

Long wait for Sea Wall to stop coastal erosion in Mus village of Car Nicobar Island

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Port Blair, Dec 04: The continual coastal erosion in the Mus village of Car Nicobar Island has become a grave concern for the inhabitants of the island. According to information, the Tribal Council of Car Nicobar apprised the Andaman and Nicobar Administration several times of the impending dangers being

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Member of Parliament donates dead-body freezer box to Chowra Island from MPLADS fund

Port Blair, Dec 04: The Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has handed over a Dead Body Freezer Box to the Tribal Council of Chowra Island, from MPLADS fund.

The Member of Parliament observed that in case of any death in Chowra Island the tribal brothers and sisters had to face a lot of difficulties in preserving the body till arrival of family members of



the deceased from other Islands.

Hence to address this problem, the Member of Parliament handed-over

the Dead Body Freezer Box to the Chief Captain of Tribal Council of Chowra Island, Mr. Johnathan in presence of other captains.

Support Given by PS Campbell Bay Staff to Fire Incident Victim



Port Blair, Dec 04: On 26/09/22 due to electric short circuit a fire incident broke out around 1130 hrs at Tsunami shelters bearing no. 10 A & 10 B and engulfed the entire

houses immediately, as two cooking gas cylinders burst. However, no losses of life or injuries are reported.

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Ajoy Bairagi demands allotment of an additional Quarry at Diglipur

Port Blair, Dec 04: Mr. Ajoy Bairagi State President BJP, A & N Islands has jotted down a letter to the Chief Secretary A & N Administration, Secretariat, Port Blair on 2nd Dec laying emphasis on allotment of an additional Quarry at Diglipur.

He said in his letter that, there are a lot of developmental works of the government as well as private agencies are being hampered and are pending due to non-availability of sufficient quarry products. This existing quarry doesn't have sufficient quarry products and is not in a position to meet the demand of all the departmental activities. He further said in his

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Pankh NGO celebrates International Day of Disabled Persons



Port Blair, Dec 04: Together with the rest of the country, 'International Day of Disabled Persons' was observed today by PANKH NGO in association with the Directorate of Social Welfare at Divyang

Home, Abhyudaya Complex, Ferrargunj. Mrs. Smitha R, IAS, Secretary (Social Welfare) was the chief guest on the occasion. In her address, she expressed her happiness for organizing such a colorful

programme befitting the occasion. She also interacted with the inmates of Old Age Home and Children Home.

The cultural and musical programme was (See page 6)

Ajoy Bairagi raises the issue of non-availability of hostel accommodation for the students of remote areas

Port Blair, Dec 04: Mr. Ajoy Bairagi State President BJP, A & N Islands wrote a letter to the Chief Secretary A & N Administration, Secretariat, Port Blair on 1st Dec in which he raised the issue of non-availability of hostel accommodation for the students coming from rural areas of N & M Andaman and Nicobar District.

It is infelicitous that

they/the Administration is not in a position to provide hostel accommodation to the poor and deserving students who come to Port Blair for pursuing their higher education with lots of hope, aspiration and dreams in their eyes.

Referring to a few challenging problems which the Administration resolved with its immediate intervention by making stopgap measures

in the past, Mr. Bairagi urged the CS to take up the matter on a similar line.

He further wrote in his letter that the entire infrastructure for ANIIMS and ANCOL was made on a war footing by making and converting various buildings of different departments on makeshift basis to establish the institutions. Since the (See page 6)

Two Day Capacity Building Workshops on "Climate Change in Sustainable Development for School Teachers" concludes in JNRM



Port Blair, Dec 04: The Department of Home Science, JNRM, in association with

the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Andaman

and Nicobar Islands organized a Two Day Capacity (See page 6)

Support Given...

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nated action of FS, local police, IRBn and PR along with the support accorded by different entities likes Navy, coast guard, PRIs the fire was controlled and prevented from further spreading and causing further damage.

Unfortunately the family of Smti Kalpna W/o Shri Dwarkaraj who lives at the above shelter were left homeless. Their all belongings and articles were burned and they left without any basic amenities to live. The Police



personnel of Campbell Bay are assisting by all means to the above family affected by this incident. On the suggestion of Shri. Manjeet Sheoran, IPS, SP (D) Nicobar & Shri. Brij Mohan Meena, DANIPS, SDPO Campbell Bay a finan-

cial fund was raised from the Police staff of PS Campbell Bay and on 02.12.2022, Emergency financial aid of Rs. 25,000/- was given to the above family to help with short-term housing, food, and clothing needs.

Heavy Rain Alert

Port Blair, Dec 04: Heavy rain (07-11 cm) is likely to occur at one or two places over Nicobar Islands on Dec.4. Heavy rain (07-11 cm) with thunder squall (speed reaching 50-60 Kmph) is likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands on Dec. 5 & 6.

In anticipation of

formation of a low pressure area, fishermen of Andaman and Nicobar coasts have been advised not to venture into the sea till Dec. 6, 2022. For further enquiries / information, one may contact the helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1070 & District Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1077.

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CONDOLENCE

Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma, South Andaman, who died today in Chennai. Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands has deeply mourned the demise of Shri. T Mujibur Reahman (Mujeeb), age 44 years, resident of Mathura Village,

He prayed for eternal peace for the departed soul and for enough strength for the members of the bereaved family to bear the irreparable loss.

Last date Extended

Port Blair, Dec 04: The Directorate of Tribal Welfare, A&N Administration in association with JNRM will be conducting a two day special camp for extending support to the ST beneficiaries for filling of online application on NSP Portal for availing scholarship schemes offered by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India and UT of A & N Administration.

The last date for registration in the National Scholarship Portal has been

extended till 31.12.2022. All the left out ST students studying in class XI, XII, Graduation & Post Graduation have been requested to attend the special camp for online registration on Dec.6 & 7, 2022 from 10 am onwards in the premises of JNRM. For clarification, Mrs. Kajal Roy, Assistant Director (TW) (9434295319) and Dr J. Gautham, Nodal Officer, JNRM, Port Blair (9679510970) may be contacted.

Death Mourned

Port Blair, Dec 04: Mr. Vishal Jolly, National Executive Member BJP & Former State President BJP – A & N Islands has deeply mourned the demise of Mr. T. Mujeeb Rehman (aged 46 Yrs) R/o Mathura, who died on

04.12.2022 at Chennai. In his message Mr. Jolly prayed to the Almighty to give peace to his eternal soul departed for heavenly abode and give strength to his bereaved family member to bear this irreparable loss.

Ajoy Bairagi...

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letter that the existing quarry is very old and from which extraction of quarry products has been happening for more than the last 30 years. To scale up the quarry products, Mr. Bairagi urged the CS to consider allotting a parcel of forest and revenue land which is suitably available adjacent to the existing

quarry where quarry materials are in abundance. If the supplementary quarry is allotted then all the pending developmental works can be taken up, and at the same time, it will solve the problems being faced by the general public in Diglipur and in the entire North Middle Andaman District.

Port Blair, Dec 04: Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) called on Union Cabinet Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways and Minister of Ayush, Mr. Sarbananda Sonowal today at New Delhi. Discussed proposal for developing A&N Islands as Regional Ship Building and Repair Hub in Indo-Pacific and briefed about various developmental projects of A&N Administration in shipping sector.



Ajoy Bairagi, State President BJP has Requests to the Chief Secretary to allot additional Quarry at Diglipur

Port Blair, Dec 04: In a letter address to the chief secretary the State President BJP mentioned that in Diglipur there are lots of developments works hampered and are pending due to non availability of sufficient Quarry products for the government as well as private sector. The existing quarry does not have sufficient Quarry products and not in a

position to meet the demand of all developmental activities.

He mentioned that the existing quarry is very old which is operating for last more than 30 years. In order to mitigate the shortage of the Quarry products he requested to chief secretary to kindly consider to allot a suitable parcel of for-

est and revenue land which is available adjacent to the existing quarry where large quantity of Quarry materials are available. If the above mentioned additional quarry is allotted then all the pending developmental works can be taken up and it can solve the problems faced in Diglipur as well as the entire north and middle Andaman District.

Annual Athletic Meet 2022-23 of MGIS

Port Blair, Dec 04: Annual Sports Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm in Mahatma Gandhi International School, on 3rd December 2022.

The School's playground was overflowing with zeal, passion and excitement. The programme began with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Mrs. Smitha R, IAS, Secretary, Port Blair Municipal Council. The Principal extended a floral and formal welcome to the Guests and dignitaries and shared a brief report of the School's Sports activities and achievements of students. This was entailed by the hoisting of School Flag and declaration of the Meet Open by The Chief Guest, followed by the lighting of the flame by the School's Sports Teacher Mr. Edwin Moses. There after the school Head Boy Master Manish and Head Girl Ms. Uditia administered Oath to the



School students. The students displayed a wide array of energetic and bouncy sports events ranging from the Band display, March Past, track events, School drill, Aerobic Dance and Hoola Hoops. They mesmerized the audience with their energetic performances. The proud parents could be seen filled with happiness to see their child performing.

School's Chairman Mr. Nalin Gulechha, Secretary Mrs. Ranjana Gulechha and Principal

Ms. Swapna CH, Parents and all the Teachers were present to raise the morale of the students. The Chief Guest awarded the medals and the certificates to the winners of the various sports events. The chief guest addressed the gathering. She emphasized the importance of sports in a child's life. She was delighted to see the tiny tots participating in the Sports Event.

She also applauded the School Principal, Ms. C H Swapna for the school's outstanding achievements. The

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Revaluation of Arrears Paper

Port Blair, Dec 04: As communicated by Pondicherry University, the Revaluation has been enabled online. Students who have only 2 arrears are eligible to apply for revaluation as per PU Regu-

lation. All the students who are willing to apply for revaluation have been advised to submit an application with the details of subject along with a DD of Rs. 500/- per subject in

favor of Finance Officer, Pondicherry University, payable at Pondicherry to the Academic Cell by Dec.7, 2022 (FN). After the last date no application will be entertained.



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Selection Championship held for National U-9 Chess Championship 2022



Port Blair, Dec 04: Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) conducted A & N State under 09 Chess selection Championship today at ANCA Chess Centre Dairy Farm to select two best chess players each in boys and

girls for the 35th National Under-09 Chess Championship 2022 scheduled from 25th December 2022 to 02nd January, 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

A good number of young chess players including a player from Diglipur

took part in the selection event passionately in which the following chess players of Andaman & Nicobar Islands have been selected as per their Final Standings of the Selection Championship.

The details of the selected players are as below:

S.No.	Name of Participant	Position	School Attached
(Boys)			
01	Rohan Singh	First	Carmel Sr. Sec. School Port Blair
02	Shrihaan Karmakar	Second	KV2
(Girls)			
01	Parnita	First	Carmel Sr. Sec. School Port Blair
02	D Charvi	Second	VKV Lambaline

They mentioned, these players are eligible to represent A & N Islands in the upcoming 35th National Boys & Girls Chess Championship-2022 scheduled to be held from 25th December 2022

to 02nd January 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

Further they are hereby directed to attend a two weeks chess coaching camp which will be held from 05.12.2022 to 16.12.2022 be-

tween 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm at ANCA Chess centre, Dairy Farm. For more details one may contact General Secretary, Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) @ 9434293379.

Padho Pardesh- Scheme of interest subsidy on educational loans for overseas studies

Port Blair, Dec. 4: The Ministry of Minority Affairs, GoI is implementing Padho Pardesh- Scheme of interest subsidy on educational loans for overseas studies for the students belonging to Minority Communities. The objective of the scheme is to award interest subsidy to meritorious students belonging to economically weaker sections of notified minority communities so as to provide them better opportunities for higher education abroad and enhance their employability.

The eligibility criteria for availing the scheme is that the student should have secured admission in the approved courses at Masters, M.Phil or Ph.D levels abroad for the courses viz. Arts/Humanities/Social Sciences, Commerce, Pure Sciences, Engineering, Bio-technology/Genetic Engineering, Industrial Environmental Engineering, Nano-technology, Marine Engineering, Petro-chemical Engineering, Plastic Technology, Cryogenic Engineering, Mechatronics, Automation Robotics including Artificial

Intelligence, Laser Technology, Low Temperature Thermal Dynamics, Optometry, Art Restoration Technology, Dock and Harbour Engineering, Imaging System Technology, Composite Materials Engineering including Decentralized Power Distribution (for Solar Heat) system, Energy Storage Engineering, Energy Conservation, Energy Efficient Habitat, Packaging Engineering/Technology, Nuclear Engineering, Information Technology including Computer Engineering, Software, Software Quality Assurance, Networking/ Connectivity Engineering, Communication system under Hazardous or Post-disaster conditions, Multi-media Communication, Industrial Safety Engineering, Agriculture & Agro Technology, Agronomy, Medical, Floriculture & Landscaping, Food Sciences & Technology, Forestry & Natural Resources, Horticulture, Plant Pathology, Energy Studies, Farm Power & Machinery, Veterinary Sciences, Soil & Water Management, Plant Breeding & Genetics, Small-scale Rural Technology, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences, M.B.A, M.C.A, any

other Subject.

He/ she should have availed loan from a scheduled bank under the Education Loan Scheme of the Indian Banks Association (IBA) for the purpose. Students should apply for benefits under the scheme during the 1st year itself of the course. Fresh applications received during 2nd year or subsequent years will not be accepted in any case. Preference will be given to those applications which are covered under lower rate of interest by various banks of each State/UT to their quota. Payment of financial benefit may be linked with Aadhar Number if available.

For availing the scheme, the total income from all sources of the employed candidate or his/ her parents/guardians in case of unemployed candidate shall not exceed Rs. 6.00 lakh per annum. Income certificate issued by the competent authority in the State/ Union Territory should be submitted in support of income shown by a candidate.

The detailed guidelines of the scheme are available on the website www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

3 months short term training by Directorate of Industries

Port Blair, Dec. 4: Under skill development initiatives, the Directorate of Industries, A & N Administration will be organizing 3 months short term training. Interested applicants, unemployed youth / SHGs and other needy persons may apply their candidature in the prescribed format with necessary documents. The application form can be obtained from the Development Section of the Directorate of Industries. The training for various trades like basic carpentry and wooden handicraft, cane & bamboo handicrafts and general engineering (basic welding, spray painting, smithy & sheet metal will be conducted at Directorate of Industries for a period of

three months. Last date for receipt of application is Dec.12, 2022. The date of commencement of training is Dec.15, 2022.

Interested applicants can contact and apply directly to Development Section at Directorate of Industries, Port Blair. The essential documents to be furnished (self-attested) are proof of date of birth, educational qualification certificates, copy of local certificate, 1 passport size photograph and proof of Aadhaar copy.

For more details, one may contact Directorate of Industries, Port Blair over Phone nos. 03192-234360 / 232771, Mobile No. : 9933295538, 9474285743, 9434272771, 9474253065.

Heavy rain warning

Port Blair, Dec. 4: As per Indian Meteorological Department's weather forecast, heavy rain (07-11 cm) with thundersquall (speed reaching 50-60 Kmph) is likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands on Dec. 5 & 6.

In anticipation of formation of low pressure

area, fishermen of Andaman and Nicobar coasts have been advised not to venture into the sea till Dec. 6, 2022. For further enquiries / information, one may contact helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1070 & District Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1077.

India jumps to 48th spot in international aviation safety ranking: DGCA

India has jumped to the 48th position — its highest ever spot — in the global aviation safety ranking by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) officials said on Saturday. Four years ago, the country was at the 102nd spot in the rankings.

The country's score in terms of effective implementation of key safety elements has improved to 85.49%, putting it ahead of China (49), Israel (50) and Turkey (54). India's score in the 2018 Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme was 69.95%. "Maintaining the new found status is a challenge. We assure all our stakeholders that DGCA (Directorate General of Civil Aviation) will leave no stone unturned to further improve India's ranking," said DGCA director general Arun Kumar. A formal announcement on the result is expected soon, he added. The higher ranking means that India has improved its air

safety processes. Better aviation safety in home skies also allows Indian carriers to expand faster in overseas markets as permissions for new services are easier to get. The United Nations agency had conducted the audit from November 9 to 16 in areas including legislation, organisation, personal licensing, operations, airworthiness and aerodrome. "Two areas, aircraft accident and investigation and air navigation, were not audited by ICAO," Kumar said. "To check if rules were being followed, the team also visited Delhi airport, SpiceJet, a charter operator, air traffic control, communication navigation and surveillance," he said. India's score for civil aviation organisation rose from 63.64% to 72.73%, personnel licensing and training from 25.58% to 84.71%, aircraft operations from 80.34% to 97.44%, airworthiness of aircraft from 90.20% to 97.06% and aerodrome and ground aids from 72.36% to 92.68%.

Naga students' body pay homage to Oting victims killed in 2021

The Naga Students' Federation (NSF) paid its respects and honoured the victims killed in Tiru-Oting area under Nagaland's Mon district during an operation by the paramilitary forces of the Indian Army on December 4, 2021.

On Saturday, the NSF, an influential organisation reiterated its condemnation of the act of the security forces at Oting shielded by the AFSPA regime which has been "causing terror in the hearts and minds of the Naga people" for the past several decades.

"We demand to the government of India that justice be delivered to the victims and family members of the gruesome Oting incident and to all the pending cases related to the excesses committed by the Indian armed forces without further ado," the federation said in a statement on Saturday.

NSF further appealed to the Centre to re-

peal AFSPA completely from Nagaland and said, "The Federation sees no rationale as to why the Naga homeland within India is tagged as 'disturbed areas' and the repressive AFSPA is thrust upon its people when the Indo-Naga political dialogue's been held at the Prime Minister's level is at a very crucial stage," they said.

Towards this, it demanded that the draconian law be repealed once and for all and that human rights are restored in the Naga homeland.

NSF further reaffirmed its earlier resolution to extend non-cooperation towards the security forces until AFSPA is repealed. It also asked all its federating units to symbolically observe December 4 as the remembrance day of the victims of the Oting massacre. In the shooting that took place in Tiru-Oting area under Nagaland's Mon district on December 4, 2021, 13 civilians were

massacred at the hands of paramilitary forces in a case of mistaken identity.

Nagaland government's special investigation team (SIT) which probed the incident named 30 personnel of the 21st para special forces of the Indian Army in its charge sheet submitted to the court on May 30, 2022. However, prosecution sanction was not given by the concerned ministry.

The chain of events following the killing of the civilians revived a public outcry across Nagaland for the repeal of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act 1958 (AFSPA) which grants security forces impunity to carry out anti-insurgent operations in the region. Amid a nationwide uproar, the central government in March this year partially lifted the contentious Act in several pockets of the region including the areas of 15 police stations within Nagaland.

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Long wait for...

posed by the massive coastal erosion in the island.

The coastal area of the Island was washed away by the killer Tsunami and whatever land is left in the aftermath of the Tsunami have to be protected, a member of Tribal Council of Car Nicobar said in an alarming tone.

Concerned about the ecological degradation, the Council member said that the fast pace of erosion ravaging the coastline specially the site near Mus Breakwater and the villagers, every crash of the swelling waves on the coastline flashes signal to the destruction of the Island, and the Tribal Council just cannot be a mute witness to it. In fact, the immediate victim of the rapid erosion is the Mus Break water where a jetty is standing alongside it, which is the life line of the Island. The residents of Mus village in Car Nicobar Island are living in trepidation since the day the soil erosion started at the land near the jetty and which has been going on a massive scale for the last 20 years,

a resident of Car Nicobar lamented.

During the last visit of the Prime Minister of India Mr. Narendra Modi to Car Nicobar on 30 Dec.2018, he had declared an amount of Rs.49.00 crore for construction of the Sea Wall at Mus. The foundation of the shoreline protection of the Sea Wall was also inaugurated by the Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi during his visit to Car Nicobar the very day. However, the construction work of the Sea Wall has not been started due to unknown reasons and which has created a panic among the residents of Mus village, he added.

Meanwhile, the Member of Parliament of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has taken up the issue of soil erosion in Mus village with the Chief Secretary of Andaman and Nicobar Administration.

Apprising the CS of the point of the soil erosion of Mus Village, the MP said

that it is a major issue and there is a long pending demand of construction of a Sea Wall in the coastal area of Mus Village. He requested the Chief Secretary to initiate the work for the protection of the land in Mus village from erosion.

A venerable denizen of the Island said that the administration should deeply study the sea erosion in the entire Car Nicobar because sea erosion is gradually engulfing the islands, and many parts of the archipelago have been severely affected due to this sea erosion.

When contacted, Mr. A. Sirsakar, Deputy Chief Engineer of Nicobar ALHW told Andaman Sheekha that the Dept. prepared an estimate and proposal of around 450 meter length of Sea Wall in Mus village, Car Nicobar and since this project involves high budget, he sent it to the Ministry for approval where the project is pending. Once the approval gets a green signal, the work on the proposed Sea Wall will be started, the Deputy CE said.

Gujarat assembly polls: Owaisi gets emotional over Bilkis Bano case

All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM) chief Asaduddin Owaisi got emotional talking about Bilkis Bano while campaigning in poll-bound Gujarat. Bilkis Bano recently moved the Supreme Court against premature release of 11 men, sentenced to life in 2008 for her gang-rape and murder of seven family members. "We are humans after all and are prone to get emotional. While I was talking about Bilkis Bano, thoughts of my own sister and daughter crossed to my mind," Owaisi told news agency ANI. "She was pregnant when she was raped and her mother and daughter were also killed. However, even after 20 years, she is still fighting for justice. If someone doesn't feel the pain, he is not worthy of being called human." When asked about the reason behind the renewed traction about 2002 Gujarat riots and the Bilkis Bano case during the Assembly elections

campaign, Owaisi said, "The BJP will never forget 2002. PM Modi was the chief minister at the time. He failed to save Bilkis Bano, Ehsaan Jafri, and those killed in the bakery. Around 50,000 people in the state were forced to become refugees. I, too, went there with a medical team. So, if PM Modi is invoking all that had happened then, congratulations to him." AIMIM fielded candidates in 14 Assembly seats but its candidates withdrew from Bapunagar seat. Talking about his party's prospects in the polls, the AIMIM chief said, "We are fighting for 13 seats in Vidhan Sabha and our focus is on winning them. We have worked very hard, visited every locality and have got a great response from the public. I hope that this support turns into votes and our candidates become MLAs." The second and final phase of Gujarat assembly election 2022 will be held on Monday and the results will be declared on December 8.

Macron's 'one earth...' tweet as India takes helm of G20; and a mention of PM

As India takes helm of the G20 (Group of 20 nations), French President Emmanuel Macron on Saturday tweeted a photo of himself with Prime Minister Narendra Modi as he referred to New Delhi's mantra for the crucial role. "One Earth. One Family. One Future. India has taken over the presidency of G20 India! I trust my friend Narendra Modi to bring us together in order to build peace and a more sustainable world. (sic)," he wrote. New Delhi took helm of G20 on December 1 in what has been called as a huge opportunity for the country. In a blog this week, PM Modi underlined that India's G20 agenda "will be inclusive, ambitious, action-oriented and decisive". "The greatest challenges the world faces today, can only be solved, by acting together. Let us join together to make India's G20 Presidency a Presidency of healing, harmony and hope," he further wrote in the blog.

Macron's post came a day after the United States' President - Joe Biden - on Friday said he would back "my friend Prime Minister Modi" during India's G20 presidency to advance sustainable and inclusive growth. Quoting PM's tweet on India's agenda, Biden tweeted: "India is a strong partner of the United

States, and I look forward to supporting my friend Prime Minister Modi during India's G20 presidency. Together we will advance sustainable and inclusive growth while tackling shared challenges like the climate, energy, and food crises."

Foreign Minister S Jaishankar, earlier this week, also underlined that the country is assuming the G20 presidency in challenging circumstances but will push the world's biggest economies to find collective solutions on global issues. Jaishankar also referred to divisions caused by the Ukraine crisis at the G20 Summit hosted by Indonesia last month and said: "Today the world is very polarised...Even having everybody in the room was a real challenge in the last G20 meeting in Bali." "India has to take the lead in pushing for collective action and that is exactly what we intend to do at the G20," he added.

161 meetings and events - linked to G20 - will be held in the country, of which 14 will be held in four cities of Maharashtra—Mumbai, Pune, Aurangabad and Nagpur, HT had reported.

The Eknath Shinde-led Maharashtra government has planned to use the G20 meetings to be held in the state as an opportunity to brand its major cities.

Pankh NGO...

organized by Mrs. Komal Anand, Founder President (PANKH). Prizes and gifts were presented to the in-

mates of Divyang Home. Earlier, Mr. AK Biswas, In-charge Abhyudaya Complex, Ferrargunj wel-

comed the gathering. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Mrs. Ramya Bibi, PO.

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Ajoy Bairagi raises...

ANIIMS has now its own permanent infrastructure, the temporary infrastructure created for it is probably under utilization or lying vacant.

Hence, the exigent task of providing accommo-

dation to the poverty-stricken and needy students may be done by taking over the vacant / under utilized government buildings with ANIIMS, Disaster Management Dept. (New Building) and hostel

facilities available with other colleges like DBRIAT, TGCE and Girls Hostel etc and also taking over the completed hostel buildings at JNRM itself, Mr. Bairagi suggested in his letter.

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Two Day Capacity...

Building Workshop on "Climate Change in Sustainable Development for School Teachers" from 1st to 2nd December 2022. The valedictory function for the seminar was held on 02nd December 2022 in seminar room, JNRM and Mr. Abhishek Bhukal, DANICS, Director (Education), Andaman & Nicobar Administration graced the occasion as Chief Guest.

Addressing the gathering Mr. Abhishek Bhukal, DANICS, Director (Education), Andaman & Nicobar Administration appreciated the Department of Home Science for taking initiative to organize this programme and suggested to organize such workshops for the inter-island teachers also. Mr. Abhishek Bhukal has pointed out that the equilibrium should be maintained between the environment and development as have been equipped with the various technological interventions to ease the job and fail to recognize the byproducts and emissions through them. The pattern of climate change is affecting the agriculture and allied sectors for which establishment of watch groups with institutional capacities to carry out research is required, he said. The Guest of Honor, Mr. S Bhuvarahan, Deputy General Manager, NABARD, Port Blair spoke on the methods of mitigation and adaptation of climate change in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. To create awareness to the local corners of Andaman the implementing

agencies should locate the vulnerable areas and through scientific intervention that needs to be addressed, he said. Mr. S Bhuvarahan said that the people should be encouraged to use the substitute for petrol with renewable energy sources. The innovation and creativity should be imbibed and encouraged by the teacher's community to the students. Formation of knowledge networks by JNRM among the existing knowledge institutions relating to climate science will facilitate suitable policy framework, he opined. Dr. H. K. Sharma, P r i n c i p a l, JNRM encouraged the research in the areas of climate change since this will have an impact on important socio-economic sectors like agriculture, health, natural ecosystem, biodiversity, coastal zones, etc. Dr. K. Venkatesan, HOD, Homescience and Convener of the programme suggested providing an improved understanding and awareness and its associated consequences to students through the linking of traditional and formal knowledge systems through strategic mechanisms for the sustainability of the environment. Earlier Mrs. Nidhi Shekhawat, Assistant Professor of Home Science welcomed the gathering. Mrs. Poonam Ajay Singh, Resource Person, Department of Home Science moderated the entire programme and Ms. P. Bhuvaneshwari, Resource Person were served as Rap-

participants like teachers from various schools, students and faculty members of JNRM took part in the two days workshop. The resource persons Dr. C. Sivaperuman, Officer-in-Charge, ZSI spoke on Climate Change and Island Ecosystem, Dr. Avijit Roy, Deputy Director (Health) spoke on Climate Change and Human & Environmental Health, Dr. R. Jayakumara Varadan, Scientist, ICAR-CIARI spoke on Climate Change and Sustainable Agriculture Systems, Mr. A. Gopal, Project Officer, CPREEC spoke on Climate Change effect on Mangrove Ecosystem in ANI, Dr. K. Venkatesan, HoD, Home Science spoke on Policy Framework on Climate Change, International Protocols and Action Plan, Dr. Kandimuthu, Assistant Professor in Economics, JNRM spoke on Energy Economics, Energy Audit and Climate Change, Dr. Santosh Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor, Dept of Botany, JNRM spoke on Climate Change Knowledge and Education through NEP, Mr. Denis Giles, Editor-in-Chief, Andaman Chronicle spoke on Role of Media in Sensitizing Climate Change, Dr. Vivek Kumar Sahu, Assistant Professor, Dept of Zoology, JNRM spoke on Climate Change and Biodiversity, Dr. S. Balaji, Professor, Dept of Coastal Disaster Management, Pondicherry University (Brookshabad Campus) spoke on Climate Change impact on Disaster and its Management.

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Volunteer for India, Port Blair Organized an Awareness and Demonstration Programme at Chouldhari Panchayat on Rural Menstrual Hygiene

Port Blair, Dec 04: 35 students from ANIIMS volunteered for the same. Awareness program washeld at A P Sambhavan Community Hall in the presence of Member of Panchayat Samiti Mrs. Chaitali Roy and also at Tsunami Shelters and VKV Port Mout. 250 sanitary napkins (pads) were donated by the Pad Donation Drive - LaalDaag to the women and girl students from class VI to XII. Around 150 pads were sponsored by Rotary Club Next Gen in the

presence of president P D Prasad and Rotary club members Dakshin Bhasker and Vignesh. The awareness program was headed by ANIIMS student Sanskrati Chaudhary. The beneficiaries were educated regarding the Do's and Don'ts of Menstrual Hygiene, Stereotypes, Stigma, nutrition and diet. A massive positive response from women and students were gained as they freely asked their doubts and complications.

Annual Athletic...

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games organized for the Parents saw an impressive participation. At the end of the day, students departed with a clear smile on their faces. It was a day filled with sportsmanship, enthusiasm and memories to cherish.

The Principal of this esteemed institution, Mrs. Ranjana Gulechha, Secre-

tary MGIS thanked all the teachers for their cooperation and support and advised children to keep up their sportsman spirit. The Sports Day ended with the National Anthem.

The Programme was co-ordinate and compared by Mr. Edwin Moses PET MGIS, Mr. Ganeshan and Ms. Vijiya.



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