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Partially cloudy sky and light rain is likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 26°C respectively on Wednesday 14/08/2024.

Weather Report

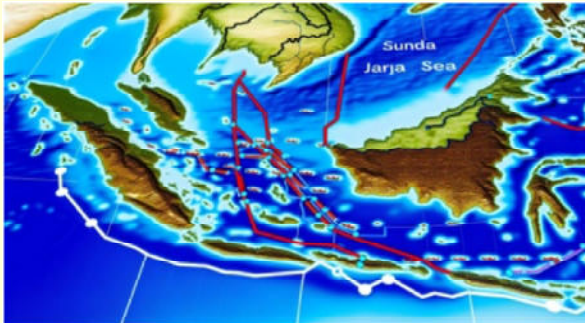


Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 31.2
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 25.9
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST : 081
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST : 085
Sunrise time on 14.08.2024 (in IST): 0508
Sunset time on 14.08.2024 (in IST): 1739
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)- in mm: 000.2
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.2
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 2024 upto 0830 hrs of date) in mm: 1869.7 mm

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Alternative Shipping Routes in Asia-Pacific Trade: Strategic importance of the Sunda Strait, Sabang, Andaman and Nicobar Islands

The Sunda Strait, located between Java and Sumatra in Indonesia, serves as a vital maritime passage linking the Indian Ocean with the Java Sea.



This, by extension, also gives passage linking the South China

Sea and the Pacific Ocean. While the Malacca Strait remains the primary route for shipping between the Indian and Pacific Oceans, the Sunda Strait offers a crucial alternative, particularly during times of congestion or conflict. Its geostrategic significance is underscored by the fact that it bypasses the high-traffic Malacca Strait, which is often plagued by piracy and geopolitical tensions.

Indonesia's role as the governing state over these waters is critical for ensuring the secure passage of global trade. The Sunda Strait's importance is amplified by the ongoing power struggles in the region, particularly between the United States and

China. As a conduit for significant volumes of global trade, the strait's economic significance is considerable, especially given its role in transporting energy supplies, commodities, and manufactured goods.

Maritime security remains a paramount concern in the Sunda Strait, with the persistent threat of piracy influencing transportation costs and insurance rates. The strategic value of the strait also extends to military logistics, where it could function as a critical route for naval vessels and a strategic choke point during heightened regional tensions. The United States maintains a significant naval presence in the region, ensuring the security of key maritime routes alongside its allies. Meanwhile, China's Belt and Road Initiative, which includes enhancing maritime infrastructure, signals its strategic interest in

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78th Independence Day to be celebrated in Isles on Aug. 15 Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands to hoist National Tricolour at historic Netaji Stadium

Staff Correspondent
Port Blair, Aug. 13

The 78th Independence Day will be celebrated in a befitting manner in these Islands too together with the rest of the country on Aug. 15, 2024. The main function for the 78th Independence Day will be held at the historic Netaji Stadium wherein the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice Chairman,

Islands Development Agency, Admiral D K Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) will hoist the National Tricolour at 9.14 am. Thereafter, the Hon'ble Lt. Governor will inspect the Guard of Honour and present Medals, Gallantry Awards and distribute C o m m e n d a t i o n Certificates. This will be followed by the address of Hon'ble Lt. Governor. The main function at

Netaji Stadium will conclude with the National Anthem.

Before arrival at the Netaji Stadium for the main function, the Hon'ble Lt. Governor will visit National Memorial Cellular Jail and place wreath at the 'Martyr's Column'. He will also hoist the National Flag in the Cellular Jail.

A full dress rehearsal of the 78th Independence Day

celebration was held in the historic Netaji Stadium today.

Meanwhile, prominent places in the city got a face lift with the historical monuments and Government buildings white coated. Elaborate traffic arrangements and traffic diversions have been put in place for the smooth conduct of the main function of the 78th Independence Day celebrations.

Photo Exhibition titled 'Partition Horror Remembrance Day' organized by UTLBC

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Union Territory Level Bankers' Committee, A&N Islands, State Bank of India is organizing a Photo Exhibition at SBI Complex, Mohanpura from 13th August to 15th August, 2024 on 'Partition Horrors Remembrance Day' to remind the country of the largest displacement of human population in the country during partition.

The Member of



Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray inaugurated the exhibition today, as the chief guest in the

presence of Shri Siddhartha Gupta, Regional Manager, State Bank of India. Speaking on the

occasion, the Member of Parliament urged the general public to witness the exhibition.

The program began with a welcome address by Shri P K Ummer Farooq, Chief Manager, Union Territory Level Bankers' Committee, A & N Islands.

This Photo Exhibition is also being arranged in Mayabunder and Car Nicobar, a press release from Chief Manager, UTLBC, A&N Islands said.

Chief Secretary inaugurates newly constructed Helipad at Sagar Dweep in Smith Island, Diglipur virtually

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Chief Secretary, A & N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, today virtually inaugurated the newly constructed Helipad at Sagar Dweep village in Smith Island, North Andaman in the presence of Smti Dilraj Kaur, IAS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Civil Aviation, Shri Vishwendra, Secretary, Civil Aviation and other Senior Officers of A & N Administration. Speaking on the



occasion, the Chief Secretary congratulated everyone present and emphasized that availability of a Helipad at Sagar Dweep village will greatly help the Administration in

providing the residents of this remote village with quick access to specialized medical treatment facilities.

Shri Aditya Kumar Asthana, Assistant Commissioner,

Diglipur, Smti Anita Mondal, Pradhan, Keralapuram Gram Panchayat, other PRI members, local residents and Heads of Office of line Departments were also present on the occasion.

The Helipad has been constructed by APWD on an area measuring 1225 Sq.Mts (35 meters x 35 meters) in duration of about 20 months. The Helipad has been designed keeping in view all the safety parameters set by the

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AirAsia to pioneer international flights to India's Andaman Islands

AirAsia Malaysia plans a new route to Port Blair, the first international service to India's remote Andaman Islands.

From 16 November the service will be operated three times weekly from Kuala Lumpur, says Air Asia.

The route is the carrier's 17th Indian destination from Kuala Lumpur.

According to Cirium schedules data, AirAsia will be the first international operator to Port Blair, the capital city of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, which divide the Bay of Bengal from the Andaman Sea. The islands are an increasingly popular leisure destination.

Port Blair is already well served by Indian carriers, with Air India, Akasa Air, IndiGo, SpiceJet, and Vistara



Source: Greg Waldron/Flight Global

operating flights from key Indian cities. In July, Indian airlines operated 360 flights to Port Blair, providing 64,000 seats.

AirAsia Malaysia's

launch of Port Blair coincides with two other leisure route announcements from the AirAsia Group.

On 10 August,

Indonesia AirAsia operated its first service on the Bali-Phuket route, linking the two popular resort destinations. The service is operated three times weekly.

On 12 August, Thai AirAsia announced that it will launch a four-times-weekly Bangkok Don Mueang-Kathmandu service from 2 October. (This news article was published in Flight Global on Aug. 13, 2024)

Special broadcast by Akashvani Port Blair on Independence Day

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Akashvani Port Blair will broadcast Hon'ble President, Smti. Droupadi Murmu's address to the Nation on the eve of Independence Day at 7 pm on Aug. 14, 2024. Akashvani Port Blair will live broadcast the

Flag Hoisting Ceremony and Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's address to the Nation from Red Fort, New Delhi on Aug.15, 2024 from 7 am onwards.

From 8.50 am onwards, there will be direct relay of the Flag

Hoisting Ceremony and address to the Islanders by the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands and Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) from Netaji Stadium. (Contd. on last page)

'Har Ghar Tiranga' Campaign: CS flags off Bike Rally from National Memorial Cellular Jail



Staff Correspondent
Port Blair, Aug 13

As part of 'Har Ghar Tiranga' Campaign, the Port Blair Municipal Council organized a Bike Rally which was flagged off from the National Memorial Cellular Jail by the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration,

Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, as the chief guest in the presence of the Member of Parliament, A&N Islands, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, here this afternoon.

The Chief Secretary and the Member of Parliament took part in the signature



campaign. They also took selfie at the Selfie Point on the occasion. The program was also attended by senior Officers of the A&N Administration.

Over 350 bikers participated in the rally, which saw active involvement of PBM Staff, IRBn personnel

and local citizens. The rally which commenced from National Memorial Cellular Jail proceeded to Bathubasti passing through Aberdeen Bazaar, Model School, Secretariat, Dairy Farm, School Line, Bathubasti and vice versa.

State level workshop -cum- seminar on 'Scope & Challenges of Natural Farming in A&N Islands' held

CS urges farmers to take up natural farming for the benefit of Islanders; distributes maiden produced Tissue Culture Banana variety G-9 to farmers

Staff Correspondent
Port Blair, Aug. 13

A one day State Level Workshop-cum-Seminar on 'Scope & Challenges of Natural Farming in A&N Islands' was held in the Conference Hall of ICAR-CIARI, Garacharma today. Organized by the Department of Agriculture in



Chakurkar, Director, Agriculture, Shri Abhishek Gulia, Department,

Scientists of CIARI, Officials of Agriculture Department,

progressive farmers and others.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief Secretary, at the outset, described the workshop as important one as it creates awareness about the benefits of naturally produced food products and to bring in new opportunities of farming and business

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Chief Secretary virtually inaugurates District Integrated Public Health Laboratory at Dr. R P Hospital, Mayabunder

Emphasizes importance of enhancing healthcare in remote areas

Mayabunder, Aug. 13

The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Keshav Chandra, IAS, virtually inaugurated the District Integrated Public Health Laboratory (DIPHL) at Dr. RP Hospital, Mayabunder today. The ceremony was attended by the Deputy



Commissioner, N&M Andaman, Shri

Dilkhush Meena, IAS, (Contd. on last page)

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these waters.

The broader regional context includes the strategic roles of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Sabang, Indonesia. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands, positioned at the eastern entry to the Malacca Strait, provide India with a strategic vantage point, bolstering its Act East Policy and countering China's regional influence. Similarly, Indonesia's development of Sabang as a maritime hub underscores its strategic vision, enhancing its role in regional security and trade.

The complex interplay of geopolitics, geoeconomics, and geostrategy in the Indo-Pacific region is further complicated by issues such as piracy, territorial disputes, and the potential construction of alternative routes like the proposed Kra Canal in Thailand. The U.S. and its allies, through initiatives like AUKUS, conduct Freedom of Navigation operations to maintain open maritime routes and counter excessive maritime claims, particularly by China in the South China Sea.

The dynamic between rising powers, notably China, and established powers like the United States, reflects the concept of the Thucydides Trap, where a rising power inevitably clashes with an established one. This is evident in the overlapping territorial claims and strategic ambiguity in the region. Additionally, greyzone initiatives, particularly between India and China, manifest through economic, territorial, and informational strategies, often avoiding direct military conflict but still influencing regional stability and power dynamics.

In conclusion, the Sunda Strait and its surrounding regions are pivotal in the Indo-Pacific's geopolitical landscape, serving as critical junctures in global trade and military strategy. The region's future will be shaped by the ongoing geopolitical chess game, where the balance of power and the quest for dominance continually evolve. (This news article was published in Business Times on Aug. 13, 2024)

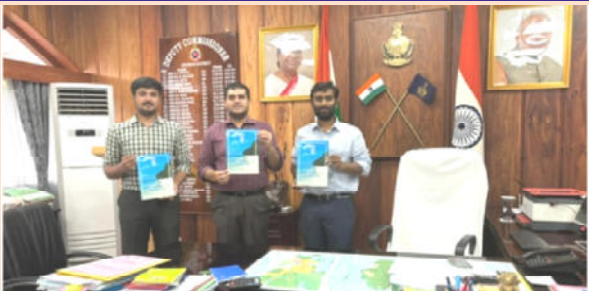
District Administration unveils Comprehensive District Environment Plan for South Andaman District

Port Blair, Aug.13

The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri Arjun Sharma, IAS, released the District Environment Plan today. It is designed to address and enhance environmental sustainability in the region.

This comprehensive plan, a product of extensive research and community collaboration, aims to guide the district towards an Eco-friendly and robust future.

The 'District Environmental Plan' provides a detailed framework for addressing key environmental challenges faced by South Andaman. It encompasses strategies for conservation, waste management, climate adaptation, and sustainable development. The plan is the result of a collaborative effort involving local Government officials,



environmental experts, and community stakeholders, reflecting a shared commitment to safeguarding South Andaman's unique natural heritage.

Key Features of the District Environmental Plan:

◆ Conservation Initiatives: Detailed strategies for the protection and restoration of critical ecosystems, including mangroves, coral reefs, and tropical forests.

◆ Waste Management: Comprehensive guidelines for waste reduction, recycling and responsible disposal to minimize environmental impact.

◆ Climate Adaptation: Proposals for enhancing resilience to climate change, including infrastructure

improvements and emergency preparedness.

◆ Sustainable Development: Recommendations for integrating environmental considerations into urban planning, tourism, and local industry practices.

◆ Community Engagement: Programs to raise environmental awareness and encourage community involvement in sustainability efforts.

The DEP underscores the District Administration's commitment to not only preserving its natural beauty but also ensuring a high quality of life for its residents through sustainable practices, a press release from DC, SA said.

Secretary, AH&VS inaugurates evening OPD facility at Veterinary Hospital, Garacharma

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (DAH&VS) has addressed a long-standing request from pet lovers and animal activists by launching its first evening OPD at Veterinary Hospital, Garacharma. The Veterinary evening OPD at Veterinary Hospital, Garacharma was inaugurated by Shri L. Kumar, IAS, Secretary, AH&VS, A&N Administration in the presence of Shri V. Vetrivelu, Councillor, Ward No. 19, Smti Jyothi, Pradhan, Sippighat, farmers and staff of DAH&VS today.

In his address, the Secretary, AH&VS, appreciated the Director of AH&VS in starting the evening OPDs. He said that this will help people in and around area to avail Veterinarian advice for their Pets/Animals problems in evening hours also.



Dr. K. A. Naveen, Director, AH&VS briefed about the objectives of evening OPD services and modern equipments and machineries which are to be installed in near future. The SVO, Garacharma, Dr. Baljeet Kaur welcomed the gathering and provided an overview of the Hospital's operations.

The Hospital, which already manages 400 OPD visits per day, expanded its hours based on recommendations from local ward members and residents. Garacharma area, being a hub for livestock and

pets, has seen incidents of accidents in the evening hours requiring urgent veterinary care. This new evening OPD aims to provide prompt veterinary services to animals in need during these critical hours.

The daily evening OPD from 4 pm to 11.55 pm enable office-goers to consult a Veterinarian after work. Till now, Veterinary Hospital, Garacharma was accessible for consultation only till 4 pm, although medical emergencies were tackled round-the-clock, a press release from Deptt. of AH&VS said.

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through Natural Farming in these Islands. He said, at present, there is no shortage of food grains in our country, but it has become most important to check whether the food we are consuming is good for our development or harmful.

Pointing towards the ill-effects of chemical fertilizers/urea and chemical pesticides, the Chief Secretary said, use of these products in farming will not only damage our health but also damages the fertility of the soil. He said that rampant use of Chemical Fertilizers & Chemical Pesticides has increased the crop production/yield in farming activities, but on the other hand, it has contributed to too many diseases in human which are incurable and taking lives of the people besides, it will also have a great impact on the health of the future generation.

The Chief Secretary urged the farmers to take up natural farming in such a way that it not only contributes towards increased food production but also contributes in maintaining good health of the people. He urged the farmers to disseminate the benefits of Natural Farming to other farmers too. The Chief Secretary informed about the Agniasthra, Beejamrit, Jeevamrit and Neemastra which are the components of natural farming that controls pests and all these are prepared from the locally available inputs available in farmers' fields. As the methods of preparation is very easy, the Chief Secretary encouraged the farmers to take up training in this regard and start preparing natural pest control in their home/farm itself, so that pest can be controlled in a natural way, avoiding chemical pesticides.

During the inaugural function, the Chief Secretary distributed the maiden produced Tissue Culture Banana variety G-9 to farmers of South Andaman which is produced in the Tissue Culture Laboratory of the Deptt. of Agriculture, the first of its kind in the Islands.

In her address, the Commissioner-cum Secretary (Agriculture), Smt. Nandini Paliwal, while informing about the importance of Natural Farming said that the Administration, Agriculture Deptt. and CIARI is making efforts to propagate Natural Farming in the Islands and this Seminar will further throw light on the action to be taken for its implementation in a broader scale. She urged the Agriculture Department to compile the deliberations of the workshop, so that an action plan with timeline can be prepared and the technical knowledge received during the workshop can be taken from lab to land for effective implementation of Natural Farming in the Islands.

Speaking on the occasion, the Director, CIARI, Dr. Eknath B. Chakurkar said that Natural Farming is the need of the hour. At present, our country has achieved food security, but now we have to concentrate more on nutritional security, so that quality food can be made available to the masses, he added.

In his address, Scientist, CIARI, Dr. Ajit Arun Waman while informing about the functioning of the Tissue Culture Laboratory in Isles said, the establishment of this laboratory is a boon for the Islanders. Disease free planting materials are produced in this laboratory for its distribution to farmers, he stated.

Proposing the vote of the thanks in the inaugural session, the Director, Agriculture Department, Shri Abhishek Gulia, said this event marks the initiative of Agriculture Department in bringing a paradigm shift from chemical farming to natural farming for the farmers of these Islands. By adopting natural farming not only the farmers but the entire population of A&N Islands will be benefitted, he added.

During the technical session, Dr. Y. Ramakrishna, Pr. Scientist & Head, ICAR-KVK, Port Blair and Dr. T. Subramani, Senior Scientist, ICAR-CIARI delivered lectures on Inputs preparation and application in crops; Concepts, Scope, Challenges of Natural Farming. The Scientists from mainland Research Institutes, Dr. N. Ravisankar, Project Coordinator, AICRP-IFS & ICAR-IIFSR and Dr. C.P. Chandrashekhara, Senior Scientist, UAS, Dharwad delivered lectures through virtual mode. Shri Ramesh Kumar, Joint Director (Agri) delivered a lecture on Methods of Natural Farming and its benefits. Also, Padmashree Smt. K.Chellammal from Burmanallah shared her experiences on her journey in achieving milestone in organic as well as natural farming.

About 100 participants including persons engaged in Research and Development, Scientists, Agriculture Extension Officers, Allied Department Officials, SHGs, Agri- entrepreneurs and progressive farmers participated in this workshop.

The Workshop-cum-Seminar was also attended by the Officers and Officials of Zonal Agriculture Office of North & Middle Andaman, Little Andaman & Nicobar Districts virtually.

Chief Secretary virtually inaugurates District Integrated Public...

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Senior Officers, Health Staff and representatives from the Panchayati Raj Institutions.

The DIPHL is a significant advancement in healthcare for the region, equipped to provide advanced diagnostic services, including testing for infectious diseases. The Chief Secretary emphasized the importance of enhancing healthcare in remote areas, underscoring the Government's commitment to improving healthcare accessibility and quality.

Shri Dilkhush Meena expressed gratitude to the Chief Secretary for his support and commended the efforts of the team involved in establishing the laboratory. He also acknowledged the vital role of PRI members in supporting healthcare initiatives at the grassroot level. The DIPHL is expected to significantly boost diagnostic capabilities, leading to better health outcomes for the local population, a press release from DC, N&MA said.



'Har Ghar Tiranga' Campaign: Patriotic Musical Programme organized at Flag Point

Port Blair, Aug. 13

As the country gears up to celebrate the 78th Independence Day, the enthusiasm and feeling of nationalism is seen in the face of every Indian. To add fervor to the celebration and as part of 'Har Ghar Tiranga' Campaign-2024, a Patriotic Musical Programme was organized by the Department of Art & Culture, A&N Administration at Flag Point here this evening,



which reverberated with patriotic fervor.

Varieties of patriotic songs were presented by singers from different local cultural groups, evoking the feeling of patriotism among the gathering. People were seen soaking in the spirit of patriotism, waving the tri colour, a press release from Deptt. of Art & Culture said.

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Directorate General of Civil Aviation, Govt. of India. Successful trial landing was conducted by Pawan Hans helicopter on 08.07.2024, a press release from Civil Aviation Department said.

Special broadcast by Akashvani ...

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The Commentators will be Shri Zakir Hussain, Sr. Gr. Announcer, Ms. Shabana Begum, Ms N. Hemlatha & Shri Aman Das, Casual Assignees, a press release from Akashvani Port Blair said.

Finals of Inter School Football held; trophies awarded to winners



Port Blair, Aug. 13

The finals of the Inter School Football Knockout Tournament for Under-19 (Boys), Under-14 (Boys) and Under-17 (Girls) of South Andaman Education Officer, Shri Gyansheel Dubey was organized by the Deputy Education Officer, South Andaman was played at Bathubasti Ground yesterday.

In Under-17 (Girls), GSSS Girls defeated GDMS (SS) by 4-0 goals while in Under-14 (Boys), SSS NCS

defeated SSS VKV by 4-0 goals. Similarly, in the Under-19 (Boys), GSSS Garacharma defeated SSS Nirmala in a tie breaker by 6-5 goals.

The Deputy Education Officer, Shri Gyansheel Dubey was the chief guest while Vice Principal, GSSS BhatuBasti, Shri D. Pushparaj was the guest of honour. The chief guest and other guests distributed the trophies to the winner and the runner-up teams, a press release from DEO (SA) said.

Child Helpline conducts awareness at Love Children Home

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Child Helpline 1098 under the Directorate of Social Welfare conducted an awareness program on Aug.10 at Love Children's Home, Indra Nagar, Manglutan. The programme was aimed at creating awareness on the services provided by Child Helpline 1098.

Dr. Nitin Shakya, Director (Social Welfare), emphasized that the objective of these awareness among the society about Child Helpline-1098 and its significance is aimed at

addressing child related issues and concerns.

Smti Beena Das, Helpline Administrator, CHL-1098 highlighted about critical services provided by Child Helpline 1098. The Call Operators, Anandini Beek & G. Mani Kumari, conducted an informative session with the children.

The event concluded with an interactive session where students clarified their doubts about the services provided by CHL 1098, a press release from Directorate of Social Welfare said.

DDK to live stream State Level function of 78th Independence Day celebrations

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The State Level Independence Day celebrations from Netaji Stadium will be streamed live through YouTube channel of Doordarshan Kendra Port Blair @ddkportblair from 0845 hrs till the end of the function on 15.08.2024. The Commentators are Shri Dinesh Kumar Singh and Ms. K.Anita

Kumari.

Similarly, deferred live of this function will be telecast on DD Port Blair channel on 15.08.2024 from 11.30 hrs onwards. A television report of all the functions held in different parts of the Islands will be telecast on the same day from 1700 hrs to 1800 hrs on both DD Port Blair TV & YouTube channels, a press release from DDK said.

Patriotic musical evening at Marina Park today

Port Blair, Aug. 13

A musical evening of patriotic songs titled 'Ek Sham Azadi Ke Naam' will be held to pay tribute to heroes of Freedom Struggle at Marina Park from 5.30 pm onwards

tomorrow (Aug.14). The event is being organized by Leader Light & Sound in association with the Department of Tourism, a press release from Tourism Deptt. said.

Insurance coverage to registered farmers under PMFBY; cut-off date for enrolment for Kharif 2024 is Aug. 15

Port Blair, Aug. 13

Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) is one of the Flagship Schemes of the Govt. of India. The scheme is being implemented in these islands since 2016. The scheme envisages providing Insurance coverage to the registered farmers under PMFBY towards crop loss arising out of unforeseen events viz. drought, dry spells, flood, inundation, pests and diseases, landslides, natural fire and lightning, storm, hailstorm, cyclone, typhoon, tempest, hurricane and tornado etc. The scheme ensures flow of credit to the agriculture sector and stabilizes the income of the farmers.

The Paddy is the notified crops under PMFBY for Kharif 2024 seasons in all 03 Districts of this UT. The indemnity level for all notified crops is 80% for both Kharif 2024 seasons.

All farmers (loanee or non-loanee) enrolled under PMFBY would be entitled for subsidy on the premium. Farmers will have to pay maximum or Actuarial premium of 0.5% of the sum

insured only for all notified crops sown in the notified area.

PMFBY covers risks of losses arising from either of the possibilities of Prevented Sowing, Sowing to Harvesting (due to dry spells, flood, inundation, pests and diseases, landslides, natural fire and lightning, storm, cyclone, etc), Post-Harvest Losses up to a maximum period of two weeks from harvesting, for those crops which are required to be dried in cut and spread / small bundled condition depending on crops in that area, in the field after harvesting against Cyclone, Cyclonic rains and Unseasonal rains.

All farmers including share croppers and tenant farmers growing the notified crops in the notified area are eligible for coverage. Such farmers are required to submit the necessary documentary evidence of land records prevailing in the UT (record of right, land possession certificate) or other document notified/permitted by the UT.

The cut-off date for the enrolment under the scheme for

Kharif 2024 is 15.08.2024. The farmers have to approach the SBI or Co-operative Bank of concerned areas along with land records and enroll under the scheme or they may even register themselves in the National Crop Insurance Portal (NCIP) i.e. pmfby.gov.in.

After enrolment, any losses to the crop arising out of risks may be intimated Immediately (within 72 hours) by the insured farmer directly or through his own mobile or land line phone or any his own media or toll free numbers ,if any to the implementing Agency (The Kshema General Insurance Limited) , concerned bank, local Agriculture Department. For any assistance or queries, farmers are encouraged to contact Kisan Call centre Help Line No. 243434/18003451145 or approach the Officers/Staff of Department of Agriculture in various zones. The farmers of Andaman and Nicobar Islands have been appealed to take maximum benefits of PMFBY, a press release from Agriculture Department said.

Jan Sunwai conducted at Panchayat Hall, Wimberlygunj

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Electricity Department, in its endeavor to reach out to the consumer's and provide a platform to address their power related issue organized the second Jan Sunwai in the Panchayat Hall, Wimberlygunj, under the chairmanship of Director (Power), A&N Administration, Dr. Prashant Kumar on Aug. 10.

Speaking in the occasion, Director (Power), ensured the gathering that this platform is devised to listen the power related issues of residents and to familiarize them with the actions of the Department in pipelines to uplift the power supply infrastructure of these Islands. He added that, the more transparency will be brought in the system, so that the general public is kept intimated about the power cuts and status of the grievances raised related to power issues.



The Director (Power), also thrust upon to the residents to avail the benefits of CCRHM launched by the Department, for quick and efficient redressal of their complaints.

During the events issues/ grievances raised by the Pradhan and local residents were heard and plausible solution in pipelines for addressing these issues was also deliberated. The Director (Power) assured that all issues raised herein will be analyzed to work out measures

for its prompt redressal and follow up meeting shall also be conducted for review the progress of action.

Earlier, the Director (Power) and senior officials of Electricity Department were received by Shri Venkat Ram Babu, Pradhan (Wimberlygunj). A large gathering of PRI members and local residents attended the programme.

The event concluded with vote of thanks delivered by Smti. Sajida, Pradhan (Manarghat), a press release from Electricity Department said.

Intensified IEC Campaign by ANACS launched on International Youth Day

Port Blair, Aug. 13

On the occasion of International Youth Day on Aug.12, 2024, A&N AIDS Control Society launched two months of Intensified IEC Campaign as per the direction of National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI with a primary focus on enhancing awareness through information, Communication and education regarding HIV&AIDS among all segments of the society.

The campaign was inaugurated by the chief guest, Dr. Suja Antony, Director of Health Services, A & N Administration

Speaking on the occasion, the Director of Health Services highlighted the impact of HIV/ AIDS globally, stating that "nothing is new about HIV&AIDS, over the year we have been having lot of programmes and lot of IEC activities with respect to HIV&AIDS, with proper information, we educate ourselves and through communication we share to others".



Dr. Manjulata Rao said that we all need to join hands like family in the fight against this virus and encouraged the students for their active participation while Dr. Subrata Saha, briefed about the objective of the training.

On this occasion, Flash Mob and Nukad Natak were performed by folk troop to spread awareness among the students about HIV & AIDS and an Orientation and Capacity Building Workshop of Red Ribbon Club on Prevention and Control

of HIV & AIDS for the youth of TGCE was conducted.

Shri Kaushik Kumar Halder, AD (IEC), Shri S. Senthil Nathan, Assistant Director (CST) and Dr. P K Sikdar, Assistant Director, (Lab Services) were the resource persons. Youth were given information on the objectives of RRC and its roles and responsibilities.

The function concluded with the vote of thanks by Shri S. Senthil Nathan, Assistant Director (CST), a press release from ANACS said.

Use of high beam head lights from Dairy Farm Jn. to Bathubasti Stretch prohibited

Port Blair, Aug. 13

All motorists travelling on the stretch from Dairy Farm Junction to Bathubasti Junction have been informed that this area is adjacent to the runway of VSI Airport and the use of high beam headlights during night hours poses a significant risk to the safety of aircraft operations. When high beams are used near airport runways, the intense light can interfere with pilot's vision, particularly during landing and take-off phases leading to hazardous situations for both the

aircraft and the passengers onboard.

To prevent any possible risks, all motorists have been strictly advised to avoid using high beam headlights while travelling on the Dairy Farm to Bathubasti stretch during night hours. Strict action will be taken against any motorist found violating this advisory. Offenders will be booked for endangering public safety U/s of 111 (4) AN MVR/177 of the Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 amounting to Rs. 500 for the first offence.

All road users have been urged to cooperate and adhere to the advisory to ensure the safety of both road users and air traffic.

The general public have also been encouraged to report traffic violations such as riding without helmet, using mobile phone while driving, use of multi tone horn, excess smoke emission, illegal/obstructive parking, retrofitted/modified silencers, rash & negligent driving & triple riding etc. by sending clear photograph/short videos of violation containing clear registration no. of vehicle with date, time and place of offence on the official WhatsApp No. 9531892228 or to inform on the Traffic Control Room Number 03192-243812 for prompt action against the violators, a press release from SP (Traffic) said.

Engagement of Guest Faculties in JNRM; date revised

Port Blair, Aug. 13

With reference to the press notice published in the 'Daily Telegrams' on 3rd August, 2024, regarding engagement of Resource Persons/ Guest Faculties in JNRM on 'as and when required basis', the dates have been partially revised due to administrative reasons. As per the revised date, Provisional Merit List will be uploaded on 17.08.2024; Claims and

Objections on 19.08.2024 and Display of Final Merit List on 20.08.2024.

The candidates may visit the college website: jnrm.and.nic.in to check the given merit list. Further, the candidates may submit their claims and objections in the email id admissionjnrm5431@gmail.com before issue of final merit list by 10 am on 20.08.2024, a press release from JNRM said.

Career Day organized at DBRAIT; Appointment Letters handed over to 12 selected participants



Port Blair, Aug. 13

DBRAIT's Career Day event conducted today achieved a remarkable 45% placement rate with Prince Toyota, with 26 students and 12 selected participants benefiting from the opportunity. Dr. V. Alagusundaram, Principal (i/c) handed over the Appointment Letters to all the 12 selected participants.

The success of the event was further highlighted by the achievement of two TTEP program scholars, who have already secured placements due to the dedicated efforts of DBRAIT teachers.

Building on this success, DBRAIT has signed a

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with Toyota Kirloskar Motors (TKM) on December 8, 2023, and launched the General Technician - Toyota Technical Education Programme (T-TEP) on February 9, 2024. This program, introduced in India by Toyota Kirloskar Motor and Toyota Motor Corporation Japan in 2006, aims to enhance the employability of ITI and Polytechnic students by imparting technical skills and knowledge.

The presence of Shri Sagar Khurana, Managing Director of Prince Group, who opened up opportunities for talented students, demonstrated his commitment to nurturing young minds, a press release from DBRAIT said.

Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan campaign conducted at JNRM



Port Blair, Aug. 13

On the call from Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt. of India and as part of 78th Independence Day, an awareness

campaign on 'Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan', Mass Pledge against Drugs was conducted JNRM on Aug.12, a press release from JNRM said.

Registration for Badminton C'ship-cum-selection trial extended

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The Badminton Championship-cum-selection trial is scheduled to be held at Andaman Badminton Club, Bhatubasti, Port Blair from 17th and 18th August, 2024 for participation in the under-19 & Senior for South Zone Championship to be held at Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh from 8th to 11th September, 2024 and Under 15 & 17 years Sub Junior National Badminton Championship at Panchkula,

Haryana from 21st to 26th September, 2024.

In the interest of players, Andaman & Nicobar Island Badminton Association has extended the registration date up to 16th August, 2024 by 4 pm.

All the interested players have been asked to enroll their entry at State Olympic Office, Netaji Stadium by paying a nominal entry fee within prescribed time limited, a press release from ANIBA said.

MV Bharat Seema to sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The passenger/general public have been informed that the vessel MV Bharat Seema will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on Aug. 15 at 2100 hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on Aug. 16 at 1400 hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder.

Passengers may book their tickets for the above sailings from DSS e-ticketing portal (<https://dss.andaman.gov.in/eticketing>) and STARS Ticketing Counter from 0900 hrs onwards on Aug. 14, a press release from DSS said.

Inspection conducted at Fish Markets to check presence of toxic chemical in fishes



Port Blair, Aug. 13

A joint inspection was carried out by the Department of Fisheries in collaboration with Food and Safety Department at Fish Market, Mohanpura, Junglighat and Bathubasti, to detect the presence of any toxic chemical like formaldehyde and ammonia in fishes sold in these islands.

During inspection, random fish samples were taken and tested using rapid test kits to detect the presence of formaldehyde and ammonia in fishes making it harmful for human consumption. After several attempts of testing with random samples of fishes from the fish markets, no adverse report was found, a press release from Deptt. of Fisheries said.

Final merit list for B.A.L.L.B. degree course

Port Blair, Aug. 13

The category wise final merit List of the candidates for admission to B.A.L.L.B. (Five Years - Integrated Course) in Andaman Law College for the academic year 2024-25 has been published in the Common

Online Admission Portal for Colleges (CCAP) (<http://colletheadmission.andaman.gov.in>) and is also displayed on the College Notice Board. The date of counseling will be announced soon, a press release from ALC said.

PORT BLAIR

VACANCY NOTICE

Applications are invited through proper channel from eligible officials working under the A & N Administration / Central Govt. / Autonomous Body for filling up 1(one) post of **Revenue Officer** in the Scale of Pay PB-2 Rs.9300-34800+GP Rs. 4600 in the establishment of Port Blair Municipal Council by Transfer on Deputation basis.

(i) Officers of the A & N Administration including any officer appointed to serve under A & N Administration from amongst persons employed by the existing Local Authority.
(AND)

(ii) Officer of the Central / State Govt. / UTs:
Holding of the analogous post on regular basis
(OR)

With 5 (five) years' service in the Grade in the Scale of Pay of Rs. 9300 - 34800 with Grade Pay of Rs. 4200 in PB -2 in the Parent Cadre / Department.

(OR)

With 11 years' service in the Grade in the Scale of Pay of Rs. 5200 – 20200 with Grade Pay of Rs. 2800 in PB -1

(AND)

Possessing Graduation in Commerce from a recognized University.

The Assistant Revenue Officer of the Municipal Council in the Pay Scale in PB- 2 Rs. 9300 - 34800 with Grade Pay of Rs. 4200 who is in the direct line of Promotion will also be considered along with outsider and in case he is selected for appointment to the post the same shall be deemed to have been filled by Promotion.

The Departmental Officer in the feeder category who is in the direct line of Promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on Deputation. Similarly, Deputationist shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by Promotion. (The period of Deputation including period of Deputation in another ex- cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment of the Central Govt. shall ordinarily not to exceed three years.)

The maximum age limit for appointment by Deputation shall be not exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications. Eligible officers may submit the application in the prescribed format appended below through proper channel along with last five (05) years ACR Dossier, Vigilance Clearance Certificate and Integrity Certificate to the Secretary, Municipal Council, Port Blair. The application complete in all respects shall be submitted duly countersigned on the above address latest by 02/09/2024.

The Head of Department / Office may ensure that the applications of officials against whom disciplinary proceedings are pending or being contemplated are not forwarded / recommended.

Application received after the due date and incomplete shall not be entertained.

Administrative Officer (i/c)
Municipal Council

PROFORMA

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF REVENUE OFFICER

1.	Name of the Applicant (in Block Letters).					
2.	Father / Husband Name					
3.	Date of Birth (in Christian era)					
4.	Address for Communication with Telephone / Cell No.					
5.	Educational Qualifications					
6.	Date of Entry in Govt. Service					
7.	Experience as per details of Service					
	Deptt.	Post held	From	To	Scale of Pay	Nature of duty
8.	Scale of Pay and present Basic Pay +Grade Pay					
9.	Please state whether working under					
a.	Central Government					
b.	State Government					
c.	A & N Administration					
d.	Others (specify)					
10.	Additional information if any, which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post (add separate sheet if necessary.)					
11.	Remarks					

Signature of the Candidate

Place:
Date:

"The information given by the applicant as above has been verified from the official's record and it is found correct. It is also certify that the neither any vigilance case / departmental enquiry is pending against the applicant nor the same is contemplated. Photocopies of for the last five years ACR are also enclosed. In the events of the selection of above applicant these Organization shall have no objection to relive him for appointment on transfer on deputation basis to the PBMC".

Signature of HOD / HOI
(Office Seal)

Place:
Date:
Encl:

VACANCY NOTICE

In continuation to the Vacancy Notice vide O/o 1/120987 dated 10.07.2024 published in The Daily Telegrams on dated 12.07.2024 and in local dailies for filling up of one (01) post of **Accounts Officer**, on Deputation in the Rs. 9300-3800+GP Rs. 5400 in Port Blair Municipal Council has been extended upto 02.09.2024.

Administrative Officer
Municipal Council

PROFORMA

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF ACCOUNTS OFFICER

1. Name of the Applicant (in Block Letters):					
2. Father / Husband Name:					
3. Date of Birth (in Christian era):					
4. Address for Communication with Telephone / Cell No.:					
5. Educational Qualifications:					
6. Date of Entry in Govt. Service:					
7. Experience as per details of Service:					
Deptt.	Post held	From	To	Scale of pay	Nature of Duty
8. Scale of Pay and Present Basic Pay + Grade Pay:					
9. Please state whether working under:					
a. Central Government:					
b. State Government:					
c. A & N Administration:					
d. Other (specify):					
10. Additional information if any, which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post (add separate sheet, if necessary).					
11. Remarks:					

Signature of the Candidate

Place:
Date:

"The information given by the applicant as above has been verified from the official's record and it is found correct. It is also certify that the neither any vigilance case / departmental enquiry is pending against the applicant nor the same is contemplated. Photocopies of the last five years ACR are also enclosed. In the event of the selection of above applicant these Organization shall have No Objection to relieve him for appointment on Transfer on Deputation basis to the PBMC".

Signature of HOD / HOI
(Office Seal)

Place:
Date:
Encl:

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e-Tender Notice

Online e-tenders are invited for Annual Contract for Transportation of Goods from Port Blair to at Dolphin Beach Resort, Swaraj Dweep.

The tender document containing terms and conditions can be downloaded from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in> or it may be obtained from Sr. Manager (Tsm), ANIIDCO Ltd., Port Blair on any working days upto **05.00 PM on 30/08/2024**.

Tender should be filled online (<https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>) upto **11.00 AM** on or before **02/09/2024**. The documents in sealed cover should be submitted in the tender box kept at Vikas Bhawan, Port Blair latest by **12.00 PM** on or before **02/09/2024** and the Technical Bid will be opened on the same day at **04.00 PM** in the presence of the tenderers or their authorised representatives if any present at the time of opening of tenders.

The Managing Director, ANIIDCO reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the tender without assigning any reason thereof.

General Manager (Tsm)
ANIIDCO Ltd.

(Proc-247/2/2023-JR ASST (TSM)-ANIIDCO_AN/1443)

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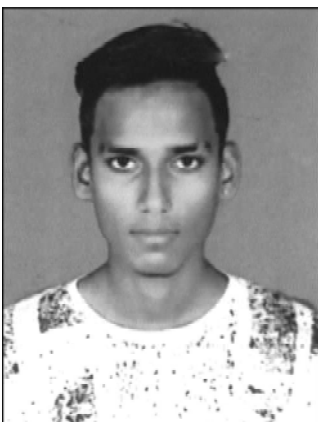
FOR SALE

Triple Storeyed RCC Building completed just 6 years ago, situated in 104 Sq. mtrs. of land at 2nd Cross, Deen Street, Junglighat of giving a good monthly earning is available for sale, Only 2 wheelers parking available. Genuine party may Contact at **9531880954**

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1- Supervisor
1- Sales Girl
Minimum Qualification- 12th Pass.
A Attractive Salary-
Mobile No. 9476038138
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5th Death Anniversary On 14.08.2024



In loving Memory of
SHARTAK MOHAN (SANKIT)
D.O.B. 23/01/2002 D.O.D. 14/08/2019

"You will always Remain in our
HEARTS FOREVER"
Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always
near, still loved, still missed and
very dear.

Inserted by: - Baba (Dhan Raj Mohan), Mummy (Trilothoma Devi), Nani (Padmawathi) & All Family members and Friends.

**WELCOME
CARMEL ALUMNI**

The Patron, President and Members of the Alumni
have the pleasure in inviting you for the

35th
Carmel Alumni Day

Be a part of this enthralling evening get-together
to be held on

SATURDAY, 17TH AUGUST 2024

at
**Mother Veronica Auditorium,
Carmel Sr. Sec. School, Port Blair from 05:00 pm onwards**

Invitation cards available at

1. Carmel Sr. Sec. School

2. Laxmi Motor Stores, Aberdeen Bazar

3. Techmec Electronics, Aberdeen Bazar

4. Andaman Residency, Goal Ghar

5. Hotel Driftwood, Haddo

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LOST

I have lost my original Islander Identity Card bearing No. 10530605061305 while travelling between Bambooflat and Port Blair on 06/03/2024 to 09/08/2024. Finder may Please Contact Mobile No. 7063949160

LOST

I, P. Mohammed Niaz, S/o P. Abdul Majeed, R/o. Bhatu Basti, Port Blair have lost my Marks Statement of Class- X vide my Roll No. 20101816 in between Bhatu Basti area and I could not find out the same. Finder may Please Contact: 9933284157

VACANCY
NOTICE

Required 2 Nos. Female Staff for Beauty Parlour / Salon. Experienced Staff shall be Preferred with Good Salary. Contact: 9933274105 / 9531868103 BLISS SPA & SALON

AFFIDAVIT

I, DASARI SYAMA SUNDARA RAO, S/o YOGESWARA RAO, R/o Near Sitaram Temple, Junglighat Village under Port Blair Tehsil, South Andaman District, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:

- That I am the permanent in these Islands and residing at above mentioned address.
- That I have lost my School Duration Certificate bearing No. 9554 issued by Govt. Senior Secondary School (Telugu), Haddo, Port Blair in between from Junglighat, Port Blair on 19.04.2024.
- That the lost complaint has also been reported to the Andaman & Nicobar Police Department through online vide No. ANP/LFP/LRNO/2024/61335 dt. 05.07.2024.
- That this affidavit is made for the purpose of obtaining duplicate School Duration Certificate from the Competent Authority for official and non-official purpose, hence this affidavit.

That all the contents of this affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date: 7-8-24

DEPONENT

SITUATION VACANT

- Diploma/B.E/B.Tech Civil Engineer.
- Office Staff with computer knowledge.
(MS Office & Tally)

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4th Death
Anniversary
On 14.08.2024



Late PARVEZ AHMED

R/o Bhatu Basti
Port Blair

Inserted by:
All Family Members.

25th Death
Anniversary
On 14-08-2024



Late LAXMAN SINGH

Inserted by: Laxmi Kumari (Wife) and all family members, Ph. 9474289935