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A weekly echoing the mood of the people, comes to you on every Monday

Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs & Education, GoI, Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh underlines the need to bring forth stories of unsung heroes of our freedom movement

Port Blair, Feb 27:

A 3-days National Seminar on 'Swatantryaveer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose: Freedom Struggle and Bharatiya Nationalism', got underway in the conference hall of the DBRAIT, Dollygunj here today. Organised by the Indian Council of Historical Research, Ministry of Education, Govt of India, in academic

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Hon'ble Lt. Governor reviews status of vacancies and action plan for filling up these vacancies in A&N Islands



Port Blair, Feb 25:

The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency, Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) reviewed the status of vacancies and action

plan for filling up these vacancies in this UT, at Raj Niwas.

The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, briefed about the sanctioned strength, number of vacancies which remain to be filled up and efforts made by the

Administration for filling these vacancies in Mission Mode so as to ensure that most of the vacancies get filled up by October, 2023.

The Secretary, (Personnel) made a detailed presentation

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National Science Day Celebration Science Centre organizes exposure tour for college students to ICAR-CIARI

Port Blair, Feb 26:

The Science Centre, Port Blair has been the key entity involved in promotion of Science among the students of these Islands. As part of the National Science Day celebration, Science Centre is organizing a series of activities for students of various age groups. In order to educate the students about

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Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa, Dr. Pramod Sawant visits National Memorial Cellular Jail, pays homage to Veer Savarkar at Savarkar Cell

Port Blair, Feb 26:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa, Dr. Pramod Sawant visited the National Memorial Cellular Jail this evening. He also visited the Cell of Veer Savarkar, garlanded his portrait and paid obeisance to the great patriot. Later, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa also witnessed a programme organized to commemorate the death anniversary of Veer Savarkar, by 'Shabdarnut', an NGO

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Arun Singh Malik, MD of Malik Infrastructure (I) Pvt. Ltd. selected as Channel Partner of SBI



Port Blair, FEB. 24:

Mr. Arun Singh Malik, Malik Infrastructure (I) Pvt Ltd, Junglighat informed in a press meet on 24 Feb 2023 that he has been selected as the Channel Partner of SBI. Any citizen willing to avail

loans from SBI can approach him for all types of loan from SBI.

Don't bother with long process of bank for loan, no need to panic now, come here, we are ready to solve

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EDITORIAL

Khera's arrest and the politics of brand management

For those who don't follow the 24x7 news cycle, Congress leader Pawan Khera's dramatic arrest and release for a slur against Prime Minister Narendra Modi could have appeared straight out of a Bollywood pot-boiler. Except that it happened and added to the rising graph of over-reactions the nation has been struggling to wrap its head around. Everything about it was over the top—from Khera's unacceptable ribbing of the PM in the wake of the Adani group's market meltdown to Assam having nothing better to do than flying in a police team to nab him, his dramatic deplaning from a Raipurbound aircraft in Delhi and protests on the tarmac.

The subsequent 'kabar khudegi' Congress hyperbole, too, fell into the same category, giving Modi yet another opportunity to play victim during his poll campaign in Meghalaya. Thankfully, the Supreme Court restored sanity by ordering interim bail but gave Khera a piece of its mind, saying, "there must be some level of discourse".

The government's broadside against George Soros, who postulated that Adani's downfall could weaken Modi's grip at the Centre, was another disproportionate reaction to criticism. So was the taxman's recent knock on BBC in India weeks after its docuseries on the 2002 Gujarat riots. The arrest of a professor by the Bengal Police over a cartoon of the Chief Minister; the Punjab Police going after a Delhi BJP functionary for his perceived slight against Arvind Kejriwal; and the crackdown against YouTubers in Tamil Nadu are a few examples of how thin-skinned parties in power can be across the spectrum.

Though the right to dissent is essential in a democracy, criticism is increasingly seen as challenging law and order. Often excessive police force is used to intimidate those with contrary views, warning them not to mess around with the power elite. Looking at it differently, the Modis, Mamatas and Kejriwals are the biggest brands of their respective parties. Organisations that fail to protect their brands from harm—like the Congress did to prime minister Manmohan Singh during the UPA rule—cannot escape its consequences, hence the counter activity and display of fierce loyalty. If the freedom of speech gets trampled in the process, then so be it, appears to be the thought process. But if the action is out of line with democratic principles, it ought to be called out unequivocally.

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your all problems and get loan from SBI bank through very easy process. No need to go to bank for loan, Just submit the required documents and he will do the rest, he said. This is a one stop solution for the islanders to avail loans as per SBI interest rate, he said and added that It will be his responsibility to provide

hassle free loans to the applicant. If anybody wants to build their dream house by availing a loan through him, he will bear the building plan cost. Not only government employees, businessmen, private workers and unemployed youths can also approach him for different types of loans.

Skill Tests for vacancies of LGC & Stenographer in various Deptt. under A&N Admn. to be held in last week of March/first week of April, 2023

Port Blair, Feb 25:

This is regarding holding of Tier-II and Tier-III Skill Test for the notified vacancies of Lower Grade Clerk and Stenographer (OG) in various Departments under A&N Administration. The scores and rank secured by the aspirant candidates have already been made available on the Administration's web portal www.karmic.andaman.gov.in on 08.02.2023.

The Administration is short listing the candidates in terms of merit/categories/eligibility for

Skills Test (Typewriting speed and Shorthand) on priority basis in a fair and transparent manner.

The Skills Test, which is qualifying in nature, is scheduled to be conducted during the last week of March/first week of April, 2023 at Port Blair Centre only. The skills test will be undertaken with the Standard Software (Computer Based Test) by A&N Administration.

In this regard, it has been learnt that a few unscrupulous persons /agents are spread-

ing the rumour of facilitating selection of candidates which is totally baseless and has no grounds. The entire process is very meticulous, transparent and fair with no scope for any malpractices, whatsoever. Any information about such rumour mongers, if noticed, may immediately be brought to the notice of the A&N Administration or the Police for taking appropriate action against such miscreants. This has been issued in the larger interest of the aspirants/public

Deputy Commissioner, S/A visits different wards Interacts with residents & assures of suitable steps for redressal of grievances

Port Blair, Feb 25:

The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman Smti. Veditha Reddy, IAS along with the Additional District Magistrate, South Andaman Shri Dilkhus Meena, IAS, the Assistant Commissioner, South Andaman /SDM (SA) Shri Azharuddin Zahiruddin Quazi, IAS and the Tehsildar, Port Blair visited the areas predominantly inhabited by Ranchi Community such as Ranchi Basti, Brookshabad, Ranchi Basti at Birsa Nagar, Garachamama near Attam Pahad and Ranchi Tikrey at Lamba Line. The ward councillors of the areas, revenue staff and other staff of PBMC also accompanied.

During the visit, the DC (SA) interacted with the local residents of the Ranchi Basti at Brookshabad. The residents raised several issues such as providing of bus service to the interior of the Ranchi Basti at Brookshabad as they are facing problems in commuting to and fro due to lack of bus services at their location and as of now, the buses are available at a distance of 2 kms away. The residents complained about cutting of dangerously standing trees keeping in view of close proximity to Sea and facing heavy winds during cyclones. The DC (SA) assured cutting and pruning of trees on case to case basis under relevant provisions of Cr.PC. The residents raised the issues related to menace caused by domestic pigs and requested for taking up necessary suitable steps in curbing the pig menace, the DC(SA) informed the general public to take up the matter with PBMC and formulate any permanent solution to implement pig catching and fining for violations and also maintenance of the pig centre available at Brookshabad village. The drainage stagnation was also pointed for which the DC(SA) directed the Councillor to desilt the drains for free flow of drain water.



The DC(SA) also visited Ranchi Community settlement at Attam Pahad of Garacharama village locally known as Birsa Nagar and interacted with the residents. The residents raised several grievances like water crisis involving damage and rusting of the existing old pipelines resulting in slow water supply, drinking water getting contaminated in some places due to sewage water intrusion, also the public informed the DC(SA) that the source of their drinking water is along side the existing graveyard and requested for getting water supply from hygienic sources and also requested for a Water tank in their locality for storage of sufficient water for their locality. In addition to these, the issues of streetlights, damaged footpaths, improper drainage system, bus service of transport, electric poles at sufficient distance and maintenance of electric lines which are overlapping in dangerous position and non collection of garbage from door steps. The DC (SA) gave a patient hearing and assured suitable steps within a time frame and directed Tehsildar, Port Blair to call for a meeting of all line departments for the speedy redressal of the grievances. The DC(SA) urged the Ranchi community to form suitable Self Help Groups and to take up part time works like bamboo weaving etc during their past time and also to

come forward with future plans.

The DC (SA) further visited Ranchi Community areas at Ranchi Tikrey at Lamba Line. The general public expressed their gratitude to the visit of the DC (SA) and raised several grievances primarily of a retaining wall that is required for safeguarding the houses. In this regard, the DC(SA) asked the Councillor of the Ward to submit the requisition along with all details to the appropriate authority. The general public informed the DC (SA) about improper maintenance of drainage by the Defence. In addition to these, the issues related to renovation of the Community Hall, maintenance of fencing and compound wall of Vivekananda Kendra Nagar Palika Vidyalaya and the Community toilet were also stressed. The DC (SA) assured to take up the issues in a time bound manner after being put up by the area Councillor and the PBMC authorities.

In addition to the above mentioned issues so raised, the DC (SA) urged the general public to come forward with their grievances in a systematic manner before the competent authorities. The District Administration is committed for the welfare and overall development of South Andaman District and the District Administration requests the public to come forward with genuine issues related to development of their areas.

Many countries drawn to India's UPI: PM Modi in 'Mann Ki Baat' address

PTI, NEW DELHI, Feb 25:

Highlighting the country's digital strides, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday said many countries of the world are drawn to India's UPI.

Addressing the 98th Edition of 'Mann Ki Baat' radio programme, PM Modi remarked that the UPI (Unified Payments Interface) system and e-Sanjeevani App are shining examples of the power of Digital India.

"Many countries of the world are drawn towards India's UPI. Only a few days ago, UPI-PayNow Link has been launched between India and Singapore. Now, people of Singapore and India are transferring money from their mobile phones in the same way as they do within their respective countries," he said.

Modi said the country has seen that at the time of the Covid-19 pandemic, the eSanjeevani App has proved to be a great boon for the people. It is a shining example of the power of Digital India.

"Through this app, teleconsultation, that is, while sitting far away, through video conference, you can consult a



doctor about your illness. Till now, the number of teleconsultants using this app has crossed the figure of 10 crore. This amazing bond between a patient and a doctor is a big achievement. For this achievement, I congratulate all the doctors and patients who have availed of this facility. This is a living example of how the people of India have made technology a part of their lives," the PM said.

During the programme, Prime Minister spoke with Dr Madan Mani from Sikkim. He also spoke to Madan Mohan, a resident of Chandauli district of Uttar Pradesh who shared his experience as a patient who got the benefit of teleconsultation via the e-Sanjeevani App.

Prime Minister further spoke about Indian toys and story-telling forms in 'Mann ki

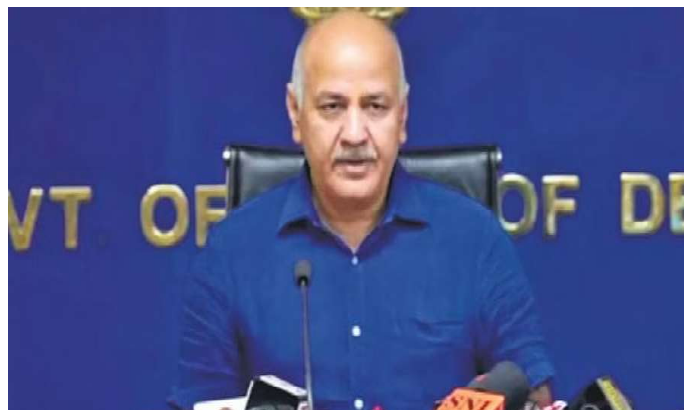
Baat'.

He said citizens have made 'Mann Ki Baat' a wonderful platform as an expression of public participation.

He said, "In Mann ki Baat when we referred to Indian toys. My fellow citizens have promoted this too, readily. Nowadays Indian toys have become such a craze that their demand has increased even in foreign countries. When we spoke of the Indian genre of story-telling in 'Mann ki Baat, their fame also reached far and wide. People started getting attracted to the Indian story-telling genre more and more."

'Mann ki Baat' is a monthly address, aired on All India Radio on the last Sunday of every month, through which Prime Minister Narendra Modi interacts with countrymen.

Excise Policy probe: CBI prepared with detailed questionnaire for Manish Sisodia



PTI, NEW DELHI, Feb 25:

The CBI has prepared an exhaustive set of questions for Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia who is likely to appear for questioning before investigators in connection with the Excise policy case probe on Sunday amid apprehensions of his arrest.

Sisodia, who also holds the Finance portfolio in the Delhi Cabinet, was originally summoned last Sunday but he sought deferment of his questioning citing the ongoing Budget exercise, following which, the CBI had asked him to appear on February 26.

Sisodia has expressed apprehensions that agencies might arrest him.

"They are using the CBI to take revenge and I am sure they will do that by getting me arrested," he charged.

The Aam Admi Party leader was earlier examined for a day on October 17 last year, nearly a month before the central probe agency had filed its charge sheet against seven people, including middlemen and liquor traders, in which Sisodia was not listed as accused, but the agency had kept the probe into his alleged role open.

Nearly three months after filing its charge sheet, the CBI will question Sisodia on various aspects of the Excise policy, his alleged links with liquor traders, and politicians and claims made by witnesses in their statements.

Armed with confessional statements of Sisodia's "close associate" Dinesh Arora, and information gleaned from questioning of alleged members of 'South Lobby', a coterie of politicians and liquor businessmen who allegedly swung the policy in their favour, the CBI has prepared an elaborate question-

naire for him, the officials said.

It is alleged the Delhi government's policy to grant licences to liquor traders favoured certain dealers who had allegedly paid bribes for it, a charge strongly refuted by the AAP.

"It was further alleged that irregularities were committed including modifications in Excise Policy, extending undue favours to the licensees, waiver/reduction in licence fee, the extension of L-1 license without approval etc.

"It was also alleged that illegal gains on the count of these acts were diverted to concerned public servants by private parties by making false entries in their books of accounts," a CBI spokesperson had said.

Recently, the CBI arrested Butchibabu Gorantla, a former Chartered Accountant of K Kavitha, a BRS MLC in Telangana and a daughter of Chief Minister K Chandrasekhara Rao.

It is alleged that Babu had met several accused named in the FIR in Delhi, Hyderabad, and Mumbai and was one of the prime negotiators from the South Lobby, which wanted to swing the now-scrapped excise policy for 2021-22 in its favour.

The CBI had also questioned Kavitha in connection with the case in December last year.

During its probe, the CBI had found evidence that Babu acted on behalf of the South Lobby comprising the Telangana MLC, Yuvarajana Sramika Rythu Congress Party MP Magunta Srinivasulu Reddy, and Aurobindo Pharma's P Sarat Chandra Reddy.

G-20 meeting in India ends without consensus on Ukraine war



Associated Press, BENGALURU, Feb 25:

A meeting of finance chiefs of the Group of 20 leading economies ended on Saturday without a consensus, with Russia and China objecting to the description of the war in Ukraine in a final document.

The meeting hosted by India issued the G-20 Chair's summary and an outcome document stating that there was no agreement on the wording of the war in Ukraine. The first day of the meeting took place on the anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The Group of Seven major industrial nations announced new sanctions against Russia

on Friday, just as the talks of the G-20 group wrapped up in confusion in the Indian technology hub of Bengaluru.

US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen condemned the "illegal and unjustified war against Ukraine" at a session attended by Russian officials and reiterated calls for G-20 nations to do more to support Ukraine and hinder Moscow's war effort.

At the last major G-20 meeting, in Bali, Indonesia, in November, leaders had strongly condemned the war, warning that the conflict was intensifying fragilities in the world's economy. The group includes Russia and also countries like China and India that have sig-

nificant trade with Moscow.

India's Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman told reporters that the communique prepared for the Bengaluru meeting carried two paragraphs from the Bali declaration, but Russia and China demanded they be deleted and said they could not be part of the final document this time.

Their contention was they had approved the Bali declaration under the then prevailing circumstances, she said. "Now they didn't want it," Sitharaman said. She didn't give any other details.

The Bali declaration said that "most members strongly condemned the war in Ukraine and stressed that it is causing immense human suffering and exacerbating existing fragilities in the global economy – constraining growth, increasing inflation, disrupting supply chains, heightening energy and food insecurity, and elevating financial stability risks."

The declaration also said: *contd. page-5*

5 days online training programme on 'Vigilance & Disciplinary Proceedings, Office Management' concludes



Port Blair, Feb 25:

The valedictory session of 5 days training programme through online mode on the subject 'Vigilance & Disciplinary Proceedings, Office Management including Office Procedure, Noting, Drafting and Record Management' organized from Feb. 20 to 24, 2023, was held in the Conference Hall of Directorate of Industries, Middle Point today. The Secretary (AR & Trg.), A&N Administration, Shri Sanjay Kumar Jha graced the occasion as the chief guest. The Peripatetic Training programme was organized by the Administrative Reforms and Training Wing of Administration in association with the Institute of Secretariat Training

& Management (ISTM), Department of Personnel & Training, Govt. of India, New Delhi for the Amalgamated Clerical Cadre working in various Department of Administration. This training is a pre-requisite for the promotion of the members of amalgamated Clerical Cadre working in various departments. Conclusion this training will pave the way for promotion of these officials.

Meanwhile, another online Peripatetic Training Programme will be conducted in the Conference Hall of Directorate of Industries, Middle Point, from March 13 to 17, 2023 in association with ISTM, New Delhi for the benefit of the members of amalgamated Clerical Cadre working in various Departments.

Workshop on 'Sambalpuri Folk & Tribal Dance' concludes with certificate distribution



Port Blair, Feb 25:

The six days workshop on 'Sambalpuri Folk & Tribal Dance' organized by Directorate of Art & Culture, A&N Administration in collaboration with Eastern Zonal Culture Centre (EZCC), Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India culminated with a valedictory programme held at Andaman Club here this evening. Sambalpuri Folk & Tribal Dance exponent, Ms Sonali Das from Odisha was the resource per-

son for the workshop.

The exponent along with the participants attired in beautiful costumes presented a lively Sambalpuri folk dance and a tribal dance, much to the delight of the gathering. A solo dance performance by Ms Sonali Das drew loud applause from the gathering.

She also shared her experience of conducting this six days workshop and stated that it was a memorable experience

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'Rozgar Evam Swarozgar Mela' organized by Model Career Centre People sensitized on various employment schemes being implemented for benefit of unemployed youth



Port Blair, Feb 25:

The Model Career Centre (Employment Exchange), Directorate of Employment & Training organised a Rozgar evam Swarozgar Mela in the Hall of GSSS Wimberlygunj on Feb 21, 2023. Addressing the gathering during this Mela, the Secretary (Labour, Employment and Training) Shri B S Jaglan, IAS, elucidated that the main objective of the Rozgar evam Swarozgar Mela to provide a platform between the private employers and jobseekers and also to disseminate information over various self-employment

schemes being implementing by various departments for the benefit of unemployed youth. He instructed the officials of Deptt of Employment to keep a record of participants who are willing to take up self-employment schemes and to provide skill oriented training to the youths in association with the PRI members.

During the course of the fair, the people were sensitised about the various skill development training schemes which are being imparted to the unemployed youths by various Govt. Dept. under A&N Admn.

viz Agriculture, Fishires, Industries, MSME, Lead Bank, Rural development, SBI life, Life Insurance Corporation. Private Sector employers TSG Group Prince groups and Manjou island house also participated with various vacancies.

Earlier, Shri P. Abdul Basheer, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Kanyapuram welcomed the gathering and appreciated the efforts of the Department for organizing the first ever Rozgaar and Swarozgaar Mela at Wimberlygunj and appealed the gathering to utilise the opportunity. Shri A Ummar, Member Zilla Parishad also spoke on the occasion and requested to provide a platform for the trained youth to get placement/market. Shri Venkat Ram Babu Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Wimberlygunj was also present on the occasion. Altogether 200 prospective rural unemployed youth of Kanyapuram, Wimberlygunj and nearby villages were benefited out of the programme and 30 unemployed youth were shortlisted for employment and soft skill training. The programme ended with the vote of thanks.

Andaman Law College organizes special interactive workshop on 'Changing Paradigms in the Field of Administrative Law'

Port Blair, Feb 24: Andaman Law College organized a Special Interactive Workshop on the theme "Changing Paradigms in the Field of Administrative Law" in the august presence of Shri Jayesh V. Bhairavia, Hon'ble Member (Judicial), Central Administrative Tribunal, Kolkata Bench, Circuit Bench at Port Blair. The said Workshop was attended by a gathering of around 200 people including students, faculties and staff of Andaman Law College.

Shri Jayesh V. Bhairavia in his Keynote Address highlighted the importance and scope of Administrative Law and Law in general. He also explained the role of Central Administrative Tribunal in amicable resolution of disputes between governmental employees and the government. In his address, he also underlined the



four (4) holy principles that have been enshrined in the Preamble to our Constitution i.e., Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity, and the connection of these principles with the concept of Rule of Law. He also touched upon the pertinent administrative issue of Judicial Activism and emphasized upon spreading of legal awareness and literacy at the grassroot level to effectively solve trivial legal complications. Coming from the background of advocacy, he concluded by giving certain

pertinent suggestions for honing the legal/advocacy skills to all the students.

The entire Workshop was anchored by Akhila and Priyadarshini, 5th Year B.A. LL.B. students. Earlier, Shri Prashant Bhadu, Principal (i/c), Andaman Law College formally welcomed Shri Jayesh V. Bhairavia and extended his profound gratitude for gracing the occasion. Shri Prashant Bhadu emphasized on the issue of existing in-

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collaboration with Akhil Bharatiya Itihas Sankalan Yojana, New Delhi, the seminar was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs and Education, GoI, Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh as the chief guest by lighting the traditional oil lamp.

Addressing the gathering on the occasion, Hon'ble Minister expressed happiness over the conduct of the seminar and appreciated the efforts of the organisers in creating awareness among the young generations about the contributions of both-Swatantryaveer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the freedom struggle of India, through this three days seminar.

The Hon'ble Minister said that the whole country is celebrating 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsava'. The idea behind 'Azadi Ka Amrit mahaotsav' is to bring forth the history of those persons, institutions and writings etc. who/which contributed immensely for the cause of the Motherland. He said, for attainment of independence, thousands of people sacrificed their lives and lakhs of people suffered agony. Unfortunately we know very little about our unsung heroes. It is in this regard, the onus lies on the Indian Council of Historical Research to bring forth the stories of the unsung heroes of our freedom movement.

The Hon'ble Minister further said that both Swatantryaveer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose fought for India's freedom in their own ways and played instrumental roles in forcing the British to leave India. Both the sons of the 'Bharat Mata', that is, Veer Savarkar and Netaji Subhas had a special connection with A&N Islands as Veer

Savarkar suffered tortures during his imprisonment in National Memorial Cellular Jail for the cause of the motherland and Netaji Subhas managed to get Andaman free from the British and Japanese Forces and unfurled the National Flag here on Dec. 30, 1943, the Hon'ble Minister said.

The Hon'ble Minister also released books titled 'Philosophy of Hindutva and Veer Savarkar', written by Prof. Ashok Modak, 'The Indian Memoir: Subhas Chandra Bose' (Coffee table book) and 'Dismantling Casteism Lessons from Savarkar's Essentials of Hindutva' by Umesh Ashok Kadam, Member Secretary, ICHR, New Delhi, 'Indian Migrant Labourers' and their Socio-Economic Status: a comprehensive study on Islands Migrant Labourers' by Dr. Hema Banerjee, Dr. Palash C Coomar and Dr. Swapan Kumar Biswas and a book titled 'Indian Voters and Caste Equation in Elections: a study on A&N Islands Politics' by Dr. Swapan Kumar Biswas and Dr. Hema Banerjee. In his address, the Chairman Swatantryaveer Savarkar National Memorial, Shri Ranjit Savarkar informed about the establishment of the 'Abhinav Bharat Society', also referred as the Young India Society which was a secret society founded in 1904 by Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, which grew to include several hundred revolutionaries as well as political activists with branches in various parts of India. He urged the young students present in good numbers to acquire more knowledge about the freedom struggle of India and the contributions of our great freedoms fighters.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Dr. Ashok Modak, Vice Chancellor, Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur said today

with high esteem and gratitude, we all are gathered here to pay our obeisance and recall the contribution of great sons & patriots Swatantryaveer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in India's freedom Struggle. He further stated that it is our bonded duty to inform/enlighten the younger generations about the contribution of our freedom fighters who made supreme sacrifices to liberate our Country from the clutches of Britishers.

In his introductory speech, Prof. Smriti Kumar Sarkar, Former, VC, Vardhman University said this seminar has been organised on two great sons of India, freedom fighters and theoreticians of Indian Nationalism. He also enlightened the gathering about the contributions of both these patriots in the freedom struggle of India.

Speaking on the occasion, the National Secretary, All India Itihas Sankalan Yojana, New Delhi, Shri Hemant Dhling Mazumder said that today we pay our homage to Veer Savarkar on the occasion of his death anniversary. He said knowing the correct history of a nation enables its citizens to lead a dignified life keeping their head high.

The inaugural session concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Assistant Professor, Mahatma Gandhi Govt. College, Mayabunder, Dr. Swapan Kumar Biswas.

Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs & Education, Govt of India, Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh visited the National Memorial Cellular Jail in the evening and also visited the solitary cell of Veer Savarkar, galleries of the Cellular Jail and witnessed the Light & Sound Show. Earlier, the Hon'ble Minister visited Mt. Manipur.

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"There were other views and different assessments of the situation and sanctions. G-20 is not the forum to resolve security issues, we acknowledge that security issues can have significant consequences for the global economy."

The second paragraph of the declaration, which is now unacceptable to Russia and China, said, "It is essential to uphold international law and the multilateral system that

safeguards peace and stability. ... The use or threat of use of nuclear weapons is inadmissible. The peaceful resolution of conflicts, efforts to address crises, as well as diplomacy and dialogue, are vital. Today's era must not be of war."

Sitharaman said the meeting could not issue a communicate because of the objections raised by Russia and China and decided to opt for a summary and an outcome document.

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for her. Shantanu, a participant of the workshop also shared his experience of learning the nuances of Sambalpuri Folk and Tribal Dance which, he said was a whole new experience for him and other participants.

The valedictory programme concluded with certificate distribution to the participants. Earlier, the Assistant Director (Art & Culture), Dr. Rashida Iqbal welcomed the gathering.

MP highlights problems of student travelling from the Diglipur, Kalighat and nearby regions to Mahatma Gandhi Government College, Mayabunder

Port Blair, Feb 26:

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Lt. Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to reintroduce the student-only STS bus service for all students from the Diglipur, Kalighat and nearby regions to Mahatma Gandhi Government College (MGGC), Mayabunder.

In a letter addressed to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, the Member of Parliament highlighted the issue of the unavailability of an exclusive bus service for students of Diglipur, Kalighat and other nearby regions for Mahatma Gandhi Government College (MGGC), Mayabunder.

He mentioned that before the COVID-19 lockdown, (STS) the State Transport Service used to provide an exclusive bus service from Diglipur to Mahatma Gandhi Government College (MGGC) for students of MGGC. However, during the COVID-19 pandemic, the service was withdrawn and till today it has not been reintroduced, he added.

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The Member of Parliament mentioned that absence of this service is causing a lot of inconvenience to the students. Many students have to struggle to get inside overcrowded buses, and some even miss college due to this problem. Female students are facing the most difficulties as they have to travel daily with other passengers in overcrowded general buses.

He mentioned that the journey from Diglipur to Mayabunder is already long and tiring, and having to stand all the way while coming and going to college makes it extremely difficult for the students, especially when the NH4 is in such bad shape. This is also adversely affecting their health and studies.

He added that as a significant number of students from Diglipur, Kalighat, and other nearby regions attend MGGC College, Mayabunder it is crucial that Administration provides them with safe and comfortable transportation.

'Dry Days' to be observed in N&M Andaman on Feb 27 & 28

Port Blair, Feb 25: Under the provisions of Rule 4.3(a) 7(a) to (c) of the Excise Policy & 9 (iii) of the bar guidelines issued by the Administration vide Office Order No.4192 dated 18/11/2008 respectively, the Deputy Commissioner, North & Middle Andaman District orders the following day to be observed as 'Dry Day' in connection with the Bye Election against the casual vacancies of Gram Panchayat Ward Member Constituencies Diglipur -3 of Gram Panchayat Diglipur under Diglipur Tehsil and Karmatang -3 of Gram Panchayat Rampur under Mayabunder Tehsil.

Dry Day to be observed on	Remarks
27/02/2023 (Monday)	Polling Day
28/02/2023 (Tuesday)	Counting Day

No liquor shops, hotels, restaurants, clubs and establishments selling/serving liquor shall be permitted to sell/serve liquor to anyone whosoever on the aforesaid day.

People are also requested to keep themselves away from consuming any kind of spirituous and fermented liquor/wines or display the same for sale on the above date.

This order is applicable to IMFL vending licensees ie., ANIIDCO, CSD Canteen, all Defence Canteen, Police Mess and all private bar licensees functioning in North & Middle Andaman District.