





3-Day Island Coconut Festival organized ....  
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Ms Raha Rasheed, representing the Nicobarese community noted that the event provided a valuable platform for the Nicobarese people to actively participate and proudly showcase the many ways coconut enriches their lives. She also made a special acknowledgment of the Administration's continued efforts in promoting and preserving tribal culture, which she described as vital to the identity and heritage of the region.

Ms Jocelyn, a Nicobarese also highlighted the importance of coconut among her community people and also explained about the significance of stick fight among Nicobarese community.

At the heart of the celebration was the humble yet incredibly versatile coconut, an integral part of the Island's culture, cuisine and livelihoods. The Coconut Festival not only highlighted its many uses but also brought the community together in a spirited celebration of tradition and innovation.

The festival, which began on May 30, wrapped up amidst a festive atmosphere filled with energy and enthusiasm. Visitors enjoyed browsing a variety of stalls offering local products, crafts and coconut-based delicacies. Children also joined in the fun, embracing the cheerful spirit of the event.

The participants who showcased their talents across a range of competitions, from coconut dehusking and cooking to colorful rangoli displays were recognized for their efforts.



The winners of various competitions are as follows:

| Winners of Coconut De husking Competition |                           |
|---|---------------------------|
| <b>Male Category:</b>                     |                           |
| Shri Tirupali                             | 1 <sup>st</sup> Position  |
| Shri Bala Prabhakaran                     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position  |
| Shri Jhantu Baidya                        | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Position  |
| <b>Female Category:</b>                   |                           |
| Smt. Martha                               | 1 <sup>st</sup> Position  |
| Smt. Latika Kumari                        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position  |
| Dr. S. Prabhawati                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Position  |
| Winners of Rangoli Competition            |                           |
| Shri Bidyut Mondal                        | 1 <sup>st</sup> Position  |
| Smt. R. Saraswati                         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Position  |
| Miss. Bhaviya Kumari                      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position  |
| Smt. Jaya                                 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Position  |
| Winners of Cooking Competition            |                           |
| Smt. Fathima                              | 1 <sup>st</sup> Position  |
| Smt. Poonammal                            | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Position  |
| Smt. Uma                                  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Position  |
| Best Stall Award                          |                           |
| Directorate of Tribal Welfare             | Winner                    |
| Directorate of Industries                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Runner up |
| Directorate of CIARI                      | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Runner up |



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with the hashtags #NewIndia #EmpoweredIndia and #independenceday2025. The top three winners can win a cash prize of ten thousand rupees each.

Meanwhile, a painting competition has also been organised on the theme Naya Bharat Sashakt Bharat where the participants have the opportunity to show the progress and achievements of the country with colors. Further information about the competition is also available on the My Gov website.

All the competitions have been organised in collaboration with the Ministry of Defence and MyGovIndia and are open till the 30<sup>th</sup> of this month. (Source: newsonair.gov.in)

MGGC, Mayabunder to prepare panel of guest faculty

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
The Mahatma Gandhi Govt. College, Mayabunder, proposes to prepare a panel of Resource Persons to utilize their services as Guest Faculty in the following subjects to teach U.G. courses as and when required basis for the academic session 2025-26. The Resource Persons will be engaged in disciplines such as Tamil, Telugu, Bengali, Political Science, History, Economics, Geography, Co-Operative Management, Administration, Environmental Studies, Computer Science/Computer Application, Library Science, Physical Education, Botany, and Zoology. The Resource Person shall be paid honorarium / remuneration Rs. 1,500/ (Rupees One Thousand Five Hundred only) per lecture subject to a maximum of Rs.50,000/ (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) or as per the instruction received from the Competent Authority as the case may be. The eligible candidates are advised to submit hard copy of a brief personal data along with related documents to the office of the Principal, M.G. College Mayabunder- 744204, Andaman & Nicobar Islands on or before 25.06.2025. Application received after due date will not be entertained. Proforma Bio-data may be downloaded from College website: <http://mggcm.and.nic.in>, a press release from MGGC received here said.

Seven young chess players from Isles to compete at National Chess C'ship

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
The 38<sup>th</sup> National Under-07 Chess Championship 2025 commenced today in Khordha, Odisha. Among the participants are seven promising chess players from the A&N Islands, ready to showcase their talent on the national stage. Representing the boys' category are Nuhaan Siddique V K, Easanth T, M Ritwik, and Siddharth Jaiswal, while the girls' category features Aisleen, Liora Thomas, Aradhya Khodha, Odisha. Podder, and N Danusri. The Andaman & Nicobar Chess Association extends its best wishes to these budding talents, confident that their hard work and determination will shine through, a press release from ANCA said.

Sports Deptt. to organize Badminton coaching classes at Kanyapuram Multipurpose Hall

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
The Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs, A&N Administration will conduct Badminton Coaching classes for boys and girls under 18 years of age at Multipurpose Hall, Kanyapuram, Wimberlygunj. Interested boys and girls may register their names at the same Multipurpose Hall by filling-up a prescribed format from June 2 from 3 pm to 5 pm, a press release from S&YA said.

Colorful ceremony marks valediction of...

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conducting the camp and expressed confidence that these students will bring laurels to our Islands. The chief guest along with other dignitaries inspected the various models prepared by the students and also interacted with them. He also gave away prizes & certificates to the best performers in various competitions held during the camp.

Shri Shajan Thomas, Curator, Science Centre welcomed the chief guest and other dignitaries present on the function while Shri Debashis Paul, Education Officer gave a brief account of the activities conducted during one month camp.

Naha Shanaz, Avni Gour & Virat Roy shared their experiences of the camp while Muhammed Adeeb Khan & Rajarshi Mandal presented musical tunes on the Guitar and Keyboard during the function. The entire programme was anchored by the student participants Prapti Das & R.Swathi. The function concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Ms Aishwarya Kumari, attached to Science Centre, a press release from Science Centre said.

Lt Gen Dinesh Singh Rana takes over...

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Academy (NDA), Khadakwasla, and a postgraduate of the Defence Services Staff College (DSSC), Wellington, he is also an alumnus of the National Defence College (NDC), New Delhi; Centre for National Defence Studies (CNDS), Madrid (Spain); and the National Defence University (NDU), USA. The General Officer has had distinguished academic record of topping multiple professional military courses.

In a career spanning over 37 years, the General Officer has held diverse operational, instructional, and staff appointments across various terrains and theatres. Prior to taking over as CINCAN, he served as Director General, Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA), making history as the first Chief of Defence Intelligence to be elevated to the rank of Commander in-Chief - a reflection of the growing importance of defence intelligence and jointmanship in India's military leadership.

For his distinguished service, he has been awarded the Param Vishisht Seva Medal (PVSM), Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (AVSM), Yudh Seva Medal (YSM), Sena Medal (SM), and the Chief of Army Staff Commendation Card. As a young officer, he earned the Sena Medal and COAS Commendation for gallantry in Kashmir. He also holds a Ph.D. in China's defence modernisation and has authored several strategic papers and a book titled Two Decades that Shaped PLA as We Know Today (2023).

His appointment as Commander-in-Chief, Andaman and Nicobar Command is a testament to his vast operational experience, strategic foresight, and deep understanding of integrated operations, expected to further enhance the command's capabilities, a press release from HQ ANC said.

Applications invited for admission to ANM / MPHW (F) Course

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM) / MPHW (F) are frontline female health workers trained to provide basic quality health care services at community level. ANM Training School, Sri Vijaya Puram invites application from eligible local candidates for admission to 02 years ANM Course for the academic session 2025-2026 through online mode in common college admission portal (CCAP) of A&N Administration by login into <http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in> and the portal shall be opened from 02/06/2025 to 28/06/2025. Prospectus and other information regarding eligibility criteria can be accessed from the CCAP portal <http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in>. No application will be received or entertained directly (offline) in the institute, a press release from ANM Training School said.

DC (Nicobars) visits villages in Car Nicobar...

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local villagers, listening to their concerns regarding village infrastructure, service accessibility, and livelihood opportunities.

During the visit, he inspected major public infrastructure such as community halls, tsunami shelters, El-Panam, schools, roads, powerhouses, Health Sub-Centres, Anganwadi Centres, RO water purification plants, and other critical community assets to assess their functionality and service delivery.

Based on the assessments, the Deputy Commissioner directed the Departments to take up improvements of rural roads under the PMGSY scheme and to carry out repair and maintenance of community halls and El-Panam. He called for the creation of community toilet facilities, a village-wise survey of unemployed youth to ensure proper skilling and linkage with job opportunities.

He emphasized the need to fast-track the construction of the Health Sub-Centre at Chuckchucha to improve healthcare access in the area. The Deputy Commissioner urged all Departments to address the critical issues highlighted during the visit with urgency and ensure timely action, a press release from DC (Nicobars) said.

Deptt. of AH&VS to launch 31<sup>st</sup> Round...

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growth rate, and infertility. Transmission occurs through excretions and secretions from infected animals and can be spread mechanically by animals, humans, vehicles, and other contaminated objects.

The World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) has classified FMD as a significant disease. The Department of AH&VS is committed to eradicating FMD from the Islands. In this round of mass vaccination, a total of 9000 animals are going to be vaccinated.

The Department of AH&VS has urged all livestock owners to cooperate fully and ensure their animals are ear-tagged and vaccinated against FMD to help make the Islands FMD- free, a press release from Department of AH&VS said.

Awareness program on ill effects of alcohol & drug abuse conducted by DSW

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
As part of the ongoing Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan, community-based Awareness Programmes on Drug Abuse and Prevention were successfully conducted at Guptapara Gram Panchayats on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2025. These initiatives aimed to educate the public on the dangers of alcohol and substance abuse while promoting early intervention, community vigilance, and collective responsibility to build a drug-free society. The programmes were organized by the Directorate of Social Welfare in collaboration with the Police (Anti-Narcotics), IRCA (South Andaman), and the Health Department. The programmes saw active participation from PRI members, Pradhan and Up-Pradhans of the Panchayat. Local residents also attended in large numbers, showing strong



community support. The sessions featured keynote lectures by Ms. Asrita Falia (Project Coordinator-NAPDDR) from Social Welfare, along with expert talks by Dr. Santanu Ghoshal (GDMO-Homeopathy) from Health Department and Shri Sanjay Yadav (ASI) Anti-Narcotics- CID Branch. Discussions focused on the consequences of alcohol and substance abuse on health, how to identify early signs and take precautions, and real-life scenarios illustrating the impact of substance use. Speakers also highlighted strategies for raising awareness within communities, how to access de-addiction centers and available support systems, and the procedures for reporting drug-related activities. Important Helpline Numbers such as 112 for emergency assistance were shared with attendees. The programmes served as a meaningful platform for engagement and sensitization, reinforcing the importance of awareness, timely support, and a united community effort in combating drug abuse and fostering a healthier, safer society, a press release from DSW said.

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Deptt. of S&YA hosts Arm Wrestling Tournery; Bibhuti Biswas clinches overall C'ship

Sri Vijaya Puram, June 1  
The Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, A & N Administration, in association with Calisthenics Trainer, Shri Uday Shankar Das, organized a thrilling Arm Wrestling Tournament yesterday at Marina Park. The event, aimed at promoting strength-based sports and encouraging a healthy lifestyle among the youth, received an overwhelming response from the public.

Shri Mohd Irshad Ahmed, Assistant Director (PE/Sports), Department of Education inaugurated the tournament as the chief guest and emphasized the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle and active participation in sports. Around 100 fitness enthusiasts from across the Islands participated in the tournament, which featured competitions in four weight categories. The winners in the category of 45-55 kg is Suresh Biswas, 55-65 kg: Standly, 65-75 kg: Sant Lall, 75-85 kg: Bibhuti Biswas and 95 kg & above: Prasanth Singh. The highlight of the event was the overall champion trophy, which was clinched by Bibhuti Biswas from the 75-85 kg category,

earning him top honours for his outstanding performance. The closing ceremony was graced by Dr. Shiv Shankar Singh as the chief guest, with Smti. Archana Singh, Deputy Director of Education (Planning), as the guest of honour. Both dignitaries felicitated the winners with trophies, medals, and certificates of merit, celebrating their dedication and achievements, a press release from Directorate of Education said.

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| ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION<br>SECRETARIAT<br>(Development Section- IV)<br>PRESS NOTE  |   |             |                 |   |
|---|---|-------------|-----------------|---|
| Education Department invites application for seats reserved for students of A&N Islands in the mainland institutions for the academic session 2025-2026   |   |             |                 |   |
| <b>(1) Background:</b><br>In view of limited avenues of higher education in the Islands, every year the Govt. of India and various State Govts., Universities and Institutions allocate seats for the students of A&N Islands in various Professional, Technical and Non-technical courses.   |   |             |                 |   |
| <b>(2) Courses:</b><br>Applications are invited for the below mentioned seats, which are likely to be received for the students of A&N Islands in 2025-26.  |   |             |                 |   |
| Sl. No.   | Name of Course  | Course Code | Number of seats | Name of Institution   |
| 1.  | BDS   | 02          | 02              | The details of Institutions will be known after receipt of allocation from concerned Ministry.  |
| 2.  | BAMS  | 03          | 04              |   |
| 3.  | BHMS  | 04          | 04              |   |
| 4.  | B.Sc (Hospitality & Hotel Administration)   | 16          | 20              | 1. National Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, Chennai – 10 seats<br>2. FHRAI Institute of Hospitality Management, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh – 10 seats  |
| 5.  | Printing Technology and Photography -1seat each   | 23          | 02              | Regional Institute of Printing Technology, Kolkata.   |
| 6.  | Diploma-I (Textile Process & Cinematography- 1 seat each)   | 29          | 02              | Allocation of institutions is being made by the respective Directorate of Technical Education of state viz., Maharashtra, Orissa, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.   |
| 7.  | Diploma-II (D.Pharmacy-8)   | 30          | 08              |   |
| 8.  | Diploma-III (Production Engg-2, ECE-2, Man Made Fibre Technology-2, Elect. & Tel. Comm. Engg.-11 and Architecture-3   | 34          | 20              |   |
| 9.  | B.Sc. B.Ed.   | 56          | 3               |   |
| 10.   | B.A.L.L.B Course  | 62          | 2               | Dr. Ambedkar Govt. Law College, Puducherry  |
| 11.   | General Nursing (West Bengal-5, Karnataka -5 & Kerala – 2)  | 63          | 12              | 1. Institution will be allocated by DHS, Kolkata- 5 seats.<br>2. Govt. School of Nursing, Ernakulam and Kozhikode- 2 seats.<br>3. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Medical College & Research Institute, Bangalore – 5 seats |
| 12.   | B.Sc. (Nursing)   | 64          | 02              | 1. West Bengal Govt. College of Nursng, Kolkata.<br>2. Institution will be allocated by DME, Kerala.  |
| 13.   | Paramedical Diploma Courses (Medical Lab Technology–2, Radio diagnosis & Radiotherapy Technology–1, Ophthalmic Assistant – 1, Dental Mechanic – 1 & Diploma Pharmacy – 1)   | 65          | 06              | Institution will be allocated by DME, Kerala  |
| 14.   | B.Sc. (Agriculture)   | 81          | 08              | Agricultural College & Research Institute, Coimbatore   |
| 15.   | B.Sc. (Horticulture)  | 82          | 05              | Horticultural College & Research Institute, Periyakulam   |
| 16.   | B.F.Sc  | 83          | 02              | Institution will be allocated by Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa   |
| 17.   | B. Tech (Fisheries Engg.)   | 84          | 01              | Fisheries University, Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu.   |
| 18.   | B. Tech (Bio Tech)  | 85          | 01              |   |
| 19.   | B. Tech (Food Tech.)  | 86          | 01              |   |
| 20.   | B.Ed  | -           | 15              | Institute of Advanced Study in Education, Bhopal  |
| 21.   | Post Graduate Courses [MBA (Business Administration)-2, MBA (Tourism)-2, M.Sc (Applied Psychology)-2, M.Sc (Ecology)-1, M.Sc (Environmental Science)-1, M.Sc (Physics)-1, M.Sc (Mathematics)-1, MA (Economics)-1, MA (History)-1, MA (Hindi)-1, MA (Philosophy)-1, MA (Anthropology)-1, MA (Sanskrit)–1]  | -           | 16              | Pondicherry University, Puducherry  |
| 22.   | MBBS (Malayalee Origin)   | 70          | 01              | Govt. Medical College Kozhikode, Kerala   |
| 23.   | BAMS (Malayalee Origin)   | 72          | 01              | Govt. Ayurveda College, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala  |
| 24.   | B.Sc. (Agriculture)   | 73          | 01              | College of Agriculture, Padanakkad, Kasargod, Kerala  |
| 25.   | NIT seats   | -           | 47              | To be allotted by Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) through website <a href="http://www.josaa.nic.in">www.josaa.nic.in</a>  |
| 26.   | B.E/ B.Tech/ B.Arch   | -           | 105             | To be allotted by Central Seat Allocation Board North Eastern State & UTs) CSAB NEUT-2024 through website <a href="http://www.csab.nic.in">www.csab.nic.in</a>  |
| 27.   | B. Pharmacy   | -           | 5               |   |
| <b>(3) Distribution Criteria:</b><br>The distribution criteria/formula will be followed for allotment of seats to various categories as fixed by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs :-  |   |             |                 |   |
| Category-I  | Tribals   |             |                 | 20%   |
| Category-II   | Deputationist and Central Government Employees with transfer liability to serve outside the Union Territory provided the candidates in this category have studied the last two years in the Islands and passed the qualifying examination from a school in the Islands.   |             |                 | 10%   |
| Category-III  | Settlers who were settled prior to 1942 and those who were settled under various rehabilitation schemes introduced after re-occupation of the Islands.<br>The seats in this category will be allocated as under:-<br>(a) Pre-1942 Settlers 1/3 <sup>rd</sup><br>(b) Others Settlers 1/3 <sup>rd</sup><br>(c) Seat to be allocated on the basis of combined merit of (a) & (b) above |             |                 | 50%   |
| Category-IV   | Other locals who do not fall under (I) (II) or (III) above and such Central Government Employees having no Transfer liability to serve outside the Union Territory, provided all have had 10 years education in the islands.  |             |                 | 20%   |
| Category-V  | General merit quota open to all the residents of A&N Islands irrespective of any classification. This will be subject to condition that the candidates in this category have studied the last two years in the Islands and passed the qualifying examination from a school in the islands.  |             |                 | Unutilized seats of Categories I,II,III&IV above.   |
| PwD : 5% seats are reserved for PwD candidates on interlocking reservation basis i.e. horizontal reservation cuts across vertical reservation (various categories of students in A & N Islands). Since the PwD candidates have to be placed in the appropriate category viz. Category-I, Category-II, Category III A, Category-III B and Category-IV.   |   |             |                 |   |
| <b>(4) Applicants are requested to go through the following General Instructions for filling application for the mentioned courses:</b><br>(i) The ONLINE application will be accepted from <b>31/05/2025 to 21/06/2025 upto 5.00 pm.</b><br>(ii) The candidates should submit their application ONLINE at <a href="http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in">http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in</a> .<br>(iii) The Candidates those who have passed +2 exam from the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) or Other State Board are requested that before filing their ONLINE application, they may approach the Assistant Secretary (Hr. Edn.), A & N Administration, Secretariat, Sri Vijaya Puram for conversion of marks at par with CBSE.<br>(iv) The candidates MUST bring the acknowledgment slip, Original Documents with self-attested photocopy of documents during the counselling session of their opted courses.<br>(v) The candidates should provide all the mandatory details in the online portal with utmost care failing which the application will not be accepted by the online website.<br>(vi) Candidates while filling ONLINE application should enter the marks of respective subjects according to the eligibility criteria of each course applied for.<br>(vii) While filling the ONLINE application for BDS, BAMS, BHMS, MBBS (Malayalee Origin), BAMS (Malayalee Origin), B.Sc. B.Ed and B.Sc (Hospitality & Hotel Administration) courses, if the result of the respective entrance exam is not declared, the candidate should provide the Application No./Roll No. of NEET UG-2025/CEE-2025/NCHM JEE-2025 <b>by selecting the option “Yes Result Awaited”</b> in order to consider their candidature for these courses.<br>(viii) All the candidates should have appeared and qualified National Eligibility cum Entrance Test-UG (NEET-UG)-2025 conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) for allotment of Central Pool BDS, BAMS and BHMS including MBBS (Malayalee Origin) & BAMS (Malayalee Origin) seats reserved for the students of A&N Islands if any allocated by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare/Ministry of AYUSH/Govt. of Kerala. <b>Further, they are requested to submit the score card of NEET UG-2025 to the Development-IV Section (D-IV Section), Secretariat within 3 days after declaration of result.</b><br>(ix) The Malayalee Origin candidates, whose parents have settled in A & N Islands permanently can apply for the above seats, provided such candidates have a minimum of 10 years continuous education in these Islands. Applicants are required to submit online application and upload the copies of Xth and XIIth class Pass Certificates, Statement of marks, Birth Certificates, Migration Certificates, Duration Certificate and the certificate to the effect that he/she is of Malayalee Origin settled in these Islands, from the Revenue Authority not below the rank of Tehsildar, certificate of 10 years continuous education in these Islands from the Head of Institutions where the candidates studied for last 10 years and the local certificate from the Revenue Authority.<br>(x) <b>The candidates those who are interested for allotment of B.Sc.B.Ed seats reserved at RIE, Bhubaneswar are requested to submit the copy of score card of Common Entrance Examination-2025 (CEE-2025) conducted/to be conducted by Regional Institute of Education (NCERT) to the Development-IV Section (D-IV Section), Secretariat within 3 days after declaration of result.</b><br>(xi) <b>The candidates those who are interested for allotment of B.Sc (Hospitality &amp; Hotel Administration) seats reserved at National Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, Chennai and FHRAI Institute of Hospitality Management, Greater Noida, UP are requested to submit the copy of score card of National Council for Hotel Management Joint Entrance Examination (NCHM JEE)-2025 conducted/to be conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) to the Development-IV Section (D-IV Section), Secretariat within 3 days after declaration of result.</b><br>(xii) The Merit lists will be prepared by the Administration category-wise based on the marks/rank/merit obtained by the candidates in NEET UG-2025/CEE-2025/NCHM JEE-2025+2 qualifying exam/Degree against the allocation of seats reserved by the Govt. of India/ State Govts.<br>(xiii) <b>The candidates seeking benefit of OBC-NCL for relaxation of marks as per the eligibility criteria, the OBC-NCL certificate must be issued by the Competent Authority on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2025.</b><br>(xiv) The provisional merit lists of eligible candidates will be displayed in the website of A & N Administration for information of candidates for inviting claims and objections, if any, within a specified period which will be notified in due course through All India Radio, The Daily Telegram as well as in the website of A & N Administration. The claim and objection of the candidate under his/her signature should contain the registration number of his/ her application, name of course with the page number and serial number of the provisional merit list against which the claim and objection is sought for is required to be submitted to the Development-IV Section, Secretariat within the notified period of scrutiny.<br>(xv) The Administration after carefully considering all the claim and objections shall display the course-wise final merit lists in the website of A & N Administration. Intimation to this effect will be notified in the Daily Telegram/ AIR/ Website of A & N Administration.<br>(xvi) Once the final merit lists are finalized, candidates shall be informed the date scheduled for counselling through The Daily Telegram/ AIR/ Website of A & N Administration. No individual communication to this effect will be given to any candidate in any category, in any manner. Candidates should attend for counselling in person along with their original certificates and other testimonials at their own cost.<br>(xvii) The candidates shall be called for counselling on a fixed date, which shall be notified through AIR, Sri Vijaya Puram and in The Daily Telegram, as well as in the website of A&N Administration. No individual communication shall be sent regarding date of counselling.<br>(xviii) If any seat is surrendered by candidate of the respective category, the seat will be allotted to the candidates of said category based of final merit list of the respective category. Whereas, left-out seat of Category–I, II, III & IV will be allotted to the candidate stand in the final merit list of General Category (Category- V) on merit.<br>(xix) Nomination once accepted will be treated as final. Similarly, no request will be entertained for change of Seat/Course/Institution/College. The Institution once selected by the candidate at the time of counselling will be final.<br>(xx) Candidate seeking allotment/nomination in Professional/Technical/Non-Technical courses including Malayalee Origin and B. Ed. Bhopal seats has to execute an agreement bond while the seat is being allotted on merit basis according to their eligibility as has been the practice in the previous years.<br>(xxi) On allotment of seats, it will be the responsibility of the candidates to make their own arrangement to reach the allotted Institutions and to complete the formalities of admission in time. The Administration will not responsible or liable for delayed/closure of reporting date and time, in any case or in any manner.<br>(xxii) The Administration will not be responsible, in case any candidate is rejected by any mainland Institution/College on account of change in eligibility criteria/requirements/ policy/late reporting to the institution where seat is allotted by the Administration.<br>(xxiii) Candidates allotted with Degree Level Engineering or Architecture seat in National Institute of Technology (NIT) under Home State Quota shall not be eligible for Administration seats i.e. they will be eligible for any one seat either NIT Home State Quota or Administration seat.<br>(xxiv) The seats will be finally allotted to the eligible candidates only after the receipt of confirmation to UT Administration from the Govt. of India/State Govts/ concerned Institutions. |   |             |                 |   |

(xxv) Any candidates of this UT Islands once allotted and accepted any of the seat through counselling by A & N Administration or ONLINE by JOSAA/CSAB NEUT, but not utilized/continued the course for any of the reason thereof will not be eligible for allotment of any other seat further from Administration quota.

(xxvi) Further details in this regard, if any, can be obtained from the Assistant Secretary (Hr. Edn.) either in person or **over telephone No. 03192-231023.**

**(5) ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE COURSES :**

**(a) B.D.S, BAMS & BHMS**  
Candidates should have appeared and qualified National Eligibility cum Entrance Test-UG (NEET UG)-2025 for allotment of Central Pool BDS, BAMS & BHMS seats reserved for the students of A&N Islands. The said seats under Central Pool quota will be allotted category-wise to only those candidates who qualify in NEET (UG)-2025 as per the Qualifying criteria described in the Information Bulletin of NEET (UG)-2025 will be considered for admission to BDS, BAMS & BHMS Course.

**(b) B.Sc (Hospitality & Hotel Administration)**  
Candidates should have appeared National Council for Hotel Management Joint Entrance Examination (NCHM JEE-2025) for allotment of B.Sc (Hospitality & Hotel Administration) seats reserved for the students of A&N Islands. The said seats will be allotted category-wise to only those students who have appeared NCHM JEE-2025. Candidate should have passed 10+2 system of Senior Secondary Examination or its equivalent with English as one of the subjects, from a recognized Educational Board. Candidate must have passed English as a subject of study (core/elective/functional) in the qualifying examination. There is no age bar for all categories.

**(c) Printing Technology/ Photography**  
Candidates must have passed 10th Std/ SSC examination with at least 35% marks at the qualifying examination and candidate should not be born after 01.01.2010.

**(d) (i) Diploma - 1 (Textile Process and Cinematography)**  
XI<sup>th</sup> pass (AISCE) with 50% marks in Maths separately and 50% marks in Physics, Chemistry and Maths put together.

**(ii) Diploma - 2 (Diploma Pharmacy)**  
XI<sup>th</sup> Passed (AISCE) with 50% marks in Physics, Chemistry and Biology (aggregate).

**(iii) Diploma - 3 (Production, Electronics & Communication, Man-made Fibre Technology, Electronics & Telecommunication and Architecture)**  
Xth pass with 50% marks in Maths and 50% marks in General Science and Maths put together on the basis of marks obtained/Grade Points.

**(e) B.Sc. B.Ed.**  
For B.Sc.B.Ed course, the candidates should have registered as well as appeared in the Common Entrance Examination-2025 (CEE-2025) conducted by Regional Institute of Education (NCERT). Candidates seeking admission to Physical Science Group must have passed with Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics (PCM) (M stands for Mathematics or Statistics) and those seeking admission to Biological Science Group (CBZ) must have passed Physics, Chemistry, and Biology (PCB) (B stands for Biology or Biotechnology) at +2 level. Candidates must have passed +2/Hr. Sec./Sr. Sec. or any equivalent examination recognized by University/Board with at least 50% marks in overall aggregate of qualifying examination (relaxation of 5% marks for ST/PwD candidates). The qualifying examination should be recognized by the affiliating universities of the RIES. Candidates who have passed +2/Hr. Sec./Sr. Sec. or any equivalent examination in 2023, 2024 and appearing/appeared in 2025 only will be considered. **The copy of score card of CEE-2025 being conducted by Regional Institute of Education (NCERT) is to be submitted in the Development-IV Section (D-IV Section), Secretariat within 3 days after declaration of result.**

**(f) B.A.L.L.B Course**  
For the above course, the Candidates should have passed the qualifying examination in (10+2) courses for schooling and have secured not less than 45% marks in the aggregate in case of General candidates (40% in case of ST candidates). The candidate who has obtained 10+2 through the Open University/Open Schooling system directly without having any basic qualification for pursuing such studies are NOT ELIGIBLE for admission in this course. There is no age limit.

**(g) General Nursing (Female)**  
(i) The eligibility requirement in Bangalore, the candidate must be 10+2 passed preferably science (PCB) and English with aggregate of 40% (for ST 35%). Arts and Commerce students are also eligible for the course. The candidate should have completed 17 years as on 01.09.2025 and not exceed 35 years.  
(ii) The eligibility requirement in Kolkata, the candidate should have passed 10+2 examination with 40% marks in aggregate and must pass in English. Candidate age must be at least 17 years as on 31.12.2025 and maximum age will be 35 years as on 31.12.2025.  
(iii) The eligibility requirement in Kerala, candidate must have passed 10+2 or equivalent examination with Physics, Chemistry and Biology as optional subjects and English with 40% aggregate marks. ANM course from the schools recognized by INC is also eligible for admission. Candidate should have completed the age of 17 years on 31.12.2025 and should not be above the age of 35 years on the date. There is no age bar for ANM candidates.

**(h) B.Sc. (Nursing) (Female unmarried)**  
(i) Kolkata – Candidates should have passed 10+2 examination from a recognized board, and must have aggregate 45% marks in the subjects Physics, Chemistry & Biology (PCB) in case of General Candidate (40% in case of ST candidates). The candidate must have pass marks in English. The minimum age of the candidates should be completed 17 years as on 31/12/2025 and maximum age limit is 35 years.  
(ii) Kerala – Candidates should have passed 10+2 examination from a recognized board with 50% marks in Physics, Chemistry, Biology (PCB) put together. The ST candidates need only a pass in the qualifying examination. Candidate should have completed 17 years of age as on 31/12/2025 and maximum age limit is 35 years.

**(i) Paramedical Diploma Courses (Medical Lab Technology, Radio diagnosis & Radiotherapy Technology, Ophthalmic Assistant, Dental Mechanic and Diploma Pharmacy)**  
The candidates who have passed Higher Secondary examination of the Board of Higher Secondary Education, Kerala or examinations recognized equivalent thereto, with 40% marks in Physics, Chemistry and Biology put together are eligible. Relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed to ST candidates. Applicant should have completed 17 years of age as on 31.12.2025 and the upper age limit is 35 years.

**(j) B.Sc (Agriculture)**  
The candidates should have passed in the Higher Secondary Course in 10+2 (State Board/CBSE/any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto with 55% aggregate marks for General candidates and 50% for OBC candidates in any of the combination of four subjects :-  
(i) Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology  
(ii) Physics, Chemistry, Biology with any one of the fourth (elective) subjects viz., Biotechnology/Microbiology/Biochemistry/Computer Science/Information Technology /Informatics Practices/Home Science/Agriculture/Horticulture/Environmental Science.  
(iii) Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology  
For ST candidates, a pass in the qualifying examination with four required subjects.  
**NB:-** Candidates should not have completed the age of 21 years as on 01.07.2025. For ST candidates, there is no age limit. 05 years of age relaxation for differently abled candidates.

**(k) B.Sc (Horticulture)**  
The candidates should have passed in the Higher Secondary Course in 10+2 (State Board/CBSE/any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto with 55% aggregate marks for General candidates and 50% for OBC candidates in any of the combination of four subjects:-  
(i) Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology  
(ii) Physics, Chemistry, Biology with any one of the fourth (elective) subjects viz., Biotechnology/Microbiology/Biochemistry/Computer Science/Information Technology /Informatics Practices/Home Science/Agriculture/Horticulture/Environmental Science.  
(iii) Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology  
For ST candidates, a pass in the qualifying examination with four required subjects  
**NB:-** Candidates should not have completed the age of 21 years as on 01.07.2025. For ST candidates, there is no age limit. 05 years of age relaxation for differently abled candidates.

**(l) (i) B.F.Sc. and B.Tech (Biotechnology)**  
The candidates should have passed in the Higher Secondary Course in 10+2 (State Board/CBSE/any other examination recognized as equivalent thereto with 55% aggregate marks for General candidates and 50% for OBC candidates in any of the combination of four subjects :-  
(i) Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology  
(ii) Physics, Chemistry, Biology with any one of the fourth (elective) subjects viz., Biotechnology/Microbiology/Biochemistry/Computer Science/Home Science/ Agriculture/Horticulture/Informatics Practices/Environmental Science.  
(iii) Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology  
For ST candidates, a pass in the qualifying examination with four required subjects.  
**NB:-** Candidates should not have completed the age of 21 years as on 01.07.2025. For ST candidates, there is no age limit. 05 years of age relaxation for differently abled candidates.

**(m) B.Ed**  
(i) The candidates should have passed B.A./B.Sc./M.Com examination with 50% aggregate from a recognized University and has offered subject relating to school education at the first or second degree level. 55% marks in Engineering/Technical courses (Specialisation in Science and Maths).  
(ii) Equal preference will be given to the candidates who have acquired degree from the colleges of A&N Islands as well as at Mainland subject to the condition that the candidates are belong to one of the five categories laid down in the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs order No. U-14040/5/96/ANL dated 30/5/1996.  
(iii) The Administration will not be responsible, in case any candidature is rejected by the host Institute on account of change of eligibility criteria /requirement or policy or late reporting to the Institution.  
(iv) The candidate who has already been considered for B.Ed course in Govt. Tagore College of Education, Port Blair will not be nominated for B.Ed course in Institute of Advanced Study in Education (Govt. College of Education), Bhopal.

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| (i)    | MBA (Business Administration) | Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a minimum of 50% of marks.  |
| (ii)   | M.Sc (Ecology)                | Bachelor's degree in Science with a minimum of 50% marks.  |
| (iii)  | M.Sc (Environmental Sciences) | Bachelor's degree in Science with a minimum of 50% marks.  |
| (iv)   | MBA (Tourism)                 | Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a minimum of 50% of marks   |
| (v)    | MA - Economics                | Bachelor's degree in Economics (with Quantitative Techniques /Statistics) or any Bachelors degree in Social Sciences with Economics as a subject, mathematics as a subject at +2/ Higher Secondary level or Bachelor's degree in Commerce or Bachelor's degree in Engineering/ Mathematics/ Statistics/ Operations Research/ Cooperation and Banking with a minimum of 50% of marks, as recognized by Pondicherry University or as recognized by the UGC |
| (vi)   | MA - Anthropology             | Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a minimum of 50% of marks   |
| (vii)  | MA - Sanskrit                 | Bachelor's degree in Sanskrit with a minimum of 50% of marks or Sanskrit as a subject under part I or II/ minor/optional in the Bachelor's degree or traditional degree of (Sastri/ Siromani/ Vidya Praveena)  |
| (viii) | MA - Philosophy               | Bachelor's degree in any discipline with a minimum of 50% of marks   |
| (ix)   | MA - History                  | Bachelor's degree in History with 50% minimum marks or B.A. in social sciences (Political Science, Economics and Sociology) with history as an ancillary or subsidiary paper with 50% marks  |
| (x)    | MA - Hindi                    | Bachelor's degree in Hindi with a minimum of 50% of marks or any degree with Hindi as a subject of study under part I or II or pass in any recognised degree awarded by the voluntary Hindi Organisations recognised by the Government of India.   |
| (xi)   | M.Sc- Mathematics             | Bachelor's degree in Mathematics with a minimum of 55% of marks  |
| (xii)  | M.Sc - Physics                | Bachelor's degree in Physics with Mathematics and Chemistry as ancillaries and a minimum of 55% of marks   |
| (xiii) | M.Sc (Applied Psychology)     | B.A./B.Sc. (Hons) three years course in Psychology with at least 55% marks or Bachelor's degree with at least 55% marks in aggregate in any discipline with Psychology as one of the major subjects for all three years.   |

**(o) MBBS (Malayalee Origin)**  
Candidates who have passed in the subjects of Physics, Chemistry, Biology/Biotechnology and English individually at the Higher Secondary Examination of the Board of Higher Secondary Education, Kerala or examinations recognised equivalent thereto and obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology/Biotechnology are eligible. **Only those candidates who qualify in NEET-UG-2025 as per the Qualifying criteria described in the Information Bulletin of NEET-UG 2025 will be considered for admission to MBBS (Malayalee Origin) course.**

**(p) BAMS (Malayalee Origin)**  
Candidates who have passed in the subjects of Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English individually at the Higher Secondary Examination of the Board of Higher Secondary Education, Kerala or examinations recognised equivalent thereto and obtained a minimum of 50% marks taken together in Physics, Chemistry and Biology are eligible. **Only those candidates who qualify in NEET-UG-2025 as per the Qualifying criteria described in the Information Bulletin of NEET-UG 2025 will be considered for admission to BAMS (Malayalee Origin) course.**

**(q) B.Sc. Agriculture (Malayalee Origin)**  
Candidates who have passed in the subjects Physics, Chemistry and Biology at the Higher Secondary Examination of the Board of Higher Secondary Education, Kerala or examinations recognized equivalent thereto, with 50% marks in Physics, Chemistry and Biology put together are eligible.  
**NB:- 1. Eligibility criteria for some courses as defined above are based on the last year allocation (2024-25) the same is subject to change as per revised criteria of the Institutions/Colleges, if any.**  
**2. The marks obtained by the student in +2 practical examinations will not be counted while preparing Merit list for allotment of reserved seats in professional, technical and non-technical courses on the mainland institutions/colleges.**  
**Assistant Secretary (Hr. Edn.)**



