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Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution to arrive on visit to Isles today

Port Blair, Feb 4
Shri Ram Vilas Paswan, Hon'ble Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution is scheduled to arrive here on a two-day visit to the Islands tomorrow (Feb 5, 2016).
The itinerary of the Union Minister during his stay here includes holding Inter-session meeting of the Consultative Committee of Consumers Affairs, Food and Public Distribution at 11.30 am in the conference hall of Megapode Resort tomorrow (Feb 5). Thereafter, the Minister will formally launch the National Food Security Act in A&N Islands at 1 pm at the same venue. The Union Minister will also be addressing a press conference at Megapode Resort at 1.05 pm tomorrow itself.
The programme of the Minister for Feb 6 includes holding meeting of the Consultative Committee of Consumers Affairs, Food and



Public Distribution at Havelock.
The Union Minister will also be visiting the National Memorial Cellular Jail and Ross Island. On completion of visit, Shri Paswan will leave for the mainland on Feb 7, 2016, an official communication said here today.



The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence called on the Lt. Governor, Lt. Gen. A K Singh (Retd.) at Raj Niwas on 04.02.2016.



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LG felicitates medal winners; congratulates them for bringing laurels to Isles

Port Blair, Feb 4
The Lt. Governor, Lt. Gen A.K.Singh (Retd), today felicitated the medal winners of Island School students in the 61st SGFI National School Sqay Martial Art and Tang Soo Do championship held at New Delhi from Jan 2 to 9, 2016. Students of these Islands have won altogether 16 medals in this championship including one Gold, three Silver and 12 Bronze medals. Moreover, Island Tang Soo Do Boys U-19 team bagged the second position in the overall championship.
The Lt. Governor handed over the runners up trophy to the participants. He



congratulated the medal winners for bringing laurels to these Islands and complemented the coaches for nurturing such talents in these events and said that students of these Islands are very talented in sports.
The Chief Secretary, Shri Anand Prakash, Principal Secretary (Edn.), Shri. Raajiv Yaduvanshi, other Senior Officers of the Administration besides Team Manager and Coaches were present on this occasion.



The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence currently on visit to the Islands offering floral tributes at the Martyrs' Column during visit to the National Memorial Cellular Jail on 04.02.2016.

Special yog shivir for students & women on Feb 5 & 6

Port Blair, Feb 4
The special programmes of 'yog chikitsa' and 'dhyana shivir' for students and women have been rescheduled. Accordingly, the special programme for students will be held from 4 to 6 pm on Feb 5 while the special shivir for women will be held

'Yog Shivir' at Netaji Stadium Perform atleast 5 'pranayams' & small 'asanas' daily to remain fit: Swami Ramdevji

Port Blair, Feb 4
Participants turned out in huge numbers to attend Swami Ramdevji's yog camp on the second day at the Netaji Stadium here early this morning too. People from all walks of life were seen attentively participating in yog camp. They, under the guidance of Swamiji, practiced yog such as dhayna, pranayama, vyayam and asanas. Earlier, the Adhyaksha, Zila Parishad South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas inaugurated the second day's yog shivir by lighting the traditional oil lamp.
During the course of the camp, Swami Ramdevji advised one and all to take out a little time everyday for performing at least 5



'pranayama' and 5 small physical exercises (sukshma asanas) to keep themselves healthy and free from stress.
Swamiji was all praise for the participants who turned out at yog venue sharp at 5 am. "I

Media team visits Raj Niwas and places of historical importance in Puducherry

Puducherry, Feb 4
The team of eight media persons who are currently on visit to Chennai and Puducherry, as part of the media exposure tour, today visited various places at the heritage city of Puducherry.
The group visited Raj Niwas at Puducherry and interacted with the Secretary to Lt. Governor, Shri Srikant.
The Secretary briefed the scribes about the historical importance of the city and its relevance with the French colonial rule. He also disclosed that Puducherry has a population of over 12 lakhs which also includes sizeable population of French origin. He also presented mementoes to the media delegation.
Thereafter, the media team also visited Sri Manakula Vinayagar Temple, Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Botanical Garden and Aricamelu.
The team also visited Chunambar Boat Club and enquired about the various tourism facilities offered to the visitors.
Tomorrow, the team is scheduled to visit Karaikal, another prominent tourist attraction of Puducherry.



The media delegation from A& N Islands, alongwith the Secretary to the Lt. Governor at Puducherry Raj Niwas on 04.02.2016.

Encroachment Eviction Drive by District Admn. wins people's appreciation & support

Port Blair, Feb 04
The Revenue Department in an ongoing encroachment eviction drive removed 20 encroachments in Corbyn's Cove and Aberdeen village today. In the drive, machineries like excavator were also used and permanent encroachments removed. Hitherto there was practice by encroachers to re-encroach the land once drive is over, to curb such practice and with a view to take stern action, FIRs are also being lodged against such unscrupulous elements. Information is also being collected about the encroachers and criminal cases of trespassing into the



Government property will also be registered. Local law abiding people have also appreciated the encroachment eviction drive and coming forward in giving information about the encroachments. In a press release received here today, the Deputy

Commissioner, south Andaman stated that the local media is also playing positive role by providing crucial information about the existence of the encroachments. The Revenue Department is also removing the same as per the law on priority basis. However, the Revenue Department strongly condemns the exaggerated and over presumption news published in one of the weekly news paper under title "Mystifying silence of the Administrator boosting the morale of encroachers". All are aware that eviction drive was carried out earlier at the same location. Most of the matter published was highly objectionable and pure imagination, not expected from any sound journalist. It is also clarified that only pre-1978 encroachments were regularized and

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Chartered flight to Carnic on Feb 11 suspended

Port Blair, Feb 4
As conveyed by Air India, the service of Alliance Air chartered flight 91 901/902, CRJ aircraft between Port Blair - Car Nicobar - Port Blair sector scheduled on Feb 11, 2016 will remain suspended due to technical reasons, a communication from the Assistant Secretary (GA) said here today.

SPORTS

Andaman Marathon 2016; technical issues discussed

Port Blair, Feb 4
The Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industry is organising Andaman Marathon with the support of Department of Sports & Youth Affairs on Feb 14, 2016 at Port Blair. A meeting was held under the Chairmanship of the Director (Sports), Shri Ingit Pratap Singh to discuss various issues relating to conduct of the event. In the meeting it was informed that the event will be organised in the following categories viz. half marathon (21 km) for male (open), half marathon (21 km) for female (open), 10 km for men (open), 10 km for women (open), 10 km for senior male (above 50 years), 10 km for senior female (above 40 years) and run for fun 1.5 km (open to all). He informed that the starting point of the race will be at National Memorial Cellular Jail and the finished point at Netaji Stadium, Port Blair. He further

informed that to make the event a grand success, the Department will providing infrastructure and technical support. He also appealed one and all to ensure the proper maintenance of main playfield at Netaji Stadium where all the races will finish and also to perform their duties wherever assigned in connection with the aforesaid event. The Directorate of Sports and Directorate of Education will provide technical support and manpower for

works such as time keeping, helping in marking the route and will work in co-ordination Department. During the meeting, the State Transport Service and DSS have been requested for scheduling Bus and boat services on Feb 14 for more participation in the event. Adequate deployment of Police personnel will be made for traffic control and maintaining Law & Order at starting point, finishing point and on route of races, the Director added.

XXII Vice President of India Cup Soccer Championship



Car Nicobar, Feb 4
In the matches played on the fifth day of the XXII Vice President of India Cup Soccer Championship 2015-16 being held at BJR Stadium, in the quarter final match Car Nicobar 'A' defeated Little Andaman by 2-0, Car Nicobar 'B' defeated IAF Car

Nicobar by 5-0. Chowra defeated Nancowrie by 2-0 and DSS defeated Wimberlygunj by 1-0 goals. Meanwhile, in tomorrow's semi final matches, Car Nicobar 'A' will meet Chowra at 12.30 pm and Car Nicobar 'B' will lock horns with DSS at 2.30 pm.

2016 World Twenty20 in India will be biggest, best cricket event ever: ICC

New Delhi, Feb 4
The International Cricket Council (ICC), during its first board meeting of 2016, has declared that the sixth World Twenty20 in India will be "the biggest and best cricket event ever held." Cricket's global body released a statement on outcomes from the board meeting held in Dubai on 3 February.

of the tournament has also been increased. "The ICC Board approved an increased operational budget for the event in order to ensure that no stone was left unturned in ensuring that the ICC and the BCCI could achieve their joint objectives of making this event the biggest and best cricket event ever held," it added. Besides the ten full member nations, six Associate member nations will play in the tournament with Sri Lanka defending the title.



Annual athletic meet of VK Pur held

Hut Bay, Feb 4
A two day annual athletic meet 2015-16 of GSS V.K. Pur, Little Andaman was held on Feb 2 & 3 in the school campus. The Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Vivekananda Pur, Shri Pramir Kumar Paul was the chief guest while Shri Ashim Biswas, Principal, GSS V.K. Pur was the guest of honour on the occasion. In the closing ceremony, Smt. Sima Sarkar, Pramukh, Little Andaman expressed her happiness over the unification of school to celebrate the annual athletic meet. The main attraction of the closing ceremony was yoga demonstration, flag drill & cultural programme etc. The programmed ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Shri Suahanta Biswas, GTT.

Roger Federer Out For a Month After Knee Surgery

Switzerland, Feb 4
Roger Federer, world No.3, has undergone a knee surgery and is expected to be out of action for a month. (Australian Open Semi-Final: Scrapy Roger Federer Just Can't Stop Rampaging Novak Djokovic) The 34-year-old had the surgery in his native Switzerland to repair a torn meniscus muscle. He was injured last week during his Australian Open semi-final defeat to eventual champion Novak Djokovic. The 17-time Grand Slam champion has withdrawn from the World Tennis Tournament in Rotterdam and the Dubai Championships later this month.

Conservation of mangroves and its floral diversity highlighted

Port Blair, Feb 4
The Forest Extension and Publicity Division, Department of Environment and Forests, AN Islands, observed the World Wetlands Day on Feb 2. As part of it, an awareness programme was held at the auditorium of the Jawaharlal Nehru Rajkeeya Mahavidyalaya, in which students of various streams like Plant Science, Zoology and Tourism participated. The theme of this year's celebration was 'Wetlands for our Future: Sustainable Livelihoods'. Shri Joju P. Allapat, Director, Forest Training School, Wimberlygunj explained the meaning of wetlands and its importance vis-à-vis these islands while laying emphasis on the conservation of mangroves and

its floral diversity. Shri Agni Mitra, DCF (Silviculture) division held an interactive discourse on crocodiles, their habit and habitat and highlighted the dos and don'ts for warding off any direct confrontation with the animal. Welcoming the gathering, the principal of JNRM, Dr. Francis Xavier, shared how the landscapes have changed over time and implored the students to take judicious steps in ascertaining a safer future for themselves on these islands by conserving the wetlands. A Wetlands Quiz was organised in which Shri R.S. Harish, M.Sc. Zoology, 2nd year won the first prize, the second prize was won by Ms. Mahua Mandal of M.Sc. Botany, 1st year and the third prize went to Shri Anup

Mistry, B.Sc. Plant Science. A documentary on coral reefs was also shown to the audience. The function concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Ms. N. Ganguly, DFO (FE&P) Division.

Book fair at Nirmala School

Port Blair, Feb 4
As scholastic book fair was arranged in the auditorium of Nirmala Sr. Sec. School, Port Blair, in collaboration with Scholastic India Pvt. Ltd. Book fair was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Anugrah Prakash Lugun, Manager of the School today. The Principal, Dr. Caroline Mathew motivated the students to develop reading habits. The book fair will remain open for all till Feb 6 from 8.30 am to 4 pm, a communication said.

'Yog Shivar' at Netaji Stadium



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Encroachment Eviction...

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thereafter no such scheme is in force, therefore, people should not be under impression that if the encroachment on Government revenue land is done the same can be regularized, even getting essential civic amenities like water and electricity does not change the encroacher status. In order to make the drive successful, the Revenue Department is also getting assistance from other line Departments like Police, APWD & P BMC in encroachment eviction drive by providing the men and machineries. The local people are requested to support the Revenue Department by providing information about encroachments at any place over phone No.240127/1070. The department has put this encroachment eviction drive on priority and shall continue, the release added.

Power break

Rangat, Feb 4
The power supply will be suspended from Nimbudera to Mayabunder (in Mayabunder feeder) on Feb 6 from 7 am to 2 pm for carrying out works at 6 pole structure of Rangat Bay Power House, line maintenance, tree cutting and damage pole replacement by AE (T&D), Mayabunder.

Drain at marine dockyard de-silted

Port Blair, Feb 4
The drainage from DSS gate to marine dockyard and backside of Netaji Club which was causing water logging during heavy rain has now been cleared and de-silted. The sanitary labour of ward no.4 and the general public cooperated well for cleaning of the said drain, a communication from the Councillor, ward no.4 said.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence at the Paramveer Chakra Memorial and Netaji Statue at Marina Park on 4.2.2016



WEATHER
Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 24°C respectively on Friday 05/02/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
Maximum Temperature (°C): 30.5
Minimum Temperature (°C): 24.2
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 057
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 064
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0543
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1723
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 000.0
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 16: 71.0 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA
DIVIYUM TALKIES
Following is the Schedule for Week Feb 5 - Feb 11
Ghayal Once Again - (Hindi UA) - 1:00 PM & 7:30 PM
Sanam Teri Kasam - (Hindi U) - 12:00 PM & 3:30 PM
Aranmanai 2 - (Tamil U) - 7:0 PM
Airlift - (Hindi UA) - 4:00 PM
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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS
MV Sentinel will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 12.02.2016 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 13.02.2016 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 10.02.2016 (Wed) at STARS Ticketing Counters.
05.02.2016 (FRIDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 05.02.2016 (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 05.02.2016 (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 North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 05.02.2016 (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 North Passage will sail for Havelock on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1515 Hrs from Neil Island. (Additional Service).
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.
HUT BAY
MV Dering will sail for Hut Bay on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.
RANGAT, MAYABUNDER
MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Rangat via Havelock and Long Island on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Rangat via same route.
MV Rani Changa will sail for Mayabunder on 05.02.2016 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2200 Hrs from Mayabunder.
06.02.2016 (SATURDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
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