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**President confers Distinguished Service Awards** to 84 serving and retired personnel of Armed **Forces & ICG at Defence Investiture Ceremony** 



New Delhi, June 27 Droupadi Murmu the Armed Forces and in New Delhi today. c o n f e r r e d the Indian Coast Guard.

The President Yudh Seva Medals and order. Distinguished Service She conferred the awarded 52 Ati Vishisht 28 Param Vishisht Seva india.gov.in)

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**Andaman & Nicobar Command conducts Idea & Innovation Competition 2022-23** 

**Large number of operational & logistics 'Ideas &** innovations' displayed

Port Blair, June 27

The Idea & Innovation Competition for all Units/ Ships of the Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) was conducted today at Dweepika Auditorium. The event witnessed participation by all the Components of ANC. Large number operational & logistics the 'Ideas & innovations' were displayed, which have display was reviewed by rugged Mshl VM, Commander-in- advancements

spirit and innovative spirit within the commendable efforts of Commandalive in order to the participants. He achieve the desired

The CINCAN lauded importance of keeping the said.

been conceptualized by encouraged them to objective of providing a the Officers and men of further improve upon the fillip to creative thinking in the Command. The concepts and produce allranks of the Andaman and and Nicobar Command. Saju implementable solutions The Idea & Innovation He emphasized on the release from HQ ANC consultations and National

#### **Outreach activities as part of Tele-MANAS initiative conducted at Mannarghat & Chouldari**



Port Blair, June 27 initiative launched by Ministry Welfare on the activities occasion of World conducted awareness of services

of District Mental Tele Mental Health Units are Health Assistance and being conducted at Networking Across various places such as States (Tele-MANAS) Panchayats, Schools, was Colleges etc.

As part of this of Health & Family initiative, outreach Statistics and Accounts Mental Health Day i.e. Mannarghat auditorium of TGCE on 10th October, 2022. Panchayat on June 24 here today. Organized in the presence of the physical and financial Balakrishnan, AVSM, in line with technological competition encourages In this direction, and at Chouldari by the Planning Secretary (Planning), progress, for the generation of campaigns on how to Panchayat on June 26. Department Chief, Andaman and utilisation by all the three innovative new products seek help through Dr. Satyajit Haldar association Nicobar Command Services and Coast Guard. and technologies, a press Tele-MANAS (State Nodal Officer-Development gathering, the chief framework endeavours Mental Monitoring

# **R Kashthuri Bhai to represent India in** 17th Asian Schools Chess Championships to be held in Uzbekistan

**Chief Secretary conveys best** wishes to Kashthuri to perform well in the C'ship

Port Blair, June 27 R Kashthuri Bhai, will representing India in Under 17 Girls category for the upcoming 17th Asian Schools Championships- 2023 to be held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan met Chief Secretary, Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS today. The tournament 13 to 21, 2023.



will be held from July performance in the Nicobar Championships and Association (ANCA) The Chief Secretary make the country and was also present on the conveyed his best Islands proud. Shri B occasion, a press wishes to Kashthuri to Neelaiah, General release from ANCA brilliant Secretary, Andaman said.

**Training prog. on Output Outcome Monitoring** Framework (OOMF) for officials of Planning/Statistics & Accounts Department gets underway

**OOMF focuses on monitoring Govt. schemes & programmes to** enhance accountability & transparency in public expenditure

**Staff Correspondent** Port Blair, June 27

A two days training programme on Output **Outcome Monitoring** Framework (OOMF) for officials of Planning/ were Department at underway at the with Evaluation was inaugurated by the reform



in Shri Arjun Sharma.

Office Output-Outcome indicators Secretary (Finance), outcome-based Secretary added. Shri C. Arvind by monitoring which is a lighting the traditional paradigm shift from stated that Outputlamp as the chief guest measuring simply

governance model Addressing the based on outcomes. The & guest said that the to provide measurable (DMEO), NITI Aayog, Monitoring Framework achievement of scheme New Delhi, the training represents an important objectives, or the towards 'Outcomes',

The Secretary further (Contd. on last page)

### Interview of Secretary (Fisheries) broadcast through Akashvani Port Blair

# **Secretary (Fisheries) outlines the fishery** potential and infrastructures being created to strengthen fisheries sector in Isles

Port Blair, June 27

The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS has directed all Secretaries of the Departments concerned to give interviews in Akashvani Port Blair and Doordarshan (DD) and highlight the initiatives taken by the Departments involved in public delivery services to improve public delivery system, social infrastructure and social benefit schemes. The interview of Secretary (Fisheries), Shri G Sudhakar, IAS was broadcast through Akashvani Port Blair and the same is being reproduced in Q&A format for the wider reach of the people of A&N Islands.

Resources which can be tapped from A&N Waters?

Secretary (Fisheries): The Potential Marine Fish Resources in the waters of A&N Islands is estimated to be around 1.48 Lakh MT and the annual catch is 45,000 MTs (Approx.). At present there is lot of gap between availability and tapping of fishery resources in isles. Interviewer: Kindly explain about the availability of Tuna and its value in international market?

Secretary (Fisheries): There is a potential of 60000 tons of tuna fish in A&N waters and approximately 3000 tons of tuna is being tapped at present. Yellow fin tuna and Big Eye Tuna are ideal for Sashimi and Sushi grade, which has good demand in International market. However, in A&N Islands there are no deep sea fishing vessels with on board processing facilities to exploit the Tuna resources.

Interviewer: Why Reef fishes are considered as one of the important resources of Andaman and Nicobar Islands?

Secretary (Fisheries): Reef & other fishes are considered as one of the important resources of Andaman and Nicobar Islands because of their abundant availability, free from diseases & pollution.

Interviewer: Do you provide loan for post-harvest processing? Secretary (Fisheries): For the post harvest processing, backend subsidy is provided for setting up cold storages, ice-plants/factories and fish processing units under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana. For the general fishermen, the rate of the backend subsidy is 40 percent while for fisherwomen and tribal fishermen, the rate of subsidy is 60 percent.

Interviewer: Can you give a brief sketch of Potential Marine Fishery Interviewer: Do you give Letter of Permission (LOP) for capture and export of live groupers?

Secretary (Fisheries): Live fishes are not exported to mainland at present. There is no Air and Sea connectivity to the nearest South Asian Countries for the direct export of live fishes. At present, the fishes are exported in chilled/frozen form to Chennai and Kolkata. Interviewer: What is the scope for inland fisheries in A&N Islands? Secretary (Fisheries): There is huge potential for fresh water fisheries, particularly in North & Middle Andaman and South Andaman. The main hurdle is the absence of Hatcheries and feed mills. The Department is trying its level best to promote local entrepreneurs and entrepreneurs from mainland for setting up the said facilities.

Interviewer: What is the scope of Mariculture and brackish water aquaculture in these Islands?

Secretary (Fisheries): There is immense scope of brackish water Shrimp farming and mud-carb fattening. The issue of Hatcheries and seed is the main problem and the Department is trying its level best to promote local entrepreneurs as well as entrepreneurs from Namunaghar Gram mainland to set up such facilities. The Shrimp hatcheries and feed mills are capital intensive and also need technical expertise. At present, two entrepreneurs have started brackish water venture, one at Mannarghat and another at North & Middle Andaman District. Once the feed and seed issue is sorted out, brackish water shrimp farming can be taken up in Tsunami inundated lands and farms near

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# **MP inaugurates Beauty Parlour** training course organized by NCUI

Port Blair, June 27 The National

Cooperative Union of India, Cooperative Celebration Field Project (Member of Cooperatives) A&N Island Unit organizes various development training programme to give their own business

As part of this, the Namunaghar

National Cooperative Panchayat. The training

opportunities for the Union of India A&N Course was inaugurated rural people to establish Islands unit is by Shri Kuldeep Rai organizing a 15 days Sharma, Member of Beauty Parlour course at Parliament, A&N

# **Adhyaksh ZPSA visits Namunaghar Gram Panchayat**

Port Blair, June 27

Shri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad, Andaman along with Shri Boominathan, Up-Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman visited Panchayat yesterday. During the Samiti, Ferrargunj, different issues raised visit, a meeting with Ward Pradhan, Panchayat, Junior Engineer was accordingly, Adhyaksh, Namunaghar,



area Pramukh, Panchayat Gram Assistant Engineer, considered Up held.

In the meeting, Members, by the villagers were (Contd. on last page)

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#### Secretary (Fisheries) outlines the fishery ...

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creeks.

Interviewer: Can you explain about Cage Aquaculture and its potential?

Secretary (Fisheries): NIOT has undertaken a pilot project in cage culture. The transfer of technology to farmers has not started yet. As per the study of NIOT, there is immense scope of sea bass and other varieties including Tilopia through cage culture in calm water, bay water and inlets. This project is at its nascent stage. However, some farmers have shown their interest to receive the technology from

Interviewer: Kindly elaborate about the infrastructure facilities available for the fishermen in all the three Districts?

Secretary (Fisheries): 17 Fish Landing Centers have been developed by the Department covering the three districts. Apart from this, ice plants, cold storages for preserving fish have been created. Zonal Fisheries Sub Stations are functioning wherein timely registrations of boats and license to fishermen are provided besides implementation of various subsidy and financial schemes.

Interviewer: Can you give a brief description about A & N Marine Fishing Regulation 2003?

Secretary (Fisheries): The Andaman & Nicobar Marine Fishing regulation - 2003 covers the fishing.

Interviewer: What are the prospects in Fisheries Sector and what is important for those who want to take up fishery activities?

Secretary (Fisheries): There is huge potential in the Fisheries Sector in A&N Islands especially for educated youth /entrepreneurs in brackish water aquaculture and deep sea tuna fishing.

Interviewer: What is UT Plan programme and how is it implemented here? Secretary (Fisheries): Construction of boats, procurement of life saving appliances, assistance due to loss during disaster/natural calamities are covered under UT Plan Scheme. Assistance of 50 percent is provided to General category and 75 percent for ST category. Central Govt. is providing funds for the implementation of PMMSY under which there are different components for creation of infrastructure, assets, development of aquaculture ponds, boats, deep sea fishing boats, ice-factories & cold storages and setting up fish kiosks. Under this scheme, 40 percent and 60 percent subsidy is provided to the eligible beneficiaries.

Interviewer: What is 'Blue Revolution' and how many schemes are implemented under this? Is PMMSY part of this?

Secretary (Fisheries): Since the announcement of the PMMSY scheme, all the activities of 'Blue Revolution' have been brought under PMMSY. The basic motto of PMMSY scheme is to increase fish production by modernising the fish crafts and fishing techniques, providing post harvest cold chain infrastructure and developing the Inland Aquaculture & fishery culture activities and mariculture activities. Under this scheme, for the first time in last three years, two farmers have started inland fresh water hatcheries in North & Middle Andaman. Even though it is a small step nevertheless, it is a good first step.

Interviewer: How youth are motivated towards fishery sector?

Secretary (Fisheries): Regular awareness programmes are conducted in fishing villages to motivate youth to take up fishery related activities. Scheme under PMMSY and UT Plan are being popularised among youth and fishermen. There are different components viz. acquisition of deep sea fishing vessels, establishing fish kiosks, establishment of fish value and processing units, setting up of cold storages, insulated refrigerated vehicles etc. for which awareness is created in fishing villages and clusters. Pamphlets with detailed information about the different components of PMMSY printed in five languages viz. Telugu, Tamil, Bengali, English & Hindi are distributed for the better understanding of the common fishermen. The Fisheries Department has prepared a schedule through its local Fisheries Inspectors, AFDS and Sagar Mitras to conduct awareness programmes in all the 169 fishing villages and clusters spread over the length and breadth of A&N Islands.

Interviewer: What is being done to develop more skilled and technically sound

Secretary (Fisheries): For different types of fishing activities like open sea cage culture, fresh water fish rearing, ornamental fish breeding, hygienic handling of fishes, engine repair etc., the Fisheries Department conducts various training programmes at regular intervals in co-ordination with Institutes like NIOT, CIARI, FSY, MPEDA, CFMRI.

Interviewer: Is there any proposal for making a fishing boat building yard? Secretary (Fisheries): The proposal for establishing a 'Fishing Boat Repairing Yard'

in A&N Islands is in its nascent stage. The Fisheries Department has identified a land and Ministry has been requested to instruct Central Institute of Coastal Engineering for Fishery (CICEF), to conduct a study & submit a report and prepare DPR in this matter.

Interviewer: What is being done to provide training to fishermen and also to the staff to cope up with the advancement of technology in the field of fishing?

Secretary (Fisheries): The Staff and fishermen are sent to mainland for training. Besides this, experts from CMFRI, NIOT and MPEDA come to Port Blair to the our staff and fishermen. Fishermen from all the 3 Districts are selected for training at mainland.

Interviewer: How many vacancies are there in the Department and is there any

Secretary (Fisheries): Altogether, 34 vacancies will be filled in the Fisheries Department and the recruitment process is underway.

Interviewer: What is the future plan to strengthen Fisheries Sector in Isles? Secretary (Fisheries): Our future plan is to concentrate on deep sea fishing, brackish water aquaculture and sea cage culture. Fisheries Department is concentrating in these areas from catch to processing with high quality standards and with hygienic post cold harvest set up by involving the private sector participation to boost export. This initiative will ultimately provide employment to local youth and lead

Interviewer: What is being done to motivate unemployed youth to take up fishing as a self venture?

Secretary (Fisheries): There is immense scope and opportunities for the youth in sea food and marine food processing and deep sea fishing in A&N Islands. After getting training by availing Department schemes, the Youth can take up fishery related activities. The youth and fishermen can approach the Department for availing the benefits under various fishery related schemes being implemented in Isles. The fishermen/entrepreneurs should concentrate more on deep sea fishing, fresh water fish culture and brackish water aquaculture as it has good potential.

# MP inaugurates Beauty Parlour training..

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Islands today as the chief guest.

to inclusive growth in Isles.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma said that platform of Self Help Groups is the best means for economic and social reform. He said that through various skill development training programme, a large number of women living in the adjacent area will be benefitted. With the skill they acquire, they will be able to start self employment venture by availing bank loan.

Earlier, Shri Surendra Nath Singh, Project Officer, National Cooperative Union of India A&N Islands Unit welcomed the gathering and briefed about the importance of the training course. Shri Y. Vanketeshawar, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Namunaghar, Shri Mohd. Saffique, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Mithakhari and Shri Simson, Up-Pramukh, Panchayat Samiti, Ferrargunj also addressed the gathering. 30 members of SHGs are participating in the training course, a press release from NCUI said.

#### Adhyaksh ZPSA visits Namunaghar ....

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ZPSA directed to sort-out the problems on priority basis. The Adhyaksh, ZPSA along with his team also inspected the crematoriums at Dundaspoint and Hathitapu. After thorough analysis, it was found that both the crematoriums are in a dilapidated condition and needs immediate repair and renovation with all facilities for better utility, a press release from ZPSA said.

# **Recruitment to various post in A&N Police** Candidates can download admit card from June 28 & PM&ET will be held from July 1

Port Blair, June 27

In response to A & N Police have been centres from 01/07/2023 Administration's informed that they can onwards by visiting the Vacancy Notice No. 4-12/ download the Admit below mentioned links 2023-R&E Cell/462 dated Card for appearing in in the website. The 26.05.2023, candidates Physical Measurement Admit Card can be who have applied and Endurance Test downloaded w.e.f 28/06/

of Andaman & Nicobar commence at different exclusively for the posts (PM&ET) which will 2023 at 1100 hrs.

SI. No.	Name of Post	Vacancy Notice Reference	URL for downloading Admit Card					
1.	Sub-Inspector (Master)	A & N	https://police.andaman.gov.in					
2.	Sub-Inspector (Engine Driver)	Administration's	or					
3.	Head Constable (Electrician), PMF	Vacancy Notice	https://karmic.andaman.gov.in					
4.	Police Constable (Greaser), PMF	No. 4-12/2023-	/policechsr2023					
5.	Police Constable (Lascar), PMF	R&E Cell/462						
6.	Constable (Bandsmen)	dated 26.05.2023.						
7.	Store Keeper(HC), PMT							
8.	Dispatch Rider(PC), PMT							
9.	Constable (Executive)							
10.	Constable (Wireless), IRBn							
11.	Constable (General Duty), IRBn							
12.	Constable (VHF Operator), PR							
The PM&ET standards for the above posts are as follows:-								
General/OBC/EWS								

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Name of Post	Event	Male		
Sub-Inspector     (Master), PMF (male only)	Race	1600 Meters in 8 Minutes		
2) Sub-Inspector (Engine	Height	168 cm		
Driver),PMF (male only) 3) Head Constable	Chest (Minimum requirement)	81 cm		
(Electrician), PMF (male only) 4) Police Constable	Chest (Expanded) (with min. 04 cm expansion)	85 cm		
(Greaser), PMF (male only) 5) Police Constable (Lascar), PMF (male only)	Swimming	100 meters in 10 minutes		

	Name of Post	Event	Male	Female	Male	Female	
	Constable (Bandsmen)     Store Keeper(HC), PMT     Dispatch Rider(PC), PMT     Constable (Executive)     Constable (Wireless), IRBn	Race	1600 Meters in 7 Minutes	800 meters in 5 minutes	No change	No change	
	4) Constable (Executive) 5) Constable (Wireless), IRBn (male only) 6) Constable (General Duty), IRBn (male only)	Height	168 cm	155 cm	160 cm	148 cm	ŀ
		Chest (Minimum requirement)	81 cm	-	77 cm	,	
	7) Constable (VHF Operator), PR	Chest (Expanded) (with min. 04 cm expansion)	85 cm	-	81 cm		
		Long Jump	12 Feet (in three chances)	8 Feet (in Three chances)	No change	No change	
		High Jump	4 feet (in three chances)	3 Feet (in three chances)	No change	No change	

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#### **Eligible candidates list for written test for post of Sub-Inspector (PMT) in A&N Police to be displayed today**

Port Blair, June 27 written test of qualified on June 28, 2023. candidates in Physical

Measurement and queries, candidates With reference to the Endurance Test will be have been advised to Vacancy notice Vide No. held at Port Blair, A&N contact Recruitment MT/18-7/Estt./ Islands on 30.06.2023. Cell, Recruitment/2023 The list of eligible Headquarters, Port published by Transport candidates for written Blair, A&N Islands on Department for filling test for the post of Sub- email up of Group-B (NG) Inspector (PMT) will be recruitment.phq@ posts in Transport, uploaded on A&N and.nic.inand/or on Police & Shipping Police website and also Phone No. 03192-Departments of A&N displayed on the notice 230735 (9.30 AM to 5 PM Administration, the board of PHQ, Port Blair on all working days), a

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press release from A&N

**Candidates appearing for recruitment exam** for Group B (NG) posts of Transport, Police & **Shipping Departments advised** 

Port Blair, June 27 In continuation of examination. notice published by details Department in the the Hall Ticket. portal online 05/2023 report at

commencement of the earlier vacancy timing, venue & other of Transport Examination is given in

Candidates have www.erecruitment. also been advised to andaman.gov.in on 03/ strictly follow all the inviting instructions/guidelines applications from the of the Hall Ticket. The eligible candidates to link for the mock test is fill up the vacant Group h t t p s : / / B (NG) posts of inreg.bosschn.in:8081/. Transport, Police & For any clarification in Shipping Departments, this regard, the candidates candidates can contact appearing for the the Recruitment Cell recruitment through Telephone examination through (Contact number 03192-Computer Based Test 234145) on all working at DBRAIT on June 30 days i.e Monday to have been advised to Friday between 0900 the hours to 1700 hours, a Examination Centre 2 press release from before the Transport Deptt. said.

#### **B.Ed exam of TGCE to begin from July 3**

Port Blair, June 27

Education, Port Blair.

studying in Tagore said.

Government College of Pondicherry Education, Port Blair have University has scheduled been requested to collect final year examinations their hall tickets from the May 2023 of second year Academic Cell of the B.Ed. from 3/7/2023 to College and to appear the 11/7/2023 in Tagore examination as per the Government College of schedule displayed on the College Notice Board, a All eligible candidates press release from TGCE

#### **MP condoles death**

Port Blair, June 27 Sharma, Member of Kader, R/o Mayabunder Parliament, Andaman who & Nicobar Islands has away on 26.06.2023 at deeply mourned the sad Swaraj Dweep, a press demise of M M release from MP Office Syed Hussain said.

(34 years) Forest Guard, Shri Kuldeep Rai S/o Shri S.M. Abdul

# Training prog. on Output Outcome ...

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Outcome Framework lays the foundation of the journey towards a stronger portfolio of Government of India's development schemes and programmes by playing a key role as an enabler of performance-based budgeting. He informed that out of the 98 PM's flagship schemes being implemented in A&N Islands, 38 schemes have been saturated. If outcome and output difference are focussed then over a period of time, these Islands can better its GDP, the Secretary added.

In his address, the Secretary (Planning), Shri Arjun Sharma said, Output Outcome Monitoring Framework (OOMF) is an effort to strengthen monitoring in Government schemes and programmes which aims to enhance accountability and transparency in public expenditure.

The Secretary further stated that we use Output Outcome Monitoring Framework in our day today administrative decision making. It is very important to institutionalize this very aspect of decision making so that each and every penny spend for the people are to be measured not only the output but also the actual outcome to bring a positive change in the people's lives to whom we serve, the Secretary remarked.

In his address, the Director, Development Monitoring & Evaluation Office (DMEO), Shri Akhilesh Kumar said that DMEO is an attached office of NITI Aayog which supports the Govt. to achieve the national development plan through M&F of Government policies and programs. The workshop has been designed with the key objectives to enable the participants to gain a better understanding of monitoring concepts, preparation of output outcome monitoring framework in alignment with UT indicator framework etc., the Director added.

Welcoming the chief guest and others present on the occasion, the Director, Economics & Statistics, Shri Gaurang Mishra said that this training will equip the officials with knowledge, skills and tools necessary to design and implement robust monitoring frameworks which can transform our projects/ programmes from mere activities to powerful agents of change.

Officials of various Department including Planning and Finance are attending the two days training in which the resource persons are from DMEO.

Outreach activities as ... (Contd. from page 1) Health Programme), Dr. Rajeev Ghosh and Shri G Ashis Kumar (Social Worker - National Tobacco Control Programme), Smti Hemalatha (Clinical Psychologist - NMHP) sensitized the gathering about free tele-mental health services, particularly catering to people in remote areas, a press release from Nodal Officer, NMHP said.