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Generally cloudy sky and light to moderate rain is likely over Sri Vijaya Puram. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30.0°C and 22.5°C respectively on Monday 25/08/2025.
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 30.6
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 22.7
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST : 092
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST : 093
Sunrise time on 25/08/2025 (in IST): 0509
Sunset time on 25/08/2025 (in IST): 1734
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)- in mm: 024.7
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 005.8
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 2025 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 2186.4

**Weather Report**

Andaman homestays may offer visitors exotic tribal cuisines & storytelling sessions about Isles history & culture

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24 (PTI)

Homestays in Andaman and Nicobar Islands are likely to offer visitors exotic tribal cuisines and storytelling sessions about the history and culture of the archipelago, tourism officials said. The mouth-watering tribal cuisines of the Islands will be offered to the visitors to make their trip memorable, they said.

The Tourism Department organised an orientation-cum-interaction programme for registered homestay owners on Friday to discuss ways to further improve the quality of stay for visiting tourists.

Speaking to PTI, a senior official said, "The whole idea is to promote homestays as a



complete package where guests can have lifetime memories, starting from a comfortable stay, exotic cuisines, experience of the countryside, to clean sustainable tourism."

"It will also give impetus to the local economy through community engagement. The

islands have also gained national recognition, with 86 per cent of hotels in Sri Vijaya Puram receiving Swachhata Green Leaf Ratings. Story-telling sessions organised by the homestay owners for the tourists about the history of Andaman and Nicobar Islands would be a great value addition in

the package," he said. Commissioner-cum-Secretary of Tourism Department, Ms. Chanchal Yadav, IAS, who was the chief guest of the programme on Friday, said tourists booking homestays look for more than just accommodation -- they seek cultural experiences, local

cuisines such as Nicobari 'Kinsola' (sweet steamed Gujia), Sabaline tea (black tea with lemongrass), 'Hilu-o Hipu' (steamed banana and coconut sweet confectionery) and a meaningful interaction with local people.

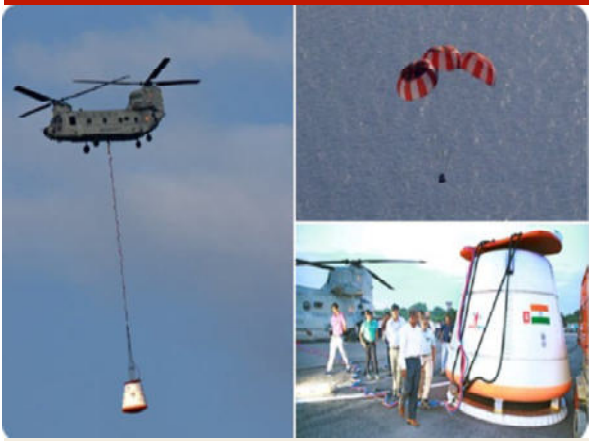
"We need to focus on the unique experiences we are offering to our

tourists related to this place, so that it prompts them to visit again and again," she said. The official added that it is encouraging to note that there are more than 100 registered homestays in the Islands.

Secretary, Information, Publicity and Tourism, Ms. Jyoti Kumari, IAS, who was also present on the occasion, said the interaction programme was the first initiative of the Tourism Department to bring all homestay owners onto a single platform to hear their concerns and gather suggestions on making tourists' stay in the Islands more pleasant and memorable.

She said that the Tourism Department is developing a new, attractive website where all homestays will be showcased on a dedicated page. (Source: www.theweek.in)

ISRO successfully conducts first Integrated Air Drop Test for Gaganyaan



New Delhi, Aug. 24

ISRO has successfully accomplished first Integrated Air Drop Test (IADT-01) for end to end demonstration of parachute-based deceleration system for Gaganyaan missions. It was a critical exercise to validate the parachute system that will bring back astronauts safely under the mission, from its

spaceport in.

This test is a joint effort of ISRO, Indian Air Force, DRDO, Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard. The Test was designed to evaluate full suite of parachutes that will slow down and stabilise the crew module during re-entry and splashdown of the actual human spaceflight mission. (Source: newsonair.gov.in)

Circuit Court from Aug. 25 to Sept. 8

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

As per the administrative order of the Hon'ble High Court, Hon'ble Justice Biswajit Basu and Hon'ble Justice Gaurang Kanth, Judges of Calcutta High Court shall be sitting/

holding Circuit Court at Port Blair on and from Aug. 25 to Sept. 8, 2025 (both days inclusive) in place of Hon'ble Justice Ajay Kumar Gupta, Judge of Calcutta High Court, a press release from Registrar said.

Car Nicobar ignites spirit of unity with Khel Mahotsav torch relay

Car Nicobar, Aug. 24

In a vibrant tribute to National Sports Day, the Khel Mahotsav Torch Relay was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervor across Car Nicobar. The event witnessed spirited participation from students, teachers, village communities, and local dignitaries, reaffirming the Island's commitment to promoting sports and unity.

As chief guest, Shri Amit Kale, IAS, Deputy Commissioner (Nicobars) ceremoniously handed over the torch to the



Headman of Malacca Village, and both jointly led the relay from the Gandhi Statue, symbolizing the values of unity, discipline, and sportsmanship.

Earlier, the ceremonial torch was officially handed over by Shri Nithin Roy, PET, GMSSS Hutbay, to

Smti. Deepali Rani Das, Nodal Officer, Car Nicobar Zone; Assistant Supervisor (Sports); and In-charge, SAI, along with PETs of the Car Nicobar Educational Zone at Mus Jetty.

The torch relay traveled through multiple villages, including Kakana,

Kimious, Arong, Sawai, Teetop, Kinmai, Small Lapathy, Big Lapathy, Mus, Tapoiming, Chukchucha, Kinyuka, Tamaloo, and Perka, where it was welcomed with cultural displays, community cheers, and enthusiastic student participation.

Led by SAI trainees and village sports personalities, the relay brought together diverse segments of the community under the shared spirit of sports and celebration.

The event reached its grand finale at BJR Stadium, where the

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'SARATHINI' scheme - a step towards women empowerment and skill development

Applications invited from poor and underprivileged women for undergoing free LMV driving training

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

The Department of Transport under Andaman & Nicobar Administration in collaboration with the State Bank of India (SBI) and its Rural Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI), has launched a new scheme called "SARATHINI".

The scheme aims to provide free Light Motor Vehicle (LMV) driving training to women, especially from poor and underprivileged backgrounds, gain

driving skills for employment and self-reliance. The following groups aging 18+ will be given preference during selection viz. Scheduled Tribe (ST) women; Women from Below Poverty Line (BPL) families; Women who are members of Self Help Groups (SHGs); Women from families registered under MGNREGA who worked at least 35 days last year. This entrepreneurship training initiative is a

significant step towards women empowerment and skill development in the Islands, helping women become self-reliant and enabling them to explore employment and self-employment opportunities.

All eligible applicants are requested to make use of this opportunity and submit their applications in the

prescribed format which is available in the website of the Transport Department addressed to Director (Transport) O/o Directorate of Transport, Sri Vijaya Puram on or before Aug. 30. For any queries or assistance, applicants may contact the Transport Department @ 03192-243532 or e-mail: rtoani.and@nic.in, a press release received here said.

Deptt. of Art & Culture invites applications from registered cultural organizations for Grant-in-Aid

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

The Department of Art & Culture, A&N Administration has invited applications from registered cultural organizations based in the A&N Islands for release of financial assistance in the form of Grant-in-Aid (GIA) for the financial year 2025-26.

The assistance will be extended in accordance with the 'Andaman and Nicobar Islands Rules for Grant-in-Aid to Local Cultural Organizations' rules dated 03.09.2018. Grant-in-Aid of Rs. 25,000/- will be extended to each eligible organization.

To qualify, cultural organizations must i) have a registered office in the A&N Islands; ii) be actively engaged in

the promotion of art and culture, national integration, and communal harmony; iii) operational in these fields for a minimum period of one year.

Interested organizations must submit their applications in the prescribed format, along with all required supporting documents. The prescribed format for application can be downloaded from the website www.andaman-nicobar.gov.in at the link: <https://www.artandculture@and.nic.in>, or obtained from Directorate of Art & Culture.

Completed applications should be submitted to: The

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Zonal level orientation prog. conducted for PSTs in Diglipur



Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

A one-day Zonal level orientation programme for Primary School Teachers (PSTs) was organized yesterday at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Education Office, Diglipur with the objective of enhancing the professional skills of primary school teachers. It focused on equipping educators with effective pedagogical tools and

methodologies in alignment with the evolving national education standards. The initiative was led by Ms. Sulochana, Deputy Education Officer, Diglipur.

Inaugurating the event as the chief guest, Dr. Pushpavalli, Vice Principal, GSSS Diglipur highlighted the importance of continued professional development for

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'Sundays on Cycle' - A&N Police promotes community fitness under Fit India movement

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

The A&N Police, in collaboration with the Department of Sports and the Sports Authority of India organized the 'Sundays on Cycle' campaign today. This initiative was held under the aegis of the Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs as part of the Fit India Movement, with the central theme 'Fitness Ki Dose, Aadha Ghanta Roz'.

The event was flagged-off by Shri Manoj Kumar Meena, IPS, Senior Superintendent of Police (SA), and Shri Jitendra Kumar Meena, IPS, Senior



Superintendent of Police (CID). The entire campaign was organized under the supervision of Smt. Niyati Mittal, Superintendent of Police (Armed Police Unit), Police Lines.

The event featured a 3 km cycling rally, starting from the historic National Memorial Cellular Jail and

& sports personnel from the Department of Sports and the Sports Authority of India, and the general public, enthusiastically joined the cycling event.

Concluding the event, Smt. Niyati Mittal, SP (APU), encouraged all participants to adopt cycling as part of their fitness routine and emphasized the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. She urged everyone to make "Aadha Ghanta Roz" a daily habit for overall physical and mental well-being, and to dedicate at least one day

A total of 65 participants, including officers, personnel from the Andaman & Nicobar Police, officials

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Jan Sunwai by N&MA District Police witnessed active participation from PRIs & general public

Diglipur, Aug. 24

A Jan Sunwai was conducted at Kalighat Panchayat Hall yesterday under the chairmanship of Ms. Shweta K. Sugathan, IPS, Superintendent of Police (District), N&M Andaman.

The programme witnessed the active participation of over 80 persons, including Pradhans, Zilla Parishad members, PRI members and the general public.

During the session, the participants raised their grievances on issues such as illegal sale of liquor, traffic and parking, the need for police deployment at prominent locations and creating awareness on drug abuse, etc.

Addressing the gathering, SP (D) N&MA heard all grievances and assured the participants that the Police Department would take necessary measures to address these concerns. She emphasized that community cooperation



is vital for ensuring effective solutions and maintaining peace and order in the region.

Further, an awareness session was also conducted during the programme, focusing on the harmful effects of drug abuse and the importance of adhering to traffic rules and regulations. The session aimed to sensitize the public, encourage responsible behavior, and foster a culture of collective responsibility towards building a safe society.

In her concluding remarks, SP (D) N&MA urged all participants to extend their cooperation by promptly sharing any credible intelligence regarding drug abuse, criminal activities, or other unlawful practices

in their areas. She emphasized that timely information from the public would enable the Police to take firm legal action against offenders and help in creating a safer and crime-free society for all. Shri. Ankesh Yadav, SDPO Diglipur and SI S.N. Halder, SHO, PS Kalighat were also present on the occasion.

The general public have been requested to share any credible information pertaining to any crime or illegal activities to their nearest Police Station or over phone No.100, 112 & 03192-273344. The identity of the informers will be kept secret and will also be suitably rewarded, a press release from SP, N&MA said.

Round 3rd of ongoing 1st Andaman & Nicobar International Chess Tournament witnesses fierce battles, 34 players are in lead

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

The third round of the ongoing 1st Andaman & Nicobar International FIDE Rated Open Chess Tournament 2025 began this morning at Jalsa Hall, Dollygunj, Sri Vijaya Puram. Shri K Biju Nair, Chief Editor (i/c), the Daily Telegrams who attended the function as the chief guest for the third round, made the ceremonial first move on the top board against the tournament's top seed, International Master Dinesh Sharma of Uttar Pradesh, formally declaring the third round open.

The tournament has drawn around 350 players from 20 States across India, along with



participants from Sri Lanka, Nepal, and the United States, showing its international reach. With a prize fund of Rs. 7,00,000/-, the tournament is witnessing intense battles and high-quality games, while also reflecting the growing enthusiasm for chess in the Islands.

After the completion of the third round, as many as 34 players share the lead with full points. Among the notable

results, Salil Kumar D of DASCBC (Defence Accounts Sports Control Board) held the top seed IM Dinesh K. Sharma to a hard-fought draw in a tricky rook and knight vs rook ending. On Board 4, Master Tanish Ragavan S of Tamil Nadu suffered a setback against his state-mate Nikilesh A U, who scored a fine win in the Benoni Defence. In another key clash, Abhishek T. M. of Kerala lost to Arena



International Master Farhaan M of Tamil Nadu in the French Defence.

With multiple upsets and closely contested games, the tournament has entered an exciting

phase. The large pool of leaders after three rounds ensures that the coming days will bring more dramatic battles on the board as players vie for top honours, a press release from ANCA said.

Selected Home Guard volunteers urged to attend basic training from Sept. 1

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

In continuation of Office of the Commandant, Home Guard's earlier press release regarding the enrolment of Home Guard Volunteers, it is informed that the final list of eligible selected candidates will be published shortly after the successful completion of Medical Examination and Character & Antecedent Verification. The same will be available on the A&N Police website (<https://police.andaman.gov.in>) and the A&N Administration website (<https://andamannicobar.gov.in>).

All eligible candidates have been directed to report for the compulsory one-month Basic Training commencing on 1st September, 2025. Candidates of North & Middle Andaman District and Nicobar District shall report to their concerned Police Stations by 7 AM on Sept.1 while candidates of South Andaman

District shall report at Police Training School, Prothrapur by 7 AM on Sept.1.

The training will be imparted at designated Training Centers across the Islands viz. Police Training School, Prothrapur, SA, PS Diglipur, PS Mayabunder, PS Rangat, PS Kadamtala, PS Car Nicobar, PS Katchal, PS Teressa, PS Nancowry and PS Campbell Bay.

It is further informed that attendance for the entire duration of the training is mandatory and absence may lead to cancellation of candidature. Candidates must maintain strict discipline and follow the instructions of the Training Staff at all times.

For any queries related to the training, candidates may contact the Recruitment Cell (Home Guard), Police Radio Organization Building, Marine Hill in person or call 3192-230735 between 9 AM and 5 PM, a press release from Commandant (Home Guard) said.

Second Counselling of candidates for admission to 2 yr. D.El.Ed. course at Dr. S.R.DIET

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

The Second Counseling of eligible candidates for admission to 2 yr. D.El.Ed. Course at Dr. S.R.DIET, Garacharma to fill up the vacant seats under various categories shall be held on 26th August, 2025 at 9.30 am as per the following schedule.

Sl. No.	Category	Vacant Seats	As per Final merit list	Date & Time
1.	Cat-I (Tribal) Science	01	Sl. No- 11 to 27	26 th August, 2025 at 9.30 am
2.	Cat-II (CGEW) Humanities	01	All eligible candidates of Cat-V (Humanities)	
3.	Cat-III A Humanities	01	Sl.No-10 to 158	
	Science	02	Sl.No-7 to 127	
4.	Cat-III B Science	02	Sl. No- 9 to 106	
5.	Cat-III C Humanities	01	Sl. No-20 to 421	
	Science	02	Sl.No- 22 to 227	
6.	Cat-IV Humanities	01	Sl.No-16 to 593	
	Science	02	Sl.No- 15 to 235	
7.	EWS Science	02	Sl.No- 12 to 62	
8.	Sports			
	Science /Humanities	01	All eligible candidates of Cat-V	

Thunderstorm and lightning with gusty wind to occur in Isles

Sri Vijaya Puram, Aug. 24

Thunderstorm with a gusty wind (30-40 kmph) and lightning is very likely to occur at one or

two places over A&N Islands on Aug. 25, a press release from Directorate of Disaster Management said.

DRDO successfully conducts maiden flight-tests of Integrated Air Defence Weapon System

New Delhi, Aug. 24 (PIB)

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully conducted the maiden flight-tests of Integrated Air Defence Weapon System (IADWS) off the coast of Odisha at around 1230 hrs yesterday. IADWS is a multi-layered air defence system comprising all indigenous Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missiles (QRSAM), Advanced Very Short Range Air Defence System (VSHORADS) missiles and a high-



power laser-based Directed Energy Weapon (DEW).

Integrated operation of all the weapon system components is controlled by a Centralised Command and Control Centre developed by Defence Research &

Development Laboratory being nodal laboratory of the programme. VSHORADS and DEW are developed by Research Centre Imarat & Centre for High Energy Systems and Sciences respectively.

Car Nicobar ignites spirit of unity

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Headman of Perka Village handed over the torch to the Education Officer, who in turn passed it to the Nodal Officer for safe custody before its onward journey to the Nancowrie Zone via helicopter.

Earlier, the celebration began with a welcome address by Shri Jacob, Education Officer (In-charge), followed by a vibrant band performance by students, setting an energetic tone for the



relay.

This inspiring relay not only celebrated athleticism but also served as a testament to the community's solidarity, cultural richness, and passion for sports. The torch relay of Car Nicobar stands as a proud milestone in the ongoing festivities of Khel Mahotsav 2025, a press release from DEO, Car Nicobar said.

Deptt. of Art & Culture invites applications

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Director of Art & Culture Department, Cellular Jail Complex, A&N Administration. The last date for submission of application is 10th September, 2025, a press release from Department of Art & Culture said.

'Sundays on Cycle' - A&N Police promotes

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a week, preferably Sundays, for cycling.

Adding further inspiration, Ms Deborah, ASI (A&N Police)-an Internationally acclaimed cyclist and world-ranking athlete from the A&N Islands-shared her journey and motivated the participants to engage in regular exercise and sports activities. Her message highlighted the role of cycling and fitness in leading a disciplined, healthy, and productive life.

The 'Sundays on Cycle' campaign not only promotes health and fitness but also advocates for an eco-friendly mode of transportation, aligning with the national vision for a cleaner and greener environment, a press release from SSP (SA) said.

Zonal level orientation prog.

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teachers and the pivotal role they play in shaping the future of students in alignment with NEP-2020.

Teachers of different schools under DEO Diglipur addressed the participants educating them on different topics of National Education Policy 2020 (NEP-2020).

The orientation programme witnessed the active participation of 55 teachers from various schools across the Diglipur Educational Zone, all of whom engaged in the sessions with enthusiasm and a spirit of collaboration, a press release from DEO, Diglipur, North Andaman said.

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Passenger tickets for the sailing schedules of Foreshore Sector/Inter Island Sector vessels is being issued to the general public from 22.08.2025 (Friday) onwards.

Passengers may book their tickets from DSS e-ticketing portal (<https://dss.andamannicobar.gov.in/eticketing>) on all days from 09.00 AM to 04.00 PM and from STARS Ticketing Counter in all working days from 9.00 AM to 04.00 PM, except on Saturday from 09.00 AM to 12.00 PM.

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – MAYABUNDER & DIGLIPUR						
Passenger tickets for the sailing schedules w.e.f. 25 th Aug., 2025 will be issued from 22.08.2025 onwards.						
Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	To
1.	MV Rani Lakshmi	25.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	26.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Diglipur
2.	MV Hut Bay	27.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	28.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Diglipur
3.	MV Rangat	29.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	30.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Diglipur

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – LITTLE ANDAMAN						
Passenger tickets for the sailing schedules w.e.f. 26 th August will be issued from 22.08.2025 onwards.						
1.	Sindhu	26.08.2025 0800 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	26.08.2025 2100 Hrs	Little Andaman
2.	MV Bambooka	28.08.2025 0615 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	28.08.2025 1300 Hrs	Little Andaman
3.	MV Campbell Bay	29.08.2025 2100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	30.08.2025 1000 Hrs	Little Andaman
4.	Sindhu	31.08.2025 0800 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	31.08.2025 2100 Hrs	Little Andaman

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – CAMPBELL BAY VIA ALL PORTS & NANCOWRY VIA ALL PORTS						
1.	MV Sentinel	28.08.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Nancowry via Little Andaman, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa & Katchal	31.08.2025 0500 Hrs	Nancowry

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – CAMPBELL BAY - NANCOWRY						
1.	Nalanda	26.08.2025 0900 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Nancowry & Katchal	28.08.2025 0600 Hrs	Campbell Bay

Note: Embarkation of passengers will commence 02 Hours prior to the scheduled departure time of the vessel and boarding will be closed 30 Minutes before departure time. Passengers arriving late will not be allowed to board the vessel. The vessel will sail only after completion of survey procedure which will commence on completion of embarkation of passengers for issuance of 'B' Certificate as per MS Act. Further, with regard to cargo all the consigners are hereby advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

FORESHORE SECTOR 25.08.2025 (SUNDAY)						
1.	MV Jolly Buoy	25.08.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep Long Island	25.08.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat
2.	MV Long Island	25.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	25.08.2025 0845 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep
3.	MV Hut Bay	25.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	25.08.2025 0900 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep
4.	MV Baratang	25.08.2025 1100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	25.08.2025 1300 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep
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5.	MV Bambooka	25.08.2025 1130 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	25.08.2025 1400 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep
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6.	MV Chouldari	25.08.2025 1430 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep7	26.07.2025 0530 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep

26.08.2025 (TUESDAY)						
1.	MV Hut Bay	26.08.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep & Long Island	26.08.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat
2.	MV Long Island	26.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	26.08.2025 0845 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep
3.	MV Bambooka	26.08.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	26.08.2025 0900 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep
4.	MV Chouldari	26.08.2025 1100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	26.08.2025 1300 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep
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5.	MV Jolly Buoy	26.08.2025 1130 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	26.08.2025 1400 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep
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6.	MV Baratang	26.08.2025 1430 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep	27.08.2025 0530 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep

27.08.2025 (WEDNESDAY)						
1.	MV Bambooka	27.08.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep & Long Island	27.08.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat

PLI Scheme: Powering India's Industrial Renaissance

A Transformational Push for Manufacturing, Employment, and Global Competitiveness

From factory floors to innovation labs, India's manufacturing sector is undergoing a quiet transformation, one powered by policy intent and industrial ambition. At the heart of this shift is the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme, which stands as a cornerstone of India's ambition to raise manufacturing's contribution to 25% of GDP and claim its place among the world's leading industrial economies.

With an incentive outlay of Rs.1.97 lakh crore, the scheme is more than just a financial package. Today, with 806 applications approved across 14 strategic sectors, the scheme reflects strong industry confidence and robust adoption.

The scheme aligns with national goals like Atmanirbhar Bharat and India's vision of a \$5 trillion economy. It fuels the Make in India movement by reviving domestic manufacturing at scale. It powers Digital India by driving local production of mobile phones, and electronics, making technology more accessible and affordable. And it aligns closely with the India Semiconductor Mission, which, backed by a Rs.76,000 crore package, aims to provide financial support for investments in semiconductor fabrication, display manufacturing & chip design to strengthen India's integration into global electronics value chains.

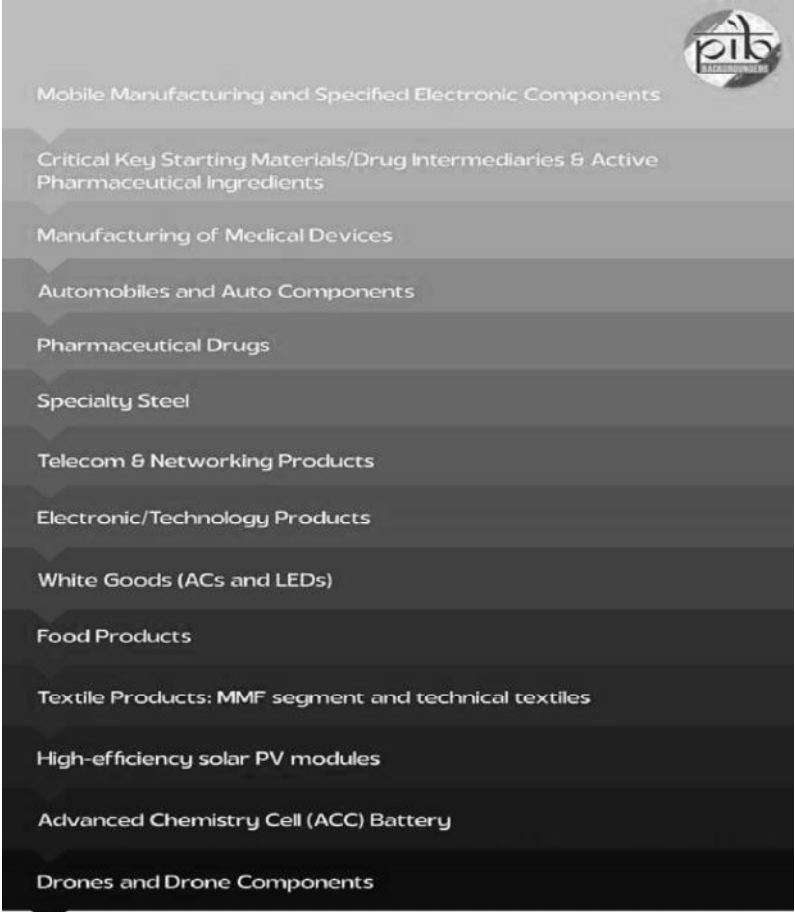
Background: Genesis of the PLI Scheme

India's services sector has long powered the economy, contributing over 50% to GDP. To create more balanced and resilient growth, the government turned focus to manufacturing: a key driver of jobs, exports, and self-reliance. In 2020, the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme was launched to boost domestic manufacturing through targeted, performance-based incentives across strategic sectors.

The PLI Scheme was first launched in April 2020, beginning with the Mobile Manufacturing and Specified Electronic Components, Critical Key Starting materials/Drug Intermediaries and Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients and Manufacturing of Medical Devices. Following its initial success, the scheme was progressively extended to cover 13 key sectors of the economy, including pharmaceuticals, automobiles and auto components, Textile Products, white goods, and specialty steel, among others.

Over time, the scheme attracted strong interest from both domestic and global players, leading to approvals of multiple projects in sectors such as electronics, bulk drugs, medical devices, and textiles. For example, in February 2021, the Union Cabinet approved the PLI scheme for the pharmaceuticals sector with an outlay of Rs.15,000 crore. Similarly, in September 2021, a Rs.25,938 crore PLI scheme for the automobile and auto component industry and PLI scheme for Drones and Drone Components with funding of Rs.120 crore for 3 years was cleared.

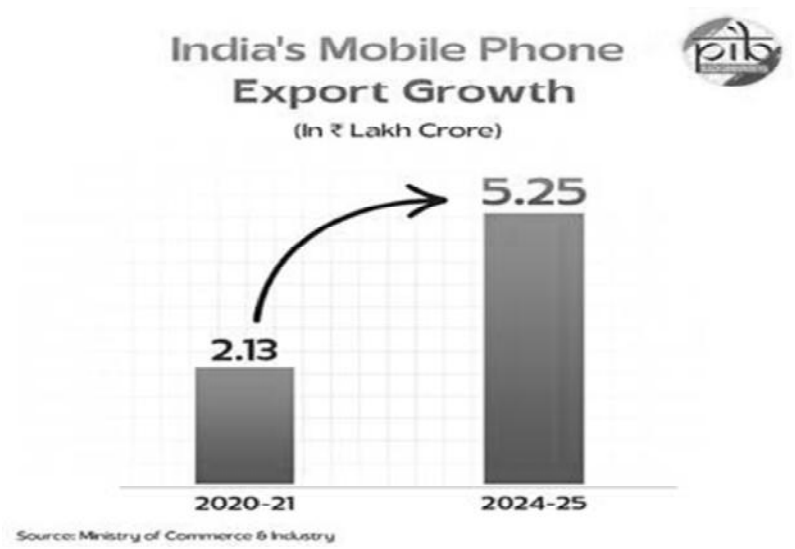
By November 2024, committed investments under the PLI scheme had reached Rs.1.61 lakh crore. This momentum carried into 2025, with realized investments rising to about Rs.1.76 lakh crore with 806 approved applications as more projects shifted from approval to active implementation. By focusing on sectors such as electronics, textiles, pharmaceuticals, and automobiles, the initiative links financial incentives to measurable results like increased production and incremental sales. This performance-based model attracts investments from both domestic and



Source : Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Some of the top Performing Sectors under PLI Scheme include: Electronics & Mobile Manufacturing

The electronics sector has emerged as a flagship success story under the PLI strategy, driven by strong policy backing through initiatives like the National Policy on Electronics (NPE) 2019. With this policy foundation in place, the PLI attracted both global OEMs and Indian champions, propelling India into the global electronics value chain. The impact has been substantial with production surging by 146%, from Rs.2.13 lakh crore in FY 2020-21 to Rs.5.25 lakh crore in FY 2024-25. PLI Scheme has encouraged major smartphone companies shifting its production to India. As a result, India has become a major mobile phone manufacturing country.



Automobile & Auto Components

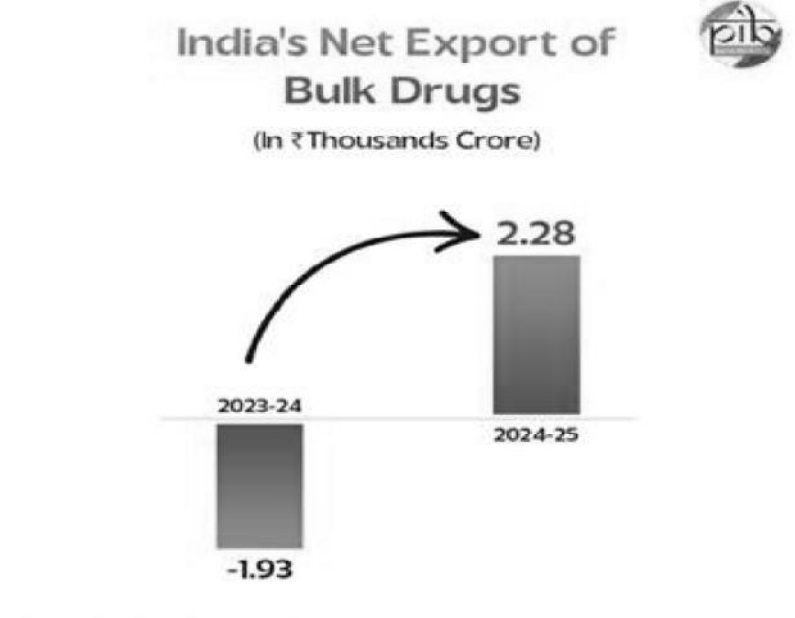
Under the PLI scheme, India has attracted committed investments worth Rs.67,690 crore. As of March 2024, Rs.14,043 crore has been invested, generating over 28,884 jobs. These schemes aim to make India a global EV and clean-tech hub by supporting and driving sustainable mobility aligned with the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric Vehicles (FAME) initiative. The Scheme proposes financial incentives for 19 categories of Advanced Automotive Technology (AAT) vehicles and 103 categories of AAT components to boost domestic manufacturing of Advanced Automotive Technology products and attract investments in the automotive manufacturing value chain.

Food Processing

With 171 approved applications under the PLI scheme till October 2024, the food processing sector has seen investments of over Rs.8,910 crore, with Rs.1,084 crore disbursed in incentives. The scheme complements initiatives like PM-Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PM-FME) and Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana (PMKSY), aiming to modernize processing units, enhance branding of Indian food products, and boost value-added exports.

Pharmaceutical Drugs

Once heavily dependent on imports for essential raw materials, India's pharma backbone is now regaining its strength. Thanks to focused PLI support, the country transitioned from a net importer (Rs.1,930 crore deficit in FY 2021-22) to a net exporter of bulk drugs (Rs.2,280 crore surplus in FY 2024-25). In the first three years, pharma sales under PLI crossed Rs. 2.66 lakh crore, including exports worth Rs. 1.70 lakh crore. The overall Domestic Value Addition in the Sector has been 83.70% as on March 2025.



Solar PV Modules

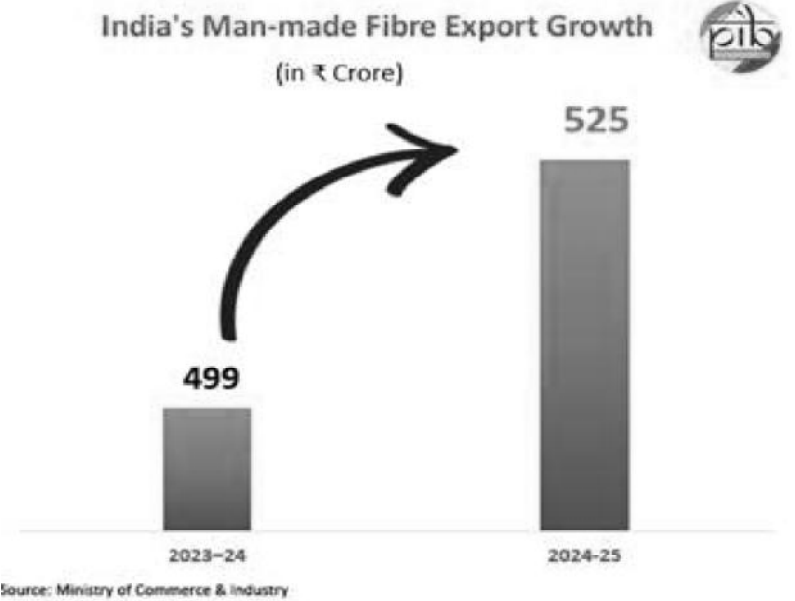
Under the PLI for High-Efficiency Solar PV Modules, PLI Tranche I & II together aim to create nearly 48 GW of fully integrated manufacturing capacity. This is expected to reduce import dependence, strengthen domestic supply chains, and boost India's energy security under the larger goals of Aatmanirbhar Bharat and the National Solar Mission. Under the PLI scheme for high-efficiency solar PV modules, investments worth Rs.48,120 crore have been committed, generating nearly 38,500 direct jobs as of June 30, 2025.

Semiconductors

In a world driven by chips, India is scripting its own semiconductor story- bold, strategic, and future-focused. India, with six approved semiconductor projects already in various stages of execution, has now received Union Cabinet approval for four additional manufacturing units in Odisha, Punjab, and Andhra Pradesh. These projects, sanctioned under the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) with an outlay of Rs.4,600 crore, are expected to create direct employment for 2,034 skilled professionals and stimulate the broader electronics manufacturing ecosystem, leading to significant indirect job generation. With a vision to build a self-reliant semiconductor ecosystem by 2030, the government has rolled out dedicated incentives under the India Semiconductor Mission, complementing the broader PLI framework.

Textiles

The PLI Scheme for Textiles was approved with an outlay of Rs. 10,683 crore in September, 2021, to promote production of MMF Apparel, MMF Fabrics and products of Technical Textiles in the country to enable textile sector to achieve size and scale and to become competitive. Man-made Fibre (MMF) exports rose to around Rs. 525 Crore in FY 2024-25 (from Rs. 499 Crore in FY 2023-24), while technical textile exports climbed to Rs.294 Crore, up from Rs.200 Crore the previous year. Government of India is actively promoting textile and garment exports through various schemes/initiatives such as Rebate of State and Central Taxes and Levies (RoSCTL) scheme which supports zero-rated exports for apparel, garments, and made-ups, while other textile products are covered under the Remissions of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme.



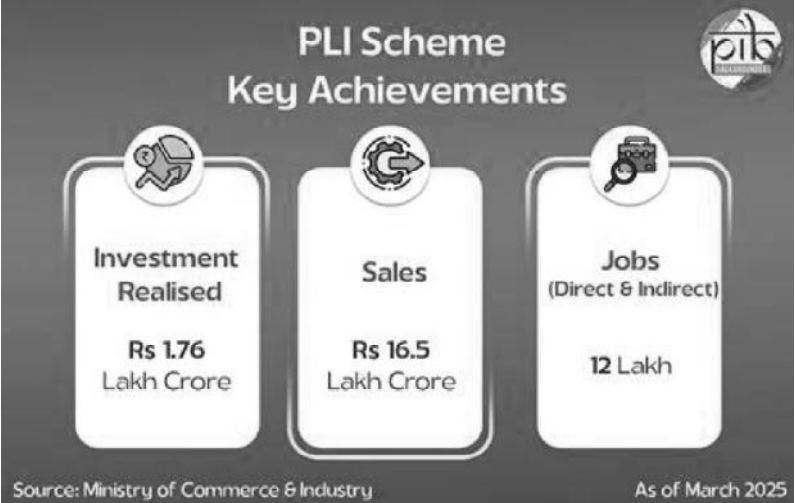
White Goods (ACs and LED Lights)

Launched in April 2021 with an outlay of Rs.6,238 crore, the PLI scheme for white goods aims to transform India from an assembly hub to a high-value manufacturing base. It targets a jump in domestic value addition from just 20-25% to 75-80% by 2028-29. So far, incentives worth Rs.281.4

crore have been disbursed, bolstering India's push for energy-efficient, globally competitive appliances. India has begun local production of key components such as compressors, copper tubes, heat exchangers, motors, and control assemblies for air conditioners, as well as LED chip packaging, drivers, engines, light management systems, and metallized films for capacitors in the LED segment. This shift is significantly reducing import dependency and strengthening domestic manufacturing capabilities.

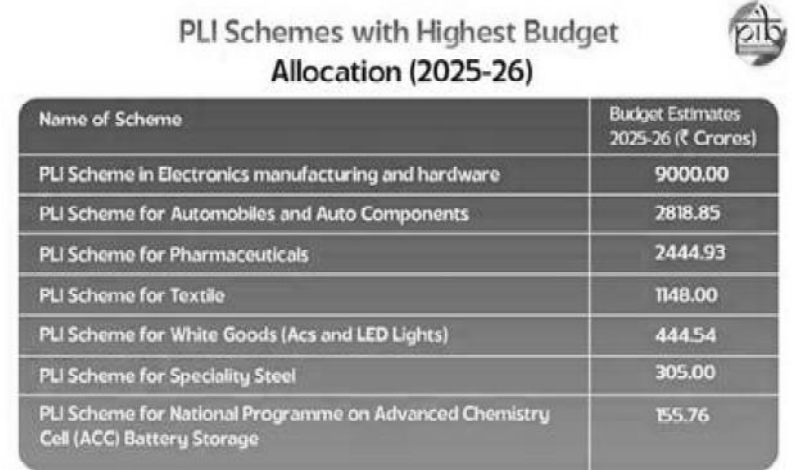
Performance So Far

By November 2024, the scheme had attracted committed investments of Rs.1.61 lakh crore, surpassing expectations and demonstrating strong industry confidence in India's policy direction. Actual investments realized have continued to rise, reaching approximately Rs.1.76 lakh crore by March-2025, as more projects moved from approval to implementation stages.



The production impact has been remarkable. Total sales by PLI participants exceeded Rs.16.5 lakh crore, reflecting impressive growth in key sectors such as electronics, pharmaceuticals, automotive, and textiles.

The PLI initiative has also emerged as a major job creator, generating over 12 lakh direct and indirect employment opportunities, while simultaneously fostering additional ecosystem development across Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities. Importantly, the scheme has catalyzed a fresh wave of FDI into the country, endorsing India as a preferred destination for high-value manufacturing in an evolving global scenario.



In a strong push to accelerate industrial growth, the Government has significantly increased budget allocations for key sectors under the PLI Scheme in 2025-26, reaffirming its commitment to strengthening domestic manufacturing.

The PLI scheme is expected to create a ripple effect across India's MSME ecosystem. Anchor units in each sector are expected to develop new supplier and vendor networks throughout the value chain, with a significant share of these ancillary units emerging from the MSME sector.

The scheme has also led to the development of sector-specific clusters such as the display fabs and semiconductor parks in Gujarat, MMF clusters in Surat, and medical device parks in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.



Source: Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Ministry of Electronics & IT

Conclusion

From once being heavily reliant on imports to now emerging as a serious contender in global manufacturing, India's industrial journey has entered a transformative chapter and the PLI scheme is a major part of it. With investments exceeding Rs.1.76 lakh crore and tangible gains in output, exports, and employment generation, PLI has evolved from a policy instrument to a catalyst of structural change.

By backing sunrise sectors, powering innovation, and anchoring global supply chains closer to home, the scheme is doing more than just reshaping factories, it's reshaping the future of India's economy. By supporting key industries, encouraging export-oriented production, and promoting the adoption of advanced technologies, the PLI schemes are strategically strengthening India's manufacturing base. (Source: PIB)

**DIRECTORATE OF SHIPPING SERVICES
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
SRI VIJAYA PURAM - 744101**
No. MGen/Afloat/2-1(77)/2025/Vol-XIV/1384 Sri Vijaya Puram
Dated the 22nd August, 2025

VACANCY NOTICE

The Directorate of Shipping Services, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, Sri Vijaya Puram intends to prepare a panel for engagement of Cook purely on short-term contract basis to deploy onboard various Vessels of Afloat Establishment operating under Directorate of Shipping Services, Sri Vijaya Puram.

The eligible and interested Candidates are advised to attend the Office of the Master, Jetty Office, Marine Dockyard, Directorate of Shipping Services, Sri Vijaya Puram alongwith the original certificates for verification and Trade Test at **0930 hrs. on 4th September, 2025.** The details of posts, remuneration and eligibility criteria etc. are as under: -

1. Name of Post	Cook
a. No. of Posts	16 (Sixteen)*
b. Pay Status	Rs. 24.840/- Per month
c. Age limit	18 to 33 years for Male 18 – 38 years for Female
d. Category of worker	Highly Skilled
e. Period of contract	11 months
f. Essential Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Secondary School Examination (Xth Std.) passed from a recognized Board/Institution.➤ Holding valid CDC, Certificate of Competency as Cook and STCW' 2010 amended from time to time approved by MMD, DG (Shipping).➤ Should qualify in the trade test.

(* Subject to variation dependent upon vacancy position)

Terms and condition for the contract employees if selected

1. The consolidated pay of the respective post of Cook will be Rs. 24,840/- (Rupees twenty four thousand eight hundred forty only) per month and no other allowances/claims by whatsoever including DA will be permissible.
2. Engagement on the above post is purely on short-term contractual basis, on mutual consent and this does not confer any right/privilege for regular appointment on continuity of service.
3. Those who fulfill the essential qualifications as indicated above may attend in person to **Master, Jetty Office, Marine Dockyard, Directorate of Shipping Services, Sri Vijaya Puram** alongwith their Bio-data (Resume), original certificates of educational qualification and Certificate of Competency of Cook, CDC with STCW 2010; Course obtained from DG (Shipping) approved Institutes duly supported with Employment Exchange Registration Card, Proof of age in the prescribed format on **4th September, 2025 at 0830 hrs.**
4. The candidates are also advised to bring one set of self-attested copies of certificates of Education, Certificate of Competency of Cook, CDC with STCW' 2010 Course obtained from DG (Shipping) approved Institutes and Employment Exchange Registration card at the time of selection process.
5. During the selection process the candidate may prepare food items (Such as Indian/Chinese/Continental) as proposed by the Selection Committee. As such, the candidates are advised to prepared for the same.
6. The Director of Shipping Services, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Sri Vijaya Puram reserves the right to terminate his/her services without any notice if he/she found guilty of misconduct, misbehavior or in any way irresponsible or negligent in his/her duties.
7. In case of pre mature release on his request, he/she will not be entitled for any repatriation and will not be entitled to claim.

**Assistant
Director (Admn)**

**Andaman & Nicobar Administration
Department of Sports & Youth Affairs**

NOTICE INVITING BID ON GEM PORTAL

The Director, Sports & Youth Affairs, Sri Vijaya Puram invites online bids through the government e- market place (GeM) portal for Supply of Gym Items for this Directorate under GeM Bid No. GEM/2025/B/6575977 dated 21.08.2025. Interested and eligible bidders are requested to submit their bids through the GeM Portal Before the deadline.
I.D. No. 11741

**Sd/-
Asst. Director (Sports)**

R.C. No. 97/2025/DC(SA)/1939
**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT**
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 19th August' 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of the general public that Shri A. D. John, S/o Late A. J. Daniel" has requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of his name and his father's name as "A. D. John, S/o A.J. DANIEL," instead of "JOHN DANIAL, S/o DANIAL A. J.," in the revenue records in respect of land bearing survey no. 249 measuring area 0.05 hectares situated at Bindraban village under Ferrargunj Tehsil.

If any person has claims and objections in the above subject matter, they shall submit their claims/objections before this Court within 15 days from the date of publication in the newspaper in person or through authorized agents along with all relevant records.

**Reader to Deputy Commissioner
South Andaman District**

"Honor the gift of sight given by selfless donors and their families,"

**National Eye Donation
Fortnight**

25th August – 8th September

NATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR CONTROL OF BLINDNESS & VI

**UT HEALTH MISSION, A&N ISLANDS &
DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH SERVICES**

HIGH COURT FORM NO. (P) 72

Notice inviting other Claimants to Representation to come forward
(Section 9 (4) of the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956)

**IN THE COURT OF DISTRICT JUDGE
AT PORT BLAIR**

Misc Judicial Case No. 19 of 2025
Smti. Sangeeta Ghosh

..... Petitioner

-Versus-

Smti. Aparna Roy Chowdhury & Another
Respondent

In the matter of grant of Adoption of the ward of Kumari Shivdooti, D/o Shri Satyam Pandey, R/o School Line Village, Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil, South Andaman District.

Smti. Sangeeta Ghosh
W/o Late AK Ghosh
R/o School Line
(Sri Vijaya Puram)
South Andaman District.

Whereas, an Application has been made to this Court on the 16th day of July, 2025 by the petitioner above named for the appointment of Legal Guardian of a minor child "Shivdooti" who being the granddaughter of the petitioner, after the demise of her mother and the hearing of the case has been fixed on 04.09.2025 and Notice hereby given to the General Public that if any person has any objection. Claim or representation in respect of the said minor child, such person (s) may appear before this Hon'ble Court and filetheir claim / objection in person or by pleader on the aforesaid date and file objection and also be prepared to file documents and to adduce evidence in support of the claim.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Court, this 21st day of August., 2025.

SEAL

**By Order of Court
Sd./-
NAZIR
District & Sessions Court
A & N Islands**

R. C. No. 374/2024/DC(SA)/1954
**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN**
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 19th August' 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of the general public that Shri P Prabhu s/o Late A Poosai has requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of his name, his mother's name and and other siblings' names in the revenue records in respect of land bearing survey no. 453 measuring area 0.02 hectares situated at Minniebay village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil as follows:

S.no	Incorrect names	Names sought
1.	AMMA KANNU, W/o Late PUSSAIAH	AMMA KANNU, W/o LATE A. POOSAI
2.	BHAVANI, D/o Late PUSSAIAH	POTHUM BHAVANI MUNIYANDI, D/o Late A POOSAI
3.	POONALAGU, D/o Late PUSSAIAH	PONNALAGU, D/o Late A POOSAI
4.	PANCHA VARNAM, D/o Late PUSSAIAH	K PANCHAVARNAM, D/o Late A POOSAI
5.	VELU, S/o Late PUSSAIAH	A KUMAR VELU, S/o Late A POOSAI
6.	PRABHU, S/o Late PUSSAIAH	P PRABHU, S/o Late A POOSAI

If any person has claims and objections in the above subject matter, they shall submit their claims/objections before this Court within 15 days from the date of publication in the newspaper in person or through authorized agents along with all relevant records.

**Reader to Deputy Commissioner
South Andaman District**

R.C. No.118/2025/DC(SA)/1946
**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT**
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 19th August, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of the general public that Shri K RAM DAS, S/o KALIMUTHU, requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of his father's name as "K RAM DAS, S/o KALIMUTHU," instead of "K RAM DAS, S/o P KALI MUTHU" in the revenue records in respect of land bearing survey no. 38/1/11/12 measuring an area of 0.0185 hectares situated at Taylorabad village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil;

The persons having any claims or objection in the above matter, shall submit their claims/ objections before this court within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Daily telegram in person or through authorized agent along with all relevant records.

**Reader to Deputy Commissioner
South Andaman District**

R.C. No.161/2025/DC(SA)/1951
**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT**
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 19th August, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is for the information of the general public that Shri E. Somesh Rao, s/o E Krishnan requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of his father's name in revenue record as "E SOMESH RAO, S/o E. KRISHNAN," instead of "SOMESH RAO E, S/o KRISHNA E" in the revenue records in respect of land bearing survey no. 128/6 area measuring 0.1135 hecets situated at Ograbraj village under Ferrargunj Tehsil;

The persons having any claims or objection in the above matter, shall submit their claims/ objections before this court within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice in the Daily telegram in person or through authorized agent along with all relevant records.

**Reader to Deputy Commissioner
South Andaman District**

JOB VACANCY

System Engineer – 01
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• Salary 20,000 INR to 30,000 INR
System Integrator – 01
• Minimum 1 year experience (Freshers may apply).
Tally Entry Operator – 01
• Minimum 1 year

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2. Ability to Multi-Tasking.
3. Good Communication & Professional Skills.

RAJ COMPUTERS
Contact: 9933233918 / 8088128857 (Share you CV)
Reg. No. 3887/LC/2014

22ND DEATH ANNIVERSARY
On 25/08/2025
Late S. KONDAIAH
R/o Buniyadabad
*You may not be with us any more,
But our love for you will never die.*
"We miss you Naannaa"
Fondly Remembered by All Family Members


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9th DEATH ANNIVERSARY ON 25.08.2025


In loving memory of
Late. DEEPALI ROY
Inserted by: Shri G S Roy
(Husband), Atul and Amit
(Sons), Orpana and Neharika
(Daughters), Rekha and Shilpi
(Daughter-in-Laws), Ishika
(Grand Daughter), Ansh and
Dhivyansh (Grandsons), Sonu,
Anmol, Monu, Sushmita, Dhruv,
Riya, Himanshu, Shruti, Kunal, Mrinal, Uday, Udit,
Bappi, Bully and all family members, relatives and
friends.




REMEMBRANCE
5th Death Anniversary ON 25-08-2025
Late. Krishna Bahadur Chettri
DOD 25-08-2020
R/O DOLLY GUNJ



5th Death Anniversary
Late. Ram Bahadur
DOD. 31-05-2020
R/O Dolly Gunj



8TH Death Anniversary
Late Roshan Bahadur
DOD 31-05-2018
R/o Dolly Gunj




!! Your presence was a blessing, and your love was a gift I will never take for granted. I promise to carry you in my heart, forever and always!!
Inserted By: Smti. Sumitra Bahadur and Family Members

OBITUARY

With deep sadness, we share the news of passing of Shri.P. Chinniah, father of Shri P.C.Kannappa, DRC (A&N Admn.), Chennai on 24--8-2025 morning at SIIMS hospital, Vadapalani, Chennai.


The body will be taken to SV Puram (25-08-2025) morning and the final rites will be performed at his Parental house, opposite to civil Gurudwara, Aberdeen Bazaar, SV PURAM.

Inserted by:
C. Sigappi Ammai (Wife), P.C. Kannappa, P.C. Bala Sundaram, P.C.Nirmala, P.C.Manickam & family members.



5th DEATH Anniversary on 25.08.2025
T. CHANDRIKA
(Rtd. Block Development Officer)
A & N Administration
W/o Late K. V. Radhakrishnan
R/o Dairy Farm, Sri Vijaya Puram

Inserted by :
Smti. Anita Kumari (Daughter-in-law),
Rashmi Mohan (Granddaughter),
Radhakrishnan (Grandson), Sujith (Grand son-in-law), Sneha Unnithan
(Grand daughter-in-law), S. Siddharth
(Great Grandson)



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