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Jarawa Facts

The local and international campaign for the Jarawa's rights has already had a huge impact. The authorities had planned to resettle the Jarawa in villages, but they now recognise the tribe's right to live on their land in the way they choose. Your help is needed to make sure the Jarawa's land is protected and their future secured.

Your Nature Guide

Coral Colonies: Many 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.

Coral polyps produce eggs and sperm which fuse (join) to form a larva or the baby coral animals (planula- many planula are called planulae) that drifts in the sea till it finds a clean, hard surface (like dead coral) to settle on and grow. Reef animals like parrot fish, limpets, chitons, and sea urchins feed on plants and sponges that grow on dead coral, thus creating free space for new corals to settle and grow. Corals also reproduce by budding. Small buds appear on the body of the adult polyp grow larger, and break off from the parent body. They then move off to produce their own limestone and help the colony increase in size.

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

People's Voice

Kya sahi mein Andaman mei Tourism Promote karna chahta hai Administration ya fir ye bhi kuch Joomla hai ...???

- A Citizen



Our days are numbered... chicken is cheaper than vegetables, now!

MP Demands Earmarking Proper Swimming Area with Double Safety Netting at Wandoor, Chidiyatapu and Corbyn's Cove beaches

Port Blair, Nov. 28: The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands to earmark a proper swimming area at Wandoor, Chidiyatapu and Corbyn's Cove beaches with double safety netting for tourists and local residents, so that safe swimming can be opened in these three prominent beaches.

In a letter addressed to the Lt. Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, the MP said that as tourism has revived in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, thousands of tourists are reaching Port Blair on a daily basis and many of them are going back deeply disappointed as they are unable to swim in any of the beaches of Port Blair and adjoining areas.

He pointed out that Andaman & Nicobar Islands being a beach

destination, tourists mainly plan to visit the Islands to experience swimming in sea and also to enjoy water sports activities but in all the beaches in and around Port Blair, viz Wandoor, Chidiyatapu and Corbyn's Cove swimming is prohibited because of threat of crocodile attack.

The Member of Parliament said that tourists who spend thousands of rupees to visit Andaman & Nicobar Islands get very

disappointed when they are told that swimming is only allowed in Shaheed Dweep and Swaraj Dweep and not in Port Blair and adjoining areas.

This is sending a negative signal across the world and is likely to harm Andaman's Tourism Industry in the coming future.

Sharma said that not only tourists, local residents are also unable to swim in any of the beaches of Port Blair

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ANCA Conducts its First Ever N&M District Open Chess Tournament

Port Blair, Nov. 28: The first ever North & Middle District Open Chess Tournament 2021 was organised by Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) on Sunday the 28th November 2021 at Youngster's Club, Keralapuram, Diglipur. The event was sponsored by Saravana Xerox Diglipur and Andaman Trade Syndicate, Port Blair. All safety norms for COVID were adhered during the entire tournament.



Mr. N.S. Stalin, Inspector, SHO, Diglipur was the chief guest of the event who inaugurated the tournament by making the first move on the top board in presence of Shri. Singaram, a leading businessman of Diglipur who graced the occasion as the guest of honour.

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DCSA and Team Inspect Developmental Activities from Sippighat to Wimberlygunj, Address Public Grievances



Port Blair, Nov. 28: Shri Suneel Anchipaka, Deputy Commissioner (SA) along with SDM (SA) inspected various developmental activities being carried out at Sippighat, Meethakhari, Namunagar, Shaitankhadi to Wimberlygunj. Officials from Revenue, RD and other line departments also accompanied.

During the inspection the DC(SA) had a brief meeting with ex- Pradhans, local

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PBGKR in Collaboration with District Administration Conducts Special Vaccination Camp at Rutland

Port Blair, Nov. 28: With a sole purpose to eradicate the coronavirus from the islands and for reaching vaccination to the remotest of places, Port Blair Guru Ki Rasoi (PBGKR) in collaboration with District Administration, South Andaman and PHC Manglutan conducted a vaccination camp at Rutland.

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21st Foundation Day of LJP Celebrated

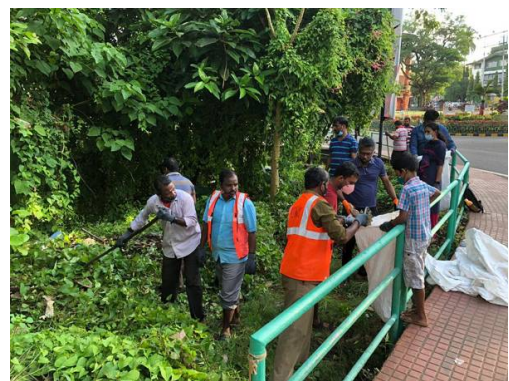
Port Blair, Nov. 28: The 21st Foundation Day of Lokjanshakti Party (Ram Vilas) was celebrated in the islands today by the party members. The celebration started with a cake cutting ceremony by the Lokjanshakti Party Mahila Morcha. Later the State President,

Lokjanshakti Party Youth Wing and other senior leaders spoke on the importance, responsibility and future endeavours of the party in A&N Islands.

The occasion was graced by Shri Abhibhusan Ghosh, State President Youth Wing, LJP, Vaibhav Singh,

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PBMC in Association with Walk for Plastic and Others Conduct Cleanliness Drive



Port Blair, Nov. 28: The Port Blair Municipal Council along with Walk for Plastic, YBSSCT, True Vision Foundation, Ration Rasheed Foundation, ACCI and MES

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*Life has no Remote Control. Get up
and Change it Yourself.*

Shore up the lifeline

After reports clearly indicated that the States had run out of funds for expenditure on wages and materials for the MGNREGS, the Government announced ₹10,000 crore in additional funds as an interim measure. Though allocated on November 5, the scheme's financial statement as on November 25 still showed a negative net balance of ₹9,888 crore indicating that the balance sheets were in the red in 24 States and Union Territories. This means that the fund crunch suffered by the scheme due to high demand and a low budgeted outlay in the Union Budget for this financial year, continues. The high demand is an indication of the extended effects of the pandemic in rural areas, and a continuing lack of funds will hurt any further demand for work in such areas besides of course delaying payments for those who have already completed work. The impact of the lockdowns during the pandemic has continued to depress employment levels and rural wage incomes, which is why the MGNREGS has proven to be a popular avenue for employment and wages. In fact, even during the economic crisis during the pandemic, the rural sector sustained the poor by providing them guaranteed work through the scheme. The delays in payments and the lack of funds have contributed to an estimated unmet demand to the tune of 20% in Bihar, Telangana and Gujarat, according to activists tracking the implementation of the scheme. As the scheme guarantees income for 100 days of work, many households get a reduced number of workdays for which they are paid — a situation that should not be tenable.

The budgeting for the scheme by simply fixing a nominal increase from the original Budget estimate in previous years is a flawed method. If anything, the outlay must be tied to revised/actual estimate of expenditure for the scheme each year — in the case of 2021-22, the total allocations were ₹73,000 crore, much lower than the ₹1,11,500 crore as revised estimates in expenditure in 2020-21. Nearly a quarter of the allocation for the current financial year was also tied to meeting the liabilities from previous years. Clearly, the scheme suffers from a budgeting problem that has hampered its proper implementation despite its popularity, and this needs to be rectified. The Union Government has done the right thing in continuing till March 2022, its free foodgrain ration scheme, the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, that was launched as part of the COVID-19 relief packages — the fourth such extension. This was an acknowledgment of the need for the scheme to support poor families in a recovering economy. Considering that the MGNREGS acts as a robust lifeline as well, it will be prudent for the Government to make up the shortfalls in the allocations quickly.

BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



You Cannot Escape Competition..!

Many believe that competition is bad, that life is meant to be peaceful and calm, sitting on a mountain, or playing golf!

Gary Player for years was a great competitor in national and international golf tournaments. People constantly said to him, "I'd give anything if I could hit a golf ball like you."

Upon hearing that comment one day, Player responded impatiently: "No, you wouldn't. You'd do anything to hit a golf ball like me, if it were easy! Do you know what you have to do to hit a golf ball like me? You've got to get up at 5:00 every morning, go out to the golf course, and hit a thousand golf balls! Your hands start bleeding, and you walk to the clubhouse and wash the blood off your hands, slap a bandage on it, and go out and hit another thousand golf balls! That is what it takes to hit a golf ball like me!"

His goal was to be at the top of his sport. That lofty dream required hard work, hard work and more hard work..!

Often we think we can achieve nirvana and peace of mind by giving up everything, for those who dream of such lazy a life, Rabbi Harold Kushner tells a wonderful story about a bright young man who was a sophomore Stanford pre-med student. To reward him for having done so well in school, his parents gave him a trip to the Asia for the summer.

While there he met a guru who said to him, "Don't you see how you are poisoning your soul with this success-oriented way of life? Your idea of happiness is to stay up all night

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studying for an exam so you can get a better grade than your best friend. Your idea of a good marriage is not to find the woman who will make you whole, but to win the girl that everyone else wants.

"That's not how people are supposed to live," the sage admonished. "Give it up; come join us in an atmosphere where we all share and love each other."

The young man had completed four years at a competitive high school to get into Stanford, plus two years of pre-med courses at the university. He was ripe for this sort of approach. He called his parents from Tokyo and told them he would not be coming home. He was dropping out of school to live in an ashram (a spiritual retreat).

Six months later, his parents got this letter from him:

"Dear Mom and Dad,

I know you weren't happy with the decision I made last summer, but I want to tell you how happy it has made me. For the first time in my life, I am at peace. Here there is no competing, no hustling, no trying to get ahead of anyone else. Here we are all equal, and we all share. This way of life is so much in harmony with the inner essence of my soul that in only six months I've become the number two disciple in the entire ashram, and I think I can be number one by June..!"

Aha! There he was in the ashram, still competing!

So let's face it; you want to do well, in office, golf course or ashram; compete and win, there's no other way..!

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MP Demands Earmarking Proper Swimming Area with Double Safety Netting at Wandoor, Chidiyatapu and Corbyn's Cove beaches

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and adjoining areas even when they live very close to sea, which is a major source of disappointment.

He said that Tourism is the main Industry in Andaman & Nicobar Islands and thousands of people are solely dependent on Tourism for

their livelihood and this is extremely important to look into these important issues to promote Andaman Tourism globally.

PBMC in Association with Walk for Plastic and Others Conduct Cleanliness Drive

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Builders Association organised a Cleanliness Drive at Bengali Club Bus stand. Wild creepers and numerous amount of non-degradable, plastic, glasses

and ceramic wastes were cleared during the drive.

Walk for Plastic has expressed its gratitude towards the District Administration SA, Secretary PBMC and the

staff, all the NGOs and common people for making this drive successful. The drive has been continuing since a week and will continue till it achieves free ground.

ENTERTAINMENT

'Antim' Movie Review: Crime and Punishment

This week, the good old Mahesh Manjrekar joins the likes of Rahul Rawail and Satish Kaushik — competent filmmakers who are roped in to launch/resurrect family products by Bollywood bigwigs on a tried and trusted track. When in form, Manjrekar has the ability to engage the audience with old-school melodrama. In Pravin Tarde's Marathi hit, Mulshi Pattern, here, he has potent material to work upon, but the presence of a star almost overshadows his expression.

With farmers' protests trending in mind space, the film's underlying theme of the social cost of development is easy to relate to. Here is a farmer (Sachin Khedekar) who is forced to sell his land. He spends most of his money on family obligations and is reduced to a security staff guarding what was once his own fields. He is humiliated for plucking vegetables from the land he once tilled.

His son Rahul (Aayush Sharma) fails to process this change where human dignity and social status are usually not calculated while arriving at the price of agricultural land. When the family migrates to Pune, Rahul gets into a Deewar's dock scene kind of situation where the angry young man makes somebody else's fight his own.

It spirals into a series of events and Rahul gets sucked into a vortex of crime and politics, alienating him from his conscientious father. Like the Vijay of yore, Rahul is chased not only by law and rival gangsters, his conscience also tries to catch up with him.

Unlike many recent Bollywood films, Manjrekar doesn't normalise depravity. He keeps it an equal opportunity game, for characters on either side of the moral divide. Rahul's school teacher spits on him when he tries to grab his land. The drunkard father (Manjrekar himself in a lovable cameo) of Manda, the girl (Mahima Makwana makes a confident debut) Rahul loves, says, when he buys medicine for headache after checking the expiry date, how could he invest in a guy whose shelf life is so



short. The honest policeman's hands are tied by corrupt political bosses but he could still show a gangster or a self-seeking lawyer his place. Such scenes remind of the Salim Javed era of mainstream cinema where the anti-hero was constantly shown the mirror.

Manjrekar also draws from his biggest hit, Vaastav, as one could see shades of Raghu in Rahul. Aayush's body language and dialogue delivery remind of Sanjay Dutt's portrayal of the boy who gets caught in the quagmire of crime, and gradually struggles to choose between right and wrong.

Like Sanjay, Aayush perpetually carries furrows on the forehead. Somebody could have told him that creases should develop or recede on their own as per the intensity of the scene.

Having said that, in his second film, Aayush is not bad at all. He can hold his own in front of seasoned performers like Khedekar and Utpendra Limaye, has a deep timbre and the camera seems to like him.

However, Manjrekar has to justify producer and brother-in-law Salman Khan's presence as well, ostensibly to guarantee a

good opening. So the role of police officer Rajveer Singh, who takes on Rahul, swells beyond proportion and muffles the voice of the film.

In fact, it is Salman who falls short of expectations. With no back story, he, inexplicably, chooses to play Rajveer in a safe, restrained fashion. Had he brought a little more colour to the air-brushed Sikh character, his battle with Rahul would have been much more fun. Perhaps, he wanted the focus to be on Aayush, but his stiff presence neither helps the cause of the film nor of his fans.

Moreover, every time Rajveer enters the scene, the background score shoots up by a few decibels. The theme song suggests that the Bhai is some sort of replacement of God, during a crisis. If Salman wanted to play a character, why did he carry his off screen baggage?

The songs are pedestrian, action average and the idea of police putting two rival gangs against each other has been used so many times by Ram Gopal Varma that it has lost its novelty. The saving grace is that even when the narrative sags, it doesn't lose its moral fibre.

Antim: The Final Truth is currently running in theatres

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Health, Science /Tech

No default end-to-end encryption for Facebook Messenger, Instagram until 2023



Washington: Facebook, Instagram, and WhatsApp's parent company -- Meta, does not plan to roll out end-to-end encryption (E2EE) by default on Messenger and Instagram until 2023.

The company merged Messenger and Instagram chats last year, as a part of its plan to create a unified messaging system across all of its platforms.

As per The Verge, while messages sent through Messenger and Instagram can be E2EE, that option isn't turned on by default and likely won't be until sometime in 2023. WhatsApp already supports E2EE by default.

As per a source, Antigone Davis, Meta's head of safety, attributed the delay to concerns about user safety. Since E2EE means only the sender and recipient will see their conversations, Davis said Meta wants to ensure that this doesn't interfere with the platform's ability to help stop criminal activity.

Once E2EE does become available by default, Davis noted that the company will "use a combination of non-encrypted data across our apps, account information and reports from users" to help keep them safe, all while "assisting public safety efforts."

In a blog post earlier this year, Meta said that default E2EE would become available on Instagram and Messenger, "sometime in 2022 at the earliest." But now, Davis said that Meta wants to "get this right," so the company plans on delaying the feature's debut until 2023.

Also going into effect in 2023 is the UK's Online Safety bill, which will require online platforms to keep children from harm, as well as promptly address abusive content. This may impede Facebook's plans to enable E2EE by default, as the UK's Home Secretary, Priti Patel, has criticised its use in the past.



ANCA Conducts its First Ever N&M District Open Chess Tournament

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A Good number of players participated in the event in which Sarath Menon of Mayabunder secured first position, N Eshwar Rao of R K Gram stood second place, Dasrath Mistry of Shibpur & P J Eppan of Keralapurm secured third and fourth position respectively.

The top four players of the tournament were awarded with trophies, cash prize and certificates by the chief guest and guest of honour. Prizes were also given to best young player, best veteran and best women of the tournament.

Shri. H. Dinesh, IA was the chief arbiter for the tournament who presented

the Arbiter's report at the end of the event. As a goodwill gesture, the General Secretary, ANCA distributed new chess boards along with pieces to the Youngster's Club for the promotion of game of chess in the vicinity.

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Representatives and residents and gave a patient hearing to their grievances related to Road Condition, Drinking water, electricity, playground development at Ograbraj Middle School, Street lights and various other issues.

Directions were given to the officials of the line departments by DC (SA) for the redressal of the grievances at the earliest in a time bound manner. The DC (SA) along with the team also inspected the Health &

Wellness centre at Wimberlygunj. During the visit the medical staff present there reported about the lack of sufficient sanitary staff and medical equipment. DC (SA) assured to take up matter with concerned authorities for resolving the said issues.

The local residents lauded the efforts of DC (SA) for the works undertaken under the RURBAN mission such as market place, guest house at shore point, Shade at Bus stands,

community hall and Road under PMGSY-I.

The DC (SA) reiterated that the District Administration is committed to the development of infrastructure and its maintenance in South Andaman and also sought the cooperation of the local populace in its efforts. The DC (SA) asked the Revenue & RD field staffs to follow up on all the matters raised by the public. He further asked the public to feel free to reach out to his office for their genuine grievances.

Last Date for Submission of Online Application in TGCE

Port Blair, Nov. 28: The last date for submission of online application forms for admission to Two Years B.Ed. Degree Programme for the academic session 2021-22 in Tagore Government

College of Education, Port Blair has been extended up to 7th December 2021 as requested by Principal, JNRM, Port Blair due to non-receipts of results from Pondicherry University.

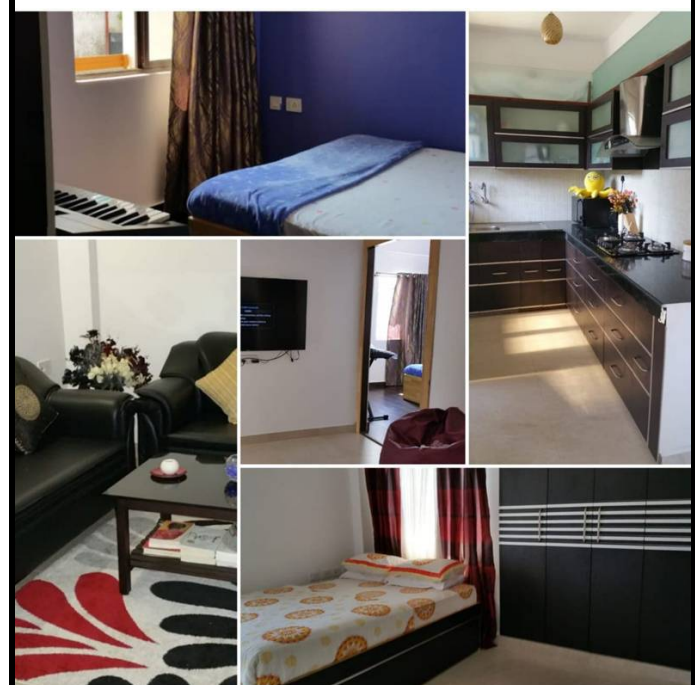
Desirous candidates can now submit their online application up to 7th December 2021 via URL <http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in>.

Condolence

Dr. P.K. Mandal, Dilip Kumar Das, Maharaj, Jeet Halder, Nepal Bhatta, members of Hindu Rastra Shakti and villagers (Jaipur, Middle Andaman) express deep sadness at the passing away of Smti Parul Biswas aged 76 yrs, Mother of Shri Rabin Biswas (Executive member HRS) on 27.11.2021 at 0315 PM. May her soul rest in peace.

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PBGKR in Collaboration with District Administration Conducts Special Vaccination Camp at Rutland



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In total 76 beneficiaries, all residents of Rutland were vaccinated in the camp. Shri Mandeep Grewal, President, PBGKR thanked the District

Administration and PHC Manglutan to make the vaccination reach to the remotest of places. The local residents of Rutland whole heartedly thanked the initiative by the PBGKR team.

21st Foundation Day of LJP Celebrated



State Vice President, LJP (Y), Shri Sajid Shan, General Secretary LJP (Y), Shri Manpreet Singh Chani, Executive Member LJP (Y), Fareeda Bibi, State President Mahila Morcha, LJP and other prominent leaders.

Member of Parliament Requests Administration to Procure Coconut/ Copra from farmers of Campbell Bay at MSP

Port Blair, Nov. 28: The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands to direct the Department of Agriculture to procure Coconut/Copra at Minimum Support Price from the farmers of Campbell Bay.

In a letter addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Sharma said, "In case procurement of Coconut/ Copra by the Administration

is not possible then I request you to kindly direct the private parties, purchasing Coconut/ Copra from Campbell Bay at much lower rate to buy Coconut/ Copra from farmer only at Minimum Support Price so that the farmers get justified rate for their produces".

The Member of Parliament also pointed out that the farmers of Campbell Bay are solely dependent on Agriculture in which Coconut/ Copra are the

major produces but due to non-availability of Minimum Support Price (MSP) these farmers are unable to sell their Coconut/ Copra produces, since a long time and are suffering financial loss.

He mentioned that in case of COPRA, delay in procurement means further loss to the farmers as the COPRA gradually dries up and the weight decreases, hence immediate steps to resolve this issue is necessary.

Revenue Department Clears Encroachment, Restores an Area of 2000 sq. mtrs. Teylorabad

Port Blair, Nov. 28: The District Administration in its drive against encroachment on Government revenue land in the South Andaman District has been carrying out eviction drives.

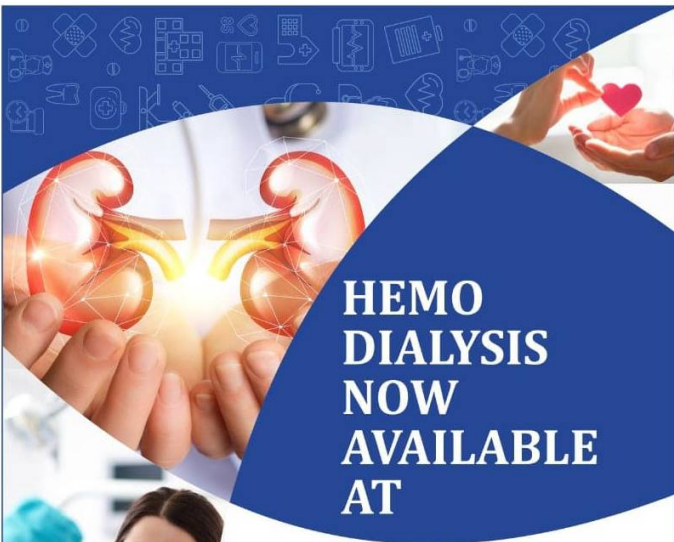
In this connection unauthorised occupation in an area measuring 2000 sq. mtrs out of Sy. No 203/P, situated at Teylorabad village under Port Blair Tehsil in the shape of plantation comprising coconut and temporary fencing has been removed today by the revenue officials of Port Blair Tehsil and same has been restored in favour of Revenue Department.

Shri Suneel Anchipaka, Deputy Commissioner (SA) lauded the efforts of the



revenue field staff and cautioned the general public to refrain from indulging in such illegal encroachments. He further reiterated that the drive against such illegal encroachments shall continue and also requested the public to come forward in case of any information regarding such illegal encroachments and can pass on such information to the District Control Room on the following numbers 03192-240127/1077 or 9531888844 (Whatsapp).

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SPORTS

Ind vs NZ 1st Test | We were rewarded today for our persistence: Axar Patel

Kanpur, Nov 28: As a Test cricketer, Axar Patel seems to be in a hurry to make up for lost time.

Since making his Test debut against England this February, Axar has taken five wickets in an innings five times. Armed with 32 Test wickets midway through his fourth Test, the left-arm spinner is making Test cricket look easy.

After all, between Axar's first and fifth wickets on Saturday, his bowling figures read 10.1-2-20-5. That too, on a pitch far less conducive to spin than the ones in Chennai and Ahmedabad, where he played against England.

"It does seem like you are living a dream within a dream. But on Friday, after India went wicket-less for two sessions and New Zealand scored in excess of 129 without loss, Test cricket did not look easy at all," explained Axar while taking questions after his 5 for 62 on Saturday.

"The focus was on consistently bowling good lines and keeping the right length to get wickets. Today, in the last two sessions,



we were rewarded for our persistence shown in the previous three sessions."

On what made him appear more effective than seniors like R. Ashwin and Ravindra Jadeja on this day, Axar said, "As compared to yesterday, I was focussing more on bowling from the edge of the crease to create a certain angle. I think the Kiwis found that difficult to deal with."

Has the behaviour of the pitch changed since the match began?

"A lot. It is slowing down further. The odd ball is either

spinning more or keeping low. No doubt, it will be challenging to bat, but if you play the ball on its merit, runs will come. Patience will play a role."

Asked about substitute K.S. Bharat's wicket-keeping skills today, Axar said, "It is not easy for anyone to be told to take the field less than 10 minutes from the start of the day's play. After Wriddhiman Saha sprained his neck while warming up this morning, Bharat did a fairly good job of ball-collection, catching and stumping. With experience, he will surely get better."

ICC calls off Women's World Cup Qualifier after new COVID-19 variant emerges

Dubai, Nov. 28: The ICC on Saturday called off an ongoing qualifier for next year's Women's ODI World Cup in Harare following the emergence of a new COVID-19 variant in the African region, paving the way for Pakistan, West Indies and Bangladesh to make the cut on the basis of rankings.

Travel restrictions have been introduced from a number of African countries after detection of the new variant in South Africa stoked fears around the world. The ICC said the decision to stop the event was based on its concerns about how the participating teams would head back in the wake of Omicron variant's rise.

The decision was taken during the preliminary league phase of the nine-team tournament, that was to decide the final three qualifiers for the World Cup 2022, to be played

in New Zealand, as well as two additional teams for the next cycle of the ICC Women's Championship.

"The qualifiers will now be decided according to the team rankings as detailed in the tournament playing conditions. Therefore, Bangladesh, Pakistan and the West Indies will now progress to the event in New Zealand," said the ICC in a statement.

Play in two of the three matches scheduled for Saturday – Zimbabwe v Pakistan and USA v Thailand – started as scheduled but the third fixture of the day, between the West Indies and Sri Lanka, could not be staged as a member of the Sri Lanka team support staff tested positive for COVID-19.

"We are incredibly disappointed to have to cancel the remainder of this event but with travel restrictions from a

number of African countries being imposed at such short notice there was a serious risk that teams would be unable to return home," ICC Head of Events Chris Tetley said.

"We have explored a number of options to allow us to complete the event but it isn't feasible and we will fly the teams out of Zimbabwe as soon as possible.

The teams who have qualified for the World Cup are Australia, England, India, South Africa, New Zealand (hosts), Pakistan, West Indies and Bangladesh.

The mega event will be held in New Zealand from March 4 to April 3. "The number of teams in the third cycle of the ICC Women's Championship (from 2022-2025) has been increased from eight to ten, and these teams will be Australia, England, India, South Africa, New Zealand, Pakistan, West Indies, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Ireland," the statement added.

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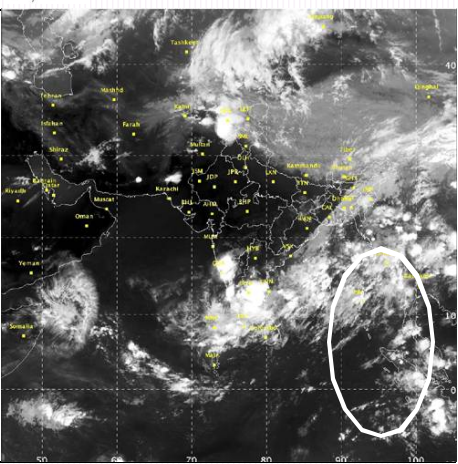
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Weather



Max. Temp: 30.6 °C	Min.: 26.2 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 73%	1730 Hrs: 79%
Sunrise: 0523 Hrs.	Sunset: 1652 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	075.0 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Total Rainfall: (From Jan 1, 2020 till date):	3363.1 mm

Forecast

Dry weather likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 25°C respectively on Monday 29/11/2021

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