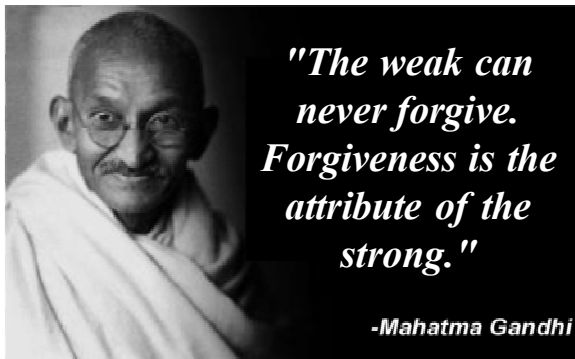




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Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 25.5
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 23.2
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST : 090
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST : 095
Sunrise time on 27/09/2025 (in IST): 0508
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Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)- in mm: 073.7
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Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 2025 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 2942.0



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UT-Level 'Swachhata Hi Seva' prog. organized at Marina Park

Hon'ble Lt. Governor administers Swachhata Pledge and flagged off sanitation vehicles to further strengthen city's cleanliness initiatives

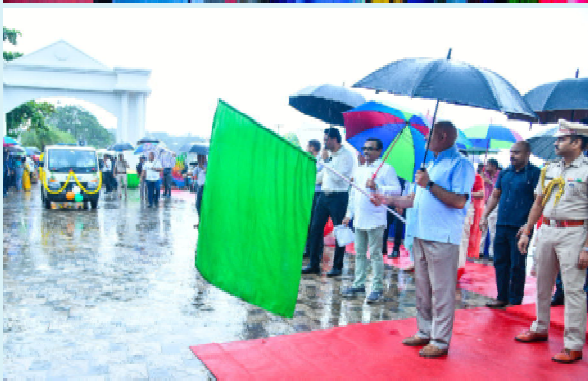
Interacts with 3R Team of SVPMC & Teachers/Students from schools who showcased innovative projects on waste-to-wealth

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

As part of the nationwide 'Swachhata Hi Seva' campaign, a UT-level function was organized this morning at Marina Park, Sri Vijaya Puram. Admiral D.K. Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Lieutenant Governor, A&N Islands & Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency graced the occasion as the chief guest.

The programme commenced with a walk-through tour of waste-to-wealth initiatives, highlighting innovative practices in sustainable waste management. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor interacted with the 3R Team of SVPMC and Teachers/Students from schools who had showcased their innovative projects on waste-to-wealth, appreciating their efforts and creativity in driving the message of sustainability.

This was followed by a plantation drive under the theme "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam", symbolizing the Administration's commitment to environmental conservation. A clean-up drive by school children drew wide appreciation, reflecting the active role of the younger generation in spreading the message of cleanliness. The Hon'ble Lt. Governor administered the Swachhata Pledge and also flagged off sanitation vehicles, further strengthening the city's cleanliness initiatives. The event witnessed the active participation of the Chairperson, Sri Vijaya Puram Municipal



Council, Senior Officers of the A&N Administration, Senior Vice Chairperson, Councillors, school students and members of the general public.

Upholding the vision of Swachh Bharat, the



programme served as a reminder that lasting change is possible only through continued citizen involvement in creating a cleaner, greener and healthier Andaman & Nicobar Islands.



Swachhata Hi Seva - 2025 Rollout

On September 17, the Sri Vijaya Puram Municipal Council (SVPMC) inaugurated the "Swachhata Hi Seva - 2025" campaign with a solemn ceremony in front of the National Memorial Cellular Jail. The programme began with the Swachhata Pledge, administered by Shri Shahul Hameed, Chairperson, SVPMC, in the presence of senior officers, councillors, staff, and members of the public.

As part of the inaugural activities, a Signature Campaign, Sapling Plantation under the theme 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam', and a Cleanliness Drive from Clock Tower to Cellular Jail were undertaken, reflecting collective commitment towards cleanliness, sustainability, and community participation.

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Hon'ble MP inaugurates Multispecialty Health Camp at PHC Garacharma

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

A Multispecialty Health Camp under the Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan (SNSPA) was organized at PHC Garacharma today.

Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray inaugurated the program by lighting the lamp as the chief guest. In his address, Hon'ble MP emphasized on the importance of combating anemia, encouraged children to undergo anemia screening and consume a nutritious diet rich in iron. He also urged women to actively participate in screening



activities for early detection of anemia, hypertension, diabetes, and oral cancer.

Dr. Suja Antony, Director of Health Services, Dr. H. M. Siddaraju, Deputy Director (FW)/ Joint Secretary (RCH-II), Dr.

M. Joy, CMO I/c PHC Garacharma, Smti. Radhika Dheeraj, Senior Vice Chairperson, SVPMC and Shri V. Vetrivelu, Councillor Ward No. 19 were also present on the occasion.

Dr. M. Joy, CMO, I/c, (Contd. on last page)

A&N Administration constitutes UT Level Committee for immediate pest assessment

Six-member team constituted under directions of Chief Secretary deputed to Little Andaman to assess pest situation - expert support from Government of India also sought

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

In a swift and determined move to protect farmers' livelihoods, the A&N Administration has deputed a six-member UT-Level Committee to Little Andaman to assess the severe pest infestation reported in plantation

crops.

The team, comprising senior officers from the Administration along with experts from ICAR-CIARI and the Central Integrated Pest Management Centre (CIPMC), will conduct an on-the-ground assessment of the situation, interact

with PRI members and farmers, and recommend urgent remedial measures.

To ensure long-term, sustainable solutions, the Administration has also initiated a proposal to call in an expert team from the Ministry of Agriculture & (Contd. on page 2)

DC (Nicobars) inaugurates Transit Hostel at Kamorta Island under ITDP

Tribal Council leaders expresses gratitude for the initiative

Kamorta, Sept. 26

The Deputy Commissioner of Nicobar, Shri Amit Kale, IAS officially inaugurated the newly constructed Transit Hostel at Kamorta Island on Sept. 24. The ceremony was graced by Shri. Aditya

Sangotra, Assistant Commissioner, Nancowry, Shri Charles Jacob, Chairperson, Tribal Council Kamorta, and Smt. Aysa Majid, Chairperson, Tribal Council, Nancowry.

The Transit Hostel with 25 rooms (50 bedded) is a

significant step towards improving infrastructure and accessibility for the residents of the Nancowry Group of Islands. It is designed to provide temporary accommodation for Government employees (Contd. on last page)

World Tourism Day with the theme 'Tourism & Sustainable Transformation' to be celebrated today

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

Alongwith the rest of the country and world, World Tourism Day 2025 will be celebrated in Andaman & Nicobar Islands too. The Department of Tourism, A&N Administration, has announced exciting calendar of programmes that will unfold across the Islands under the UNWTO's global theme "Tourism & Sustainable Transformation."

To mark the occasion, the Department of Tourism has curated a wide range of activities that will involve tourists, residents, and stakeholders in meaningful ways. Tourists will be accorded traditional welcome at main entry point of Airport, National Memorial Cellular Jail, and Jetties at Swaraj Dweep & Shaheed Dweep on Sept. 27. Heritage Walk will be organized by Tourism Department in association with Art & Culture Department on Sept. 27, which will start from National Memorial Cellular Jail at 6 AM. Entry to Museums viz. Chatham Saw Mill, Samudrika, Anthropological Museum, Fisheries Museum, and National Memorial Cellular Jail will be free on Sept. 27.

As part of the celebration, a thematic seminar will be organized in the Conference Hall of Megapode Nest, Haddo tomorrow (Sept. 27) from 10 AM, featuring discussions on sustainable tourism practices, expert talks by tourism stakeholders, and the launch of key initiatives of the Tourism Department, A&N Administration. Similarly, Chess and Cleanliness Drive will be organized at Wandoor from 9 AM by Tourism Department in association with Education Department.

MESSAGE

On the occasion of World Tourism Day 2025, I extend my warmest greetings to the people of the A&N Islands and to all who cherish the pristine beauty of our remarkable archipelago.

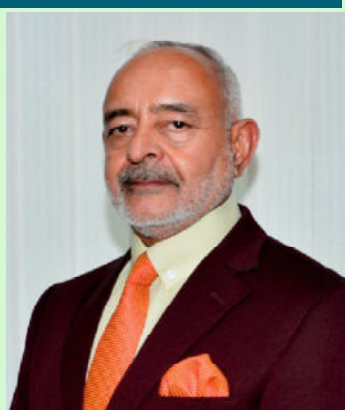
This day reminds us of the profound role tourism plays in fostering global connections, nurturing cross cultural understanding and advancing sustainable practices. The theme for this year, "Tourism and Sustainable Transformation", underscores the power of tourism to drive positive change-not only for the industry but also for our environment and local communities.

The UT Administration has long recognized tourism as a key driver of holistic development for the Islands.

Blessed with pristine beaches, lush forests, vibrant coral reefs and world class water sports, the A&N Islands remain a destination of choice for visitors from across the globe. Guided by the Islands Development Agency (IDA), we are committed to promoting tourism that upholds ecological sustainability, generates opportunities for local youth and contributes meaningfully to the vision of an Atmanirbhar and Viksit Bharat.

As we mark this occasion, let us reaffirm our collective resolve to build a tourism sector that is sustainable, inclusive and future-ready. Together, we can establish the A&N Islands as a model of responsible tourism-where every guest is welcomed with warmth and every visitor carries home cherished memories along with a deeper appreciation of nature and humanity.

May the timeless spirit of "Athithi Devo Bhava" continue to inspire our efforts in shaping tourism that is both transformative and enduring.



(Admiral D K Joshi)

PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.)
Lieutenant Governor

Andaman & Nicobar Islands & Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency

Seva Parv-2025 Painting competition by Art & Culture Deptt. and EZCC witnesses overwhelming response from students

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

As part of the nationwide celebration of Seva Parv 2025, initiated by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, the Directorate of Art & Culture, A&N Administration, in collaboration with the Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (EZCC), organized a Painting Workshop-cum-Competition in the auditorium of Girls Sr. Sec. Schools, Sri Vijaya Puram today. The theme of the (Contd. on last page)

Deputy Commissioner (SA) reviews TB Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

Shri Arjun Sharma, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, chaired a review meeting of the TB Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan (TMBA) today, reaffirming the District Administration's commitment to the national goal of eliminating Tuberculosis (TB) by 2025.



The meeting focused on key interventions under evaluating the progress of (Contd. on page 2)

UT-Level 'Swachhata Hi Seva' prog. organized at Marina Park..... (Contd. from page 1)

Visible Cleanliness Drive by SVPKM under Swachhata Hi Seva - Sept. 18

SVPKM conducted a Visible Cleanliness Drive across all 24 Wards. Safai Mitras, along with councillors, residents, and community groups, undertook waste removal, bush cutting, and road cleaning to improve overall sanitation. The drive reflected the spirit of Jan Bhagidari, emphasizing that cleanliness is a shared responsibility. Officials also urged citizens to adopt waste segregation, scientific disposal, and hygiene practices in daily life to ensure a cleaner city.

Clearance of Backlog Waste Across All Wards - Sept. 19

A special drive was undertaken to clear backlog and dumped waste across all 24 Wards. The collected waste was segregated at source and transferred to the Dry Resource Centre (DRC) and compost plants for proper processing. This effort improved sanitation and reinforced the importance of waste management at source for a cleaner and healthier city.

Mass Clean-up at Corbyn's Cove Beach in association with Indian Coast Guard (A&N Command) - Sept. 20

Sri Vijaya Puram Municipal Council in collaboration with the Indian Coast Guard (A&N Command), organized a Mass Cleanup at Corbyn's Cove Beach on 21st September, 2025. SVPKM staff, Coast Guard families, sanitary workers, and the public participated enthusiastically. The Swachhata Awareness Team (SAT) sensitized participants on waste segregation, while collected waste was sent for recycling. The drive enhanced beach cleanliness while promoting community participation and collective responsibility.

Coastal Clean-up with Public Representatives - Sept. 20

A coastal clean-up at Corbyn's Cove was organized by SVPKM with the participation of public representatives and residents. Officials, Safai Mitras, and locals joined hands to clear litter and debris, reinforcing

the importance of community participation in keeping Coastal areas clean and promoting sustainable waste management.

Institutional Clean-up Drives - Sept. 20

Schools and institutions across the city conducted cleanliness drives under the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign. Students, staff, and Safai Mitras cleaned classrooms, playgrounds, and surroundings, while Swachhata Awareness Team sensitized participants on waste segregation and hygiene. Drives were also held at the Cellular Jail, Veer Savarkar Park, the Department of Science & Technology, and other institutions, reflecting collective responsibility and community participation in building a cleaner city.

Tree Pruning, Bush Cutting & Leaf Collection along Main Roads - Sept. 21

SVPKM carried out tree pruning, bush cutting, and dry leaf collection along main roads across all 24 Wards, enhancing cleanliness, safety, and the city's aesthetic appeal of public places. The initiative also supports better waste management, as the collected leaves are transported to designated composting facilities, promoting sustainability and a greener urban environment.

Cleanliness Drives at Worship Places & Water Bodies - Sept. 22

On 22nd September 2025, SVPKM carried out special cleanliness drives at places of worship and water bodies under the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign. Municipal staff, Safai Mitras, and residents joined in cleaning and spreading awareness on hygiene. The Council urged citizens to actively participate in future drives to protect public spaces and build a cleaner, greener city.

Focused Drive Against Single-Use Plastics - Sept. 23

A special drive was carried out across all 24 Wards

targeting the removal of Single-Use Plastics (SUPs) from roadsides, drains, markets and coastal stretches.

An enforcement and awareness campaign were also held in major markets, sensitizing shopkeepers and the public about the hazards of SUPs. Penalties amounting to Rs.15,000 were imposed and 22 kg of plastic bags were seized. SVPKM has reiterated its commitment to promoting sustainable practices and urged citizens to join hands in building a cleaner, greener city.

Inter-School Drawing & Painting Competition - Sept. 24

Organized an Inter-School Drawing and Painting Competition at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Auditorium on the theme "Swachhata Ki Bhagidari." A total of 243 students participated: 123 in the Junior Category (Classes III-V), 119 in the Senior Category (Classes VI-VIII), and additionally, two students each from Classes I and II, whose efforts were specially acknowledged for demonstrating early awareness and motivation towards cleanliness and civic responsibility. The young artists showcased creativity and commitment to cleanliness, inspiring awareness on the importance of sanitation and collective responsibility.

Promotes Hygiene and Health: Safai Mitra Health Camp - Sept. 24

SVPKM organized a cleanliness drive at CHC Garacharma and UHC Pathergudda, clearing surrounding areas and properly segregating municipal waste for processing. Simultaneously, a health check-up camp for 60 Safai Mitras, especially women workers, was conducted by ICMR, including blood pressure, sugar testing, and lifestyle guidance.

The initiative highlighted both environmental cleanliness and the well-being of frontline sanitation workers, with SVPKM appreciating the active participation of Safai Mitras and support from ICMR.

Sensitization Drive on Biomedical Waste Management - Sept. 24

A sensitization drive organized on biomedical waste management across healthcare institutions, focusing on waste segregation and inter-healthcare waste challenges. Sanitation officials from all 24 wards emphasized strict adherence to biomedical waste rules, proper segregation at source and awareness among healthcare providers to protect workers, patients and the environment. The drive concluded with an appeal to all stakeholders to adopt safe, responsible and inclusive waste management practices.

Storytelling Competition on Swachhata Ki Bhagidari - Sept. 24

Organized a storytelling competition for students of Classes 6 to 9, with participants from various schools, at Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Auditorium, themed "My Role in Swachhata Ki Bhagidari." The event encouraged students to express their ideas on personal responsibility, cleanliness, and civic participation, promoting awareness and active engagement in the Swachhata mission.

Targeted Cleanliness Drives Across 24 Wards

SVPKM organized a large-scale cleanliness and awareness drive across all 24 wards, focusing on cleaning Red, Blue and Green Spots, bus stands and public toilets. The campaign emphasized responsible waste disposal and urged citizens to actively contribute to creating a cleaner and healthier community, a press release from SVPKM said.

Cycling C'ship postponed

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
The Open State Track & Road Cycling Championship scheduled to be held on Sept. 27 & 28 has been postponed due to inclement weather conditions. Revised dates for the championship will be notified in due course. In view of the above, the left-out cyclists who have not registered yet are requested to submit their entries to the State Olympic Office, Netaji Stadium on any working days, a press release from ANSOA said.

North Bay Road Marathon 4.0 postponed due to inclement weather

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
Due to adverse weather condition, the scheduled 'North Bay Road Marathon 4.0' under Directorate of Education & Sports organized by the Deputy Education Officer, Wimberlygunj to be held tomorrow (Sept. 27) at 3 PM have been postponed and the new date will be informed later, a press release from DEO, Wimberlygunj said.

Road closure

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
In exercise of the powers conferred under the M.V. Act 1988 (Act No.59 of 1988) read with Administrations 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 vehicular movement on the road starting in front of ANIIDCO Office (Vikas Bhawan) has been closed from Sept. 26 (1500 hrs onwards) till further orders in view of the widening of cracks on the stretch and the threat of possible landslides owing to heavy rainfall. Hence, during the above said period, all vehicular traffic shall be diverted from Fire Brigade Junction to India Map Junction until the necessary repairs are undertaken and the road is made fit for use, a notification issued by DM (SA) said.

DC (Nicobars) inaugurates... (Contd. from page 1)

posted at Kamorta, students & residents from neighbouring Islands such as Katchal, Teressa, and Chowra. Additionally, the hostel will serve as a shelter for attendants of medical patients traveling from remote villages including Kakana, Upper Katchal, Banderkadi, Pilpillow, and Daring, ensuring they have a safe and comfortable place to stay during medical visits. The DC (Nicobars) emphasized the importance of such facilities in bridging logistical gaps and supporting the welfare of tribal communities. The Tribal Council leaders expressed gratitude for the initiative, highlighting its role in fostering connectivity and support across the Island group, a press release from DC (Nicobars) said.

Painting competition by Art & Culture (Contd. from page 1)



painting competition was 'Viksit Bharat Ke Rang; Kala Ke Sang'. Despite heavy rain since morning, as many as 162 students from Govt and Private schools and colleges participated enthusiastically in the competition. The Secretary, Art & Culture, Ms Jyoti Kumari, IAS, was the chief guest during the brief inaugural ceremony. Addressing the participants, she encouraged them to express their imagination & creativity through art. Attractive cash prizes will be awarded to winners in each category of the Painting Workshop-cum-Competition, as per the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. The winners in the College Students category will be awarded Rs.25,000, Rs.15,000 and Rs.10,000 for the first three positions respectively. In the School Students category, the top three prizes are Rs.10,000, Rs.5,000, and Rs.2,500. Additionally, three consolation prizes of Rs.1,000 each will be awarded. The results of the competition will be declared on Sept. 30, 2025 and prizes will be distributed on Oct. 4, 2025, a press release from Directorate of Art & Culture said.

Volleyball Tournament organized as part of World Tourism Day-2025

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

As part of World Tourism Day-2025 celebration, the Tourism Department in collaboration with Education Department organized a Volleyball Tournament for men & women at Multipurpose Hall of Netaji Stadium. In the final (men), Seva Bharat team defeated Prem Nagar by 21-25, 25-19, 27-29, 25-23 and 15-08 while in women's final, Island Valkyries defeated Spark Girls by 29 - 31, 21 - 25 & 22-24. The Director, IP&T, Shri Vinayak Chamadia, IAS as the chief guest of the final match gave away cash prizes to the winners and runners up team.

In his brief address, the chief guest remarked that the A&N Islands are rich in sporting talent, as reflected in the achievements of our sportspersons who have brought laurels by excelling at both national and international events. Informing about World Tourism Day celebrations,



the Director said that the theme for this year's celebration is 'Tourism & Sustainable Transformation'. He said that tourism is the lifeline of the people of the A&N Islands, as it plays a vital role in generating employment opportunities. He further emphasized the need to create awareness among the masses for the sustainable growth of tourism. A good gathering of sports enthusiasts witnessed the Volleyball tournament in which the winner teams (men & women) received a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 while the Runner up teams (men & women) received a cash prize of Rs. 8000. Eight teams of men and four teams of women participated in the two-days Volleyball tournament which was co-ordinated by the officials and staff of Education Department.

Hon'ble MP inaugurates Multispecialty (Contd. from page 1)

PHC Garacharma, introduced the programme and highlighted the main objectives of SNSPA, stressing women's health and empowerment through preventive care. A wide range of health services were provided during the camp viz. Gynecology, Paediatric, ENT, Skin consultations, Dental check-up, NCD (Non-Communicable Disease), TB, Anemia screening, ANC check-up, Immunization services and awareness sessions on menstrual hygiene and nutrition for women. In collaboration with ICDS, food baskets and healthy recipe demonstrations were also showcased by Anganwadi Workers (AWWs). The camp witnessed active participation, and a total of 90 beneficiaries availed services under the programme.

Health Screening Camp organized as part of 'Swasth Nari, Sakshat Pariwar Abhiyaan'

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

As part of the ongoing "Swasth Nari, Sakshat Pariwar Abhiyaan," a dedicated Health Screening Camp was organized by District Health Society (SA) for the staff of the Directorate of Rural Development (RD), Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRI), and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and Self-Help groups. The camp primarily focused on the early detection and prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and Tuberculosis (TB), utilizing advanced diagnostic tools including Chest X-ray screening.

This initiative was aimed

at promoting a culture of preventive and proactive healthcare among working professionals by providing them with convenient access to essential health services during office hours. The camp saw enthusiastic participation from employees, who availed themselves of the free on-site medical check-ups. The Deputy Commissioner (SA) further stated that this initiative forms a critical part of the "Swasth Nari, Sakshat Pariwar Abhiyaan", which seeks to enhance the overall health and well-being of women and families through awareness generation, preventive care, and early diagnosis. The Deputy Commissioner also highlighted that similar health screening camps are planned across other Government Departments and institutions to foster a healthier, more productive workforce. The Deputy Commissioner (SA) has urged individuals falling under vulnerable categories such as those who had TB in the past five years, have been in close contact with a TB patient, are current or former smokers or alcoholics, have diabetes, are malnourished, or are above 60 years of age to visit the nearest X-ray facility and get their chest X-ray done at the earliest, a press release from DC (SA) said.

Spice plantation on Antyodaya Diwas as part of Sewa Pakhwada under SPICE PRAVAH held

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26

The Department of Agriculture, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, proudly celebrated Antyodaya Diwas yesterday, commemorating the birth anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya, a visionary leader whose philosophy of Integral Humanism continues to inspire inclusive development. As part of the ongoing Sewa Pakhwada, a special tree plantation drive titled "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" was organized at the Organic Horticulture Farm, Sippighat. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from officials, farmers, and stakeholders, reflecting a shared commitment to environmental stewardship and grassroots empowerment. The occasion was graced by Ms. Priyanka Kumari, Director of Agriculture, Andaman and Nicobar Administration, who planted nutmeg seedlings to mark the day. Progressive farmers joined the initiative by planting black pepper vines, reinforcing the region's dedication to sustainable spice cultivation and self-reliant agriculture. Agriculture Department said.



This initiative underscores the Department's commitment to the ideals of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya- uplifting the most marginalized and promoting economic resilience through ecological action. The plantation of spice trees is a strategic step toward fostering sustainable livelihoods and enhancing biodiversity across the islands. The drive is being actively carried forward across all zones of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, with widespread participation from farming communities and local stakeholders, a press release from Agriculture Department said.

Deputy Commissioner (SA) reviews

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TMBA, including intensified TB case screening, community participation through the Ni-kshay Mitra initiative, and awareness generation activities across South Andaman. A detailed review of health centre-wise performance was conducted to highlight high-impact practices and identify areas requiring additional attention.

During the meeting, the Deputy Commissioner emphasized the critical role of community ownership, multi-sectoral collaboration, and the active involvement of private healthcare providers in enhancing TB detection, treatment, and patient support systems. He urged stakeholders to continue efforts in reaching vulnerable populations, and called for targeted, Panchayat-wise screening with the objective of achieving TB-free Panchayats. The session concluded with a collective resolve to adopt a mission-mode approach in the fight against TB and to further intensify district-level actions in alignment with the national goal of a TB Mukht Bharat by 2025, a press release from DC (SA) said.

Hindi Fortnight-2025: Hindi Workshop organized by OL Deptt.



Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
As part of Hindi Fortnight-2025, a Hindi Workshop was held in the Conference Hall of the Secretariat today. On this occasion, Shri E.P. Zakiruddin, Senior Translation Officer, Department of Official Language, briefed the participants about the various programs being organized by the Administration during the Hindi Fortnight-2025. Shri S. Mohandas, Senior

Translation Officer explained on various provisions of the Official Language Policy and Rules. Subsequently, Shri Ajay Singh, Junior Translation Officer made a presentation on the simplified procedure for preparation of the quarterly progress report and also apprised the participants about the Kantstha 2.0 software and the Bhashini application, developed by the Government of India, a press release from OL

District Police (Nicobars) conducts career counselling at GSSS Malacca

Car Nicobar, Sept. 26
The Superintendent of Police, Nicobar District, visited Government Senior Secondary School (GSSS), Malacca, Car Nicobar and briefed the students on career counselling and also addressed important issues related to cybercrime and drug abuse, in the presence of school faculty members and the SHO, Car Nicobar. He briefed about future opportunities for students,

including government schemes, scholarships, sports careers, and skill development programs. A dedicated session was held to raise awareness about the POCSO Act, stressing the importance of child protection and timely reporting of abuse. This was followed by discussions on drug abuse prevention and the crucial role of families, schools, and communities, a press release from SP (Nicobars) said.

Chess & Coastal Clean-up prog. inspires students at Laxman Beach, Campbell Bay



Campbell Bay, Sept. 26
In a unique celebration of International Coastal Clean-up Day, students and staff of PM SHRI Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Campbell Bay joined hands with the Indian Coast Guard to organize a chess and coastal clean-up programme at Laxman Beach, Campbell Bay. The event highlighted the theme 'Checkmating plastic and protecting our coast while promoting chess'. It encouraged students to think critically, act responsibly, and understand the importance of sustainability in

their daily lives. Students, teachers, Indian Coast Guard officials and volunteers enthusiastically took part in the beach clean-up, collecting plastic and other waste, while also participating in a chess activity that challenged their strategic thinking. The Indian Coast Guard played a vital role, guiding the clean-up efforts. Teachers and staff supported students at every step, making the initiative both educational and impactful, a press release from Education Department said.

JNRM celebrates Rashtriya Poshan Maah; series of events organized

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
The Department of Home Science, JNRM celebrated Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2025. To create awareness among the students and rural population, Inter Department Competitions like Poster Making, Slogan, Healthy Recipe & Quiz besides rural village visit were organized. The program was inaugurated on Sept. 18 by Dr. H.K. Sharma, Principal, JNRM. On Sept. 19, a Walkathon was organized where students and faculties participated. On Sept. 20, the students and faculty of Deptt. of Home Science visited Gram Panchayat, Mithakhari

village and through a Nukkad Natak explained about the balanced diet and importance of various nutrients in our diet. The convenor of the program, Smt. Nidhi Shekhawat, Assistant Professor, HoD, Department of Home Science highlighted the importance of nutrients present in traditional recipe of India and modification in lifestyle among children. The Director of Social Welfare, Shri. Ravinder Kumar was the chief guest in valedictory function and certificates were distributed, a press release from JNRM said.

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Farmers' Welfare, Government of India. This step will bring national-level technical expertise to the Islands, reinforcing the commitment to safeguard plantation crops and secure farmer incomes. The Department of Agriculture has reassured farmers that their problems are being treated on priority, and that timely interventions and scientific solutions will be implemented without delay. This proactive action reflects the Administration's farmer-first approach and unwavering commitment to protect the agricultural backbone of the Islands, a press release from Department of Agriculture said.

Curtailment in water supply in areas served by Garacharma Water Treatment Plant due to repair fuel pump

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
Due to sudden repair of newly shifted 375 HP Diesel pump and subsequent delay in transportation of repaired fuel pump from Kolkata difficulties are being faced in maintaining normal scheduled supply in the area served by Garacharma Water Treatment Plant during power cut. Hence, it has been planned to maintain water supply in the area served by Garacharma Water Treatment Plant at 30% curtailment i.e. every 3rd day supply for next two days i.e. till Sept. 29. Officials of Sri Vijaya Puram Municipal Council have been advised to schedule supply accordingly in their respective area. Water Tanker supply will be available from Lamba Line Treatment Plant only. The general public have been advised to conserve water during this period and use rain water for non-domestic purpose. Inconvenience to general public is deeply regretted during this period, a press release from PHED, APWD said.

NIOT organises Coastal Clean-up Drive at Wandoor & North Bay Beaches



Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
As part of the Government of India's Swachhata Hi Sewa-2025 campaign, the Atal Centre for Ocean Science and Technology for Islands (ACOSTI), a field centre of the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), conducted coastal Cleanup drives at Wandoor Beach on Sept. 23 and North Bay Beach on Sept. 25. The initiative was also aligned with the national campaign Swachh Sagar, Surakshith Sagar (Clean Sea, Safe Sea). The drives, aimed at promoting cleanliness and sustainable coastal ecosystems,

saw active participation from NIOT staff, forest officials, students of JNRM College, and Panchayat members. At Wandoor, the event was attended among others by Ms. Rashida Bibi, Panchayat Pradhan, Hopetown. Welcoming the participants, Dr. Dilip Kumar Jha, Officer-in-Charge, NIOT-ACOSTI, highlighted the threat posed by single-use plastics and called for collective action, particularly in fragile island ecosystems. At Wandoor, 75 volunteers collected 271.9 kg of marine litter, while 92 volunteers at North Bay gathered 187.6 kg, a press release from NIOT said.

Additional ferry service for Campbell Bay via all Ports in view of festive season

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
In view of forthcoming festive season, to facilitate the commuters of Southern Group of Islands the Directorate of Shipping Services has arranged an additional ferry service between Sri Vijay Puram and Campbell Bay via all ports on 3rd October, 2025. The vessel MV Kalighat has been scheduled to sail for Campbell Bay via Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry on 03.10.2025 at 1500 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Sri Vijaya Puram on 06.10.2025 at 1200 Hrs from Campbell Bay via Nancowry, Katchal, Teressa, Chowra, Car Nicobar & Little Andaman. Intending passengers may avail these additional ferry services as per the schedule given below. Tickets can be booked through the DSS e-ticketing portal (<https://dss.andamannicobar.gov.in/e-ticketing>) or at STARS Ticketing Counters from 27.09.2025 onwards between 0900 hrs and 1600 hrs.

ARRIVAL	PORT	DEPARTURE
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04/0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	03/1500 Hrs
05/0500 Hrs	Car Nicobar	04/1600 Hrs
05/0700 Hrs	Chowra	05/0600 Hrs
05/1100 Hrs	Teressa	05/0800 Hrs
05/1300 Hrs	Katchal	05/1200 Hrs
06/0500 Hrs	Nancowry	05/2000 Hrs
06/1800 Hrs	Campbell Bay	06/1200 Hrs
07/0600 Hrs	Nancowry	07/0500 Hrs
07/1000 Hrs	Katchal	07/0700 Hrs
07/1200 Hrs	Teressa	07/1100 Hrs
07/1730 Hrs	Chowra	07/1300 Hrs
08/0600 Hrs	Car Nicobar	07/1800 Hrs
08/1400 Hrs	Little Andaman	08/0700 Hrs
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ANCOL students sensitized on drug abuse

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
The Integrated Rehabilitation Centre for Addictions (IRCA), in collaboration with the District Administration, South Andaman, organized an awareness programme for the students of Andaman College (ANCOL), on Sept. 24 & 25 on the theme 'Addressing Drug Challenges in Health and Humanitarian Crises'. Dr. S. Jayakumar, Principal, ANCOL inaugurated the programme, and initiated the session. Dr. Madhan Kumar Mahato, Medical Officer, Shri Rohit Paroi, Project Coordinator, DDR/IRCA, Ms. Anchamna, Project Assistant, NAPDDR, Shri Surya Narayan, Assistant Sub Inspector, Anti-Narcotic Cell, Shri Ratin Mallick, Counsellor-cum-Psychologist, Shri Madhav Rao, team member; and Shri Sanjay Yadav from the Police Team sensitized students about the health implications of substance abuse and strategies for overcoming addiction. Adding an element of creativity, the Police Entertainment Team performed a skit on drug abuse, which effectively conveyed the message and was well-appreciated by the students, a press release from ANCOL said.

Ayurveda Health Awareness Camp held at Old Age Home, Ferrargunj



Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
As part of the celebration of the 10th Ayurveda Day with the theme: 'Ayurveda for People & Planet', an 'Ayurveda Health Awareness Camp' was organized at the Old Age Home, Ferrargunj yesterday by the AYUSH Wing of DHS and the A & N State Society. At the onset of the programme, Dr. Suryakant Singh, MO (Ayur) spoke about the significance of celebrating Ayurveda Day. During the camp, a talk was also

given on improving immunity using ayurvedic principles, the importance of cleanliness, healthy nutritional habits, and incorporating Yoga into daily routines to maintain both physical and mental health. The activity was collaborated with the theme of ongoing Poshan Maah. More than 50 residents were examined and provided with Ayurvedic medicines based on their health conditions, a press release from AYUSH said.

Multi-Specialty Health Camp organized at Diglipur



Diglipur, Sept. 26
A Multi-Specialty Health Camp was organized under the ongoing Swasth Naari, Sashakt Pariwar Abhiyaan by Sub-district Hospital Diglipur and PHC Radhanagar in collaboration with the District Health Society, North & Middle Andaman. The programme was graced by Shri Dipankar Mistry, Pramukh, Diglipur as the chief guest and Smti. Nilima Sammader, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Radhanagar as the guest of honour. The camp featured a wide range of medical consultations and screenings, including NCD check-ups, anemia testing, TB screening, menstrual hygiene awareness, and maternal health sessions.

Special consultations were provided by Dr Sharvani, Pediatrician, Dr. Vishal (MO Allopathic), Dr. Dikhsha (MO Dental), and Dr Shipra Mistry (MO Ayurveda). A total of 98 participants, including women, adolescent girls, and community members, benefited from the camp, which successfully promoted awareness about women's health and empowerment. The dignitaries appreciated the efforts of DC, N&M Andaman and CMO, CHC Diglipur in organizing such a camp and emphasized the importance of preventive and curative health care for holistic well-being of women, a press release from CHC Diglipur said.

Deptt. of AH&VS conducts Azolla cultivation demonstration in Calicut

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
The Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services (AH&VS), in collaboration with the Union Territory Agricultural Technology Management Agency (UT ATMA), conducted a one-day demonstration on Azolla cultivation on Sept. 22, in the field of Shri Moosakutty, Calicut, South Andaman. The initiative aimed to promote Azolla as a cost-effective and nutritious animal feed supplement to enhance livestock productivity. Inaugurating the event, Shri Yegambaram, Gram Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Calicut urged participants to adopt Azolla cultivation to support sustainable

livestock farming. Dr. Subramanian, resource person, demonstrated the advantages of Azolla cultivation. Inputs such as shade nets, shovels, polythene sheets, and basins were provided to the farmers, along with Azolla seeds for cultivation. Dr. Siva Rani, Senior Veterinary Officer, Rangachang, addressed the farmers on the benefits of Azolla as a feed supplement, emphasizing its role in improving animal nutrition. Ms. Naziya and Ms. Nargis, Block Technology Managers, ATMA facilitated interactive sessions where farmers' queries were addressed, fostering knowledge exchange, a press release from Deptt. of AH&VS said.

Essay Competition-cum-Workshop organized by NSO at JNRM & VKV

Sri Vijaya Puram, Sept. 26
The National Statistics Office (NSO) under the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation organized an Essay Competition-cum-Workshop at JNRM, Sri Vijaya Puram on Sept. 19 to mark the 75 years of the National Sample Survey (NSS). The topic of the essay competition was "Importance of Surveys in Government Decision Making." Inaugurating the event, Shri Bappa Saha, Assistant Director,

NSO, emphasized the critical role played by surveys in evidence-based policy formulation. Around 200 students actively participated in the workshop, showcasing their understanding of the role of surveys in governance and policy decisions. A similar competition was also organised at Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, Lamba Line on Sept. 15 where around 30 students took part in the event, a press release from National Statistics Office said.

AFFIDAVIT

I, Nikita Das, D/o Nakul Ch Das. Aged about 25 years, R/o Minnie Bay (Dairy Farm) Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil, South Andaman District, do hereby solemnly affirm and state as follows:-
1. That I am the Daughter of Shri Nakul Ch Das and My Date of Birth is 30.04.1998 and it is true to my best of my knowledge.
2. That in My Birth Certificate issued by Registrar Birth and Death Urban area Municipal Council Port Blair, in My Islander Identity Card bearing No. 10424509678004 issued by Republic of India My Father's name has been written as Nakul Das instead of Nakul Ch Das.
3. That in My Aadhaar Card bearing No. 5822 6618 0243 as well as PAN Card bearing No. GHIPD9712H issued by Income Tax Department Govt. of India My Father's name has been wrongly written as "Nakul Chandra Das" instead of "Nakul Ch Das".
4. That "Nakul Ch Das", "Nakul Das" and "Nakul Chandra Das" are the same and one identical person.
5. That this affidavit for the purpose of correction of My Father's name in my all documents. Hence this Affidavit.
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9.	Mason	Pay Level – 2 (Rs.19900 - Rs. 63200)	01
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*Number of vacancies is tentative under each category and may change subject to actual vacancy at the time of appointment.

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Closing Date & Time : 30.10.2025 at 2300 hrs.

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