

## Shaheed Dweep experiences Six Hour Long Power Cut

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Port Blair, 28 Dec: People of Shaheed Dweep areas witnessed a nearly six-hour long power cut today from 09:00 AM to 03:00 PM causing

huge inconvenience to the general public as well as visiting tourists. Few weeks back there was a serious power crisis in the Islands, which was addressed recently and after today's power cut people of the Island found themselves help-

less as most of the people had no idea why they are witnessing such a long power cut.

Travel Agents of Shaheed Dweep have expressed serious concern over the long power outages in island  
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## CID team seizes 08 KL of Diesel during a raid at Dollygunj

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Nicobar Police today conducted a raid in a house situated in Dollygunj Industrial area.

Port Blair, December 28: Acting promptly on a specific information about stocking of huge quantities of diesel in a house, the CID unit of Andaman and

During the raid the CID team reportedly found 08 KL of Diesel along with two oil tankers, which were parked inside the campus. The CID  
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## Vishal Jolly highlights issues Pertaining to Extremely Poor Shipping Services of Southern Groups of Islands

Port Blair, Dec 28: Mr. Vishal Jolly National Executive Member BJP & Former State President BJP-ANI has written a letter to Chief Secretary A & N Administration and highlighted issues pertaining to extremely poor shipping services which are seriously affecting the lives of people belonging to Southern groups of Islands, especially Katchal, Teressa, Chowra & Nancowry group of Islands.

Mentioning his recently concluded tour to Nicobar District Mr. Jolly reported in his letter that two vessels namely M. V. Galathiya and M. V. Barren, which were used for voyages/ passenger sailings in the Nancowry group of Islands are out of service due to its poor & pathetic conditions and therefore there is neither any vehicle ferry nor any ferry boat available for

Nancowry groups of Islands.

It was further reported that the newly built vessels namely M. V. Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu is not berthing at Katchal Jetty although all the facilities

are available for a smooth berthing at Katchal Jetty.

It was also pointed out that good vessels are not used for providing services at the southern group of Islands  
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## Lt. Governor to hoist National Flag at Flag Point on 30th December, 2022

Port Blair, Dec. 28: Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), the Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency will hoist the National Flag at Flag Point on 30th December, 2022 at 8 am to commemorate the First Flag Hoisting by Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the year 1943. In this regard, the A&N Administration has chalked out befitting programmes ensuring Jan Bhagidari at Block, District and UT level. These programmes are being organized as part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The



programmes highlighting the contribution of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and INA in the freedom struggle is being organized by respective Deputy Commissioners throughout the Islands involving schools, PRIs and others from December 28 to Dec. 30, 2022. All Islanders have been requested to participate in these events.

## Rozgaar Evam Swarozgar Mela Organised



**Rabindranath Biswas**

*Sheekha News Service*

Diglipur, Dec 28: Rozgaar Evam Swarozgar Mela was organized in the Multipurpose Hall, Diglipur by Khadi, RD, Employment Exchange and NYK in the morning hours today.

As per report, the Assistant Commissioner, Diglipur was the Chief Guest while Mr. Mahadev Gain, Up-Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad, Mayabunder, the BDO, Diglipur, the Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Subhasgram and others were present on the occasion.

The program was

started with the lighting of lamps by the Chief Guest.

The aim of the mela was to help the youth start earning so that entrepreneurial skills are developed in them.

Nearly one hundred stakeholders attended the mela and took its benefit, the report said.

## CPI (M) Opposes Commercial Activities in Tiranga Park

Port Blair, Dec 28: CPI (M) has demanded to shift the crocodiles from all residential areas of A & N Islands to the Crocodile sanctuary. In a letter sent to the Lt. Governor, A & N Islands, Mr. D. Ayyappan, State Secretary of CPI (M) has further demanded that a policy decision may be

taken not to release the hatchlings/baby crocodiles in the nearby areas of human habitation henceforth. He drew the attention of the Lt. Governor to the incident that occurred at New Manglutan recently in which a person was killed by the crocodile

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## Isles' Bengali Poet felicitated in West Bengal

Port Blair, Dec 28: Isles' Bengalee Poet, Editor and Journalist Mr. Anadiranjan Biswas (Editor, Baakprotima and News Spotlight) has been felicitated by a couple of organizations of Nadia District, West Bengal. On 26th December 2022, Mr. Biswas was honored with 'Tarapada De Smriti Sammanana' by 'Mastermohai Tarapada De Memorial Committee' in the



premises of Baro Andulia Higher Secondary School'. Earlier on 25 December 2022,

Mr. Anadiranjan Biswas was felicitated by United Sporting Club of Rangiar Pota (native village of Mr. Biswas).

## Two Days 'Hindi Workshop' Organized by Botanical Survey of India

Port Blair, Dec 28: Botanical Survey of India, Andaman and Nicobar Regional Centre organized two days 'Hindi workshop' on 27.12.2022 & 28.12.2022 for generating interest, encouragement and awareness about the use of 'Hindi' in the official work amongst the officers and employees. Inaugurating the Valedictory function Head of Regional Centre & Joint Director, Dr. Lal Singh empha-



sized upon the Article 3(3) of Official Language, Hindi. Dr Singh emphasized upon the role of government employees in

working of Rajbhasha Hindi and using Hindi in the office and encouraged all the participants who are working in Hindi in the official works.

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## IGNOU Admission Open For January 2023 Session

Port Blair, Dec 28: Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) announces fresh Admissions to January Academic session commencing from 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. IGNOU offers a variety of academic programmes through its network of Study Centers located across Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The admission is open for the academic programmes like, Bachelors, Masters, PG Di-

ploma, Diploma & Certificate Programmes in both online and offline mode. For Online admission visit at <https://ignouadmission.samarth.edu.in/>.

The prospective applicants who are interested to submit the admission form through offline mode can submit their offline application at Regional Centre, Port Blair. For more details, regarding the programmes, fees, duration, visit IGNOU Website –

[www.ignou.ac.in](http://www.ignou.ac.in) or contact IGNOU Regional Centre, Port Blair over Phone: 03192-242888, 03192-230111 or Email: [reportblair@ignou.ac.in](mailto:reportblair@ignou.ac.in) or any of its Study Centers functional at Port Blair, Mayabunder, Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Nancowry & Campbell Bay. The Last Date for submission of admission form is 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023. A communication from the Regional Director, IGNOU, Regional Centre, Port Blair said.

## TENTATIVE SAILING PROGRAMME OF MV SWARAJ DWEEP & SINDHU FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2023

### SCHEDULE OF SINDHU

ARRIVAL	DAY	PORT	DEPARTURE	DAY	VOY. NO.	TIME (in Hrs)	REMARKS
--	--	PORT BLAIR	16.01.2023	MON	46	1600	
19.01.2023	THU	VIZAG	20.01.2023	FRI	47	1600	
23.01.2023	MON	PORT BLAIR	25.01.2023	WED	48	1600	
28.01.2023	SAT	KOLKATA	31.01.2023	TUE	49	1400	
03.02.2023	FRI	PORT BLAIR	--	--	--	--	

### SCHEDULE OF MV SWARAJ DWEEP

ARRIVAL	DAY	PORT	DEPARTURE	DAY	VOY. NO.	TIME (in Hrs)	REMARKS
--	--	CHENNAI	04.01.2023	WED	1027	1600	
07.01.2023	SAT	PORT BLAIR	10.01.2023	TUE	1028	1000	
13.01.2023	FRI	CHENNAI	18.01.2023	WED	1029	1600	
21.01.2023	SAT	PORT BLAIR	24.01.2023	TUE	1030	1000	
27.01.2023	FRI	CHENNAI	--	--	--	--	

This is a tentative sailing programme subject to change at short notice. The Directorate of Shipping Services will not bear any responsibility what so ever loses (if any) due to any change in the programme.

Advance reservation of passenger tickets for the above sailings will commence at STARSTicketing Counters as per the following dates mentioned below.

CHENNAI : 29.12.2022 (THURSDAY)  
KOLKATA/VIZAG : 30.12.2022 (FRIDAY)

*Deputy Director Shipping Services  
A & N Admn.*

## 39 international travellers tested positive in 3 days at Indian airports: Report

At least 39 international travellers arriving in India have tested positive during the random tests being carried out by the Centre at airports, PTI reported. This comes at a time when Union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya is set to visit New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport tomorrow to review the arrangements made to screen foreign travellers.

The Centre is likely to make it compulsory for the passengers arriving from China and other affected countries from next week. Official sources told PTI that the next 40 days will be crucial as the country might wit-

ness a Covid-19 surge in January. "Previously, it has been noticed that a new wave of COVID-19 hits India around 30-35 days after it hits East Asia.... This has been a trend," a Health ministry official said. The government might make it compulsory for international passengers arriving from China, Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Thailand and Singapore to fill up 'Air Suvidha' forms.

With a global surge in Covid-19 cases in China and several other countries, India has begun to maintain a close watch on the pandemic ahead of New Year. Though the government - Centre or states - have not imposed any restric-

tion on celebrations, but have urged people to follow Covid-appropriate behaviour. Hospitals across the country conducted a mock drill to ensure readiness to deal with any eventuality related to Covid-19. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and health minister Mansukh Mandaviya have held meetings to assess the country's preparedness to deal with a fresh surge in cases. The government has directed that the preparedness of beds, ventilators, oxygen, emergency drugs and healthcare professionals be checked. Get Latest India News along with Latest News and Top Headlines from India and around the world.

## Union minister Anurag Thakur releases government's 2023 calendar



NEW DELHI: Union information and broadcasting minister Anurag Thakur on Wednesday released the government's 2023 calendar, saying it was not just a collection of photographs but a reminder of the government's achievements and its plans for the future.

"The calendar is about the achievements of the government and the resolves for the future. The calendar will lay down the roles a citizen has to play for a developed India and we should be proud of our rich and cultural heritage. At the same time, we should be free from the mindset of slavery," Thakur said at an event to release the calendar which

spotlights one sector, ranging from farmer welfare, education and Skill India to Fit India, every month.

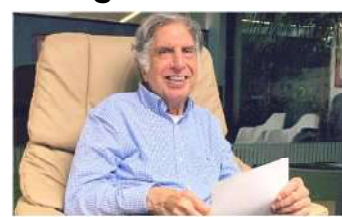
This is the first time after two years that the government has resumed publishing the calendar in a physical format. The government will print and circulate nearly 1.1 million copies of the calendar on the theme, 'New Year, New Resolution', to government offices across the country down to the panchayat. The 2023 calendar will continue to be available in a digital format as well, he said. "When we hang it up on our walls, it will remind us of our duties to this country," Thakur said.

## This MP demands Bharat Ratna for Ratan Tata, writes to President Murmu: '...a legend'

On a day when Ratan Tata turned 85, YSR Congress Party MP Raghu Ramakrishna Raju demanded that the industrialist be conferred with Bharat Ratna. He reportedly wrote to President Droupadi Murmu urging for the country's highest civilian award to Ratan Tata.

"Several billionaires will be born on this earth but the one that do leave a lasting impact are people like the phenomenal industrialist Ratan Tata," news agency PTI quoted Raju as saying in a letter to Murmu.

Raju – the Lok Sabha MP from Narasapuram in Andhra Pradesh – emphasised that "Ratan Tata is a legend and one existing personality who deserves Bharat Ratna." He also said Tata will be "a pervading presence in nation's list of the philanthropic billionaire" and requested Murmu to "positively consider honouring Sri Ratan Tata with Bharat Ratna as a humanitarian bolstering



noble causes."

In October, Ratan Tata was awarded 'Sewa Ratna' by RSS-affiliated Sewa Bharti for work in the field of philanthropy. Twenty-five other dignitaries and institutions were also awarded for their selfless social service, news agency PTI reported. Ratan Tata was unable to attend the function. As Ratan Tata celebrates his birthday Wednesday, social media was flooded with wishes and messages for him. Tata - hailed as the iconic Indian business tycoon and industrialist - was born in Mumbai in 1937 on this day. #RatanTata also trended online. Birthday wishes poured in from all quarters including from political leaders Devendra Fadnavis and Aaditya Thackeray.



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<div> <div>SEVA SUCHNAYEIN</div> <div>ALL THE SAILINGS</div> <div>ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS</div> </div> <div> <p>INTER ISLAND SECTOR:</p> <p>•<b>Nalanda</b> will sail for <b>Campbell Bay via Nancowry on 31.12.2022 (Sat)</b> at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 02.01.2023 (Mon) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via Nancowry. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 29.12.2022 (Thu) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>•<b>MV Bharat Seema</b> will sail for <b>Car Nicobar via Little Andaman on 06.01.2023 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs</b> from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 07.01.2023 (Sat) at 1600 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Little Andaman. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 04.01.2023 (Wed) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>LITTLE ANDAMAN:</p> <p>•<b>Nalanda</b> will sail for Little Andaman on <b>29.12.2022 (Thu) at 0900 Hrs</b> from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Little Andaman.</p> <p>•<b>MV Bharat Seema</b> will sail for Little Andaman on <b>01.01.2023 (Sun) at 0900 Hrs</b> from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Little Andaman.</p> <p>•<b>MV Nalanda</b> will sail for Little Andaman on <b>04.01.2023 (Wed) at 0900 Hrs</b> from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Little Andaman.</p> <p>Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings i.e. (for 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2023) will be issued to the general public from 30.12.2022 (Fri) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</p> <p>DIGLIPUR &amp; MAYABUNDER:</p> <p>•<b>MV Dering</b> will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on <b>31.12.2022 (Sat)</b> at 1900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 01.01.2023 (Sun) at 1230 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 29.12.2022 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>•<b>MV Bharat Seema</b> will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on <b>02.01.2023 (Mon)</b> at 1900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 03.01.2023 (Tue) at 1230 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 31.12.2022 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>•<b>MV Dering</b> will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on <b>04.01.2023 (Wed)</b> at 1900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 05.01.2023 (Thu) at 1230 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 02.01.2023 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>•<b>MV Dering</b> will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on <b>07.01.2023 (Sat)</b> at 1900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 08.01.2023 (Sun) at 1230 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder. <b>Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 05.01.2023 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.</b></p> <p>FORESHORE SECTOR:</p> <p>Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels will be issued to the general public at STARS Ticketing Counters two days prior to her scheduled departure date.</p> <p>29.12.2022 (THU)</p> <p>SHAHEED DWEEP &amp; SWARAJ DWEEP</p> <p>•<b>MV Bambooka</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 29.12.2022 (Thu) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Chouldari</b> will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 29.12.2022 (Thu) at 0630 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Baratang</b> will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 29.12.2022 (Thu) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Baratang</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 29.12.2022 (Thu) at 1300 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep Jetty and will sail back to Shaheed Dweep on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Bambooka</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 29.12.2022 (Thu) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Strait Island</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on <b>29.12.2022 (Thu) at 1700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail back to Port Blair on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 0600 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</b></p> <p>30.12.2022 (FRI)</p> <p>SHAHEED DWEEP &amp; SWARAJ DWEEP</p> <p>•<b>MV Bambooka</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Kamorta</b> will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Baratang</b> will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Baratang</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep Jetty and will sail back to Shaheed Dweep on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Bambooka</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 30.12.2022 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</p> <p>•<b>MV Kamorta</b> will sail for Swaraj Dweep on <b>30.12.2022 (Fri) at 1700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail back to Port Blair on 31.12.2022 (Sat) at 0600 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.</b></p> <p>RANGAT</p> <p>MV Chouldari will sail for Rangat via Swaraj Dweep &amp; 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<div> <div>CPI (M) Opposes...</div> <div>(From page 2)</div> </div> <div> <p>while fishing in the creek near his house.</p> <p>Mr. Ayyappan along with other leaders visited the residence of the victim on 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 morning and spoke to his family members, relatives and villagers assembled there. He stated in his letter that the area is inhabited by a large number of fishermen and fishing is their only income. The villagers informed Mr. Ayyappan that the above incident occurred due to the sheer callousness of the authorities concerned as no action was taken by the authorities to shift the crocodiles from the area to the Crocodile sanctuary despite requests by the fishermen villagers. The incident occurred at a place 1 KM away from Guptapara Fish Landing Centre. It is surprising that the crocodiles were allowed to remain at a place where fishermen are fish-</p> </div> <div> <p>ing and inhabit. Mr. Ayyappan alleged that no concrete step was taken by the Environment &amp; Forest Department of the A &amp; N Administration or by the concerned Panchayat-raj institutions to shift the crocodile from the area because of which the instant incident occurred. He informed the Lt. Governor that the rescue operation launched by the Forest Department to save the victim was also not effective and it was reportedly conducted in a very casual manner. The family members of the victim and the villagers have reported to the CPI (M) leaders that no officer from the Administration visited their home or in the area after the tragic incident and it was left at the discretion of the lower level officials of the Forest Department.</p> <p>CPI (M) Secretary urged upon the Lt. Governor to issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities in this regard.</p> </div>					
<div> <div>Vishal Jolly...</div> <div>(From page 2)</div> </div> <div> <p>&amp; sailings of ships are usually irregular in these Islands.</p> <p>It was further highlighted that the tribal people residing at Nicobar group of Islands culturally and traditionally require transporting cattle from one Island to another and there are presently no ships/boats available through which the same could be transported.</p> <p>Accordingly, he demanded that at least one Ferry and one Vehicle Ferry Boat be provided on urgent basis for Nancowry Group of Islands and good condition vessels namely M. V. Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu be instructed to berth at Katchal Jetty at the earliest.</p> <p>Further he demanded that the sailings of vessels namely M. V.</p> </div> <div> <p>Nalanda and M. V. Sindhu in all ports from Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Terrasa, Katchal and Kamorta Islands are compulsorily scheduled on regular basis, at least thrice in each &amp; every month, round the year. Also demanded that either new vessels be purchased or the available old vessels be modified &amp; renovated in such a manner that it becomes fit &amp; capable to carry &amp; transport cattle.</p> <p>Mr. Jolly demanded speed boats schedule every alternative day between Kamorta and Katchal.</p> <p>Concluding in his letter he requested the Chief Secretary A &amp; N Administration to sort out these issues at the earliest, in the interest of welfare of people belonging to these Islands.</p> </div>					
<div> <div>CID team...</div> <div>(From page 1)</div> </div> <div> <p>team is further investigating the matter to find out the source of the Diesel and</p> </div> <div> <p>why such a huge quantity of fuel was stored in the house. Further details awaited.</p> </div>					
<div> <div>QUIT SMOKING TODAY</div> <div>  </div> <div>SMOKING &amp; PASSIVE SMOKING CAUSES CANCER</div> <div>CAMPAIGN AGAINST TOBACCO BY ANDAMAN SHEEKHA</div> </div>					

## PM Modi visited mother Heeraben, who is admitted to Ahmedabad hospital

Heeraben Modi, prime minister Narendra Modi's mother, was admitted to Ahmedabad's UN Mehta Hospital on Wednesday afternoon, for what some reports indicate is a routine check-up. The hospital issued a statement confirming her admission to its Institute of Cardiology and Research Centre.

"Heeraben Modi, mother of prime minister Narendra Modi, is admitted at UN Mehta Institute of Cardiology and Research Centre in Ahmedabad and her health condition is stable," the hospital said.

Modi travelled quickly to Ahmedabad and the hospital to be with his mother; news agency ANI shared a video of his convoy driving into the compound.

As per the hospital, her health condition is stable. [pic.twitter.com/j9Yp3udunB](https://pic.twitter.com/j9Yp3udunB)

Reports also indicate security around the hospital has been tightened and that Gujarat chief minister Bhupendra Patel - who led the prime minister's Bharatiya Janata Party to a landslide victory in this month's elec-

tion - is present.

Politicians across party lines have sent 'get well' messages to the PM and his mother, including Congress MP Rahul Gandhi, who tweeted 'the bond between a mother and her son is precious...' NCP MP Priyanka Chaturvedi also tweeted.

Modi met his mother earlier this month, ahead of the second and final phase of the Gujarat election, during which Heeraben Modi had also cast her vote.

Born on June 18, 1923, Modi's mother is in the 100th year of her life.

On the occasion the prime minister tweeted: "I have no doubt that everything good in my life, and all that is good in my character, can be attributed to my parents. Today, as I sit in Delhi, I am filled with memories from the past."

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"A mother's penance creates a good human being. Her affection fills a child with human values and empathy. A mother is not an individual or a personality, motherhood is a quality. It is often said that the Gods are made according to the nature of their devotees. Similarly, we experience our mothers and their motherhood according to our own nature and mindset," the prime minister said.

News of the prime minister's mother's hospitalisation comes a day after his brother, Prahlad Modi, and members of his family were involved in a minor road accident near Mysuru city in Karnataka. One person had a minor injury.

## Union minister Anurag Thakur releases government's 2023 calendar

NEW DELHI: Union information and broadcasting minister Anurag Thakur on Wednesday released the government's 2023 calendar, saying it was not just a collection of photographs but a reminder of the government's achievements and its plans for the future.

"The calendar is about the achievements of the government and the resolves for the future. The calendar will lay down the roles a citi-

zen has to play for a developed India and we should be proud of our rich and cultural heritage. At the same time, we should be free from the mindset of slavery," Thakur said at an event to release the calendar which spotlights one sector, ranging from farmer welfare, education and Skill India to Fit India, every month.

This is the first time after two years that the government has resumed pub-

lishing the calendar in a physical format. The government will print and circulate nearly 1.1 million copies of the calendar on the theme, 'New Year, New Resolution', to government offices across the country down to the panchayat. The 2023 calendar will continue to be available in a digital format as well, he said. "When we hang it up on our walls, it will remind us of our duties to this country," Thakur said.

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## Shaheed Dweep...

lands causing immense problems to the hospitality sector as several hour power cuts are becoming a common issue at Shaheed Dweep.

When Andaman Sheekha Daily contacted a senior officer of the Electricity Department in this issue, he said that yesterday a fault of oil leakage was identified in 800KVA Power Transformer and repair was ex-

tremely essential as that could have resulted in a fire accident.

He added that today technicians were sent to Shaheed Dweep from Port Blair and after reaching the Island, the technicians immediately began repair works and by evening the problem was rectified. Mr. Kajal Das, Mondal President BJP told Andaman Sheekha the Elec-

tricity Department took quick action and the fault in the transformer was rectified and power was restored by 3.00 PM.

He urged the Administration to take concrete steps to ensure that the Shaheed Dweep does not witness such power crisis or long power cuts again as it is causing loss to Tourism Business of the Island.

## PLOT FOR SALE

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## India to make negative Covid test mandatory for travellers from these 5 countries: Report

Passengers arriving from China, Japan, South Korea, Hong Kong, Thailand and Singapore- the countries that have reported massive surge in Covid cases might require mandatory negative RT-PCR tests from next week, news agency PTI reported.

As the Centre has stepped up surveillance and asked the states to be alert in view of the global spike in Covid cases, at least 39 international travellers arriving in India have tested positive during the random tests being carried at airports." 39 international passengers were found positive for Covid-19 out of the 6,000 tested on arrival in the last two days," official sources told PTI.

This comes at a time when Union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya is set to visit New Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport

tomorrow to review the arrangements made to screen foreign travellers.

Health experts have predicted that India will see a Covid surge in January. Cases are projected to rise especially in the next 40 days. The alert has been sounded based on the previous year's readings.

Following the surge, India has begun to maintain a close watch on the pandemic ahead of New Year. The Centre or the states have not imposed any restriction on celebrations, but urged people to follow Covid-appropriate behaviour. Hospitals across the country conducted a mock drill to ensure readiness to deal with any eventuality related to Covid-19. With only 27 per cent of the eligible adult population having taken the precaution dose, government officials have appealed to those due for it to take it.