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मायाबंदर पुलिस का दोगलापन.....

पहचान छुपाने की बात कह कर पहचान उजागर किया जा रहा है

मायाबंदर । पिछले कुछ दिनो पहले अंडमान तथा निकोबार द्वीप समूह के मुख्य सचिव श्री केशव चंद्र (भाप्रसे) माया बंदर के दौरे पर गए थे वहां पर बहुत सारे महिलाओं ने लिखित रूप में मुख्य सचिव महोदय से अनुरोध किए थे की माया बंदर क्षेत्र में अवैध रूप से शराब का कारोबार खूब फल–फूल रहा है और पुलिस सब कुछ जानते हुए भी खामोश बैठी हुई है ।

पिछले दिनो ही पीपुल्स व्यू के संपादक श्री मोहम्मद रफीक ने सोशल मीडिया के माध्यम से कहा था की जिन जिन माहिलाओं ने मुख्य सचिव श्री केशव चन्द्र (भाप्रसे) को लिखित रुप मे हस्ताक्षर कर ज्ञापन सौंपा है मायाबंदर पुलिस उन महिलाओं को थाने मे बुलाकर झूठा केस बनाकर फसाने की धमकी दे रही है ।

सूत्रो से मिली खबर के मुताबिक मायाबंदर पुलिस सभी हदो को पार करते हुए अब उन सभी महिलाओं की पहचान को भी उजागर कर रही है जिन्होने पुलिस को बताया था की कौन कौन लोग और कहां कहां पर शराब का अवैध कालाकरोबार चला रहे है ।

इस क्षेत्र मे रहने वाले माहिलाओ का कहना है की मायाबंदर पुलिस ने पहले यह कहा था की उनकी पहचान को पुरी तरह से गुप्त त्रखा जाएगा और अब उन सभी शराब के अवेध रुप से कालाकारोबार करने वालो को उनकी पहचान बता रहे है जिस वजह से उन्हे उनकी और उनके परिवारो की जान को खतरा हो गया है ।

इस क्षेत्र मे रहने विले बहुत सारे लोगो ने अपना नाम छुपाते हुए पीपुल्स व्यू के संवादाता को बताया की एक कुमार नामक व्यक्ति सुबह तीन बजे से अपनी दुकान मे शराब का अवैध रुप से बिक्री शुरु कर देता हैऔर देर रात तक यह सिलसिला जारी रहता है । इस क्षेत्र मे रहने वाले बहुत सारे स्कूली बच्चो को शराब की बुरी लत लग गई है । इस क्षेत्र मे रहने वाले लोगो ने हैरानी प्रकट करते हुए कहा की जिस कुमार की वजह से पुरा क्षेत्र दुषित हो रहा है मायाबंदर पुलिस उसे गिरिफ्तार करने की बजाए उन्हे शराब का अवैध कारोबार करने की पूरी छूट दी हुई है ।

Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), called on Hon'ble Vice President, Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar today at New Delhi. Briefed about various ongoing/forthcoming mega infrastructure, Tourism and developmental projects in A&N Islands under the aegis of Islands Development Agency.

MESSAGE

World AIDS Day observed on 1st December every year, gives us an opportunity to unite in the fight against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), show solidarity for the people living with HIV, and remember those who have lost their lives from HIV-related illness.

World AIDS Day 2022 is being marked under the theme Equalize. The theme "Equalize", is a call to take action to address inequalities that make the lives of many people living with HIV more challenging.

Our firm commitment of ending the Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), as a public health threat should continue with persistent zeal and enthusiasm throughout the year. We must make every possible effort to empower communities by awareness and encouraging them to avail HIV and AIDS prevention, treatment and care services without any stigma or discrimination.

On this World AIDS Day, I call upon all government agencies, community organizations, civil society and stakeholders to make relentless efforts and join hands with A&N AIDS Control Society with the ultimate objective to end AIDS as public health threat.

(Admiral D K Joshi)
PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.)
Lieutenant Governor
Andaman & Nicobar Islands
&
Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency

LORD SRI VEER HANUMAN JAYANTHI CELEBRATION

Sri Veer Hanuman Temp1e Trust, Aberdeen Bazaar, Port Blair is going to celebrate Lord Sri Veer Hanuman Jayanthi on 23/12/2022 starting with Sudersan Homam at 8.00 am, Abhisekh from 10.00 am to 11.30 am, followed by Aarti and Annadaanam/ Bhog form 12.00 noon to 3.00 pm. And at 5.00 pm. Lord Sri Veer Hanuman Utsava Moorty (Idol) City (Procession will start form Temple premises and routed via Bengali Club, Goal Ghar, Delanipur, Phoenix Bay and Aberdeen Bazaar to temple. on 24/12/2022 "Pushpanjali Puja" will be performed in the temple premises at 5.00 pm followed by Aarthi at 6.00 pm. All devotees are cordially invited to take part generously in the Puja celebrations and procession of Lord Sri Veer Hanuman.

Ayyappan Visits Composite Regional Centre Brookshabad

On getting complaints of shortage of Faculty and staff, Shri D. Ayyappan, Secretary, CPI (M) Andaman & Nicobar State Organising Committee visited the Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Brookshabad, Port Blair today (30.11.2022) and discussed the issue with the Resident Nodal Officer of the Centre. It was noticed that although 365 Children with Special Needs have registered with the Centre, only 40 - 45 are attending the Centre. It was found that the important posts of Speech Therapist, Clinical Psychologist, Physiotherapist and Occupational Therapist are lying vacant. Faculty/Special Teachers are posted to the Centre from Chennai by the National Institute for Empowerment of Persons with Multiple Disabilities (Divyangjan) on contract basis. On completion of the contract period, the services of these Faculty/Special Teachers are not extended by the National Institute and such Faculty/Special Teachers are returned to mainland, thereby paralyzing the functioning of the Centre. A number of children who need the services of Speech Therapist are facing problems due to the reason that such Faculty/ Special Teachers are reportedly not available in these islands. It was learnt that out of the 14 sanctioned posts of Faculty and staff, only 6 persons are presently available in the Centre. Shri Ayyappan met some parents in the Centre and heard their grievances. He assured the parents and the officials in the Centre that the non-availability of sufficient Faculty/Special Teachers will be taken up with the above-mentioned National Institute and Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India.

Composite Regional Centre implementing Assistance to Disabled Persons Scheme for purchase/fitting of aids/appliances

Eligible and interested Divyangjan urged to contact the Centre

Port Blair, Nov. 27 : Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/ Appliances (ADIP Scheme) is one of the major initiatives of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India to assist the needy Divyangjan in procuring durable and scientifically manufactured standard aids and appliances to promote their physical, social and psychological rehabilitation. Assistive devices are given to PwDs with the aim to improve their independent functioning, to arrest the extent of disability and occurrence of secondary disabilities.

A person with disabilities fulfilling the conditions mentioned would be eligible for assistance under ADIP Scheme viz. an Indian citizen of any age, holds a 40% Disability Certificate, his monthly income from all sources is up to Rs. 22,500/- per month, he or she shall be eligible for getting an assistance the full cost of the Aids and Appliances under ADIP Scheme. And if the total income is between Rs. 22,501/- to Rs. 30,000/- per month, he or she shall be eligible for getting 50% subsidy of the cost of Aids/ Appliances under ADIP Scheme.

Income certificate from Revenue Agencies / BPL Card / MGNREGA Card / Disability Pension Card / Certificate by M.P./MLA/Councilor/Gram Pradhan failing which Notarized Affidavit C/o Implementing Agencies may be accepted for providing aids/ appliances to PwDs. Income certificate of beneficiaries staying in orphanages and half- way homes etc. may be accepted on certification of District Collector or Head of the organization concerned.

The documents required for availing the benefits under ADIP Scheme are recent colour passport size photograph (2 Nos), Disability Certificate (photo copy) and original for verification and entry purpose, Ration Card/ Voter ID/Driving License (any one photo copy)- (of Parents/ beneficiaries), Aadhaar Card (photo copy) for (beneficiaries/ parents), valid mobile number (for beneficiaries/parents) and

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संपदकीय

बाइक और मोबाइल रिपेयरिंग करती हैं आदिवासी लड़कियां:लड़के ताने मारते थे तुम्हारे हाथ बेलन–चूड़ी सजेगा; राष्ट्रपति कर चुके हैं सम्मानित

"मर्दों को लगता है कि लड़कियों के हाथ सिर्फ चूड़ियां पहनने, मेहंदी लगाने, चूल्हा–चौका करने और चौखट के भीतर दो वक्त की रोटियां बेलने के लिए ही हैं। हम अब इस सोच को तोड़ रहे हैं, चुनौती दे रहे हैं।"

मध्य प्रदेश के खंडवा जिले के खालवा ब्लॉक की रहने वाली कोरकू आदिवासी समुदाय की गायत्री और मंटू ये बातें कह रही हैं। सांवली खेड़ा गांव की गायत्री कासडे और काला आम खुर्द की मंटू कासीर मोटर साइकिल रिपेयरिंग का गैराज चलाती हैं।

यह इलाका खंडवा से करीब 50 किलोमीटर दूर है। इस ब्लॉक में 145 आदिवासी गांव हैं। जंगल और पहाड़ के बीच उपजाऊ जमीनें। खेतों में चना, बाजरा, गेहूं की फसल, लेकिन गांव गरीबी की चादर ओढ़े।

सुबह के करीब 10 बज रहे हैं। गायत्री और मंटू अपनी गैराज पर हैं। मेहंदी लगे हाथों में चूड़ियां खनक रही हैं और दोनों प्लास, पेचकस, रिंच जैसे औजार के साथ एक मोटर साइकिल के नट–बोल्ट खोलने में लगी हैं।

गायत्री पहिए के रिंग पर जैसे ही हथौड़ा मारती हैं, उनकी नजर मुझ पर पड़ती है। मानो आत्मविश्वास के साथ कहना चाह रही हों, देखो जिस काम को मर्द करते हैं, उसे हम भी कर सकते हैं।

मैं मोटर साइकिल के पास ही बैठ जाता हूं। बातचीत का सिलसिला आगे बढ़ता है। गायत्री कहती हैं, जब हमने गैराज खोला तो गांव के लोगों ने कहना शुरू किया, 'लड़कियों के हाथ में बेलन ही अच्छे लगते हैं। चली हो गैराज खोलने, गाड़ी के नट–बोल्ट तो खोल नहीं पाओगी। नकली मैकेनिक।'

इसके बावजूद दोनों ने ठान लिया था कि हमें कुछ तो नया करना है।

इतने में मंटू सर्विसिंग के काम को थोड़ा विराम देते हुए बोल पड़ती हैं– जब लड़कियां हवाई–जहाज उड़ा सकती हैं, ट्रेन चला सकती हैं, घर चला सकती हैं, बच्चों को पाल सकती हैं, बड़ी–बड़ी कंपनियों में काम कर सकती हैं, तो फिर हम अपने गांव में गैराज क्यों नहीं चला सकते हैं?

अब हम अपने पैरों पर खड़े हैं। हमारे परिवार को किसी पर आश्रित नहीं होना पड़ रहा है। कहीं पलायन भी नहीं करना पड़ रहा है।

ये बातें सुनकर पलायन का दंश गायत्री की आंखों को नम कर देता है। वो बोल पड़ती हैं– हम लोग आदिवासी परिवार से आते हैं। हर कोई मजदूरी करने के लिए बरसों तक घर से दूर रहता है। दूसरे राज्यों में कम दिहाड़ी पर मजदूरी करनी पड़ती है। मालिक बंधक भी बना लेता है।

सबसे ज्यादा तकलीफ तो हम लड़कियों को रहने, नहाने में होती है। एक तो मर्दों के बीच रहना पड़ता है। और दूसरा, वो पर्दा नहीं होता है यानी कोई बाथरूम नहीं जहां हम नहा भी पाएं।

कपड़े पहने हुए ही खुले में नहाना और फिर कमरे में जाकर चादर की आड़ में कपड़े बदलना। एक दिन की बात हो, तो बर्दाश्त की जा सकती है, लेकिन महीने–छह महीने कौन सह सकता है?

फिर वो मुझ से सवाल करती हैं, और जवाब भी देती हैं– आप शहर होते हुए आए हैं न? बाइक का थोक में जमावड़ा दिखा ही होगा।

गायत्री सच ही कह रही हैं। वाकई में, जब मैं खंडवा से खालवा आदिवासी इलाके की तरफ रुख कर रहा था, तब सब्जी मंडी की तरह बाइक के शो रूम दिखाई दिए। सड़क किनारे कुछ–कुछ दूरी पर अलग–अलग कंपनियों के शो रूम मौजूद हैं। दूरियों की वजह से यहां के लोग कहीं आने–जाने के लिए बाइक पर ही निर्भर हैं।

गायत्री अपने पलायन की पीड़ा को कहते–कहते रुक जाती हैं।

इतने में मंटू बोल पड़ती हैं, मुझे तो दूसरे राज्यों में काम करने के लिए नहीं जाना पड़ा, लेकिन शहर के ही बड़े–बाबूओं के यहां शोषण का शिकार हुई। हर रोज 14–14 घंटे काम करना पड़ता था। मजदूरी मांगने पर बोला जाता– कल ले लेना, आज नहीं है। ऐसा हर दिन ही होता।

लॉकडाउन में जब हम लड़कियां गांव लौटे, तब कुछ ने गैराज खोलने का फैसला किया तो कुछ ने मोबाइल रिपयेरिंग और पशु सखी (बकरियों का इलाज करना) का काम। वो हल्की मुस्कान के साथ ठसक आवाज में बोलते हैं, लोग तो ताने मार सकते हैं, लेकिन हमारे घर तो नहीं चला सकते हैं न? बेटियां काम करके ही पैसे कमा रही हैं न, चोरी तो नहीं कर रहीं, डाका तो नहीं डाल रहीं।

हम लोगों ने सालों तक दूसरे राज्यों में रहकर दिहाड़ी–मजदूरी की है। आज भी हमारे गांव के दर्जनों लोग पलायन कर रहे हैं।

गायत्री और मंटू मोटर साइकिल की सर्विसिंग में व्यस्त हो जाती हैं और अब हमारा अगला पड़ाव होता है जामधड़, यहां से करीब 16 किलोमीटर दूर।

रास्ते में सैकड़ों झोपड़ीनुमा घर और बकरियों–मवेशियों के झुंड। इस इलाके में शेड्यूल कास्ट परिवार सबसे ज्यादा रहते हैं।

साकिया और सती बरधाया दोनों बहने हैं। एक ठ। कर रही है, जबकि दूसरी ड। । दोनों बहनों को भी मोटर साइकिल रिपेयरिंग का काम आता है। सती कहती हैं, पढ़ाई करने के लिए गांव से शहर जाना पड़ता है। इसलिए अधिकांश लड़कियों की शादी कम उम्र में ही हो जाती है।

हम पढ़ाई के साथ–साथ ब्यूटी–पार्लर, श्रृंगार शॉप और रिपेयरिंग का भी काम करते हैं। गांव में इतनी सुविधाएं नहीं हैं कि लड़कियां सज–संवर सकें, लोग मोटर साइकिल में कोई खराबी होने पर बनवा सकें।

गांव में रोजगार के साधन नहीं हैं, तो लोगों को शहरों या दूसरे जिलों–राज्यों में दिहाड़ी करने के लिए जाना पड़ता है। आमदनी के लिए हम लोग सबसे ज्यादा बकरी पालन करते हैं, क्योंकि इसमें खर्च कम आता है। गांव में 500 से ज्यादा बकरियां हैं।

सती की बहन साकिया आसमानी ब्लू रंग की साड़ी पहनी हुई हैं। वो गांव में किसी के यहां बकरी का इलाज करने के लिए जा रही हैं। बताती हैं, पहले हम लोग भी मनरेगा में काम करते थे। सिर पर टोकरी लादकर भरी दोपहरी में कोसों चलना पड़ता था। कम पैसों में मजदूरी करती थी।

अब मैं पशु सखी हूं। गांव में किसी की बकरी बीमार पड़ती है, तो लोग मुझे बुलाने के लिए आते हैं। हमें 'गॉट ट्रस्ट' संस्था से ट्रेनिंग का सर्टिफिकेट मिला हुआ है।

गांव के लड़कों को हमारे काम से परेशानी भी होती है। वो कहते हैं, 'अरे! लड़की होकर गांव में दूसरों के दरवाजे पर घूमती है। शर्म नहीं आती, कोई शादी भी नहीं करेगा।'

इधर सती एक लड़की को सजाने–संवारने में जुट जाती हैं और मैं यहां से 22 किलोमीटर दूर मामाडोह गांव की तरफ निकल पड़ता हूं।

गोंड आदिवासी समुदाय की अंकिता अमीन उइके अपनी दुकान पर मोबाइल रिपेयरिंग और साइकिल बनाने का काम कर रही हैं।

वो कहती हैं, लॉकडाउन की वजह से पढ़ाई छूट गई। मैंने दो महीने पहले ये काम शुरू किया है। अब घर के हालात भी अच्छे हो रहे हैं और मैं पढ़ भी रही हूं। घर वालों को पैसों के लिए किसी बाबू–भइया के सामने हाथ नहीं फैलाना पड़ता है।

इन बातों को घर के बरामदे में बैठे अंकिता के पिता सुनकर मुस्कुराने लगते हैं। ये मुस्कुराहट तसल्ली भरी दिखाई देती है। अंकिता को एक दिन पहले कोई मोबाइल बनाने के लिए दे गया है। वो इसकी रिपेयरिंग करने में व्यस्त हो जाती हैं।

अंकिता से बातचीत के बाद अब मेरा आखिरी पड़ाव होता है यहां से 50 किलोमीटर दूर मेहलू गांव।

रास्ते हिमाचल की तरह दिखाई पड़ते हैं। दोनों तरफ सिर्फ सागवान के पेड़। ऊंचे–ऊंचे पहाड़। गांव पहुंचने पर हमारी मुलाकात मोनू उइके से होती है, ये पेट्रोल बेचने का काम करती हैं। उम्र 18 साल, लेकिन बिजनेस की जबरदस्त समझ।

रास्ते में जब मैं जा रहा था, तो 100 किलोमीटर के रेंज में मात्र एक पेट्रोल पंप दिखाई दिया। मोनू के यहां पहुंचने पर उधर से एक मोटर साइकिल वाला पेट्रोल खत्म हो जाने की वजह से मोटर साइकिल को धक्का देते हुए मोनू की दुकान तक ला रहा है।

मोनू कहती हैं, इलाके में लोगों के पास बड़ी संख्या में मोटर साइकिल तो है, लेकिन पेट्रोल भरवाने के साधन नहीं। लोगों को गैलन में पेट्रोल भरकर रखना पड़ता है। इसलिए हमने ये काम शुरू किया है। जरूरत पड़ने पर रिपेयरिंग का काम भी कर लेती हूं। अब इलाके के लोग हमसे आकर खुदरा में पेट्रोल भी खरीद रहे हैं और मोटर साइकिल के किसी पार्ट में खराबी होने पर उसे बनवाते भी हैं।

अब तक मैं करीब 200 किलोमीटर की यात्रा कर चुका हूं। सुबह से शाम हो गई है। खंडवा की तरफ लौटना पड़ता है। हमारे साथ खालवा ब्लॉक में अलग–अलग सामाजिक मुद्दों पर काम करने वाली संस्था 'स्पंदन' की डायरेक्टर सीमा प्रकाश हैं, जिन्होंने इन लड़कियों से मिलवाने में मदद की।

इसी छळ्व ने लॉकडाउन के बाद लौटी लड़कियों को मोबाइल और मोटर साइकिल रिपेयरिंग की ट्रेनिंग दी है। लड़कियों को पलायन करने से रोका है। सीमा कहती हैं, आदिवासी लोगों के पास रोजगार और पढ़ाई का कोई साधन नहीं हैं। लड़कियों को भी दूसरे राज्यों में जाकर काम करना पड़ता है। भूखा पेट क्या नहीं करवाता३

इसलिए हम लोग जब अलग–अलग गांव का दौरा कर रहे थे, तो इन लड़कियों की तकलीफ देख इन्हें ट्रेनिंग देने का फैसला किया।

फिर मोबाइल और मोटर साइकिल रिपेयरिंग की ट्रेनिंग ही क्यों?

अब ये मेरा सवाल था।

सीमा तल्ख आवाज में कहती हैं, क्या लड़कियां सिर्फ सिलाई और ब्यूटी पार्लर का ही काम कर सकती हैं? हमने इसी सोच को बदलने की कोशिश की है। इन लड़कियों ने मोबाइल रिपेयरिंग और मोटर साइकिल रिपेयरिंग की ही ट्रेनिंग लेने की इच्छा जताई, तो फिर हम इनके मनोबल को कैसे तोड़ सकते थे।

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photocopy of Income Certificate. The Income Certificate should be valid as on date of distribution camp.

The aids & assistive devices provided under ADIP Scheme for Locomotor Disability are Tricycle, Wheel Chair (Adult), Wheel Chair (child), Auxiliary crutch (Large), Auxiliary crutch (Medium), Elbow crutch (Large), Rollator (Child), Walking Stick, CP Wheel Chair and Corner Chair. For hearing impairment, the equipments provided are Mild Class (BTE), Moderate Class (BTE) and Extra Strong Class (BTE). For visual impairment, the devices provided are Smart cane.

Universal Braille Slate, Braille Slate, Tylors Frame, Abacus, Hand Magnifier, Cricket Ball, Daisy Player & Android Tablet. Under intellectual disability, the aids provided are Teaching Learning Material TLM for 0-3 years, Teaching Learning Material TLM for 4-6 years, Teaching Learning Material TLM for 7-11 years and Teaching Learning Material TLM for 12-18 years.

Composite Regional Centre (CRC), Port Blair is implementing ADIP Scheme in this UT. The Centre has facilities for providing speech therapy, physiotherapy, vocational training, prosthetic and orthotic assessment, special education assessment and intellectual assessment by Psychology Department.

Eligible and interested Divyangjan have been requested to contact the Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Brookshabad, A&N Islands.

Counseling for admission to M.A Bengali in JRNM postponed Merit list for admission to BCA published online

Due to non-declaration of result of B.A Bengali from Pondicherry University, the Counseling for admission to M.A Bengali scheduled to be held on 29th November, 2022 has been postponed till further orders.

However, during this period, the candidates can submit their application form mentioning the result is awaited.

Meanwhile, the provisional merit list in respect of admission to BCA (Lateral Entry) in JNRM has been uploaded in the Common Portal (CCAP) (https://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in).

The counseling will be held on 30th November, 2022 at 9.30 am in the Computer Science Department, JNRM after attending claims and objections, if any, at the spot during counseling itself. The college shall only be forwarding the names of candidates attending counseling and accord of admission shall be subject to approval from the university authorities.

Directorate of RD, PRIs& ULBs invites applications/project proposals under RGSA

Interested Academic Institutions/ Civil Society Organization (CSO) / NGOs may apply & submit nomination by Dec. 5

Port Blair, Nov. 27 : The Directorate of RD, PRIs& ULBs, A& N Administration, Marine Hill, Port Blair under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) of Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt. of India has invited applications/project proposals from Academic Institutions/ Civil Society Organizations (CSO) / NGOs (registered at NGO Darpan of NITI Aayog) to collaborate with the Department of Rural Development and Panchayat collaborating with Gram Panchayats of their choice to work in the selected GPs and coordinate the entire process of preparing development plans for economic development and social justice in collaboration with the respective GP as part of the People's Plan Campaign launched from 2nd October, 2022 to 31st January, 2023.

The institution/organizations can collaborate with the Gram Panchayats to strengthen grass roots democracy, governance and improve accountability of Panchayats, PRIs and improve programme delivery and governance through mobilising community participation for the preparation of GPDP. The selected Institutions/Organizations will be sanctioned an amount of Rs.20,0007- per Gram Panchayat.

Accordingly, the interested academic Institutions/ Civil Society Organization (CSO) / NGOs may apply in the prescribed format and submit the nomination to the Directorate of RD/PRIs and ULBs, Marine Hill, Port Blair latest by 05.12.2022 in its office at Marine Hill, Port Blair or by email to dirpanch@gmail.com/ sprcandaman@gmail.com. For any further query/assistance, the State Programme Management Unit (SPMU), Dte. of RD, PRIs and ULBs can be contacted on any working day during working hours.

Fisheries Deptt. invites application from interested applicants for availing subsidy under PMMSY

Port Blair, Nov. 27 : Application has been invited for construction of Ice Plant/ Cold Storage in pro-rata basis with minimum capacity of 3 MT and above in the prescribed proforma from Fishers/ Fish Farmers/ Fish Workers/ Fish vendors / SHGs/ JNGs / Fisheries Development Corporations / Fisheries Federation/ Entrepreneurs / Private firms / ST / Women/ Differently abled persons for availing subsidy under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana(PMMSY).

The approved Unit Cost for 01 MT Ice Plant/ Cold Storage is Rs.4.00 lakh. The approved pattern of assistance for General Category is 40% of the 01 MT unit cost with a ceiling of Rs.1.6 lakh and for ST/Women is 60% of the Unit Cost with a ceiling of Rs.2.4 lakhs for construction of Ice Plant/ Cold Storage.

Interested applicants may obtain application forms from the Directorate of Fisheries/ Zonal Fisheries Office/ Fisheries Sub Station and submit their application along with necessary documents (Identity Proof, Address Proof, Land particular, etc) to the respective Zonal Fisheries offices or nearest Fisheries Sub Stations within 15th December, 2022. For any query, they may contact helpline number 03192-240095 from 10 am to 5 pm.

Member of Parliament demands to resolve the power crisis issue of Shaheed Dweep

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the intervention of the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration in the severe power crisis issue of Shaheed Dweep and demanded to resolve the issue immediately.

In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration, the Member of Parliament mentioned that the Shahed Dweep is facing a severe power crisis for the last nearly four weeks.

He pointed out that a DG of a private power producer set was sent to Shaheed Dweep to supply power in Island but now the said DG set has developed some technical problems because of which the power situation has worsened in the Island.

He added that presently residents of Shaheed Dweep are witnessing multiple load sheddings in the Island and power is reportedly being supplied to different parts of Shaheed Dweep on rotational basis for only two hours. The General Public are witnessing power cuts for nearly 10 to 12 hours a day, which is making their life difficult.

The Member of Parliament mentioned that many students of Shaheed Dweep are preparing for their exams and due to such indiscriminate power cuts, it has become impossible for students to focus on studies moreover as Kerosene has been banned in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the students are unable to use lantern or any other lamps.

He added that Shaheed Dweep is also known as the vegetable bowl of South Andaman region but due to power cuts farmers are unable to use motors for irrigation and are suffering losses. Unemployed youths who are now dependent of Tourism are also unable to operate their business because of lack of power as they are unable to operate computers to mail customers and complete other online formalities.

He further added that small hotel/ Bed and Breakfast owners are also witnessing huge losses as their guests are leaving their rooms due to power cuts and shifting to bigger hotels, who have their own power backup system.

The Member of Parliament noted that due to such power cuts visiting tourists are also going back with a bitter memory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

The Executive Engineer, E&M Division, APWD, Prothrapur, Port Blair invites on behalf of the President of India, online Item Rate tender from the eligible Contractors Andaman PWD and Non APWD Contractors, irrespective of their enlistment subject to the condition that they must have experience of having successfully completed similar nature of works in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with Govt. Organizations and do not have any adverse remarks, for the work mentioned below:-

DB-e-Tender/E&M/DIV/PP/PB/2022-23/2435, Dated. 25th November, 2022

1. **NIT No. 87/EE/E&M/22-23 Name of work:** "Supplying, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 01 No 25 KVA DG Set at PS Pahargoan, Teylorabad". Estimate Cost: R 5,52,347/- EMD : R 11,047/- Period of Completion: 45 (Forty Five) Days.
   TENDER ID: 2022_APWD_8235_1)

The e-tender from and other details can be downloaded from the website. The Last Date and Time of bid submission will be **14.12.2022 upto 15:00 hours.** Other details / information can be seen on website. "https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in.
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N & M ANDAMAN DISTRICT POLICE ORGANIZED AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON "CAREER GUIDANCE TO YOUTH AND DRUG ADDICTION WITH SPECIAL FOCUS ON CYBER CRIME" AT MGCC MAYABUNDER

An awareness programme on the Career Guidance and Drug Abuse with Special focus on Cyber Crime was organized by N&MA District police on 29/11/2022 at Mahatama Gandhi Govt. College Mayabunder with 500 college students and faculty members. SI Ashok Kumar Bagel highlighted different types of Cyber-crimes and precautionary measures as well as challenges with the investigation agencies to crack down cyber-crime in the present scenario and highlighted the safety tips to a common man. Ms. Geetanjali Khandelwal, IPS, Superintendent of Police (D), Mayabunder highlighted the importance of choosing correct career option and efforts required to achieve it because due to lack of guidance students fail to choose right way for career prospects. She also explained the components & methods to choose right career and importance of career guidance. MG College provides good faculties for the students with good career opportunities and scope in different fields. Speaking on the ill effect of Drug abuse especially in the youngsters and teenagers in the Islands she elaborately discussed about the risk factors and effects of drugs in society and their lives. Youngsters are easily targeted being lured to drugs by excitement, curiosity or by drug related risk behaviour. The harmful use of alcohol can have serious social and economic consequences for individual, family and society at a whole.

The college students presented "Nukkad Natak" on the theme of Cyber Crime and Drug Abuse. Dr. S.K. Biswas, Principal (I/c) expressed his gratitude to District Police for organizing career guidance & awareness programme in the college and highlighted the benefits of this awareness program organized by the senior officers of the district.

At the concluding session of the programme, Ms. Geetanjali Khandelwal, IPS, Superintendent of Police (D), Mayabunder interacted with college students, heard the challenges being faced by them for choosing a career and guided them.

IDENTIFICATION OF BODY RECOVERED AT PS DIGLIPUR

General public is hereby informed that an un-identified dead body in highly decomposed state of which buttock portion with both femur bones of the body missing has been recovered at the sea shore of INS Kohassa Beach area on 05/11/2022. There was a faded underwear brand "K-Power" on the body. In this regard a UDFIR 15/2022 dated 05/11/2022 u/s 174 Cr.PC has been chalked out at PS Diglipur. The body is presently kept in the mortuary of CHC, Diglipur for identification.

The general public is requested to share any information with police if anyone is missing from their family to 03192-272223 or approach PS Diglipur to identify the body.

HOUSE BURGLARY ACUSED ARESTED WITHIN 12 HOURS BY PS DIGLIPUR

Team of PS Diglipur nabbed a house burglar namely Suraj Mazumder @ Gullu who is also a history sheeter & has been involved in many house breaking & burglary as well as NDPS Act cases in Diglipur. On reporting of house burglary in medical colony area Diglipur a case vide FIR No. 52/22 dated 28/11/2022 U/s 457/380 IPC was registered. Within a short span of 12 hours only Diglipur Police acted swiftly and arrested the above accused with recoveries related to the case.

The general public is requested to pass and share any credible information pertaining to any crime or illegal activities to their nearest Police Station or over phone No.100, 112 & 03192-273344. The identity of the informers will be kept secret and will also be suitably rewarded.

Member of Parliament sanctions Computers, Photo-copiers and PA Systems for various schools of Middle Andaman

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma during his recent visit to Swaraj Dweep, Rangat and Long Island has visited a number of schools of the region and interacted with students and teachers to understand their problems and the standard of education.

During the visit the Member of Parliament observed that supply of certain electronic equipment and computer systems are required in various schools, which can help in running schools in a better way and also help students of remote areas to get easy access to basic computer education.

The Member of Parliament during his visit sanctioned purchase and supply of one Digital Photocopier machine for Government Primary School Sabari Rangat at the cost of Rs.85,000. Four Nos. (4) Computer System and one Digital Photocopier Machine for Government Primary School Rangat at the cost of Rs.2,00,000 (Two Lakhs), Three Nos. (3) Computer Systems and one Public Address System for the Government Senior Secondary School, Long Island at the cost of Rs.1,50,000 (one lakh fifty thousand) and five Nos. (5) Computer Systems for GSSS Sabari, Rangat at the cost of Rs.1,50,000 (one lakh fifty thousand) from MPLADS fund.

Islands' Jr. Scientist bags Silver Medal in India Young Inventors & Innovators Challenge-22

Port Blair, Nov 29 : Islands Jr. Scientist has proved her mettle by bagging Silver Medal in the recent India Young Inventors & Innovators Challenge (IYIIC)-22 held at Ravindra Bhavan, Margao, South Goa from Nov. 16 to 20, 2022. A three member team from these Islands led by Shri Ashok Kumar Sharma, State Coordinator, Dr. Lalitha Rao, State Academic Coordinator and Child Scientist Kumari Yogita Singh of Navy Children School participated in the Expo.

A stall representing Andaman & Nicobar Islands was set up on the theme 'Geographic Isolation Nurtures 1032 Endemic Species in Andaman & Nicobar Islands' which was awarded Silver Medal in the 'India International Innovation & Invention Expo-22'. The stall was set up by Shri Ashok Kumar Sharma, State Coordinator and Dr. Lalitha Rao, State Academic Coordinator of National Children's Science Congress of Port Blair.

Kumari Yogita Singh, a student of Navy Children School, Port Blair created history by securing Silver Medal in her category for her presentation on the project titled 'The Sea Weeds with Immense Potential' and shall compete for two project to be selected for the International arena to be held in December.

The dignitaries lauded the performance of the young budding talents of A&N Islands and appreciated Kumari Yogita Singh for being selected among 2 other students, out of the 150 National and International Child Scientists who participated in the events.

The results of other projects presented at the National level in the Session-22 are Project 'Plastic waste to useful fabrics' of Naval Children School awarded 'A' grade; Project 'Working Model of Robot for cleaning' of R.G.T Public Vidyalaya awarded 'A' grade; Project 'Traditional Knowledge System for Sustainable living' of G.S.S.S Campbell Bay awarded 'B+'; Project 'Nicobari Tribes of A&N Islands-Saviour of Indigenous Knowledge System' of Naval Children School awarded 'A'; Project 'Artificial ecosystem stray animals' of Khalsa Public School, Port Blair awarded 'A' grade; Project 'Our Local Eco Cultural Tradition & Sustainable Living' of VKV Lamba Line awarded 'B+' ;Project 'Understanding impact of human in different Ecosystem' of VKV Lamba Line awarded 'A' grade and Project 'Affordable & Clean energy Gadgets' of V.K.V Port Blair awarded 'A' grade.

The State Level selection was held virtually on 17th January, 2022 by Andaman Nature Club in collaboration with Directorate of Education, A&N Administration. The Andaman Nature Club, Port Blair has been dedicatedly working in these Islands since 1999 and every year participates in the National Science Congress with 4 child scientists, in the Indian Science Congress with 2 child scientists. This provides platform to the aspiring and talented child scientists of A&N Islands for other science events organized in India from time to time.

Public hearing for preparation of Draft ICRZ Plan for South Andaman on Nov. 30

The public hearing for preparation of Draft Island Coastal Regulation Zone (ICRZ) Plan for South Andaman is scheduled to be held on 30-11-2022 at 11 am in the Auditorium of Tagore Govt. College, Port Blair.

In this regard suggestion were invited from public and other stakeholder within a period of 30 days of the publication and also soft copies of the Maps were made available in the Office of the Chairman, ANCZMA (Chief Secretary, A & N Administration), Member Secretary, ANCZMA [APCCF(CRZ&FC)], Van Sadan, Haddo, Deputy Commissioner (South Andaman), Assistant Commissioner (South Andaman), Tehsildar (Port Blair/ Ferrargunj), Member Secretary (Pollution Control Committee), Director (Tribal Welfare), Divisional Forest Officer (South Andaman) and Range Officer (Garacharma/ Manglutan/ Tusnabad/ Jirkatang) & Range Officer [(SSU)South Andaman].

Further, with respect to the request received from PRIs to extend the period for furnishing the claims/objections/views/ comments on the draft ICRZ Plan, the period of receipt of claims/objections/views/ comments was extended by Department of Environment and Forests vide Public Notice dated 20.11.2022 till a revised date of public hearing was notified by Pollution Control Committee, Andaman & Nicobar Administration.

Ward Councilors sensitized on implementation of Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana

Port Blair, Nov. 29 : An awareness meeting was held in the conference hall of the Port Blair Municipal Council to sensitize the Ward Councilors about the implementation of Ayushman Bharat - Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana. The meeting was attended by the Chairperson, PBMC, Smti. U Kavitha, Senior Vice Chairperson, PBMC, Shri Azizur Rahman and all Ward Councilors.

The Nodal Officer, AB-PMJAY, Dr. P Lal briefed the gathering about the benefits and operational aspects of the scheme. He exhorted the Ward Councilors to take steps to identify the left out beneficiaries of their respective areas.

The use of web portal https://aapkedwarayushman.pmjay.gov.in which can be used by any citizen to see the list of eligible PMJAY beneficiaries of any geographical area was demonstrated during the meeting.

Presently, 12,745 families (40,279 members) have registered under the AB-PMJAY scheme in this UT. The registered beneficiaries are entitled for a cashless treatment worth 5 lakh per family per year against secondary and tertiary hospitalization care at 28,000 empanelled public and private hospitals across the country.

N&M District Police organizes awareness prog. on 'Career Guidance & Drug Addiction with special focus on Cyber Crime' at MGGC

Mayabunder, Nov. 29 : An awareness programme on 'Career Guidance and Drug Abuse with Special focus on Cyber Crime' was organized by N&MA District Police today at Mahatma Gandhi Govt. College Mayabunder. About 500 college students and faculty members attended the programme.

Ms. Geetanjali Khandelwal, Superintendent of Police (D), Mayabunder highlighted on the importance of choosing the right career option and the efforts required to achieve it and due to lack of guidance students fail to choose right way for career prospects. She also explained the components & methods to choose right career and importance of career guidance. MG College provides good faculties for the students with good career opportunities and scope in different fields. On the ill effect of Drug abuse especially among youngsters and teenagers in the Islands, she elaborately discussed about the risk factors and effects of drugs in society and their lives. Youngsters are easily targeted being lured to drugs by excitement, curiosity or by drug related risk behavior, she said adding that the harmful use of alcohol can have serious social and economic consequences for individual, family and society at a whole.

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