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Jarawa Facts

The 300 odd - strong Jarawa, along with the other Andaman tribes the Sentinelese, the Onge and the Great Andamanese, were the sole inhabitants of the Andaman Islands until the British and then the Indians arrived. Their ancestors are thought to have been part of the first successful migrations out of Africa.

Your Nature Guide

Life in the ocean: From the shores or from a boat, the sea looks like a huge mass of uniform, inky blue water. It is not so actually. Life in the sea is amazingly different at different depths. From the surface to a few feet below, the ocean is a sunlit world, that changes from day to night. Below this, the ocean becomes cold, dim, and unchanging. And thousands of meters below the surface, the ocean is a region of near-freezing temperatures, crushing pressure, and complete darkness.

Most marine plants and animals are adapted to living in one of three regions- the sunlight, twilight, or midnight zone. These zones are defined by the presence (or absence) of light. They differ from one another in temperature amount of pressure, and nutrient supply.

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

People's Voice

Ab toh jaag jao LG sahab ... aap ke bacche pita hone ke babajood anaath jaise jee rahe hain ...

- A Citizen



Our son is making more money online than you dear!

'Slaves of Bureaucratic Raj': The Story of a Disconnect and the Turmoil That Followed

By Denis Giles

The news of the arrest of former Chief Secretary of A&N Administration, Shri Jitendra Narain, IAS was quite a sensational event that brought our Islands under sharp limelight, especially in mainland India. And as for the Islanders, it proved to be a shock to some, a relief to few and an unremarkable source of entertainment for all. Will Jitendra Narain be found guilty by the Court of Law? Will the other accused absconding at the moment be booked by the Police? These are a few questions which are being debated in every nook and corner of this town these days. And why not? It is for the first time in the history of A&N Islands that a senior-most IAS has been booked under Law.

While the matter is pending in the Hon'ble Court of Law and remains sub judice, let us examine how the scenario of A&N Islands and its Administration has changed



and continues to change over time. Change for good or bad? You be the judge.

It is rightly said that the father is the head of the family. But what if the father becomes nonchalant, aloof

towards his own family? Instead of stepping up, he appoints caretakers to look after them. Hence the chances for such a family to survive and flourish are minimal at its core. Something of the

same sought is happening with our one big family of islanders residing on these pristine islands.

In the absence of a democratic set-up in the Islands, the sole power of managing the affairs of the same remains in the hands of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor - presumably this Island's big family's sole father. While there are elections that democratically take place but ultimately the leaders elected by the Islanders to represent them remain mute spectators with no powers of decision-making. These elected representatives are more like mothers of the family, which in a traditional setup, has a voice and can mark a letter of request or share the concerns of the Islanders (the family) to the father (Lt. Governor), 'HOPING' that he would understand and resolve the issues.

In the Islands, the Lt. Governor also holds the

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Department Related Parliamentary Committee on Industry Holds Series of Meetings at Swaraj Dweep



Port Blair, Nov. 11: The Department Related Parliamentary Committee on Industry headed by its Chairman, Shri Tiruchi Siva (Rajya Sabha) along with other Committee Members viz. Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya (Rajya Sabha), Smt. Sulata Deo (Rajya

Sabha), Shri Sandosh Kumar P (Rajya Sabha), Ravindra Kushwaha (Lok Sabha), Bidyut Baran Mahato (Lok Sabha) and Sunil Dattatray Tatkar (Lok Sabha) held meeting with the Chief Secretary, A&N Islands and M/o MSME on implementation of PMEGP

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ANTCC Grateful to Secretary Education

Port Blair, Nov. 11: Many girl hostellers of JNRM college had visited Congress Party office and expressed their grievances regarding the functioning of the hostel before the Pradesh Congress Committee President, Shri. Rangalal Halder, Campaign Committee Chairman Shri. TSG Bhaskar, National Students Union of India

(NSUI) State President, Mr. M.A. Sajid and City Congress Committee President Mohd. Zubair.

The Congress President gave a patient hearing and instructed Shri. M.A. Sajid, State President of NSUI to verify the factual position.

After Verifying the factual position, the PCC President along with NSUI

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Impressive Science Models of the Rural Students Lauded at the Keralapuram School Exhibition



Keralapuram, Nov. 11: The visitors to the exhibition held at Govt. Secondary School, Keralapuram were enthralled by the creative models showcased today. Applauding the students for their work, the Chief Guest, the Deputy Education Officer, Shri R.P.Pandey said that the "Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan" is a national programme, which aims at providing opportunities to the students to showcase their talents. He said that money should not be an obstacle, that's why financial assistance is also provided to the students to develop their models in Science, Mathematics, Art and craft. This Exhibition is an example of the success of this Abhiyan, he said. Congratulating the school, Shri Pandey said that the exhibition is an example of its successful endeavour, in bringing out the hidden talent of the children

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Success is not an activity but a process ...

Unlaundered Truth

A Special Court dealing with cases under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) in Mumbai has made some extraordinarily scathing observations about the way the Enforcement Directorate (ED) functions. While granting bail to Sanjay Raut, Shiv Sena (Uddhav Thackeray) MP, the court has termed his arrest not only illegal but also one recorded for "no reason" at all. The grant of bail and the observations made by Special Judge M.G. Deshpande have galvanised the ED to file an immediate appeal before the Bombay High Court, but the lengthy order contains enough material to substantiate the charge by Opposition parties that central agencies are being utilised to hound political opponents. The judge has found that the underlying criminal case of cheating concerned another set of people who had committed misdeeds, but they were not arrested. As far as Mr. Raut and his associate, Pravin Raut, who has also been given bail, were concerned, it was essentially a civil dispute, and there was nothing to show that money involved in their transactions were "proceeds of crime". Their arrest under the PMLA was illegal, the court said, because there was no underlying scheduled offence. The ED has alleged that the proceeds of the fraudulent sale of tenements pertaining to a re-development project at Patra Chawl in Mumbai, amounted to ₹ 1,039 crore. It had further alleged that Mr. Pravin Raut was a proxy for Sanjay Raut, and that the latter and his wife had utilised ₹ 95 crore out of the proceeds to buy assets.

The misuse of agencies seems to be an unlaundered truth, going by the court's remarks. There has indeed been a disproportionate targeting of non-BJP political leaders by investigating agencies of the Union government. While lawyers and activists have been arrested under anti-terrorism laws, mainstream political opponents often see tax raids and money-laundering cases. The latter class of cases is made possible by the PMLA that permits the ED to register a money-laundering case whenever there is an FIR by the police involving a given list of offences. In a sardonic comment, the Special judge has noted that the ED works at great speed while making an arrest, but proceeds with the trial at a snail's pace. ED officers seem to be aware only of Section 19 (power to arrest) and Section 45 (stringent conditions for bail), but not the fact that they should also hold a trial. The judge's remarks also drive home the fact that money-laundering prosecutions have an abysmally low rate of convictions. Instead of rushing to file appeals against adverse orders, central agencies ought to reflect on the manner in which they are being utilised for political ends.

BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



Open the Door, Step Out..!

Met a friend of mine, and we spent some time chatting with each other. "You know Bob," he said, "I grew up in Ahmedabad and when I told my family I was going to Mumbai they asked me if I had taken leave of my senses. They told me how it was near impossible to get accommodation in Mumbai, how traveling was terrible with the heavy rush, and how lonely the city could be for outsiders!"

"But you came?" I asked.

"Oh yes, I did," he said, "and do you know how long it took me to get a place to stay in the big bad city?"

"Tell me," I said with a smile.

"One day," he said, "It took me just a day. I got off the train with my luggage and by evening was offered balcony space to stay, which was good enough. Things just worked out for me after that!"

As I walked back home after that conversation, I realized that what my friend had overcome was the fear of the unknown. He had left familiar Surat, with friends and family and ventured out. We all have the fear of the unknown in us. We prefer old, familiar places, even if they are dull and dreary. We prefer bad companions even if they aren't a good influence in our lives, because we are scared to break away and taste what we don't know.

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An Arab chief tells a story of a spy who was captured and then sentenced to death by a general in the Persian army. This general had the strange custom of giving condemned criminals a choice between the firing squad and the big, black door. As the moment for execution drew near, the spy was brought to the Persian general, who asked the question, "What will it be: the firing squad or the big, black door?"

The spy hesitated for a long time. It was a difficult decision. He chose the firing squad.

Moments later shots rang out confirming his execution. The general turned to his aide and said, "They always prefer the known way to the unknown. It is characteristic of people to be afraid of the undefined. Yet, we gave him a choice."

The aide said, "What lies beyond the big door?"

"Freedom," replied the general. "I've known only a few who were brave enough to take it!"

How foolish that men faced the bullet rather than take a chance through the door!

May be that's exactly what you and I are also doing. Glorious opportunities are waiting for us, if we take that adventurous step into the unknown. Dare you open the door and move on and up or will you always be terrified of the unknown and stagnate?

Think about it; stepping into the unknown could change your life for the better. Open the door and step out..!

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Swaraj Dweep to Sail for Chennai Today

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The vessel MV Swaraj Dweep will sail from Port Blair to Chennai tomorrow (Nov.12) at 1000 hrs from Haddo

Wharf. The embarkation of passengers will commence from 0800 hrs to 0900 hrs on Nov.12 and the embarkation of passengers

will be closed one hour before the schedule time. Passengers reporting late will not be allowed to board the vessel.

COVID-19 Status in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Nov. 11: One COVID positive case has been detected today in A&N Islands from incoming flight passenger who arrived

yesterday. Today, 15 flights with 2082 passengers arrived, out of which, 1867 passengers were vaccinated with both doses

while RT-PCR test was conducted on 73 passengers and the reports are awaited.

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Seminar on “Role of Teachers in Nation Building” by ACTA in JNRM

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The Andaman College Teachers Association (ACTA), has organised a Seminar on “Role of Teachers in Nation Building” on 10th November 2022 in the Seminar Room, JNRM. On the occasion, the Chief Guest Shri D. Bhanudas, All India General Secretary, Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari said that patriotism is to be inculcated in our actions and so that the teachers be living examples for the students for the nation building.

While describing the student-teacher relationship, Shri D. Bhanudas cited the example of Ramakrishana Paramhansh and Swami Vivekananda and their role in transforming Narendra to Vivekananda. The nation which includes culture, knowledge, tradition and wisdom must be symbolised through our actions to make great place to live with harmony.

Dr. H.K. Sharma, Principal, JNRM spoke on role of teachers



in shaping the lives of students to serve the nation and also urged the faculty members to guide them in order to achieve their goals.

Smt. Pearl Devdas, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Geography spoke on the teaching learning process and the importance of teachers and their role for igniting the young minds. Earlier Shri. N. Balakrishnan, President,

ACTA threw light on the activities of ACTA by giving brief introduction and action plan.

Dr. K. Venkatesan, Secretary ACTA welcomed the gathering while Dr. Vivek Kumar Sahu, Treasurer, ACTA proposed vote of thanks. Dr. Kandimuthu, Assistant Professor of Economics moderated the entire programme.

AnSI Carries Out Cleanliness Drive at Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram Premises

Port Blair, Nov. 11: As part of the sensitization on cleanliness among the islanders the Andaman & Nicobar Regional Centre, Anthropological Survey of India, Port Blair carried out a special cleanliness programme in collaboration with India Tourism, Ministry of Tourism, Port Blair today. Special cleanliness drive was carried out by clearing the bushes and garbage from the premises of Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram, Port Blair. The ashram children took part in this cleanliness drive and a message was given to the children towards sensitizing about cleanliness of the surroundings where they live in.



To mark this occasion a few fruit plants were planted in the premises of the Ashram by the dignitaries present there viz. Shri Ramakrishnan, Assistant Director India Tourism, Dr. Nilanjan Khatua, Head of Office, Anthropological

Survey of India. Among the other participants were Dr Sumitabha Chakraborty, Shri Gita Yaikhom, Ms. Suman Ravindran, Shri Muthu Pandi of Anthropological Survey of India and Dr Vivek Sahu, Assistant Professor, JNRM.

Free Coaching Classes by PBGKR for Youths of Mannarghat Concludes

Port Blair, Nov. 11: After the declaration of vacancy notice by the ANI Administration, Smti. Sajida Banu, Pradhan, GP Mannarghat and PRI members along with the noble workers from Port Blair Guru ki Rasoi had arranged ‘Free Competitive Coaching Classes’ at Mannarghat Panchayat.

Many unemployed youths of Mannarghat village attended these classes to perform well in upcoming competitive exam. The classes started from Monday 8th August and timing was 6-8 pm at GP Mannarghat conference hall and concluded



today 11th November. Shri Mandeep Grewal, President, PBGKR has wished the aspirants appearing for the exams on 20th Nov the best and also committed that the

Rasoi will conduct more free coaching classes in future as well for the youths. Grewal also thanked Smt Sajida Banu, Pradhan, Mannarghat to take such initiatives.

National Book Week 2022 to be Celebrated in State Library

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The National Book Week 2022 will be celebrated in the State Library, Port Blair from Nov.14 to 20, 2022. On this occasion, Book Exhibition and various programmes are being organized by the Directorate of

Education in State Library, Port Blair during the weeklong celebration.

Smt. Veditha Reddy, IAS, Secretary (Education), A&N Administration will inaugurate the Book Exhibition on Nov.14, 2022

at 4 pm as chief guest while Shri Aditya Kumar Jha, Director (Education) will be the guest of honour. The exhibition will be opened for general public from Nov.14 to 20, 2022.

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Isro to Increase Rocket Payload for Jan '23 Trip



November 11: NELLORE: The Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) is planning to increase the payload capacity of the Launch Vehicle Mark-3 (LVM-3) by 450 kilograms with additional propellant loading.

The LVM-3 can handle a payload of 10,000 kg to the low-earth orbit and four tonnes to the geo-transfer orbit.

The three-stage rocket placed 36 broadband satellites in designated orbits with textbook precision on October 23 and another set of 36 satellites from OneWeb is to be put into orbit in January 2023.

The CE-20 cryogenic engine, indigenously designed for the LVM-3, underwent a successful hot test at an uprated thrust level of 21.8 tonnes for the first time on November 9.

Isro said that the test proves that the payload capacity can be increased by an additional 450 kg.

Major modifications carried out on the test article, compared to previous engines, was the introduction of a thrust control valve (TCV). In addition, 3D-printed LOX and LH2 turbine exhaust casings were inducted into the engine for the first time.

During the test, the engine operated with a 20t thrust level for the first 40 seconds, following which the thrust was increased to 21.8t by moving the thrust control valve.

The engine and facility performance were normal and the required parameters were achieved.

The LVM-3 will be used for Chandrayaan-3 in February or June, manned and unmanned missions of Gaganyaan.

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position of the Administrator unlike in few other Union Territories of the nation, thus giving him the utmost power of decision-making. With so much of powers and responsibilities at hand, if the head of the family disconnects himself from the family itself, without thinking of the consequences, the doom is bound to arrive sooner or later. And the same is happening now with the islanders headed by the Lt. Governor.

The Islands have seen many Administrators right from the times of Chief Commissioners to the Lt. Governors. While a few have left a good mark in the minds and hearts of the Islanders, there have been a few who are remembered for their mismanagement too.

Over the past few years, there has been a total disconnect between the Lt. Governor and the Islanders. This was also duly pointed out by a former Lt. Governor who had served the longest term of a Lt. Governor, when the news of 'Sex-for-Job' scandal erupted up in the national media. The disconnect is such that the once-upon-a-time 'LG Darbar' has been confined just to 'Prashasan Aap Ke Dwaar', giving false hope to the islanders that all is well. The powers originally belonging to the head of the family are now unofficially exercised by the caretakers of the family such as the Chief Secretary and the team of bureaucrats. Hence in this family, we know that we have a father but he never comes to dinner, he just sends his regards from some enclosed room. Speaking clearly, all that the Islanders know is that there is 'someone' who has been posted as a Lt. Governor but the 'Darbar' has been shut for them.

With the powers getting vested upon the Chief Secretaries, the first thing that happened is the attempt to strangle the voice of the people, not realizing the consequences. In the absence of a democratic setup, it is the media which acted as an opposition to raise the voice and concerns of the people. Strangling the registered and recognized private media (who fall under the ambit of the Press Council of India) seemed to be a well-thought decision of bureaucrats to keep the opposition away, without realizing that it would backfire sooner or later. From cutting down the subscriptions drastically in the name of cost-cutting to reducing the government advertisement revenue to zero and further going to the



extent of arresting journalists for questioning, the A&N Administration tried it all.

It was a well-thought act of dictatorship which involved financially ripping the private media so that instead of reading the truth, the islanders read and rely on the official mouthpiece of the A&N Administration. They were aptly using "Ignorance is bliss". It sure was a bliss for their administration which dived into the pool of harmony by making fools of the islanders.

The second attempt was to strangle the minimal democratic setup that existed in the Islands. They purposely delayed elections and thereafter snatched all powers of the elected representatives to retain them with the bureaucracy. By doing this, it was assumed that there would be no end to bureaucratic rule in the Islands. This attempt was nothing but a suicidal attempt promulgated by the so-called think tanks of bureaucracy. With no powers at hand, the elected representatives remained a rubber stamp and the agonies of the islanders kept increasing, testing the patience of the peace-loving Islanders, who were turned down to slaves just like their forefathers who had been sentenced to Kalapani by the British.

The third in the row was snatching the powers of local officers who headed government departments and retaining them again with the bureaucrats. The situation is such that technical decisions are taken by non-technical bureaucrats who don't understand the profession. Those who tried to explain were served suspension letters without any scope for hearing their plea.

The dilapidated conditions of the road, scarcity of water,

the ever-increasing crisis of electricity, unrecognized higher educational institutions, government schools running without heads, pathetic transportation services, the ruining of the tourism industry, unemployment and many such burning issues were lingering while the Administration kept receiving awards for 'Swachhta', best Blue Flag Beach and for introducing electric buses in a place where electricity is generated by burning fuel, among others. While the islanders cried for mercy, ambitious mega projects to clear vast stretches of pristine forests and tame the turtles where to lay eggs were being focused upon to impress the Prime Minister and the government at the centre.

In such a situation, if we talk about the 'sex-for-job' racket, it wouldn't be surprising as this was the only alternative for the survival of the islanders in such a bureaucratic raj. Had the case of Shri Jitendra Narain not cropped up, there is not an iota of doubt that the Islands would have been turned into a den of sex rackets, just for the reason that the poor islanders needed to survive. They had not been provided with job skills, no employment opportunities and sometimes not even food to survive. All that was left was their body and at last something heinous happened and the last shred of dignity that these islanders were clinging on to was also snatched, rather brutally.

The arrest of the former Chief Secretary is not only an eye opener to the people of these Islands but is a lesson for the head of the family too, to make him realize... all has not been well and your family is dooming right under your nose.

Department Related Parliamentary Committee on Industry Holds Series of Meetings at Swaraj Dweep

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scheme in A&N Islands at Taj Exotica, Swaraj Dweep. The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS and other senior officers of the Administration were present in the meeting. The representatives of SBI, Central Bank of India, UCO Bank, PNB, A&N State Co-operative Bank, M/o MSME, M/o Finance (DFS) and KVIC also attended the meeting wherein the Committee Members reviewed the performance of PMEGP scheme by the Banks.

The Department Related Parliamentary Committee

on Industry also held meeting with the representatives of Airports Authority of India, National Buildings Construction Corporation Ltd, Engineers India Ltd., Indian Rare Earths Ltd., M/o MSME, M/o Civil Aviation, M/o Housing & Urban Affairs, M/o P& NG and Department of Atomic Energy on the implementation of 25% prescribed procurement from MSEs by PSEs under the public Procurement Policy and reviewed the release of payments to MSEs at the same venue. The Chairman & the Committee Members also witnessed the handicraft items made by the SHGs & MSMEs displayed at the meeting venue.

Impressive Science Models of the Rural Students Lauded at the Keralapuram School Exhibition

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of this rural region. He called upon the students to develop confidence among themselves. He said that he finds no reason why after putting up such wonderful innovative projects, the students hesitate to express. He urged the students to sharpen their communication skills in parallel.

The Guest of Honour, the Principal of Subhashgram School, Shri N. Nehru too had special words for the students of this rural pocket. He said that the students are very talented and they can compete at any level.

The Jury member Shri Peter Arockiasamy after visiting the Exhibition, said that some of the projects developed by the students to transform the theoretical concepts learnt in the classes into real life situations, reflect their in-depth understanding of the subject. At the same time the models depicting the menace of air pollution and its remedy, show their sensitivity towards saving Environment. He hoped that

the working models of G. Bhavan and Kumari Shilpi Das would inspire other students in many ways.

The Principal of the Institution, Shri B.V.R Reddy sharing his experience said that presently the school is a cluster Resource Centre for 16 schools, which belong to the villages having poor or average socio-economic backgrounds. This institution strives to provide quality education opportunities to the students from Ram Krishna Gram to the remote Lamiya Bay village.

The school was established way back in the year 1958, and during this journey it has produced many alumni, who have been serving different sectors of the society, holding prestigious positions. Some of them have the distinction of serving the Islands, as the Directors of the Government departments, the proud Principal Shri BVR Reddy informed.

More than 60 models were displayed in the exhibition of which the best ones will be selected for the zonal level competition and later will represent the district and the state level exhibition to be held at Port Blair next month.

ANTCC Grateful to Secretary Education

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State President and City Congress Committee President met with Principal JNRM and raised the issues of the students.

However, the Principal was not responsive and failed to give any commitment, which forced the PCC President to organize a Dharna in front of the college, under the leadership of Shri. M.A. Sajid State President of NSUI.

Further to this, the Secretary Education Smti. Veddika Reddy, IAS had met with the students delegation along with Mr. M.A. Sajid in her office and the Secretary immediately issued directions for solving the issues being faced by the Girl Hostellers of JNRM.

The PCC President, Chairman Campaign Committee, NSUI State President and all the Girls Hostellers of JNRM have thanked Smti. Veddika Reddy, IAS for her action in the issue.

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SC Raps Centre for Prolonged Delay in Judicial Appointments

November 11: The Supreme Court on Friday criticised the government for delaying or withholding appointment of judges to the apex court and the High Courts for months on end, saying eminent persons invited to join the Bench prefer to now withdraw their consent rather than wait endlessly for their appointment as judges.

A Bench led by Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul, while issuing notice to the Law Secretary for an explanation on the inexplicable delay, said the government, on several occasions, had not made judicial appointments despite reiteration of the names by the Supreme Court Collegium. The court wondered whether the silence and inaction on part of the government was a ploy to compel the withdrawal of consent by eminent persons considered for judgeships in the constitutional courts.

The court said some of the oldest names being withheld by the government date back to September 2021. There were at least 10 names pending with the government despite being reiterated by the Collegium. The withholding of names had seen many eminent persons withdrawing their consent to be considered for judgeships. One such candidate who was proposed by the Collegium had even passed away.

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Senior advocate Vikas Singh, who raised the issue of delay in judicial appointments, said it has already been five weeks since the Collegium had recommended the name of Bombay High Court Chief Justice Dipankar Datta for elevation to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court itself has seven judicial vacancies out of a

sanctioned strength of 34 judges. As of November 1, the judicial vacancies in 25 High Courts number 335 out of a total sanctioned strength of 1108 judges.


In 2021, the apex court had issued guidelines framing the timeline for processing and completing judicial appointments in the High Courts. This included that the Intelligence Bureau (IB) should submit its report/inputs within four to six weeks from the date of recommendation of the High Court Collegium concerned to the Centre.

The Centre has to forward the file(s) to the Supreme Court within eight to 12 weeks from the date of receipt of views from the State government and the IB report. The Centre had to proceed to make the appointment immediately.

In case the Centre had reservations on the suitability of the candidate, it must be returned to the Supreme Court Collegium with specific reasons. If the Supreme Court Collegium reiterates the recommendation unanimously, the appointment should be made within four weeks.



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World Pneumonia Day to be Celebrated Today

Port Blair, Nov. 11: Childhood pneumonia continues to be the topmost infectious killer among under-five children, contributing to 16.2 percent of under-five deaths in India. World Pneumonia Day will be observed tomorrow (Nov.12) with an aim to accelerate action against Childhood Pneumonia by generating awareness on protection, prevention and treatment aspects, to enhance early identification and care seeking behaviours (management) among parents and caregivers; and also to promote Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) and awareness generation on indoor and outdoor pollution. SAANS (Social

Awareness & Action to Neutralize Pneumonia Successfully) campaign will ensure health system strengthening and community awareness towards childhood pneumonia. The SAANS campaign from 12th November, 2022 to 28th February 2023 will carry the tagline 'Pneumonia nahi, toh bachpan sahi' which clearly establishes the positive impact of a Pneumonia Free Childhood.

Meanwhile, the general public have been requested to extend their co-operation to ANMs and ASHAs during community approach for early identification of cases of childhood pneumonia and early management of pneumonia in under-five children.

Road from Garacharma Jn to NTS Jn to Remain Close

Port Blair, Nov. 11: The District Magistrate, South Andaman District has notified for the information of all concerned that the road leading from Garacharma Junction to NTS Junction has been closed for all the vehicles movements (except for essential service) for 20 Days w.e.f. 07/11/2022.

Hence, all the traffic/vehicle movement (except for essential service) through the road from Garacharma Junction to NTS Junction will be closed for 20 Days and the traffic has been diverted from NTS Junction via Bimblitan and Calicut, a notification issued by ADM (SA) said.

Heavy Rain Likely to Occur in Isles

Port Blair, Nov. 11: Heavy rain (07-11 cm) is likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands on Nov. 14 & 15. For further enquiries / information, one may contact helpline of State Emergency

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SPORTS

India the Most Under-Performing White-Ball Team in History, Says Former England Captain Michael Vaughan

November 11:

Michael Vaughan, the former England captain, has called India the "most under-performing white-ball team in history" while another ex-England skipper, Nasser Hussain, has termed their mindset as "too timid" after their 10-wicket hammering in the T20 World Cup semi-final at Adelaide Oval on



Thursday. Both Vaughan and Hussain termed India's style of T20 cricket as "dated" and "old-fashioned."

"India are the most under-performing white-ball team in history. Every player in the world who goes to the Indian Premier League says how it improves their game but what have India ever delivered?" Vaughan wrote in The Telegraph.

"Since winning the 50 over World Cup on home soil in 2011 what have they done? Nothing. India are playing a white-ball game that is dated and have done for years

"Even in their own backyard at the 2016 World T20 they did not reach the final. They were nowhere last year. This time it took an outrageous innings by Virat Kohli, probably the best in T20 of all time, to beat Pakistan in the group stages. They massively underachieve for their skill levels."

In Daily Mail, Hussain wrote that India's issue was not personnel, but mindset. "It's not India's personnel. It's their mindset. Rohit Sharma is one of the greatest white-ball batters there has ever been and KL Rahul would be in any list of the best T20 players in the world. Then add Virat Kohli, Suryakumar Yadav, Hardik and Rishabh Pant," Hussain wrote.

"You are talking about an array of world-class talent and there is no way that batting line-up should have been 66 for two [62 for 2] at the halfway mark of

a T20 innings in a semi-final... "The contrast between the two teams in their respective power-plays could not be more stark. I had said in these pages that India at the top of the order still play a bit of an old-fashioned game and even their former coach Ravi Shastri talked of the need for them to change when he worked for Sky last summer.

"Yet they were still too timid. India must have known they would need to get an above par score against this England batting line-up yet they plodded along and if it was not for Hardik at the end they would have been way below par."

Vaughan criticised India for not sending Rishabh Pant up the order and said it was time to get "honest" about the most followed team in world cricket.

"How they have not maximised someone like Rishabh Pant is incredible. In this era, put him up the top to launch it..."

"I'm just staggered by how they play T20 cricket for the talent they have. They have the players, but just do not have the right process in place. They have to go for it..."

"India have to be honest now. What happens when India arrive at a World Cup? Everyone plays them up. Nobody wants to criticise them because you get hammered on social media and

pundits worry about losing work in India one day. But it is time to tell it straight. They can hide behind their great players but it is about getting a team playing the right way as a whole. Their bowling options are too few, they do not bat deep enough and lack spin tricks," Vaughan wrote.

Michael Atherton, another former England captain, said that India's top three play "very orthodox cricket" and wondered whether the team would choose a different approach ahead of the next T20 World Cup in 2024.

"India looked a bit shell-shocked in the field, there was a slightly comical all-run four, there was a dropped catch. England came at them hard, did not let them settle. There was a huge contrast with the intent with which England batted and the lack of intent from India at the top of the order. That was the key difference," Atherton told Sky Sports.

"When you look at the way Rohit and KL Rahul go about it, they do play very orthodox cricket. They've got a brilliant player in Virat Kohli at No 3 of exactly the same type, which is why a lot of the focus has fallen on Suryakumar, who plays a different type of game.

"There is a gap to the next T20 World Cup, whether they will think about a slight change of approach at the top of the order remains to be seen."

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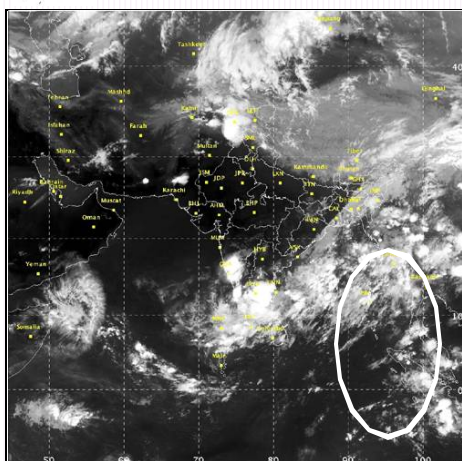
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Weather



Max. Temp: 30.9 °C	Min.: 25.6 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 72%	1730 Hrs: 78%
Sunrise: 0515 Hrs.	Sunset: 1652 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Total Rainfall (From Jan 1, 2022 till date):	2426.6 mm

Forecast

Partially Cloudy sky and Light Rain/Thunder is likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 25°C respectively on Saturday 12/11/2022.

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