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Thought for today
If you are alone, you have no value. But if you are loving, sweet and co-operative in company, then you are in invaluable.

MV Chuglam to sail for C/ Bay via Nancowry on Nov 1

Port Blair, Oct 26: Cargo vessel, MV Chuglam, will sail for Campbell Bay via Nancowry on Nov 1, 2021 at 5 pm from Haddo/Chatham Wharf and will sail for Port Blair immediately after discharging/loading of cargo at respective ports. Booking of cargo for the sailing will commence from 27.10.2021 (Wed) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors have been advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

PBMC cautions street vendors to adhere Street Vendors Act 2014

Failure to comply with instructions will attract penalty/fine & action

Port Blair, 26th Oct. 2021: With the objective to streamline street vending practice in the Port Blair city, the Town Vending Committee of Port Blair Municipal Council has a meeting today and decided to impose hefty fine on defaulters.

The Town Vending Committee (TVC), Port Blair Municipal Council has informed the registered street Vendors of Port Blair City to comply with the provisions contained under the Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 and also to warn the unauthorized street vendors that NO VENDING ZONES and without possession of Certificate of Vending to refrain from unauthorized vending activity in violation of the provisions of the Street Vendors Act. In order to comply the Act in letter and spirit, the following penalty / fine amount for various violations will be levied on the violating street vendors in pursuance of the Act.

S.No	Description of violation of street vendor	Fine Amount
1	Vending without Certificate of Vending (CoV) /Vending at No vending Zone	Rs. 2,000 /-
2	Vending at different location (Not as per the CoV issued)	Rs. 1,500 /-
3	Extension/additional space occupied in vending site by the Vendors	Rs. 1,000 /-
4	Vending with other persons/letting the space to others (other than his/her family members)	Rs. 1,000 /-
4	Not up-keeping public health and hygiene.	Rs. 500 /-
5	Non-compliance of other instructions of the CoV/ instructions of Town Vending Committee	Rs. 500 /-

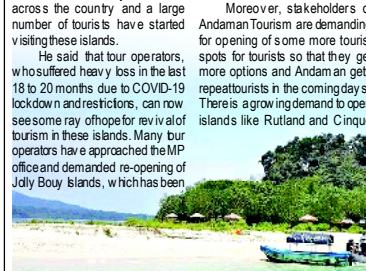
For any query, one may contact Nodal Officer (TVC), Office of the Town Vending Committee, PBMC at Reason Children Park, Dairy Farm, Port Blair.

Re-open Jolly Bouy, open other islands for tourists: MP

Port Blair, Oct 26: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of the UT Administration to re-open Jolly Bouy Island as also open new islands for promotion of tourism in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. In a letter to the Chief Secretary, the Member of Parliament said that the threat of COVID-19 infection is currently minimum across the country and a large number of tourists have started visiting these islands.



Island for tourism, Shri Sharma said adding that if the administration re-opens Jolly Bouy and opens islands like Rutland and Cinque Island for tourism, the Tourism Industry also will be able to bounce back soon from the present situation.



Diwali gift for central govt. employees: Rate of DA hikes to 31 percent

Port Blair, Oct 26: In Diwali gift for central government employees, the Department of Expenditure (DoE), Ministry of Finance, has hiked the Dearness Allowance rate to 31 percent of the basic pay from 28 percent with effect from July 1, 2021. In an order issued on Monday, the Ministry said that the President is pleased to decide that the Dearness Allowance payable to Central Government employees shall be enhanced from the existing rate of 28% to 31% of the Basic Pay with effect from 1st July, 2021.



of DA as per the new rate would include the pay drawn as per the recommendation of the 7th Pay Commission. It would not include any other type of pay. The 'Basic Pay' in the revised pay structure means the pay drawn in the prescribed level in the Pay Matrix as per 7th Pay Commission recommendations accepted by the Government, but does not include any other type of pay like special pay, etc., Department of Expenditure said in the order.

The Ministry further said that the Dearness Allowance will continue to be a distinct element of remuneration and will not be treated as pay within the ambit of FR 9(21). The payment on account of Dearness Allowance involving fractions of 50 paise and above may be rounded to the next higher rupee and the fractions of less than 50 paise may be ignored. Apart from Central Government Employees, the revised DA rate will also apply to the civilian employees paid from See... Page 02

KCB Academic Excellence Award bestowed to meritorious students of Basantipur



Port Blair, Oct 26: In a glorious day in the history of North and Middle Andaman District, Shri Sandipan Bepari, son of Shri Kala Chand Bepari, resident of Nimbudera, Founder of "KCB" Academic Excellence Award instituted "KCB Academic Excellence Award 2021" to felicitate meritorious students Class X and XII of Basantipur Gram Panchayat. The function was organized at Vegetable Market of Nimbudera and was attended by a huge gathering of villagers including former Pradhans of Basantipur, Harinaran and Swadesh Nagar and former Zilla Parishad members. Parents, students and teachers of nearby schools also attended the function. See... Page 02

Preventive maintenance of MV Pillopanja and MV Musor

Port Blair, Oct 26: In order to carry out preventive routine maintenance work on board, vehicle ferry vessel MV Pillopanja operating between Middle Strait and Baratang will be withdrawn from service for 04 days w.e.f. 27.10.2021 onwards. However, in absence of MV Pillopanja, the vehicle ferry vessel MV Austin-III presently providing services between Utrara and Gandhighat will be shifted to provide services between Middle Strait and Baratang. Due to shifting of MV Austin-III See... Page 02

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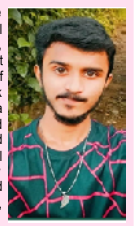
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21 yr old missing, people urged to share information

Port Blair, Oct 26: It is informed to the general public that Prasanta Das, s/o Mr. Babul Das, 21 yrs. resident of RK Gram, Diglipur, presently staying at ITI hostel, Diglipur, went missing on 03-09-2021 in Port Blair. He is of 170 cms in height, fair complexion, hair black and long face. He was last seen wearing a navy blue color T-shirt with red prints and black color formal pant and half heart shaped locket with chain in his neck. The general public have been requested to pass on any information regarding the above mentioned missing person to phone 100, 03192-250925, 9434280100.



Cleanliness drive by NCC Cadets at Prem Nagar, Junglighat



Port Blair, Oct 26: As a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Cadets and PI Staff of 1(A&N) participated in Clean India programme on 26 Oct 21 aimed at creating awareness on clean environment. As a part of

Awareness prog. on menstrual hygiene for Women SHG members by PBMC

Port Blair, Oct 26: An awareness generation programme on "Menstrual Hygiene" was conducted by PBMC for Women SHGs formed under DAY-NULM at Dr BR Ambedkar Auditorium on Tuesday in collaboration with ANIMS. The inauguration session was addressed by the Joint Secretary, PBMC, Shri Anand Varadhan Mishra.

Dr Amrita Burma, MD, Community Medicine and expert in the subject, highlighted various aspects and issues related to menstrual hygiene. Participants attended the programme with enthusiasm and got many queries and doubts cleared by the experts. The event witnessed huge response from members belonging to different SHGs within municipal area. A memento to the expert from ANIMS was presented by Joint Secretary, PBMC as a token of appreciation.

Shri Muthu Kumar, Project Officer, PBMC welcomed the gathering. Ms. Sweta Burma, City Mission Manager (Skill & Livelihoods), City Mission Management Unit, DAY-NULM, PBMC proposed the vote of thanks.



Covid-19 poses bigger risk of rare brain conditions than vaccines, says study

Port Blair, 26th Oct. 2021: Covid-19 is more likely to cause rare neurological conditions than vaccines, according to a study published in the Nature Medicine journal.

The study, led by the University of Oxford, analysed the health records of 32 million people in England to identify the risks of developing rare brain conditions before and after being positive for Covid, or receiving the first dose of either the Oxford-AstraZeneca or Pfizer Inc.-BioNTech SE jabs.

The researchers compared how often neurological complications occurred in set windows of time. While the vaccines were found to result in an increase of neurological complications, like Bell's palsy and Guillain-Barre syndrome, the study found that contracting Covid presented an even bigger risk.

Rare cases of such complications led many countries to restrict the use of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine to older age groups.

We found different risks for different types of neurological condition, depending on which See... Page 02

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EDITORIAL

The Andaman Express

27 October 2021

India's business world

First they came for a Tanishq ad — and the mighty Tata empire did not stand up to a communal campaign against an image of an inter-faith home. A year later, the mob has trained its outrage on Fabindia, for advertising a festive collection that it called *Jashn-e-Riwaaz*. The public display of bigotry was endorsed by BJP MP from Bengaluru, Tejashwari Surya, who accused the clothing brand of "Abrahamising" the Hindu festival of Diwali, and warned it of "economic costs". Other self-styled defenders of Hinduism plunged into this ridiculous battle by doing a close reading of the foreheads of the models in the ad — and rejecting them because they did not wear bindis. Instead of shrugging off this absurd campaign, Fabindia has withdrawn the ad.

That Hinduism and Hindus need to be defended against a phrase in Urdu — a language born in the north Indian heartland, one of 22 scheduled languages listed in the Constitution, spoken and written by freedom fighters and poets, lovers and lyricists, a strand entwined in the DNA of this diverse country — is a laughable proposition. But it gathers menace in the hands of an indignant mob that tweets first, thinks later. It becomes dangerous when hate and bigotry are so easily amplified by social media — and when the right to take offence is licensed by politicians who, it appears, wish only to speak the language of polarisation and divisiveness. And so, a mob of trolls, intent on touching the shared rural and common ground of diversity, grows into a vigilante force.

True, such intolerance feeds on the complicity of politicians such as Surya and the dispiriting lack of trust in the state to defend the citizen or the businessman. But it is also emboldened by the silence of the biggest names of India Inc, who have enormous resources to defend themselves. Their reticence will not buy them a reprieve — it will not protect the bottom line nor prevent a campaign of calumny, as the recent tarring of infomys as "anti-national" or the labelling of Fabindia, as staid an example of indigenous "Make in India" enterprise as any, as "anti-Hindu" reveal. It is time for corporate India as a whole, and not just individual businesses, to look hard at the balance sheet of such capitulation, to realise that the mob will not stop at one ad. By deleting "Jashn-e-Riwaaz" — Urdu for a "festival of tradition" — or scrapping an ad campaign in the hope of muting the mob, it shrinks the space for both freedom and enterprise. And paves the way for another salvo from the bullies of new India.

Preventive maintenance..

There would be only a vehicle ferry vessel MVF Kadamtala to carry the services between Utara and Gandhinagar, during the above period. Similarly, MV Mus, operating between Chatham and Bambooflat will be

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withdrawn from services for two days with effect from 27.10.2021 for undertaking urgent repair. Normal vehicle ferry operation at these routes will be restored on resumption of these vehicle ferry vessels.

KCB Academic Excellence..

The Principal, SSS Swadesnagar, Mr. Suresh Mazumdar, was the chief guest of the programme. Cash

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awards, trophy and certificates were distributed to the meritorious students on the occasion.

Diwali gift for central..

The Defence Services Estimates and the expenditure will be chargeable to the relevant head of the Defence Services Estimates. Separate orders will be issued by

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the Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Railways for Armed Forces, personnel and Railway employees respectively, the order said.

Covid-19 poses ..

vaccine people received," said Martina Patone, co-author of the study. "However, these were substantially lower than the risks occurring in association with a positive Covid-19 PCR test." There were, however, several limitations to the study. For example, only risks associated with the first dose of either the AstraZeneca or Pfizer-BioNTech

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vaccines were examined as data from second doses were limited at the time of the study. "The Covid-19 vaccines are very effective at reducing risks of severe outcomes from Covid-19 infection," said study co-author Julia Hippisley-Cox, U.K. regulators added Guillain-Barré syndrome to the list of rare side effects from the Astra vaccine last week.

Harbour Energy seeks PSV pair in Indonesia

Port Blair, Oct 26: UK oil and gas independent Harbour Energy will require platform supply vessels (PSVs) to support its drilling campaign offshore Indonesia. Harbour company, Premier Oil Andaman, has launched a prequalification process for the provision of two Indonesian-registered PSVs for its planned drilling operations in the Andaman Block. The vessels should have a

minimum 900 sqm deck area, DP2 capability, and not be older than 10 years. Prequalification documents should be submitted by November 1. The estimated contract commencement date is February-April 2022. The drilling campaign is expected to begin in the first quarter of 2022. Premier Oil Andaman has awarded a contract to Aquadrill and a subsidiary of Vantage for the Capella managed pressure drilling (MPD) equipped drillship for a two-well contract plus two optional wells. The rig will be contracted to Premier Oil Andaman for one well and subcontracted to Repsol Andaman for a second well.



MAJORITY IN US CONCERNED ABOUT CLIMATE: SURVEY

President Joe Biden heads to a vital UN climate summit at a time when a majority of Americans regard the deteriorating climate as a problem of high importance to them, an increase from just a few years ago.

About 6 out of 10 Americans also believe that the pace of global warming is speeding up, according to a new survey from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago.

As Biden struggles to pass significant climate legislation at home ahead of next week's UN climate summit, the new AP-NORC/EPIC poll also shows that 55 percent of Americans want Congress to pass a bill to ensure that more of the nation's electricity comes from clean energy and less from climate-damaging coal and natural gas.

Only 16 percent of Americans oppose such a measure for electricity from cleaner energy. A similar measure initially was one of the most important parts of climate legislation that Biden has before Congress. But Biden's proposal to reward utilities with clean energy sources and penalize those without ran into objections from a coal-state senator, Democrat Joe Manchin of West Virginia, leaving fellow Democrats scrambling to come up with other ways to slash pollution from burning fossil fuels.

For some of the Americans

watching, it's an exasperating delay in dealing with an urgent problem.

If you follow science, the signs are here, said Nancy Reilly, a Democrat in Missouri who's retired after 40 years as a retail manager, and worries for her children as the climate deteriorates. It's already here. And what was the first thing they start watering down to get this bill through? Climate change.

It's just maddening, Reilly said. I understand why, I do get the politics of it. I'm sick of the politics of it.

After President Donald Trump pulled the United States out of the Paris climate accord, the Biden administration hoped to help negotiate major emissions cuts globally to slow the rise of temperatures. But its unclear whether Biden will be able to get any significant climate legislation through Congress before the UN summit starts Sunday.

In all, 59 percent of Americans said the Earth's warming is very or extremely important to them as an issue up from 49 percent in 2018. Fifty-four percent of Americans cited scientists' voices as having a large amount of influence on their views about climate change, and nearly as many, 51 percent, said their views were influenced by recent extreme weather events like hurricanes, deadly heatwaves, wildfires and other natural disasters around the world.

Over the last 60 years, the

pollution pumped out by gasoline and diesel engines, power plants and other sources has changed the climate and warmed the Earth by 1.7 degrees Fahrenheit, making the extremes of weather more extreme.

In east Tennessee's Smoky Mountains, leaf-peeper websites this year are advising fall foliage tourists that leaves are taking days longer than normal to turn from green to fiery orange and red. It's not evidence of climate change as a one-off instance, but typical of the changes Americans are seeing as the Earth heats up.

Normally you get the four seasons, fall, spring, and winter, and it goes in that way. But lately, it's not been that, said Jeremy Wilson, a 42-year-old who votes independent and works the grounds at a scenic chairlift park that runs people up to the top of the Smoky Mountains. It's been either way hotter, or way colder.

Seventy-five percent of Americans believe that climate change is happening, while 10 percent believe it is not, the poll found. Another 15 percent are unsure.

Among those who say it is happening, 54 percent say that's caused mostly or entirely by human activities compared to just 14

percent who think incorrectly, scientists say that it's caused mainly by natural changes in the environment. Another 32 percent of Americans believe it's a mix of human and natural factors.

And while Democrats are more likely than Republicans to say climate change is happening, majorities of both parties agree that it is. That breaks down to 89 percent of Democrats and 57 percent of Republicans.

The poll also gauged Americans' willingness to pay for the cost of cutting climate-wrecking pollution as well as mitigating its consequences.

Fifty-two percent said they would support a \$1 a month carbon fee on their energy bill to fight climate change, but support dwindles as the fee

increases.

I would say, like \$5, 10 dollars, as long as it's really being used to what it should be, said Kyrstal Chivington, a 46-year-old Republican in Delaware who credits her 17-year-old daughter for reviving her own passion for fighting climate change and pollution.

It's not ordinary consumers who should bear the brunt of paying to stave off the worst scenarios of climate change, said Mark Sembach, a 59-year-old Montana Democrat who works in environmental remediation.

"I think it needs to fall a great deal on responsible corporations that's and unfortunately... most corporations aren't responsible," Sembach said. And think there needs to be a lot of pushback as to who ultimately pays for that.



Congress to undertake massive membership drive from November 1

The Congress, on Tuesday, said it will undertake a massive nationwide membership drive from November 1 and will also fight an "ideological battle" against the "subjugation of democracy" through training programmes.

The party made the assertions after a special meeting of general secretaries, in-charge and Pradesh Congress presidents which was presided over by party president Sonia Gandhi.

Former Congress president Rahul Gandhi was also present at the meeting and participated in the deliberations. Addressing a press conference after the meeting, Congress' chief spokesperson Randeep Surjewala said this has been resolved by the party to undertake a massive membership drive from November 1, 2021 till March 31, 2022. He said it was unanimously agreed that the Congress would

reach out to every nook and corner, every ward and village across the country and offer Indians in the



remotest parts, a platform for their aspirations. Special emphasis was laid on enrolling first-time voters as members of the Indian National Congress. Surjewala said the party will also undertake an ideological training programme to counter the

"systematic attack unleashed by the BJP/RS not only on the Congress ideology but on the core fundamentals of justice, equality and affirmative action enshrined in the Constitution".

"The meeting expressed concern over the systematic subjugation of democracy by unconstitutional means and virtually holding every institution captive to the whims and caprices of the ruling elite."

He said the party has decided to fight an "ideological battle" against the "subjugation of democracy" through training programmes.

The Congress will hold a massive agitation on inflation called "Jan Jagran Abhiyan" from November 14-29, Surjewala said, adding that this will be the first phase and an announcement about the next phase will be made later.

Vaccination drive continuing smoothly in isles

Port Blair, Oct 26: The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 4,82,235 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total of 1,72,536 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till dated 25-10-2021. A total of 2433 people were vaccinated yesterday in A&N Islands. Meanwhile, 1580 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 122 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44 years. Similarly, 574 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which 25 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44. 279 beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District out of which 4 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44.

Iran gas stations suffer mass outage after suspected cyberattack

Gas stations across Iran on Tuesday suffered through a widespread outage of a government system governing fuel subsidies, stopping sales in an incident that one semi-official news agency referred to as a cyberattack.

An Iranian state television account online shared images of long lines of cars waiting to fill up in Tehran. An Associated Press journalist also saw lines of cars at a Tehran gas station, with the pumps off and

the station closed.

The semi-official ISNA news agency, which called the incident a cyberattack, said it saw those trying to buy fuel with a government-issued card through the machines instead receive a message reading cyberattack 64411. Most Iranians rely on those subsidies to fuel their vehicles, particularly amid the country's economic problems. While ISNA didn't acknowledge the number's significance, that number is associated with a hotline run through

the office of Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei that handles questions about Islamic law. ISNA later removed its reports. Iran has faced a series of cyberattacks, including one that leaked video of abuses in its notorious Evin prison in August. The country disconnected much of its government infrastructure from the internet after the Stuxnet computer virus widely believed to be a joint U.S.-Israeli creation disrupted thousands of Iranian centrifuges in the country's nuclear sites in the late 2000s.

CONDOLENCE

Shri. V K Abdul Aziz, Social Worker Brindaban expressed deep sadness at the passing away of Shri VISHALANAND Junior Engineer, APWD S/o Late Virjanand, Resident of Middle Point, Port Blair breathed his last today (26/10/2021) at 0700 Pm G B Pant, Hospital. May his soul rest in peace.



AATO delegation meets Deputy Commissioner of South Andaman

Port Blair, Oct 26: A delegation of Andaman Association Of Tour Operators led by its President Shri M. Vinod along with Shri PS Vijay, an Org. Secretary and Shri Viv ec Singh, Vice -President met Shri Suneel Anchapka, DC South Andaman on the occasion and discussed various tourism related issues and requested DC sir to consider the issues raised by Aato. The major request made was to provide one separate convey in the morning for tourists visiting Baratang. To provide bigger boats like Coral Queen for Swaraj Dw ep seeing the increase in arrival of guests. To provide additional ferry service for Shaheed Dw ep islands. Shri Suneel Anchapka, DC South Andaman listened to the issues raised by Aato and has assured to look into the same. The President, AATO expressed his gratitude towards Shri Suneel Anchapka, DC, South Andaman for all his support towards tourism industry and meeting the delegation of AATO amidst this busy schedule.

Downgrades suggest India equity market valuations are extremely stretched

Equity markets have been on a stellar run since their crash in March 2020. Barring minor corrections, the last year has seen a mostly upwards trajectory, both the BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty 50 have surged 52 per cent driven by huge inflows from domestic retail investors. But in the past few days, there have been at least two downgrades, suggesting the equity market rally may have been overdone.

Japan's Nomura Securities downgraded India equities to "neutral." It had upgraded India to "overweight" back in February 2021, but now valuations appear "very stretched." We see an unfavourable risk-reward given valuations, as a number of positives appear to be priced in,

whilst headwinds are emerging," said Chetan Seth and Amit Phillips of Nomura.

The analysts said almost 77 per cent of the stocks in the MSCI India index were trading higher than pre-pandemic/post-2018 average valuations. There have been several other positive factors in favour of Indian markets — a strong momentum in COVID-19 vaccinations, demand pickup and the business resumption index has stayed over 100 for several weeks.

However, multiple headwinds have emerged — Central banks are set to begin normalising their easy-money policies around the world, which will have a bearing on fund flows, core inflation has been sticky, and

more importantly, commodity prices have surged, which will weigh on inflation as well as growth.

"Even on a two-year low and PE (price to earnings) basis (incorporating India's strong earnings outlook), India is trading at record high elevated premium relative to regional markets," said Seth and Phillips. Its investment bank UBS too is "underweight" on India's equity market stating it was "extremely expensive."

"The relative valuation of India to ASEAN, two areas with similar growth dynamics and occasional perceived macro vulnerabilities, looks too wide to justify," noted UBS strategists Niall MacLeod and Karen Hizon in their report last week.

Retail investors have played

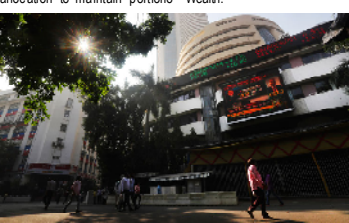
outside, which while difficult to predict in terms of reversals, creates an additional potential headwind if this demand winds, they felt. Several stocks, especially in the mid and small-cap space, have seen some correction in the last few days. The Nifty Midcap index, for instance, fell 6 per cent in the past week. So, how should investors navigate the market now?

In the prevailing scenario, there are some global headwinds such as a spike in crude oil prices, rising inflation leading to an expected rise in global bond yields, equities trading at rich valuations etc. Concurrently, there are domestic tailwinds including benign cost of capital, low debt/equity, improving demand, free cash flow aiding sustainability of corporate earnings

growth, massive capital inflows into the startup and private ecosystem that could generate employment and create infrastructure," said Ashish Shankar, MD and CEO of Motilal Oswal Private Wealth.

He emphasises asset allocation to maintain portfolio

stability for the long term. The strategy for equity is to invest 50 per cent in a lump sum and 50 per cent in a staggered manner over the next three months in multi-cap strategies and select mid and small-cap strategies, according to a report by Motilal Oswal Private Wealth.



Andaman & Nicobar State Co-operative Bank Ltd., Port Blair

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2021

(₹ in Lac)

Deposits
₹ 1,15,356.67 Lac

Advances
₹ 67,921.84 Lac

Business per Employee
₹ 1,160.00 Lac

SL. No.	PARTICULARS	31.03.2021 (Audited)
1	Interest Earned (i+ii)	10,221.06
i	Interest on Advances	6,466.35
ii	Interest on Investments	3,754.71
2	Other income	588.52
3	GROSS INCOME (1+2)	10,809.58
4	Interest Expended	5,929.72
5	Operating Expenses (i+ii)	3,083.63
i	Transaction Costs	2500.47
ii	Other Operating Expenses	583.16
6	TOTAL EXPENDITURE (4+5)	9,013.35
7	OPERATING PROFIT (3-6)	1,796.23
8	Provisions	1,076.17
9	NET PROFIT (7-8)	720.06

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14.81%

Interest Earned
₹ 10,221.06 Lac

Av. Working Capital
₹ 1,41,280.17 Lac

ABRIDGED BALANCE SHEET AS AT

31.03.2021

(₹ in Lac)

	Items	31.03.2021 (Audited)
A	LIABILITIES	
i	Paid Up Capital	610.44
ii	Reserves and Surplus	21,570.39
iii	Deposits	1,15,356.67
iv	Borrowings	3,298.90
v	Other Liabilities	4,078.56
	TOTAL	1,44,914.96
B	ASSETS	
i	Cash in hand / bank balances	1,337.04
ii	Balance with bank & Money at call and short notice	28,714.11
iii	Investment	38,417.09
iv	Loans & Advances	67,921.84
v	Fixed Asset	1,154.12
vi	Other Assets	7,370.76
	TOTAL	1,44,914.96
	Growth (%)	5.41 %

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AUDITORS' REPORT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Report on financial statements: We have audited the financial statements of 'Andaman & Nicobar State Co-operative Bank Limited' Port Blair, Andaman, which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31st 2021, the Receipts and Payments Account and Income & Expenditure Account for the Year then ended.

Key Audit Matters

Impact of COVID-19 on Audit - Due to outbreak of Pandemic COVID-19 and consequent country wide Lockdown, enforced by the Government of India and A&N Administration due to which we could not carry out the normal audit procedure by visiting any of the bank's branches except the banks Port Blair Branch and the Bank's Head Office, the audit was carried out in a limited manner using 'Work from head office' approach and on a test check basis of the documents and the details available at the bank's Head Office. This is considered as key audit matter, since alternative audit procedures were performed for carrying out the audit.

How to audit addressed the key audit matter

- Due to 'Work from Head Office' approach adopted, we performed following alternative audit procedure:-
 - Remote access to the Bank's financial accounting Software in Presence of the Bank's Head Office Officials.
 - Various data, Documents and confirmations were received electronically through e-mail.
 - For various audit procedures, reliance was placed on the documents, details and information available on the external basis under the pandemic conditions.
 - Interview / Discussion with the client via call conferencing and other verbal communications.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statement: Management is responsible for preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance and Cash flows of the institution in accordance with the accounting standards generally accepted in India. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility: Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. These standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the Auditor's Judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making these risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion: In our opinion, and to the best of our information and according to the explanation given to us, the financial statements give the information required by the act in the manner so required as give a true & fair view in conformity with the accounting Principles generally accepted in India.

- In the case of Balance Sheet, of the State of Affairs of the branch as on 31st March, 2021; and
- In the case of Profit and Loss account, of the Profit & Loss for the year ended on last date.

Place: Port Blair
Date: 15/09/2021

For VPL & Co
Chartered Accountants FRN 327122
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(CA Payal Singhal ACA)
Partner, B No. 205792
UDIN No. 21305792ARAGAR8004

AUCTION NOTICE

---26.10.2021

The Director, ICMR- Regional Medical Research Centre, Port Blair, invites closed bid for disposal of scrap materials/items of this center. The bidder should submit closed bid in the attached given format (Tender Form) along with security deposit. The bidder should pay the Security deposit by Demand Draft (DD) as shown under column No.4 against each lot. The materials available at our staff quarter premises at old Pahargaoan, Port Blair can be inspected between 09.00 am. to 05.00 pm from 27-10-2021 to 05.11.2021 and satisfy themselves about the description of the materials before quoting the bids. No complaint or compensation of any kind will be entertained once the materials are auctioned. Sealed bids should be dropped in the tender box **on or before 12-11-2021 up to 01.00 a.m. The bids will be opened on 12-11-2021 at 04.30 p.m.** The Tender form and Auction notice is available in the centre's website **www.rmrc.res.in**

A deposit of 25% of the bid amount either by cash or Demand Draft in the favour of the Director, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre, Port Blair payable at Port Blair should be paid immediately, after the bid is knocked down and the balance amount to be paid within 3 working days from the date of auction. The lots are to be taken delivery off within 3 days of final payment, failing which the amount paid will be forfeited and the lots will be re-auctioned.

The Director, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre, Port Blair reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bid(s) without assigning any reason thereof.

Administrative Officer
For Director
ICMR-RMRC, Port Blair

ICMR-REGIONAL MEDICAL RESEARCH CENTRE,

PORT BLAIR TENDER FORM

Auction Date & Time: 12.11.2021 at 4:30 PM

- Name of the Bidder :
- Address of the Bidder :
- Phone / Cell No. :

Sl. No	Lot	Name of the item(s)	Security deposit receipt Amount(₹)	Security deposit receipt No. & date(enclose d)	Tender quoted amount (₹)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	LOT-1	Scrap items: Steel Chairs, Steel tables, Executive revolving chairs, steel racks, Steel Almirah, Featherlite Chair, Revolving lab stool, sofa sets	1000/-		
2	LOT-2	Scrap Items: Iron railings, Iron pipes, Roof triangle Pipes, MS pipe truss, Iron Heavy gate, Animal cage	6100/-		

Signature of the bidder

IN CONVERSATION

MODERNA SAYS ITS LOW-DOSE COVID SHOT WORKS FOR KIDS 6 TO 11

Moderna said that a low dose of its COVID-19 vaccine is safe and appears to work in 6- to 11-year-olds, as the manufacturer joins its rival Pfizer in moving toward expanding shots to children.

Pfizer's kid-size vaccine doses are closer to widespread use. They are undergoing evaluation by the Food and Drug Administration for youngsters in nearly the same age group, 5 to 11, and could be available by early November. The company's vaccine already is authorized for anyone 12 or older.

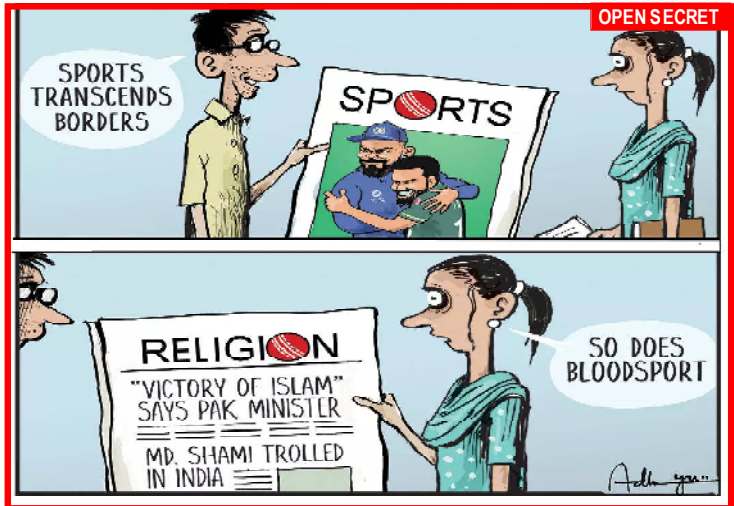
Moderna hasn't yet gotten the go-ahead to offer its vaccine to teens but is studying lower doses in

younger children while it waits.

Researchers tested two shots for the 6- to 11-year-olds, given a month apart, that each contained half the dose given to adults. Preliminary results showed vaccinated children developed virus-fighting antibodies similar to levels that young adults produce after full-strength shots, Moderna said in a news release.

The study involved 4,753 children ages 6 to 11 who got either the vaccine or dummy shots. Moderna said that like adults, the vaccinated youngsters had temporary side effects including fatigue, headache, fever and injection site pain. The study was too small to spot

any extremely rare side effects, such as heart inflammation that sometimes occurs after either the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, mostly among young men. Moderna released no further details and hasn't submitted its data to a scientific journal but said it plans to share the interim results with the FDA and global regulators soon. The study is still going on, and the company cannot calculate the vaccine's effectiveness in actually preventing infections in children unless there are sufficient COVID-19 cases to compare rates between vaccinated and unvaccinated participants. The FDA hasn't yet ruled on the company's application to expand its vaccinations to 12- to 17-year-olds, although some countries have cleared Moderna's shots for adolescents. But the U.S. is expected to begin vaccinating children under 12 sometime next month, if the FDA clears low doses of the Pfizer vaccine for 5- to 11-year-olds. Pfizer reported last week that its kid-size doses proved nearly 91% effective at preventing symptomatic COVID-19 in that age group, even as the extra-contagious delta variant was spreading widely. FDA's advisers will weigh Pfizer's evidence in a public meeting Tuesday. If the agency authorizes Pfizer's kid shots, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention the following week is set to recommend who should receive them.



Seva Bharat wins Volleyball tournament at Dairyfarm

Port Blair, Oct 26: "Volleyball Fans Trophy", a volleyball tournament 2021 was organized in the premises of the Young Brothers Club by the youth of Dairyfarm from 2nd Oct 2021 on the theme of "Eradicating Drug abuse among youth". The month long tournament concluded recently in the presence of the chief guest, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, A&N Islands. Shri Abdul Siddique, Secretary CCS Ltd graced the occasion as the guest of honor. The final match played between the Young Brothers Club and Seva Bharat. Seva Bharat beat its opponent to win the tournament.



World Boxing Championships: Seasoned Shiva, debutant Akash win opening bouts

BELGRADE: Five-time Asian medalist Shiva Thapa (63.5kg) stormed into the second round of the AIBA World Boxing Championships after out-witting Kenya's Victor Nyadera in his opening bout on Tuesday.

Thapa, competing in his third world championship, produced a fine tactical performance to prevail 5-0 against a spunky rival. The Indian countered the height and reach of Nyadera with his measured counter-attacking approach.

The Assam boxer, who won a bronze at the showpiece in 2015, will face Sierra Leone's John Brown on October 30 in the round of 32. Earlier on Monday night, debutant Akash Sangwan (67kg) also sailed into the second round with a comprehensive 5-0 triumph over Turkey's Furkan Adem.

Sangwan, a reigning national champion, will next face Germany's Daniel Kroter, who got a first-round

second round on October 30, Sanjeet will be up against Russian Andre Stotskii in his opening bout on October 29.

With more than 600 boxers from over 100 countries in fray, a lot of competitors will have to win at least three bouts in some categories to get to the quarterfinal stage.

Asian silver medalist Deepak Kumar (51kg), who impressed last year with his giant-slaying performances en route to a silver at the prestigious Strandja memorial tournament, will square off against Kyrgyzstan's Azat Usenaliyev.

Sumit (75kg) will join Thapa and Deepak in competing on the day when he takes the ring against Jamaica's Damon O'Neill.

Also in action would be Narender (+92kg), squaring off against Poland's Oskar Safaryan.

The gold winners at the showpiece will walk away with a prize money of \$100,000.

The silver medalists are to be given \$50,000, and both bronze medalists will be awarded \$25,000 each. The total prize purse stands at a whopping \$2.6 million.



by. The Indian dominated Adem in a lop-sided contest held late last night.

Another debutant Rohit Mor (57kg) gave India a winning start by outpunching Ecuador's Jean Cabedo 5-0 in a confident opening-round performance this evening.

Next up for him is Bosnia and Herzegovina's Alan Rahimic.

Asian champion Sanjeet (92kg) received a first-round bye, along with Sachin Kumar (80kg).

While Sachin will face American Robby Gonzalez in the



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Office of the Principal, School of Nursing
G. B. Pant Hospital Complex

Port Blair

Dated 22nd of October 2021

PRESS RELEASE

The date of counselling for the admission to the course of GNM for the Academic Session 2021-2022 as per the final merit list published in the website and notice board of school of nursing is scheduled to 10-11-2021 (Wednesday) at School of Nursing, DHS, Port Blair.

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