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## Anganwadi Workers stage Dharna to press for their demands



North & Middle, September 15 : Andaman Nicobar Anganwadi workers with the support of Bhartiya Mazdoor Sangh staged dharna in a peaceful manner at Port Blair and various other Islands like Rangat, Diglipur, Kadamtala etc. It is learnt that Anganwadi workers gathered in large numbers and demanded hike in honorarium and job in schools under new education policy. At Port Blair, former MP, Mr. Bishnu pada Ray, State

General Secretary of BMS Shri Ashok Kumar and other prominent BJP leaders were present along with the Anganwadi workers.

## Battered Road



Port Blair, September 15 : The road in Stewart Gunj was renovated around six months ago. Thereafter due to lockdown, this road was put to minimal use due to restricted vehicle movement. Later when the vehicular movement started, it could not bear the load. Potholes developed

in many areas endangering the life of two Wheeler drivers. Recent downpour had completely exposed the quality of the road. As of now a layman without any technical expertise can say that substandard materials were used for construction of this road. People of this area now demand

strict action against the contractor who built this substandard road endangering the life of many. Blacklisting such contractors will act as deterrent to those who use dubious techniques for road construction work.

## Andaman Nicobar Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh held today at Durga Puja Mandap, Junglighat of Parichay Samaroh

Port Blair, September 15 : Andaman Nicobar Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh (ANRKM), a registered body working for the employees of this Union Territory, after the journey of around 4 years, the organisation got National Affiliation with Rashtriya Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh of Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh. The

National Executive Meeting held on 4th & 5th Sept. 2021 at Omkareshwar wherein granted affiliation to ANRKM by Maneeniya Pavan Dongra ji, National President and Maneeniya Bishnu Prasad ji National General Secretary in presence of Maneeniya M. P. Singhji, (Prabhari) National Vice President, Bharatiya Mazdoor

Sangh, New Delhi. The Rashtriya Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh is working in the area of Non - Industrial sector with Gazetted as well as Non - Gazetted employees and in the same line and guidance ANRKM will function in these islands. A programme was organised to mark the grant of national

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## Teachers made to beg



Port Blair, September 15 : Teachers of MES School organised a silent protest yesterday after duty hours to call for attention of authorities with regard to non-payment of Salary for last seven months. Speaking to this weekly, few teachers expressed their unhappiness with the way School Management and the Administration has been dealing with this issue. Some of them are on the verge of starvation as those helping them financially had expressed their inability to do so in future. Tenants of those who are residing in rented accommodation had threatened them of throwing them out if dues are not settled immediately. Many teachers were weeping profusely due to uncertain future they are facing. If urgent intervention is not made by administration, the situation is going to deteriorate further.



People of Durgapur in Diglipur block road at Macchi Dhera junction on 14th September to protest against the worsening condition of the road. Agitation was called off after assurance of time-bound completion of repair work by authorities.





## EDITORIAL

## आप भी चलाते हैं तेज स्पीड में गाड़ी तो पढ़ लें हाई कोर्ट का ये फैसला, नहीं तो होगा नुकसान



मद्रास हाई कोर्ट ने केंद्र सरकार की हाईवे पर टॉप स्पीड 120 किलोमीटर प्रति घंटे करने की अधिसूचना को रद्द कर दिया है और अधिकतम स्पीड को घटाकर 80 किलोमीटर प्रति घंटा करने का आदेश दिया है।

चेन्नई: हाईवे पर ओवर स्पीडिंग की वजह से होने वाली दुर्घटनाओं को देखते हुए मद्रास हाई कोर्ट ने चिंता जताई है और बड़ा फैसला सुनाया है। कोर्ट ने केंद्र सरकार की हाईवे पर टॉप स्पीड 120 किलोमीटर प्रति घंटे करने की अधिसूचना को रद्द कर दिया है और अधिकतम स्पीड को घटाकर 80 किलोमीटर प्रति घंटा करने का आदेश दिया है।

सड़क हादसों की वजह ओवर स्पीडिंग: हाई कोर्ट

सुनवाई के दौरान जस्टिस एन किरूबाकरन और जस्टिस टीवी थमिलसेल्वी की बेंच ने अधिकांश सड़क हादसों की वजह ओवरस्पीडिंग को बताया। उन्होंने केंद्र सरकार की उस दलील को भी मानने से इंकार कर दिया, जिसमें कहा गया था कि स्पीड लिमिट बेहतर सड़कों और गाड़ियों की उन्नत तकनीक को ध्यान में रखते हुए एक्सपर्ट कमिटी की राय के बाद तय की गई है।

## हिन्दी पखवाड़ा अण्डमान तथा निकोबार पुलिस द्वारा



दिनांक 14 सितम्बर 2021 को अपराह्न 4:00 बजे पुलिस मुख्यालय के सभागार में हिन्दी दिवस समापन समारोह का आयोजन किया गया। इस अवसर पर अपर पुलिस महानिदेशक श्री अनिल शुक्ला (भा.पु.से.) मुख्य अतिथि रहे एवं पुलिस विभाग के वरिष्ठ अधिकारीगण एवं कर्मियों ने हिन्दी दिवस समापन समारोह में भाग लिया।

हिन्दी पखवाड़ा अण्डमान तथा निकोबार पुलिस द्वारा दिनांक 01 सितम्बर 2021 से 15 सितम्बर 2021 तक मनाया जा रहा है, इस दौरान दिनांक 10/09/2021 को पुलिस विभाग के कर्मचारियों के लिए हिन्दी आलेखन प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया था, जिसमें श्री ए वेकंट राव, प्रधान सिपाही प्रथम, श्रीमती बुशरा बीबी, प्रधान सिपाही द्वितीय, व श्री सोमा लकडा, सिपाही तृतीय स्थान पर रहे इसके अलावा तीन कर्मचारियों को संताना पुरस्कार प्रदान किया गया। मुख्य अतिथि महोदय ने आयोजित प्रतियोगिता के विजेताओं को बधाई दी तथा कोरोना महामारी के सभी प्रोटोकॉल का ध्यान में रखकर उन्हें नकद पुरस्कार व प्रमाण-पत्र प्रदान किये। इस कार्यक्रम में भाग लेने वाले सभी पुलिस विभाग के कर्मचारियों की सराहना की और उनका मनोबल बढ़ाया तथा भविष्य में भी उन्हें अधिक से अधिक कार्य हिन्दी में करने का निर्देश दिया।

## PRESS NOTE

This is for the information of the passengers/general public that to facilitate the commuters of Swaraj Dweep and Shaheed Dweep this Directorate in consultation with the District Administration has decided to operate daily ferry service between Port Blair and Swaraj Dweep/Shaheed Dweep as per the following schedule with effect from 15.09.2021.

## 1. SWARAJ DWEEP VIA SHAHEED DWEEP

ARRIVAL	PORT	DEPARTURE
----	Port Blair	0700 Hrs
0900 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	0915 Hrs
1045 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	1100 Hrs
1330 Hrs	Port Blair	----

## 1. SHAHEED DWEEP VIA SWARAJ DWEEP

RRIVAL	PORT	DEPARTURE
----	Port Blair	0730 Hrs
1000 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	1015 Hrs
1145 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	1200 Hrs
1400 Hrs	Port Blair	----

Procedure for issuing of tickets to the passengers will be followed as per COVID Protocol.

Similarly, it is further, advised to all the passengers to adhere to the COVID appropriate behavior while travelling on board.

Deputy Director (SS)  
A & N Admn.

## NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

It is brought to the notice of general public that unused/abandoned vehicles are obstructively parked at various places in the Port Blair Municipal area since long time which is creating public nuisance/traffic congestion. The vehicle details are as under:

Sl. No	Vehicle Reg. No	Vehicle Type	Location
1.	AN01A 7002	Tata Van	Opposite Gurumandir Parking
2.	AN01D 2110	Car	Opposite Gurumandir Parking
3.	AN01J 6600	Car	Near School Line Water Pump
4.	AN01D 3355	Car	Near School Line Water Pump
5.	AN01L 4827	Pick Up	Near School Line School
6.	AN01G 6161	Car	Near School Line School
7.	AN01C 9693	Car	Mini Bay Junction
8.	AN01J 4097	Car	Mini Bay Junction
9.	AN01D 7755	Omni	Mini Bay Junction
10.	AN01H 1327	Tata Sumo	Dollygunj Garage
11.	DL3CZ1016	Car	Dollygunj Garage
12.	CH01AJ4305	Car	Opposite Anjali Driving School
13.	AN01C 1949	Car	Opposite Arafat Elect Junglighat
14.	AN01D 0424	Car	Fish Market Junglighat
15.	AN01E 1432	Auto	Fish Market Junglighat
16.	AN01C 5167	Auto	Fish Market Junglighat
17.	AN01C 1844	Omni	Fish Market Road, Junglighat
18.	AN01D 9768	Car	Fish Market Road, Junglighat
19.	AN01C 1133	Auto	Fish Market Road, Junglighat
20.	AN01C 9816	Auto	Fish Market Road, Junglighat
21.	AN01C 0551	Omni	Opposite Junglighat Durga Mandap
22.	AN01A 9025	Tata Van	Opposite Junglighat Durga Mandap
23.	AN01K 0666	Eco	Opposite Junglighat Durga Mandap
24.	AN01B 3339	Omni	Opposite Gyan Kendra, Goal Ghar
25.	AN01C 9501	Omni	Prem Nagar Atta Chakki
26.	AN01F 3877	Bus	Opposite Petrol Pump, Delanipur
27.	AN01H 2277	Traveler	Opposite Petrol Pump, Delanipur
28.	AN01C 1234	Omni	Teal House Parking
29.	WB 06C0988	Omni	Teal House Parking
30.	AN01H 6616	Traveler	Megapode Junction
31.	AN01E 1873	Ambassador	Megapode Junction
32.	AP31ES3878	Car	Panipat Junction
33.	MH02CD5971	Car	Near Haddo Tamil Medium School Parking
34.	AN01D 6004	Safari	Near Haddo Tamil Medium School Parking
35.	AN01D 8166	Omni	Van Sadan
36.	AN01G 0286	Car	Opposite Teja Hotel, Haddo
37.	AN01H 1999	Car	Opposite Teja Hotel Haddo
38.	AN01H 5200	Car	Haddo Junction
39.	AN01C 9213	Omni	Sea Shore Road Chatham
40.	AN01D 8780	Omni	Sea Shore Road Chatham
41.	AP10K2300	Omni	Sea Shore Road Chatham
42.	AN01C 5009	Scorpio	Sea Shore Parking
43.	AN01C 5480	Auto	Sea Shore Parking
44.	AN01F 6777	Car	Opposite Sea Shore Parking
45.	AN01F 4321	Car	Sea Shore Road
46.	AN01H 7862	Car	Power House Junction Parking
47.	AN3729	Truck	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
48.	AN01E 2235	Oil Tanker	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
49.	AN01A 7189	Bus	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
50.	AN01A 2997	Truck	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
51.	AN01A 9530	Tanker	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
52.	AN01C 9718	Tata Van	Marine Parking (Marine Hall)
53.	AN01N 4511	Car	Near BJP Bhavan, Middle Point
54.	AN01E 9035	Car	Near Rajdeepam Hotel, Dollygunj
55.	AN01G 3959	Auto	Sunder Colony, Haddo

Hence, the owners of above mentioned vehicles are hereby informed to remove the vehicles from above mentioned places within 07 days failing which necessary action will be taken. General public is requested not to abandon their vehicles on the roadside.

## Member of Parliament requests Chief Secretary to resume service of M.L. Peema vessel between Long Island and Yerrata Jetty

Highlighting the problems being faced by residents of Long Island due to withdrawal of M.L. Peema vessel, from Long Island -Yerrata Jetty route, the Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration to resume the service of the vessel. In his letter, the Member of Parliament mentioned that the vessel M.L. Peema was the only 'safe' means of transportation between Long Island and Rangat

but since 8th September 2021, the vessel has been withdrawn due to the non availability of Engine Oil. Such sudden withdrawal has put the residence of Long Island in big trouble. The Member of Parliament added that people who need to visit Rangat area for various needs like treatments, banking works, daily purchases, official duties, schools etc are facing huge difficulties. He added that now in case of urgency, they have to travel by small Dinghy, which is not only

expensive but also risky for people. The Member of Parliament has requested the Chief Secretary to instruct the concerned department to make the vessel M.L. Peema operational as soon as possible for the convenience of the people of Long Island and also the MP has requested the Chief Secretary to provide an additional ferry for Long Island as standby, as it used to be the normal practice earlier, for emergency cases.

## MP demands extension of last date for submitting application for seat distribution in Mainland Colleges

Referring to the Press Note issued by the Development Section IV of the Secretariat wherein the Education Department invited applications for seats, reserved for students of A&N Islands in the mainland institutions for the academic session 2021-2022. (Published in Daily Telegrams on Aug 4, 2021), the Member of Parliament has requested the Lt. Governor to extend the last date for submitting applications.

In a letter addressed to the Lt. Governor, the MP mentioned that in view of the limited avenues of higher education in the Islands, every year the Government of

India and various State Governments, Universities and Institutions allocate seats for the students of A&N Islands in various Professional, Technical and Non-Technical courses. The Member of Parliament pointed out that though the last date for submission of online forms was Aug 30, 2021, a large number of students could not fill the forms within that date due to extremely bad internet in rural pockets, especially in the inter Islands. Apart from this, another reason for not filling the form is that the result of NATA was declared on Sep 8 and of JEE phase 4 on Sep 10, 2021.

He said that this is the reason why a lot of good students have not filled the forms for the mainland institution seats.

There are 272 seats that will be distributed through this process. Under these circumstances, the MP requested the Lt. Governor to instruct the Education Department to extend the dates by a week, i.e. from September 13 to 19, 2021 so that all those who qualified in different entrance tests may get an opportunity to get a seat in the Government Colleges on the mainland, as distributed by the A&N Administration.

## Guru ki Rasoi & AIPWA with District Administration Conducts Vaccination Camp at Wimberlygunj



Port Blair, Sept 15: Making it sure that each and every eligible islander gets vaccinated, A vaccination camp was organised by Port Blair Guru Ki Rasoi with All India People Welfare Association (AIPWA) in Collaboration with the District

Administration (SA) at Wimberlygunj. With the tireless efforts of Mr. Abdul Gafoor, Secretary, AIPWA supported by Nayi Manzil (NGO) reaching out door to door resulting with 134 people who were vaccinated in the camp held

at Forest Training Centre, Wimberlygunj. Mr. Mandeep Grewal, President, PBGKR thanked the District Administration (SA) and DHS to provide us the vaccine to reach out to the people staying in remote areas.

## Celebration of "Poshan Maah" at Haddo

Port Blair, Sep 15: "Poshan Maah" was celebrated today under the banner of Directorate of Social Welfare Andaman and Nicobar Administration, organised by ICDS Urban Project at Sundar Colony, Haddo.

As per information received a mini exhibition was organised in which Smti Bindu Raghunath,

Agriculture officer joined as the chief guest.

"The "Poshan Maah" will be celebrated from 01st to 30th September 2021 by Directorate of Social Welfare in which people will get aware of value of nutrition, kitchen garden at their own house", our main motto is educate people about nutrient value

through organic farming", said the Chief Guest.

It was learnt that Smti Indira Devi (Mukhya Sevika) ICDS, Urban Project also briefed about the importance of nutrition kitchen gardening to the people and Smti Babli Halder (ANM) and Smti M Brinda (Social worker) and the social workers were also present in the exhibition.

## Eight found COVID-19 positive in RT-PCR test: Director IP&T

Port Blair, Sep 15: The Director IP&T, Mr. Alok Kumar (DANICS), said that today altogether six flights with 960 passengers arrived today at Port Blair Airport and all passengers have undergone RT-PCR test, the results for today's RT-PCR are awaited.

While addressing the COVID-19 media briefing today at IP&T Conference hall he pointed out that among passengers, who arrived yesterday (Monday), seven passengers were found COVID-19 positive at the RT-PCR test. Later one person at G B Pant Hospital was found COVID-19 positive. The Director, IP&T further

informed that 224 persons (travelers) bound for N&M Andaman were tested at Ferrargunj in which no persons were found COVID-19 positive during Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) and 92 passengers departing for Shaheed Dweep Islands were also tested today in which all were found COVID-19 negative during Rapid Antigen Test (RAT). Further the director informed that at Mohanpura Bus stand 205 RAT was conducted in which no person was found COVID-19 positive and at Helipad total 05 persons were tested in which all were found COVID-19 negative. "At Phoenix Bay jetty, 74 passengers travelling to Swaraj

Dweep were tested in which all were found Covid-19 negative during Rapid Antigen Test (RAT). "Today a total of 1003 doses of vaccine were provided to eligible beneficiaries in which 893 were of 18-44 year age group at JNRM Vaccination Center," he added.

Later, Dr. A K Mondal, the Director ANIMS informed that at GB Pant Hospital today one new COVID-19 positive case got admitted, so altogether 05 patients are there at GB Pant Hospital. Whereas today no asymptomatic patient got admitted at Covid Care Center, he added.

## Live Airport Training by Sacca Aviation Institute

Port Blair, Sept 13: Sacca Institute of Freight and Tourism one of the pioneer aviation institute in India, offering International Diploma courses in Aviation, Tourism, Air Cargo Industry and Cabin Crew training by developing the necessary aviation skills. Training the students in various parts of India based on Dollygunj, Port Blair, Andaman.

Recently, On 06 Sep 2021 they have coordinated with the Hubli Airport of Karnataka for live training the students at the airport. Students have lived experienced the Airport operations and airline operation. Airport Authority of India Officials and Airline Managers have shared their experience and motivated the students to achieve higher in the aviation employment opportunities.

AAI and Airline officials appreciated and congratulates Sacca Institute of Freight and Tourism education services towards training students. Students are very happy about gaining new knowledge about the industry and are thanking the officials and Sacca Institute of Freight and Tourism. Special thanks to Director of Sacca Institute of Freight and Tourism -Mr Veerababu.

## MP demands relaxation of criteria for the youths of A&N Islands to apply for the post of Tradesmen (Skilled) posts in NSRY, Port Blair

The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has requested Mr. Rajnath Singh, the Union Defence Minister of India to exempt the condition of compulsory ex-naval Dockyard Apprentices for the candidates of Andaman & Nicobar Islands for the Tradesman post (Skilled) so as to enable the eligible candidates to apply for the post. However, the candidates in the event of their selections may be given an opportunity to undergo Dockyard Apprentices course at the Dockyard Apprentices schools of Indian Navy.

In a letter addressed to the Union Defence Minister, Government of India, the Member of Parliament pointed out that the Naval Ship Repair Yard, Port Blair under HQ Andaman & Nicobar Command has invited applications from the eligible candidates for recruitment of 304 Tradesman (Skilled) posts. In the said vacancy notice, the eligibility criteria fixed for the said posts is that the candidate must be an ex- Naval Dockyard

Apprentices schools of Indian Navy having qualification of matriculation or equivalent from recognized Institute or Board can only eligible to apply for the posts. He added that the facilities for undergoing apprentice courses do not exist in the Naval Dockyard at Port Blair under A&N Command whereas these facilities are only available at Visakhapatnam, Mumbai, Goa etc. Therefore, the unemployed youths of these Islands who belong to poor and economically weak did not get scope to undergo apprentice course at the aforesaid Naval Dock Yards schools. Hence, if the criteria of Ex-naval Dockyard apprentices for the above said posts are mandatory, in that case, none of the unemployed youths of these Islands having passed ITI courses of different trades from the Government Industrial Training Institute are eligible to apply for the said posts.

The Member of Parliament further mentioned that in the earlier recruitment of such posts till

2017, the eligibility criteria prescribed for the posts was 10th Pass with ITI and many unemployed youths of these Islands got employment in the Naval Repair Ship Yard on the basis of ITI qualifications. However, due to the imposition of new conditions of Apprentices schools of the Indian Navy, the unemployed youths are unable to apply for the present posts notified by the Naval Ship Repair Yard, Port Blair. The MP pointed out that due to the absence of industries in these Islands, no employment opportunities in the private sectors are available for unemployed youths in Andaman & Nicobar Islands other than govt. job in the government departments. Moreover, the economic condition of the public in A&N Islands has been drastically affected and because of which, the unemployed youths also victimized due to employment problems.

## Fit India Freedom Run by NYK and HRS

Port Blair, Sept 12: Our country is celebrating its 75th year independence and to commemorate the great occasion, various programs are organized under the theme "Azad ka Amrit Mahotsav". As part of it, "Fit India Freedom Run" was held in Port Blair. Andaman & Nicobar Islands which was organized by NYK in association with Hindu Rashtra Shakti & NCC Unit IV (JNRM) Amidst the restrictions for COVID-19 spread, a whopping 100 persons registered

for the run which is quite unprecedented. The level of response received from public was unprecedented. All the participants followed the COVID-19 protocol and the run was flagged off by Dr Rajiv Ghosh. Before commencing the run he enlightened the participants with few words regarding the "Fitness dose" one has to follow everyday to keep himself or herself fit. All the participants took pledge to follow the fitness dose and make the general public to follow the "Fitness Mantra" On

this occasion Dr. K. Venkatesan, Associate Professor, JNRM, Dr. Sunita Patil, Vedanta Academy, Mr. Amar Kumar Singh, National Secretary Secretary (Hindu Rashtra Shakti), Mr. Rakeshwar Lal, State President (HRS), Smti. D. Radhika (State General Secretary, HRS), Smti. Taposi Shah (South Andaman, District President, HRS) and other dignitaries were present.

The Hindu Rashtra Shakti & NSS UNIT IV (JNRM) played a vital role in making the whole event a grand success.



ANDAMAN & NICOBAR UNION TERRITORY HEALTH MISSION  
&  
OFFICE OF THE STATE HEALTH SOCIETY (A&N ISLANDS)

### NOTICE

As per the vacancy notice of National Health Mission published in 'The Daily Telegrams' on 09.08.2021 for the post of Microbiologist (EQA) & Microbiologist (IRL) under National Health Mission, A & N Islands, the names of the selected candidates are displayed in the notice board of State Health Society (A & N Islands) & at Andaman Nicobar Administration's website [www.andaman.gov.in](http://www.andaman.gov.in). This is for information of all concerned.

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affiliation to ANRKM at Durga Puja Mandap, Junglighat. The day started with Blood Donation camp in assistance with United Riders of Andaman and volunteers of ANRKM. Altogether 28 units of blood were donated towards Social responsibility. The team of Blood Bank has extended cooperation and motivated the youth "To donate in blood bank, Not to waste in Road".

Shri. Vijay Kumar ji, Zilla Karyavah, RSS graced the function of Parichay Samaroh and lightened the ritual lamp in presence of Swamy Suryanath Agnihotri ji and Shri. M. Veeranna ji, State President, BMS which was hosted by Shri. Sanjiv Rangaiah ji, President, ANRKM and Shri. S. Biju Pillai, General Secretary, ANRKM. Shri. Sanjiv Rangaiah in his welcome address presented that the strength of Association and unitedly action will pave the path of success. The President, ANRKM express gratitude towards Shri. M. Veeranna ji for follow up the matter of affiliation and got success of National Affiliation with Rashtriya Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh, BMS. The General Secretary, ANRKM Shri. S. Biju Pillai presented the activities of the organisation and the future plan of action for uniting working class.

Shri. Vijay Kumar ji, Zilla Karyavah, RSS in his address reminded the date of 11th Sept. that on this date in 1893 Swami Vivekananda ji has addressed in Chicago and in the same date the programme of Parichay Samaroh of Andaman Nicobar Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh was held which will in history and all members of the organisation should work without personal motive and goals. The organisation has a vibrant future for which hard work is the only



principle of success. As the organisation has affiliated with Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh so all members should go through the vision of Maneeniya Dattopant Thengadi ji, who is the founder of BMS. Shri. Vijay Kumar ji given best wishes to the Committee for the onward journey of activities. The programme was anchored by Smt. Shikha Biswas and Shri. Shibu Kumar expressed the Vote of thanks.

## Member of Parliament requests for early dispatch Ration Items for Katchal Island

The Member of Parliament, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma today requested the Chief Secretary to send a cargo/passenger ship for Katchal Island with sufficient stock of ration items. In a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary, the Member of Parliament today mentioned that he has been informed by the people of Katchal Island that presently the Katchal Island is witnessing scarcity of ration items, which has triggered a sense of panic among the residents of Island.

He added that residents of Katchal Island have informed him that many shops in the Island have run out of ration items, because of which people of the Island are now worried.

The Last ship/ferry with ration item had berthed at Katchal Island on August 05, 2021 because of which the present shortage of ration items has been triggered.

Considering the difficulties faced by the residents of Katchal Island, the Member of Parliament today requested the Chief

Secretary to send a cargo/passenger ship for Katchal Island with sufficient stock of ration items to meet the present demand and also the buffer stock for the coming days.

As Katchal is a remote Island, the Member of Parliament also requested the Chief Secretary to issue instructions to concerned officials to maintain a buffer stock of ration and other essential items in the Island, all the time, so that in future people of Katchal Island do not suffer like this.



Teachers of MES School organised a silent protest continued



Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands & Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency along with senior Officers of A & N Administration & five farmers of the Islands attended the Conference on farmers welfare at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi held under the Chairmanship of Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare, Government of India to review the Agriculture Sector and Schemes implemented.

## Vaccination drive continuing smoothly in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Sept.15 The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands. As per data available, a total of 3,97,735 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total of 3801 people

were vaccinated today in A&N Islands. A total of 1,60,706 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date.

2607 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which 1091 beneficiaries were in the age group

of 18-44 years. Similarly, 656 beneficiaries were vaccinated in North & Middle Andaman District out of which 73 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44. 538 beneficiaries were vaccinated in Nicobar District out of which 7 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18-44.