

Decisive role of DRDO weapons during

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made by the DRDO towards deep tech and next-generation technologies, he stated that headway in this endeavour will not only increase the nation's capabilities, but also strengthen the defence ecosystem.

Emphasising that the present era is not just of science, but of continuous development and constant learning, Shri Rajnath Singh stated that technology scanning, capability assessment, and future readiness are no longer just words in this changing world. "The world is changing every day. Technology, innovation, and new warfare domains are rapidly advancing, making yesterday's knowledge obsolete. We must never assume that the learning process has ended. We must continue learning and challenge ourselves, paving the way for the new generation," he said.

During the meeting, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri was briefed by Secretary, Department of Defence R&D and Chairman DRDO, Dr Samir V Kamat about the ongoing R&D activities, achievements of the organisation in 2025, various initiatives in promoting industry, start-ups & academia and the roadmap for 2026.

Awareness prog. on drug and substance abuse held under 'Nasha Mukth Bharat Abhiyaan'

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 1

In connection with Nasha Mukth Bharat Abhiyaan, awareness programme on Drug and Substance Abuse was held on Dec. 30 at Gram Panchayat Brindaban. The programme was organized by Integrated Rehabilitation Center for Addicts (IRCA) under District Administration, South Andaman and collaboration with NAPDDR Directorate of Social Welfare, NTCP, Directorate of Health Services and Anti-Narcotic CID Branch A&N Police.

Large number of public and PRIs member, Gram Panchayat Brindaban attended the programme. Smt M.A. Naseem Banu, Pradhan Gram Panchayat Brindaban and Shri U.K. Abdul Aziz, Zilla Parishad



Member Gram Panchayat, details of COTPA Act. Shri Surya Narayan, Assistant Sub Inspector, Anti-Narcotics (CID) spoke on the legal aspect including NDPS Act offences. Ms. Anchamma, Project Coordinator, NAPDDR, Directorate of Social Welfare, provided insights into the current status of drug addiction in the A&N Islands. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed Shri Rohit Paroi, Project Coordinator-Cum-Vocation Counsellor, DDR/IRCA, a press release from DDR/IRCA, SA said.

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, GoI to

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attend the selection trials along with the documents issued by the A & N Administration viz. Original ST Certificate and two self-attested copies; Original State Domicile Certificate and two self-attested copies (Islander Card/ Local Certificate, etc).

Schedule and Venue of the State Level Selection Trials

SPORTS DISCIPLINE	DATE AND TIME	VENUE
1. Football-Men	6th January, 2026, 8:00 am	BJR Stadium, Car Nicobar
2. Football-Women	7th January, 2026, 8:00 am	
3. Hockey-Men	6th January, 2026, 10:00 am	
4. Hockey-Women	7th January, 2026, 10:00 am	
5. Athletics-Men	6th January, 2026, 8:00 am	Modern Sports Complex, Lapathy, Car Nicobar
6. Athletics-Women	7th January, 2026, 8:00 am	
7. Weightlifting-Men	6th January, 2026, 10:00 am	
8. Weightlifting-Women	7th January, 2026, 10:00 am	
9. Swimming-Men	6th January, 2026, 8:00 am	Swimming Pool and Archery Range, Netaji Sports Complex, Sri Vijaya Puram
10. Swimming-Women	7th January, 2026, 8:00 am	
11. Archery-Men (Recurve & Compound)	6th January, 2026, 8:00 am	
12. Archery-Women (Recurve & Compound)	7th January, 2026, 8:00 am	

For any further queries, contact Shri. G Nagesh Rao, PET, 7063974074 and Shri. A G Praveen Rao, PET, 9474230278, a press release from Directorate of Sports & Youth Affairs said.

Training on Anemia Mukt Bharat

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on 29/12/2025 & 30/12/2025 in the Conference Hall of AYUSH Hospital, Junglighat. The training was aimed to combat anaemia among children, adolescents, women, and pregnant mothers and focuses on improving nutrition, promoting iron-rich diets, and providing iron and folic acid supplements. The program was graced by Dr H.M Siddaraju, Director of Health Services, Dr. B. Ajit Kumar, Link Officer, Deputy Director (FW) and Dr. Kalyan P Kadhbane, Deputy Director (AYUSH).

The Director of Health Services emphasized on creating awareness on T3 (Test, Treat and Talk) camp in schools, Anganwadi Centres and Community level.

Dr. Bhawani Prasad S M, Assistant Professor (Medicine), ANIIMS, Dr. Mitul Saha, SR, Community Medicine, ANIIMS and Dr. Rohit, SNO, UNDP were the resource persons for the above said training. Altogether 30 No. of ANMs and 25 CHOs from various health institutions were trained, a press release from DHS said.

Assistance for farmers under Minor

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Societies will be provided 75% of system cost including Pumpset or Rs. 93,750/- per ha. whichever is less with 100% transport subsidy.

Documents to be Submitted are:

1. Filled application form in the prescribed format.
2. Latest copy of land record from CSC (in original) or attested by a Gazetted Officer / Revenue Officer.
3. Copy of Aadhaar Card.
4. Copy of bank details in favour of the farmer.
5. NOC from co-tenants (in case of joint property).
6. Mobile number linked with the applicant's bank account.

How to Apply:

Interested farmers have been requested to contact the Agriculture Sub-Depot or Zonal Office in their respective areas to obtain the prescribed application form.

The filled-in application form along with the required documents are to be submitted to the respective Zonal Office for availing the Assistance under Scheme. Application forms for the subsidy are available at all Agricultural Sub Depot and Zonal Agricultural offices in the Islands.

For further details, may contact Assistant Director (Soil)/Zonal Officers/Kisan Call Centre No. 03192-243434/18003451145, a press release from Department of Agriculture said.

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Venue of written exam for post of Forest Ranger scheduled to be held at DBRAIT on Jan. 3 & 4 shifted to Carmel Senior Secondary School

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The candidates appearing for the written examination for the post of Forest Ranger in the Department of Environment & Forests, A&N Administration scheduled to be held at DBRAIT, Dollygunj on 03.01.2026 & 04.01.2026 have been informed that due to administrative reasons, the venue of written examinations stands changed as indicated below.

Sl. No.	Subject (s)	Date	Day	Timing	Venue
1.	Computer Application, Computer Engineering, Computer Science	03/01/2026	Saturday	09:00 AM To 12:00 Noon	Carmel Senior Secondary School, Sri Vijaya Puram
2.	Forestry, Physics	03/01/2026	Saturday	02:00 PM To 05:00 PM	Carmel Senior Secondary School, Sri Vijaya Puram
3.	General Knowledge & General English	04/01/2026	Sunday	09:00 AM To 12:00 Noon	Carmel Senior Secondary School, Sri Vijaya Puram

All other terms, conditions and Hall tickets issued by the Department in this regard shall remain the same. There is no change in any other centers of examination on 4.1.2026. For any further information, the candidates may contact 03192-233233/241874, a press release from Van Sadan said.

J S Virat and S Bhavishya shine at 14th National Schools Chess C'ship 2025

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan 1

Young chess talents J S Virat and S Bhavishya from the Andaman & Nicobar Islands delivered commendable performances at the 14th National Schools Chess Championship 2025, which concluded yesterday at the Sarusajai Indoor Stadium, Guwahati, Assam. The championship, held from 27th to 31st December 2025, witnessed participation from over 1100 players across India, competing in twelve categories ranging from Under-7 to Under-17.

J S Virat delivered an outstanding performance in the Under-13 category, remaining undefeated throughout the

championship. He scored an impressive 6.5 points out of 9 rounds, secured eighth position, finished

among the top ten players in a highly competitive national championship, and won a medal & cash prize at the national level. In addition, six other players from the Andaman & Nicobar Islands namely ACM Disha Meenakshi G (Under-11 Girls), ACM Saw Jinson Samuel (Under-9), ACM Agrata Singh (Under-13 Girls), ACM Nuhuan Siddique V K (Under-7), ACM Arima Singh, and ACM Priya Singh (Under-13 Girls) also put up commendable performances in their respective age categories, a press release from ANCA said.

In the Under-17 Girls category, S Bhavishya put up a brilliant performance, scoring 5.5 points out of 9 rounds to secure ninth position, finishing among the top ten players at the national level, earning a medal & cash prize.

Pre-Marital Communication Center inaugurated at Andaman Law College

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The Pre-Marital Communication Center (PMCC) was inaugurated at Andaman Law College. The PMCC is an initiative of the National Commission for Women Capacity Building Cell, with the tagline 'Tere Mere Sapne.' This center is the 64th one in the country and the first in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands UT.

Shri Ravinder Kumar, Director, Directorate of Social Welfare, A&N Islands, has inaugurated the center in the presence of students, staff, and

faculty members of Andaman Law College. In his address, Shri Ravinder said that the lack of premarital preparation leads to marital discord, disharmony, and dissatisfaction, leading to the development of mistrust, an increase in cases of domestic violence and abuse, and

eventually leading to divorce among young couples. Speaking on the occasion, Principal, ALC said that the very objective of this PMCC is to help prospective partners understand that if marriage is a choice, let it be an informed choice, a press release from ALC said.

Dept. of AH&VS conducts awareness prog. on stray dog management in two schools in South Andaman

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 1

Continuing its intensive Island-wide mass awareness campaign on 'Stray Dog Bite Prevention and Management', the Department of AH&VS organised two dedicated sessions on Dec. 26, 2025, reaching out to students and teachers at GSSS Prothrapur and Saraswati Shishu Mandir Senior Secondary School, Pathergudda.

At GSSS Prothrapur, Dr. V Subramanian, Senior Veterinary Officer (SVO), Veterinary Hospital, Garacharma, addressed students and teachers. The session covered

safe behaviour around stray and pet dogs, immediate first-aid measures in case of bites, the importance of thorough wound reporting, and the scientific role of the Animal Birth Control (ABC) programme in humanely controlling the stray dog population. Similarly, at Saraswati Shishu Mandir Senior Secondary School, Pathergudda, the SVO sensitised students and

teachers on recognising signs of aggression in dogs, avoiding situations that provoke bites, responsible community practices such as not feeding strays on roadsides, and supporting sterilisation and vaccination drives. Both sessions featured lively interactive discussions where students raised practical questions and doubts, all of which were patiently clarified, a press release from Deptt. of AH&VS said.

Registration of Motor Vehicles in Series 'AN01-W' available for reservation from Jan. 5

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submitting application online:

1. U-Series (This series will be the normal running series)
2. V-Series
3. W-Series

Further, it is informed that those vehicle owners who intend to book registration mark of their choice in the previous series can also avail the same for the left-out registration marks on payment as per the prescribed price, a press release from Transport Department said.

Viewing of Moon & Planet Saturn at Science Centre

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the exciting experience of viewing the Planet-Saturn & its Gigantic Rings popularly known as Lord of the Rings and the Moon & its craters through powerful telescope. The entry fee for the sky show is Rs.10/- per head.

Further, there shall be a Special 3D Show at 5.30 pm & 6.30 pm. The programme to be presented includes description about the Moon and the Planet-Saturn & its satellites. The visitors shall be provided with a Sky map of the sky over Sri Vijaya Puram for locating planets and other celestial bodies. The visitor can also have

PAWS initiative strengthened through

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Shyam Nagar; Shri Ajit Roy, Pradhan, Govind Nagar, Smti Gurjot Kaur, BDO, Prothrapur Block, Shri Sudhanshu Biswas and Smti C. Aleena, Panchayat Secretary, Swaraj Dweep, extended valuable support by facilitating temporary dog shelter and arrangements for feeding and management of the animals during the programme. Additionally, the SVPMC provided trained dog catchers, who also trained local volunteers in humane dog-catching methods, contributing significantly to the smooth implementation of the programme.

During the campaign, awareness programmes were conducted on 'Stray Dog Bite Prevention' all over the Islands to educate citizens on safe behavior around community animals including schools and among general public. In Shaheed Dweep, 636 students and teachers attended the awareness programmes while in Swaraj Dweep, 1198 students and teachers were covered. The programme witnessed enthusiastic participation from students as well, who were advised to participate in the ABC programmes by bringing their pets to the Veterinary Dispensary for sterilization. The general public were made aware of the need for waste management and identification of dedicated dog feeding zones, especially in tourist popular beaches.

Encouraged by the progress achieved in Swaraj Dweep, similar veterinary teams have now been constituted for North and Middle Andaman, and field operations are being planned in coordination with the respective District Administration and local bodies to ensure effective coverage and sustained outcomes. The campaign will cover towns in Rangat and Diglipur where ABC programmes will aim at sterilization of maximum numbers of stray dogs while at the same time sensitize the general public, especially the school children, about their role in management of stray dog population and the need for avoiding human-dog conflict.

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services earnestly requests the cooperation of residents, Pradhans, and local NGOs to extend their cooperation for making this program successful.

The Andaman and Nicobar Administration has designated Helpline No. ERSS- 112 to report presence of stray animal in public spaces.

The collaborative implementation of PAWS reflects the Administration's commitment to responsible stray animal management, community participation, and humane animal welfare practices, in alignment with national guidelines and judicial directions, a press release from Department of AH&VS said.

Restriction on carrying items.....

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Water Bottle, Packets, Briefcase, Transmitter, Tiffin Box, Glass Items, Sharp Objects like Screw Driver etc. at the places of function which is to be attended by the VVIP, a press release from SP (Security) said.

India's First Maritime NBFC, SMFCL Begins Lending, Sanctions Rs.4,300 Crs

India's Maritime Finance Ecosystem Gets Dedicated Lender as SMFCL Targets Rs.8,000 Crore Loan Book in FY26

About RS.4,000 Crore earmarked for Greenfield Port Project

New Delhi, Jan. 1 (PIB)

Sagarmala Finance Corporation Limited (SMFCL), India's first maritime focussed Non Banking Financial Company (NBFC), commenced its lending operations, marking a major milestone in the evolution of India's maritime finance ecosystem. The company approved loan sanctions of about Rs.4,300 crore at its 51st Board Meeting held on Dec. 30, 2025, formally entering the maritime lending space in line with the strategy approved by its Board.

The move follows an aggressive market roadmap cleared at SMFCL's Annual General Meeting (AGM), where the Board approved an overall borrowing limit of Rs.25,000 crore and a lending target of Rs.8,000 crore for the current financial year. With the latest sanctions scheduled for disbursement within the ongoing fiscal year, SMFCL is targeting a loan book of Rs.8,000 crore in FY 2025-26, reinforcing its ambition to emerge as a dedicated and credible financier for the maritime sector.

An amount of about Rs.4,000 crore has been earmarked for a Greenfield Port Project, reinforcing the Centre's push for port-led development. In addition, Dredging Corporation of India (DCI) secured Rs.150 crore, while Goa Shipyard received Rs.110 crore from the same tranche, supporting dredging capacity and indigenous shipbuilding capabilities.

SMFCL was inaugurated on June 26, 2025, as India's first Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) exclusively focused on maritime financing by Hon'ble Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) Shri Sarbananda Sonowal. The institution was

created to bridge long-standing financing gaps and deliver sector-specific financial solutions to ports, MSMEs, startups and institutions, in alignment with the 'Amrit Kaal Vision 2047' and the country's broader blue economy goals.

Commenting on the commencement of lending operations, the Hon'ble Union Minister, Sarbananda Sonowal said, "This is a milestone which reflects PM Shri Narendra Modi ji's leadership. Under Shri Modi ji's leadership, our maritime sector has witnessed unprecedented policy clarity, institutional reform and investor confidence. Such commitment to long-term, future-ready growth has created the ecosystem that enables specialised institutions like SMFCL to catalyse development across the blue economy. With strengthened maritime sector, we are cruising smoothly towards our goal of Vixit Bharat."

The company said ratings from major credit rating agencies are expected shortly, a development that is likely to further optimise borrowing costs and support the scaling up of lending operations. SMFCL's expansion strategy is backed by strong institutional support from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, which has designated the corporation as the nodal agency for the establishment and operational coordination of the Maritime Development Fund (MDF) with a total corpus of Rs.25,000 crore.

The MDF includes the Maritime Investment Fund with a corpus of Rs.20,000 crore and the Interest Incentivisation Fund with a corpus of Rs.5,000 crore. Under the approved framework, SMFCL will hold and manage the Government of India's contribution to the Alternative Investment Fund established for the Maritime Investment Fund in a fiduciary capacity. In addition, SMFCL will act as the nodal agency to channelise the Interest Incentivisation Fund, significantly expanding its scope of funding support across maritime segments. SMFCL said the forthcoming notification of guidelines for the Shipbuilding Financial Assistance Scheme, with an outlay of Rs.44,700 crore, is expected to open new avenues for investment and collaboration, particularly in shipbuilding and allied industries, further strengthening the domestic maritime manufacturing ecosystem.

The corporation will offer tailored financial products to eligible government and private sector entities operating across the entire maritime value chain. Its offerings will include short-, medium- and long-term loans, solutions to address cash-flow mismatches, balance-sheet financing, and non-fund-based products designed to meet the specific needs of maritime projects and enterprises.

With lending operations now underway, SMFCL said it is positioned to play a catalytic role in accelerating maritime infrastructure development, supporting indigenous shipbuilding, and deepening access to institutional finance for India's rapidly expanding blue economy, in line with national development priorities.

DRDO successfully conducts salvo launch of two Pralay missiles in quick succession

New Delhi, Jan. 1 (PIB)

Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully conducted salvo launch of two Pralay missiles in quick succession from the same launcher off the coast of Odisha at about 1030 hrs on December 31, 2025. The flight-test was conducted as part of user evaluation trials. Both the missiles followed the intended trajectory meeting all flight objectives as confirmed by tracking sensors deployed by the Integrated Test Range, Chandipur. The terminal events were confirmed by Telemetry systems installed onboard ship, deployed near the impact points.

Pralay is an indigenously developed solid propellant quasi-ballistic missile employing state-of-the-art guidance and navigation to ensure high precision. The missile is capable of carrying multiple types of warheads against various targets.

The missile has been developed by Research Centre Imarat, Hyderabad in collaboration with other DRDO laboratories - Defence Research and Development Laboratory, Advanced Systems Laboratory, Armament Research and Development Establishment, High Energy Materials Research Laboratory, Defence Metallurgical Research Laboratory, Terminal Ballistics Partners.



Research Laboratory, Research & Development Establishment [Engineers] and Integrated Test Range), Development-cum-Production Partners (Bharat Dynamics Limited & Bharat Electronics Limited) and other Indian industries. For the tests, the systems were integrated by the two Development-cum-Production Partners. The tests were witnessed by senior scientists of DRDO, representatives of users from the Indian Air Force and the Indian Army as well as industry representatives including the Development-cum-Production Partners.

Hon'ble Raksha Mantri, Shri Rajnath Singh has complimented DRDO, Indian Air Force, Indian Army, DPSUs and the industry on the successful launch of the missiles in quick succession. The successful completion of the salvo launch of the Pralay missile has established the reliability of the missile, he said.

Secretary, Department of Defence R&D and Chairman, DRDO, Dr. Samir V Kamat has congratulated the DRDO teams involved in the successful flight-tests and stated that the achievement indicates imminent readiness of induction of the system with the users.

BSNL Launches Voice over WiFi (VoWiFi) Services Nationwide Across All Circles

New Delhi, Jan. 1 (PIB)

On New Year Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), India's premier state-owned telecommunications provider, is delighted to announce the nationwide rollout of Voice over WiFi (VoWiFi), also known as WiFi Calling. This advanced service is now available to all BSNL customers across every telecom circle in the country, ensuring seamless and high-quality connectivity even in challenging environments.

The service is now available to BSNL customers across all telecom circles in the country. VoWiFi enables customers to make and receive voice calls and

messages over a Wi-Fi network, ensuring clear and reliable connectivity in areas with weak mobile signal such as homes, offices, basements, and remote locations.

VoWiFi is an IMS-based service that supports seamless handovers between Wi-Fi and mobile networks. Calls are made using the customer's existing mobile number and phone dialer, without the need for third-party applications.

The service is particularly beneficial in rural and remote areas where mobile coverage may be limited, provided a stable Wi-Fi connection is available, including BSNL Bharat Fiber or

other broadband services. VoWiFi also helps reduce network congestion and is offered free of cost, with no additional charges for Wi-Fi calls.

The launch of VoWiFi is an important step in BSNL's network modernization programme and its commitment to improving connectivity across the country, especially in underserved areas.

VoWiFi is supported on most modern smartphones. Customers only need to enable WiFi Calling in their handset settings. For device compatibility and support, customers may visit the nearest BSNL customer service centre or contact the BSNL helpline - 18001503.

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana flagship scheme completes nine years

New Delhi, Jan. 1

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, a flagship scheme of the Government for pregnant women and lactating mothers, has completed nine years today.

The scheme was launched on the 1st January 2017 to provide financial support to pregnant and lactating mothers to improve their health and nutrition.

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana is a Centrally Sponsored flagship scheme to provide maternity benefits to women belonging to socially and economically disadvantaged sections of



Under the Scheme, Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers receive a cash benefit of five thousand rupees for the first child and six thousand rupees for the second girl child.

The first instalment of three

thousand rupees is given on registration of pregnancy and the second instalment of two thousand rupees is given after childbirth. The eligible beneficiaries also receive a cash incentive under Janani Suraksha Yojana.

According to the Women and Child Development Ministry, four crore 50 lakh beneficiaries are enrolled under the scheme and more than 19 thousand crore rupees has been disbursed to the beneficiaries. The scheme offers financial assistance to support nutrition, medical checkups, and overall health during pregnancy.

(Source: newsonair.gov.in)

Centre notifies draft rules for four new Labour Codes, seeks public feedback

New Delhi, Jan. 1

The Centre has notified draft rules for the four new Labour Codes. These Labour Codes are - The Code on Wages, 2019, the Industrial Relations Code, 2020, the Code on Social Security, 2020 and the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020.

The rules define workers, wages, types of employment, gratuity, bonus and social security of workers, including gig workers.

These draft rules are open for public consultation, and

stakeholders have been invited to submit objections and suggestions within 45 days.

The Labour Ministry had announced the implementation of these four new labour codes on 21st November last year to simplify and streamline the existing, decades-old labour laws in the country.

According to the Ministry, the new labour codes will ensure better wages, safety, social security and welfare for the country's workforce.

The Labour codes guarantee

timely minimum wages for all workers, appointment letters for the youth, equal pay and respect for women, social security for 40 crore workers and gratuity for fixed-term employees after one year of employment.

These reforms also ensure free annual health check-ups for workers above 40 years of age, double wages for overtime, and a guarantee of social justice for workers as per international standards. (Source: newsonair.gov.in)

UPI transaction volume rises 29% year-on-year to 21.63 billion in December

New Delhi, Jan. 1

The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) continued its strong growth momentum in December, registering a year-on-year increase of 29 per cent to reach 21.63 billion transactions. According to data released by the National Payments Corporation of India, the value of transactions also rose by 20 per cent annually to around 28 lakh crore rupees.

On a month-on-month basis, both transaction volume and value recorded notable growth. The average daily transaction value in the last month stood at 90 thousand 217 crore rupees, compared to 87 thousand 721 crore in November 2025.

Average daily transaction count rose to 698 million from 682 million in the previous month.

Meanwhile, transactions through the Immediate Payment Service, IMPS, amounted to 6.62 lakh crore rupee in December, marking a 10 per cent annual increase and a rise from 6.15 lakh crore rupee in November.

IMPS transaction volume stood at 380 million, up from 369 million in November. The average daily IMPS transaction value increased to 21 thousand 269 crore rupees from 20 thousand 506 crore rupees. (Source: newsonair.gov.in)



Office of the Administrator
R & R Scheme under RFCTLARR 2013
(Deputy Commissioner)
Nicobar District

NOTICE

Sub: Conduct of Census for Relief & Rehabilitation (R&R) for extension of runway at Naval Airforce Station INS Baaz at Campbell Bay under Section 16(1) of the RFCTLARR Act, 2013 – reg.

Whereas, the notification under sub-section (1) of section 11 of the RFCTLARR Act, 2013 by the Collector, Land Acquisition is notified vide Notification No. 34-725/2025/Rev dated 22.12.2025 of the Assistant Secretary (Rev), Secretariat, A & N Islands and published in the Daily Telegrams Newspaper on 25th December 2025 and Hindi version published in the Dweep Samachar on 25.12.2025 and also published in the Gazette Notification.

And **Whereas**, the undersigned is appointed as the Administrator for the jurisdiction of Nicobar District to perform the functions of Administrator for the purpose of Rehabilitation and Resettlement Scheme under sub-section 1 of Section 43 of the RFCTLARR Act 2013 vide Notification No. F No. 34-725/2017- Rev dated 14.11.2017 of the Secretariat, A & N Islands.

And **Whereas**, under Section 16(1) of the RFCTLARR Act, 2013, upon the publication of the preliminary notification under sub-section (1) of section 11 by the Collector, read with Rule 7 of the A & N Islands RFCTLARR (Compensation, Rehabilitation and Settlement and Development Plan) Rules 2018, the Administrator for Rehabilitation and Resettlement shall conduct a survey and undertake a census of the affected families, in such manner and within such time as may be prescribed;

And **Whereas** for the purpose of this census under Rehabilitation and Resettlement Scheme, the following team will conduct the census in the prescribed format as enclosed under the supervision of Assistant Commissioner, Campbell Bay with the following teams as below:

Sl. No.	Name of team leader with designation & contact number	Team member with designation & contact number
1.	Mrs. Madhuri Sharma, Executive Engineer, APWD, Campbell Bay Mobile No. 9933263790	1. Sanjay Kumar, (JE APWD) Mob.9679562946 2. Sunil Kumar, Patwari Mob. 9652796900 3. Edmon Fernandes, Panchayat Secretary, Mob. 9531896264 4. A. Jain (VLW) Mob.No. 7063927343 5. Anup Kumar Mondal, (AFA, Agri. Deptt.) Mob.9476024755 6. Ashim, Forest Guard Mob. 9474266788 7. Birinda, Mukhya Sewika (ICDS) Mob. 9474288099 8. A. Venket Rao, Mazdoor, (Agri. Deptt.) 9. Rita Devi, Aganwadi Worker Mob. 9531801389
2.	Shri Soundara Pandian, ACF, Campbell Bay, Mobile No. 9531880173	1. B. Sagar, (JE APWD), Mob. 9531921082 2. Sajida Begum, Patwari Mob. 9476093256 3. Kumar Swamy, Forest Guard Mob. 9434260833 4. Nasir Hussain, Sub Inspector, Fisheries Deptt. Mob.9476022441 5. Sarfaraj Ali, (VLW) Mob.No. 9933245041. 6. Mohammed Nawaz, JSC, (Agri. Deptt.) Mob.9434265641 7. Sahil Mohammed, Mazdoor (Agri. Deptt.) Mob No. 8762172710 8. U. Devi, Aganwadi Worker Mob. 9476032861

The Team leader may depute or engage or change any officer/official/staff posted under Campbell Bay Tehsil for the purpose of census under this Scheme.

The data so prepared by the census team will be verified by the following **verification committee** as below:

Verification Team Members with designation & contact number

1. Mrs. Madhuri Sharma, Executive Engineer, APWD, Campbell Bay Mobile No. 9933263790
2. Shri Soundara Pandian, ACF, Campbell Bay, Mobile No. 9531880173
3. Dr. Parag Deori, Sr. Vet. Officer Mob. 8900943321
4. C.S. Pillai, Tehsildar, Campbell Bay Mob. 9434262697
5. Anujesh Rai, Tribal Welfare Officer, Mob. 9531932820
6. Sekhar Rai, BDO, C/Bay, Mob. 9531818305
7. Smti. Shikila Nawaz, Assistant Director, Agri. Dept, Campbell Bay

The verification committee will submit the census data to the Administrator through Assistant Commissioner, Campbell Bay.

Now therefore, it is hereby informed to the general public and all affected families/land owners/occupiers of **35.05 hectares** of land falling within the proposed acquisition area for the Project of extension of runway at Naval Airforce Station INS Baaz at **Govind Nagar village** of Campbell Bay Tehsil of **Nicobar District**, that the Census Survey for identification of affected families including title holders, tenants, sharecroppers, agricultural labourers, artisans, forest dwellers, and others dependent on the said land shall be conducted as per the provisions of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 and A & N Islands RFCTLARR (Compensation, Rehabilitation and Settlement and Development Plan) Rules 2018 ; in the Enclosed Format Tables T-1 to T-4 for conducting the census.

Census Survey Schedule:

Date(s): 01.01.2026 to 07/01/2026 (Both days inclusive)

Time: 9 AM to 5 PM

Venue/Area Covered: Affected Area of Village of Govind Nagar under Campbell Bay Tehsil

All concerned individuals/families are requested to remain present at their respective premises during the above **dates/time** to enable the census team to conduct the survey smoothly. Those having rights, claims, tenancy, or dependence on the mentioned land are required to produce necessary documents/records/testimonies for verification.

Name of contact person for any details: Shri. Ahmed Ali, Patwari, Incharge, LA Cell, O/o Assistant Commissioner, Campbell Bay

Phone: 6303064268, 9474221213, 03193 264264

Deputy Commissioner Nicobar District (Administrator, R & R Scheme)

VACANCY NOTIFICATION

The Department of Agriculture, A & N Administration proposes to fillup 01(One) post of **Joint Director (Agri.) Group 'A' Gazetted**, Non-Ministerial in Level – 11 (Rs.67700-208700) of the Pay Matrix under CCS(RP) Rule 2016 on Deputation(Including Short Term Contract)

Applications of the aspirants employees/officials shall reach this Directorate of Agriculture, Sri Vijaya Puram -744102 within 45 days from the date of publication of this advertisement in the News Paper/ A & N State Portal. Eligible candidates can download the application format from the website of www.andamannicobar.gov.in.

ID No. 11928

Sd/-
Secretary(Agri.)
A&N Administration

PRESS NOTE

Ms. F Daisy (Roll No. 1100005524), D/o Shri V Francis, R/o Garacharma, SVP, selected for the post of **Regular Mazdoor**, Group 'C', is hereby given a final opportunity to contact the Directorate of Agriculture, A & N Administration within **five (05) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which her candidature shall stand **cancelled**.

ID No. 11926

Sd/-
Assistant Director (Admn.)
Directorate of Agriculture, A & N Administration

F.No.4-13/2025 – R & E Cell
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
SECRETARIAT

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 31st December, 2025

PRESS NOTE

In continuation to the Administration's Vacancy Notice No. 4-12/2025-R&E Cell/382 dated 06.11.2025 for the **Combined Graduate Level Examination**, a Correction Window is being opened from 07.01.2026 at 11:00 AM onwards till 13.01.2026 (12.00 midnight) to facilitate the applicants to resolve the errors if any and to correct their applications.

Accordingly, the applicants may visit the portal: <https://erecruitment.andamannicobar.gov.in> for correction if any.

The details of the candidates as available on the website as on closing date i.e. 13.01.2026 (midnight) shall be treated as final. Therefore, candidates in their own interest are advised to carry out any corrections in the applications, if any, within the above time limit with due care and diligence.

ID No. 11930

(M.V.Rameshan)
Deputy Secretary (R&E)

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PRESS NOTE

In continuation to the Administration's Vacancy Notice No. 4-12/2025-R&E Cell/382 dated 06.11.2025 for the **Combined Graduate Level Examination**, it is informed to the aspirants / candidates that the Syllabus for the posts will be available in portal: <https://erecruitment.andamannicobar.gov.in> from 02.01.2026 (11.00 AM) onwards.

ID No. 11930

(M.V.Rameshan)
Deputy Secretary (R&E)

HOME SERVICE

AC, Fridge, Washing Machine, Deep Fridge, Repairing and Servicing.

Contact: 8900942650 / 9593464551
Reg. No. UDYAM-AN-01-0009446

MD KHAN

37th Death Anniversary

On 02-01-2026
Of our beloved



SUPRITI

Inserted by: Supriti Construction and Family Members.

LAND FOR SALE

200 Sq. Mtrs. Plot Land for Sale Near Bird Line Jn. Suitable for Residential Purpose Price: Rs. 33,00,000/-

Contact No.: 7695003111

OBITUARY

With profound grief, we inform the sad demise of

Shri Harishankar

Sharma, aged 86 yrs, Retd.

Asst. Director, A & N

Administration, R/o Prothrapur

Jn. Near SBI, who breathed his

last on 01.01.2026 at G B Pant

Hospital, Sri Vijaya Puram. The

funeral procession will start

from his residence at

Prothrapur at 11.30 am on 02.01.2026 and the last rites

will be performed at Garacharma cremation ground.

Inserted by:- Grieving Sharma Parivar (9933258154, 9434278263)



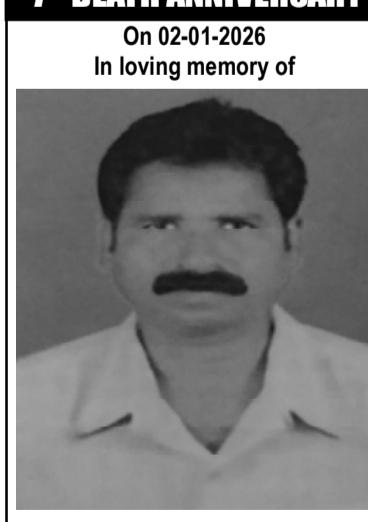
Shri Harishankar

DOB 2.7.1940 DOD. 1.1.2026

7th DEATH ANNIVERSARY

On 02-01-2026

In loving memory of



Late T. MOHAN RAO

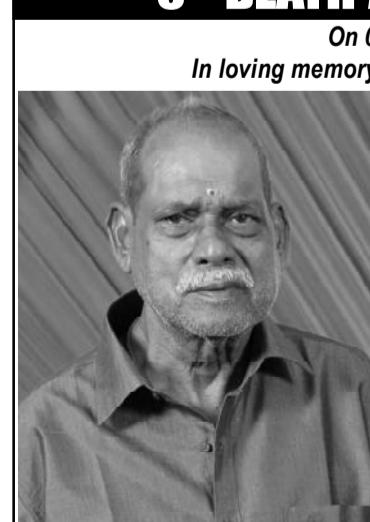
"You always remain in our heart
Every time, every moment and
also every occasion"

Inserted by: Tejas (son) and all family members

6th DEATH ANNIVERSARY

On 02.01.2026

In loving memory of our beloved Father



DOB 13.03.1943 DOD 02.01.2020

LATE P. KRISHNA MOORTHY

RETD. WORK ASSISTANT,

APWD, R/o Pathergudda No. 4.
Near Sita Ram Temple.



SMTI. PUSHPA DEVI MISHRA,
VICE PRINCIPAL

Happy Superannuation

"It's been a privilege working under your guidance. Your calm approach to challenges and integrity in decision-making taught us so much. Wishing you a retirement filled with peace and joy."

DOR : 31.12.2025

Best wishes from: Teacher Incharge & staffs of GSSS Mohanpura.

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The **Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I** on behalf of **Pramukh, Panchayat Samiti, Prothrapur** invites online item rate tender (in CPWD form-8) from bonafide and experienced contractors for the below mentioned work.

1. NIT NO. EE/PRI/SAD-I/RR (GEN)/2025-26/174 Name of Work: - Improvement of village road (Black Topping) from main road near Shri. Haneefa's house at Ayyanar Temple at Calicut Ward No. 01 under Calicut Gram Panchayat by Samiti. **Estimated Cost Rs:** - 22, 56,177/- **Earnest Money Deposit Rs:** - 45,164/- **Time of Completion:** - Six (06) Months, Tender Fee: - Rs. 500/- & last date & time of submission of bid: - 08/01/2026 (1500 hrs)

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

Tender ID: - 2025_RDPRI_21225_1

ID No. 11919

Executive Engineer,
Panchayati Raj Institution,
South Andaman Division-I
Junglighat, Sri Vijaya Puram
South Andaman

