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Jarawa Facts

The Andaman Trunk Road, which cuts through the Jarawa's forest, brings poachers, settlers and tourists into the heart of their land. The Supreme Court of India in 2002 ordered that the road must be closed, but it has never been complied with.

Your Nature Guide

Life in the ocean: From the shores or from a boat, the sea looks like a huge mass of uniform, inky blue water. It is not so actually. Life in the sea is amazingly different at different depths. From the surface to a few feet below, the ocean is a sunlit world, that changes from day to night. Below this, the ocean becomes cold, dim, and unchanging. And thousands of meters below the surface, the ocean is a region of near-freezing temperatures, crushing pressure, and complete darkness.

Most marine plants and animals are adapted to living in one of three regions- the sunlight, twilight, or midnight zone. These zones are defined by the presence (or absence) of light. They differ from one another in temperature amount of pressure, and nutrient supply. We will mainly focus here on the sunlight zone where most of the familiar animals and plants are present.

Treasured Islands - By Sunita Rao. Courtesy: Kalpavriksh, ANET (MCBT)

People's Voice

Award milna accha baathai... aur bhi Award mile Andaman ko ... Magar Andaman ka niwasi logka chotamota Problems par bhi sarkar kuch dhyaan dene se accha hoga na?

- A Citizen



Bad roads are better than inundated roads!

Hon'ble President of India Confers National Award to the UT of A&N Islands under 'Swachh Survekshan Grameen'

Lt. Governor Congratulates Isles Citizens and PRIs for Achieving this Feat

Port Blair, Oct. 3: It was a proud moment for the entire Andaman and Nicobar Islands when the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Govt. of India in a national function held on the occasion of Swachh Bharat Diwas commemorating the birth anniversary of Father of the Nation - Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October, 2022 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi declared the UT of A&N Islands as the first ranked UT under Swachh Survekshan Grameen in the Smaller States/UTs category. The award was conferred by Hon'ble President of India,

Smti. Draupadi Murmu yesterday. Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration along with Shri Suneel Anchipaka, IAS, Secretary (RD/Panchayat) received the award. The Union Minister for Jal Shakti, Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat along with Minister of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Shri Giriraj Singh, Minister of State for Jal Shakti & Tribal Affairs, Shri Bishweswar Tudu and Minister of State for Jal Shakti & Food Processing Industries,

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Member of Parliament Takes up Issues of Industrial Employees of Department of Environment & Forests With A&N Administration

Port Blair, Oct. 3: The Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri. Kuldeep Rai Sharma has taken up several grievances of the Mazdoor of the Department of Environment and Forest, A&N Administration with the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andaman & Nicobar Administration for an early settlement.

The issues are as follows:

Cadre management of industrial employees by invoking conducts and disciplinary proceedings

(a) It has been brought to the notice by the Andaman Forest Employees Unions' of different forest

divisions of the department of environment and forests of A&N Administration, affiliated with the Indian National Trade Union Congress that the conduct of the Mazdoor on regular industrial establishment working in various forest divisions of the forest department are being controlled by invoking the provisions contained under the industrial standing orders certified under section 5 (3) of the industrial employment (Standing orders) Act, 1946 with necessary notification(s) under section 5(2) of the said act. The existing certified standing orders being referred/quoted in the

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Secretary Education Visits Bambooflat, Inspects Schools Alongwith PRIs

Port Blair, Oct. 3: On 1st Oct. 2022, Ms Vedita Reddy, IAS, Secretary (Education) along with Director (Education) and engineers of APWD visited GSS School Bambooflat. Ms V. K. Mariyam Bibi, ZPM, Bambooflat, Smti Dhana Rekha, ZPM Shorepoint, Shri Bablu, Pradhan Bambooflat-1, Smti Rasheeda Pradhan Hopetown, Smti Naseema Bibi, Pradhan Bambooflat- 2, Shri Bala, Pradhan Shorepoint, Shri Y. Raj Kumar PSM B-2 and Shri B. Laxmi Narayan, PSM Hopetown also accompanied the officials. They apprised her about various issues faced in



the daily functioning of schools.

Priority was given for urgent repair and maintenance of school buildings, C/o

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A&N Cycling Team Shines in 36th National Games at Gujrat/ New Delhi

Port Blair, Oct. 3: The A&N Islands cycling team has won 6 medals in the ongoing 36th National Games-2022 at Gujrat/New Delhi. In the cycling events, the Acecyclist, Shri David Beckham has won 3 medals i.e 2 silver medals and one bronze medal while star cyclist Esov Alben has won 1 bronze medal. Another, upcoming cyclist, Ms. N. Nikita has won 1 bronze medal in 200mtrs. In the team sprint event, the cycling team comprising of Paul Collingwood, David Beckham and Srijan Sengupta showing their excellent performance have won 1 silver medal.

The Secretary Sports and Director Sports have congratulated the cycling team for their medal winning performance/spree. The A&N Islands contingent is participating in events such as Cycling, Canoeing, Kayaking, Rowing and Athletics. The National Games which started on Sept. 29 will continue up to October 12.

CITU Holds Seminar on "Workers' Struggles in A&N Islands" as Part of International Action Day

Port Blair, Oct. 3: The Centre of Indian Trade Unions, Andaman & Nicobar State has organized a Seminar on "Workers' Struggles in A & N Islands" today (3.10.2022) at Port Blair on the occasion of International Action Day being observed world over at the call of World Federation of Trade Unions. The day is observed internationally by the trade unions to remind the working class to strengthen and to escalate the struggles of workers on their demands.

Speaking on the occasion, B. Chandrachoodan, General Secretary, CITU A & N State Committee said that the workers all

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Success is not an activity but a process ...

Gandhis and the Congress President Election

A contest for its top post, a rare event for any political party in India, has turned the spotlight on the Congress. Around 8,000 delegates will vote on October 17 to elect a new chief for the party. It was the refusal of Rahul Gandhi to return to hold the formal reins of the party that set the ball rolling in this direction. Mr. Gandhi also made it clear that his mother Sonia Gandhi could not continue as president, and his sister Priyanka Gandhi Vadra cannot contest. Leaving the road clear for a relatively open contest for the top post which is reserved for a member of the Nehru-Gandhi family whenever one of them claimed it, Mr. Gandhi set out on a walk from the southern tip of the country towards the north. His Bharat Jodo Yatra has also struck a chord with people in the areas it has touched so far. Mrs. Gandhi had wanted Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot to contest, and he appeared to be agreeable, initially. But the efforts to effect a transition in the State ended in chaos, grounding the plans for his candidacy. MLAs in Rajasthan want Mr. Gehlot to continue in office. The Rajasthan episode was badly managed by the party, showing itself and a loyal veteran in a bad light. It was avoidable.

The contest is actually for the second most important position in the Congress. It is clear that Mr. Gandhi will remain the final authority in the party, while the elected president will be tasked with the running of the organisation. The BJP has had supreme leaders above party presidents — A.B. Vajpayee and L.K. Advani at one point and Narendra Modi and Amit Shah now. There is a valid perception that the family is tilting the scales in favour of one contestant — Mallikarjun Kharge — against Shashi Tharoor, which needs to be dispelled. The Nehru-Gandhi family's moral authority over the party stems from its neutrality and fairness in internal tussles. That authority is often exercised through representatives who at times fail to maintain neutrality. Recent episodes in Punjab and Rajasthan — the promotion of Navjot Singh Sidhu and the pressure on Mr. Gehlot, respectively — have weakened the authority of the family. Being a neutral arbiter is the right thing to do, and apart from that, self preservation demands that Mr. Gandhi enables popular leaders to emerge stronger in the party. Mr. Kharge or Mr. Tharoor, the truly popular should be able to win. Mr. Gandhi will only reinforce his authority by making it public that the family has no candidate.

BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



No Congress Debate Sir?

As I hear that Mallikarjun Kharge wants no debate with Shashi Tharoor, for the Congress president elections, I wonder how any candidate can be elected without hearing him speak?

"Sir, why are you afraid of debates?"

"I don't want one, because I've already been blessed!"

"Blessed by whom?"

"By the powers that be!"

"And who may they be?"

"The only power that matters in the party!"

"Well if the party represents people's power then we need to hear what you have in store for the people sir!"

"They know!"

"Who?"

"The powers that matter!"

"But Mr President in the Running, we are the people that matter, we want a debate, and may the best man win! Now will you go ahead and have that talk please?"

"But I cannot speak as well as him!"

"You don't have to!"

"What?"



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"Sir, in a debate, it is not just how you speak but what you speak, and that is what we want to hear. What change do you have for the people of India?"

"I will have to ask and tell you!"

"Ask whom?"

"The powers that matter!"

"But you are the only power that matters Mr Kharge, nobody else in the party except you, once you take over, and are elected!"

"Sssshhh, don't say that so loudly, you may be heard!"

"I hope I am! We are fed up with having proxy leaders in this country, and when a real man stands up and refuses your suggestion of a consensus, we want to hear what he has to offer!"

"That is not how it works. Here, I am a humble worker, who works according to what I am instructed to do! I listen to orders!"

"The instructions you need to listen to sir, are the instructions of the people, and today the only orders they are giving is to hear what you have to offer. Can you hear the people? Voices clamouring to accept a debate?"

"Yes, I can hear voices, but only that of a mother and son, telling me I've already won!"

"Come here sir!"

"What?"

"Come here and let this man, a simple ear cleaner from Chowpatty beach, clean your ears, so you can hear us the people!"

"No, no, I can't do that! The only two voices I need to hear are 'they, the two!'"

And again, we the people are fooled, with a president, whose voice, whose ideas, whose individuality will, I'm beginning to feel never be known. However, I salute one man who had the courage to throw in his hat and say, 'Let's debate!'

Let's give him our vote, if not for voice, for courage..!

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Hon'ble President of India Confers National Award to the UT of A&N Islands

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Shri Prahlad Singh Patel, Ms. Vini Mahajan, IAS, Secretary, Drinking Water and Sanitation were also present.

Along with this award, South Andaman District was also conferred as the 1st ranked district under Swachh Survekshan Grameen in the category of overall top district in the Union Territory category leaving behind Diu district in the second position and Daman district in the third position. The award was presented by the Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti and was

received by Shri Suneel Anchipaka, Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman.

The Swachh Survekshan Grameen is an initiative of the Govt. of India to rank State and Districts of India on the basis of quantitative and qualitative sanitation (Swachhta) parameters. UT of Andaman and Nicobar Islands has made a quantum jump in the ranking from 7th position in the SSG- 2019 to 1st position leaving behind Dadra Nagar Haveli - Daman Diu in the second

and Sikkim in the third position. The Ministry has commended the efforts of UT Administration and sanctioned an amount of Rs. 3.25 Crore as award money.

The Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands has congratulated the entire citizens and PRIs of A&N Islands in achievement of this great feat and has exhorted for dedicated efforts towards further improvement in the waste management practices in the Islands, a press release from Directorate of RD/ Panchayat said.

68th Wildlife Week Celebration Commences in the Islands

Bike Rally Flagged Off as Part of the Inauguration



Port Blair, Oct. 3: Every year the wildlife week is celebrated from 2nd to 8th October coinciding with the birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The aim of celebrating wildlife week starting from the birthday of the Father of our Nation is to symbolize empathy towards the wildlife, which has no voice of its own.

The 68th wildlife week, 2022 in Andaman & Nicobar Islands was inaugurated by flagging off bicycle Rally by the Commissioner-cum-secretary (Environment & Forests), Smti. Nandini Paliwal, IAS on 03rd October, 2022. 50 bicycle riders,

20 school students, volunteers from Andaman Avian Club and staff of Forest Department joined the rally to disseminate the message of wildlife conservation among the masses.

The main attraction of the rally was the Dolphin Tableau, prepared by Forest Department based on the theme of 68th Wildlife Week. The formal opening ceremony was held at Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School, Port Blair wherein 200 students, officers from

various departments and locals attended the function.

The Chief Guest of the occasion, Smti. Nandini Paliwal, IAS congratulated Forest Department for organizing the Wildlife Week and requested the students and general public to participate for the cause of conservation of wildlife.

The Guest of Honour Smt. Veditha Reddy, IAS, Secretary (Education / Sports), Adhyaksha (Zilla Parishad), Smti. Pramila Kumari, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Dr. R.S.C. Jayaraj, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, Dr. S. Senthil Kumar, Conservator of Forests, Shri Sanjay Waradkar, IFS and other officers of the Forest Department also attended the opening ceremony.

The week long activities are being organized by the Department of Environment & Forests across the Islands with valedictory programme on 8th October, 2022 in which various activities ranging from bird watching, webinar, essay competition, painting competition, quiz programme and public meeting, etc., shall be organized.

Complete Blood Count (CBC) Test resumed at GB Pant Hospital, Port Blair

Port Blair, Oct. 3: In recent past, the Complete Blood Count (CBC) Test was stopped at GB Pant Hospital, Port Blair due to machines going out of order and delays in getting the required consumables for the test from

mainland. The same has now been resumed from 1st October 2022 for indoor patients.

As per communication received from CMO (Store) the Engineer to repair the

machine are to come from mainland in a day or two. As soon as the machines are repaired the same will be resumed within a week's time for out-patient department also.

Gandhi Jayanti Observed in the Islands

Port Blair, Oct. 3: Together with the rest of the country, the 153rd birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation - Mahatma Gandhi was celebrated in these Islands too in a befitting manner on Oct. 2. The main function was held at Gandhi Park wherein the Commissioner-cum-Secretary, A&N Administration, Ms Nandini Paliwal, IAS as the chief guest offered floral tributes at the statue of Mahatma Gandhi. This was followed by offering of floral tributes by the Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad (SA), Smti Pramila Kumari, Chairperson, PBMC, Smti Kavita Udhay Kumar, senior officers of A&N Administration, Councilors and others.

Presentation of 'Vaishnav Jan To Tene Kahiye Je' and



Ramdhuns by teachers/ students of Education Department and observance of two minutes silence to pay homage to the 'Father of the Nation' formed part of the

function which concluded with the rendition of the National Anthem.

Last Date for IGNOU Admission Extended

Port Blair, Oct. 3: The last date for fresh admission in Indira Gandhi National Open University's for July 2022 session is further extended upto 10th October 2022. For Online

admission, log on - <https://ignouadmission.samarth.edu.in>. For more details, visit IGNOU Website - www.ignou.ac.in or for offline admission contact

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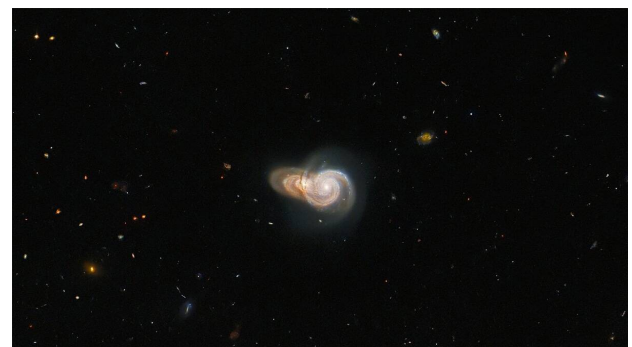
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NASA, SpaceX to Study Ways to Boost Orbit of Hubble Telescope



September 3: Elon Musk's SpaceX plans to fund a study with NASA to examine ways to use the space company's Dragon capsule to raise the Hubble Space Telescope's orbital altitude, which would extend its useful life, agency officials announced on Thursday.

SpaceX, whose Crew Dragon capsule ferries astronauts and cargo to and from the International Space Station for NASA, will fully fund the six-month study, NASA's science chief Thomas Zurbuchen told reporters during a short-notice press conference.

"A few months ago SpaceX approached NASA with the idea for a study of how a commercial crew could help boost our Hubble spacecraft into a higher orbit, that would extend its observational lifetime."

The Hubble Space Telescope has been a workhorse cosmic observatory for astronomers around the world since its launch in 1990, delivering dramatic stellar imagery and enabling important discoveries such as the age of the universe and the moons of Pluto.

NASA said teams will collect data to "help determine whether it would be possible to safely rendezvous, dock, and move the telescope into a more stable orbit."

Hubble was serviced several times in the early 2000's during the U.S. shuttle program. Since that program's retirement in 2011, astronomers have considered various ways to service the aging but still operational telescope. No plans have been developed.

The study will examine, among other things, whether SpaceX's Dragon capsule will need to be modified to dock with and raise the telescope's orbit, as well as whether astronauts will need to be onboard for a potential mission.

"At this point everything is on the table," Jessica Jensen, SpaceX's vice president of customer operations, said during the press call.

NASA officials emphasized that the agreement with SpaceX is only a for a SpaceX-funded study, and does not represent agency plans to service the telescope later on.

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service matters of the regular Mazdoor and other similar cadres have been notified between 1970 & 1976.

(b) That, while accepting the recommendations of the report of 6th CPC the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension, Department of Personnel and Training Govt. of India has been pleased to issue office memorandum vide No. AB-14017/6/2009-Estt(RR) dated 30.04.2010 and formulated model recruitment rule for group 'C' posts in pay band-1 with grade pay Rs1800/- (pre-revised group 'D' posts) According to the said memorandum all the group 'D' posts have been placed in group 'C' pay band -1 with grade pay of Rs. 1800/- The minimum qualification for appointment to the above pay level- will be either 10th pass or ITI equivalent, as per the memorandum issued by the Ministry. The Mazdoor appointed and working in the forest department and do not possess the required qualification prior to the approval of 6th CPC has undergone prescribed training/classes to amend the existing RR of Mazdoor and other categories of employees promoted from the post of Mazdoor considering seniority and merit of trade test etc. On their passing the training and tests their pay has been upgraded and fixed under Pay band-1 with grade pay of Rs.1800/- as per the recommendations of the 6th CPC. and brought them to the category of group 'C' employees.

(c) That, after 6th CPC all the appointments of Mazdoor are made and their pay have been fixed under the provisions of FR&SR and pension cases are settled under CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972 including leave encashment on retirement. The Mazdoor of the forest department is subscribing to the GPF under CCS (GPF) Rules, 1960. Whereas only in the matter(s) of conduct and disciplinary proceedings the industrial employees standing orders are followed, which have been certified and notified during the year 1970s.

(d) That, the article 311 of the constitution of India has guaranteed protection to the govt. employees and a reasonable opportunity of being heard in respect of the charges/allegations levelled against the employee to be given. Whereas the provisions have been given in the certified standing orders of all the forest divisions in the matter of conduct and disciplinary proceedings under sub-head "proceedings for disciplinary proceedings/

enquires" do not have ample opportunities as guaranteed by the constitution of India to a government employee/servant.

(e) That, since the categories of industrial employees and similar cadres of the forest department working under the functional and non-functional forest divisions (13 divisions) have been upgraded from group 'D' to group 'C' as per the decision taken by the GOI in the 6th CPC report subsequently and their service matters are dealt and considered treating them as group 'C' employees except the conduct and disciplinary proceedings as stated above.

(f) That, therefore, it is necessary to take action at your end to substitute the existing "certified standing orders" of all forest divisions with the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and CCS(CCA) Rules, 1965 so that the employees shall get appropriate justice in settling their service matters.

Filing up of vacant posts of forest divisions

(a) That, applications were invited from the eligible local youths of A&N Islands to fill up 112 vacant posts of regular Mazdoor on industrial establishment of the South Andaman Forest Division during the year 2014. Accordingly a numbers of applications have been submitted by the unemployed and penurious candidates, but the follow-up action in this matter is under pending finalization with the competent authorities since 2014. In a meeting of the Andaman Forest Employees Union South Andaman held on 11.09.2022 at Wimberlygunj it was informed that between 2014 and 2022 about 43 posts of Mazdoor on regular industrial establishment have fallen vacant due to superannuation retirements. Now the number of posts of regular Mazdoor lying vacant in South Andaman forest division is 155, apart from this the posts of Cook and safaiwala of Mount Harriet Guest house is also lying vacant

(b) That, similarly the position of vacant posts of Mazdoor on regular industrial establishment in Baratang forest Division is 36, Middle Andaman Division is 136, Mayabunder Division is 95 posts, Nicobar division (Campbell bay) is 92 posts, Diglipur Division is 71 posts and WildLife Division Port Blair is 63 posts.

Appointment/ recruitments of Mazdoor on regular industrial establishment is to be centralized

That, if the appointment/recruitments of all posts lying vacant in different forest divisions are centralized the delay to fill up the vacant posts of Mazdoor and other similar posts could be evaded. The appointments on compassionate grounds and handicap quota etc. are being done by the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests A&N Islands and the selected candidates are being sent to the respective forest divisions (employers) to join there. The recruitment to the posts of MTS vacant/created in the Forest department are also made by the A&N administration by the centralized procedures and the selected candidates are being directed to different departments of the A&N Administration including forest department. Therefore the recruitment to the vacant post of Mazdoor on regular industrial establishment of different functional and nonfunctional forest divisions (13 divisions) of department of environment and forests A&N Administration is to be centralized.

Enhancement of wages at the rate of 1/30th on minimum relevant pay level to the DRMs on continuous service of forest division Little Andaman and subscriptions under the scheme of E.P.F

(a) That, in order to undertake the post tsunami operations/rehabilitation works entrusted by the A&N Administration in Little Andaman Island about 45 Mazdoor on daily wages were appointed and engaged by the Divisional forest officer Little Andaman with effect from 24.10.2005. In the process of appointment to the post of Mazdoor on regular establishment undertaken by the DFO Little Andaman the cases of 20 DRMs were considered for regular appointment out of the 45 DRM engaged during the year 2005. The remaining DRMs have been granted the benefits of enhancement of wages on 1/30th of the minimum relevant pay scale plus DA and three cases of DRMs working since 2005 are left out for grant of the benefits under the scheme of 1/30th of the wages and they are (1) Shri Emil Barwa S/o Patras Barwa (2) Shri Pavan Ram S/o Rudho Gwala and (3) Smti Jini John w/o Shri John. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor (Administrator) A&N Islands has been pleased to order the enhancement of wages of DRMs working in different department of the A&N Administration since last several years prior to 01.09.2017 vide Memorandum No. 289 dated 2017, hence the above DRMs are entitled to get the benefits of the scheme

with back wages from 01.09.2017 onwards.

(b) That, no action has so far been taken by the competent authorities to get the eligible workman subscribed towards the Employees Provident Fund Scheme 1952, of the Little Andaman, Baratang and Diglipur forest divisions.

The Member of Parliament requested the PCCF to early examine and settle these issues for the benefit of industrial employees (factory and non-factory) of Department of Environment and Forests A&N Administration

Secretary Education Visits Bambooflat, Inspects Schools Alongwith PRIs

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Playground and C/o Assembly hall at GSSS Bambooflat. They later visited Primary School of Tsunami Pahad, Hopetown, Chunnabatta and Shorepoint. During the visit, the Secretary checked the quality of the mid-day meals and was satisfied with the quality. She also inspected the classrooms and interacted with students.

The Secretary stressed on the need for cleanliness, safe

drinking water and urgent repair works. She asked the Assistant Engineer (APWD) to prepare the necessary estimates for C/o Playground, C/o Hall at GSSS Bambooflat and repair & maintenance of school buildings in the feeder schools. She also said that procurement of furniture is already initiated and it will also be provided at the earliest.

The PRI 's expressed their heartfelt gratitude for sparing her valuable time and listening to the issues of the schools.

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over the world are faced with difficulties, fear and uncertainty about their job. Working class is going through the poverty, wars, refugees, pandemic, etc. while the corporate all over the world are making huge profits. He accused the Modi government of trying to weaken the collective bargaining power of the workers.

Addressing the gathering, D. Ayyappan, Vice President, CITU State Committee said that the WFTU was founded on 3rd October 1945 and as such 3rd October is observed as International Action Day all over the world. He cautioned the working class in the islands to be vigilant

against the ruling classes of dividing the unity of the workers. He said that whatever the employees and workers achieved in these islands were only through the struggles conducted by the unions. He also emphasized the need to strengthen the unions to be able to conduct more and more movements in the coming days.

Shri R. Surendran Pillai, President CITU State Committee presided on the occasion and called upon the working class in the islands to remain united to fight against the anti-working class policies of the central government. Shri SP Kalairajan, General Secretary, ASN VMS proposed vote of thanks. A large number of workers from different Unions at Port Blair town attended the meeting.

Heavy Rain Likely to Occur in A&N Islands

Port Blair, Oct. 3: Heavy rain (07-11 cm) & thunderstorm with lightning is likely to occur at one or two places over Nicobar Islands on Oct. 5 & 6. Heavy rain (07-11 cm) is likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands on Oct. 7. Meanwhile, due to squally weather, wind speed exceeding 45 kmph is likely to prevail over Andaman Sea along and off Andaman &

Nicobar coasts. Fishermen have been advised not to venture into the sea from Oct. 5 to 7.

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. For any emergency/assistance at sea, call Coast Guard SAR Agency at Toll Free number 1554.

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Other State Registered Vehicles Cannot Ply More than 14 Days in A&N Islands Transport Department Cautions Vehicle Owners

Port Blair, Oct. 3: It is a prevalent practice amongst vehicle owners to ply their other State registered vehicles in A&N Islands without informing the Transport Department, A&N Islands which is violation of the provision of MV Act. In the absence of data on such vehicles, Transport Department finds it difficult to trace the details, especially in the event of an accident or other untoward incident.

According to section 49 of the said Act, motor vehicle owners must notify the registering authority of their new change of residence or place of business, failure to do so

will result in penalties under the MVA Act 2019. Rule 39 of ANIMVR, 2006 States that when any motor vehicle, which is not registered in the UT, is kept for more than 14 days, the owner must inform the Registration Authority, A & N Islands, providing information such as his name, address, registration number, description of the vehicle, and date of issue of permit (in case of transport vehicle).

It is imperative that all motor vehicle owners who registered their vehicles in other States but brought them to A & N Islands inform this office within 14 days of the change of address in order to avoid legal action. Such owners are also advised to keep

documents related to transportation of their vehicles to this UT for verification.

Despite being published in local newspapers on earlier occasions, such vehicles continue to ply on the road in violation of the law. Transport Department has once again advised all owners of vehicles registered in other States to inform the details of their vehicle along with their complete contact information to Transport Department, A&N Islands in compliance to Section 49 of MV Act, 1988 and Rule 39 of ANIMVR. Failure to comply with these legal provision will attract penal actions.

ANTCC Observes the 153rd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi

Port Blair, Oct. 3: Along with the Nationwide, Andaman Nicobar Territorial Congress Committee observed the 153rd Birth Anniversary of Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, the Father of the Nation and 118th Birth Anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri, the Former Prime Minister of India on 02nd October 2022 in Gandhi Bhavan, Port Blair.

At the outset, Campaign Committee Chairman Shri. G. Bhasker and Ex-Mahila



Congress President Smt. Shanta Laxman Singh garlanded the portrait of the leaders followed by floral

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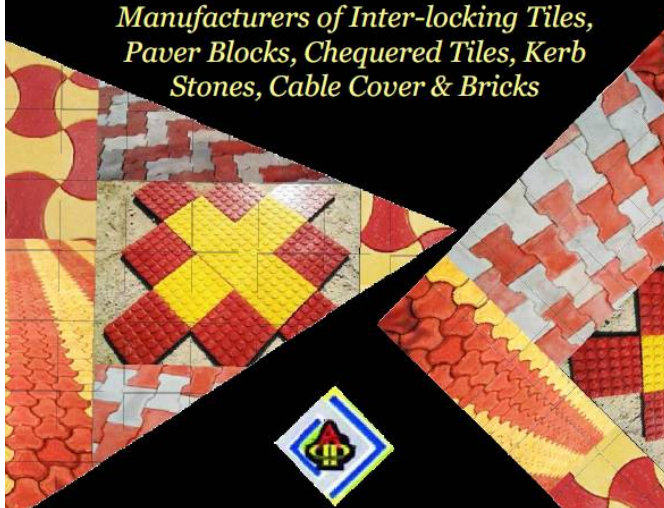
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Bharat Ratna K. Kamaraj whose Death Anniversary falls on the same day was also being observed and remembered on this occasion.

Addressing the party workers, G. Bhasker recalled the services and sacrifices laid by the leaders for being the greatest souls of the Nation and also to remember their life of struggle and contribution towards the country.



SPORTS

India vs South Africa ODI Squad: Rajat Patidar, Mukesh Kumar Get Maiden India Call-up, no Place for Prithvi Shaw

September 3: Middle-order batter Rajat Patidar and medium pacer Mukesh Kumar has been selected for the three-match ODI series against South Africa starting this week.

Shikhar Dhawan will lead the team, while Shreyas Iyer will be his deputy. Interestingly, opener Prithvi Shaw, who has been in red-hot form with the bat, has again been given the cold shoulder by the selectors.

Madhya Pradesh batter Patidar has been rewarded for his stellar performances in domestic cricket, his breakthrough season for in the IPL, where he turned out for Royal Challengers Bangalore, and more recently, his brilliant run for India A against new Zealand A in the four-day games. Patidar has smashed two centuries against the visitors.

Meanwhile, Mukesh Kumar, a prolific red ball bowler for

Bengal, had performed just at the right time, emerging as top wicket-taker in first class games against New Zealand 'A' and followed that up with another stupendous show in the ongoing Irani Cup against 2019-20 Ranji champions Saurashtra.

Wicket-keeper batter Ishan Kishan is back from the anonymity, while Sanju Samson also made the cut. Shardul Thakur, too, has been rewarded for his brilliant all-round show against New Zealand A.

Pacer Avesh Khan, who was ruled out during the Asia Cup due to a fever-related illness also found a spot in the 16-member squad.

India's T20 World Cup standbys Shreyas Iyer, Deepak Chahar, and Ravi Bishnoi are also named in the squad.



The first match will be played on October 6 in Lucknow. The second ODI will be held in Ranchi on October 9. The third and final ODI will be played in Delhi on October 11.

India's ODI squad: Shikhar Dhawan (Captain), Rituraj Gaikwad, Shubman Gill, Shreyas Iyer (vice-captain), Rajat Patidar, Rahul Tripathi, Ishan Kishan (wicket-keeper), Sanju Samson (wicket-keeper), Shahbaz Ahmed, Shardul Thakur, Kuldeep Yadav, Ravi Bishnoi, Mukesh Kumar, Avesh Khan, Mohd. Siraj, Deepak Chahar.

It is Not Concerning, But we Need to Pick Ourselves: Rohit on Death Overs Bowling

September 3: India's death overs bowling woes is not a concern but the team does need to improve its execution at the back end of the match, said skipper Rohit Sharma on Sunday.

Invited to bat, India posted a massive 237 for 3 but South Africa recovered from a disastrous start to take the game deep before eventually falling short by 16 runs as the hosts claimed their first win over the Proteas in a T20 series at home.

"The team wants to play and bowl in a certain way and we want to give them that confidence. Yes, we have not bowled well at the death in the last five or six games. We are doing the same to the opposition as well," Rohit said in the post-match presentation.

"To bowl and bat at the death is very tough. That is where the game is decided. It is not concerning, but we need to pick ourselves and get our act together." India's top four batters once again put on a solid

display and Rohit said they would look to continue their ultra-aggressive batting approach.

"It is something that all of came together and said was what we wanted to do as a team. It might not come across at times, but we want to stick to it," he said.

"What I have seen in the last 8-10 months is individuals putting their hand up and getting the job done for the team. Guys without too much experience did this as well." A disappointed South Africa captain Temba Bavuma put the blame on the bowlers.

"It wasn't our best performance, the conditions were different. We couldn't execute our plans. Late with the bat, I thought we could have given it a good go with 220 but 240 was too high," he said.

For South Africa, David Miller emerged as the brightest spot as he showed his big-hitting prowess with a 47-ball 106 not out which was studded with eight fours and seven sixes. "Miller was looking good,

lot of confidence to be taken from his performance. The conditions were tough, we tried to get it swinging the ball early. But when it reduced, we saw how easy it was," the SA skipper said.

India opener KL Rahul, who had scored an unbeaten 51 on a difficult track in Thiruvananthapuram, produced a sensational 28-ball 57 on a good batting wicket here to continue his good run.

His innings earned him the the Man of the Match.

"It's important as an opener to understand what's required on a particular day for the team. It's good to test yourself in different conditions, so I was satisfied," said Rahul. "After the first 2-3 overs today, the chat between Rohit and I was that 180-190 would be a good target.

"The way Virat batted and Dinesh did well. The back-foot punch set me up, when I play both sides of the wicket I know my balance is good and head is stable." India will next take on South Africa in the third and final T20I on October 4 in Indore.

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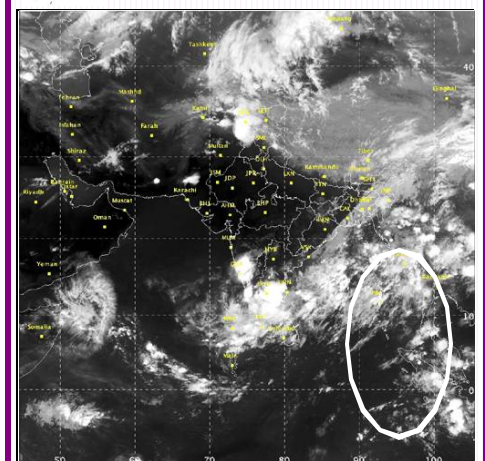
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Weather



Max. Temp: 30.8 °C	Min.: 26.1 °C
Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 85%	1730 Hrs: 84%
Sunrise: 0508 Hrs.	Sunset: 1708 Hrs.
Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	001.2 mm
Total Rainfall (From Jan 1, 2022 till date):	2199.4 mm

Forecast

Partially Cloudy sky and Light Rain is likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 25°C respectively on Tuesday 04/10/2022.

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