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Vice President calls for providing equal property rights to women Women should be encouraged to participate in various fields on par with men: VP

PIB, Nov 14: The Vice President, Shri M Venkaiah Naidu today called for providing equal property rights to women and highlighted the importance of fully empowering them for the country to make progress.

Participating in the 20th anniversary celebrations of Swarna Bharat Trust at Venkatachalam, Nellore, he pointed out that women constituted nearly 50 per cent of the country's population and said they should be encouraged to participate in various fields on par with men.

Deploing atrocities against women, Shri Naidu reiterated the need to provide reservations to women in Parliament, apart from imparting skills in various vocations.

Expressing his satisfaction that the Swarna Bharat Trust over the last 20 years has been fulfilling his dream to empower the needy and marginalized sections, particularly in the rural areas, Shri Naidu said that thousands of young rural men and women have been trained in various vocations with many of them becoming successful entrepreneurs. "Most importantly, farmers, women and youth constitute the focus of this Trust. Such service to people is the highest form of devotion", he added.

Shri Naidu said that he always believed that the poor and marginalized sections need to be empowered through education and vocational skills.

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Excursion trip organized for children of CCIs as part of Children's Day celebration



Port Blair, Nov 14:

On the occasion of Children's Day, the District Child Protection Unit Under District Administration in collaboration with India Reserve Battalion organised an Excursion trip for the children of Child Care Institutions to the Campus of IRBn at Port Mount. On this occasion of Children's Day Shri Hari Kallikkat, IAS, Additional District Magistrate, South Andaman greeted all the children and wished them a bright

future.

During this trip, children were briefed about the duties and responsibilities as well as functions of India Reserve Battalion and the Role of Civil Police in the Society. The officials of the India Reserve Battalion presented a demo on the activities and also an exhibition of weapons for the children was also arranged. The children were also motivated to opt the profession as career.

The program culminated with a cultural program

followed by lunch.

The ADM, South Andaman, along with Shri Dilkush Meena, IAS, SDM South Andaman, Ms. Yashaswini B., Assistant Commissioner (UT) and Shri J Senthil, Assistant Commandant were the distinguished guest present to grace the occasion.

The District Administration always ensures to organize such special events for the children of CCI in order to bring a smile on their face.

IMO LEVEL-I TRAINING CONDUCTED BY COAST GUARD POLLUTION RESPONSE TEAM ANI



Port Blair, Nov 12:

The Coast Guard component of the Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC), conducted an International Maritime Organisation (IMO) Level-I course for the various stake holders, responsible for Pollution Response Operations, at the Andaman and Nicobar Islands (ANI). The course was conducted by Coast Guard Pollution Response Team from 08 Nov to 12 Nov 2021, at Port Blair. The Coast Guard (CG) as a Central

Coordinating Agency for combating oil pollution in the Maritime Zones of India conducts the course in line with the guidelines of International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness Response and Co-operation (OPRC) Convention 1990, to which India is a signatory. Any oil spill in the seas around the ANI will have severe environmental impact on the marine ecosystem and adversely affect dependent economic / tourism

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EDITORIAL

Coal got a breather from India at climate summit

After two weeks of tough UN negotiations on climate change in Glasgow that got extended by a day, the 26th conference of its kind produced a compromise agreement where India had the last word. It insisted on softening the language on eliminating coal-based power production, saying developing nations had the right to use the leftover carbon budget, which is the quantity of CO₂ the world can release before it reaches the global warming threshold of 1.5°C. The Earth will witness catastrophe if it heats up beyond 1.5°C of pre-industrialisation levels. This was the first time the UN pressed for reduction of fossil fuels. India's objection had support from China and other coal-intensive economies. In the end, a word in a sentence on 'phasing out' of unabated use of coal power was changed to 'phasing down', bringing the curtains down on the hard-fought deal.

There is no denying that the present mess is largely because of the profligacy of rich nations that powered up their economic engines over the years using dirty energy. India emerged as the voice of the global south that requires cost-effective resources to lift millions out of poverty. It had already demanded ample climate finance from developed countries for a quick switch to green energy, and made its net-zero commitment by 2070 conditional to ironclad guarantees of funds. However, rich nations failed to keep their promise made in 2009 to provide \$100 billion per year from 2020 as climate finance, but reset the target to \$500 billion by 2025. All nations agreed on a yearly review of their pledges to incrementally improve them. Further, new rules were incorporated for greater scrutiny of emissions reporting to prevent fudging.

However, a lot more needs to be done to save the planet. While pledges before COP26 were to keep emissions at 52.4 gigatonnes by 2030, it came down to 41.9 at the summit, which would work out to 1.8°C warming. That is not good enough as the required figure is 26.6 if we are to not exceed 1.5°C. As for India, it needs to shake up its coal basket to stay within acceptable limits.

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Pointing out that the Trust had never taken any kind of help from the government, he termed it as "no mean achievement" and complimented the Managing Trustee, Smt. Deepa Venkat, trustees and all those who enabled the Trust to meet its objectives.

Underlining the important role of agriculture in the country's economic progress, he called upon all stakeholders to bestow greater attention on agriculture. Similarly, India's demographic dividend should be fully realized by skilling and empowering the youth.

Referring to the urban-rural divide, the Vice President called for bridging it with in-

creasing urgency and said that it would also check migration to cities and urban centres from our villages.

The Vice President lauded the Union Government for setting a new tradition in the selection of Padma awardees and conveyed his appreciation to Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah, who was present on the occasion.

Responding to the remarks made by Shri Amit Shah on the passage of the bill relating to abrogation of Article 370 in the Rajya Sabha under the Chairmanship of Shri Naidu, the Vice President said it was a historic moment in his life as he had al-

ways espoused the cause of total integration of Jammu and Kashmir with the rest of India.

He said that people all over the country rejoiced after the bill was passed following a detailed discussion.

Referring to COVID-19 pandemic, the Vice President appealed to the people to shed vaccine hesitancy and get themselves vaccinated.

Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah, President of Swarna Bharat Trust, Shri Kamineni Srinivas, Trustee of Swarna Bharat Trust, Smt. Deepa Venkat Immani, Shri Muppavarapu harshvardhan, trustees, staff and trainees of the trust were among those present on the occasion.

Tribal connect prominent in PM Modi's MP itinerary as BJP aims winning back SC votebank

BHOPAL: The Madhya Pradesh capital of Bhopal will host Prime Minister Narendra Modi in two grand events on Monday. First is the unveiling of the country's first world-class railway station - Rani Kamlapati Junction (formerly named Habibganj) - and second is addressing the Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas to mark the birth anniversary of tribal icon and freedom fighter Birsa Munda.

The twin events are seen as a major move by BJP to win back the crucial Scheduled Tribe votes, which did not go to the BJP in the last Assembly polls in MP and also in Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand.

Other than celebrating Munda, the move to rename the station after a tribal queen shows how keen the BJP is on these votes.

According to BJP sources, more than three lakh tribal people from across the state are likely to attend the Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas event at Jamboree Maidan.

Enthused by its recent success in by-elections in the Jobat-ST Assembly seat and tribal-dominated Khandwa Lok Sabha seat, BJP is focusing on a series of tribal-centric initiatives.

The PM will launch the 'Ration Aapke Gram' scheme aimed at delivering ration to beneficiaries from the tribal community in their villages every month, so that they don't have to travel far.

He will also hand over genetic counselling cards to beneficiaries, marking the launch of the Madhya Pradesh Sickle Cell (Hemoglobinopathy) Mission.



The Mission has been developed to screen and manage patients suffering from sickle cell anaemia, Thalassemia and other Hemoglobinopathies, whose impact is seen to be more profound on the tribal community of Madhya Pradesh.

He will also visit an exhibition of products made by tribal self-help groups and a photo exhibition of martyrs and heroes of the freedom struggle from the tribal community of Madhya Pradesh.

The tribal community forms around 22% of Madhya Pradesh's population. Out of 230 Assembly seats, 84 are influenced significantly by tribal voters, among which 47 seats are tribal reserved seats.

During the visit to Madhya Pradesh, Prime Minister Modi will inaugurate the redeveloped Rani Kamlapati railway station around 3 pm, the PMO said in a separate statement.

The redeveloped Rani Kamlapati railway station, named after brave and fearless Queen Kamalapati of the Gond kingdom, is the first world-class railway station in Madhya Pradesh, it said.

Redeveloped in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode, the station has been designed as a green building with modern world-class amenities that also takes into account ease of mobility for divyangjans.

The station is also developed as a hub for integrated multi-modal transport, the PMO said.

During the event, the prime minister will dedicate to the nation multiple initiatives of the Railways in Madhya Pradesh, including the gauge converted and electrified Ujjain-Fatehabad Chandrawatiganj broad gauge section, third line in Bhopal-Barkhera section, gauge converted and electrified Mathela-Nimar Kheri broad gauge sec-

tion and the electrified Guna-Gwalior section.

Prime Minister Modi will also flag off two new MEMU trains between Ujjain and Indore, the PMO said.

Meanwhile, at least 350 people, including Madhya Pradesh governor Mangubhai Patel, chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan and others who will come near to Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his scheduled events in Bhopal on Monday are being subjected to RT-PCR tests, an official said on Sunday.

Besides the governor and the chief minister, cabinet ministers, MLAs, security personnel, officials, and other people are also undergoing the RT-PCR test to detect possible coronavirus infection, he said.

The people who will share the stage with the prime minister and those to be felicitated by him are also undergoing the COVID-19 detection test, he added.

The PM will address a convention of tribal communities in the Madhya Pradesh capital on Monday to mark the "Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas" and inaugurate the revamped Rani Kamalapati railway station, earlier known as Habibganj, besides launching various initiatives.

"A total of 101 tribals who will welcome PM Modi by standing alongside the path from the entrance to the stage of the convention at the Jamboree Maiden have already undergone tests for the detection of coronavirus," the official added.

Bhopal Chief Medical and Health Officer Prabhakar Tiwari told PTI that testing for coronavirus is underway at the Jamboree Maiden and Rani Kamalapati railway station.

"Our health teams are asking people to follow COVID-19 appropriate behaviour", he added.

Scientists Skeptical On How Alive 1.5 Temperature Limit Is

LASGOW, Scotland: While world leaders and negotiators are hailing the Glasgow climate pact as a good compromise that keeps a key temperature limit alive, many scientists are wondering what planet these leaders are looking at. Crunching the numbers they see a quite different and warmer Earth.

In the bigger picture I think, yes, we have a good plan to keep the 1.5-degree goal within our possibilities, United Nations climate chief Patricia Espinosa told The Associated Press, referring to the overarching global goal of limiting warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit) since pre-industrial times.

United Kingdom Prime Minister Boris Johnson, the conference host, agreed, calling the deal a clear road map limiting the rise in global temperatures to 1.5 degrees.

But many scientists are far more skeptical. Forget 1.5 degrees, they say. Earth is still on a path to exceed 2 degrees (3.6 Fahrenheit).

The 1.5C goal was already on life support before Glasgow and now its about time to declare it dead, Princeton University climate scientist Michael Oppenheim told The Associated Press in an email Sunday.

A few of the 13 scientists the AP interviewed about the Glasgow pact said they see just enough progress to keep alive the 1.5-degree Celsius limit and with it, some hope. But barely.

The optimists point to many agreements that came out of Glasgow, including a United States-China deal to work harder together to cut emissions this decade, as well as separate multination agreements that target methane emissions and coal-fired power. After six years of failure, a market-based mechanism would kick-start trading credits that reduce carbon in the air.

The 1.5-degree mark is the more stringent of two targets from the historic 2015 Paris climate accord. United Nations officials and scientists consider it key because a 2018 scientific report found dramatically worse effects on the world after 1.5 degrees.

The world has already warmed 1.1 degrees (2 degrees Fahrenheit) since pre-industrial time, so this is really about a few tenths of a degree more. The United Nations calculated that to limit warming to 1.5 degrees, countries need to cut their emissions in half by 2030. Emissions are now going up, not down, by about 14% since 2010, Espinosa said.

German researcher Hans-Otto Portner said the Glasgow



conference got work done, but did not make enough progress."

"Warming will by far exceed 2 degrees Celsius. This development threatens nature, human life, livelihoods, habitats and also prosperity, said Portner, who co-chairs one of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change scientific reports the United Nations relies on.

Instead of big changes in bending the temperature curve as the United Nations had hoped for from Glasgow, they got only tiny tweaks, according to scientists who run computer simulations.

Heading out of Glasgow we have shaved maybe 0.1C off of warming for a best-estimate of 2.3C warming," Breakthrough Institute climate scientist and director Zeke Hausfather said in an email. Hausfather has done climate modeling with colleagues for Carbon Brief.

MIT professor Jon Sterman said his Climate Interactive team crunched some preliminary numbers after the Glasgow deal came out and it didnt match leaders optimism.

There is no plausible way to limit warming to 1.5 or even 2 (degrees) if coal is not phased out and as rapidly as possible, along with oil and gas, he said.

On Saturday, India got a last-minute change to the pact: Instead of the phase out of coal and fossil fuel subsidies, the subsidies are to be phased down. Several of the scientists said that regardless of what the deal says, coal needs to end, not just decrease, to lessen future warming.

Lessening will do less to slow the harmful effects of climate change than eliminating, former NASA chief scientist Waleed Abdalati, who runs environmental research at the University of Colorado, said in an email.

Before the pact was finished, Climate Action Tracker, which also analyzes pledges to see how much warming they would lead to, said emission-cut pledges would lead to 2.4 degrees of warming.

The 1.5 figure is balanced on

a knife edge, said tracker scientist Bill Hare of Australia.

One paragraph in the pact which calls on countries whose emission-cutting goals arent in line with 1.5- or 2-degree limits to come back with new stronger goals by the end of next year gives hope, Hare said.

But U.S. climate envoy John Kerry said Saturday night that paragraph probably doesnt apply to the United States, the second-largest coal emitter and the largest historically, because the U.S. goal is so strong.

Jonathan Overpeck, a climate scientist who is dean of the University of Michigan's environment school said the pact provided watered down hope. "We got an incomplete plan for slower action.

I went into the (conference) thinking 1.5C was still alive, and it appears the worlds leaders just didnt have the backbone for that, Overpeck said in an email.

Some progress was made, said University of Illinois climate scientist Donald Wuebbles, one of the key authors of the U.S. national climate assessment. But the probability of getting to 1.5 degrees is much reduced, even to the point of almost being impossible. Even being able to get to 2 degrees is less likely. But some scientists held out hope.

For the first time, I can really see a potential path forward to limiting warming to 1.5C, Pennsylvania State University climate scientist Michael Mann said in an email. But it will require both (a) countries making good on their current pledges and (b) further ratcheting up their current commitments.

Johan Rockström of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact and Research in Germany highlighted the optimistic scenario he and a few others see if all the countries that have promised net-zero emissions by mid-century actually achieve the goal something most havent started concrete action on.

In that case, warming could be limited to 1.8 degrees or 1.9 degrees, Rockström said.

That is a significant progress, but far from sufficient, he said.

IAF Lands Fighter Aircraft on Purvanchal Expressway Ahead of Its Inauguration by PM Modi



PTI: The Indian Air Force on Sunday landed fighter aircraft on the Purvanchal Expressway here as part of its rehearsal for an airshow on November 16 on the occasion of its inauguration by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. More rehearsals will be carried out by the IAF at the airstrip before November 16, official sources said.

They said 30 fighter planes will showcase their might at the newly constructed expressway after Prime Minister Modi dedicates the 340-km long Purvanchal Expressway to the nation on Tuesday. According to officials, the prime minister and Defence Minister

Rajnath Singh will land at this same airstrip in an IAF C-130 Hercules plane on Tuesday.

Three fighter planes had made rounds of the airstrip when Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath had arrived in Sultanpur to take stock of preparation for the Tuesday event. Adityanath had on Friday said the expressway will prove to be the backbone of Eastern Uttar Pradesh.

"Its inauguration will be in a grand way, accompanied by an air show as a three-and-a-half-km long stretch near Sultanpur has been developed as an airstrip for emergency landing of aircraft," he had said.

Resumption of classes for students of class III to V of Govt., Govt. Aided, Private Unaided and Local Body schools from Nov. 17

Port Blair, Nov. 13

Consequent upon approval accorded by the Competent Authority, the classes for students of class III to V of all management (Govt., Govt. Aided, Private Unaided and Local Body) schools across A&N Islands will reopen with effect from Nov. 17, 2021 with classes to be conducted on alternate days.

Specific directions and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to be followed in the schools have been communicated to all the schools through Zonal Officers in order to comply with COVID-19 protocols as well as to prevent spread of COVID-19.

Further, students will be

permitted to attend school only with the written consent of parents / guardians. The physical attendance will not be compulsory and online instruction via existing modes will continue, a press release from Directorate of Education said.



Vegetable Prices: MP requests CS to direct ANIIDCO to bring Vegetables from Mainland India

Port Blair, Nov 14:

Considering the uncontrolled prices vegetables in Andaman Market, which has gone beyond the budget of common Islanders, the Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to direct ANIIDCO to procure vegetables from Mainland and transport the same to Andaman so that vegetables

at affordable rates can be made available in the Andaman market.

In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary, the Member of Parliament today pointed out that the General Public of Andaman and Nicobar Islands have already suffered heavy losses during the lockdown period and many have exhausted all their savings during this pandemic period.

He said that adding to their pain now the vegetable

prices in Andaman market have gone up astronomically high, which is beyond the reach of the common man.

The Member of Parliament mentioned that he strongly believes that looking at the rate difference of vegetables in Port Blair as well as in Mainland Market, even after transport costs the ANIIDCO will be able to provide vegetables for the common man at an affordable rate, which will benefit each and every Islander.

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa from Akshaya Patra and MP, ANI distribute Ration Kits at Ograbraj, Guptapara, Prothrapur, Ferrargunj and Wilberlygunj areas



Port Blair, Nov 13:

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa, Director, Strategic Communication, The Akshaya Patra Foundation and Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma today distributed hundreds of ration kits to senior citizens, poor families, destitute people, widows and especially-abled Islanders at various areas of South Andaman.

According to details, at 10.00 AM 300 ration kits were distributed at Ograbraj area, at 11 AM 200 kits were distributed at Guptapara area, at 12.30 noon 400 kits were distributed at Prothrapur area, at

3.00 PM 190 kits were distributed at Ferrargunj area and at 5.00 PM 300 kits were distributed at Wimberlygunj area of South Andaman.

Airport Road declared 'No Vending Zone'

Port Blair, Nov. 12

The Port Blair Municipal Council (PBMC) had conducted numerous drives against illegal Street Vendors/Hawkers along the Airport Road/Lamba Line. The area is very vulnerable for any type of accident and is declared as 'No Vending Zone'. In this regard, all the fruit/vegetable sellers in the Lamba Line area adjoining the runway have been once again asked to vacate the area immediately, failing which, strict action will be taken against the defaulters by seizing the items/vegetable/fruits and PBMC will not be responsible for any loss to the defaulters, a press release from PBMC said.

Isles Kindergarten student creates World Record for being the 'Fastest to recite backward counting from 100 to 1'



Port Blair, Nov 13:

Kumari. Shiva Yogetha, D/o Mr. Shiva Kumar (Father) and Mrs. Rathika (Mother), achieved the World Record for being the "FASTEST TO RECITE BACKWARD 100 TO 1 COUNTING" on 19th August 2021.

Kumari. Shiva Yogetha is a resident of Shorepoint, Bambooflat from Andaman & Nicobar Island, India. She recited 100 to 1 backward counting in 51 seconds and broke the previous record of reciting backward numbers in 1 minute 29 seconds and set a new world record for the International Book of Records.

Shri. Suneel Anchipaka, IAS, Deputy Com-

missioner/District Magistrate, South Andaman today felicitated the young talent who was born on 20th March 2017 and achieved the feat at the age of Four (4) Years, Six (6) Month Old and is a student of KG-I of Carmel Pre-Primary School, Port Blair. She has a very keen interest in reading and is very good at memorizing and will be a motivation for the children of these Islands for achieving heights in different fields.

District Administration always encourage and motivate such young talents and extend all possible support for their overall development.

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa inaugurates Tailoring and Fashion Designing Course of ANSCU



Port Blair, Nov 12: Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa, Director, Strategic Communication, The Akshaya Patra Foundation inaugurated a three month Tailoring and Fashion Designing Course at Bambooflat. The course is being conducted by Andaman and Nicobar State Cooperative Union.

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa was the Chief Guest on the occasion and Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma, the Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Chairman Andaman and Nicobar State Cooperative Union was also present on the occasion.

Akshaya Patra distributes 400 Ration Kits Widows and destitute women of Bambooflat

Port Blair, Nov 12:

Shri Naveena Neerada Dasa, Director, Strategic Communication, The Akshaya Patra Foundation and Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma today distributed 400 ration kits to widow and destitute women of Bambooflat region.

All ration kits were provided by world renowned NGO, Akshaya Patra Foundation. Altogether 3000 ration kits have been provided by Akshaya Patra Foundation, out of which 400 kits were distributed.

Addressing the gathering Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma said that women are the power behind every successful society and empowering of women is the responsibility of every society.



The Member of Parliament assured that he will continue to work for upliftment of women in every sector.

Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma expressed deepest gratitude towards Akshaya Patra Foundation for providing the Grocery Kits and Ration Kits for the needy people of Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

The programme, organized at Durga Puja Mandap of Bambooflat

witness huge gathering of people.

The Akshaya Patra Foundation is an NGO in India headquartered in Bengaluru. Akshaya Patra is the world's largest (not-for-profit run) Mid-Day Meal Programme serving wholesome food every school day to over 1.8 million children from 19,039 schools across 12 states & 2 Union territories of India.

Special lecture on 'Legal Profession in the 21st Century' organized by Andaman Law College



Port Blair, Nov. 12

Andaman Law College organized a special lecture on the topic 'Legal Profession in the 21st Century' through Google Meet platform. Prof. (Dr.) K. S. Sarwani, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies, the Tamil Nadu Dr. Ambedkar Law University (TNDALU) was the keynote speaker. Dr. C. Sathish, Principal (i/c), Andaman Law College highlighted the need of intellectualism, professionalism and critical thinking for any field of legal profession.

While delivering the keynote address, Prof. (Dr.) K.

S. Sarwani emphasized the role of interdisciplinary perspective to become successful in the legal profession. She said the social perception of lawyers has changed in the 21st century because law healed the pressing social problems. She appealed to the students of Andaman Law College to be assertive in their communication skills rather than aggressive.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Divya Sharma, Assistant Professor, Andaman Law College, a press release from Andaman Law College said.

Awareness campaigns conducted by EPFO at N&M Andaman

Port Blair, Nov. 14

As per the guidelines and directions issued by ACC (KZ) 'Awareness Campaigns on e-nomination, KYC updation' alongwith interactive session with Employers' and Employees' representatives were organized by the Officers and staff of EPFO, Regional Office, Andaman & Nicobar State at APWD Offices at Diglipur, Mayabunder and Rangat recently.

The team of EPFO comprising of Shri K. Viswanathan, RPFC-II, Shri Siddharth Shankar Maurya, DPA, and Smt. Manjula Minj, Enforcement Officer conducted awareness

campaign at APWD office. Daily Rated Mazdoors of APWD, workers of State Transport Service- Andaman Nicobar Administration, Contractors' Employees, Some Contractors, Departmental Officers and staff attended the campaign. During the awareness campaign, necessities of compliance of KYC protocol by employees and employer in the computerised platforms were explained to the participants. This was followed by an interactive session.

Similar programmes were also conducted at Mayabunder and Rangat, a press release from EPFO said.

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T20 World Cup Tournament Review: Smart Australia Outwit the Rest to Lift T20 World Cup



The Australian cricket team sent good morning tidings to the nation with a great sporting ethos with another trophy that has eluded it for fourteen years. It was around sunrise in Melbourne and Sydney on Monday (November 15) and elsewhere in the vast expanse of Australia when the mercurial Glenn Maxwell reverse swept New Zealand fast bowler Tim Southee and the white kookaburra raced to the third man fence for the last time in the final of the ICC Men's World Twenty20 at the Dubai International Stadium.

Australia had taken its time to seal its stamp of authority in limited over internationals (ODI). It never won the Prudential World Cup played over 60 overs in 1975, 1979 and 1983. Then after it - led by the battle hardened Allan Border - brought down England in the final of the fourth ODI World Cup at the Eden Gardens, Kolkata in 1987, four more Australian teams went on to win the traditional World Cup founded in 1975.

India has proved to be a lucky hunting ground for Australia as it, led by Ricky Ponting, won for the first time the ICC Champions Trophy, beating the West Indies in the final at the Brabourne Stadium, Cricket Club of India.

On Sunday in the presence of an almost full house, Aaron Finch's team pummeled its Tasman neighbour, New Zealand by eight wickets to win the World Twenty20 title for the first time. Amazingly, but refreshingly, the Indian and Pakistani expatriates who had bought tickets online for the title match, turned up at the venue to cheer up two sides that were worthy of a place in the final. The game of cricket became a terrific winner and made it Australia's easy stroll in the park very memorable.

After unsuccessful attempts in the previous six editions of the competition (in South Africa, England, West Indies, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and India) that has been lapped up by the new generation of cricket supporters, Australia marched to victory on the back of a brilliant second wicket

stand between David Warner and all-rounder Mitchell Marsh. The seventh edition was hosted by India in the UAE because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chasing New Zealand's 172 - thanks to a splendid exhibition of stroke play by the out-of-the-box thinking captain Kane Williamson, Australia went after the New Zealand seamers and spinners through the cracking showing by Warner (53, 38 balls, 4 x 4s and 3 x 6s) and Marsh (77 not out, 50 balls, 6 x 4s, 4 X 6s).

Their 92 run whirlwind stand on a virtual feather bed sealed the fate of the match. Maxwell looking to make an impact hit out to make an 18-ball unbeaten 28 as Australia rattled another 66 runs through the unbeaten third wicket to etch its name on the trophy. Marsh, an injury prone cricketer, but who has had a good run this year with the bat was declared the man of the match and Warner (289 runs in seven matches) the player of the tournament.

After unsuccessful attempts in the previous six editions of the competition (in South Africa, England, West Indies, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and India) that has been lapped up by the new generation of cricket supporters, Australia marched to victory on the back of a brilliant second wicket stand between David Warner and all-rounder Mitchell Marsh. The seventh edition was hosted by India in the UAE because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chasing New Zealand's 172 - thanks to a splendid exhibition of stroke play by the out-of-the-box thinking captain Kane Williamson, Australia went after the New Zealand seamers and spinners through the cracking showing by Warner (53, 38 balls, 4 x 4s and 3 x 6s) and Marsh (77 not out, 50 balls, 6 x 4s, 4 X 6s).

Their 92 run whirlwind stand on a virtual feather bed sealed the fate of the match. Maxwell looking to make an impact hit out to make an 18-ball unbeaten 28 as Australia rattled another 66 runs through the unbeaten third wicket to etch its name on the trophy.

Marsh, an injury prone cricketer, but who has had a good run this year with the bat was declared the man of the match and Warner (289 runs in seven matches) the player of the tournament.

The ICC Men's World Twenty20 hosted by the BCCI in the Arabian Gulf was expected to bring a double showdown between Asia's arch rivals, India and Pakistan; one in the first of the Super 12 matches and the second in the final. But the day Shaheen Shah Afridi hoodwinked India's proven performers - Rohit Sharma and KL Rahul - showing expertise to manipulate the new ball in an incisive manner, India looked at the prospect of not qualifying for the knockout. This was more or less confirmed when India performed below par to lose to New Zealand.

The scoring rate for this T20 World Cup, until the final was on par with the overall Twenty20 scoring rate of 7.15 and also on par the World Twenty20 average of 7.15. India touched a high of 8.19, much of it due to its high score against Afghanistan, and losing minimal number of wickets chasing small targets against Scotland and Namibia. England scored at 8.19, Pakistan at 8.16, Australia at 7.96, New Zealand at 7.40, South Africa at 7.05 and the 2016 champion, West Indies at 6.57. In all 313 sixes and 722 fours were hit, with Australia opener David Warner hitting a six after the ball had bounced twice. This happened in the Semi-finals against Pakistan. The right-handers scored 5889 runs and the left-handers 2764 runs.

While the batting was far from the spectacular with one century and 41 half centuries being scored, the bowlers have taken 341 wickets conceding 7.51 an over.

Legal awareness & outreach campaign by DLSA culminates with valedictory function

Port Blair, Nov. 14

As part of the celebration of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the 45 days long pan India Legal Awareness & Outreach Campaign organized by District Legal Services Authority, A&N Islands, Port Blair under the aegis of NALSA culminated with a valedictory programme held today at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar auditorium. Shri Subash Kumar Kar, Ld. District & Sessions Judge-cum-Chairman, DLSA, A&N Islands inaugurated the valedictory function in the presence of Shri Krishna Rao, Ld. Public Prosecutor-cum-Govt. Pleader, A&N Administration, Shri. Bijoyesh Ghoshal, Ld. Registrar, Hon'ble Circuit Bench of Calcutta High Court at Port Blair, Shri. Raja Chatterjee, Ld. Additional District & Sessions Judge, A&N Islands, Shri. Prasantha Kumar Sil, Ld. Judge, Family Court, Shri Md. Nurjaman Khan, Ld. Judicial Magistrate First Class, 1st Court, Port Blair-cum-Secretary(i/c), DLSA, A&N Islands, Shri. Debabrata Biswas, Ld. Judicial Magistrate First Class, 2nd Court, Port Blair, Shri. Indranil Ray, Ld. Judicial Magistrate First Class, Additional Court, Port Blair and others.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Subash Kumar Kar highlighted various outreach activities conducted by DLSA from Oct. 2 to Nov. 14 viz. sit & draw competition, moot court & debate competition, awareness through mobile van, door to door campaigns, legal awareness camps etc. Shri Krishna Rao, Ld. Public Prosecutor-cum-Govt. Pleader spoke on the importance and benefits of different schemes of the Legal Services Act, 1987. Shri Mohd. Tabraiz, President, A&N Bar Association and Dr. C. Sathish, Principal (i/c), Andaman Law College also spoke on the occasion.

The valedictory function of Pan India Legal awareness and Outreach Campaign was followed by various cultural events. A short skit on drug abuse was performed by the students of Andaman Law College besides a folk dance by the group of children of Chotanagpur community.

The programme culminated with the vote of thanks proposed by Shri. Md. Nurjaman Khan, Ld. Judicial Magistrate First Class, 1st Court, Port Blair-cum-Secretary (i/c), DLSA, A&N Islands, a press release from DLSA said.

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activities. Accordingly, IMO level-I courses are structured and conducted by the Coast Guard, to provide effective training to all stakeholders for coordinated response operations against any marine oil spills at sea.

The training course was attended by 25 participants, in-

cluding officials from the Department of Environment & Forests, Port Management Board (PMB), Andaman and Nicobar Pollution Control Committee (PCC), Marine Police Force (PMF) and Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) apart from personnel of CG. The course curriculum provided the participants an insight

into the various facets of pollution response in terms of awareness, preparedness, response, legal regulations and practical exposure on handling of pollution response equipment. Certificates were presented on successful completion of IMO Level-I training to all the participants.