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## Jarawa Facts

The Jarawa have been living in the tropical rainforests of the Andaman Islands for up to 60,000 years. The islands, in the Bay of Bengal, were colonised by the British in the mid-nineteenth century, and are now part of India.

## Your Nature Guide

**Life in the ocean:** From the shores or from a boat, the sea looks like a huge mass of uniform, inky blue water. It is not so actually. Life in the sea is amazingly different at different depths. From the surface to a few feet below, the ocean is a sunlit world, that changes from day to night. Below this, the ocean becomes cold, dim, and unchanging. And thousands of meters below the surface, the ocean is a region of near-freezing temperatures, crushing pressure, and complete darkness. Most marine plants and animals are adapted to living in one of three regions- the sunlight, twilight, or midnight zone. These zones are defined by the presence (or absence) of light. They differ from one another in temperature amount of pressure, and nutrient supply. We will mainly focus here on the sunlight zone where most of the familiar animals and plants are present.

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

## People's Voice

Ek baar fir Ranchi Community yaad aa gaya ... Elections jo hona hai agle saal ...

- A Citizen



I will rename your district, village, your surname... if I am voted to power!

## Member of Parliament Donates Dead-body Freezer to Chowra Island from MPLADS Fund

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has handed over a Dead Body Freezer Box to the Tribal Council of Chowra Island. The box has been purchased through MPLADS fund.

The Member of Parliament observed that in case of any death in Chowra Island, the tribal brothers and sisters had

to face a lot of difficulties in preserving the body till arrival of family members of the deceased from other Islands.

Hence to address this problem, the Member of Parliament handed-over the Dead Body Freezer Box to the Chief Captain of Tribal Council of Chowra Island, Mr. Johnathan in presence of other captains.



## Four Students Selected to Represent A&N Islands in 35<sup>th</sup> National Chess Championship

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) conducted A&N State Under 09 Chess Selection Championship today at ANCA Chess Centre Dairy Farm to select two best chess players each in boys and girls for the 35<sup>th</sup> National Under-09 Chess Championship 2022 scheduled from 25<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

A good number of young chess players including a player from Diglipur took part in the selection event passionately in which the



following chess players of Andaman & Nicobar Islands have been selected as per their Final Standings of the Selection Championship.

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## ANTCC Leaders Interact with the Ranchi Community of Swaraj Dweep

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 the ANTCC President Shri. Rangalal Halder and the Chairman-Campaign Committee ANTCC, Shri. TSG Bhasker and the Chairman of the

Adivasi Congress, Shri. Sebastian Tirkey met the Ranchi community people in Havelock (Swaraj Dweep) Island and interacted with them

regarding the difficulties being faced by them in Havelock. The Ranchi community emphasizes that though

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## Two-Day Capacity Building Workshop on "Climate Change in Sustainable Development for School Teachers" Concludes

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** The Department of Home Science, JNRM, in association with the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Andaman & Nicobar Islands organised Two Day Capacity Building Workshop on "Climate Change in Sustainable Development for School Teachers" from 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022. The

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## International Day of Disabled Persons Observed in the Islands

**Port Blair, Dec. 3:** Together with rest of the country, 'International Day of Disabled Persons' was observed today by Directorate of Social Welfare in coordination with NGO PANKH at Divyang Home, Abhyudaya Complex, Ferrargunj. Smti Smitha R, IAS, Secretary (Social Welfare) was the chief guest on the occasion. In her address, she expressed her happiness for organizing such a colourful programme befitting the occasion. She also interacted with the inmates of Old Age Home and Children Home.

The cultural and musical programme was organized by Smti Komal Anand, Founder President (PANKH). Prizes and gifts were presented to the inmates of Divyang Home. Earlier, Shri AK Biswas, In-charge Abhyudaya Complex, Ferrargunj welcomed the gathering. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Smt. Ramya Bibi, PO.

## Directorate of Industries to Organise 3 Month's Short Term Training for Skill Development

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** Under skill development initiatives, the Directorate of Industries, A&N Administration will be organizing 3 month's short term training. Interested applicants, unemployed youth / SHGs and other needy persons may apply their candidature in the prescribed format with necessary documents. The application form can be obtained from the Development Section of the Directorate of Industries. The training for various trades like basic carpentry and wooden handicraft, cane & bamboo handicrafts and general engineering (basic welding, spray painting, smithy & sheet metal) will be conducted at Directorate of Industries for a period of three months. Last date for receipt of application is Dec.12, 2022. The date of commencement of training is Dec.15, 2022.

Interested applicants can contact and apply directly to Development Section at Directorate of Industries, Port Blair. The essential documents to be furnished (self-attested) are proof of date of birth, educational qualification certificates, copy of local certificate, 1 passport size photograph and proof of Aadhaar copy.

For more details, one may contact Directorate of Industries, Port Blair over Phone nos. 03192-234360 / 232771, Mobile No: 9933295538, 9474285743, 9434272771, 9474253065.



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*Success is not an activity but a process ...*

## The West Bank Violence

The killing of five Palestinian men by Israeli security forces in separate incidents on Tuesday in Hebron and Ramallah is the latest flare-up of a continuing story of violence and retribution in the occupied West Bank. Organised armed resistance independent of the official Palestinian leadership has been growing in the West Bank ever since the clashes in Jerusalem in May 2021, which led to the 11-day war on the Gaza Strip, controlled by the Islamist Hamas. Among the new militant groups that have sprung up in the West Bank is the Lion's Den, reportedly based in the Old City of Nablus, attacking Israeli troops and illegal Jewish settlers in Palestinian territories. This year has seen a marked jump in attacks by Palestinians — Jerusalem was hit by two blasts in November in which a teenager was killed and 18 injured — while the Israelis carry out raids in West Bank towns almost daily. The violence is cyclical. At least 140 Palestinians have been killed this year, including 26 children, which is a seven-year record. More than 30 Israelis have been killed by Palestinians.

If anything, the continuing violence despite Israel's disproportionate crackdown underscores the argument that the status quo in the occupied and blockaded Palestinian territories is unbearable and unsustainable. Israel's approach is that it can manage the security challenges from Palestinians with heavy force and no concessions. A weak and divided Palestinian leadership means that there is no organised, collective voice to negotiate with the Israelis. The Palestinian Authority, which runs parts of the West Bank, is led by Fatah, while the overpopulated Gaza Strip, on the Mediterranean coast, is ruled by its rival Hamas. Still, the situation is beyond Israel's control. The absence of a peace process, a deepening of the occupation and pent-up frustration with their own leadership have led a new generation of Palestinians in the West Bank to embrace violence and militancy, recalling the days of the second Intifada. The return of Benjamin Netanyahu as Prime Minister could make the situation worse as some of his far-right and ultra-Orthodox allies want the Jewish settlements in the West Bank to be expanded and "disloyal" Arab citizens of Israel expelled. The slow death of the two-state formula and growing violence are bad news for the occupiers and the occupied. While it is making Palestinian lives extremely difficult, the unending conflict is reshaping Israeli society as well, which is becoming polarised with the clergy, far-right nationalists and extremists wielding an outsize influence on politics and governance.

## BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



### Repairing Cracks In Your Flute..!

Somewhere in my youth, I was called to play the flute at a grand function. To my surprise the desired music did not come from the pipe. The sounds that came out were shrill and sharp wails. I looked closer at the beautiful flute and discovered it had developed a fine crack.

Outwardly it still looked fine but could no longer produce good music.

Those days there were no quick fix glues, and with a slow drying gum, I closed the crack together and tied it tight with a string. Later when I opened it, the crack had closed and the flute made good melody again.

As I recollect that particular incident, I realize the experience I underwent is something many go through. Relying on just beautiful bodies and pretty faces we try to go through life till when the time comes to make good music, as when crisis hits, we produce a ghastly sound. A little delving shows cracks that were not visible.

How often I see glamorous weddings where lakhs of rupees are spent. The couple seem made for each other, one so pretty and the other the last word in masculinity. A few months down the line and the cracks show.

So often I have heard of men of God who serve their Master faithfully in village and small town but when they are transferred to a big city, succumb to its charms and temptations. What crack of yearning was it that they never got over when they



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decided to serve God, that with the first taste of women or wealth they give up their calling and fall?

I went home that evening and repaired my flute. I had to open the crack wide, clean it, pour the healing glue, close it and tie it tight for twenty-four hours. It made good music again, sometimes I think it even sounded better than before!

Before you think of going to a psychiatrist or counselor and getting the crack in your flute looked into and mended, there's another little story I'd like to repeat. I started with my flute didn't I, and I'd like to end with another wonderful instrument:

It was a bitterly cold day and a tramp had no place to lay his head, so he boldly asked for shelter at a big house. The owner was reluctant at first but finally allowed him to use the basement where all the junk and rubbish were dumped. To the amazement of the residents next morning they heard sweet music coming from the same basement. They climbed down and found the tramp playing on a violin. It had been a broken violin they had dumped with the other rubbish, now it sounded breathtakingly divine.

The tramp smiled at them and said, "Many years ago, I made this instrument. If you can make something, you can also repair it when it is broken!"

Your Maker my friend is the best mender..!

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## Four Students Selected to Represent A&N Islands in 35<sup>th</sup> National Chess Championship

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The details of the selected players are as below:

### Boys

01: Rohan Singh – First - Carmel Sr. Sec. School, Port Blair

02: Shrihaan Karmakar – Second - KV2

### Girls

01: Parnita - First - Carmel Sr. Sec. School Port Blair

02: D Charvi – Second - VKV Lambaline

These players are eligible to represent A&N Islands in the upcoming 35<sup>th</sup> National Boys & Girls Chess Championship - 2022 scheduled be held from 25<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to 02<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

They are directed to attend a two week's chess coaching

camp which will be held from 05.12.2022 to 16.12.2022 between 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm at ANCA Chess centre, Dairy Farm. For more details one may contact General Secretary, Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) @ 9434293379.

## ANTCC Leaders Interact with the Ranchi Community of Swaraj Dweep

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they are Tribals in their own native place, they don't have any status in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The ANTCC President Shri. Rangalal Halder promised the

Ranchi community people that he will take up the issues to the appropriate authority and will do the needful. Shri. Sebastian Tirkey, Chairman of the Tribal Congress of Andaman Nicobar Islands

addressed the gatherings and listened to the issues being faced by the Tribals.

The interaction session ended with the vote of thanks by a Tribal Community Member.

## ENTERTAINMENT

## Gorgeous, Pulse-Raising Procedural Thriller Adds Momentum to the HIT Franchise

**December 4:** HIT 2 is a significant improvement over its predecessor HIT, but buckles under the pressure of its ambitious setup by the time the mystery unravels.

Netflix struck gold with its depiction of serial killers with shows like "Mindhunter" and "Dahmer" – based on real-world serial killers – meant to investigate the inner world of a person. Successful movies and shows like "American Psycho" and "Dexter" depict unimaginably twisted and unpredictable individuals who are compelled to kill as a reaction to their own dispassion to society and its occupants. The "serial killer genre" doesn't exist by itself, but has wildly exploded across multiple formats as a genre with a captive audience hungry for more.

South Korean cinema has served up some nuanced interpretations of the serial killer story with brilliant movies like "I Saw the Devil" and "Memories of a Murder" that get under the skin of the horrific nature of these crimes while taking a sensitive look at those affected by them. The "HIT Franchise" plays out along similar lines as these are part social commentary, and part edge-of-the-seat potboilers — with the stories at their heart drawing inspiration from real life crimes and the chaos that come with the attention that horrifying events like these attract.

Adivi Sesh plays Krishna Deva (KD), an upbeat, charismatic SP in charge of the Homicide Investigation Team (HIT) in Vizag. KD has a laid back approach to even the most seemingly pressing situations, but makes up for his nonchalance through his efficient, straightforward manner of tackling the most challenging cases. In his interactions with one very persistent reporter (played by Posani Krishna Murali), KD presents the image of a person who is unfazed by any controversy, with notendency for second guessing himself once he feels he is in the right. The newly-appointed DGP (Rao Ramesh) is dismissive of his eager cadet and KD in turn has some tension seething under the surface towards his subordinate Varsha



(Komalee Prasad). Outside of work, KD convinces his girlfriend Arya (Meenakshi Chaudhary) to move in with him. A romantic

montage later, life seems to be looking up for KD.

Abhilash (Srinath Maganti), an officer from the Hyderabad HIT investigating a case, takes the audience back to the prequel. As they talk, KD is summoned to a crime scene at a restaurant where the female has been brutally murdered and as a last act of desecration, mutilated and neatly arranged in orderly pieces. The forensics report has yet another shocker waiting for us: except for the head, the limbs rearranged as the original murder victim's, in fact, belong to different people each.

And so begins a game of twists and turns, with the case taking on a life of its own under the glare of media publicity and misdirection that seem to lead KD to dead ends in the course of the investigation.

His eagerness to nail down the perpetrator as the pressure weighs down on him backfires when he realises that all may not be as it seems — especially in the light of evidence suggesting that the killer may have completely eluded them after all and is now going to go after Arya.

Just like the first movie, HIT 2 is a star vehicle with the camera trained on Adivi Sesh from the moment he appears on screen. Adivi Sesh, on his part, is a delight to watch on screen as he switches between tenderness and intensity with absolute ease. Since the movie takes its procedural part very seriously, it uses

ample advantage of the screen time in building up the tension in key scenes that pull the viewer into its mystery. The first half has solid writing and is smartly directed, building up very well to an interval bang that will leave the viewers shocked. Not for the squeamish, the makers have been generous with the depiction of gore for full effect while avoiding gratuity.

However, it is in the second half where the problems of such a multi-layered narrative begin to emerge. Since the director spends so much time setting up red herrings and sub-plots for the rest of the movie, the pacing begins to meander in the second half.

The film contains entertaining components, but these elements quickly run their course. The film tends to bite off more than it can chew and the end result turns into a disappointment.

More often than not, the director seems to have written his characters into a corner, leading up to an absurd plot hole here and there. The writing needed to be more insightful and incisive, particularly because of the real-world incidents it tried to play up on. In particular, perhaps the biggest let down was when the build up to the killer closing in on KD finally gets interesting, the big reveal simply comes across as a little too far-fetched.

Overall, however, the movie stands its ground as a slick, entertaining thriller with beautiful lighting and camerawork and a moody score to boot. The action sequence where KD gives the prime suspect of the killings, Raghava, a chase through the docks is worth noting for its impressive choreography and camerawork.

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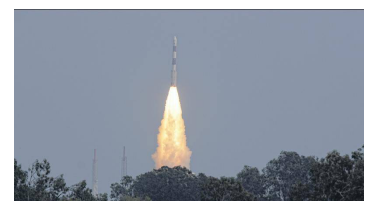
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## Health, Science /Tech

### PSLV-C54 Successfully Places Earth Observation Satellite into Orbit

**December 4:**

**Sriharikota:** A Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle of ISRO on Saturday successfully placed earth observation



satellite (Oceansat) into a sun-synchronous orbit, Indian Space Research Organisation said on Saturday.

The 44.4 metre tall rocket lifted off at a prefixed time at 11.56 am from Satish Dhawan Space Centre at this spaceport at the end of a 25.30 hour countdown.

After reaching the intended orbit nearly 17 minutes after PSLV-C54 lifted off, the Earth Observation Satellite or the Oceansat successfully separated from the rocket.

In a tweet, ISRO said, "PSLV-C54/EOS-06 Mission: EOS-06 spacecraft separation is successful. The spacecraft's health is normal. The mission is continuing."

Scientists would perform lowering of the rocket to place the other co-passenger satellites into a different orbit which is expected to take place in a two-hour duration.

In his address at the Mission Control Centre, ISRO Chairman S Somanath said, "I am really happy to announce the successful accomplishment of injecting the EOS-06 (Earth Observation satellite) into the intended orbit very precisely."

"We also observed that the performance of the rocket in this mission in all stages and functions was exceedingly good. And congratulations to the entire team of PSLV for making yet another successful mission in the series of its long journey," he said.

Scientists had actually planned to launch the Earth Observation Satellite at 1,032 seconds after lift-off at 11.56 am. The rocket successfully placed the satellite at 1,033 seconds at an altitude of about 742 kms, he added.

"The mission is not completed and we are waiting for the change of orbit of the upper stage along with the remaining eight satellites."

Mission Director S R Biju said the EOS-6 satellite has been injected into precise orbit "as precisely as possible".

"..it is because of the excellent team effort put in by all the team members and that is 'Team ISRO'. Team ISRO always delivers and that is again proven here," he said. The Earth Observation Satellite-6 is the third-generation satellite in the Oceansat series. This is to provide continuity services of Oceansat-2 spacecraft with enhanced payload specifications as well as application areas.

The mission objective is to ensure data continuity of ocean color and wind vector data to sustain the operational applications.



## Congress Attacks Modi Govt Over 'Chinese Shelters in Depsang'

**December 4: New Delhi:** Citing media reports that China has built shelters in the Depsang area in Ladakh, the Congress on Saturday questioned the government's "silence" over the issue and asked what steps were being taken by it to ensure status quo ante of April 2020.

Congress spokesperson Supriya Shrinete also attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi over his handshake with Chinese President Xi Jinping at the G20 summit in Indonesia last month.

There was no immediate reaction from the government to the Congress' allegations.

While the Congress has been attacking the government over its handling of the border issues with China, officials have maintained that India has significantly enhanced its border infrastructure in recent years with the Centre giving a major boost to such efforts following the eastern Ladakh standoff.

"On November 15, Modi had met Xi Jinping, the Chinese head of state. He was not showing angry red eyes, he was in fact adorning a red shirt and I wonder what he talked about as he met Xi Jinping after the supreme sacrifice of 20 of our brave hearts," Shrinete said at a press conference at the AICC headquarters here.

Citing media reports, she said that in the area of Depsang, China has built temperature-regulated "shelters" that help any army personnel to be stationed permanently.

"Two hundred such shelters have been built by China in our territory 15-18 km inside the LAC (Line of Actual Control)," she alleged.

Why has there not been a single statement from Prime Minister Modi, his government or the Ministry of External Affairs, Shrinete



asked. "Remember, Depsang and Demchok are extremely strategic places for us. Also, remember China continues to occupy large parts of territory in the Depsang area," she said.

Shrinete also showed photographs of what she said were satellite images showing that China is doing "huge fortification" both on land and at sea.

"In fact, around the Pangong Tso lake area, China has built a PLA division headquarter, a garrison, artillery and anti-aircraft gun shelter," she claimed.

"China is getting emboldened by the abject pin drop silence of Modi and the clean chit that the prime minister has given that 'nobody has entered our territory'," Shrinete said.

Posing questions for the prime minister, Shrinete asked why the prime minister is "looking in the other direction when permanent shelters and fortifications are being built in the Demchok and the Depsang areas".

What steps are being taken to remove these fortifications and structures, she asked.

Shrinete also asked what steps are being taken to push away the Chinese from the Depsang and Demchok areas.

"More importantly, what is nationalism? You are so eager to issue certificates of nationalism to anybody that you warrant to. Is

nationalism looking the other way and keeping the eyes shut and meeting the Chinese president with your open arms after 20 of your brave hearts have died," Shrinete said.

"The one question that Indian armed forces are raising, the one question several army personnel past and present are raising, defence experts are raising, is when will India return to status quo ante of April 2020 and what steps are being taken to ensure status quo ante is restored," Shrinete said.

She also asserted that the Congress will raise these issues at all forums available, including Parliament.

The eastern Ladakh border standoff between India and China erupted on May 5, 2020, following a violent clash in the Pangong lake areas. Both sides gradually enhanced their deployment by rushing in tens of thousands of soldiers and heavy weaponry.

As a result of a series of military and diplomatic talks, the two sides completed the disengagement process last year on the north and south banks of the Pangong lake and in the Gogra area.

The disengagement in the Pangong Lake area took place in February last year while the withdrawal of troops and equipment in Patrolling Point 17 (A) in Gogra took place in August last year.

## Two-Day Capacity Building Workshop on "Climate Change in Sustainable Development for School Teachers" Concludes

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valedictory function for the seminar was held on 02<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 in seminar room, JNRM wherein Shri. Abhishek Bhukal, DANICS, Director (Education), Andaman & Nicobar Administration graced the occasion as Chief Guest.

Addressing the gathering Shri. Abhishek Bhukal appreciated the Department of Home Science for taking initiative to organise this programme and suggested to organise such workshops for the inter-island teachers also. He pointed out that the equilibrium should be maintained between the environment and development as we have been equipped with the various technological intervention to ease our job and fail to recognise the byproducts and emissions through them.

The pattern of climate is changing which is affecting the agriculture and allied sectors for which establishment of watch groups with institutional capacities to carry out research is required, he said. The Guest of Honour Shri S Bhuvarahan, Deputy General Manager, NABARD, Port Blair spoke on the methods of mitigation and adaptation of climate change in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. To create awareness to the local corners of Andaman the implementing agencies should locate the vulnerable areas and through scientific intervention that need to be addressed, he told.

Shri S Bhuvarahan said that the people should be encouraged to use the substitute for petrol with renewable energy sources. The innovation and creativity should be imbibed and encouraged by the teachers' community to the students. Formation of knowledge networks by JNRM among the existing knowledge institutions relating to climate science will facilitate suitable policy framework, he opined.

Dr. H.K. Sharma, Principal, JNRM encouraged the research in the areas of climate change since this

will give impact on important socio-economic sectors like agriculture, health, natural ecosystem, bio-diversity, coastal zones, etc.

Dr. K. Venkatesan, HOD, Home Science and Convener of the programme suggested to provide an improved understanding and awareness and its associated consequences to students through the teachers by linking of traditional and formal knowledge systems through strategic mechanism for the sustainability of environment.

Earlier Smt. Nidhi Shekhawat, Assistant Professor of Home Science welcomed the gathering. Smt. Poonam Ajay Singh, Resource Person, Department of Home Science moderated the entire programme and Ms. P. Bhuvaneshwari, Resource Person were served as Rapporteur. Altogether 80 participants viz. teachers from various schools, students and faculty members of JNRM took part in the workshop.

The resource persons Dr. C. Sivaperuman, Officer-in-Charge, ZSI spoke on Climate Change and Island Ecosystem, Dr. Avijit Roy, Deputy Director (Health) spoke on Climate Change and Human & Environmental Health. Dr. R. Jayakumara Varadan, Scientist, ICAR-CIARI spoke on Climate Change and Sustainable Agriculture Systems, Shri. A. Gopal, Project Officer, CPREEC spoke on Climate Change effect on Mangrove Ecosystem in ANI, Dr. K. Venkatesan, HoD, Home Science spoke on Policy Framework on Climate Change, International Protocols and Action Plan. Dr. Kandimuthu, Assistant Professor in Economics, JNRM spoke on Energy Economics, Energy Audit and Climate Change. Dr. Santosh Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Botany, JNRM spoke on Climate Change Knowledge and Education through NEP. Mr. Denis Giles, Editor-in-Chief, Andaman Chronicle spoke on Role of Media in Sensitizing Climate Change. Dr. Vivek Kumar Sahu, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Zoology, JNRM spoke on Climate Change and Biodiversity. Dr. S. Balaji, Professor, Deptt. of Coastal Disaster Management, Pondicherry University (Brookshabad Campus) spoke on Climate Change impact on Disaster and its Management.

## Condolence

Mr. Vishal Jolly, National Executive Member BJP & Former State President BJP - A&N Islands has deeply mourned the demise of Mr. T. Mujeeb Rehman (aged 46 Yrs), R/o Mathura, who expired on 04.12.2022 at Chennai. In his message Shri Jolly prayed to the Almighty to give peace to his eternal soul departed for heavenly abode and give strength to his bereaved family member to bear this irreparable loss.

## President Murmu on Two-Day Visit to Andhra Pradesh from Sunday

**December 4: New Delhi:** President Droupadi Murmu will visit Andhra Pradesh from December 4 to 5, the Rashtrapati Bhavan said in a statement on Saturday. The President will attend a civic reception hosted in her honour by the Andhra Pradesh government at Vijayawada on Sunday, it said. On the same evening,

she will witness the Indian Navy's operational demonstration at Visakhapatnam on the occasion of Navy Day and virtually inaugurate and lay the foundation stone for projects of ministries of Defence, Road Transport and Highways, and Tribal Affairs. On December 5, the President will visit Sri



Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam, Tirupati where she will interact with students, faculty members and women achievers, etc., the statement said.





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## Interest Subsidy for Minority Community Students under Padho Pradesh Scheme

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** The Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India is implementing Padho Pradesh-Scheme of interest subsidy on educational loans for overseas studies for the students belonging to Minority Communities. The objective of the scheme is to award interest subsidy to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of notified minority communities so as to provide them better opportunities for higher education abroad and enhance their employability.

The eligibility criteria for availing the scheme is that the student should have secured admission in the approved courses at Masters, M.Phil or Ph.D levels abroad for the courses viz. Arts/ Humanities / Social Sciences, Commerce, Pure Sciences, Engineering, Biotechnology / Genetic Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Nano-technology, Marine Engineering, Petrochemical Engineering, Plastic Technology, Cryogenic Engineering,

Mechatronics, Automation Robotics including Artificial Intelligence, Laser Technology, Low Temperature Thermal Dynamics, Optometry, Art Restoration Technology, Dock and Harbour Engineering, Imaging System Technology, Composite Materials Engineering including Decentralized Power Distribution (for Solar Heat) system, Energy Storage Engineering, Energy Conservation, Energy Efficient Habitat, Packaging Engineering/Technology, Nuclear Engineering, Information Technology including Computer Engineering, Software, Software Quality Assurance, Networking/ Connectivity Engineering, Communication system under Hazardous or Post-disaster conditions, Multi-media Communication, Industrial Safety Engineering, Agriculture & Agro Technology, Agronomy, Medical, Floriculture & Landscaping, Food Sciences & Technology, Forestry & Natural Resources, Horticulture, Plant Pathology, Energy Studies, Farm Power & Machinery, Veterinary Sciences, Soil & Water Management, Plant Breeding

& Genetics, Small-scale Rural Technology, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences, M.B.A, M.C.A, any other Subject.

He/she should have availed loan from a scheduled bank under the Education Loan Scheme of the Indian Banks Association (IBA) for the purpose. Students should apply for benefits under the scheme during the 1st year itself of the course. Fresh applications received during 2nd year or subsequent years will not be accepted in any case. Preference will be given to those applications which are covered under lower rate of interest by various banks of each State/UT to their quota. Payment of financial benefit may be linked with Aadhar Number if available.

For availing the scheme, the total income from all sources of the employed candidate or his/ her parents/guardians in case of unemployed candidate shall not exceed Rs. 6.00 lakh per annum. Income certificate issued by the competent authority in the State/ Union Territory should be submitted in support of income shown by a candidate.

The detailed guidelines of the scheme are available on the website [www.minorityaffairs.gov.in](http://www.minorityaffairs.gov.in).

## Tribal Welfare in Association with JNRM to Conduct Special Camp for ST Beneficiaries

**Port Blair, Dec. 3:** The Directorate of Tribal Welfare, A&N Administration in association with JNRM will be conducting a two-day special camp for extending support to the ST beneficiaries for filling of online application on NSP Portal for availing

scholarship schemes offered by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India and UT of A & N Administration.

The last date for registration in the National Scholarship Portal has been extended till 31.12.2022. All the left out ST students studying in class XI, XII, Graduation & Post Graduation have been

requested to attend the special camp for online registration on Dec.6 & 7, 2022 from 10 am onwards in the premises of JNRM. For clarification, Smti Kajal Roy, Assistant Director (TW) (9434295319) and Dr J. Gautham, Nodal Officer, JNRM, Port Blair (9679510970) may be contacted.

## Condolence

Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands has deeply mourned the demise of Shri. T Mujibur Reahman (Mujeeb), age 44 years, resident of Mathura Village, South Andaman, who died today in Chennai.

He prayed for eternal peace for the departed soul and for enough strength for the members of the bereaved family to bear the irreparable loss.

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## Pondicherry University Enables Online Revaluation

**Port Blair, Dec. 3:** As communicated by Pondicherry University, the Revaluation has been enabled online. Students who have only 2 arrears are eligible to apply for revaluation as per PU Regulation. All the students who are willing to apply for revaluation have been

advised to submit an application with the details of subject along with a DD of Rs. 500/- per subject in favour of Finance Officer, Pondicherry University, payable at Pondicherry to the Academic Cell by Dec.7, 2022 (FN). After the last date no application will be entertained.

## Circuit Court from Dec. 12

**Port Blair, Dec. 3:** Hon'ble Justice Rajasekhar Mantha and Hon'ble Justice Bibhas Ranjan De, Judges of the

Calcutta High Court shall be sitting/ holding Circuit Court at Port Blair from Dec.12 to 23, 2022 (both days inclusive).

## Heavy Rain Forecast

**Port Blair, Dec. 4:** As per Indian Meteorological Department's weather forecast, heavy rain (07-11 cm) with thundersquall (speed reaching 50-60 Kmph) is likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands on Dec. 5 & 6.

In anticipation of formation of low pressure

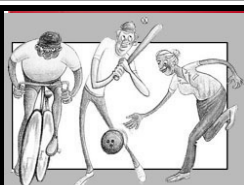
area, fishermen of Andaman and Nicobar coasts have been advised not to venture into the sea till Dec. 6, 2022. For further enquiries / information, one may contact helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1070 & District Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1077.

## FLAT FOR SALE

2BHK Flat at Loknath Colony, near Govt. Polytechnic, Dollygunj is available for sale. Interested parties may contact 7063990929 between 8.00 am to 8.00 pm

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# SPORTS

## India go Into Bangladesh ODI Series with One Eye on Next Year's World Cup

**December 4:** Since the combination of captain Rohit Sharma and coach Rahul Dravid took over after the 2021 T20 World Cup, India have played 21 ODIs, the joint-highest for a Test side along with the West Indies in this period. Of course, almost all of these games slipped under the radar in a T20 World Cup year, but not anymore.

After the three-match away series against Bangladesh starting on Sunday, India have at least 12 more ODIs lined up at home, plus potentially half a dozen more in the next Asia Cup in similar conditions, as they build up to the 2023 World Cup which they will host.

After the recent ODI series in New Zealand that was hampered by rain, stand-in skipper for the tour Shikhar Dhawan had said that all these upcoming ODIs in South Asian conditions, starting with the Bangladesh series, would be a more "practical" way to prepare for the World Cup. Dhawan's point is bolstered by India's recent past; of the 21 ODIs they have played under this team management, only six have been at home, and all the rest have in fact been played outside Asia – in South Africa, England, West Indies, Zimbabwe and New Zealand.

Also, the Bangladesh tour is the first time captain Rohit and former captain Virat Kohli will be playing ODI cricket since the England tour in July. Another first-choice player, KL Rahul, hit by one injury or another and workload-managed as well, has played a mere six ODI innings since as far back as March 2021. So it will be after quite some time that India will have at their disposal a more-or-less first-choice ODI batting line-up of Rohit, Dhawan, Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, Rahul and Rishabh Pant, with the exception of the rested Hardik Pandya and, arguably, Suryakumar Yadav.

Given this fact, it remains to be seen what kind of opportunities the likes of Ishan Kishan, Rahul Tripathi and Rajat Patidar get. Considering there has been only a three-day gap between the end of the New Zealand tour and the first ODI in Dhaka, there could be a case for giving some of the fringe players a go on Sunday, and the



regulars – Dhawan, Iyer and Pant – who have flown in from Christchurch – could play the remaining two matches. It was considering this short interval between the two away series that these selectors had picked a 17-man squad for Bangladesh, as the now-outgoing chief selector Chetan Sharma had informed then.

There will be more opportunities available on the bowling front, with Mohammed Shami's injury now added to the continued absence of Jasprit Bumrah and Ravindra Jadeja. The wrist-spin pair of Yuzvendra Chahal and Kuldeep Yadav is not part of this trip as well, with the finger-spin of Axar Patel and Washington Sundar expected to be effective on the slow pitches in Bangladesh. Again, with pacers Shardul Thakur, Deepak Chahal and Umran Malik flying in from New Zealand, will Kuldeep Sen get an opportunity on Sunday? And if and when Umran Malik plays, how potent will he be on these surfaces?

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The Indian attack is coming off a poor ODI series in New Zealand. They were blown away by Tom Latham and Kane Williamson in Auckland, unable to exert much pressure while defending 306. They had only 219 to work with in Christchurch, but on a helpful track, were again ineffective as New Zealand moved to 104 for 1 in 18 overs before rain ended the match.

Conditions will be vastly different in Bangladesh, but the opponents could be no less tricky. Bangladesh do not get enough

credit for having built up a formidable ODI record at home over the past decade or so – they have lost just one series since 2014. On India's last trip there, back in 2015, they lost the ODI series 1-2.

Rohit is well aware of the challenge the hosts could pose. "In the last 7-8 years, the Bangladesh team has been a different team, a very challenging team. We have not had easy wins against them. We have had to play good cricket to win against them and every time we played them, it has been a close game. Even in the T20 World Cup, it was a close game," Rohit said ahead of the series opener.

"And we lost the 2015 series last time we were here. By no means do we come here thinking that it is going to be a cakewalk for us. We know they are a good team, a very improved team in the last few years, so we will have to play good cricket to win this. It is not going to be easy for us."

Even without the presence of the injured Tamim Iqbal and Taskin Ahmed, Bangladesh have the services of veterans Shakib Al Hasan, Mushfiquur Rahim and Mahmudullah in the middle order. Liton Das, who had India worried in the T20 World Cup with a sparkling knock, will lead in Tamim's absence, and the crafty Mustafizur Rahman, who announced himself to the world with a five-for on debut against the Indians in 2015, will lead the bowling attack. With a series win against the neighbours in their backyard no longer guaranteed, especially in this format, India have some work to do. At the same time, they also have the World Cup at the back of their minds, but Rohit said that it was important not to get too caught up just with the ultimate goal. "The World Cup is still 8-9 months from now. We cannot think so far ahead. We will keep an eye on what we need to do as a team, where we need to improve," he said.

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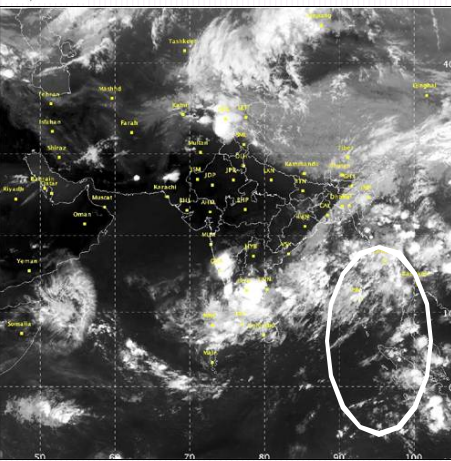
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### Weather



Max. Temp: 31.2 °C	Min.: 24.8 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 77%	1730 Hrs: 82%
Sunrise: 0511 Hrs.	Sunset: 1655 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):	2500.7 mm

### Forecast

Partially Cloudy sky and Light Rain or thunder is likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 25°C respectively on Monday 5/12/2022.

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