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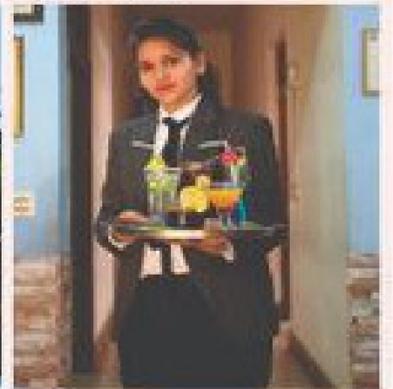
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# Water Sample Testing for A & N Islands Available on JJM-WQMIS



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[Tarun Karthick](#)

Campbell Bay, 15  
November 2021

Under Jal Jeevan Mission, Water Testing Labs have been established at many places in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. According to the data available in Water Quality Management Information System, altogether 11 labs are available in Andaman and Nicobar Islands where the public can submit their water samples and get them tested for various parameters.

To submit a sample one will have to register on JJM-WQMIS portal and put in

the request to test the water sample. The sample will have to be physically submitted to the lab. The test report will be generated online and will be made available on the portal.

The URL for the JJM-WQMIS portal is <https://neer.icmr.org.in/>

Nominal prices for testing public and commercial water samples are listed on JJM-WQMIS. The users have the choice of choosing the parameters against which the water samples are to be tested.

At present, the price for testing public and commercial samples are the same. Following is the listed price for testing water samples against different parameters:

Temperature - ₹1/-

Colour - ₹1/-

Turbidity - ₹5/-

pH - ₹1/-

TDS - ₹1/-

Total Alkalinity (as Calcium Carbonate) - ₹20/-

Chloride (as Cl) - ₹50/-

Fluoride (as F) - ₹50/-

Ammonia (as Total Ammonia -N) - ₹50/-

Nitrate (as NO<sub>3</sub>) - ₹50/-

Sulphate (as SO<sub>4</sub>) - ₹50/-

Total Hardness (As CaCO<sub>3</sub>) - ₹20/-

Free residual Chlorine - ₹1/-

If one chooses to test the water sample against all the parameters it will cost them Rs. 300/-.

The public can make use of the labs established under Jal Jeevan Mission to get the water samples tested from different sources near them.

Following are the labs available in A & N Islands for testing of water samples by public according to the JJM-WQMIS portal: (Please read the story on website for list of labs.)

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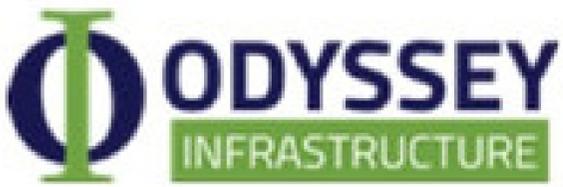
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# BJP Leaders Writes to Secretary (Shipping) to Streamline Shipping for Great Nicobar; Ship Scheduled on 18th Nov 2021



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**Tarun Karthick**

Campbell Bay, 15 Nov 2021

The residents of Great Nicobar were facing a lot of problems in travelling from Campbell Bay to Port Blair as well as from Port Blair to Campbell Bay because of irregular shipping services. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Singh, State Vice President, Bharatiya Janata Party, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Mr. E S Rajesh, District President, Nicobar District, Bharatiya Janata Party wrote to the Secretary (Shipping), Andaman and Nicobar Administration requesting him to increase the frequency of ships to Campbell Bay.

The leaders requested the Secretary (Shipping) to arrange four sailings monthly for Campbell Bay via Nancowry and three sailings monthly to Campbell Bay via all ports (including Car Nicobar).

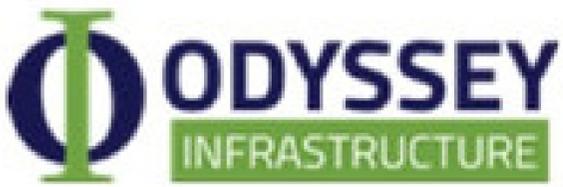
They further suggested that the four sailings monthly to Campbell Bay via Nancowry may be planned in such a manner that every week a ship is available for the residents. They added that the sailing dates may be tentatively fixed on 1st, 8th, 15th & 21st of every month. They also suggested that the three sailings for Campbell Bay via all ports

may be tentatively fixed on 10th, 20th & 30th of every month.

The leaders informed Secretary (Shipping) that if tentative dates of sailings are fixed by the administration the residents will not face any inconvenience and they will be able to plan their journey in advance.

A ship has been scheduled for Campbell Bay on 18th of November 2021 from Port Blair following the request by the leaders of BJP. Earlier the ship used to be scheduled after a long gap.

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# National Press Day 2021: LG & MP Greet Scribes



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**Rohit Kumar**

Port Blair, 15 Nov 2021

Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Andaman and Nicobar Islands have greeted the Media Fraternity of Andaman and Nicobar Islands on National Press Day 2021.

Every year 16th of November 2021 is Observed as National Press Day to honour and acknowledge the establishment of the Press Council of India (PCI).

In 1956, the First Press Commission planned to form a Press Council to protect the freedom of press in India. The Press Council was established in India on 4th of July 1966, the Press Council started functioning from 16th of November 1966.

Read the Message of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands on the National Press Day 2021:

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**MESSAGE**

On the occasion of National Press Day, I extend my warm greetings to all the members of the media fraternity of A&N Islands. I hope that the occasion inspires all of them to maintain highest standards of professionalism and constructive journalism.

Media is the nerve of the society. It plays a vital role in dissemination of information to the masses based on facts and truth. Being a proactive partner in developmental programmes, media has been motivating people to work towards achieving a just and corruption free society. It has safeguarded free expression, which is the soul of democracy.

Media in A&N Islands has shown its commitment to the pursuit of democracy through truth, fairness and objectivity. It has ensured that the happenings in society are correctly reflected and important issues involving the vulnerable sections are provided the required attention. I wish that media in the UT and in the country continue their excellent service towards Islands and the Nation for a better and progressive tomorrow.

**(Admiral D K Joshi)**  
PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM(Retd.)  
Lt. Governor, A & N Islands  
&  
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Read the Greetings of the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Andaman and Nicobar Islands on the National Press Day 2021:

I extend my heartiest greetings to all journalists from the media fraternity of Andaman and Nicobar Islands on National Press Day.

National Press Day is celebrated every year on November 16 to commemorate the establishment of the Press Council of India which was formed in 1966.

This day marks the symbol of a free and responsible press in India as the Press Council acts as a moral watchdog for the media.

I acknowledge the hardship and risks involved in conduct of the profession world over, especially in a remote state like Andaman and Nicobar Islands and appreciate the role played by the media in these Islands.

I express gratitude to the media fraternity for going about their duty professionally without fear or favour.

Kuldeep Rai Sharma  
Member of Parliament, ANI

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