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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 (M CBT)**

## People's Voice

Hum Andaman wale 3000 mm Rainfall ki baat karte hai magar kisi ne Notice kiye ki 2022 mein 2500 mm Rainfall hua, jo ki 500 mm kam hai Normal Rains se ..?

- A Citizen



Alas! All are talking about T-shirt or sweater... not about our baniyan!

## Member of Parliament Demands Constituting an Expert Committee to Study and Improve Water Scenario of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

**Port Blair, Jan 10:** The Member of Parliament, Shri. Kudleep Rai Sharma has highlighted the problems being faced by the people of Andaman & Nicobar Islands due to scarcity of water during the dry season, in front of the Chairman, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Water Resources, New Delhi.

The said Parliamentary Standing Committee is scheduled to visit Andaman and Nicobar Islands on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

In a letter addressed to the Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing

Committee on Water Resources, the Member of Parliament mentioned that the main source of water in A & N Islands primarily comprises of Rain Water, and A & N Islands are receiving an average annual rainfall of about 3000 mm every year which is way above the average annual rainfall of many other States and UT of Union of India. But, in spite of this the people of A & N Islands and in particular Port Blair and adjoining sub-urban areas have to face a catastrophic situation of water supply during dry

spells every year i.e. from January to June.

He added that at times, the situation becomes so worse that the people are supplied potable water once in three days for only 15 to 20 minutes.

He mentioned that the main reason for this being, dependency on single major water storage sources in most of the habitable island of A & N Islands and in particular Port Blair and adjoining sub-urban areas.

Moreover, A & N Islands being an area under Seismic Zone - V is susceptible for

frequent devastating EarthQuakes and Tsunami and if on any worse case this single dependant major water body/reservoir gets affected then the entire major population of Port Blair and adjoining sub-urban areas will get affected causing a state that there might not be a single drop of water to drink and survive, he added.

He further mentioned that if less rainfall is received during the North-East monsoon (during November-December every year), the reservoirs are not charged up to the

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## District Administration Claims for Bronze Award Under NTEP, Appeals to Villagers

**Port Blair, Jan. 10:** As Tuberculosis continues to be a major public health problem and therefore implementation of National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP) has witnessed immense political and administrative commitment to eliminate Tuberculosis by 2025, five years ahead of the global target.

To achieve this, Central TB Division, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India (GoI) is adapting newer innovative strategy as 'TB Free Status' Districts or States claiming reduction in TB (80% reduction



in TB incidence from 2015). Since, it may take a longer duration for achieving TB Free Status, interim recognition is also considered as awards and certification of progress towards

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## Range of Activities Conducted by JNRM's Botany Students in the Adopted Sippighat Village

**Port Blair, Jan. 10:** The Department of Botany, JNRM has adopted Sippighat Village in April 2022 on a long-term basis. The adoption program, which is part of the non-audit course for M.Sc. students, is prescribed by Pondicherry University. On 9th January, as part of the adoption program, the M.Sc. 1st & 2nd Year Students of the Botany Department visited Sippighat village and organized a range of activities like plantation of medicinal trees and demonstrations of the importance of herbal medicine in daily life.

A workshop on poster making on scientific themes viz. Clean Earth, Green Earth



etc. was organized for the children of the village. They were also shown a number of simple biological experiments in order to instill scientific curiosity in them. The children enthusiastically participated in the workshop. The program was attended by Smt. Jyothi, Pradhan, Shri Mohd. Abdul Abid, Panchayat Secretary, Sanitary Workers, students and villagers of Gram Panchayat Sippighat. Faculty members Smti Rashmi Janak and Ms. Shalini of the Botany Department, JNRM were present on the occasion.

## DG Coast Guard Calls On Lt. Governor



**Port Blair, Jan 10:** Director General Indian Coast Guard, Shri VS Pathania, PTM, TM ahead of relinquishing charge on superannuation called on Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt Governor, A&N Islands and Vice-Chairman, Islands Development Agency today at Raj Niwas. HLG thanked him for all support rendered to Andaman & Nicobar Administration during his tenure.

## Chief Secretary Interacts with Senior Officers and Staffs of Secretariat



**Port Blair, Jan 10:** The Chief Secretary, A&N Islands, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, met the Senior Officials and other staff of Secretariat at A&N Secretariat premises today. While extending New Year greetings to the entire Secretariat family and also wishing them progress and prosperity, the Chief Secretary urged everyone to work with dedication for the development and the betterment of the Islanders.



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*Success is not an activity but a process ...*

## Tame, not Lame

Come Pongal and many parts of Tamil Nadu are alive with preparations for jallikattu, a traditional sport involving bulls. On December 8, a five-member Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court reserved its verdict on a batch of pleas challenging the Tamil Nadu law allowing jallikattu. The court is expected to give its judgment before the commencement of this year's event, which goes on for nearly four months in various parts. It is likely to rule on the validity of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Tamil Nadu Amendment) Act, 2017, which does not talk of the "taming of bulls" while giving legal sanction to jallikattu. Though the traditional sport was not allowed for a few years thanks to the apex court's ruling in May 2014, the demand for its revival assumed serious proportions soon after the death of Chief Minister Jayalalithaa in December 2016. As the court had declared void the Tamil Nadu Regulation of Jallikattu Act, 2009, which referred to the "taming of bulls", the framers of the 2017 law defined jallikattu as "an event involving bulls conducted with a view to follow tradition and culture". On hearing petitions against the latest law, the court had sought to address the questions of whether jallikattu should be granted constitutional protection as a collective cultural right under Article 29 (1); and whether the 2017 law and rules "perpetuate cruelty to animals" or were a means to ensure "the survival and well-being of the native breeds of bulls".

In a democracy, no one can overlook the cultural sensitivity of the people. Six years ago, the perception that those in power, both at the Centre and in the State, did not respect this factor gained ground, compelling the Union and the State governments to come up with a State-specific amendment to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, a Central law. The amendment, allowing the event subject to rules and regulations, had ended the crisis that had engulfed the State then in the wake of a huge assembly of people on the Marina Beach for days together. But the revised law, by itself, could not ensure that no human lives were lost, let alone prevent instances of torture to the animal. There is a need to reinforce stricter enforcement of regulations. Also, the bureaucracy should sensitise local communities to the need for the safe and smooth conduct of jallikattu. Every traditional practice undergoes changes over time and jallikattu is no exception to this rule. This message should be conveyed forcefully to all the stakeholders.

## BOB'S BANTER

BY ROBERT CLEMENTS



### Give Imagineering a Try..!

Three sparkling white buildings!

A guest house with grounds!

All housing one hundred and four orphans!

And yet I remember when all of this wasn't ever there, not on the ground nor also in the mind of the founder. He had come to me on one of his donation collecting rounds many years ago. He was living under an upturned boat caring for four destitute children.

"Bob," he had sighed, "I wish I could do more for the orphans of our city!"

"So why don't you?" I had asked.

"Me? Alone?" he had asked.

"Why not," I said, "if you can visualize what you want, put it down on paper, prayerise it and start working on it, it will happen."

He did, and now, I see: Three sparkling white buildings, a guest house with grounds, all housing a hundred and four orphans!

A close friend sent me something along the same lines, let me share it with you:

"I will bet my next month's salary that many have encouraged you to dream big. I sure heard that a million times right before I graduated. But there's

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something better than dreaming big and I learned it from the biggest dreamer of all time; Walt Disney.

When it comes to dreaming big, Walt was the man. No bigger dreams were fulfilled than his. Every leadership book describes him as the ultimate dreamer. In fact, the principle of dreaming and achieving is the core message of the Disney hit song, "When You Wish Upon a Star", makes no difference who you are; anything your heart desires will come to you. If your heart is in your dream, no request is too extreme. When you wish upon a star, as dreamers do," so sang Jiminy Cricket.

But is that all he preached in the Disney company? Dream?

Well, not exactly. The problem with dreaming is if that's all you do, you'll really get nowhere. In fact, you may just fall asleep and never wake up. The secret to Disney's success is not just dreaming, it's imagineering'.

You won't find this word in a dictionary. It's purely a Disney word. Those who engage in Imagineering are called imaginers. The word combines the words "imagination" and "engineering". In the book "Imagineers," Disney's CEO, Michael Eisner, claims that "imagers turn impossible dreams into real magic." Walt Disney explained there is really no secret to this approach.

Imagineering is the blending of creative imagination and the will to do. Eisner says that "Not only are imaginers curious, they are courageous, outrageous, and this creativity is contagious." The big difference with imaginers is that they dream and then they do!

Three sparkling white buildings. A guest house with grounds. All housing one hundred and four orphans!

Don't just be a dreamer, be an imaginer; visualize, prayerise, and actualise..!

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## District Administration Claims for Bronze Award Under NTEP, Appeals to Villagers

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TB Free Status under Bronze (20%), Silver (40%) and Gold (60%) categories. This aims to motivate, inspire and instil competitiveness in the mindset of the various stakeholders who are working for TB elimination in the districts or states.

The District Administration through its District Health Society, South Andaman NTEP (SA) has claimed for

Bronze award as per the programme indicators of the District. Accordingly, the Sub National Certification Survey started today in 10 selected villages namely Shore Point (RV), Kadakachang (RV), Hashmatabad (RV), Mithakhari (RV), PB (MCI) Ward No.10, Dollygunj (RV), Calicut (RV), PB (MCI) Ward No.8, PB (MCI) Ward No.15 and Hutbay (RV).

In this regard, the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman has appealed to the general public of the above said villages to cooperate with the field staff. Those having fever, cough, night sweats and loss of appetite should visit nearest Health Centre or inform the volunteers reaching out for survey for investigation on the symptoms to keep the Islands healthy.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

### Hollywood Producer Jason Blum Bets on 'RRR' to Win Best Film Oscar

**January 9: NEW DELHI:** Hollywood producer Jason Blum is confident that SS Rajamouli's magnum opus "RRR" will bag the best picture trophy at the Oscars this year.

Blum, the founder of Hollywood studio Blumhouse that bankrolled Oscar-winning movies such as "Get Out" and "BlacKkKlansman", predicted the film's win in a Twitter post on Monday.

"I'm going with RRR winning best pic. You heard it here first. Mark it down, please. If I'm right, I am awarding myself my own Oscar," the producer wrote.

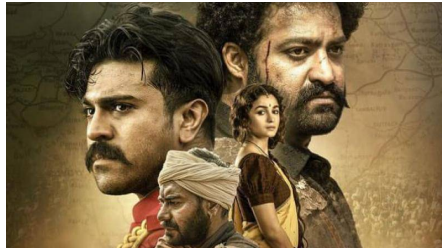
The movie's official Twitter handle posted a reply to Blum, thanking the producer for his "kind words".

"We won you, Blum!! Thank you so much for your kind words. #RRR" read the post. Starring Ram Charan and Jr NTR in the lead, "RRR" follows a pre-Independence fictional story woven around two real-life Indian revolutionaries - Alluri Sitarama Raju and Komaram Bheem - in the 1920s. It also stars Alia Bhatt

and Ajay Devgn in key roles. Released theatrically last March, "RRR" raised reported earnings over Rs 1,200 crore at the global box office. The Hindi version of the film premiered on Netflix on May 20, 2022 and soon became the most popular movie from India on the streamer globally.

Blum is the latest Hollywood celebrity to shower praise on "RRR", joining the likes of Jessica Chastain, filmmakers Anthony and Joe Russo, Edgar Wright, Scott Derrickson, Joe Dante, James Gunn, Christopher Miller, screenwriters Jon Spaihts and C Robert Cargill.

The makers of "RRR" are currently gearing up for the Hollywood award season where its distributor Variance Films has mounted a substantial campaign to have the film recognised in the general categories at various ceremonies. The film is



nominated for two two Golden Globes — Best Picture - Non-English and Best Song for 'Naatu Naatu'.

It has also received five nominations for Critics Choice Awards — Best Picture, Best Director, Best Foreign Language Film, Best Song for "Naatu Naatu", and Best Visual Effects.

Last week, the movie made it to the BAFTA longlist for Film not in English Language category. It shares space with "All Quiet on the Western Front", "Argentina, 1985", "Bardo, False Chronicle of a Handful of Truths", "Close", "Corsage", "Decision to Leave", "EO", "Holy Spider", and "The Quiet Girl". The 10 films will compete to secure a place in the final five for the BAFTA honour.

### 'What to Watch' for the Week Ending January 13

**January 10:** We are just into the second week of the new year as tensions are already significantly rising in the world of entertainment. Rajamouli's pan-India blockbuster 'RRR', which is making waves worldwide, heads toward Golden Globes this week.

Lionsgate Play

Just like the Oscars, it is going to be an early morning telecast for Indians who want to know the fate that awaits Rajamouli's magnum opus 'RRR'. The movie is contending in best picture — non-English and best original song — motion picture (for Telugu song 'Naatu Naatu'...) categories. The award ceremony will be held on January 11.

Directors Prashant Nair and Randeep Jha have revisited the Uphaar cinema tragedy in their upcoming release 'Trial by Fire.' Abhay Deol, Anupam Kher, Ratna Pathak Shah are among others who have been roped in to tell us once again what the families of those who died in the movie halls went through. 'Trial by Fire' releases on January 13.

'Dog Gone' is a tale that is bound to be loved by animal lovers. A young man sets out on an incredible search with his parents to find his missing dog and give him life-saving medication. The movie will screen on January 13.

The second season of the historical drama Vikings Valhalla will stream on January 12. The show is likely to be violent, dark, and exciting.

Have you heard about Kai, a homeless hitchhiker who first became an internet sensation and then was imprisoned for murder? 'The Hatchet Wielding Hitchhiker', another documentary after 'Mumbai Mafia', will stream on January 10.

It's not Wimbledon time but that doesn't mean tennis fans should feel left out. The documentary 'Break Point' premieres on January 13. It deals with the lives of tennis players on and off the court. While this is the first part, second part will be released in June.

Disney+ Hotstar

The OTT platform is coming up with lots of fresh shows and new seasons of old series this week. Besides, new episodes of ongoing series will also be aired. Season 1 of 'Koala Man' will be released on January 10. Similarly, the first season of 'Chasing Waves', 'Will Trent', 'Gaannibal', and 'Big Bet' will be dropped on January 11. Similarly, second season of Tokoyo Revengers will be aired on January 8.

Prime Video

'Hunters' is back and Season 2 promises to be even more exciting. After an accident derails their exploits in Europe, the Hunters must get together again to hunt down history's most infamous Nazi — Adolf Hitler who is hiding in South America. The show, starring Al Pacino and Logan Lerman among others, will stream on January 13. Also, Ajay Devgn's 'Drishyam 2' which has had a spectacular run at the Box Office is likely to be available for all Prime subscribers this week. It was already available for Rent.

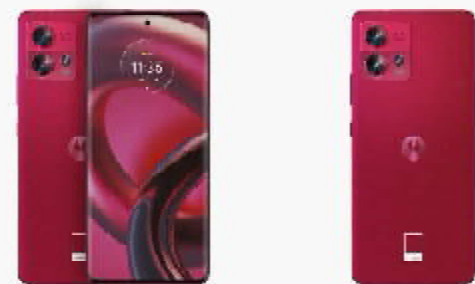
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### Health, Science /Tech

### Motorola Announces Edge 30 Fusion Special Edition in Pantone Colour of the Year Viva Magenta



**January 9:** In September last year, Motorola unveiled the Edge 30 Fusion, a mid-range phone that packs flagship specs and a curved display. Now, the company has launched a special edition of the Motorola Edge 30 fusion in the Pantone colour of the year 2023 – Viva Magenta.

To give you a quick recap, the Motorola Edge 30 Fusion is powered by the Qualcomm Snapdragon 888+ chipset and comes with a 6.55-inch 144Hz Full HD+ curved P-OLED display protected by Corning's Gorilla Glass 5.

Running Android 12 out of the box, the back of the phone sports a 50MP primary sensor with Optical Image Stabilisation (OIS) and is backed by a 13MP ultrawide lens and a 2MP depth camera. At the front, you get a 32MP selfie camera which can record videos in 4K at 30fps.

The phone also features stereo speakers with Dolby Atmos support and a 4,440mAh battery that supports 68W fast charging. The Viva Magenta version of the Motorola Edge 30 Fusion comes with 8GB of RAM and 128GB of internal storage. On the connectivity side of things, the phone gets a USB Type-C port, 4x4 MIMO, Carrier Aggregation, 13 5G bands, Bluetooth 5.2 and NFC.

The Motorola Edge 30 Fusion special edition in Viva Magenta colour will go on sale from January 12 at 3 PM exclusively on Flipkart and Motorola India and can be purchased for Rs 42,999. IndusInd bank credit card users can also avail of an instant discount of Rs 3,500.

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## RKM Demands Granting of Non-Productivity Linked Bonus (Ad-hoc Bonus) to DRMs

**Port Blair, Jan 10:** The APWD Karmachari Sangh (AKS) Affiliated with Andaman Nicobar Rajya Karmachari Mahasangh BMS has written a letter to the Chief Engineer, APWD, Port Blair. In continuation to various letter correspondences made by the Sangh for release of Non-Productivity Linked Bonus (Ad-hoc Bonus) to DRMs working under the establishments of APWD, A&N Administration.

The demand is genuine and in compliance of OM of

Ministry of Finance, Deptt. Of Expenditure vide No. 7/24/2007/EIII (A) dated 16.10.2022 (copy enclosed). It is pertinent to mention here that, other Departments / establishments under A&N Administration had already been granted to all their eligible DRMs in compliance with the said OM.

In this regard, the department of APWD disregarding above said OM had rejected the claims of the eligible DRMs for release of Non-Productivity Linked Bonus (Ad-hoc Bonus).

The Sangh once again requested to release the Non-Productivity Linked Bonus (Ad-hoc Bonus) for the FY 2022-23 to all the eligible DRMs working in APWD as per the direction of GoI,

If the department did not take some positive initiatives to release the said bonus to the DRMs within 07 days, APWD Karmachari Sangh (AKS) will be forced to conduct GATE PROTEST from 16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2023 (03.00 pm) after duty hours, said the Sangh in a communication to the press.

## Schedule of All India Trade Test

**Port Blair, Jan. 10:** The schedule of All India Trade Test (AITT) for supplementary candidates has been received from Directorate General of Training (DGT), New Delhi for Trade Practical & Engineering Drawing subjects of annual pattern (2018 to 2021) and semester pattern (2014 to 2017), under the

Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) for various Engineering and Non-engineering trades.

The exam will be held from Feb. 6, 2023 onwards at Government Industrial Training Institute, Dollygunj, Government Vocational Training Institute, Bakultala and Government Industrial

Training Institute, Arong. The schedule has been displayed in the notice board of the respective Institutions. The concerned trainees can contact the Academic Cell of the respective ITIs for any further information and clarification.

## Allotment of Government Accommodations

**Port Blair, Jan. 10:** The Housing & Estate Section, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, Secretariat has allotted around 36 Nos. Govt. Accommodations (Type-I, Type-II & Type-III) vide Order Nos. 3338, 3339 and 3340 dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2022

respectively under General category through the Automated Allotment of Government Accommodation Application (computerized system).

All applicants who have got quarter allotted through the above Application may send

their complaints/grievances, if any related to allotment of Govt. accommodations by e-mail to secyplg.and@gmail.com within seven days of the publication.

## NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The **Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I** on behalf of **Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Brindaban** 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/GEN/2022-23/94 **Name of Work:** - Repair and Maintenance of CC Footpath from Marcus house to Anjela house at Brindaban-03 under Brindaban Gram Panchayat. **Estimated Cost Rs:** - 4, 49,367/- **Earnest Money Deposit:** - 8,987/- **Time of Completion:** - Three (03) Months, Tender Fee: - ₹.500/- & last date & time of submission of bid: - 24/01/2023 (1500 hrs)

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

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## Member of Parliament Demands Constituting an Expert Committee to Study and Improve Water Scenario of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

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optimum level resulting in depleted storage of required quantity of water to be used in dry spells.

The Member of Parliament added that sometimes the situation gets so degraded that water barges/passenger ships are deployed by Andaman & Nicobar Administration to bring water from other islands to Port Blair to meet the exigency of the water crisis.

Port Blair City in Andaman & Nicobar Islands is emerging as a planned city with global standards. As a futuristic city it has already attracted corporate majors and investors in Mainly Tourism and other potential sectors with an inflow of tourists travelling A & N Islands being about 5 lakhs in the year 2018 and the figure is likely to double up in 5 years to come, he added.

He said that considering Tourism as the major sector of revenue and employment generation for the people of A & N Islands it has to be recognized on an early date the necessity of providing potable water generated from natural sources (i.e rain water) to the consumers in the city in quality and quantity and if the situation of water crises like this year persists in future also tourism sector is likely to be affected the most causing major losses to the stakeholders in terms of employment and revenue.

The Member of Parliament said that as we cannot always rely on timely rainfall every year concrete engineering solutions to the problem of managing the water crisis has to be worked out especially when no sound contingency plan to cope up with this sort of crises in future is available with Andaman & Nicobar Administration.

Hence, in the wake to overcome this sort of water crisis various Mid Term and Long Term measures as water supply projects for Port Blair and its adjoining sub-urban areas and rural areas of A & N Islands are proposed, which if taken up would mitigate the water crisis of Andaman & Nicobar Islands in the future years to come.

Also, as per Flagship programme of Govt. of Union of India under JAL

SHAKTI ABHIYAAN & JAL JEEVAN MISSION it is prudent on our part to provide effectively the basic means of living i.e WATER of optimum required quantity to the general public so as to improve their social living condition, the Member of Parliament added.

The Member of Parliament requested the Parliamentary Standing Committee to recommend the Govt. of India to constitute an expert committee for studying water scenario of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and its augmentations to meet the perennial water requirements of the Islands in view of growing population and development of tourism sectors.

Other than this the Member of Parliament proposed various mid term and long term proposals for Augmenting the Water Supply of Port Blair City and Adjoining Sub-Urban Areas.

**Mid Term Proposals for augmenting the water supply are:**

1) Creation of Planned Water Management Policy and accountable task force.

2) Augmentation of water supply by construction of Weir Dam at Bimblitan Village, Port Blair.

3) Augmenting the Dead Storage capacity of Dhani Khari Dam by Dredging / Desilting the Dam reservoir bed.

4) Augmenting the Storage capacity of various water sources / bodies in Port Blair Town by Dredging / Desilting the reservoir bed.

5) Rutland Island Water Supply Scheme (Balance work).

6) One more aspect to be taken into account when a proposal for augmentation of water supply is being envisaged is wastage of water from existing water generation and distribution systems.

**Proposals for Augmenting the Water Supply of Rural Areas of Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Mid-Term):**

1) Construction of Check dam/weir in all 37 habitable Islands.

2) Providing Filter water to all 400 villages in Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

**Long Term Proposals for augmenting the water supply are:**

1) Augmentation of water supply by constructing/Developing Sweet Water Lake at Sippihat Village, Port Blair.

2) Augmentation of water supply by executing the Flat Bay project at Port Blair.

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hite collar crimes are not a new phenomenon in our country, because every other day we witness some or the other story of a scam involving some corporate honcho or a government officer or a person who is considered highly respectable by the society. If we go through the crime-records of the last 70 years that have elapsed since the political independence of the country, we will find that more and more VIP's have been hauled up or prosecuted during last couple of years than during the last 70 years. A thorough study of this sad situation would show that there has been a more rapid slide-down on the stairway of morals with the passage of time and that corruption during the last couple of years or so has made a quantum jump. The securities scam, the banking scam, the betting scandal, cases relating to the import of sugar, the fodder scandal, cases concerning allotment of government accommodation are some among these. No adequate reason is generally given for the involvement of so many men and women in high positions, wielding political power and enjoying public trust and name and fame. This situation is often explained away by saying that corruption has become rampant on a vast scale and has spread like wild fire. A notable feature of these cases is that in some of them, close relatives of ministers, state heads and government officers are deeply involved. If we apply the age-old wise Indian saying, "As the king, so are the subjects", we come to the conclusion that ours is a decadent society. Have we even now no time to pause and think what has led us to our present sad state? If we go a little deeper, we will find that all this sad plight is due to a faulty paradigm-shift. Bharat, that was once the crown of the world and had a place of pride among the comity of nations, has given up its cultural values and has, after political slavery of centuries, started blindly following the West. Its slogan now is: materialism, commercialism and consumerism and the accompanying motives of greed and selfishness. Money, money and money is, today, the prime motive behind all activities. It has replaced spirituality and the spirit of sharing. An analysis of these cases will show that our leaders and our nation have fallen victim to these. There is no other way to put an end to this precarious situation except through education in spirituality and right type of cultural values by those who themselves are living examples of Sacrifice, Penance & Service.

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## End of the Road for Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli in T20s?

**January 10: Hyderabad:** Modern day greats of cricket Virat Kohli and Rohit Sharma have been pillars of Indian cricket over last decade, but if reports are to be believed, BCCI and the team management is unlikely to consider the star batters for T20 cricket.

According to reports, the Chetan Sharma-led selection panel, which will soon announce India's squad for upcoming white ball series against New Zealand, wants to shape a young team looking

ahead with the 2024 edition of T20 world cup in mind.

With the likes of Suryakumar Yadav, Shreyas Iyer, Hardik Pandya, Rishab Pant and Shubman Gill performing well with the bat, the two senior players could be overlooked for T20s by the selectors, though they will be part of the ODI format, just as they were selected for the upcoming series against Sri Lanka.

As Hardik Pandya has proved himself to be a calm and confident leader, there is enough



speculation about Rohit Sharma's road as the T20 captain coming to an end. Meanwhile, speaking to media ahead of the first ODI against Sri Lanka, skipper Rohit Sharma said that the young T20 side was played against Sri Lanka to manage workload of senior players.

## Bumrah's Injury Tempers Return of Stalwarts for ODIs Against Sri Lanka

**January 10: GUWAHATI:** India were left with a mixed feeling on the eve of their ODI series against Sri Lanka as on one hand they will have stalwarts Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli returning to the side while on the other, unfit pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah will yet again miss the action.

Bumrah was expected to bolster the bowling attack in the three-match series commencing here on Tuesday, but his return has been delayed further after he failed to recover completely from the stress fracture in the lower back, which has seen him miss several assignments including the Asia Cup and the T20 World Cup.

There is now a question mark over whether the pace spearhead will be available for the white-ball home series against New Zealand beginning on January 18, and whether he will be in contention for the four-Test Border-Gavaskar series commencing on February 9.

With India set to host the ODI World Cup in October-November this year, Bumrah's last-minute exclusion is only adding to the mystery surrounding the pace bowler's recovery and rehabilitation process.

The return of old guards Rohit, Kohli and KL Rahul and also Shreyas Iyer, though, will give the hosts a huge boost as they eye the series after clinching the T20Is against Sri Lanka.

India have a packed ODI calendar — 15 matches excluding the Asia Cup — in the 10-month window in the build-up to the

World Cup in October-November and the key will be to not just get the balance right but also manage the workload in the midst of the Indian Premier League and the highly-anticipated Australia Test series.

But another injury scare to Bumrah has thrown the spanner in the works of the team management. There also lies the problem of plenty in picking the top-five batters.

Opener Rohit and No. 3 Kohli pick themselves, while on form, it will be tough to drop Ishan Kishan and Iyer.

Kishan played a sensational knock in his last ODI in Bangladesh recently when he scored a career-best 210. The youngster could be in a direct clash with Shubman Gill to open with Rohit. While Gill did not play the Bangladesh series in December last year, he has proved his worth as an ODI format player.

Iyer had a dream run in ODIs last year and scored 724 runs at an average of 55.69 in 15 innings. He was the backbone of India's batting with his ability to rotate the strike and tackle spin in the middle overs — a key skill on sub-continent tracks.

Then there's the phenomenon named Suryakumar Yadav, whose T20 exploits have forced the management to explore his utility in the 50-over format. The middle-order batter is fresh from a 51-ball unbeaten 112 in their 91-run win over Sri Lanka in the third and final T20I at Rajkot.

It was Surya's third century in the format in seven months, making him the first player in the history of the game to score three T20I tons while not opening the batting.

However, his ODI career hasn't really taken off so far. Surya has scored 384 runs in 16 matches with just two half-centuries but he could get full backing from the team management to improve on his 50-over numbers in the lead-up to the World Cup.

With veteran quick Mohammed Shami also back in the ranks, he too should be in the playing XI along with either of Mohammed Siraj, Arshdeep Singh and Umran Malik.

New vice-captain Hardik Pandya's bowling skills will also come in handy, but for someone who missed more than a year due to back injury in the lead-up to IPL 2022, it remains to be seen how many overs the skipper gets out from India's premier all-rounder.

It will be a happy headache for India as they would look to dominate the ODI leg and do a double against the visitors, who have an almost similar side that lost the T20I series 2-1.

Sri Lankan skipper and star all-rounder Dasun Shanaka led by example in the T20Is, emerging as their top run-getter with 124 runs at a strike rate of 187.87.

Sri Lanka would look for more stability at the top and hope opener Pathum Nissanka gives them a solid start.

Nissanka was their leading run-getter last year (491 runs from 11 matches) and he would like to continue from where he had left off.

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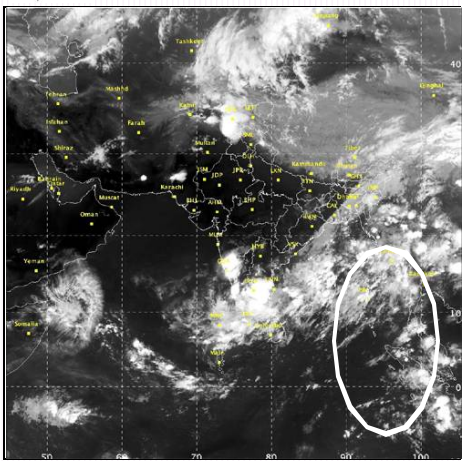
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## Weather



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Relative Humidity: 0830 Hrs: 69%	1730 Hrs: 80%
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Rainfall upto 0830 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Rainfall upto 1730 Hrs (Last 24 Hrs.):	000.0 mm
Total Rainfall (From Jan 1, 2023 till date):	003.5 mm

### Forecast

Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 24°C respectively on Wednesday 11/01/2023.

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