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Thought for today
If people make a fool of you, remember that there is great wisdom in humility and silence.

Heavy rain likely to occur in Isles

Port Blair, Oct. 20: Heavy rain (07-11 cm) is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands on Oct. 21 & 22. Due to likely formation of low pressure area during next 24 hours and likely intensification of the system, fishermen have been advised not to venture into the sea till Oct. 22.
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Private print media kept away from toppers felicitation event

:: K. Ganeshan ::
Port Blair, Oct 20: With the Covid-19 pandemic under total control, life has almost returned to normalcy. Despite things becoming normal, the thinking style and attitude of some departments of the UT administration has refused to change. In order to motivate the toppers of CBSE exams, the Department of Education conducted a felicitation event at Raj Niwas yesterday wherein Island toppers and best schools were felicitated. While senior officers, parents and students were invited to attend the event, the local print media were kept away. Except for the official mouthpiece 'The Daily Telegrams', the entire print media in the islands were left uninvited to cover the event. Every year, except during the Covid-19 period, the Education department conducted such an event at Raj Niwas to felicitate the toppers at the hands of the Lt Governor. Along with government media, invitations are also given to private print media for coverage of the event for good publicity. But this time around, the Education department still in the Covid-10 mode has decided not to invite the private print media and like all other government departments decided to call only government media.

Government launches National Curriculum Framework for education of children aged 3-8 years

Port Blair, 20th Oct, 2022: Early childhood care and education are key areas of development, according to the 2022 framework Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on Thursday launched the National Curriculum Framework for foundational stage education of children in the three to eight years age group. Early childhood care and education are key areas of
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Auto, Mini Van associations celebrate 74th birthday of K Ganeshan

Port Blair, Oct 20: The 74th birthday of Mr. K. Ganeshan, former Chairperson, PBMC was celebrated by various organizations like Mini Van & Truck Association, Auto Association etc by cutting a cake. Mr. Ganeshan who was also present to participate in their celebration cut the cake to celebrate the occasion. He expressed his sincere gratitude to the people for the love and affection they have been showering on him.

President, NYA raises health-care grievances of tribal people of Nancowry group

Port Blair, Oct 20: Rayhaan Pasha, President of Nicobar Youth Association brought into the kind attention to noticeable grievances regarding the healthcare system at Nancowrie Tehsil to the Chief Secretary through letter submitted yesterday. As a major challenge that the Nancowry's tribal community faces is access to a full-fledged hospital. In case of a serious health condition that requires advanced medical treatment, for residents of the southern group of islands the closest full-fledged hospital is BJR Hospital located at Car Nicobar Island. When the Community Health Center/PHC fails to serve (due to various reasons including the absence of specialist medical equipment, treatment facility, or trained personnel), the patients are further referred to GB Pant Hospital in Port Blair or BJR Hospital, Car Nicobar. One can only imagine the exhaustive and clobbered state of the medical patients who even dare to undertake an unforgiving sea commute to Car Nicobar or Port Blair in their already struggling physical condition. In addition to the inconvenience, the journey is expensive, especially for the poor
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Over 300 sublineages of Omicron circulating globally, BA.5 predominant, says WHO

Port Blair, 20* Oct, 2022: More than 300 sublineages of Omicron are circulating globally and most (~76%) are BA.5 sublineages, according to the World Health Organisation's emergency committee. WHO said that Covid-19 continues to remain a global emergency, nearly three years after it was first declared as one. The WHO's emergency committee first made the declaration for Covid-19 on January 30, 2020. The committee said that even though the number of weekly deaths are near the lowest since the pandemic began, it remains high compared with other respiratory viruses, and the added burden of Covid-19 related complications and the post-Covid-19 condition is also high and its full impact is not completely understood. "Although ongoing evolution of the virus is expected
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Senior media person & public representative K. Ganeshan turns 74

Series of events organized to mark his birth Anniversary

Port Blair, Oct 20: The senior media person and renowned public figure of islands Shri. K. Ganeshan's turn 74 today. Several events were organized throughout the day to mark his birth Anniversary. The first event of the day started with Cake cutting ceremony organised by Councillors of Port Blair Municipal Council at Indira Bhawan. The programme was attended by all the councillors of the Civic body. Officers of PBMC also took part in the celebration. A special, short but delightful birthday function was organised today at Gandhi Bhawan by the members of Andaman Nicobar Territorial Committee (ANTCC). All the senior leaders of ANTCC, co-workers and visitors of Gandhi Bhawan took part in the celebration. Youths of Buniyadabad, Ward No-8



Celebration of 7th National Ayurveda Day

Port Blair, Oct 20: The Ministry of AYUSH celebrates Ayurveda Day every year on Dhanvantari Jayanti/Dhanteras. The Ministry is celebrating it in collaboration with all the Ministries and departments of Government of India with the campaign for six weeks so that every person of the nation is made aware of traditional system of medicine. The theme for the celebration is 'Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda'. Along with the rest of the country, various
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Day-long training workshop for B.Ed trainees of TGCE by Disaster Management dept

Port Blair, Oct 20: A day-long training programme under Disaster Management in Higher Education (DMHE) has been conducted by the Directorate of Disaster Management for the B.Ed Trainees of Tagore Govt. College of Education on 20th October 2022 from 0900 hrs to 1630 hrs at TGCE Auditorium to achieve the vision "Develop, Promote and Prepare Youths for Managing disasters in ANI" under Disaster Management in Higher Education (DMHE) programme. Shri Gyan Singh, Assistant Director (Logistics), DDM welcomed the gathering and briefed the DMHE Programme implementing in higher educational institutes/colleges in
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CS launches telemedicine services through eSanjeevani

Port Blair, Oct. 20: In its efforts to provide better health care facility to the people in the remote part of A&N Islands, the Health Department yesterday started the telemedicine services through 'eSanjeevani' application in Isles. The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS as the chief guest launched the telemedicine
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Commemorating establishment of Provisional Govt. of Azad Hind (PGI)

Port Blair, Oct 20: As part of weeklong activities to commemorate the establishment of Provisional Govt. of Azad Hind (PGI), drawing and patriotic songs competition were organised in various schools. Elocution competition on the theme 'PGI and Andaman' was conducted in JNRM yesterday in which students from JNRM, TGCE, ANCOL and Law College participated. The purpose of the week long activities is to create awareness among the general
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DC(SA) visits GP Mithakhari

Port Blair, Oct 20: The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman Shri. Suneel Anchipaka, along with Adhyaksha ZPSA Smti. Pramila Kumari and Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Shri. Dikush Meena, visited Ranchi Basti under Gram Panchayat Mithakhari on 20.10.2022 and interacted with the villagers. The villagers raised several concerns which were addressed on the spot by the DC. The main issues like Electricity, LPG distribution, Development of Playground, Sanctioning of Primary Health Centre at Lal Tekrey were raised by the public. The DC gave a patient hearing and addressed several issues in-situ. The Pradhan Gram Panchayat Mithakhari Shri. Mohammed Saifi thanked the Administration for the people friendly approach.
- Source : DCSA



Online data collection of marine fish catch

Port Blair, Oct. 20: The online data collection of marine fish catch from 74 fish landing points/centers in the Islands with the support of the ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), Kochi has been launched yesterday. This is the first time the marine fish catch data is collected from the archipelago with statistically supported software. The move was the outcome of a Memorandum of Understanding between the ICAR-CMFRI and the Department of the Fisheries of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration. As part of the MoU, ICAR-CMFRI introduced its sampling methodology for the estimation and analysis of the catch data through Fish Catch Survey and Analysis (FCSA) software from landing centers of the islands by using electronic tablets. The Department in collaboration with CMFRI also trained the enumerators and deployed to collect the catch data using ICAR-CMFRI methodology. In a brief function held yesterday in the mini conference hall, Secretariat, Shri G. Sudhakar, IAS, Secretary (Fisheries) announced the launch of online fish catch data methodology of CMFRI's methodology in the Islands. The programme was participated by Director and team of Scientist from CMFRI, Cochin and Officers and Field Officials
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EDITORIAL

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A win or two

To hardly anyone's surprise, Mallikarjun Kharge won the Congress president polls. With the field narrowed to him and Shashi Tharoor, when so-called G23 leaders lined up behind Kharge the result was plain to guess. But alongside enjoying this upper hand, Kharge has faced non-stop speculation that he will only be a 'puppet president'. With Himachal and Gujarat elections around the corner, he has immediate room to prove the sceptics wrong. In different ways, Congress is struggling in both states. In fact, it hasn't had a party president fronting assembly battles since mid-2019. So, Kharge should hit the ground running.

From resource crunch to dispirited cadres, infighting and a drip-drip attrition to BJP, the party's problems in these two states are mirrored everywhere else. The five other large states that go to the polls ahead of the 2024 general election include the only two where Congress is still in government – Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh. Holding onto these while clawing back ground in Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Telangana has to be red-lettered on Kharge's to-do list.

A party chief's job is also about talent-spotting. Congress's Delhi HQ and state PCC units are overseen by those appointed by the president. They're mostly lacklustre Gandhi family loyalists. Weeding out non-performers will spawn conflict, which Kharge will have to manage. Supporters of his 'self-effacing manner' have been slyly running down Tharoor's lack of it. But the modesty card cannot get Kharge out of the Gandhis' shadows or re-energise Congress. His own five-decade-long legislative career also suggests much ambitiousness of his own. If his term has to mean anything it has to revitalise the party and produce a win sooner rather than later.

Rahul Gandhi moved to Wayanad, now the Congress presidency has been contested between Kerala and Karnataka candidates. Yet, Uttar Pradesh, where the party's vote share dipped to 2% in the last assembly election, still places the largest number of PCC delegates. Kharge has to know that the meaningfulness of the national party badge depends on being competitive in the Hindi heartland. The larger project here is wooing back the social groups who have been drifting away, including Dalits. None of these goals are his for the taking. Kharge and his party are up against high odds. And it remains to be established that he is actually in charge.

Heavy rain likely to...

For further enquiries/information, one may contact the helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No.1070 & District Emergency Operation Centre at

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Helpline No. 1077. For any emergency/assistance at sea, call Coast Guard SAR Agency at Toll Free Number 1554. - Source : IP&T

Over 300 sublineages...

to continue, the genetic and antigenic characteristics of future variants cannot yet be reliably predicted, partly due to the current gaps in global surveillance that hinder identifying and evaluating these changes early. In addition, the ongoing virus evolution, with potentially increased properties of immune escape, may pose challenges to current vaccines and therapeutics," the committee said. "While the global situation has obviously improved since the Covid-19 pandemic began, the

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virus continues to change, and there remain many risks and uncertainties. This pandemic has surprised us before and very well could again, said WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus. Meanwhile, the number of reported monkeypox cases globally has now dropped for eight weeks in a row, but as with Covid-19, risks and uncertainties remain, and some countries are still seeing increasing transmission. (Source: India Today)

Online data collection ...

the Department of Fisheries through online mode. Speaking on this occasion, the Secretary (Fisheries) expressed his happiness on the commencement of the programme for generating a reliable database on marine fish catch and fishing efforts which will help fix various developmental plans in the island's marine fisheries sector. The support of CMFRI will help estimate both resource-wise and fishing gear-wise fish landings, he said. He also sought ICAR-CMFRI's technical support in the development of deep-sea fishing, seafood clusters, promotion of mariculture activities, like seaweed farming and cage fish farming in the Andaman Islands. In his address, Dr A Gopalakrishnan, Director, CMFRI highlighted about the contribution of his institute on collecting marine fish catch data from all the fish landing centres in the country using this software, which is recognized by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of

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the UN. "Though the data is collected for research purposes, CMFRI shares the information with the government of India and the coastal states who have inked MoU with the institute", he said. ICAR-CMFRI already signed MoU with Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu in collecting marine fish catch data. He also remarked that the A&N Islands have huge potential for highly prospective for the marine ornamental fishery, seaweed farming and cage fish farming and assured all technical support for promoting these activities. Earlier, Shri Harinder Singh, Director of Fisheries, A&N Administration also spoke on the benefits of online Fish Catch Data Collection for effective planning and Development of Fisheries in A&N Islands. Dr. J Jayasankar, Principal Scientist of ICAR-CMFRI and Dr K Gopal, Joint Director of Fisheries, Andaman & Nicobar Administration also spoke on the occasion.

Commemorating...

masses and particularly the young generation about the contribution of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose in the freedom struggle. Prizes will be distributed to the winners of all competitions at Andaman Club on Oct 23, 2022 at 4 pm. Surviving members of

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INA/IL personnel will be felicitated. Meanwhile, as part of the week long function, Quiz competition will be organized in QMS Humfrygunj and Nukkad Naks will be presented at various locations by school children on Oct 22, 2022.

HUMAN BRAINS USE QUANTUM COMPUTATION

Scientists from Trinity believe our brains could use quantum computation after adapting an idea developed to prove the existence of quantum gravity to explore the human brain and its workings. The

discovery may shed light on consciousness, the workings of which remain scientifically difficult to understand and explain. Quantum brain processes could also explain why we can still outperform

supercomputers when it comes to unforeseen circumstances, decision making, or learning something new.

The brain functions measured were also correlated to short-term memory performance and conscious awareness, suggesting quantum processes are also part of cognitive and conscious brain functions.

If the team's results can be confirmed -- likely requiring advanced multidisciplinary approaches -- they would enhance our general understanding of how the brain works and potentially how it can be maintained or even healed. They may also help find innovative technologies and build even more advanced quantum computers.

Dr Christian Kerskens, lead physicist at the Trinity College Institute of Neuroscience (TCIN), is the co-author of the research article that has just been published in the Journal of Physics Communications. He said: "We adapted an idea, developed for experiments to prove

the existence of quantum gravity, whereby you take known quantum systems, which interact with an unknown system. If the known systems entangle, then the unknown must be a quantum system, too. It circumvents the difficulties to find measuring devices for something we know nothing about.

"For our experiments we used proton spins of 'brain water' as the known system. 'Brain water' builds up naturally as fluid in our brains and the proton spins can be measured using MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging). Then, by using a specific MRI design to seek entangled spins, we found MRI signals that resemble heartbeat evoked potentials, a form of EEG signals. EEGs measure electrical brain currents, which some people may recognise from personal experience or simply from watching hospital dramas on TV."

Electrophysiological potentials like the heartbeat evoked potentials are normally not detectable with MRI and the scientists believe they could only observe them because the nuclear proton spins in the brain

were entangled.

Dr Kerskens added: "If entanglement is the only possible explanation here then that would mean that brain processes must have interacted with the nuclear spins, mediating the entanglement between the nuclear spins. As a result, we can deduce that those brain functions must be quantum. "Because these brain functions were also correlated to short-term memory performance and conscious awareness, it is likely that those quantum processes are an important part of our cognitive and conscious brain functions. "Quantum brain processes could explain why we can still outperform supercomputers when it comes to unforeseen circumstances, decision making, or learning something new. Our experiments performed only 50 metres away from the lecture theatre, where Schrödinger presented his famous thoughts about life, may shed light on the mysteries of biology, and on consciousness which scientifically is even harder to grasp."

- Source : Theweeek



CS launches telemedicine...

services at a brief function held in the conference hall of the Secretariat in the presence of Commissioner-cum Secretary (Health), Shri Nikhil Kumar, IAS, senior Officers of Administration, Doctors of Health Department and others. Congratulating the health officials for the successful launch of the eSanjeevani, the Chief Secretary remarked that the launch of tele-consultation in the Territory is a revolutionary step in the annals of these Islands. To have a facility of such magnitude, overcoming the distance and the problems faced by the people residing in remotest parts of the Islands is not only a game changer, but also a life saver, he said. The Chief Secretary mentioned that thousands of people and children especially the poorest of the poor who are not able to get specialized health care for some or the other reasons will now be benefited from the launch of this eSanjeevani application. Providing specialized treatment sitting at Headquarter for the people in remotest part of the A&N Islands is an excellent work, the Chief Secretary said. The Chief Secretary urged for conducting workshop, training and proper dissemination of this facility available for the people of remote

Islands. He further directed for maintaining a data mechanism on the number of tele-consultations conducted and how it is benefiting the people. Earlier, welcoming the Chief Secretary and other officials, the Secretary (Health), Shri Arjun Sharma, IAS informed that the eSanjeevani is a telemedicine consultation service which has been launched in 10 Health Centres in A&N Islands spread across the 3 Districts and covering all the blocks except Nancowry block due to connectivity issues which will be covered shortly. He said that people residing in the remotest Islands will have access to specialized medical care with the Specialist available in GB Pant Hospital. A weekly schedule of Specialist has been prepared and initially, 10 PHCs have been identified in which telemedicine services will be started, he said. The Secretary further informed that eSanjeevani application has been developed by CDAC and it is prescribed by GoI as telemedicine facility in which the records of the patients viz. video conferencing, patients records are stored and can be accessed at a later stage, whenever it is required, he added. Informing about the facets of eSanjeevani,

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the Nodal Officer eSanjeevani, Dr. P Lal said, this telemedicine application has been started by the GoI. There are two types of eSanjeevani i.e. eSanjeevani OPD and eSanjeevani HWC. Under, eSanjeevani OPD, a citizen can directly consult a doctor available on the eSanjeevani app while eSanjeevani HWC is a doctor to doctor telemedicine system by which consultation can be made by the Medical Officer of PHC/CHC or Community Health Officers of Health & Wellness Centers with specialists at Referral Hospital. A tele-consultation was also done through video conference with the Doctor at PHC, Campbell Bay during the launch. The tele-consultation was provided by Dr. Pragadish, Child Specialist for a child suffering from respiratory problem. Initially, 10 peripheral Health Institution have been identified and equipped to start tele-consultation application with Specialists of G.B Pant Hospital. They are CHC, Rangat, CHC, Diglipur, District Hospital, Mayabunder, HWC, Baratang, HWC, Kadamtala, HWC, Hubay, HWC, Campbell Bay, BJR, Hospital Car Nicobar, HWC, Swaraj Dweep and HWC Shaheed Dweep.

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Medical First Responder Technis, CSSR and CPR during disasters during the technical session. On concluding day long training workshop, Shri. TKS Ajayan, Assistant Director (Ops), DDM appreciated the active participation of the students and Faculties of TGCE, Port Blair, he also urged the College Administration to prepare their College Disaster Management Evacuation Plan and Update on regular basis in consultation with DDM. The Programme was concluded by vote of thanks proposed Dr. Swapan Kumar Biswas, Sr. Consultant, Directorate of Disaster Management - Source : TGCE

Celebration of 7th...

programmes including medical camps, poshan camps, and awareness talks are being conducted by the Health Department in various parts of the Islands. The main function of '7th National Ayurveda Day' was organized at the Community Hall, Chouldari village on 20th October, 2022 by the AYUSH Wing of Directorate of Health Services and A & N State AYUSH Society. Shri. Nikhil Kumar, IAS, Comm-Cum-Secretary (Health) graced the event as Chief Guest and Smt. Pramila Kumari, Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad was the Guest of Honor. Shri. Arjun Sharma, IAS, Secretary (Health) welcomed the gathering with his inaugural speech. A Power point presentation on 'Evolution of Ayurveda and Healthy Living through Ayurveda' was presented by Dr. Rekha, Specialist Panchakarma. A play on the significance of Healthy Lifestyle by families was performed by the Health staff of PHC Chouldari. An

Exhibition on Ayurvedic Medicinal Plants, Dry Herbs, Panchakarma procedures and Healthy food recipes was inaugurated by the Chief Guest ANMS, ASHAs and Anganwadi workers of nearby villages participated in the recipe competition; and the selected recipes were awarded with cash prize along with certificates by the Chief Guest. In her address, the Adhyaksha, ZP, S/Andaman praised the various initiative and programmes being taken up by the Health Department for the betterment of the Health of people; and she also emphasized the importance of Ayurvedic System. While addressing the gathering, the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Health) highlighted the significance of the Ancient Ayurvedic Health System which is very much embedded in the society and households of our country. He stressed on the preventive as well as curative aspects of Ayurvedic Therapies in public health. Further

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he mentioned the efforts of Govt of India through Ministry of AYUSH for the mainstreaming of AYUSH Systems; and appeal the gathering to inculcate the principles of Ayurveda in their daily routine for Healthy living. 'Prakriti Pariksha' (assessment of body constitution) and persons specific advice on diet and lifestyle was given to the general public by the Ayurveda Doctors. The immunity booster Ayush Kadawas also distributed among the gathering consisting of Govt. Officials, IRBN Jawans, Students and Local Residents. The event concluded with vote of thanks given by Dr. Anil Agarwal, Mission director (NHM & NAM), Dr. Munni Singhania, DHS, Dr. Kalyan P. Kadhane, DD (AYUSH), Smt. Tapasi, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Smt. Chaitali, Member, Panchayat Samiti, Chouldari village and Dr. Supriya Roy, PHC Chouldari were also presenting along with many other officials of the area. - Source : Ayush

President, NYA raises...

tribal people of the Nancowry group. More often than not, they end up getting stuck in either Port Blair or Car Nicobar for prolonged periods of time. This only enhances their misery. As the geographic complexity of these Islands further adds to the problem. The Nancowry group of Islands consists of 7 islands inhabited by the tribal population. These islands are: (a) Chowra, (b) Teressa, (c) Kathal, (d) Kamorta, (e) Trinkel, (f) Bambooka, and (g) Tellingchong. These islands are composed of 39 villages, with Kamorta being the most populous with 11 villages (there are few villages which are still not connected by Road). Despite the best and undeniable efforts of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration to provide regular ferry service to connect these islands, the connectivity is hindered occasionally due to

various logistical issues like lack of fuel that must be transported from Port Blair, and other unforeseen/unplanned issues. In past, such connectivity impediment has proved to be fatal to patients who need immediate medical attention. He also brought into kind attention to the fact that the specialists from Port Blair rarely visit the Nancowry group of islands and the lack of medical equipment make their not-so-often visits almost void. There is a significant number of medical patients who suffer from chronic medical conditions and require continuous treatment. An example of such a condition is kidney-related health issues where patients require periodic dialysis and many other chronic disease. He emphasized that all the difficulties faced by the tribal community laid out above are just the tip of the iceberg. Citing

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all the reasons above, it is clear that the health services in the Nancowry group of Islands urgently need a massive upgrade. Unfortunately, with the current state of the health system in these geographically distant islands, seriously ill patients who require advanced or immediate treatment have a low likelihood of survival. Given the remoteness of these islands and the inter-island distance, it is crucial to upgrade the health facilities in the Nancowry group of Islands. On behalf of the tribal residents of the Nancowry group of islands, Rayhaan Pasha had requested the Chief Secretary to kindly consider that the Community Health Centre (CHC) at Nancowry be upgraded to a full-fledged hospital as per the norms and facilities laid down by the Government of India. This would change lives.

Government launches...

development, according to the 2022 framework. "The NCF (National Curriculum Framework) is an important step taken to implement the New Education Policy-2020. I also appeal to the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) to complete curriculum, syllabus, and textbooks by next Basant Panchami," Mr. Pradhan said at the launch. The NCF-2022 has four sections — the National Curriculum Framework for School Education, the National Curriculum Framework for Early Childhood Care and Education, the National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education and the National Curriculum Framework for Adult Education. Research from across the world on education, neuroscience and economics demonstrates clearly that ensuring free, accessible,

high quality early childhood care and education is perhaps the very best investment that any country can make for its future, according to the NCF for foundational stage. It said that "brain development is most rapid in the first eight years of a child's life, indicating the critical importance of cognitive and socio-emotional stimulation in the early years". The framework has listed the 'panchakosha' concept for education of children and its five parts are physical development (sharik vikas), development of life energy (pranik vikas), emotional and mental development (manasik vikas), intellectual development (baudhik vikas) and spiritual development (chaitisik vikas). "Panchakosha is an ancient explication of the importance of the body-mind complex in human experience and understanding. This non-dichotomous approach to

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human development gives clear pathways and direction towards a more holistic education," according to the NCF. The framework noted that while staffing of anganwadis is not complete, it is at high levels. "Data for private institutions is not available. The number of institutions offering relevant teacher education programmes is low and inadequate. 'Vidya praveesh' has been developed by the NCERT for students entering class 1," it said. It will be transacted over three months, with four hours a day devoted to familiarising children with school environment and to provide experiences for maintaining wellbeing, the NCF said. 'Vidya praveesh' (entry level education) will enable learning of ethical values and cultural diversity, and interaction with the physical, social and natural environment, it said.

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Dated: 18/10/2022

A walk-in interview/written test is proposed to be held to fill up various posts under different *ad hoc* projects in ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre, Dollygunj, Port Blair, on the **date and time mentioned against each of the project** as detailed below:

I) **Name of the project:** *Inter-Sectorial Coordination Programme for Prevention and control of Zoonotic Diseases in India (PCZD-NCDC).*

a. Name of the Post - SENIOR RESEARCH OFFICER (SRF)
Number of post - ONE -GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 11/11/2022 at 9.30 am

b. Name of the Post - LABORATORY TECHNICIAN
Number of post - ONE -GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 18/11/2022 at 9.30 am

c. Name of the Post - DATA ENTRY OPERATOR (GRADE-B)
Number of post - ONE -GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 21/11/2022 at 9.30 am

II) **Name of the project:** *Establishment of a network of laboratories for managing Epidemics and Natural calamities (State Level-Viral Diagnostic Research Laboratory). (SL-VRDL)*

a. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-C (MEDICAL)

Number of Post - ONE-UR

b. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-C (NON-MEDICAL)

Number of post - ONE –GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 09/11/2022 at 9.30 am

c. Name of the Post - DATA ENTRY OPERATOR (GRADE-B)
Number of post - ONE – GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 21/11/2022 at 9.30 am

I) **Name of the project:** *Model Rural Health Research Unit (MRHRU).*

a. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-C (MEDICAL)
Number of post - ONE – GEN

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 09/11/2022 at 9.30 am

Name of the Post - RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Number of post - ONE – OBC

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 14/11/2022 at 9.30 am

b. Name of the Post - DATA ENTRY OPERATOR (GRADE-B)
Number of post - ONE –GEN

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 21/11/2022 at 9.30 am

IV) **Name of the project:** *Prevalence of uterine cervical high risk human papillomavirus (HR-HPV) and its sociodemographic determinants among married tribal and non-tribal women of Andaman & Nicobar Islands.(PUCHR)*

a. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-B (MEDICAL)
Number of post - ONE – GEN

Date of walk-in interview/written test: 11/11/2022 at 9.30 am

V) **Name of the project:** *Demonstration of malaria elimination in the predominantly tribal population inhabited Nancowry group of Islands of Andaman & Nicobar archipelago. (ISL-MAL)*

a. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-B (NON-MEDICAL)
Number of post - ONE – GEN

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 11/11/2022 at 9.30 am

b. Name of the Post - FIELD WORKER (PROJ.TECH-III)
Number of post - ONE-OBC

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 18/11/2022 at 9.30 am

c. Name of the Post - PROJECT TECHNICIAN-II
Number of post - ONE - SC

d. Name of the Post - PROJECT TECHNICIAN-I
Number of post - TWO (01-GEN & 01-OBC)

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test :16/11/2022 at 9.30 am

e. Name of the Post - DATA ENTRY OPERATOR (GRADE-A)
Number of post - ONE – GEN.

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test : 21/11/2022 at 9.30 am

I) **Name of the project:** *Control of Tuberculosis among the Nicobarese of Car Nicobar: Consolidating the Gains of Strengthened Public Health System and the recent Socio-Economic Progress”.(TB-ELIM)*

a. Name of the Post - PROJECT MANAGER (RESEARCH ASSISTANT)
Number of post - ONE – GEN

Date of Submission of Applications/walk-in interview/written test:14/11/2022 at 9.00 am

b. Name of the Post - FIELD WORKER (PROJ.TECH-III)
Number of post - SIX (03-GEN, 01-OBC, 01-ST & 01-SC)

c. Name of the Post - LABORATORY TECHNICIAN (PROJ.TECH-III)
Number of post - ONE- OBC

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test :18/11/2022 at 9.30 am

VII) **Name of the project:** *Control Surveillance Of Long-Term Sequelae Of Chronic Hepatitis B Infection And Risk Reduction Among The Nicobarese Of Car Nicobar.(SLTSCHB)*

a. Name of the Post - SCIENTIST-B (NON-MEDICAL)
Number of post - ONE – OBC

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test :11/11/2022 at 9.30 am

d. Name of the Post - FIELD ASSISTANT (PROJ.TECH-II)
Number of post - ONE- OBC

Date & Time of walk-in interview/written test :16/11/2022 at 9.30 am

For detailed advertisement showing the name of the project and the post proposed to be filled up against each project, qualifications, age, consolidated salary, experience including the terms and conditions etc., please refer website of ICMR-RMRC, Port Blair (www.rmrc.res.in) and ICMR New Delhi (www.icmr.nic.in).

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Notice Inviting e-Tenders

No. 130-DB/RCD/e-tender/2022-23/ 3498 Wimberly Gunj Dt. 17/10/2022

The Executive Engineer, Road Construction Division, A.P.W.D., Wimberly Gunj invites on behalf of President of India online Item rate tender/ bid from the approved and eligible contractors of the Andaman PWD or all contractors irrespective of their enlistment in APWD or any other Govt. Department subject to the condition that they have experience on executing the relevant magnitude of work as per CPWD works manual and with other GOI Organizations in these Island and do not have any adverse remarks: -

1. NIT No. 63/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/22-23 (Tender ID: 2022_APWD_7707_1).

Renovation of Govt Secondary School Manpur including toilet Block. Estimate Cost- ‘. 20,68,568/- EMD :- ‘ 41,371/- Time of completion:- 03 (Three) Months.

2. NIT No. 64/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/22-23 (Tender ID: 2022_APWD_7713_1).

A/R & M/O Water supply under EE, RCD, Wimberly Gunj during 2022-23.

S.W:- Improvement of distribution pipeline at Machi Basthi under Ferrargunj Sub division. Estimate Cost- ‘. 5,69,104/- EMD :- ‘ 11,382/- Time of completion:- 02 (Two) Months.

3. NIT No. 65/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/22-23 (Tender ID: 2022_APWD_7716_1).

Construction of Road side drain wherever required from Bambooflat Jetty to Ferrargunj Junction under RCD, Wimberly Gunj. Estimate Cost- ‘. 70,61,228/- EMD :- ‘ 1,41,225/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months.

4. NIT No. 66/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/22-23 (Tender ID: 2022_APWD_7719_1).

Construction of Retaining Wall cum drain and 300 mtr road at Khusiram Khari at Manpur (Balance Work). Estimate Cost- ‘. 33,96,312/- EMD :- ‘ 67,926/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months.

5. NIT No. 69/EE/RCD/APWD/WG/22-23 (Tender ID: 2022_APWD_7721_1).

Providing and Fixing Padauk Panelling in the Variometer at MGPO-IIG at Shoal Bay-8. Estimate Cost- ‘. 4,13,477/- EMD :- ‘ 8,270/- Time of completion:- 04 (Four) Months.

Last date of Submission: 14/11/2022 at 3.00 PM and Opening date : 16/11/2022 at 10.00 AM.

The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the [website – https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in/nicgep/app](https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in/nicgep/app).

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The **Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I**

on behalf of **Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Wimberlygunj** invites online item rate tender (in CPWD form-8) from bonafide and experienced contractors of appropriate class of APWD, MES, ALHW & P&T for the below mentioned work.

1. NIT NO. EE/PRI/SAD-I/RGSA/22-23/51 **Name of Work:** Repair and Renovation of Panchayat Bhawan (Balance work) at Ward No.01 under Wimberlygunj Gram Panchayat.

Estimated Cost Rs: - 3,18,374/- Earnest Money Deposit: - 6,367/- Time of Completion: _ Two (02) Months, Tender Fee: - ‘.500/- & last date & time of submission of bid: - 14/11/2022 (1500 hrs)

The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>.

Tender ID: - 2022_RDPRI_7747_1

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IN CONVERSATION

AS SECURITY SITUATION IN UKRAINE DETERIORATES, INDIAN MEDICAL STUDENTS IN A QUANDARY AGAIN

Several Indian medical students who headed back to war-ravaged Ukraine last month to complete their studies are staring at grim uncertainties again. After Russian drones killed at least four people in an apartment building in Kyiv, the embassy of India in the Ukrainian capital issued a fresh advisory asking Indian nationals to leave the country in view of the deteriorating security situation.

"The Indian citizens, including students, currently in Ukraine are advised to leave Ukraine at the earliest by available means," the advisory dated October 19 noted, recalling the urgency of similar circulars at the beginning of the Russia-Ukraine war in February-March this year.

While back in India, several Ukraine-returned medical students taking online classes are amping up calls to accommodate them in Indian medical colleges. In an affidavit last month, the Centre had stated that the National Medical Council cannot give permission to accommodate or transfer foreign medical students in relevant Indian colleges or universities as no such facilitating provisions exist in the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 or the National Medical Commission Act, 2019. It has also pointed out the "poor merit" of medical students to apply to colleges in other countries like Ukraine. The affidavit said, "It is humbly submitted that in case these students with poor merit are allowed admission in premier medical colleges in India by default, there may be several litigations from those desirous candidates who could not get seats in these colleges and have taken admission in either lesser known colleges or have been deprived of a seat in medical colleges."

Instead, NMC had issued a list of countries in Europe where the Ukraine-returned students could seek transfer to

complete their medical degree education.

"Students don't want to go to different countries. But this is what the central government is proposing instead of accommodating them in India. The neighbouring countries' universities suggested in the NMC list should have tie-ups with the Ukrainian universities for the transfer to work. It's not possible to forge tie-ups on such short notice and with what Ukraine is going through right now," says Ashwarya Sinha, advocate-on-record for Indian medical students in Ukraine. He had filed a petition seeking accommodation of Ukraine-returned medical students in India in September.

"Secondly, the medium of education in those neighbouring countries is not English or the local language Indian students were already used to in Ukraine," says Sinha, adding that 1st to 4th year medical students, between 10,000-12,000 in number, are most affected by the situation. These students are now taking online classes of their respective Ukrainian universities from India. But again, NMC does not recognise online courses. "There

is a hearing on November 1 in the Supreme Court where the Centre will file a fresh affidavit to come up with better suggestions. We are hoping that at least this time they recognize the online classes of first, second and third years where the practical component is not there. That will at least be a first step in offering these students some respite," says Sinha. It is in their fourth year that most students start taking practical classes when it is not possible to learn anything online in medical degrees.

"It's a great crisis. Students just don't know where to go now. They can't stay in India. Their online classes are not recognized. They can't go to other countries. There are no permissions for mobility or transfers. And again some students are stuck in Ukraine," says a harried Gajraj Singh Yadav, assistant professor of biochemistry at Raipur Institute of Medical Sciences. His son Aryan Raj is a second-year student at Uzhorod Medical University in Ukraine. "Pakistan has accepted their medical students. So has Nigeria. Why can't India too?" - Source : Theweek



Bursting of firecrackers on Diwali in Delhi to attract 6-month jail

Bursting of firecrackers on Diwali in Delhi will attract jail term up to six months and a fine of Rs 200, Environment Minister Gopal Rai said on Wednesday.

Production, storage and sale of firecrackers in the capital will be punishable with a fine of up to Rs 5,000 and three years jail under Section 9B of the Explosives Act, the minister told a press conference here.

In September, the city government re-imposed a complete ban on the production, sale and use of all types of firecrackers till January 1, including on Diwali, a practice it has been following for the last two years.

Rai said a public awareness campaign -- Diye Jalao Patakhe Nahi (light diyas, not firecrackers) -- will be launched on October 21.

The Delhi government will

light 51,000 diyas at the Central Park in Connaught Place on Friday.

"The purchase and bursting of firecrackers in Delhi will be punishable with a fine of Rs 200 and six months in jail under the Indian Penal Code," the minister said.

Rai said 408 teams have been set up to implement the ban.

The Delhi Police has set up 210 teams under assistant commissioners of police, while the Revenue Department has constituted 165 teams and the Delhi Pollution Control Committee 33.

The minister said 188 cases of violations have been detected and 2,917 kg firecrackers seized till October 16.

The air quality in Delhi and neighbouring areas start worsening in October due to unfavourable meteorological

factors such as low temperatures and wind speed, which do not allow dispersion of pollutants.

A cocktail of emissions from firecrackers and stubble burning in neighbouring states further dent the air quality.

"Pollution levels rise around Diwali every year. The major reason is the bursting of firecrackers. Emissions from firecrackers are extremely dangerous especially for kids, women and the elderly."

"Therefore, the Delhi government has imposed a complete ban on the production, sale and use of all types of firecrackers this year too. The ban covers online delivery of firecrackers," the minister said.

Rai urged Union Environment Minister Bupender Yadav to ensure the ban on firecrackers is strictly implemented in the entire NCR

"as the smoke from firecrackers burst in the region impacts the people in Delhi also".

Besides Delhi, Haryana had also imposed a ban on the sale and use of all kinds of firecrackers in 14 of its districts in the National Capital Region last year, while Uttar Pradesh had allowed the use of green crackers on Diwali just for two hours in areas with moderate or better air quality.

Despite the restrictions, people burst firecrackers till late night in Delhi, Noida, Faridabad and Gurugram. Fireworks had led to major changes in PM10 and PM2.5 concentrations in Delhi on Diwali night (November 4), according to the DPCC. Emissions from firecrackers and farm fires had pushed the capital's 24-hour average air quality index for the day after Diwali to 462, the highest in five years. - Source : Theweek



Best Wishes from... K. Ganeshan (Ex. Chairperson, PBMC) & Laxmi Ganeshan (Councillor Ward No.8, PBMC)

Ear Boring Ceremony

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Grand Daughter .
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P.Pushpam(Anniyandal)
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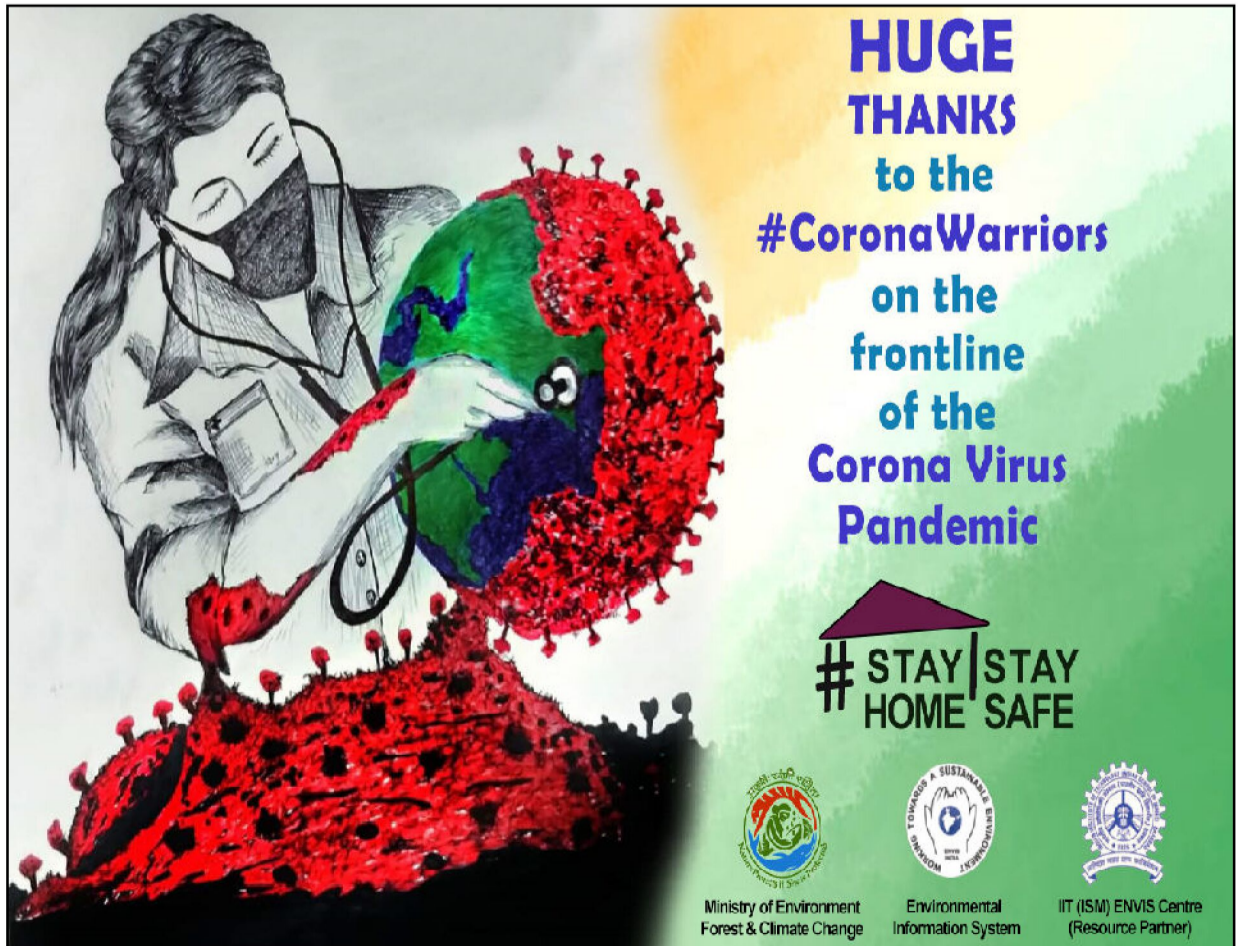
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organised a birthday function to mark the birth anniversary of their favourite leader, friend and guardian. Residents of Ward No-8 blessed Shri. K. Ganeshan for good health and long life. All the organisations and Associations to which Shri. K.

Ganeshan is attached in some or other way, to an organised function and cake cutting ceremony to mark the special day. Favourite amongst every age group, Shri. K. Ganeshan has set an example for all the people of his age group. At this



age74 Shri. K. Ganeshan is active, energetic and sound.



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- See a doctor if you feel unwell (fever, difficulty breathing and cough). While visiting doctor wear a mask to cover your mouth and nose.
- If you have these signs/symptoms please call State helpline number or Ministry of Health & Family Welfare's 24x7 helpline at 011-23978046.
- Avoid participating in large gatherings.

Don'ts

- Have a close contact with anyone, if you're experiencing cough and fever.
- Touch your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Spit in public.

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