



ANIIDCO's Petrol Retail Outlet at Havelock inaugurated

It will play a pivotal role in boosting tourism in Havelock: Lt. Governor

Havelock, June 1

It was a momentous occasion for the residents of Havelock, as the new ANIIDCO Petrol Retail Outlet at Havelock No.6 was inaugurated by the Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi here this morning. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar, Executive Director, IOC, Shri Ranjan Kumar Mohapatra, ZPSA, Adhyaksh, Shri Jaydeep Kumar Dey, Pramukh, Havelock, Apurba Chandra Roy, Senior Officers from A&N Administration, IOC and ANIIDCO, ZPSA Members, PRIs and a good number of residents of Havelock were present on the occasion.

Addressing the gathering, soon after unveiling the plaque, marking the inauguration of the new ANIIDCO Petrol Retail Outlet, the Lt. Governor said the inauguration of ANIIDCO Petrol retail outlet marks an important occasion for the residents of Havelock. He said, with its inauguration, the problem of procurement of petrol and diesel at higher prices will be solved, as people can now buy petrol and diesel at the same price that is prevailing at Port Blair. This new retail outlet will benefit the people of Havelock Island as the prices of petrol and diesel will come down by Rs 18 as per the existing rate, he added. The Lt. Governor further stated that this initiative is a step in the right direction, which will benefit both, the residents as well as visiting tourists, who hire private vehicles for sightseeing, as hiring charges of the vehicle might come down.

Lauding ANIIDCO Chairman, Shri Anindo Majumdar, MD, ANIIDCO, Smti Ankita Mishra Bundela, IOC Executive Director, Shri Ranjan Mohapatra, Officials of APWD and the A&N Administration for the timely completion of this project, the Lt Governor said, the concerted efforts mounted from all quarters truly deserves appreciation. He also stated that ANIIDCO has been catering to the needs of the Islanders by providing petrol, diesel to every part of the Islands with the support of IOC. This ANIIDCO Petrol retail outlet has a storage capacity of 20000 ltrs. of petrol and diesel each. The Lt. Governor said, since 1990, ANIIDCO has been striving hard to ensure the supply of petroleum products like petrol, diesel and lubricants at various places of A&N Islands. It had set up a petrol pump at Junglighat as dealer of IOC. In the year 1994-95, the Corporation took over petroleum, Oil, Lubricants (POL) storage facility at Rangat, Mayabunder, Diglipur and Little Andaman catering to the needs of mainly Govt. Departments. At present, ANIIDCO is engaged in the operation of 4 IOC Retail Outlets at Junglighat, Mayabunder, Diglipur and Hut Bay and 6 Consumer Pumps at Rangat, R.K Pur, Katchal, Teressa, Kamorta and Campbell Bay. The Lt. Governor expressed hope that Havelock being a tourism hub of the Island with hundreds and thousands of tourists visiting this place daily, the new retail outlet will play a pivotal role in development of Havelock in a big way besides boosting of tourism.

Saluting the far sighted vision of the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi towards the development of the country, the Lt. Governor stated that the Administration shall remain grateful to the Prime Minister for having sanctioned the Optical Fibre Project on September 30th, 2016 as soon as he was apprised of the poor tele-connectivity issue prevailing in the Islands, which is hampering the process of development. The Lt. Governor informed that efforts will be mounted to ensure that the OFC Project is fructified by 31 December, 2018 as per the target set. The Lt. Governor remarked that once the OFC Project is completed, it will be a game changer in A&N Islands as IT hub will be set up here in Isles, which will provide employment opportunity to many talented youth. He said that the tele-connectivity will be boosted by 100 GBPS giving further fillip to different departments and setting up of various industries. He also informed that in order to bring in IT industry in Isles, rigorous efforts are being put in by the Administration and as part of this, a workshop comprising IT experts from across the country were invited to deliberate on the feasibility of setting up of IT Hub here in the Islands and the Administration has assured its support of any kind to materialize this dream.

The Lt. Governor conveyed the Prime Minister's love and concern towards A&N Islands and assured, that with the blessing of the Prime Minister, the Administration will strive to take A&N Islands towards the path of development in the days to come.

The Lt. Governor also informed about the scheduled



visit of the Minister of Road Transport, Highway and Shipping, Shri Nitin Gadkari to A&N Islands on June 10 for inauguration of seven major projects, which include National Highway from Port Blair to Diglipur. He also informed that on June 12, the tender for Baratang Bridge will be opened and on the same day, the Minister will also inaugurate the work for construction of this bridge besides inauguration of dry docks at Port Blair and extension of Neil Jetty.

The Lt. Governor also stated that in line with the Government's vision of clean and green energy, the A&N Islands are also poised for clean and green energy with the inauguration of two solar power projects in Isles. He said, by December 31, 2018, the Islands will be turned into a 100% clean and green energy Islands and diesel generated power will be done away with.

Regarding, tourism sector, the Lt. Governor informed that new projects will be initiated in this sector to provide the facilities to the tourists and Islanders. Accordingly, he disclosed that the initiative to start sea scooter activity is under process and will be launched shortly. He stated that Havelock being a tourist hub, the Administration plans for introducing laser show on sea at Radha Nagar beach similar to one in Singapore. The DPR of this project is under preparation and once it is finalized, the Administration will ensure that this project is a world class one, the Lt. Governor said. He said by June first week, Hotel Taj will also be inaugurated for high end tourists while the pending projects will be taken up subsequently. About Shipping, the Lt. Governor informed that new vessels will join the existing fleet and are under construction at Cochin Ship Yard, which will be delivered soon. In the meantime, to cater to the needs of the Islanders, the Administration has chartered a private vessel Coral Queen which will soon start its voyage, connecting the southern group of Islands with Port Blair. In addition to this, 3 ships from Sri Lanka will also be joining the fleet shortly.

Regarding Health Sector, the Lt. Governor lauded the facilities available at PHCs, CHCs and hailed the cleanliness being maintained in these health centres besides availability of medicine and Doctors. He also informed that to augment the health facility in Isles, a Cath Lab will be inaugurated shortly which will cater to the heart related ailments besides setting up of Departments like Nephrology, Urology and Orthopaedic facility for spine surgery, knee replacement will be made available by Jan 2018. With such facilities, the need for going to mainland for treatment of such disease will be done away with, said the Lt. Governor. In the coming year, the Lt. Governor stated that efforts will be mounted by the Administration in making A&N Islands

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Link Aadhaar with PAN using SMS



New Delhi, June 1

The Income Tax Department urged taxpayers to link their Aadhaar with their PAN, using an SMS-based facility.

The department issued advertisements in leading national dailies and described how both the unique identity numbers of an individual can be linked by sending an SMS to either 567678 or 56161.

It said people can also visit the official e-filing website of the department to link the two identities, in both the cases— identical

names in the two databases or in case where there is a minor mismatch. It said linking the two numbers is the key to "seamlessly avail online, a world of income tax facilities."

"Aadhaar can also be seeded into PAN database by quoting Aadhaar in PAN application form for new PAN allotment or by quoting Aadhaar in change request form used for reprint of PAN card," it said in the advertisement. The Income—Tax—department had early this month launched a new e—

facility to link a person's Aadhaar with the Permanent Account Number (PAN), a mandatory procedure for filing I—T returns now.

The department's e—filing website has hosted a new link on its homepage to link the two unique identities. The link requires a person to punch in his PAN number, Aadhaar number and the exact name as given in the Aadhaar card. "After verification from the UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India), the linking will be

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Ease of submission of application to different colleges Common College Admission Portal launched; students advised

Port Blair, June 1

In order to bring more transparency and improve the ease of submission of application to different colleges under A & N Administration, a Common College Admission Portal (CCAP) has been developed. The admission to all the colleges shall be only through Common College Admission Portal with the URI <http://collegeadmission.andaman.gov.in>. The students have been advised to access the portal through Internet or through Common Service Center (CSC). The service charges to be paid to the CSC by the students for filling up the form and uploading the document are indicated in the portal. The admission to all the colleges shall be opened from 2nd June 2017 and the last date for submission of application for all colleges shall be 30th June 2017, a communication from Deputy Secretary (Higher Education) received here said.

World No Tobacco Day observed in Isles Consumption of tobacco and its ill effects highlighted

Port Blair, June 1

The Directorate of Health Services, A&N Administration observed 'World No Tobacco Day' with theme 'Tobacco-a threat to development' in A&N Islands along with the rest of country on 31st of May 2017 at the Auditorium of Industrial Training Institute, Dollygunj. The students, faculties of ITI, Medical Officers, Para Medical Staff and general public participated in the programme.

Dr. S.K. Kathpalia, Director I/c, ANIIMS, A&N Islands who was the chief guest on the occasion explained in detail about ill effects of consumption of tobacco products. He also explained about second hand smoking which harms non smokers. He appealed to the general public to avoid consumption of tobacco products for **World Environment Day observance on June 5**

Port Blair, June 1

The Department of Environment & Forests, A&N Islands will be observing 'World Environment Day' on 05th June, 2017 alongwith rest of the country & world. On this occasion, the Forest Extension & Publicity Division of the Department

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betterment of their health and development of nation through a informative power point presentation.

The Deputy Director (HE&FW), Directorate of

Three persons apprehended with 70 kg venison at Wandoor

Port Blair, June 1

On receipt of credible information that one person namely Sanjay Sikder @ Kaalu @ Langa R/o Wandoor will be bringing venison along with his friends at Wandoor Jetty on May 31, a Police team led by Inspector Rahul, SHO PS Humfrignjalong with HC/348 R.B.S. Durai, PC/1195

Barun Gharami, PC/175 S.S. Yadav, PC/2449 Florence Barla, PC/2869 Biswajit Baroi, PC/294 Hari Prasad, HG/403 Girender Lall reached the spot and at about 0250 hrs, one dinghy bearing Reg. No. IND - ANSA-MO-1002 which was boarded by 03 persons reached near the sea shore and after securing the

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Seminar on GST organized by BAI

Port Blair, June 1

A seminar on GST was organized by Builder Association of India (BAI), Andaman & Nicobar Island Centre in association with MES Builder Association of India, Port Blair at TSG Hotel, Phoenix Bay yesterday. The seminar was attended by Shri S.K. Bose,

Superintendent of Service Tax, Port Blair. Lectures were delivered by Shri D. Garodia (CA) and Ms. Kanupriya Narsaria (CA). The members of BAI along with the BAI President, Shri Immanuel Koilraj & MES BAI President, Shri Surinder Chani attended the seminar, a communication said.

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan

The Union Government launched Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) to provide free health check-ups to pregnant women at government health centres and hospitals. The Scheme was launched by Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare Shri J P Nadda in New Delhi. It was announced by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during his monthly radio address Mann Ki Baat in June 2016.

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan



“ I urge all my doctor friends to volunteer and provide special ANC services to pregnant women in government hospitals free of charge on the 9th of every month. ”



Key Features

1. The national programme aims to provide pregnant ladies free ante-natal services (ANC) and required treatment for free on 9th of every month.
 2. Objectives of the scheme are (i) Provide healthy life to the pregnant women. (ii) Lowering the maternity mortality rate. (iii) Making pregnant women aware of their health issues and diseases. (iv) Making sure safe delivery and healthy life of the baby.
 3. The scheme is applicable only for the pregnant women in their pregnancy period of 3 to 6 months. It will provide all kinds of medical checkups completely free to pregnant women.
 4. These checkups will take place at the medical centres, government and private hospitals and private clinics across the country.
 5. These free of cost tests will include blood pressure, sugar level, weight, haemoglobin test, blood test and screening.
 6. Women will be marked differently using different colour stickers based on their health problems so that doctors can easily detect the problem.
- Different colour stickers will be Red Sticker for Serious patients, Blue Sticker for High blood pressure and Yellow Sticker for Other diseases.

WEATHER

Rain or Thundershower very likely to occur at many places. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31 °C and 25 °C respectively on Friday 02/06/2017

Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours

Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date : 31.5
 Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date : 27.7
 Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST 095
 Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST 086
 Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0454
 Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1740
 Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 009.1
 Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.2
 Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 17 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 481.3

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

Due to technical reasons the scheduled sailing of MV Kamorta for Diglipur on 03.06.2017 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and back to Port Blair on 04.06.2017 (Sun) at 0700 Hrs from Diglipur has been cancelled. Passengers those who have purchased their tickets for the above sailing are advised to cancel their tickets and get full refund from STARS Counters. Inconvenience caused to the passengers is regretted.

INTER ISLAND SECTOR:

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 03.06.2017 (Sat) at 1000 Hrs from Car Nicobar. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 01.06.2017 from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar on 06.06.2017 (Tue) at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 07.06.2017 (Wed) at 1000 Hrs from Car Nicobar. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 01.06.2017 from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

HUT BAY SECTOR:-

MV Bambooka will sail for Hut Bay on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.

MV North Passage will sail for Hut Bay on 03.06.2017 (Sat) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.

MV Chowra will sail for Hut Bay on 04.06.2017 (Sun) at 2000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 05.06.2017 (Mon) at 0800 from Hut Bay.

FORESHORE SECTOR:

Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels scheduled on 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th June, 2017 will be issued to the general public from 01.06.2017 from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Counters.

02.06.2017 (FRIDAY)

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Kamorta will now sail for Neil Island on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Kamorta will sail for Havelock on 02.06.2017 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

Link Aadhaar ...

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confirmed. "In case of any minor mismatch in Aadhaar name provided, Aadhaar OTP (one time password) will be required," the department had said in its advisory to taxpayers and individuals. The OTP will be sent on the registered mobile number in the Aadhaar database.

The government, under the Finance Act 2017, has made it mandatory for taxpayers to quote Aadhaar or enrolment ID of Aadhaar application form for filing of Income—Tax returns (ITR). Also, Aadhaar has been made mandatory for applying for permanent account number with effect from July 1, 2017. While Aadhaar is issued by the UIDAI to a resident of India, PAN is a ten—digit alphanumeric number issued in the form of a laminated card by the I-T department to any person, firm or entity.

Three persons ...

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dinghy they started unloading plastic bags. Immediately, the police team raided and recovered 70 nos. polythene packets each containing about 01 kg of venison (in three plastic bags) which was seized on the spot under the cover of seizure memo U/s 50 of Wild life protection Act 1972. On enquiry, they failed to produce any valid documents/permit to carry the above venison and revealed their names as Sanjay Sikder (@ Kaaalu @ Langda (30yrs), S/o Shri. Robin Sikder R/o Wandoor, Bhavesh Biswas S/o Shri. Manoranjan Biswas (22 yrs), R/o New Wandoor and Swarvojit Mondal, S/o Shri. Sanjit Mondal (19 yrs) R/o New Wandoor.

Later, all the above accused and seized venison alongwith the engine dinghy have been handed over to the concerned Forest Range Officer who then produced the persons before the Hon'ble Court from where they were sent to judicial custody. The whole operation was conducted under the supervision of Shri. M.A Naushad, SDPO (B/Flat)

Meanwhile, general public have been requested to pass on any credible information pertaining to illegal transportation/sale of illegal liquor, gambling or any other illegal activities on the following telephone numbers: 233077, 287590, & 100. The informant will be suitably rewarded and his/her identity will be kept secret, a communication received here said.

Consumption of tobacco ...

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to avoid consumption of tobacco products. He also requested all Medical & Para Medical staff to create awareness about ill effects of consumption of tobacco products to make the A&N Islands 'Tobacco free'.

Shri Venkateshwar Rao, Principal, Industrial Training Institute, Dollygunj, also shared his experience about tobacco and its ill effects. He also appealed to the students and general public to avoid tobacco products.

On the occasion, a Nukkad Natak was performed by Aditya Natya Academy on the theme of the day 'tobacco- a threat to development'.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Smt. Vasantha Devi, HEO I/c, State Health Education Bureau, Directorate of Health Services, a communication said here.

SPORTS

SA T20 league launched, Lorgat says will stand up to IPL

Johannesburg, June 1
Cricket South Africa (CSA) has unveiled the rainbow nation's first global twenty-twenty format cricket league, T20 Global League, here at the Wanderers Stadium on Wednesday night. CSA has revealed the logo and the name of the league and is currently in process of finalising the eight team owners, which will be announced later this month during the Champions Trophy in Lords. Chris Nenzani, president of CSA said that the league will be a game changer not just for the cricket and the youth but also for the country.

Talking to ET, CSA CEO Haroon Lorgat added that he wants the league to be a premium quality event and hopes that Indian players will also be a part of the league. "We are in talks with the BCCI. They have not said no and they will discuss at the next AGM about Indian players participation," he added. Incidentally, the league is scheduled to be held in November-December. Lorgat said CSA has received over 160 expression of interest for the prospective teams and the due diligence is on. Each team will have 17 players

on their roster with one guaranteed marquee player from South Africa and one international marquee player. In addition, each team will have two under-23 rookie players who have not had the opportunity to play international cricket and in total four international players. CSA has already locked in eight South African and eight international marquee players who will be assigned to the eight teams for the first two years. Rest of the players will be picked up through a player draft system in August.

Angelo Mathews likely to miss Sri Lanka's ICC Champions Trophy opener against South Africa

London, June 1
In a major blow to Sri Lanka, skipper Angelo Mathews is likely to miss his side's Champions Trophy opening match against South Africa on Saturday because of a calf injury. "Mathews had complained of stiffness and pain, prompting the team management to conduct radiographic investigations, which revealed a strain on the muscle," ESPNcricinfo quoted a Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) release as saying. "He will engage in supervised recovery over the next few days but will most likely sit out the first group stage match," it

added. In Mathews' absence, vice-captain Upul Tharanga will most probably lead the team. It should be noted that Mathews has not played any international match since January because of a hamstring complaint, and had also missed a tri-series in Zimbabwe late last year because of "multiple injuries" in his legs. However, the 29-year-old featured in the 10th edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) for Delhi Daredevils recently before joining his countrymen for the Champions Trophy. A joint-winner in 2002, Sri Lanka have only reached

the semi-final stage once since, getting to the last four in the 2013 edition, also in England. After their first match against the Proteas on June 3, they will next face India (June 8) and Pakistan (June 12). Sri Lanka squad: Angelo Mathews (capt), Upul Tharanga (vice-capt), Niroshan Dickwella, Kusal Perera, Kusal Mendis, Chamara Kapugedera, Asela Gunaratne, Dinesh Chandimal, Lasith Malinga, Suranga Lakmal, Nuwan Pradeep, Nuwan Kulasekera, Thisara Perera, Lakshan Sandakan, Seekkuge Prasanna.

Saina Nehwal, B Sai Praneeth advance at Thailand Open

Bangkok, June 1
Title-contenders Saina Nehwal and B Sai Praneeth advanced to prequarterfinals of the Thailand Open after straight-game wins in the women's and men's singles competition respectively. In Bangkok yesterday, Second seeded Saina brushed aside Slovakia's Martina Repiska 21-5, 21-10 in the opening round to set up a clash with Malaysia's Ying Ying Lee in the next

round. Singapore Open champion Praneeth defeated Malaysia's R Satheishtharan 21-15, 21-13 in men's singles. National champion Sourabh Verma and Young woman shuttler Sai Uttejitha Rao Chukka also reached the next round. Sourabh, seeded 12th, survived a challenge from compatriot Anand Pawar 21-17, 20-22, 21-14 in men's singles event, while Sai Uttejitha Rao put up a fight to defeat

Indonesia's Jesica Muljati 13-21, 24-22, 27-25 in women's singles that lasted for an hour and 16 minutes. However, it was a dismal day for other Indians with P Kashyap, Shreyansh Jaiswal and Subhankar Dey bowing out of the men's singles competition. Reshma Karthik and Ruthvika Shivani Gadde also crashed out in the opening round of women's singles.

It will play a ...

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hospitals as the best health care provider in the country. Regarding the demand put forth by the MP pertaining to renaming of Sir Huge Rose Islands as Rani Jhansi Island, the Lt. Governor directed the Chief Secretary to conduct a committee meeting and adopt the required procedure for renaming the island.

The Lt. Governor also inaugurated the petrol and diesel Dispensing Unit and also planted a sapling in the premise of the petrol retail outlet on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray highlighted the developmental activities taking place in the Islands for the last three years under the leadership of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. Listing the major achievements made in Havelock during the last three years under the sectors viz. Power, Petrol & Oil, LPG connection, the MP said Havelock is on the process of becoming like Singapore in the years to come. He also lauded the efforts of the Petroleum Minister, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan for the various green energy project initiated by his Ministry. He also informed about the A&N State Planning Board Meeting held yesterday under the Chairmanship of the Lt. Governor, in which, the State Budget has been approved by the Board Members for the development of Isles in various sectors. The MP also highlighted on Mission Organic which is being pursued vigorously by the Administration in turning A&N Islands into a complete Organic Islands besides development in sectors like roads and highways, shipping, Health, Power, tele-connectivity etc. He also lauded the Deputy Commissioner South Andaman, Shri Udit Prakash Rai and his team for their efforts in rural development and meeting the needs of the people. Hailing the contribution of ANIDCO, IOC and the Administration, the MP stated that with the inauguration of this new retail outlet, the residents of Havelock will be benefitted immensely. The Member of Parliament also put forth the demand for renaming of Sir Huge Rose Island as Rani Jhansi Island.

In his address, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar who is also the Chairman of ANIIDCO said, the day marks an important occasion for the Administration as well as the residents of Havelock as the long pending demand of the people have been fulfilled with the inauguration of the new petrol retail outlet at Havelock. He said, Havelock is an important tourist destination and the Administration will ensure that the required facilities are made available here. The Chief Secretary said, this outlet, having a storage capacity of 20000 ltrs of petrol and diesel each will cater to the need of the residents and tourists as well as tour operators. The total cost of the project is Rs. 2 crore, he said and hailed the contribution of IOC and APWD for timely completion of the project. He further informed that apart from this, ANIIDCO also proposes to commission three new petroleum retail outlets at Campbell Bay, Neil Island and Baratang. At Campbell Bay, the civil work has been completed by APWD and installation of storage tanks and dispensing units has also been undertaken by IOC and it is expected to be commissioned shortly. Similarly, at Neil, land has already been allotted by the Administration and the Boards of Directors of ANIIDCO has already approved the civil work to be undertaken by APWD. At Baratang, land has been identified after joint inspection by IOC, Revenue Dept and ANIIDCO for setting up of petroleum outlet and the matter is in progress. The Chief Secretary also requested IOC to carry out more CSR activities in Isles for developmental purpose as per their feasibility.

In his address, the Executive Director, IOC, Shri Ranjan Kumar Mohapatara hailed the inauguration of this new petrol retail outlet as a historic occasion for the people of Havelock as well as the A&N Administration. He informed that during the visit of Hon'ble Petroleum Minister to A&N Islands, it was discussed that Havelock does not have petroleum outlet and has to depend on boats for transshipment of petrol and diesel incurring high expenditure and accordingly, the project was initiated and it has fructified with the support of the Administration and ANIIDCO as well as APWD. He said the newly inaugurated petrol outlet is a gift of the Administration & ANIIDCO to the people of Havelock and urged the residents to utilize the service efficiently.

Earlier, the GM, ANIIDCO, Shri Mohd. Pervaiz welcomed the gathering while the programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Sr. Manager (P&A), Shri Saji Samuel.

World Environment ...

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of Environment & Forest shall be distributing free seedlings free of cost to the general public from the nurseries of this Division during working hours.

The entry in Mini Zoo, Haddo, Chidiyatapu Biological Park & Mount Harriet National Park, shall be free for visitors for one day on 05th June, 2017, a communication received here said.

Afghanistan cancels all cricket ties with Pakistan after Kabul attack

Kabul, June 1
Afghanistan have cancelled proposed home and away cricket fixtures with Pakistan after a deadly bomb attack blamed by the country's intelligence agency on militants allegedly backed by Islamabad. Pakistan were set to play their first Twenty20 match in Kabul later this year in what was seen as an opportunity for the neighbours to ease tensions over border skirmishes and alleged proxy warfare. The Kabul match, set for July or August, would have been followed by a fixture in Pakistan and a full series at an unspecified date. But the Afghanistan Cricket Board issued a strongly worded statement late on Wednesday, cancelling the matches in light of a truck bombing in the city's diplomatic quarter that killed at least 90 people. No group has claimed responsibility for Wednesday's attack, although the Taliban has denied

involvement. "The ACB hereby cancel all kinds of cricket matches and initial mutual relationship agreement with the Pakistan Cricket Board," the Afghan board said on its Facebook page. "No agreement of friendly matches and mutual

relationship agreement is possible with a country where terrorists are housed and provided safe havens." Afghanistan's intelligence agency has blamed the Taliban-allied Haqqani Network for the attack, which has been linked to Pakistan's military in the past.

India retain 100th spot in FIFA rankings

Mumbai, June 1
Ahead of India's football friendly against Nepal on June 6, Stephen Constantine's men retained their 100th spot in the June FIFA rankings. India take on Kyrgyzstan after the Nepal tie in a crucial 2019 AFC Asian Cup qualifier. Besides India, Nicaragua and Kazakhstan are also placed 100th. There was no change in their 331 ranking points as they did not play any games last month. In May, India broke into the top 100 for the first time in 21 years.

This upward movement was the result of away wins against Myanmar and Cambodia. The last time India had been in the top 100 of the rankings was back in 1996, with the 94th spot in February 1996 being the country's best-ever ranking. Meanwhile, before the Confederations Cup, Brazil retained their top spot in the FIFA ladder, ahead of Argentina who are second and Germany in third position. Chile and Colombia round off the top five, with Poland climbing into the top 10.