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# MOS Health Inaugurates Genomic Sequencing Laboratory of RMRC

Jarawa's forest, brings poachers, settlers and tour-Port Blair, Dec. 29: Dr Bharati ists into the heart of their land. P. Pawar, Hon'ble Minister of The Supreme Court of Indian in 2002 ordered that the road State for Health & Family mustbe closed, butit has never Welfare visited RMRC-ICMR, Port Blair today. Dr P. Vijayachari, Director, RMRC, been complied with. Port Blair briefed the Minister Your Nature Guide about the functioning of the What is a Coral? institution in the presence of scientists

> representative from DHS. During the interaction, Hon'ble MoS was also briefed about the background and achievements of RMRC, Port Blair. She was informed that RMRC, Port Blair is the WHO Collaborative Laboratory for Leptospirosis and the Ione



of DHS, ANTRI, Directorate laboratory for SEAR. She was also informed about the of Tribal Welfare, A&N reduction of malaria cases in Administration. Southern group of Islands The elimination of due to continuous efforts of

Filariasis from Nicobar

achievement of RMRC, Port Blair using novel strategy Double Fortified Salt (DEC and Iodine) as supplement to ongoing MDA. Research on

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Corals are tiny animals that

have an outer stony skeleton and live in colonies in the sea. They belong to the same animals group as the sea anemones, and jelly fish. Each coral animal is called a polyp and lives inside a cup of carbonate (Limestone). It has a mouth at the top surrounded by tentacles. The tentacles help to capture food like plankton for the coral. While it is alive, a coral poly's tentacles protrude from the cups for feeding. In times of danger, the polyp can withdraw into its cup. This is similar to a turtle withdrawing into its shell when disturbed. A coral polyp cannot move and remains fixed to its cup throughout its life. Coral polyps can be of several species - in A&N alone, 135 species are found.

Coral Colonies thousands of coral polyps are connected together to form a coral colony. These colonies are of many shapes and colours. On a visit to a nearby coral reef, you can discover the kinds of coral in your area.

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

#### People's Voice

Prashan ye hai ki kya Andaman fir se sahi mein Prepared hai Corona variant se ladne mein ...?

- A Citizen



Not for company's expansion... we need huge bank loan for political funding!

## Member of Parliament Demands Repair of Velodrome and Construction of a New Velodrome of Internationally Specifications at Car Nicobar

RMRC along with the support

Port Blair, Dec. 29: The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands to repair the velodrome of Netaji Sports Complex as per the international standard under Khelo India initiative and also to construct a new velodrome of internationally approved specifications at Car Nicobar for creating more cycling

opportunities for the children of Nicobar District at their place of

In a letter addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, the Member of Parliament said that it is a matter of extreme pride that we have many international level cyclists in Andaman & Nicobar Islands like Deborah Herold, Master Esow Alben and David Beckham who have

### **CPI(M) Demands Restricting Tiranga** Park to Holding Public Meetings, Mass Dharnas

Port Blair, Dec. 29: CPI (M) has demanded that the Tiranga Park at Aberdeen Bazar, Port Blair should be used only for holding public meetings, mass dharna, etc. by political parties and organizations and not to allow any kind of commercial activities in the Tiranga Park in future. In a letter sent to the Secretary, Port Blair Municipal

Council, Shri D. Ayyappan, State Secretary, CPI (M) drew the attention of the Secretary, PBMC to the exhibition-cum-sale organized by some traders at Tiranga Park, Aberdeen Bazar, Port Blair recently.

The Tiranga Park was created by the CPI (M)-led Left & Democratic Front which was in power in the erstwhile

## Talents Shine at the Annual Athletic Meet of Subhashgram School

#### Chief Guest While Praising the Young **Sportspersons Cautions Regarding Drug** Menace

Diglipur, Dec 29: The Sports lovers of the region were thrilled to watch the talents of the young sportspersons of the Govt. Senior Secondary School Subhashgram today. As the event was conducted after a gap of two years due to the pandemic, the enthusiasm of the students was obvious. Winning the 100 meters'



sprint, Rohit Shil became the fastest student Continued on P4

#### MOS Health Calls Upon Lt. Governor



Port Blair, Dec. 29: Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Health & Family Welfare, Gol currently on visit to A&N Islands from 27th - 30th December, 2022 to review medical infrastructure & preparedness for COVID-19 by A&N Administration met Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency today at Raj Niwas. Hon'ble Lt. Governor briefed the steps being taken by Directorate of Health Services for overall readiness of Andaman & Nicobar Islands in Fight against COVID and upgrading of healthcare framework.

#### **PS Aberdeen Cracks Burglary Case Within** 24 Hours

Port Blair, Dec. 29: Police Station Aberdeen staff have cracked a blind burglary case, which occurred at the residence of a senior citizen. The accused has been arrested and stolen articles recovered within 24 hours.

A burglary case was reported at PS Aberdeen that on 27/12/2022 a sum of Rs. 30,000/- has been stolen from the house of the complainant by breaking the door by some unknown persons. Upon the complaint, an FIR Vide No 234/2022 dated 27/12/2022 U/s 454/380 IPC was registered and immediately a team comprising of SI R. Dhiraj Kishen (IO), HC Sunil Singh Yadav, PCs Sandeep Lakra, Asish Singh and Shiv Kumar was constituted under the supervision of Insp. Girish Kumar, SHO

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Success is not an activity but a process ...

## **India's Goods Exports**

India's goods exports rebounded from a nearly 17% dip in October to a mild 0.6% uptick in November. While the value of exports recovered to \$32 billion from \$29.8 billion in October, it is still significantly below the \$39 billion averaged between April and September. Imports growth moderated to 5.4% with the value of shipments slipping to \$55.9 billion — a level last seen in February 2022, which was followed by seven months of import bills of around \$60 billion. The merchandise trade deficit eased below \$25 billion for the first time in five months. The easing of some commodities' prices may help curb the import bill and deficit to some extent, but this could cut both ways as the value of some exports that boomed because of global price trends earlier, will also decline. A part of the import bill dip was triggered by lower non-oil cargo, signalling slowing domestic demand, but non-oil exports' performance is a greater worry. Their share in exports growth has been shrinking since June, with the contraction accelerating for many sectors from September to November — engineering goods that drove much of India's record \$422 billion goods exports in 2021-22, contracted 11.3% while textiles fell a steeper 25%.

December's pending festive orders may still lift export numbers month-on-month, but the onset of 2023 would spell greater pressures for India's trade story, with key markets heading into a recession. Having grown 11.1% in the first eight months of 2022-23, goods exports could still fall 2.3% over the full year, a CARE Ratings research paper cautioned on Tuesday. While the World Trade Organization expects global goods trade to grow just 1% in 2023, CARE reckons India's exports may rise a meagre 1.5% in 2023-24. Services exports and remittance inflows may cushion India's current account deficit from the goods trade imbalance and restrict the economy's external vulnerabilities, but policy makers need to focus on ensuring a soft landing for factories in exportintensive sectors that are also massive employers so that the global gloom does not hit domestic sentiment. In recent weeks, the Government belatedly scrapped the export duty on steel and iron ore, that was hurting engineering exports too, and brought them under a tax refund scheme with thus-far excluded sectors like drugs and chemicals. Keeping an eye on market realities to respond deftly to emerging challenges is vital for Indian exporters to sustain through the coming turmoil and perhaps, even expand their share in the global trade pie. Vietnam, Cambodia, Bangladesh and China saw their share rise even when global trade growth itself slowed in the years before COVID-19. India too, should aspire to emerge stronger from the brewing storm.

# **BOB'S BANTER**

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#### They Will Vote for Me Anyway...!

- "Can you imagine," said the elected representative, poking a fat finger into my ribs, "the people want a new bus terminus."
- "Yes," I said, "I've heard about that."
- "What do we need a bus terminus for," he said, "when we have an international airport
- "Our people think very small," he continued, "they should think big. They think of buses, I think of airplanes."
  - "You are a great man," I said.
- "They think of hospitals," he continued, "I think of five-star hotels."
- "Your thoughts are big," I agreed.
- "They want a municipal hospital," he continued, "whereas they've got the biggest five star hotel in the city."
- "Small people," I said, "with small minds."
- The elected representative stared at me fiercely, "I get calls from people," he said slowly, "about garbage not being cleared every day."
- "Rubbish," I said.
- "Can you believe it," he said, "they want me to think about their garbage problems, when my thoughts are on Lofty projects."



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"Silly people," I said.

- "Can you see that land over there," said the representative going to the window.
- "Yes," I said, "the one across the road."
- "Yes," said the representative, "I am going to build a sports complex there."
- "How nice." I said.
- "It will be the best in the country," he said proudly, "and all the people can come and jog and run and walk and exercise every day, what a healthy suburb it will be," he
  - "Who needs hospitals," I said.
- "Or bus terminuses," said the representative, "but do you know something, people have limited vision. They cannot see the sports complex across the road."
- "Then what do they see?" I asked.
- "The potholes in the road," he exclaimed angrily.
- "Small minded people," I said.
- "All they talk of is the holes in the road, and the cracks on the footpath, when just beyond lies a dream coming true, can't they look beyond?" asked the representative
- "They have limited vision," I said humbly, nodding at his wisdom.
- "But they are a lucky people," cried the great man coming back to his seat.
- "Why," I asked with bated breath.
- "Because, I am not upset or disturbed by the complaints of these people, you know whv?"
- "No!" I said.
- "Because the people will vote for me whether I deliver or not deliver; all they are interested in, is which god I worship, and if I will thrash those who worship other gods! Which means I can do what I want!"
- "You are a great man, a clever man!" I said, "how lucky we people are..!" bobsbanter@gmail.com

# Member of Parliament Demands Repair of Velodrome and Construction of a New Velodrome of Internationally Specifications at

#### Continued from Page 1 brought laurels for our Islands in national as well as

international level.

He said that all these cyclists and many others budding cyclists have got initial training in the lone velodrome of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and later they got specialised training in mainland India. This Ione velodrome of A&N Islands is in very bad shape and training

on this velodrome can lead to serious accidents to the cyclists, which ultimately can spoil their career.

The Member of Parliament pointed out that the existing Rajiv Gandhi Velodrome at Netaji Stadium Sports Complex, Port Blair has inherent technical defects since it's construction way back in the year 1995, which needs to be identified and rectified.

He mentioned that the velodrome needs a total makeover so that not only local level but also international level training can be imparted in the velodrome. This will certainly produce more and more international level cyclists from these Islands, which will bring more medals for India in future.

# ENTERTAINMENT

# **B-Town Gears Up for 2023** with a High-Octane Lineup

December 29: Smarting under the burgeoning impact of films from the South is having up north, Bollywood is hell-bent to reclaim its audience in the new year. First pandemic, and then movies like 'Kantara', 'KGF', 'Pushpa', 'RRR', have given many sleepless nights to Bollywood. However, the interesting lineup of movies Bollywood has for 2023 shows that it not only wants to prove its mettle but also win back those viewers whom it has lost to South.

#### Pathaan

What better way could have the year started than by having a Shah Rukh Khan release? The 'King Khan' has been missing in action for the last four years. But even though he is 57 years old and has been MIA for a while now, the anticipation for an SRK release is like never before. Even its trailer is highlyawaited. When a fan guizzed SRK about it on Twitter, the latter replied, "It will come when it has to come." An YRF production, the movie stars Deepika Padukone as well. Two songs are already out and one has generated enough controversy around it. The movie is slated for a theatrical release on January

Tu Jhoothi Main Makkaar We all know Boney Kapoor as a filmmaker. But he is soon going to debut as an actor in 'Tu Jhoothi Main Makkaar'. He has been paired with Dimple Kapadia. Directed by Luv Ranjan, Ranbir Kapoor and Sharada Kapoor headline the movie. The first poster of the movie has able to repeat his 'Bahubali'



already been released, and the movie is expected to hit the screens on March 8, coinciding with the Holi festival. The title track was recently released and to everyone's surprise, it has been sung by Ranbir Kapoor himself. The movie had earlier faced delays due to incident on the sets.

Kahani

Karan Johar's ubiquitous presence on the small screen is unmissable so much so that people tend to forget that he is a filmmaker first and has directed not even 10 movies in his career so far. But K.Jo is back as a director after seven years. His movie, 'Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem Kahani' is all set to hit the theatres on April 28. The movie boasts of an interesting cast comprising young actors and veterans. Alia and Ranveer will be seen working together again after 'Gully Boy'. On the other hand, we have the likes of Shabana Azmi, Dharmendra, and Jaya Bachchan.

Adipurush

Whether Prabhas will be

feat or not remains to be seen, but his upcoming movie, 'Adipurush' will certainlygo down in the history as the first moviewhich faced a backlash of Himalayan proportions over its teaser. Following the titanic trolling by fans who found the CGI of the movie far off the mark, it is reportedly the pandemic and a fire undergoing some production changes adding to its already Rocky Aur Rani Ki Prem massive budget. Now, the movie, in its revamped a vta ar will be released on June 16. Directed by Om Raut, who earlier made 'Tanhaji', the audience will see Prabhas as Lord Ram and Kirti Sanon as

#### Animal

Expectations soar to the sky when the maker of 'Arjun Reddy' and its north Indian cousin, 'Kabir Singh' Sandeep Reddy Vanga takes the helm again. This time he has roped in Ranbir Kapoor, Anil Kapoor as the lead. Rashmika Mandanna will play the character of Geetanjali in the movie which also stars Anil Kapoor and Bobby Deol. The movie is likely to be released on August 11. Recently a few snaps of Ranbir believed from 'Animal' were leaked online in which one can see the actor in a beefed-up avatar.

# Several Big Movies to Keep you Hooked on to OTT this Week

December **HYDERABAD:** Several smallbudget films have been lined up for release at the atresth is week butmassblockbusters are ready for streaming on the OTT.A teenager promises his mother that he would not get close any girl till hegets married. Cut the scene, the boy grows into a youth and falls in love with a girl. Did the boy marry the girl whom he loved or that chosen by his mother? To know more about this, Aha Na Pellanta, a webseries starring Raj Tharun and Shivani Rajasekhar as the

lead pair. The publicity languages. The film was crafted

Spy thriller 'Sardar' starring Karthi was a blockbuster hit recording Rs 100 crore box office collections. This movie has been readied for OTT streaming. AHA bought the Telugu and Tamil OTT streaming rights of the film and it would be streamed on November 18 in both the

pictures reveal that comedy is by P.S. Mitran. During Dasara, the theme of the entertaining Chiranjeevi's hit 'Godfather' series directed by Sanjeev was released at the theatres. Reddy. It is being streamed on Directed by Mohan Raja, the film received good talk from the audience. There is talk that the film made Rs 100 crore box office collection. The movie would be streamed on Netflix on November 19. The film is a remake of Malayalam superhit Lucifer. Salman Khan, Nayanathara and Satyadev played some key roles in the movie made as a political drama.





## Covid Patients at Increased **Risk of Psychiatric Conditions** After Two Years: Lancet

Health, Science /Tech

December 29: LONDON: Increased risk of neurological and psychiatric conditions such as dementia and seizures is still higher two years after COVID-19 compared to other respiratory infections, suggests an observational study of over 1.25 million patient health records published in The Lancet Psychiatry journal.

The increased risk of depression and anxiety in adults lasts less than two months before returning to rates comparable to those after other respiratory infections. Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, there has been growing evidence that survivors might be at increased risk of neurological and psychiatric conditions. A previous observational study by the same research group reported that COVID-19 survivors are at increased risk of several neurological and mental health conditions in the first six months after infection.

However, until now, there have been no large-scale data examining the risks of these diagnoses over a longer time period. "In addition to confirming previous findings that COVID-19 can increase the risk for some neurological and psychiatric conditions in the first six months after infection, this study suggests that some of these increased risks can last for at least two years," said Professor Paul Harrison, from the University of Oxford, UK. "The results have important implications for patients and health services as it suggests new cases of neurological conditions linked to COVID-19 infection are likely to occur for a considerable time after the pandemic has subsided," Harrison, lead author of the study, said.

The study also highlights the need for more research to understand why this happens after COVID-19, and what can be done to prevent or treat these conditions. The study analysed data on 14 neurological and psychiatric diagnoses gathered from electronic health records mostly from the US over a two-year period.

Of those with health records in the US-based TriNetX network, 1,284,437 people had a confirmed SARS-CoV-2 infection on or after January 20, 2020 and were included in the study: 185,748 children, 856,588 adults between 18 and 64 years old, and 242,101 adults over 65. These individuals were matched to an equal number of patients with another respiratory infection to act as a control group. Records from COVID-19 patients infected during different pandemic waves were also compared to investigate differences in the impact of the Alpha, Delta, and Omicron variants on the risk of neurological and psychiatric diagnoses.

People who had a first diagnosis of COVID-19 within the period when a particular variant was dominant were compared with a control group of the same number of individuals who had a first diagnosis of COVID-19 in the period just before the emergence of that variant. The study found that, in adults, the risk of having a depression or anxiety diagnosis initially increased post SARS-CoV-2 infection but returned to the same as with other respiratory infections after a relatively short time.







# Talents Shine at the Annual Athletic Meet of Subhashgram School

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of the oldest school of the zone, whereas Tamanna emerged as the best sprinter among girls.

Felicitating Suresh Minj and Tamanna for winning the Individual Championships in Boys and Girls category respectively, the chief Guest of the closing ceremony, Shri Lakshya Pandey, DANIPS in his address to the students said that the youth of these Islands are immensely talented and it was reflected in these sports competitions too. The youth of these Islands can compete at any level, he said. He appreciated the students for the beautiful display of Yoga, Pyramid formations with Aerobics

Taking charge as the zonal head of the Police recently, Shri Lakshya Pandey said that the youth should stay away from the menace of drugs. He said that the Police are dealing strictly with the anti-social elements, who are trying to push the innocent youth of the area into the clutches of drugs.

The Chief Guest also Pandey sponsored a prize to one of the runners of the relay race, who showed his determination to rise and continue to run again, after falling down on the track.

Calling upon the students to excel in the sports field as well with the academics, the Chief



Guest of the inaugural ceremony, Deputy Education Officer Shri R.P. Pandey said that they may opt for a career in the sports sector also, as there is a vast scope. Imbibing the values of Sportsman spirit in their lives, the student can achieve success in their endeavors. He advised students to include Yoga in their daily routine to develop their personality holistically.

In his address to the students, the Pradhan of the Panchayat Gram Subhashgram, Shri P.R. Singaram said the sports activities relieve stress and it helps students to concentrate on studies after getting refreshed through physical games. Appreciating the small kids of the Pre-Primary classes for their performance, Shri Singaram said that it's a welcome step by the school to develop the aptitude in sports at younger age.

The organiser of the Annual Sports, the Principal of Government Subhashgram Shri M. Nehru said that the students have always made their presence felt whenever they got the opportunity at State and National Level Sports events.

The Physical Education teacher of the school Rahul Mohan informed that it is only because of the untiring efforts of the staff that it was possible to conduct more than 40 events from the preprimary to class XII smoothly.

The Diglipur Gram PS Aberdeen for the search Panchayat Pradhan, Smti of accused person and stolen Boopathi K.V. Raj, Up-Pradhan Shri Elan Chezhian, Shri Krishna Das, SMC member and a large number of students from the nearby schools and parents were present to witness the beautiful cultural programs along with the Sports competitions held today.



## MOS Health Inaugurates **Genomic Sequencing** Laboratory of RMRC

Continued from Page 1 tribal health is the highest priority of RMRC, Port Blair and various research programmes are being carried out on this tribal community from time to time with special reference to health and the nutritional status of the PVTGs.

Later, Hon'ble Minister inaugurated the Genomic Sequencing Laboratory at RMRC, Port Blair, paving the way for gene sequencing of COVID-19 along with other viruses at the local level in near future after getting

registered with the DBT. Presently, all the gene sequencing samples are being sent to NIV, Pune which takes much longer time for obtaining result. She also visited the BSL 3, leptospirosis and various laboratories and appreciated the efforts made by the Centre. She also inaugurated Immunology Laboratory in the same campus.

Hon'ble Minister expressed satisfaction over the functioning of the RMRC, Port Blair and also appreciated the achievements of the organization.

### CPI(M) Demands Restricting Tiranga Park to Holding Public Meetings, Mass Dharnas

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Port Blair Municipal Board from 1990 to 1994, for holding public meetings and protests like Mass Dharna, etc. by political parties and organizations. There is no other place available at the Port Blair town to conduct public meetings and mass dharna,

Ayyappan stated in the letter that earlier also, CPI(M) had protested against utilizing the Tiranga Park for commercial activities but the successive rulers in the PBMC continued the practice. When the Tiranga Park is booked for such commercial purpose in advance, the political parties and organizations who want to hold public meetings and Mass Dharna, etc. are forced to give up their plan for organising the programme. He further stated that holding public meetings, mass demonstration, etc. are the constitutional rights guaranteed to the citizens and no authority can abridge it on whatsoever ground.

#### PS Aberdeen Cracks Burglary Case Within 24 Hours

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money. The team working professionally swung into action and nabbed the accused person namely V. Eshwar S/o Shri P.S. Venkatesan (32) yrs, Pvt. Electrician R/o behind Youth Hostel and recovered the stolen cash & articles which he had purchased from the stolen money.

The entire investigation took place under the overall supervision of Sh. Arshdeep Singh Panwar, DANIPS, Sub Divisional Police Officer, South Andaman.

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**Executive Engineer**, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I Junglighat, Port Blair South Andaman

#### Patriotic Musical **Evening to Pay** Tributes to Heroes of India's

Port Blair, Dec. 29: To commemorate anniversary of First Flag Hoisting by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in A&N Islands, the Tourism Department in association with the Department of Art & Culture& Kala Kendra Society will be organizing a Patriotic Musical evening at Corbyn's Cove Beach from 5.30 pm tomorrow (Dec. 30) to pay tribute to the heroes of India's Freedom Struggle.

During the musical evening, artistes of Melody Stars and Sur Saptak will be presenting patriotic songs for the audience. General public have been invited to participate and enjoy the patriotic musical programme which will be held from 5.30 pm to 8.30



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# **SPORTS**

# 'I Was Trying to Fake it, I was Trying to be Happy': Jemimah Rodrigues on her 2022 World Cup Snub

December 29: Indian women's cricketer Jemimah Rodrigues has opened up about her tough time when she was dropped from India's 2022 ODI World Cup team. The Cup was hosted by New Zealand, where India finished fifth on the points table and failed to enter the knockout stage.

Sharing her emotions with former coach WV Raman on his Youtube Channel's show 'Wednesdays with WV', Jemimah said, "When I was dropped from the ODI World Cup and I was going through a very bad phase. I was not Jem at home and they knew it. I was trying to fake it for them, I was trying to be happy, show everything is good on the outside but on the inside I was hurting. Cricket is something I love the most, playing in World Cup is a dream and both those things didn't happen."

The snub was a setback for the middle-order batter because she had a brilliant outing in the Women's Asia Cup, which was played a few months back. She had then emerged as the leading run-scorer of the tournament, scoring 217 runs from 8 matches.



Jemimah further added that she couldn't sleep well at home for weeks and was getting dreadful dreams and waking up suddenly in the middle of the night.

"One day I remember my mom and dad we sat down at home all three of us were trying to be happy for each other just so that we could be strong for each other. Then I broke down and I told my dad that I think I need to take a break from cricket for few days. My dad started crying, my dad never cries. He's like for me to go through something is fine but when I see my own daughter going through something, it's 10,000 times worse", she said.Meanwhile, India's squad

for the tri-series in South Africa starting in January and the upcomingICC Women's T20 World Cup 2023 has been annouced.

The ICCWomen's T20 World Cup 2023 is set to begin on February 10, with India set to begin their campaign on February 12 against Pakistan in Cape Town.

Jemimah Rodrigues has managed to retain her place in the team despite low returns in India's 1-4 series loss to the mighty Australia. Left-arm pacer Anjali Sarvani is also part of the team following her debut series against Australia. The other pace bowling options include Renuka Thakur and Pooja Vastrakar, whose inclusion in the squad is subject to fitness.

# 'Rishabh Pant, Shreyas Iyer and...': Dinesh Karthik Picks up Top-Three Indian Performers Across all Formats in 2022

**December 29:** As the year 2022 comes to an end, team India will look back at the highs and lows and realise what a memorable one it's been for the men in blue.

From failing to qualify for the final of the 2022 Asia Cup, suffering a humiliating 10-wicket defeat at the hands of England to ending the year with a series win over Bangladesh, team India has seen it all.

Nevertheless, the Indian team has witnessed some of the most brilliant individual performances this year. Speaking about the same on a Cricbuzz show, veteran Indian wicketkeeper-batter Dinesh Karthik has revealed his pick for

top-three Indian performers across all formats from 2022.

He believes Rishabh Pant is the best performer for Indian for redball cricket. Pant scored most runs in the format, in just 12 Test innings, he amassed 680 runs with an average of 61.81. The figures include two tons and four half centuries.

For ODIs, Karthik named Shreyas Iyer as the best performer. With 1609 runs across formats, Shreyas Iyer has been in red-hot form in 2022. Iyer became India's top scorer in ODIs. The right-hand batsman has registered 724 runs from 17 matches under his name. Not only this, he has decent red-ball



figures too, scoring 422 runs in 5 matches, he averaged 60.28.

For the T20 best performer, Karthik picked up everyone's favourite Suryakumar Yadav. Finishing the year with most runs T20s. SKY has racked up 1164 runs in 31 innings at an average of 46.54 and a staggering strike rate of 187.43. The in-form batter scored two hundreds and 9 half centuries.

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 Wom en:
 244701

 Coast Guard for
 1554

Search & Rescue (SAR)

**District Control Room:** 

Coast Guard RHQ: 232681

Coastal Security 1093

State Control Room: 1077, 238880

PBMC Control Room: 245798

Kisan Call Centre: 1551

Wild life Control Room: 245229, 200661, 200754

#### **Emergency Operation Centres (EOCs)**

**State Control Room:** 03192- 238880

03192- 238880 (Tele-Fax), 1070 (Helpline). 03192-238881

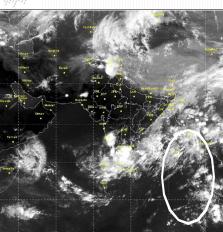
 EOC (Campbell Bay):
 03193-264020

 EOC (Kamorta):
 03193-263222

 EOC (N&M):
 03192-262960

 EOC (Hut Bay):
 03192-284014

# Weather



Max. Temp: 30.2 °C Min.: 23.0 °C Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 64% 1730 Hrs: 65% Sunrise: 0538 Hrs. Sunset: 1705 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): 2585.2 mm

#### Forecast

The weather will be dry over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30.0°C and 24.0°C respectively on Friday 30/12/2022.

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