificates (NOC) latest by 30.06.2020 vide Public Notice dated 01.04.2020.

And whereas revised CGWA guidelines for NOC for ground water withdrawal have been notified vide Notification No. S.O. 3289(E), dated 24.09.2020, available on CGWA website (<http://cgwa-noc.gov.in/LandingPage/Guidelines/NewGuidelinesNotified250920.pdf?ZOOM=100>).

Now, therefore, all the users including Residential apartments, Group Housing Societies, Government water supply agencies in urban areas and Industrial, Infrastructure and Mining Projects and Swimming Pools whether existing or new (except exempted category as per section 1 of notified guidelines), drawing or proposing to draw ground water are required to obtain NOC as per the guidelines and are hereby directed to submit their applications for NOC through online portal of CGWA (<http://cgwa-noc.gov.in>) or respective State Authorities, as the case may be. The applications received in CGWA shall be processed as per guidelines dated 24.09.2020 and subsequent public notices issued in this regard.

Since, the last date provided for submission of applications is already over, the applicants shall be liable to pay a late fee of Rs. 1 lakh, along with ground water abstraction/restoration charges w.e.f. 24.09.2020. However, such applicants shall be exempted to pay Environmental Compensation till 31.03.2022. All project proponents drawing ground water but fail to apply for NOC by 31.03.2022 are liable to face legal action and pay Environmental Compensation for illegal withdrawal of ground water.

It is hereby also informed that all the ground water users whose applications for grant of NOC have been rejected by CGWA on the ground of non-submission of mandatory documents shall be required to resubmit their applications for grant of NOC by 31.03.2022 through online portal of CGWA or respective State Authorities, as the case may be, failing which legal action as per proviso of the notified vide Notification No.S.O. 3289(E), dated 24.09.2020 shall be initiated.

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South Central Railway Recruitment 2021: South Central Railway has released recruitment notification for engagement of Technician III posts. Candidates who are searching for Railway jobs may apply for these 21 vacancies. Eligible candidates are invited to apply for this SCR Recruitment. These advertised vacancies will be filled on LDCE Quota. Candidates need to read the terms & conditions. Interested candidates may apply for this South Central Railway recruitment through proper channel on or before 25.09.2021. Application received after the last date will be rejected.

South Central Railway recruitment 2021 notification & application form for this SCR vacancy are available at www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in. Applicants who had passed Class 8th/ Class 10th are eligible to apply for this SCR jobs. Applicants should have obtained the prescribed educational qualification & age limit. Candidates must submit the self-attested copies of documents like educational qualification, age proof, experience certificate, etc. Selected candidates will be placed at Secunderabad Division. Above said details are taken from the South Central Railway recruitment 2021 notification dated on 26.08.2021.

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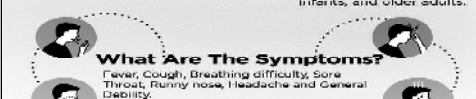
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INDIA'S BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENCE PROGRAMME, DEVELOPED BY DRDO

India's Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) programme, which aims to provide an air defence shield from all types of hostile missiles, even the nuclear ones, is complete. The Indian Air Force is deploying all of these assets, which are developed by the country's premier defence research agency DRDO.

India's BMD programme was launched after the 1999 Kargil war, keeping in mind Pakistan's expanding missile arsenal. China also played a key role in supporting Pakistan's missile programme. The homegrown BMD was two-tiered - the first layer is the Prithvi Air Defence, which can intercept and destroy missiles at exo-atmospheric altitudes of 50-180 kilometres.

Pradyumna Ballistic Missile Interceptor is going to replace the Prithvi air defence, according to a defence official.

The second layer is Advanced Air Defence (AAD) Missile for lower altitude interception, which is designed to knock down hostile missiles in the endo-atmosphere at altitudes of 15-40 kilometres. Akash Surface-to-Air Missiles (SAM) is part of AAD.

DRDO was given the responsibility to work on India's own BMD. According to an official, Prithvi air defence was first tested in 2006, making India the fourth nation to have anti-ballistic missile systems after the US, Russia and Israel. Similarly, AAD got its first

test in 2007 and since then both systems have done multiple rounds of tests and are now in the process of deployment.

India also conducted its first successful anti-satellite (ASAT) test, under Mission Shakti in March 2019.



Besides BMD, India is also getting the Russian S-400 Triumf air defence system. Scheduled to be delivered by the end of this year, S-400 Triumf is one of the world's most advanced air defence systems that can simultaneously track numerous incoming objects, including aircraft, missiles and UAVs and neutralise them. Integrated with multifunction radar, autonomous detection and targeting systems, anti-aircraft missile systems, launchers, and command and control centre, S-400 will be a game-changer in the sub-continent and a huge boost to India's air defence capability.

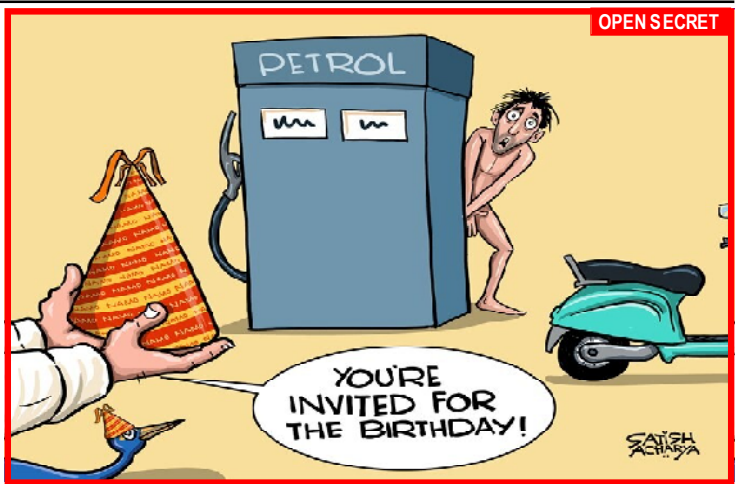
On Thursday, in a significant boost to

India's defence capabilities, the first deliverable firing unit of Medium-Range Surface-to-Air Missile (MRSAM) system was handed over to Indian Air Force. It provides a point and area air defence for ground assets against a wide range of threats including

fighter aircraft, UAVs, helicopters, guided and unguided munitions, subsonic and supersonic cruise missiles. Capable of engaging multiple targets at ranges up to 70 km in severe saturation scenarios, the missiles powered by the indigenously developed rocket motor and control system for achieving high manoeuvrability during the terminal phase. Moreover, on Friday, with the induction of Indian

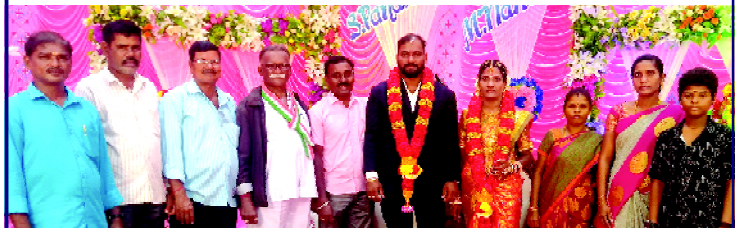
naval ship Dhruv, the nuclear missile tracking ship, India joins an elite group of countries like the US, Russia, China, UK and France to have such capability. Developed by DRDO, in collaboration with Hindustan Shipyard and the National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO), INS Dhruv is expected to be based in eastern naval command in Vizag.

INS Dhruv, which will be under the control of the Strategic Forces Command (SFC), is going to India's answer to China's 'sea-based military doctrine', under which PLA Navy has made massive investments in developing warships, submarine and aircraft carriers.



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incharge of Vidya Ashram Oldage home.

Speaking on the occasion, the AICC member & Ex-Chairperson PBMC Shri. K. Ganeshan said that he was highly impressed with the dedicated work of orphanage authorities and lauded them for serving the society. He also said that he was delighted to know that many of the inmates have excelled academically and also in sports activities.

Others present on the occasion includes all congress leaders and Shri. R. K. Raj Smt. Daljit Kaur, Shri. Ravinder Pal, Rashid Rizwan, Shri. Mohd. Shareef, Shri. Sadab Riaz, Shri. Waseem, Smt. Aleema Bibi, Shri. Rakesh Kumar Youth Congress Member, Shri. Sonu Raj, Congress leader, Smt. Fareeda Bibi, Congress leader, Shri. Sauv Nair, NSUI State General Secretary, Shri. Mukesh & Shri. Zubair Ali, NSUI members.



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