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21st Anniversary of Tsunami observed in A&N Islands; Hon'ble Lt. Governor, others pay tributes to departed souls at Tsunami Memorial



Sri Vijaya Puram, Dec. 26

Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands & Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency today led the Islanders in paying homage to those who lost their lives in the devastating



Tsunami of 2004.

At a solemn function organized by A&N Administration on the occasion of 21st Anniversary of Tsunami at the Tsunami Memorial at Water Sports Complex here this morning, the Hon'ble Lt. Governor placed



wreath and offered floral tributes at the Memorial. This was followed by offering of floral tributes by the PCCF, Shri Sanjay Kumar Sinha, IFS, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, A&N Administration, Dr. Sachin Shinde, IAS, Councillors of SVPMC, Senior Officers of A&N



Administration, prominent citizens, school students.

An all-Religion Prayer Meeting (Sarva Dharma Prarthana Sabha) and a two-minute silence was observed to remember those who have lost their lives in the devastating Tsunami.

All is set for the grand inauguration of the much awaited 'Island Tourism Festival'-2025 at the ITF Ground today

A diverse cultural showcase featuring traditional performances, arts, crafts & local cuisine



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All is set for the grand inauguration of the five-day extravaganza - the Island Tourism Festival-2025 at the ITF Ground, VIP Road, Sri Vijaya Puram. The Directorate of Information, Publicity & Tourism, in association with the Directorate of Art & Culture and other line Departments of A & N Administration is hosting the festival to bring together a diverse array of cultural performances, traditional music, dance, arts and local craftsmanship and food, offering visitors an immersive experience of the Islands' unique heritage.

The Hon'ble Member of

Parliament, A&N Islands, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray will inaugurate the much-awaited event at 5.30 pm tomorrow (Dec.27) as the chief guest at the sprawling ITF ground. The opening ceremony will be marked by a soulful 'Ganesh Vandana' followed by a Nicobari Dance, Kathak performance by artistes of Bhaktikhande Sanskriti Viswavidayaylava, Lucknow and 'Ras' by artistes of Youth Services & Cultural Activities, Gujarat.

To make the event more inclusive and vibrant, cultural programmes will be organised in different locations for the benefit of the people residing in

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DETAILS OF CULTURAL PROGRAMMES FOR ITF 2025

| Date - 27.12.2025 (Saturday) | | |
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| Venue/ Timing | 5:30 pm | 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm |
| ITF Main Pavilion | Inaugural Ceremony | 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm |
| | | 1. Ganesh Vandana by Sujata Dance Academy (3min) 2. Nicobari Dance by Andaman Film Society (4min) 3. Kathak by Bhaktikhande Sanskriti Viswavidayaylava by Artistes of Lucknow (7min) 4. Ras by Youth Service & Cultural Activities, Gujarat (8min) 5. Dogri folk dance by Artistes of Jammu & Kashmir (7min) 6. Kadam Kadam Badaye ja based on Netaji S.C Bose by Artistes of EZCC (Kolkata) (20min) 7. Tribal Folk Dance- Kagsad by Artistes of Directorate, Culture & Language Chattisgarh (5min) 8. Karagam & Thaiyam by artistes of SZCC (Kerala&Tamilnadu) (20min) 9. Sambalpuri dance by artistes of EZCC (Odisha) (10min) 10. Sujata Dance Academy (15min) 11. Mudra Dance Academy (15min) 12. Kathak by Bhaktikhande Sanskriti Viswavidayaylava by Artistes of Lucknow (15min) 13. Ras by Youth Service & Cultural Activities by Artistes of Gujarat (15min) 14. Folk Dance roul by Artistes of Jammu & Kashmir (15min) 15. Folk/ Tribal Dance, Ritual, Folk Music by Directorate, Culture & Language by Artistes of Chattisgarh (15min) 16. Performance by Andaman Film Society (15min) 17. Inspiration Dance Studio (Gujarati Folk) (6min) |
| Marina Esplanade | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm |
| | | 1. Mukta Dhara (30min) 2. Baal Mon (25min) 3. Vikas Academy (10min) 4. BRW (Karaoke) (25min) Unity Orchestra (Live Band) |
| Car Nicobar | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm |
| | | 1. Mayooranirtham by artistes of SZCC Dream World Entertainer (Karaoke) |

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Supply of Chemical Fertilizer to resume in Isles Consignment comprising of 225 MT of Neem Coated Urea & 375 MT of Di-Ammonium Phosphate arrives

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After a gap of nearly five years, the supply of Chemical fertilizers to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands has resumed to meet the long standing demand of farmers and support agricultural activities across the Islands. The current procurement has been aligned with Integrated Nutrient Management (INM) principles, with emphasis on balanced fertilizer application, soil health improvement and sustainable crop productivity. The focus remains on ensuring that fertilizers are used judiciously and in accordance with soil-based recommendations.

Under the able guidance of the Chief Secretary, Andaman & Nicobar Administration and Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Agri), A & N Administration, the Department of Agriculture has brought the first consignment, comprising 225 MT of Neem Coated Urea and 375 MT of Di-Ammonium Phosphate (DAP). The consignment has reached Sri Vijaya Puram and is expected to reach all the sub depots of the remotest Islands except those under Large Area Certification of

Organic Farming. The distribution of chemical fertilizers to farmers is expected to commence by

the 1st week of January 2026 from respective Sub-Depots.

Given the geographical

challenges of the Island territory, special arrangements have been

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Traffic arrangement in view of ITF-2025

Road leading from Hayat Singh Junction to RBV Junction to be one way between 3 pm & 10 pm from Dec. 27 to 31

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In exercise of power conferred under M.V. Act 1988 (Act No.59 of 1988) read with A d ministration's Notification No./2008/ F.No.32-95/2008-TR dated 10th March, 2008, the District Magistrate, South Andaman District has

notified for the information of all concerned that the road leading from Hayat Singh Junction to RBV Junction is hereby notified as:

◆ No vehicle except 2 wheelers shall be allowed to proceed towards VIP Road from Hayat Singh Junction.

◆ One way during ITF between 1500 hrs and 2200 hrs from 27th December, 2025 to 31st December, 2025.

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Generally cloudy sky and very light to light rain is likely over Sri Vijaya Puram. Maximum and Minimum Weather temperature will be around 29.0°C and 24.0°C respectively on Saturday 27/12/2025. Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 30.1 Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 23.3 Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST : 061 Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST : 068 Sunrise time on 27/12/2025 (in IST): 0537 Sunset time on 27/12/2025 (in IST): 1704 Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)- in mm: 000.0 Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0 Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 2025 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 3482.8



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Special Intensive Revision-2026

Special Camps for submitting claims and objections at all Polling Stations on Dec. 27 & 28 and on Jan. 10 & 11

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The Chief Electoral Officer, A&N Islands has informed that Special Camps will conduct at all Polling Stations of Andaman & Nicobar Islands Parliamentary Constituency to help citizens to submit Claims and Objections to the Draft Electoral Roll, which was published on 23rd December, 2025 as a part of Special Intensive Revision (SIR).

Further, it is informed that the period for filing claims and objections began on 23rd December, 2025 and will continue till 22nd January, 2026.

To facilitate the submission of

SPECIAL INTENSIVE REVISION - 2026

NO ELIGIBLE VOTER TO BE LEFT OUT

CLAIMS & OBJECTIONS PERIOD

23rd DECEMBER 2025 TO 22nd JANUARY 2026

"The Election Department will conduct Special Camps at all Polling Stations on the below-mentioned date and time. Please visit your respective Polling Station for any electoral-related queries."

SPECIAL CAMPAIGN

27th - 28th December, 2025

10th - 11th January, 2026

at all Polling Stations (09:00 AM to 05:00 PM)

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applications during this period, Special Camps will be conduct on 27th & 28th December, 2025 and 10th & 11th January, 2026.

During this period, the citizens are enabled to verify their names in the Draft Electoral Roll.

Special Camps is for

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Electoral Roll Observer, A&N Islands convenes meeting with representatives of all recognized political parties

Meeting held to oversee the claims & objections during ongoing Special Intensive Revision of Electoral Roll-2026

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The Electoral Roll Observer, A&N Islands has convened a meeting today with representatives of all recognized political parties to overseeing the claims & objections during ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the Electoral Roll-2026. The meeting was also attended by AEROS of South Andaman District.

The meeting aimed to ensure transparency, cooperation, and smooth execution of the revision

activities as mandated by the Election Commission of India (ECI). The ERO briefed the participants on important dates related to claims and objections, hearing schedule, and final publication of the electoral roll. Further, briefed the activities undertaken during the Enumeration Phase, including verification by BLOs and

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Live Streaming of Cultural Programmes during ITF

Viewers can scan QR Code & enjoy the show from anywhere

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In an effort to bring the vibrant cultural celebrations of the Island Tourism Festival (ITF) closer to the public, the Directorate of Tourism, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, has arranged live streaming of the cultural programmes through its official YouTube channel and other social media platforms.

Members of the public who are unable to attend the festival venue in person can now watch the live performances seamlessly by simply scanning the QR code displayed at prominent locations and on ITF publicity materials. The QR code will directly lead viewers to the

Island Tourism Festival 2025



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Scan to watch ITF 2025 live on YouTube

official YouTube channel of the Tourism Department, where the cultural programmes will be streamed live.

The initiative aims to ensure wider outreach, enabling residents, tourists, and

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| Venue/ Timing | | Date - 28.12.2025 (Sunday) | |
|-------------------|--|---|---|
| | | 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm | |
| ITF Main Pavilion | | 1. Aditya Natya Academy (40min) 2. KRG Kali Kaveri School (20min) 3. Singaramelam/Theyyam & Martial Arts by artistes of SZCC (20min) 4. Folk Dance baderhai by artistes of Jammu & Kashmir (15min) | 5. Vikas Academy (15min) 6. Balakrishna Nritya Academy (30min) 7. Gauri Shankar Classical Dance Academy (30min) 8. The Kalapani Band (35min) |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Marina Esplanade | | 1. Mudra Academy of Classical Dance (20min) 2. Kalashpatti Classical Dance Academy (20min) 3. Jhankar Dance Group (20min) 4. Thira, Theyyam/ Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Thappattam by artistes of SZCC (25min) 5. Inspiration Dance Studio (20min) 6. Youth Club Ograbraj (Karaoke) (20min) 7. Police Band (25min) 8. Folk/ Tribal Dance, Ritual, Folk Music by artistes of Directorate, Culture & Language, Chhattisgarh (10min) 9. Friends Cultural Group(Karaoke) (20min) Event Musical Group(Karaoke) (20min) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Wimberlygunj | | 1. Jhumur (Shastriya-Lok) Nrityangan (20min) 2. Dance by Sri Sitaramanjaneya Youth Club (20min) 3. Sambalpuri dance by artistes of EZCC (10min) 4. Kathak by artistes of Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow (20min) 5. Ras by artistes Youth Service & Cultural,Gujarat (8min) 6. Kalangan (Karaoke) (20min) 7. The Island Development (20min) 8. Swaraj Youth Club (Dance) (20min) Arpan Music Academy (Live Band) (35min) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Hutbay | | 1. Dance by Sri Sitaramanjaneya Temple Committee 2. Nritya Academy of Classical Dance | |
| Baratang | | 1. Mahamaya/Netaji themed Creative Dance by artistes of EZCC 2. Sangeet Musical Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Rangat | | 1. Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Martial Arts, Thappattam, Thira, Theyyam by artistes of SZCC 2. Srishti Cultural Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Car Nicobar | | 1. Mayoanirtham, Thira, Theyyam/ Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Dummy Horse, Thappattam by artistes of SZCC 2. Dream World Entertainer (Karaoke) | |
| | | Date - 29.12.2024 (Monday) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm | |
| ITF Main Pavilion | | 1. Jhumur (Shastriya-Lok) Nrityangan (20min) 2. Laksh Institute of Shiksha (20min) 3. Creative Dance by artistes of EZCC (West Bengal) (25min) 4. Thayyam by artistes of SZCC (20min) | 5. M.J Music Academy (30min) 6. Performance by artistes of Jammu & Kashmir (30min) 7. Unity Orchestra (Live Band) (30min) |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Marina Esplanade | | 1. Skit by Girls School (30min) 2. Sur Saptak-A-Sangeet Academy (25min) 3. Ras by Youth Service & Cultural Activities by artistes of Gujarat (10min) 4. Semi-classical dance by Saras Dance Academy (20min) 5. Balkrishna Nritya Academy (20min) 6. Naach Academy of Performing Arts (20min) 7. Andaman Islands Film Society (20min) 8. Melody Mix (Live Band) (30min) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Wandoor | | 1. Mukta Dhara (30min) 2. Sujata Dance Academy(20min) 3. Sambalpuri Dance by artistes of EZCC (10min) 4. Kathak by Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya by artistes of Lucknow (20min) 5. KRG Kali Kaveri School (20min) 6. Folk/ Tribal Dance, Ritual, Folk Music by artistes of Directorate, Culture & Language, Chhattisgarh (10min) 7. Friends Cultural Group(Karaoke) (25min) 8. Youth Club Ograbraj (Karaoke) (20min) 9. Kalangan (Karaoke) (20min) The Island Development (20min) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Mayabunder | | 1. Mahamaya/Netaji themed Creative Dance by artistes of EZCC Sangeet Musical Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Diglipur | | 1. Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Martial Arts, Thappattam, Thira, Theyyam by artistes of SZCC Srishti Cultural Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | Date - 30.12.2024 (Tuesday) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| ITF Main Pavilion | | Hasya Kavi Sammelan | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Marina Esplanade | | 1. Gauri Shankara Classical Dance Academy (20min) 2. M.J Music Academy (20min) 3. Kathak by artistes of Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow (20min) 4. Sambalpuri Dance by artistes of EZCC (15min) 5. Police Entertainment Team (35min) 6. Dream World Entertainer (Karaoke) (25min) 7. Laksh Institute of Shiksha (20min) The Kalapani Band (35min) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Wandoor | | 1. Aditya Natya Academy (45min) 2. Jhankar Dance Group (20min) 3. Ras by artistes of Youth Service & Cultural Activities, Gujarat (10min) 4. Baau Mon (20min) 5. Semi-classical dance by Saras Dance Academy (20min) 6. Naach Academy of Performing Arts (20min) 7. Swaraj Youth Club (Dance) (20min) 8. BRW, Music Wing (Karaoke) (20min) 9. Melody Mix (Live Band) (20min) 10. Sitesh Live Orchestra (Live Band) (20min) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Shaheed Dweep | | 1. Folk Dance by artistes of Jammu & Kashmir 2. Soul Musical Association (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm | |
| Swaraj Dweep | | 1. Mayoanirtham, Thira, Theyyam/ Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Thappattam by artistes of SZCC 2. Geet Sangeet Musical Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm To 8:00 pm | |
| Diglipur | | 1. Mahamaya/Netaji themed Creative Dance by artistes of EZCC 2. Srishti Cultural Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | Date - 31.12.2024 (Wednesday) | |
| | | 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm | |
| ITF Main Pavilion | | 1. Kailashpatti Classical Dance Academy (20min) 2. Nritya Academy of Classical Dance (20min) 3. Sambalpuri Dance by artistes of EZCC (15min) | 4. Ras artistes of Youth Service & Cultural Activities, Gujarat (10min) 5. Kathak by artistes of Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow (30min) 6. Folk/ Tribal Dance, Ritual, Folk Music by artistes of Directorate, Culture & Language, Chhattisgarh (10min) 7. Sur Saptak-A-Sangeet Academy (30 min) 8. Sitesh Live Orchestra (Live Band) (30min) |
| | | 5:30 pm To 9:00 pm | |
| Marina Esplanade | | 1. Sri Sitaramanjaneya Temple Committee (20min) 2. Cultural Programme by the students of Education Department (25min) 3. Sri Sitaramanjaneya Youth Club (20min) 4. Folk/ Tribal Dance, Ritual, Folk Music by artistes of Directorate, Culture & Language, Chhattisgarh (20min) 5. Mayoanirtham by artistes of SZCC (15min) Arpan Music Academy (Live Band) (35min) | |
| | | 6:00 pm To 8:00 pm | |
| Shaheed Dweep | | 1. Mayoanirtham, Thira, Theyyam/ Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Thappattam by artistes of SZCC 2. Geet Sangeet Musical Group (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm To 8:00 pm | |
| Swaraj Dweep | | 1. Folk Dance by artistes of Jammu & Kashmir 2. Soul Musical Association (Karaoke) | |
| | | 6:00 pm To 7:00 pm | |
| Campbell Bay | | 1. Mayoanirtham, Thira, Theyyam/ Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil, Thappattam by artistes of SZCC Event Musical Group (Karaoke) | |

Subject to change

Traffic arrangement in view of ITF-2025.....

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to their destination.

Further the parking for two wheelers and four wheelers are notified at the following designated places:

Four Wheeler Parking:

- ♦ Inside Airport
- ♦ Rear side of the ITF ground
- ♦ Left side from Gurumandir Junction towards ITF.
- ♦ Right side from Hayat Singh Junction to Old CCS Junction, Junglighat.
- ♦ Zilla Parishad Office parking.
- Two Wheeler Parking:
- ♦ Infront of RCS & Education Office
- ♦ Right side from Gurumandir Junction towards ITF.
- ♦ Left side from Hayat Singh Junction to Old CCS Junction, Junglighat.

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Island Tourism Festival 2025: Deptt. of AH&VS to organize Pet Show on Dec. 28

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A Pet Show will be organized by the Department of AH&VS at ITF Ground during upcoming Island Tourism Festival 2025 from 3 pm onwards on Dec. 28. In this regard, pet owners interested in participating in the event can submit the details of the Pet in prescribed format given below:

| SI No | Details to be furnished |
|-------|-------------------------|
| 1. | Owner's Name |
| 2. | Contact No |
| 3. | Email |
| 4. | Pet name |
| 5. | Breed |
| 6. | Date of Birth |
| 7. | Gender |
| 8. | Colour |
| 9. | Weight |
| 10. | Vaccination record |

The complete registration form can be submitted to Veterinary Hospital, Junglighat or through email at edpcellahvs@gmail.com. Only vaccinated pets will be allowed to participate. For further details of the event contact 03192 - 252823/232252, a press release Deptt. of AH&VS said.

All is set for the grand inauguration of.....

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remote Islands by the Art & Culture Department, A&N Administration. The venues where a series of enthralling cultural programmes has been planned include ITF Ground at VIP Road, Marina Esplanade, Wandoor, Wimberlygunj, Swaraj Dweep, Shaheed Dweep, and Hut Bay in South Andaman, extending further to Baratang, Rangat, Mayabunder, and Diglipur in North & Middle Andaman, and reaching Car Nicobar and Campbell Bay in the Nicobar group of Islands. Each venue will resonate with performances that celebrate the living heritage of the Islands while embracing the artistic traditions of other regions of the country.

For the first time, the Art & Culture Department has roped in cultural troupes from different States/UTs of India who will be joining hands with local organizations and renowned institutions such as the South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC) and the Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (EZCC) to present a kaleidoscope of classical, folk, and tribal art forms. The SZCC ensemble will captivate audiences with Mayoanirthyam, Thira, Theyyam, Marakkalattam, Karagam, Oyil Dummy Horse, Thappattam, Singaramelam, and Martial Arts, while the EZCC troupe will enthrall with Sambalpuri Mahamaya and Netaji-themed creative dances.

Adding to the splendour, the Directorate of Culture & Language, Chhattisgarh will showcase its rich folk and tribal traditions, Bhatkhande Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Lucknow will bring the elegance of Kathak, Youth Service & Cultural Activities, Jamnagar, Gujarat will present the devotional Ras Leela, and artistes from Jammu & Kashmir will mesmerise with their folk dances Jagarna, Rouff, Phardi, and Badherbi. The Island Tourism Festival 2025 promises to be a magnificent celebration of unity in diversity, where the rhythms of the mainland India will harmonise with the melodies of these Islands, creating a cultural symphony that honours India's timeless heritage. Apart from the Cultural Programmes, popular events such as the Healthy Baby Show, Flower Show, Vegetable Show, Fruit Show, Pet Show and Rangoli competitions will be organized by concerned Departments.

To add colour to the festivities, different Government Departments will set up stalls to depict developmental activities and showcase the Islands' progress. Self-Help Groups (SHGs) will also present local handicrafts and homemade products. Like in the previous years, this year also a 'Hasya Kavi Sammelan' (comic poetry session) will be organised by the Department of Official Language, A&N Administration. As usual, delicious food courts will be set up offering various cuisines and eatables, besides fun games for children to add festivities during the ITF.

The general public have been invited to come and enjoy the 5- days festival and soak in the spirit of fun, food and cultural extravaganza. The event will be held till Dec. 31 from 5.30 pm to 10 pm, press releases from IP&T/ Art & Culture Departments said.

Electoral Roll Observer, A&N Islands

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supervisory checks, were also highlighted along with the roadmap for the notice and hearing phase.

Data on mapped and unmapped electors and status of Forms received after publication of the draft electoral roll on 23.12.2025 were also presented to political party representatives.

Representatives of political parties shared their feedback over the draft electoral roll. The Electoral Roll Observer has assured cooperation, and agreed to take all required action as per the guidelines of the Election Commission of India. The meeting concluded with collective commitment to ensuring a smooth, transparent, and accurate Special Intensive Revision, a press release from ERO, A&N Parliamentary Constituency said.

Live Streaming of Cultural Programmes

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culture enthusiasts to experience the colourful performances, traditional dances, music, and artistic expressions presented by renowned artists from the mainland along with talented local artists during ITF, anytime and anywhere.

The Directorate of Tourism has invited everyone to make use of this digital initiative and be a part of the Island Tourism Festival celebrations by scanning the QR code and tuning in live through the Tourism Department's official YouTube channel and social media handles, a press release from the Tourism Department said.

Special sailings to facilitate students and residents of southern group of Islands for Barren Island Cruise and New Year Voyage

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The Directorate of Shipping Services, under the directions of the Andaman & Nicobar Administration, has been operating round-voyage cruises from Sri Vijaya Puram to Barren Island since October 2025. The service was initiated to promote tourism and to offer passengers a unique opportunity to view Barren Island, the only active volcano in the Indian subcontinent.

The passenger vessels MV Sindhu and MV Nalanda have jointly undertaken four round voyages to Barren Island on 24th October, 14th November, 28th November, and 12th December 2025, providing a once-in-a-lifetime

Training programme on 'Value Addition of Agriculture Produce (Fruits)' held at Nimbutala

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A two-days training programme on 'Value Addition of Agriculture Produce (Fruits)' was organized by the Department of Agriculture, Rangat in association of UTATMA under farmers oriented activities at Anganwadi Centre, Nimbutala on Dec. 22 & 23. Shri. Sujit Mistry, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Nimbutala inaugurated the programme as chief guest and urged the SHG members and women farmers to reap the maximum benefits of the training.

At the outset, Smti. Kamala Bai, Junior Agriculture Assistant welcomed the gathering and highlighted the importance and prospects of value addition of



flowers. During technical session, Shri C. Santosh Kumar, Agriculture Field Assistant detailed about the 'Package of Practices of Cut flowers (Heliconia, Tuberose & Gladiolus etc.).

Smti. Kamala Bai, Junior Agriculture Assistant, briefed about different 'Propagation Techniques i.e. cuttings, layering and budding. Hands on training of Flat bouquet, Round bouquet, Garland and wreath making was

Department said.

imparted. Smti. Eswari, ATM demonstrated Flower Arrangements and Rangoli Making.

Altogether 20 SHG members and women farmers participated in the training programme. In addition,

a demonstration on Bee-keeping -

Multiplication of Bee Colonies was organized in the field of Shri. Shankar Halder, Janakpur today, a press release Agriculture

Department said.

State Level Camp of Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan held



Sri Vijaya Puram, Dec. 26 Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan is an initiative of Vigyan Bharati in collaboration with National Council of Educational Research & Training and National Council of Science Museum. It is a National Programme for popularizing science among school students of standard VI to XI, conceptualized to identify bright minds with a scientific aptitude from the student community.

A State Level Camp was organized for the selected students on 21st December, 2025 at Mahatma Gandhi International School, Brookshabad, Sri Vijaya Puram. In State Level Camp, three students from each class were selected as first, second & third position. Thereafter, a State Level was organized in the Auditorium of Govt. Tagore College for felicitating the selected

students with cash prize of Rs.5,000/-, Rs.3,000/- & Rs.2,000/-, Certificates & Mementos. The students secured first & second position from each class were declared qualified to participate at National Level Camp to be held during May, 2026. Dr. Aparup Das, Director, ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre, Sri Vijaya Puram was graced the function as chief guest. The programme was also attended by Shri. Devdas Paik, Scientist, ISTRAC, Dollygunj, as guest of honour and others. In her welcome address, Smti. Rajeswari Pandey, State Co-ordinator gave a brief account of Vidyarthi Vigyan Manthan & the conduct of largest Science Talent Search Examination in this Islands. The programme ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Manu Vashishtha, Member of VVM. The list of National Camp winners are as under:-

| S.No. | Name of the student | Class | School |
|-------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 1. | Lohitaksha | VI | Carmel Sr. Sec. School |
| 2. | Hardik Chakravarty | VI | Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya |
| 3. | Ishayu Tawker | VII | Navy Children School |
| 4. | Tanushree Vashishtha | VII | PM Shri. Kendriyavidyalaya No.2 |
| 5. | S Samridhhi | VIII | St. Mary's School, Bathubasti |
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Departmental officials trained in sustainable farming innovations at ICAR-CPCRI, Kerala

Sri Vijaya Puram, Dec. 26

To promote eco-friendly and sustainable agricultural practices, the Department of Agriculture under the High Value Agriculture Development Agency (HVADA) deputed four officials to participate in a five-day hands on training programme on "Areca Leaf Sheath Powder Tricho-Block production" and "Kalpa Organic Gold - Coconut Leaf Vermicomposting". The training was conducted from 15th to 19th December 2025 at the ICAR-Central Plantation Crops Research Institute (CPCRI), Kasargode.

The intensive training blended theoretical insights with extensive practical exposure, enabling participants to gain a thorough understanding of innovative organic technologies. Officials were trained in the complete process of Tricho-Block preparation, covering media formulation,



Trichoderma culture management practices inoculation, incubation and final block organic inputs in production. Step-by-step demonstrations followed by hands-on practice ensured clarity and confidence in replicating the technology at the field level. In addition, participants underwent practical training in Coconut leaf vermicomposting, learning efficient methods to convert coconut leaves and other biomass wastes, including arecanut residues into high-quality organic manure. The sessions highlighted

sustainable farming systems at the grassroots, a press release from Department of Agriculture said.

'Hasya Kavi Sammelan' to be organized at ITF Ground on Dec. 30

Sri Vijaya Puram, Dec. 26

In the series of programmes to be organized during the Island Tourism Festival-2025, a 'Hasya Kavi Sammelan' will be organized at the ITF Ground by the Official Language Department, A&N Administration on Dec. 30 at 6 pm.

In this programme, well-known Hasya Poets from the mainland, Shri Sunder Kataria, and Chetan "Charchit" will

present their humorous compositions. All are cordially invited to this program, a press release from OL Department said.

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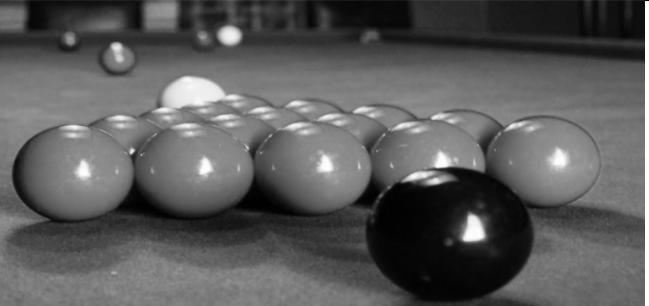
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16th Death Anniversary On 26-12-2025

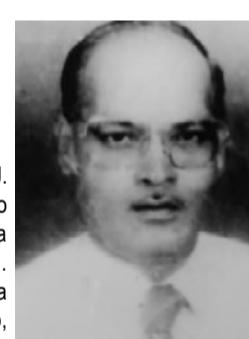
In loving memory of

Late D. Abhimanyu

(Retd. Work Assistant, APWD)

R/o South Point

"Abbaji your memories in our heart will stay forever"



Inserted by: Smiti D. Lalitha (Wife), D. Trinath Rao, D.J. Shankar Rao (Sons), N. Yesu Ratnam, S. Koteswara Rao (Son-in-Laws), D. Kunti Kumari, D. Adilaxmy D. Aruna Kumari (Daughters), D. Laxmi (Daughter-in-Law), N. Shubham Kumar, Dr. N. Priyank Kumar, Dr. S. Lavanya Rao, S. Monalya Rao, D. Manisha Rao, D. Manish Rao, B. Divya, D. Dheeksha Rao (Grands).

Forever & Always In Loving Memory

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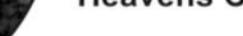
On 27th December 2025



D. STELA

DOB : 21-08-1997

Heavens Call : 27-12-2023



It is Hard to believe that you are not with us any more, your Memories will never be forgotten! Rest in peace in Paradise

Choti Maaaaa.....

Mother :

Shobha Devi

Valluvar Nagar, Bambooflat

In Loving Memory

Vishal Prasad

(20 March 1987 - 27 December 2018)

"Some souls leave quietly, but their absence echoes forever"



You left home that day and never returned, taking a part of our hearts with you. Our home still waits for you in silence, filled with memories of your presence. You left this world too soon, but the love you gave us, will stay with us until our last breath. We carry you within us....today, tomorrow, and always.

Forever in our prayers and hearts

Inserted By: Shobha Devi & Family

CORRIGENDUM

The list of in-eligible in-service applicants as per Clause at Para IV of Serial No. 7 of Vacancy Notice dated 25.07.2025 for recruitment to the post of Forest Ranger uploaded vide press note dated 25.11.2025 inadvertently mentioned application nos. 1043352023005146 & 104335202300095 which stands deleted from the list and application no. 1043352023005477 mistakenly mentioned as 1043352023005102 stands corrected.

Conservator of Forests (HQ)
 Van Sadan, Haddo,
 Sri Vijaya Puram.

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I on behalf of the *Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Mannarghat* invites online item rate tender (in CPWD form-8) from bona fide and experienced contractors for the below mentioned work:

1. NIT No. EE/PRI/SAD-I/DW/2025-26/38 **Name of Work:** Steam Bank control work in the field of Shri. E.P. Kunjalal resident of Mannarghat under Mannarghat Gram Panchayat. **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 18,83,216/-, **Earnest Money Deposit:** Rs. 37,664/-, **Time of Completion:** Four (04) Months, **Tender Fee:** Rs. 500/- & last date & time of submission of bid: 01/01/2026 (1500 hrs.)

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

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21st Death Anniversary On 26.12.2025

In the Loving Memory of Beloved Parents, Sisters, Brother -in-Law, Nieces and Nephew.



Juel Lakra, Marium Kindo, Pouline Lakra, Nileema Lakra, Robert Tete, Priya Xalxo, Prema Xalxo, Jyoti Tete, Deepak Tete.

"Love with a love beyond all Telling Missed you all with grief beyond all Tear".

Inserted by: Mrs. Nirmala, Mr. Vasudev, John Lakra, Philip Lakra, Sister Phoolmani Lakra and Miss Sunita Lakra.

6th Death Anniversary On 27-12-2025



Late PHAGNI PANDEY
 W/o Shri S. R Pandey
 R/o Dhanikhar

Your soul ascended to realms divine, Yet your love flows through us like light.

On this day, 27th December, we pray, May your spirit rest in eternal grace, Guiding us gently, forever near.



ROSHAN TIRKEY
 S/o William Tirkey

Inserted By: Priska Ekka (Mother), Asha Kumari (Wife) Roselin Tirkey (Sister) & All Family Members



MAMU KUMARI CHOWDHARY

Retd. PST, Education Deptt.

R/o Dr. Colony, Nayagaon

"In our prayers we remember you every day."

Inserted by: Mrs. Krishna Mavi (Sister), Mannu Singh (Brother) and Family Members.



V. Ajai, CS Sunitha, Vaibhav and Anoushka

- Inserted by R. Kasturi Bai

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6th Year of Remembrance

Late M.V. Sasi Kumar
 (Retd. Agriculture Inspector)

D.O.D:27/12/2019

Your legacy of love, wisdom, and Compassion lives on in our hearts. Gone from sight but never from our lives

Remembered with love by

Smti. Bindu Sreenath (daughter)

Shri. V.S. Kannan (Son). And all family members.

Celebrating his 1st Birthday

M. Ruthvik Raj (Rutu)

Son of Mahesh & Sandhya

Born on:

26th December, 2024

"You are our little bundle of joy, a tiny star lighting up our world. May your life be filled with love, laughter and beautiful moments forever."

With love & warm wishes from family & friends.

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