

करोड़ों रुपया फूंकने के बावजूद जल आपूर्ति में कटौती क्यों

पोर्ट ब्लेयर । हर साल जैसे ही गर्मी की मौसम की शुरुआत होती है अंडमान-निकोबार प्रशासन के साथ-साथ हर राजनीतिक पार्टियों के नेताओं के द्वारा बड़े ही आन बान शान के साथ ऐलान कर दिया जाता है की अगले वर्ष सब कुछ ठीक हो जाएगा और शहर के साथ-साथ गांवों में भी जल आपूर्ति में कटौती को समाप्त कर दिया जाएगा ।

अंडमान-निकोबार द्वीप समूह के माननीय सांसद श्री कुलदीप राय शर्मा ने भी अपने पहले साक्षात्कार में कहा था की द्वीप समूह में पीने की पानी की समस्या को दूर करने के लिए प्राथमिकता के तौर पर कई योजना पर कार्य को अंतिम रूप देंगे ।

हाल ही में अंडमान-निकोबार प्रशासन ने भी यह दावा किया था की भारत सरकार की महत्वाकांक्षी योजना हर घर में नल से जल पहुंचाने की योजना को सफलता पूर्वक पूरा कर दिया गया है ।

पोर्ट ब्लेयर शहर तथा गांवों में दो दिनों में कई जगहों में तीन से चार दिनों में जल आपूर्ति किया जा रहा है तथा कुछ दिनों पहले ही काला पहाड़ से समुंद्र के नीचे से पाइप लाईन बिछाने के कार्य को सफलता पूर्वक पूरा कर लिया गया था और प्रशासन के द्वारा यह दावा किया गया था की अब पोर्ट ब्लेयर शहर में जल आपूर्ति में कटौती नहीं किया जाएगा ।

जल कटौती से परेशान आम लोगों का कहना है की प्रशासन तथा विभिन्न राजनीतिक पार्टियों के नेताओं के द्वारा हर साल सिर्फ आश्वासन ही मिलता है और स्थिति ज्यों का त्यों बना रहता है समझ नहीं आ रहा है की प्रशासन के द्वारा जल संकट को दूर करने के लिए अब तक कई करोड़ रुपया फूंक दिया गया है तो फिर जल आपूर्ति मामले में सुधार क्यों नहीं हो रहा है ।

डिगली पूर में सरकारी आवासों के आस-पास हो रहा है अतिक्रमण सरकारी आवासों पर भी हुआ कब्जा

डिगली पूर । डिगली पूर स्थित सीतापूर, आर.के.ग्राम, सुभाष ग्राम जैसे पंचायतों में सरकारी आवासों में रहने वाले सरकारी कर्मचारियों के द्वारा सरकारी आवासों के आस पास खाली पड़े जमीनों पर तेजी से अतिक्रमण किया जा रहा है तथा कुछ सरकारी कर्मचारियों के द्वारा अवकाश प्राप्त हो जाने के बावजूद भी सरकारी आवास को अपने-अपने कब्जे में रखे हुए हैं जबकि सरकारी आदेश अनुसार किसी भी सरकारी कर्मचारी को अवकाश प्राप्त कर लेने के छः महीने के भीतर आवास को खाली करना होता है ।

अंडमान-निकोबार प्रशासन के मुख्य सचिव श्री जितेन्द्र नारायण (भा प्र से) ने एक आदेश जारी कर कहा था की सरकारी आवासों के आस-पास अतिक्रमण को हटाया जाए तथा सरकारी आवास को समय सीमा के तहत खाली कराया जाए इसके बावजूद इस क्षेत्र में सरकारी कर्मचारी बिना भय के सरकारी भूमि पर अतिक्रमण कर इसे अपना बता रहे हैं और कुछ तो सभी हदों को पार कर सरकारी आवास को ही कब्जा कर इसे अपना बना लिए हैं ।

सरकारी आदेश का खुलमखुल्ला धज्जियां उड़ाया जा रहा है और संबंधित विभाग के अधिकारी घोड़ा बेच कर कुमंकरण की नींद सो रहे हैं सबसे पहले संबंधित विभाग के अधिकारियों पर कारवाही होनी चाहिए क्योंकि इन्हीं के नाक के नीचे सरकारी आवास को कब्जे में कर लिया गया है और सरकारी आवासों के आस-पास खाली पड़े जमीनों पर “दिन दूगनी-रात चौगनी” के गति से अतिक्रमण कर लिया गया है ।

MP demands construction of a community Park at Bathu Basthi behind Municipal parking area on the land presently lying vacant

Port Blair, May 11 : The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to build a community Park at Bathu Basthi behind the Municipal parking area on the land presently lying vacant. In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary the Member of Parliament mentioned that due to non availability of a community park in Bathu Basthi, Pathergudda, Prothrapur, Dollygunj, Brichgunj, Austinabad and its adjoin areas, the common people including Sr. citizens, children and youths are unable to avail recreational and

entertainments facilities. He added that many people of all age groups including Sr. citizens, kids and school going students are compelled either to go to Gandhi Park or Marina parks at Aberdeen Bazar for their recreation, entertainment and physical activities which are far away and not convenient for them. Hence, the Member of Parliament requested the Chief Secretary to create a community park having recreational facilities at the prime location of Bathu Basthi area so that it could be put into community use. He pointed out that a huge portion of revenue land behind Municipal parking place at Bathu Basthi

Ward No.19 is lying vacant and the said place is most suitable for Community Park for the people residing in Bathu Basthi Pathergudda, Garacharma, Birdline, Prothrapur, Dollygunj, Brichgunj, Austinabad and its surrounding villages. He requested to earmark the entire vacant land behind the Municipal Parking place at Bathu Basthi Ward No.19, for constructing Community park under Port Blair Smart City Project fund by installing recreational equipment similar to the equipment installed at Joggers Park, Shadipur, Marina Park, Gandhi Park etc.

लोगों के बीच चर्चा है गर्म बिजली आई...अरे अरे गई....

पोर्ट ब्लेयर । इन दिनों प्रशासन के विद्युत विभाग के द्वारा आम जनता के साथ आंख मिचौली का खेल जबरदस्त तरीके से जारी है और बिजली आई और गई के बीच लोगों का जीवन फंस गया है ।

कई लोगों को तो अपना बचपन याद आने लगा है जब रात में बिजली गुल होने के बाद चोर सिपाई, आईस पाईस ठप्पा जैसे खेल खेला करते थे । कई लोगों को तो डिबरी बत्ती, लाल टेन आदि की याद सताने लगी है और अपने पुराने दिनों को याद करते हुए कहते हैं आज हम वहीं आ गये जहां से शुरुआत किये थे ।

अभिभावकों का कहना है की सीबीएसई की परीक्षा चल रही है साथ में बिजली भी आ रही है और मुंह दिखाई का रस्म पूरा कर जा रही है और लोग सोच रहे हैं की इसे कैसे परिभाषित करें जैसे बिजली आई या फिर गई ।

हर साल गर्मी के मौसम में जैसे ही बिजली की खपत बढ़ती है ठीक वैसे ही बिजली की उत्पादन में भारी कमी आ जाती है मगर बिजली की वसूली जैसे थे वैसी रहती है और अब तो नई मीटर भी अपना कमाल दिखा रही है इस नई मीटर को तो मालूम ही नहीं होता की घंटों बिजली की सप्लाई नहीं होने से वसूली में गिरावट आना चाहिए ये तो बस अपना आका का गुलाम है बिजली रहे या ना रहे इसे तो सिर्फ ज्यादा से ज्यादा मुनाफा कमाकर अपने आका (विद्युत विभाग) को देना है वैसे यह गुजराती कंपनी है मालवार्डी इस लिए इसे बिजली आने जाने से क्या मतलब इसे तो सिर्फ गुलाबी, पीला, नीला हरा रंग का गांधी ही नजर आता है ।

आई और गई के बीच फंसे लोगों की सहन शक्ति भी अब जवाब देने लगी है मगर पता नहीं ये गुब्बारा फुटता क्यों नहीं है बस कोको कोला की तरह कुछ समय के लिए बुल बुला निकलता है और फिर सब कुछ शांत हो जाता है बस हार कर अब लोगों की निगाहें मानसून की तरफ हैं ।

मिट्टी कटाव से एक घर बुरी तरह प्रभावित

होप टाउन । 7 मई की रात लगभग 9.30 मिनट में होप टाउन पंचायत में रहने वाली श्रीमती फमीदा अजीज के घर में मिट्टी कटाव होने की वजह से भारी नुकसान होने की खबर है ।

प्राप्त जानकारी के अनुसार हादसा होने के कई घंटों के बाद फरार गंज तहसील की तरफ से मदद पहुंचा और इन्हीं तत्काल प्रभाव से स्कूल में रहने का व्यवस्था किया गया ।

श्रीमती फमीदा अजीज ने हमारे संवाददाता को बताई की उन्हें होप टाउन प्रधान के कार्यालय से कोई मदद प्राप्त नहीं हुआ तथा और अधिक मिट्टी कटाव होता है तो उनके साथ-साथ और दो घर प्रभावित हो सकते हैं । उप राज्यपाल की

प्रशस्ति पत्र से सम्मानित इस क्षेत्र की जानी मानी समाज सेविका श्रीमती लेज्जू जी ने बताया की इससे पहले भी इस क्षेत्र में मिट्टी के कटाव से घरों को नुकसान पहुंचा था और उस समय से वो लगातार प्रशासन के समक्ष





संपदकीय

श्रीलंका के सेंट्रल बैंक की चेतावनी— बिखर जाएगी देश की इकोनॉमी, अगर 2 दिन में...

श्रीलंका (Sri Lanka) के सेंट्रल बैंक प्रमुख गवर्नर नंदलाल वीरसिंघे ने कोलंबो में संवाददाताओं से कहा कि यदि दो दिनों के भीतर नई सरकार की नियुक्ति नहीं की जाती है तो अर्थव्यवस्था (economy) पूरी तरह से ध्वस्त हो जाएगी. कोलंबो. श्रीलंका (Sri Lanka) के सेंट्रल बैंक के प्रमुख गवर्नर नंदलाल वीरसिंघे ने बुधवार को कोलंबो में संवाददाताओं से कहा कि यदि दो दिनों के भीतर नई सरकार की नियुक्ति नहीं की जाती है तो अर्थव्यवस्था पूरी तरह से ध्वस्त हो जाएगी. एएफपी ने यह जानकारी दी है. वीरसिंघे ने कहा कि कोई भी इसे बचाने में सक्षम नहीं होगा. राजनीतिक स्थिरता बहाल करनी होगी. उन्होंने कहा कि देश में सबसे पहली जरूरत नई सरकार की है. इधर, तेजी से बदल रहे घटनाक्रम में श्रीलंका में विपक्ष के नेता साजिथ प्रेमदासा (Sajith Premadasa) को नया प्रधानमंत्री बनाने की खबर है, लेकिन इसकी पुष्टि बाकी है.

इस बारे में कहा जा रहा है कि साजिथ तभी देश की कमान अपने हाथों में लेंगे, जब राष्ट्रपति गोटेबाया राजपक्षे अपने पद से इस्तीफा दे दें. गोटेबाया, पूर्व प्रधानमंत्री महिंदा राजपक्षे के भाई हैं. महिंदा राजपक्षे (76) ने सोमवार को प्रधानमंत्री पद से इस्तीफा दे दिया था. उनके समर्थकों द्वारा सरकार विरोधी प्रदर्शनकारियों पर हमला करने के कुछ घंटे बाद अधिकारियों ने देशव्यापी कर्फ्यू लगाया था और राजधानी में सेना के जवानों को तैनात किया. इस हमले के बाद राजपक्षे समर्थक नेताओं के खिलाफ व्यापक हिंसा शुरू हो गई थी. यहां सोमवार से ही हालात बिगड़े हुए हैं. हिंसा में 8 लोगों की मौत हो चुकी है, जबकि करीब 300 लोग घायल बताए गए हैं. वहीं, दंगाइयों ने 88 वाहनों के साथ ही 100 से अधिक घरों को आग के हवाले कर दिया है. राजधानी कोलंबो समेत कई शहरों में सेना के जवान तैनात कर दिए गए हैं और दंगाइयों को गोली मारने के आदेश दे दिए गए हैं.

श्रीलंका में महंगाई सबसे भयानक स्तर पर

श्रीलंका में हालात बेहद गंभीर हो चुके हैं. देश में आपातकाल लगा हुआ है और महंगाई अब तक के सबसे भयानक स्तर पर पहुंच गई है. आजाद होने के बाद से श्रीलंका में पहली बार ऐसा अभूतपूर्व संकट देखा गया है. यहां श्रीलंकाई रुपये की कीमत लगातार गिर रही है. मार्च में श्रीलंका में 1 डॉलर की कीमत 201 श्रीलंकाई रुपये थी जो अब 360 श्रीलंकाई रुपये से अधिक हो चुकी है. यहां महंगाई दर 17 प्रतिशत का आंकड़ा पार कर चुकी है. लोगों को दूध-चावल और तेल के लिए परेशान होते देखा जा सकता है.

State Level Workshop –cum- Exhibition on PMEGP scheme

The Directorate of Industries jointly with the A&N Islands Khadi & Village Industries Board and DIC is planning to organize a State Level Workshop on PMEGP scheme especially to encourage and promote SHGs and entrepreneurs on setting up units under manufacturing of handicrafts out of coconut shell, sea shell, wood, cane & bamboo etc on 12th May 2022 (Thursday) at 1000 hrs in the Conference Hall, Industries Department.

The representatives from the participating departments which include Directorate of Rural Development, DC (Handicrafts), MSME-DI, Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Lead Bank Office, State Bank of India will be presenting on the support they are providing for newly budding entrepreneurs towards their self employment venture. As a part of the workshop, an exhibition of local handicrafts, beach wears etc

would also be displayed in the conference hall, Industries Department to motivate the SHGs/ participants towards such activities.

All interested SHGs and individuals intending to setup self employment venture availing financial assistance through Govt. sponsored schemes are hereby requested to attend the programme as per the venue, date and time specified.

Member of Parliament demands to conduct summer camps for dance, music, painting and various sports activities for children

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to issue necessary directions to Department of Sports as well as Department to Art and Culture to conduct summer camps for dance, music, painting and various sports so that children can make use of this summer vacation to learn new skills and pursue hobbies under expert guidance. In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary the Member of

Parliament mentioned that Summer Vacation opens up great opportunities for school children to learn new skills and pursue hobbies under expert guidance in summer camps but since last two years due to COVID-19 pandemic no such summer camps could be organised by the Administration.

He added that COVID-19 pandemic has left a negative impact on the children because of continuous lockdowns, movement restrictions, closure of schools and limited opportunity for children to socialize.

Now as the COVID-19 cases are under total control in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and there are very limited COVID-19 active cases, the Member of Parliament requested the Chief Secretary to issue necessary directions to Department of Sports as well as Department to Art and Culture to conduct summer camps for dance, music, painting and various sports so that children can make use of this summer vacation to learn new skills and pursue hobbies under expert guidance.

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आवाज उठाती रही है कि अगर समय रहते ऐसे सभी जगहों की पहचान करके यहां पर दिवार नहीं बनाया जाएगा तो आने वाले समय में कई घरों को नुकसान पहुंच सकता है जिसका एक बड़ा उदाहरण सामने दिखाई पड़ रहा है।

श्रीमती फमीदा अजीज का कहना है कि हम प्रकृतिक से लड़ तो नहीं सकते मगर दक्षिण अंडमान जिला प्रशासन चाहे तो इसका स्थाई समाधान निकालते हुए एक बड़ा दीवार बनाकर दे सकता है जिससे की भविष्य में मिट्टी कटाव से बचा जा सकता है और दूसरे घरों को भी संरक्षण मिल जाएगा।



Avinash Social and Cultural Society felicitates Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands



A Delegation of Avinash Social and Cultural Society led by President of the society, Mr. D. Appa Rao felicitated Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma, the Member of Parliament on Wednesday for being conferred the "Sansad Ratna Award 2022" for his outstanding performance in Parliament.

The Delegation Consisted of Mr. D Appa Rao, Mr. J N Raja, Dr. Avinash, Mr. Abboo, Mr. Nirmal and Mr. Sanjib Kumar Roy.

CRACKDOWN ON BOOTLEGGERS CONTINUES

Andaman & Nicobar Police is committed to zero tolerance policy against bootlegging, illicit handia and drug peddling. To ensure that bootleggers, illicit liquor sellers and drug peddlers do not indulge in any illegal activity, a close vigil has been kept over the offenders and multiple raids have been conducted in various parts of this District.

During the period from 01/04/2022 to 30/04/2022, a total of 41 excise cases have been registered in Andaman & Nicobar Islands and 309 bottles of IMFL, 17.5 Litres Illicit Liquor and 15 Kg of Handia have been seized. Apart from this, jungle searches are also being carried out to keep a check on illicit trade. The tireless and sincere efforts of Andaman & Nicobar Police has

succeeded in putting a hold on illegal activities and committed to take stern action against bootleggers & illicit liquor sellers and has mounted strict surveillance. The general public is requested to share information pertaining to any crime or other illegal activities to Police at 100, 112 & 03192-233077/273344/265965. The identity of the informant will be kept secret.



Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd) Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency participated in the 14th Conference of Central Council of Health & Family Welfare (CCHFW) chaired by Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Minister of Health & Family Welfare and Chemical and Fertilizers, GoI at Kevadia, Gujarat. Highlighted the urgent need of expediting filling up vacancies of specialist doctors, to be appointed through CGHS. Recommended augmenting Primary and Secondary Health Care Infrastructure above and beyond mainland norms in view of the remoteness of A&N Islands and its geographical limitations. In view of the thin population density spread over large areas, suggested hybrid solutions for delivery of Tertiary healthcare on as and when required basis.

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

No. 5-1/Quot/LNP/2022-23/34

Dt. 5th May 2022

Tender Notice for Transporting of Baling Machine from Chouldari SWM cluster, South Andaman to Laxmi Nagar SWM Cluster, Campbell Bay

e-Tenders are invited from Registered Firms / Contractors / Cooperative Societies / Transporters etc. for Transporting of Baling Machine from Chouldari SWM cluster, South Andaman to Laxmi Nagar SWM Cluster, Campbell Bay

The e-tender document containing terms & conditions can be downloaded from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in> from 06-05-2022 to 26-05-2022. However, the submission of the tender should be done online at <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>.

Earnest Money Deposit - Rs. 10,000/-

Last date of submission of e-tender – 26th May, 2022 till 05:00 pm

Date & Time of Opening of e-tender – 27th May, 2022 at 11:00 am

The Tender forms and other details can be obtained / downloaded from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>

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DGP ANI Welcome parade at Police Lines



An impressive ceremonial parade was held to welcome Director General of Police, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri Neeraj Thakur, IPS at Police Line, Port Blair on 10/05/2022 at 0730 hrs. Sh. Thakur took charge of DGP, A&N Police on 09th May, 2022. 06 platoons including Executive Police (Male), Executive Police (Female), Fire Service, IRBn, Police Brass Band and Pipe Band participated in the parade, which was commanded by Shri. Naveen Kumar, AC, IRBn. All senior officers, rank and file were present in the Welcome Parade. After inspection of Parade, Sh. Thakur, in his address, lauded the impressive march past of the Police contingents and emphasized that 'Seva', 'Suraksha' and 'Satyanishta' (Service, Security and Integrity)

are fundamental guiding principles of Police functioning. While acknowledging the geo-strategic significance of A&N Islands and its unique set of challenges, he underlined significance of people's cooperation and public partnership in policing through community based policing. He commended the professionalism, hard work and dedication of A&N Police during COVID-19 pandemic and day to day policing. He made a specific mention of Police Stations getting the award of Best Police Station in the country for 3 consecutive years in 2018, 2019 and 2020 which is testimony of the professional excellence of the Police force. He stressed the need for continuous improvement and advancement through skill

upgradation, use of technology on sustained basis to improve quality of delivery of public service. Use of modern and scientific aid to investigation, safety and security of tourist, coastal security, menace of drug abuse, crime against women and children, capacity building to deal with emergent crime such as cyber-crime, online financial fraud are some of the priority areas for further improvement. He exhorted the A&N Police to work hard with dedication to bring a sense of security to every person residing in these Islands. At the end of the ceremony, he interacted with the Police personnel and appreciated the endeavours of the grass root level officers.

Andaman Sangeet Academy celebrated the 162nd Birth Day of "BISWAKABI RABINDRANATH THAKUR"



Andaman Sangeet Academy (ASA) Junglighat, Port Blair, celebrated the 162nd Birth Day of "BISWAKABI RABINDRANATH THAKUR" on 9th May 2022 (Monday) started at 7:15am at Marina Park behind the Statue of Rabindranath Tagore. The former Chairperson of P BMC Shri N. K. Udhaya Kumar has been accepted as the chief guest as Smti. U. Kavitha could not attend the programme due to her illness. Programme was started welcome speech by Shri Tapas Kumar Das, President of the Academy. Chief Guest and others gave floral tributes to Rabindranath Thakur. The members of Andaman Sangeet Academy (ASA) was Sung "He Nutan Dekha Dikh Aar Bar". The

guests were sharing his knowledge by speech in front of gathering. The programme was concluded at 8.30am with the vote of thanks by Smti. Rekha Rani Dhar, Treasurer of Andaman Sangeet Academy (ASA), Junglighat, Port Blair. At evening a cultural programme was held on Auditorium of Tegore Govt. College of Education, Middle Point, Port Blair at 6.00pm. Shri Tapas Kumar Das, President of ASA welcomed the gathering. Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, A & N Constituency was the Chief Guest and inaugurated the programme with floral tributes to the BISWAKABI RABINDRANATH THAKUR and opened 5th issue of Souvenir named "Rabindra Arghya-2022"

which is published by Academy on this occasion. A Cultural Programme was started with a song "He Nutan Dekha Dikh Aar Bar" sung by members of Andaman Sangeet Academy (ASA), after that students, teachers and music lover performed there song, recitation, Keyboard playing and dance. Chief Guest handed over the special prize of 40 students those are performed on the occasion. The Chief Guests were sharing his knowledge by memorable speech in front of gathering. The programme was concluded at 8pm with the vote of thanks by Shri Soumen Home Chowdhury, the General Secretary of Andaman Sangeet Academy (ASA), Junglighat, Port Blair.

Hon'ble Lt Governor virtually inaugurates two new POL Retail Outlets of ANIIDCO at Baratang & Uttara

Port Blair, May 10: The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) today inaugurated two POL Retail Outlets set up by ANIIDCO virtually from Raj Niwas. The inaugural function was attended by the Member of Parliament, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Jitendra Narain, Adhyaksha, ZPSA, Smti. Pramila Kumari, Chairperson PBMC, Smt. U. Kavitha, DGP, Shri Neeraj Thakur Senior Officers of A&N Administration and DGM (RS) IOCL Kolkata, Shri Tahseen Rayaz.

The POL Retail Outlets have been established by the Andaman & Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation Limited (ANIIDCO) one each at Kanchangadh (Baratang) and Uttara (Kadamtala). With the inauguration of these two outlets, the A&N Administration has fulfilled the aspirations of the people residing in remote areas besides providing relief to the vehicle users as well as commuters passing through NH-4. This will also boost the economic growth of the region.

The inaugural function was also live streamed in the conference hall of Secretariat, Port Blair, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, N&M Andaman District and Office of the Assistant Commissioner, Rangat.

In his welcome address, the Executive Director (POL), ANIIDCO, Shri Suneel Anchipaka said the inauguration of the Outlets by the Lt. Governor



is a historic moment as it will benefit the people of Baratang and Kadamtala and the commuters using NH-4. He said, ANIIDCO is engaged in the integrated development of various sectors in A&N Islands. It also ensures the supply of petroleum products like petrol, diesel and lubricants in co-ordination with IOCL at various parts of A&N Islands. The Andaman Public Works Department (APWD) has completed the construction work of these 'Outlets' in 1 year and four months' time despite COVID challenges.

A video presentation by the Indian Oil Corporation Limited

was screened showing their activities in A&N Islands.

Proposing the vote of thanks, the Managing Director, ANIIDCO, Shri Santosh D. Vaidya expressed his sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor for gracing the occasion. With the inauguration of these Outlets, ANIIDCO has extended its network of Retail Outlets from 11 to 13 and made available the petroleum products in between the stretch of Sippighat to Rangat, thus eliminating the daily struggle of the residents of the area and the commuters passing through NH-4.

COVID-19 status in A&N Islands

Port Blair, May, 11 : During the RT-PCR test conducted on 253 passengers who arrived here yesterday, no positive case has been detected. Today, 9 flights with 1176 passengers arrived, out of which, 1007 passengers were vaccinated with both doses while

RT-PCR test was conducted on 464 passengers and the reports are awaited. During RAT conducted on 70 passengers bound for North & Middle Andaman at Ferrargunj, no positive case has been detected. At Phoenix Bay Jetty,

36 passengers were tested with RAT, no positive case has been detected. Test was conducted on 40 passengers at Mohanpura Bus Terminus, no positive case has been detected. At Helipad, test was conducted on 1 passenger and the report was negative.

Vaccination- shield against the virus

Port Blair, May, 11 : The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 6,77,994 beneficiaries in the age group of 18 and above have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands. Similarly, 23,457 beneficiaries have been vaccinated in the age group of 15 to 18 yrs. and 11,993 beneficiaries have been vaccinated

in the age group of 12 to 14 yrs. The number of beneficiaries administered precautionary dose of vaccine so far stood at 21612. A total of 377 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in A&N Islands. 295 eligible beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 29 beneficiaries were in the age group of 12-14 years and the

number of beneficiaries administered precautionary dose of vaccine stood at 45.

82 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District, out of which 9 beneficiaries were in the age group of 12-14 years and the number of beneficiaries administered precautionary dose of vaccine stood at 60.

Member of Parliament demands to keep the Junglighat ANIIDCO petrol pump open for public 24 X 7

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to direct the ANIIDCO to provide 24-hour service in the ANIIDCO petrol pump, Junglighat.

In a letter addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, the Member of Parliament mentioned that since 12.11.2013 the ANIIDCO IOC Retail outlet of Junglighat used to remain open for the public for 24-hours and seven days a week with the approval of

the Indian Oil Corporation (IOC). He pointed out that since the last nearly two years this 24-hour service has been stopped by the ANIIDCO, due to COVID-19 restrictions.

He said that Port Blair being the capital town of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, vehicles operate in Port Blair road till late night and again early morning movement of vehicles starts and hence there is a need to keep at least one Petrol Pump open for 24 hours in Port Blair city.

He added that such 24-hour service in Petrol Pump will also

be life-saving for people as in case of emergency private ambulances will be able to refuel even during late night.

Tourist vehicles in the South Andaman region also start plying in the early morning hours every morning and hence 24-hour service in any one petrol pump in the city will also be of great benefit for tour operators, he mentioned. It will also be beneficial for Inter-Island travelers, who wish to travel to North and Middle Andaman in early morning hours and need to refill the fuel tank.

Pradhan Ramnagar met and gets "MARGDARSHAN"



Mr. Mitun Das, Pradhan Gram Panchayat Ramnagar met with secretary (RD, PRIs & ULBs) and Director (RD, PRIs & ULBs) at Port Blair during his recent tour for official work at Port Blair and took "Margdarshan" (suggestions) to develop the rural village Ramnagar, during his meeting, he submitted a letter and discussed the issue pertaining with roads under PMGSY -II and requested for the urgent approval of repair work of one of the road under GP -Ramnagar where the bus service is barred by the STS diglipur unit due to non motorable condition of the road, due to which commuters are facing lots of problems and are forced to walk

up to 7km for taking any transport service, specially this is big issue for the students, senior citizens and medical patients.

After hearing the genuine issue about the road condition and bus service, both the Secretary and Director, assured for its immediate solution and the secretary suggested the Pradhan for its repairing by meeting with the Executive Engineer (PRIs N&M).

Mr. Das also met with the Director Health and requested for the immediate posting of permanent health Officer at Sub Centre Ramnagar with direction to reside at the quarter attached to the Sub Centre building for attending any emergency case at Ramnagar

village, as the PHC is at a distance of 14km and it is always not feasible to get ambulance service at Ramnagar and also requested the director health for the official opening of one newly constructed Sub Centre which is completed during SAGY-plan but still waiting for its official opening to give the service to general public.

Meanwhile, the Pradhan submitted a letter to the director state transport and requested for the resumption of bus service of Diglipur to Rangat via Ramnagar, so that ATR passengers may get the connectivity with ATR bus at kalara junction and college students and public daily users for Mayabunder journey, may get the direct service.

Shri Neeraj Thakur, IPS assumes the charge of DGP, A & N Islands



Shri Neeraj Thakur, IPS has taken over the charge of Director General of Police, A & N Islands in the forenoon of 09th May, 2022. A ceremonial Guard of Honour was presented at Police Headquarters to welcome the DGP.

Sh. Thakur, an officer of 1994 batch of Indian Police Service, has wide experience and has served in various capacities in Delhi, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa

and Mizoram. He has also served with Central Govt. Organization on deputation and in Kosovo as part of United Nations Peace Keeping Mission. After serving as chief of Special Cell, Delhi Police for 3 years, he has been posted as DGP, Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

Sh. Thakur is a highly decorated officer. He has been conferred upon the prestigious President's Police Medal for

Distinguished Service and Police Medal for Meritorious Service. He is also recipient of Special Duty Medal on 3 occasions, and Union Home Minister's Special Operations Medal.

After taking over the charge, he interacted and held a meeting with senior police officers at PHQ.

A ceremonial welcome parade will be conducted on 10th May in his honour at Parade Ground, Police lines.