

## PM Modi asserts India is leading the world in field of start-ups; addresses 'Mann Ki Baat' programme' on All India Radio

New Delhi, May 29

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today expressed pride that the number of Unicorns in the country has reached one hundred. Addressing the nation in his 'Mann Ki Baat' programme's 89th edition on All India Radio, Shri Modi said the total valuation of these Unicorns is more than 330 billion dollars, which amounts to more than 25 lakh crore rupees. A Unicorn is a start-up worth at least 7.5 thousand crore rupees.

Shri Modi said forty four Unicorns came up last year and 14 more were formed in 3 to 4

months this year. He stated that even during the pandemic, Indian start-ups have been creating wealth and value. The average annual growth rate of Indian Unicorns is more than those of the US, the UK and many other countries.

The Prime Minister pointed out that Indian Unicorns are diverse and operating in many fields such as E-commerce, Fin-Tech, Ed-Tech, and Bio-Tech. He happily noted that India's start-up ecosystem is not limited to just big cities but entrepreneurs are emerging from smaller cities and towns as well. He said that this shows that in India, one who



has an innovative idea can create wealth.

The Prime Minister emphasised that right

mentoring is very important in the Start-Up world. He said a good mentor can take a start-up to new heights... and guide the founders towards right decision. He said there are many such mentors in India who have dedicated themselves to promote Start-ups.

Shri Modi gave the example of Sridhar Vembu who recently received the Padma Award. He is a successful entrepreneur, who has now taken up upon himself to groom other entrepreneurs. Shri Shridhar is encouraging rural youth to do something in this area while staying in the

village itself.

Shri Modi also mentioned Madan Padaaki who created a platform named One-Bridge in 2014 to promote rural entrepreneurs. Today, One-Bridge is present in more than 75 districts of southern and eastern India. More than 9000 rural entrepreneurs associated with it are providing their services to rural consumers. He also spoke about Meera Shenoy who is doing remarkable work in the field of Market Linked Skills Training for rural, tribal and disabled youth. (Source: india.gov.in)

## Chief Secretary directs to tackle present power crisis with multipronged approach

**Directs Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power) & Director (Power) to monitor power situation on day to day basis & focus on root cause of issues and their solutions**  
**Efforts to be made for augmentation of new power sources**  
**Power thefts to be dealt with sternly; FIRs to be lodged as per Electricity Act**

Port Blair, May 29

The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Jitendra Narain has directed that the present power crisis shall be tackled with multipronged approach. He has directed the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power) and Director (Power) to monitor the power situation on day to day basis and focus on root cause of issues and their solutions.

The Chief Secretary has directed that the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power) shall focus on all power theft issues which shall be dealt with sternly and FIR shall be lodged as per the Electricity Act. For that, team consisting of Revenue, Police and Power Departments will inspect various industrial and commercial units

and videography shall also be made while conducting raids. FIR will be vetted by litigation and law Departments.

The Chief Secretary has further directed that Secretary (Power) in consultation with Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power) will make efforts for augmentation of the new power sources which includes Diesel and Solar as well as alternative sources. An enquiry shall be done regarding so much time lapse for roof top solar, and report to be submitted to the Chief Secretary within 15 days from the date of issuance of this order.

The Chief Secretary also directed that all line clearance and removal of obstacles must be carried out on a day to day basis and power cut complaints to be

monitored at Commissioner-cum-Secretary level every day and redressal thereon. The Secretary (Perl)/Director (Power) shall ensure that promotions of Engineers are done on priority wherever it is pending as per rules.

The Chief Secretary has directed that the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power) and Secretary (Power) will lead, monitor and speed up preparation of RFP as per the guidelines of the JERC etc. and also monitor and complete the other pending issues of the Power Ministry and Home Ministry in an appropriate manner through direct personal intervention. The entire Department needs to work with a vision.

The Chief Secretary has directed the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Power)/

Secretary (Power) to ensure that meter reading report must be made daily and ensure daily power cut report on repair and maintenance, a press release from the Director (Power) said.

Details of major electricity disruptions and rectification on 29/05/2022.	
Power disruption	Rectification
Shoalbay Ferrargunj feeder	Rectified in 43 min.
Bambooflat feeder	Resumed in 55 min.
Tiger feeder	Resumed in 55 min.
Beodnabad feeder	Resumed in 7 min.
Wimberlygunj feeder	Resumed in 45 min.
NLC Solar drop due to low frequency	Resumed in 7 min.
Chidiyatapu feeder	Resumed in 7 min.
Junglighat feeder	Resumed in 3 min.
• It is pertinent to mention that minor fault/dropping are charged within 10 min. and major faults have been rectified in 55 min.	

### PRADHAN MANTRI MUDRA YOJNA (PMMY) 1901 PMMY loans for Rs. 76.53 Cr was disbursed by banks in Isles during 2021-22

Port Blair, May 29

The Government of India has launched Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency (MUDRA) and Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna (PMMY) on 08th April 2015, which is aimed to increasing the access of small borrowers to credit from formal financial sector. MUDRA will bridge the gap and go a long way in 'Funding the Unfunded'. A subsidiary company of Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) named MUDRA Limited has been incorporated under the Companies



Act, 2013 to start the refinance operations. There are three categories of MUDRA loans under the PMMY named 'Shishu', 'Kishor' and 'Tarun', to signify the stage of growth/development and funding needs of the beneficiary micro unit/entrepreneurs and also provide a reference point for the next phase of graduation/growth to look forward to: Shishu: covering loans upto Rs. 50,000.00, Kishore:

covering loans above Rs. 50,001.00 and upto Rs. 5.00 lacs and Tarun: covering loans above Rs. 5.00 lacs and upto Rs. 10.00 lacs.

Persons who wishes to avail of loan under PMMY may approach any of the Public/Private Sector Commercial Bank, Co-operative Bank Branches in his/her area with a proper business idea and loan application. After due processing of loan application, the lending

Institution will sanction the loan. The borrower has to execute loan documents and complete other formalities as per requirement of the lending Institution. The loan will be released to undertake small business activities/micro enterprises.

During financial year 2021-22, 1901 PMMY loans for Rs. 76.53 Cr disbursed by banks in A&N Islands. 348 beneficiaries under Shishu Category for Rs. 0.78 Cr, 959 beneficiaries under Kishore category for Rs. 27.43 Cr. and 594 beneficiaries under

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### Implementation of PM-KISAN in Isles

**17501 farmers of Isles registered; Rs. 31.3278 crores disbursed through DBT to beneficiaries accounts**

Port Blair, May 29

The Government with a view to augment the income of the farmers, launched the Central Sector Scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi' (PM-KISAN) during the financial year of 2018-19 which is 100% funded by Govt. of India. Under the Scheme, eligible farmer families receive financial benefits of Rs. 6000/- per year payable in 3 equal installments of Rs. 2000/- each, every four months. The scheme aims to supplement the financial needs of the farmers in procuring various inputs to ensure

proper crop health and appropriate yields, commensurate with the anticipated farm income. The Agriculture Department was designated as the Nodal Department for implementation of the Scheme and Director

(Agriculture) as State Nodal Officer (State Admin for PM-KISAN Portal). At District level, all the Deputy Commissioners have been designated as District Level Nodal Officers. The Block Level Monitoring and Implementation



Committees are headed by concerned Assistant

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### Screening of live telecast of PM's 'Mann Ki Baat' held at Corbyn's Cove

Port Blair, May 29

The screening of the live telecast of the 89th edition/episode of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's 'Mann Ki Baat' on radio was arranged by the PBMC with the support of DD Port Blair at Corbyn's Cove Beach Kumar, Senior Vice Chairperson Shri. today. Around 250 Safaimitras, Azizur Rehman, Junior Vice-Chairperson Chairperson Smti. Kavita Uday



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## ‘अण्डमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION सचिवालय/SECRETARIAT

### HEALTH BULLETIN FOR CONTAINMENT OF

## नोवल कोरोना वायरस रोग (COVID-19)

(No. 790/ 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022)COVID-19 STATUS OF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AS  
ON 29.05.2022

Status of Cases:			
Details of Third wave since: 01.01.2022			
Active new cases in last 24 Hours			01
Discharges in last 24 hours			00
Total confirmed cases			2317
Total Discharges			2327*
Total Active cases as on date			04
Total deaths			00
*Includes 14 discharges of second wave			
Cumulative since March 2020			
Details	On 27 <sup>th</sup> May, 2022	On 28 <sup>th</sup> May, 2022	Total
Confirmed Cases	10044	01	10045
Cured/Discharged from Hospital	9912	00	9912
Death	129	00	129
> Clinical Management of Cases:			
Name of District	Isolation Beds Available	Occupied	Vacant
North & Middle Andaman	286	00	286
South Andaman	5583	00	5583
Nicobar	507	00	507
Total	6376	00*	6376
*04 Positive cases in home quarantine.			
Status of Sample and Testing:			
Total Samples sent till date			737592
Total Reports received till date			737592
Total Pending Reports			0
Rate of Testing Per Million			1843980
Cumulative Test Positivity Rate			1.36%
> Vaccination status:			
Total population			4,00,000
Target Beneficiaries			3,22,000 (Approx.)
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated so far			681154
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 1 <sup>st</sup> Dose so far			341638
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose so far			339516
% of Target beneficiaries fully vaccinated			105.44
% of Population vaccinated			85.41
Vaccination for 15 - 18 years age group			
Target beneficiaries for 15-18 years			23,000
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 1 <sup>st</sup> Dose so far			23528
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose so far			19529
Vaccination for 12 - 14 years age group			
Target beneficiaries for 12-14 years			13,000
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 1 <sup>st</sup> Dose so far 12-14 years			12621
Cumulative beneficiaries vaccinated with 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose so far 12-14 years			10294
Precautionary dose			24707
*2nd dose % against 286000 beneficiaries.			
> Passengers screened at VSI Airport & Haddo Wharf			
Details	From 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 to 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	On 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Total
Incoming passengers			
a) VSI Airport	680121	2795	682916
b) Haddo Wharf	1480	0	1480
Outward passengers			
a) VSI Airport	691323	2666	693989
b) Haddo Wharf	928	0	928
(On 29.5.2022, 269 passengers were retested by RTPCR at Airport)			

24x7 CONTROL ROOM NUMBERS: 240126/ 232102 / 1077/ 1070  
(Source: Directorate of Health Services)

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITION  
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NUMBER 18003452714.

#### INTER ISLAND SECTOR:

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar on 31.05.2022 (Tue) at 0900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 01.06.2022 (Wed) at 1600 Hrs from Car Nicobar.  
Passenger Tickets for onward journey will be issued on 31.05.2022 at Haddo Wharf two hours prior to the departure time of the vessel based on the list provided by Deputy Commissioner's Office, Port Blair and also after due verification of COVID Test Certificate and Islander Card/Local Certificate/Tribal Pass etc.

#### LITTLE ANDAMAN SECTOR:

MV Bharat Seema will sail for Little Andaman on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 2000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 31.05.2022 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Little Andaman.  
MV Bharat Seemawill sail for Little Andaman on 02.06.2022 (Thu) at 0900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Little Andaman.  
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Little Andaman on 04.06.2022 (Sat) at 2000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 05.06.2022 (Sun) at 0800 Hrs from Little Andaman.  
Passenger tickets for the above sailing (i.e. for 30th May and 2nd & 4th June, 2022) will be issued to the general public from 28.05.2022 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

#### FORESHORE SECTOR:

Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels will be issued to the general public at STARS Ticketing Counters two days prior to her scheduled departure date.

#### 30.05.2022 (MON)

#### SHAHEED DWEEP & SWARAJ DWEEP

MV Coral Queen will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1500 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.  
MV Kamorta will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 0630 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.  
MV Strait Island will sail for Shaheed Dweep on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.  
MV Strait Island will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 1300 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep Jetty and will sail back to Shaheed Dweep on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.

#### RANGAT

MV Choudhary will sail for Rangat via Shaheed Dweep, Swaraj Dweep, Kadamtala, Strait Island & Long Island on 30.05.2022 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 31.05.2022 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

#### 31.05.2022 (TUE)

#### SHAHEED DWEEP & SWARAJ DWEEP

MV Coral Queen will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 31.05.2022 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1500 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.  
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MV Strait Island will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 31.05.2022 (Tue) at 1300 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep Jetty and will sail back to Shaheed Dweep on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.

#### 01.06.2022 (WED)

#### SHAHEED DWEEP & SWARAJ DWEEP

MV Coral Queen will sail for Swaraj Dweep on 01.06.2022 (Wed) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1500 Hrs from Swaraj Dweep.  
MV Kamortawill sail for Shaheed Dweep on 01.06.2022 (Wed) at 0630 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Shaheed Dweep.  
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### 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'

## 12 women beneficiaries provided free LPG connections & stoves under PMUY 2.0

Port Blair, May 29

As part of the celebration of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', a special programme was organized by Gram Panchayat Calicut yesterday at Community Hall, Calicut for distribution of Free LPG connection and Gas Stove under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana 2.0 (PMUY) with the assistance of M/s G.K. Indane, LPG Distributer, Calicut village.

Smti. Pramila Kumari, Adhyaksha,



Zilla Parishad South Andaman was the chief guest on the occasion. She distributed free LPG Connections and free Stoves to 12 women beneficiaries of Calicut village in the presence of Shri T. Yaghambaram, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Calicut, Shri. D. Satyanarayan, Up-Pramukh/ PSM Calicut, Shri S. Boominathan, Zilla Parishad Member, Panchayat Secretary and Ward Members of Calicut Gram Panchayat, a press release from GP Calicut said.

## Registration process of land of 91 yr. old person completed at home in Rangat

Rangat, May 29

The Assistant Commissioner, Rangat visited the place Shakligar of Kaushalyanagar Panchayat under Rangat Tehsil for Registration of Land along with Reader. Generally, the registration procedure is done at the office of the AC (MA), Rangat but this time the land belongs to Shri. Abraham Kerketta (91 years old), who is not



able to move on his own. To facilitate the land registration process, all the technical devices and office documents were taken to the spot of

registration and the registration work was done under the direction of the AC (MA), Rangat, a press release from AC, Rangat said.

## Model Rocketry Prog. by Science Centre Summer Camp students acquainted on various stages of Rocketry development

Port Blair, May 29

As part of the Model Rocketry Programme of the ongoing 'Holiday Camp 2022', the students were taught about the invention of various stages of Rocketry development right from 'Sounding Rocket' to its highly advanced version and the future developments in this sector. During the weeklong programme, the students prepared different working



models of rockets and launched them under the supervision of their master trainer. Around 90 students participated in the Model Rocketry programme which concluded with a

feedback test given by the students. The best performers will be awarded on the valedictory function of holiday camp scheduled to be held on May 30, 2022, a press release from Science Centre said.

## COVID-19 status in A&N Islands

Port Blair, May 29

During the RT-PCR test conducted on 294 incoming flight passengers who arrived here yesterday, no positive case has been detected. 17 flights with 2666 passengers arrived in A&N Islands today, out of which, 2311 passengers were

vaccinated with both doses while RT-PCR test was conducted on 269 passengers and the reports are awaited.

During RAT conducted on 68 passengers bound for North & Middle Andaman at Ferrargunj, no positive case has been detected.

At Phoenix Bay Jetty, 15 passengers were tested with RAT and no positive case has been detected. RAT was conducted on 46 passengers at Mohanpura Bus Terminus and no positive case has been detected, a press release from IP&T said.

### 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'

## Nehru Yuva Kendra to organize cycle rally on June 3

Port Blair, May 29

As part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, 'World Bicycle Day' will be celebrated by NYKS on June 3, 2022. The World Bicycle Day celebrations have four components viz., National level launch event in Delhi, Cycle rallies in State/UT capitals, Cycle rallies at 75 iconic locations and Block level.

Simultaneous Cycle Rallies will be organized in all the States/UTs on June 3. Accordingly, Nehru Yuva Kendra, Port Blair



will be organizing the Rally which will be inaugurated from Cellular Jail, Port Blair and will culminate at Corbyn's Cove. 75 cyclists will participate in this event covering a distance of 7.5 km.

All interested cyclists have been requested to participate in the Rally with their

cycles on June 3, 2022. They may submit their names by June 2 at Nehru Yuva Kendra, Port Blair Office near Garacharma BSNL Exchange. For more information, District Youth Officer, NYK, Port Blair, can be contacted over ph no. 9474233099, a press release said.

## AIR to broadcast live phone-in prog. on 'PM Mudra Yojana' & 'PM Kisan Samman Nidhi'

Port Blair, May 29

Two special episodes of live phone-in programme 'Face to Face' will be broadcast from All India Radio Port Blair on 30th May 2022 (Monday). In the first episode, Lead Bank Manager Shri. Ummer Farooq will answer to the queries of the listeners on the topic 'PM Mudra Yojana' from 7.15 am to 8 am hrs. In the second

episode, Agriculture Officer, Shri. Navasakthi will answer queries of the listeners on 'PM Kisan Samman Nidhi' from 6.30 pm to 7 pm. Listeners can clarify their doubts by calling on phone numbers 232336 or 232558. Both these programmes can be heard on MW 684 KHz and 'newsonair' App, a press release from AIR, Port Blair.

## Thunderstorms & lightning to occur in Isles on June 1 & 2

Port Blair, May 29

Thunderstorms & lightning is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands on June 1 & 2. For further enquiries / information 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, a press release from Directorate of Disaster Management said.

### Screening of live telecast of PM's ...

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Smti. A. Selva Rani, other Councilors & Officials of PBMC attended the program.

The chairperson and councilors present on the occasion, thanked the Hon'ble Prime Minister for taking the issues of underprivileged and unrecognized sectors and providing many benefits through various centrally sponsored schemes. Shri. Subramani of Swachhata Awareness Team of PBMC on behalf of Safaimitra expressed gratitude to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi for dignifying the Safaimitras in the society and their contribution towards making India Swachh through Swachh Bharat Mission. The SVC, PBMC expressed his views to DD News correspondent Girish Nishana who was deputed to cover the event at Port Blair from Delhi.



The program was followed by a mass beach cleanup drive at Corbyn's Cove Beach in which 250 Safaimitras and councilors collected segregated waste which were transported to the Dry Resource Centre at Brookshabad for further processing/recycling, a press release from PBMC said.

## India play out a 3-3 draw against Malaysia in Asia Cup Hockey



Jakarta, May 29

In Asia Cup Hockey, India played a draw against Malaysia (3-3) in a Super 4s pool game in Jakarta, Indonesia today.

The young Indian team came back strongly in the second half, launched some superb attacks, controlled the midfield and defended well to score thrice through Vishnukant Singh (31st min), SV Sunil (52nd) and Nilam Sanjeev Xess (54th) minute to take

3-2 lead. Razie Rahim completed a well-deserved hat-trick when he converted another penalty corner to make it 3-3 five minutes before the end of the match.

The draw put India on par with Korea at the top of the standings with four points each from a win and a draw. Malaysia are third with two points from two draws while Japan are at the bottom of the Super 4s table after two losses.

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**1901 PMMY loans for Rs. 76.53 Cr was...** *(Contd. from page 01)*  
under Tarun Category for Rs. 48.89 Cr. During 2022-23, banks have sanctioned 227 Mudra Loans for Rs.10.27 Cr. Interested Borrower can avail loan uptoRs. 50,000.00 under Shishu Category online without any intervention of Banks by login to e-Mudra by using their Mobile Phones. Pre-requisite for this facility is Aadhaar and mobile Number must be linked.  
For more information on MUDRA products and for any kind assistance, the borrower can approach nearest Bank Branch. The borrower may also visit MUDRA website, [www.mudra.org.in](http://www.mudra.org.in) and can send any query/suggestion to [help@mudra.org.in](mailto:help@mudra.org.in).

Success Stories :

Balram Chuklu, Prothrapur, Auto Rickshaw

Shri Balram Chuklu, resident of Prothrapur was an Autorickshaw Driver, plying rental auto since last five years. The earning was very limited and facing difficulty to run his family expenses. He has a dream of owning an auto rickshaw. He contacted State Bank of India for financial assistance for purchasing an Auto Rickshaw. Bank supported him and after all necessary formalities a loan of Rs. 195000.00 (Rupees one lacs ninty five thousand only) sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna(PMMY). Now he is having his own Auto Rickshaw and earning more than earlier.



Sandeep Kumar Lakra, Junglighat, Fiber Boat.

Shri Sandeep Lakra resident of Junglighat is professionally a boat master working in a private firm. After Covid-19, the inflow of tourist reduced and he lost his job. His ambition was to have his own boat. He approached his banker, State Bank of India for a loan of Rs. 5.80 lacs. SBI sanctioned loan under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna(PMMY). Now the boat is under construction and will be able to ply his boat in few days and earn more.

Natarajan, Proprietor Deva Farm House, Wandoor.

Shri Natarajan, the proprietor of Deva Farm house of Wandoor village faced lots of financial hardship after Covid-19. He was unable to run the farm house. On enquiry, he heard about Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna and contacted his Bank, State Bank of India. SBI sanctioned a loan of RS. 8.00 lacs to Shri Natarajan under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojna. Now, he is happy and able to generate income from his Farm.



Devan Digital Prop: G Karthik, Protharpur, Digital Arts & Signs



Shri G Karthik, Proprietor of Devan Digital Arts & Signs, R/o Prothrapur is a commerce graduate from JNRM, Port Blair. After his studies he started his career in making digital arts. Due to lack of opportunities in Government sector and passion for business he wanted to start his own business to be self employed and provide employment to other also.

Due to his self confidence and enthusiasm he wanted to open shop. He was in need of funds to purchase new machinery but not

have security to offer for bank loan. He availed a term loan and cash credit under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana for purchase of new machineries and stocks. Now, he is successfully running the shops and posting good turnover in his account. Now, he realized his dreams through Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana and supports his family and the families his employees .

M/s Anmol Pearl and handicraft

Shri Manoj Kumar is doing retail business in handicraft items and due to lockdown the shop was almost closed for more than two years. Shri Manoj Kumar approached Indian Bank for financial assistance. Bank has sanctioned Rs.6.00 lakhs under PMMY Tarun Category for purchase of stocks. In the meantime tourism also started. Now the turnover in the account is very good. Manoj is very happy and earning more and living happily with his family.



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Director (Agriculture).

The scheme for transfer of benefits to eligible beneficiaries started during the financial year 2018-19 from 01.12.2018 for the period from December' 2018 to March '2019. In Andaman & Nicobar Islands, as on date, 17501 farmers have been registered in the ambitious scheme of Government of India-PM-KISAN.

Zone wise PM-KISAN beneficiaries' details		
Block Name	Total No. of farmers (in numbers) for PM-KISAN Scheme	Farmers registered (in numbers)
South Andaman	4709	2516
Little Andaman	1451	982
Rangat	5362	2889
Mayabunder	4418	2056
Diglipur	6198	4725
Car Nicobar	3505	2860
Nancowrie	940	940
Campbell Bay	558	533
Total	27141	17501

As on date, a total of Rs. 31.3278 crores has been disbursed through DBT to PM-KISAN beneficiaries' account. Installment wise beneficiaries and amount disbursed are as under:			
Sl. No	Installment	No. of beneficiaries	Amount (in Crores)
1.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.2018 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2019	11793	2.3586
2.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2019 to 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2019	15915	3.183
3.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug. 2019 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2019	16506	3.3012
4.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.2019 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2020	16385	3.2770
5.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2020	16349	3.2698
6.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug. 2020 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2020	16370	3.2740
7.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.2020 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2021	16293	3.2586
8.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2021 to 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2021	16174	3.2348
9.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug. 2021 to 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov. 2021	15703	3.1406
10.	Beneficiaries paid for Period of 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec.2021 to 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	15151	3.0302
TOTAL			31.3278

The 11<sup>th</sup> installment is expected to be released soon for the period of April 2022 to July 2022. As per the guidelines of the scheme, the following categories of beneficiaries of higher economic status are not eligible for benefit under the scheme:

- (a) All Institutional Land holders  
(b) Farmer families in which one or more of its members belong to following categories :
- Former and present holders of constitutional posts
  - Former and present Ministers/ State Ministers and former/present Members of Lok Sabha/ Rajya Sabha/ State Legislative Assemblies/ State Legislative Councils, former and present Mayors of Municipal Corporations, former and present Chairpersons of District Panchayats.
  - All serving or retired officers and employees of Central/ State Government Ministries /Offices/Departments and its field units Central or State PSEs and Attached offices /Autonomous Institutions under Government as well as regular employees of the Local Bodies (Excluding Multi Tasking Staff/ Class IV/Group D employees)
  - All superannuated/retired pensioners whose monthly pension is Rs.10,000/-or more(Excluding Multi Tasking Staff/ Class IV/Group D employees) of above category b (3))
  - All Persons who paid Income Tax in last assessment year.
  - Professionals like Doctors, Engineers, Lawyers, Chartered Accountants, and Architects registered with Professional bodies and carrying out profession by undertaking practices.

The Department of Agriculture in coordination with the PRIs is working together in all the Zones of A&N Islands continuously from the day of launch of the scheme. They also conducted door to door visits in all villages to inform, motivate and support the farmers for availing the benefits of PM's flagship programme. Apart from these, the field Officials of Agriculture Department conducted awareness programme at village level besides Special Gram Sabha's and camps to bring the farmers under PM-KISAN scheme.

To make integrated platform available in the country to assist in benefit transfer, a platform named PM-KISAN Portal was launched for uploading the farmers' details at a single web portal in a uniform structure.

A facility is provided in PM-KISAN portal in which any grievances related to PM-KISAN scheme can be submitted. The Department of Agriculture is requesting the farmers to submit their grievances in PM-KISAN Portal/Mobile App and can also contact the respective Agriculture Extension staff/Agriculture office.

Various factors are there, due to which, the farmer does not receive the benefit of PMKISAN. The main reason being mismatch in the spelling of the name in the bank account and the name entered on the Aadhaar card due to which farmers fail to get the money.

To facilitate farmers, the Govt. of India has decided to undertake e-KYC verification of all the eligible registered farmer-beneficiaries of PM-KISAN Scheme for smooth transfer of benefits. The verification is to be completed by 31st May, 2022.

All eligible registered farmers of PM-KISAN scheme have been informed to update their KYC before the schedule date. The e-KYC authentication of the beneficiaries can be done by both e-KYC OTP mode as well as e-KYC biometric mode. The e-KYC authentication of the beneficiaries through OTP mode can be done on PM-KISAN portal, free of cost by the beneficiaries or State functionaries. For e-KYC biometric authentication facility, the beneficiary may visit the nearest CSC. The CSC will charge for bio-metric authentication from each beneficiary. For any query/doubt related to e-KYC, the beneficiaries can also contact the concerned Zonal Agriculture Office/ Field functionaries of Agriculture Department.

The farmers have been advised to use only the official website of PM-KISAN portal and not to download any other App for e-KYC authentication. As on date, eKYC of 4243 farmers have been completed. Awareness is being created among the farmers to complete eKYC verification within the stipulated time i.e. 31st May, 2022.

Being an income Benefit Scheme for the farmers, the left out farmers who have not yet enrolled under the scheme have been requested to come forward and enroll themselves through PM-KISAN Portal/PM-KISAN App/ CSCs or approach the nearest Agriculture Office along with land records and other necessary documents, a press release from Directorate of Agriculture said.

Successstory of Smti. Santhammal - a PM-KISAN beneficiary

This is the success story of Smti.Santhammal, W/o. Shri R. Arulendu, R/o New Bimblitan village. Her family comprises of 8 members. Initial days after her marriage, the family struggled to cope up with their daily needs and were poor. At that time, Government had allotted 1.00 ha of agricultural land to her.

Smti. Santhamal was skilled in agricultural practices as she hailed from agricultural family. During the

initial phase of cultivation, she had grown major crops such as Coconut, Arecanut and fruit crops - Banana, Guava, Sapota, Papaya. Thereafter, she diversified her farming with cultivation of Ginger, Black pepper, Vegetables like Poi, Marsa, Bitter gourd, cow pea, bottle gourd, Ridge gourd, Bhindi, brinjal, little gourd, pumpkin and along with betel vine.

She is one of the innovative farmers of this Islands who strives with new technologies in Agriculture that can benefit her with increased crop productivity. She is one of the successful PM KISAN beneficiaries since 2019 along with having KISAN Credit Card. She adopts Integrated Pest Management Practices to control pests and diseases and prefers use of organic inputs over chemical products.

She informed that the PM KISAN assistance has financially helped her in the procurement of agricultural inputs like seeds, manures, etc. preventing her from borrowing money from moneylenders. This helped her to overcome the financial struggle as she was able to expand her crop production with increased returns through selling the farm produce. This initiative has been a backbone for her advancement in farming and is very thankful to the government for providing PM KISAN assistance.

Crop production and annual income of Smti.Santhammalduring 2021-2022.			
S.No.	CROP	PRODUCTION/ ANNUM	INCOME ATTAINED
1	Arecanut	2 MT	Rs. 600000/-
2	Coconut	10000 nuts/annum	
3	Vegetables	4 MT	
4	Fruits	2.5 MT	

She serves as one of the prominent role model, who has overcome various financial insecurities and have attained success in agriculture. She proactively encourages her fellow farmers to practice integrated farming and other agricultural techniques.

Smti. Sumati Joydhar - a successful PM-KISAN beneficiary

Smti. Sumati Joydhar w/o Shri. Hardhan Joydhar is a settler farmer in Bachada Pahad village of Ferrargunj Block. She inherited land from her father. She was not a fulltime cultivator in the early days but after marriage she started cultivation. During her initial days, she focused on meeting her family's food requirement. During 2012 she started commercial cultivation. Presently, she is 62 years old with 1.064 ha land acquainted with 10 family members.

She is one of the successful PM KISAN beneficiary since 2019 who has Kisan Credit Card .She cultivates Coconut, Arecanut, , Fruit crops like Banana, Vegetables like Poi, Marsa, Bitter gourd, lobia, bottle gourd, Ridgegourd, Bhindi, brinjal, little gourd, pumpkin and also cultivates Tapioca and Ginger by using organic farming techniques. Further she is also practicing apiculture.

She availed the benefit of making Compost by the use of waste-decomposer, through the Demonstration given by the extension staff of South Andaman Agriculture office, during the year 2019. The Compost is utilized for cultivation of organic vegetables. She prefers poultry litter and compost made using kitchen and agricultural waste.

During her initial days of cultivation, the crop production was less and was sufficient to feed her large family alone. Thereafter, she got enlightened about the practice of cultivating crops that would make more profit during increased market demand. Since, she was financially unstable; she was not able to invest on procurement of farming inputs. This was the time when the PM KISAN assistance proved constructive to Smti. Joydhar, enabling her to timely purchase the inputs for cultivation, which paved way for escalating crop production especially coriander through which she made mammoth profit. She expresses her profound happiness and gratitude towards the government for such initiatives.



She is a progressive farmer and received incentives for her Best farm Produce in various KisanMela exhibitions. She has good rapport with peer and colleague farmers and acts as frontline farmer in respect of disseminating the knowledge and giving information on use of Bio decomposer to her neighbors and village farmers.

Crop production and annual income of Smti. Joydhar during 2021-2022.			
S.No.	CROP	PRODUCTION/ ANNUM	INCOME ATTAINED
1	Arecanut	2 MT	Rs. 5,40,000/-
2	Coconut	1000 nuts/annum	
3	Vegetables	4 MT	
4	Cavendish Banana	5 MT	
5	Other Subsidiary enterprises - honey	20 litres	

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