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Warm welcome awaits Union Home Minister, Union Minister for Road, Transport & Highways and Minister of State for Home on their arrival today Foundation stones for vital projects to be laid

Port Blair, Oct 4

The Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh, accompanied by the Union Minister for Road, Transport & Highways, Shri Nitin Gadkari and Union Minister of State for Home, Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir will be arriving on a two days' visit to the Islands tomorrow evening (Oct 5). They will be accorded a warm welcome on their arrival at Veer Savarkar International airport by the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar and others. Soon after arrival, the dignitaries will proceed to National Memorial Cellular Jail and lay wreaths at Martyr's Column at 4.55 pm.

The Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh

and the Union Minister for Road, Transport & Highways, Shri Nitin Gadkari will inaugurate the Sea Route to Baratang Island at a function to be organized at Dr BR Ambedkar Auditorium at 5.30 pm tomorrow (Oct 5). They will also lay the foundation stone for the Extension of New Dry Dock, Port Blair, Extension of Wharf, Hope Town, Construction of Additional Jetty & Extension of Berthing Jetty, Neil Island during this function, to be organized by the Andaman Lakshadweep Harbour Works, Ministry of Shipping, GoI. The Minister of State for Home, Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, the Lt Governor, A&N Islands, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi and the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray will also grace the occasion.

On Oct.6, the Union Ministers will depart for Diglipur where they will lay the Foundation Stone for Andaman Trunk Road and also address the gathering at a function to be held at Diglipur Stadium at 10.15 am. Thereafter, the Union Ministers will proceed to Baratang and lay the Foundation Stone for Middle Strait and Humphrey Strait Bridges at 12.15 pm on the same day. They will also address the public at Forest Ground, Baratang. On completion of the visit, the dignitaries will depart for New Delhi in the evening of Oct. 6, 2017.



Shri Rajnath Singh
Union Home Minister



Shri Nitin Gadkari
Union Minister for Road, Transport & Highways



Shri Hansraj Gangaram Ahir
Union Minister of State for Home

Training prog. on Government e-Marketplace begins

GeM is one stop solution to lengthy procedure of Govt. procurement: CS

Port Blair, Oct. 4

A training programme on Government e-Marketplace (GeM) for smart sellers and Government buyers was held in the conference hall of DBRAIT here today, in which the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar was the chief guest. The programme was organized by the A & N Administration, in association with GeM, Ministry of Commerce, GoI.

Addressing the gathering, the chief guest said that GeM will ease the procurement procedure as



the present procurement procedure is cumbersome, lengthy and lacks transparency. Procurement by Government organization has become a great challenge as many a time, materials are not available and delivery takes time. Online

procurement through GeM is very easy, quick and transparent and it will surely improve the procurement process by any organization, the Chief Secretary said. He also said that GeM is a one stop solution to the lengthy

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3- day conference on UNCLOS begins Abiding by the Intl. laws by each country is essential for global peace: LG

Port Blair, Oct. 4

A 3- day conference on 'United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea' (UNCLOS), organized by India Foundation got underway today in the conference hall of the Hotel Sinclairs at Port Blair today. The Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi inaugurated the conference as the chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, the Lt. Governor expressed happiness to be a part of the conference on UNCLOS, organized by India Foundation at Port Blair. The Lt Governor stated that United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) is widely referred to as the 'Constitution of the Oceans'. It sets out the legal framework within

which all activities in the oceans and seas must be carried out, including conservation and sustainable use of the oceans and their resources. UNCLOS also sets forth the legal framework for the sustainable development of the oceans and seas which aims at balancing the rights and obligations of coastal States with those of other States, the Lt Governor added.

Pointing that the 3-days conference will discuss and deliberate a range of issues which include enduring legitimacy of UNCLOS & its continuing vitality in 21st century, role of UNCLOS in facilitating peaceful settlements of disputes, harmonious maritime dispute resolution, among others, the Lt Governor stated that maritime issues



have emerged as one of the most important security issues in the Indo-Pacific region, driving major powers to strategically adjust their policies towards the region.

The Lt Governor stated that abiding all the International laws and decisions of International tribunals by each country of the world is very essential for global peace.

He expressed hope that the maturity exhibited by the littoral states in the Bay of Bengal will also be exhibited by all modern nation states, especially to resolve the outstanding maritime disputes in Indo-Pacific region.

The Lt Governor said that the International community must renew and intensify its efforts to strengthen capacity

building with a view to protecting oceans and providing an opportunity for all States to use their resources peacefully, equitably and sustainably for generations to come. To that end, an increased awareness and understanding of the inter-linkages between global legal and policy frameworks and how they

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Baby Fareeda elected new Adhyaksha; Gadadhar Mazumdar Up-Adhyaksh of ZPSA

Port Blair, Oct 4

Smt. Baby Fareeda, Zilla Parishad Member from Beodnabad Constituency and Shri Gadadhar Mazumdar, Zilla Parishad Member from Chouldari Constituency have been elected as the new Adhyaksha and Up-Adhyaksh of the Zilla Parishad, South Andaman for the third year term commencing from Oct. 11,



2017. The election for the posts of Adhyaksha and Up-Adhyaksh was

conducted in the (Contd. on last page)
New ZPSA Adhyaksha congratulated

Port Blair, Oct 4

The State President BJP, A&N Islands, Shri. Vishal Jolly has congratulated the new elected Adhyaksha of Zilla Parishad, South Andaman Smti. Baby Fareeda and Up-Adhyaksh, ZPSA Shri. Gadadhar Mazumdar. He also expressed gratitude to Zilla Parishad members and party workers for their support.

Meeting of State BJP functionaries at HSKP today

Port Blair, Oct 4

The Bharatiya Janata Party, A&N Islands will be organizing a meeting of Party Workers at Hindi Sahitya Kala Parishad at 6 pm on Oct 5, 2017. The Union Home Minister, Shri. Rajnath Singh, Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways and Shipping, Shri. Nitin

Gadkari, and Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri. Hansraj Gangaram Ahir will interact with the Office Bearers and Party functionaries during this programme. The State President, BJP, A&N Islands, Shri. Vishal Jolly has invited the BJP workers to attend this programme, a communication said.

BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY

A & N Islands

HEARTILY WELCOMES

Shri. RAJNATH SINGH
Union Home Minister, Govt. of India

Shri. NITIN GADKARI
Union Minister of Road Transport & Highways and Shipping, Govt. of India

Shri. HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR
Minister of State & Home Affairs, Government of India

FOUNDATION STONE LAYING CEREMONY FOR ONGOING PROJECTS

REHABILITATION AND UP-GRADATION FROM 3x2.2 KM TO 2x2.2 OF NH-4 TO 2-LANE IN A&N ISLANDS ON EPC BASIS Estimated Cost: Rs. 358.58 Crores	ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF MIDDLE STRAIT TO BARATANG NH-4 MAIN-PACK-II IN THE UT OF A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 3.89 Crores
REHABILITATION AND UP-GRADATION OF BEDDHABAD - FERANGOLA SECTION NH-4 TO 2-LANE WITH HARD SHOULDER IN THE A&N ISLANDS ON EPC BASIS Estimated Cost: Rs. 198.79 Crores	ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF ROADWAY TO DIGLIPUR NH-4 MAIN-PACK-II IN THE UT OF A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 2.92 Crores
CONSTRUCTION OF MAJOR BRIDGE OVER HUMPHREY STREET CREEK NH-4 IN THE UT OF A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 212.28 Crores	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL APPROACH JETTY, EXTENSION OF BEYOND JETTY AND BIDDING IMPROVEMENT OF JETTY AT NEIL ISLAND IN A&N ISLANDS. Estimated Cost: Rs. 38.19 Crores
CONSTRUCTION OF MAJOR BRIDGE OVER MIDDLE STRAIT CREEK NH-4 IN THE UT OF A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 208.88 Crores	EXTENSION OF QUAY DOCK - II AT FORT BLAIR Estimated Cost: Rs. 96.34 Crores
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF CHODYATAPU TO MIDDLE STRAIT NH-4 MAIN PACH IN THE UT OF A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 3.13 Crores	DEVELOPMENT OF SEA ROUTE TO BARATANG IN A&N ISLANDS Estimated Cost: Rs. 48.16 Crores
	EXTENSION OF WHARF BY 40 MT AT HOPE TOWN IN SOUTH ANDAMAN Estimated Cost: Rs. 17.49 Crores

TOTAL PROJECT COST FOR ONGOING PROJECTS IS RS.1360.9 CRORE

SPORTS

Minister announces launch of National School & College Games

New Delhi, Oct 4
Sports Minister Col Rajyavardhan Rathore has announced the launch of National School and College Games to tap talent from every nook and corner of the country. Delivering his speech at a felicitation function of the Indian football team for the U-17 World Cup, which begins on Friday,

Col Rathore said, the youth of this country will have to be provided platforms to show their talent. The Minister said the government has decided to start for the first time the Khelo India National School Games in December 2017 and Khelo India National College Games in January 2018. He added

these will be annual events and the government is doing this to tap talent at the school and college levels. The Minister said from these Games, 1000 children will be selected and be given 5 lakh rupees for eight years for their training. He said 1000 more children will be added each year.

Sports Deptt. officials visit different Islands to scout for fresh talent

Port Blair, Oct 4
The A&N Administration in its efforts to reach out to the tribal population in the remotest corner of these Islands deputed a team of Sports Department officials led by Director (Sports) during the month of September 2017 to

scout for fresh talent under the scheme of 'Hum Chuyenge Aasman'. The team visited Hutbay, Kamorta, Campbell Bay and Nicobar for talent hunting and selected a number of children in the age group of 9-12 years for including them in the

Andaman & Nicobar Sports Academy in which 29 children are already getting training in swimming, Cycling and Basketball. The team was coordinated by the tribal leaders during their visit for talent search, a communication said.

Selection trial for Islands Rowing team in National Championship

Port Blair, Oct 4
The Andaman & Nicobar Rowing Association will conduct the Selection Trial at the SAG Water Sports Centre, Sippighat on October 17, 2017 at 6.30 am in connection with the participation of Islands team in the forthcoming 38th Junior Rowing Championship to be held in Jagatpur, Odisha from Nov. 14 to 19, 2017.

10 am to 1 pm or contact 9434284756. The last date / time for Inter Zonal State Level School Football Knockout Tournament

registration and acceptance of name is October 16, 2017 at 1 pm, a communication said.

Inter Zonal State Level School Football Knockout Tournament

Port Blair, Oct 4

The Islands will be participating in the Championship.

The Department of Education is going to organize the 4th Inter Zonal State Level School Football Knockout Tournament for U-14 (Boys) and U-17 (Boys & Girls) at Netaji Stadium and JNRM Football Ground, Port Blair from 7th to 11th October 2017. About 27 teams consisting of 432 participants and 54 officials from nine Educational Zones from all over

The Chief Secretary, A & N Administration, Shri. Anindo Majumdar will be the chief guest during the Opening Ceremony of the Championship to be held on Oct. 7 at 3 pm at Netaji Stadium. The Closing ceremony of the event will be held on 11th October 2017 at 2.30 pm at Netaji Stadium, a communication said.

Deepa Malik to receive M G Mehta Human Spirit award

Mumbai, Oct 4
Rio Paralympics silver medalist Deepa Malik will be honoured with the 'M G Mehta Human Spirit' award, at a ceremony to be held here next month. The award, which has been previously won by Padma Shri awardee Arunima Sinha, the first Indian woman amputee to scale Mount Everest in 2013, and paralympic cyclist Aditya Mehta, has been instituted by the Ratna Nidhi Trust. "I look forward to receiving this award. Ratna Nidhi's work for persons with disabilities has been massive and at a global scale. Their founder Mahendrabhai Mehta was a beacon of light. This award, in his memory is



absolutely priceless," Malik said in a statement issued here. Malik was honoured with the Padma Shri earlier this year and Arjuna Award in 2012. "We chose Deepa Malik for the 'M G Mehta Human Spirit' award, for her exemplary achievements. We confer this every year around World Disability Day (observed on

December 3) to a deserving individual who is a role model to persons with disabilities in India," trustee of Ratna Nidhi Trust, Rajiv Mehta said. The award will consist of a cash award of Rs 1 lakh and a citation. The award ceremony will be held on November 21 at the Y B Chavan Auditorium in south Mumbai.

India A men's team qualifies for next round of Australian Hockey League

New Delhi, Oct 4
India 'A' has qualified for the next round of the 2017 men's Australian Hockey League (AHL) after finishing second in Pool B. The top two teams from Pool A and Pool B have qualified for the second stage of the tournament. The four teams now will be placed in Pool C, and they will play two matches against sides who have qualified from the other pool. The top two teams from Pool C will then face off in the final match and the remaining two sides will play for 3rd-4th place classification match. New South Wales and India have qualified as top two teams from Pool B and will be up against Pool A's top two sides, Victoria and Queensland. In Pool B, India finished the



first round with a tally of seven points from four matches with two wins, one draw and one loss. India started their AHL campaign on a high with a 4-1 win over Western Australia but lost to New South Wales 0-1 in the second match. The third match saw India playing out a 1-1 draw against Northern Territory before coming back to win the fourth match 2-0 against Australian Capital Territory.

Whereas, New South Wales finished the first round with 12 points and are the only team in the tournament with a 100 per cent win record. In Pool A, Victoria finished as the top placed team accumulating 10 points from four matches whereas Queensland finished second with nine points. India A will now face Victoria tomorrow followed by match against Queensland on Friday.

MORE LOCAL NEWS

Child Welfare Committees and Juvenile Justice Boards to be reconstituted

Port Blair, Oct 4
The tenure of the existing Juvenile Justice Board and Child Welfare Committee of all the three districts of this UT will complete on 10th November 2017. Now, the Department of Social Welfare is in the process of reconstituting these Child Welfare Committees and Juvenile Justice Boards with new Chairpersons and Members.

The Rule 87 of A & N Islands Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rule, 2017 envisages constitution of a Selection Committee and its notification in the Official Gazette. As per this Rule, two representatives will be from two different reputed non-governmental organizations respectively working in the area of child development or child protection for a minimum period of seven years but not running or managing any children's

DD to telecast interview

Port Blair, Oct 4
Doordarshan Kendra - Port Blair will telecast an interview programme with Shri Adavan, Film Director on the topic 'Andaman Ka Suraj' on 5th October, 2017, at 5 pm, a communication said.

Tourists & tour operators advised

Port Blair, Oct 4
All tourists and tour operators have been informed that the Museums of the National Memorial Cellular Jail shall remain opened on 5th October 2017 from 8.30 am to 2.30 pm. No entry will be allowed after 2.30 pm in the Museums of Cellular Jail due to administrative reasons, a communication said.

Special Camp for enrolment of Aadhar Card

Port Blair, Oct 4
The District Administration, South Andaman shall conduct a Special Camp for enrolment of Aadhar Card at Tehsil office, Hut Bay Little Andaman from Oct 10 to 12, 2017.

The general public and PRIs of Little Andaman have been urged to avail the facility for fresh enrolment of aadhar cards, correction of name/address/date of birth etc., a communication said.

Lakshmi Puja to be celebrated today

Port Blair, Oct 4
The Lakshmi Puja will be celebrated on 5th October, 2017, in the prayer hall of Ramakrishna Mission, Port Blair with special puja, puspunjali, devotional songs, and distribution of prasad, a communication received here said.

Death conolded

Port Blair, Oct 4
The South Andaman Teachers' Branch of the Non-Gazetted Government Officers' Association has conolded the demise of Shri S. Rathi Murugan, Post Graduate Teacher attached to Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Wimberlygunj today at his native place Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu. He was 43 years old and is survived by his wife and a daughter. He was under treatment for cancer at mainland, a communication said.

institution of the members of the Committee are from reputed NGOs.

Therefore, expression of interest is invited from eligible NGOs, having above qualifications for being nominated as members of this selection committee. The interested NGOs may submit their application

indicating the profile (Experience, Qualification etc, not more than two pages) of the nominee on or before 10th Oct. 2017 to the Director Social Welfare or in the mail ID directorsw4@gmail.com. No application will be entertained after last date, a communication said.

Suspension of vehicular traffic & ferry services at Baratang on Oct 6

Port Blair, Oct 4
In view of the ensuing visit of Union Home Minister of India to Baratang on 06/10/2017, the vehicular movement from PS Baratang to Nilambur and ferry services from Middle Strait to Nilambur jetty will be suspended from 11.30

am to 3 pm to ensure smooth movement of VVIP carcade and for safety and security of the visiting VVIP. The general public and tourists have been advised to plan their journey on 06/10/2017 accordingly, a communication said.

Super Specialists to render services at GBPH

Port Blair, Oct 4
Super Specialists from Medica Super Speciality Hospital, Kolkata will be rendering super speciality services at GB Pant Hospital, Port Blair from Oct 9 to 14. Accordingly, Dr Apurba Siva, Gastroenterologist will render his services on Oct 9 & 10, Dr Anil Kumar Singh, Paed Cardiologist on Oct 10 & 11, Dr Anish Ghosh, Neurologist

on Oct 12 & 13 and Dr Akhilesh Agarwal, Plastic Surgeon on Oct 13 & 14. Patients who need consultation and treatment with the Gastroenterologist and Paed Cardiologist may register their names with the HOD (Medicine) and HOD (Paediatric) respectively while Neurologist and Plastic Surgeon with the HOD (Surgery).

Tree planting drive conducted

Port Blair, Oct 4
As part of the culmination of 'Swachhta Hi Seva' Campaign which was held from Sept 15 to Oct 2, a tree planting drive was organized by Indian Navy in collaboration with the Forest Department at Minnie Bay residential complex, Port Blair yesterday on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. Commodore Ashutosh Ridhorkar, the Naval Component Commander was the chief guest on the

occasion. Smti. Smita Ridhorkar, President NWWA also participated in the event with her team representing the role and importance of ladies/spouse in the Naval Community and their contribution to the environment. The Divisional Forest Officer, Extension & Publicity Division alongwith staff participated in the event and extended necessary support for organizing the plantation drive, a communication said.

Abiding by the ...

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can support national and local frameworks, and address capacity-needs is also essential. Effective cooperation and coordination, as well as partnerships across all levels and sectors will be critical in that regard. Such cooperation can also be facilitated and stimulated by global-level dialogue and experience-sharing across regions. The Lt Governor further said that India also has Island territories both in the Arabian Sea and in the Bay of Bengal, and the policy of India is to become a net security provider in the Indian Ocean region which includes humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. Their proximity to Malacca Strait allows India to provide assistance to countries of Southeast Asia in times of distress, as was done during Tsunami in 2004. India's maritime zones overlap with many countries of Southeast Asia and India has resolved its bilateral disputes with them amicably. It has delineated its maritime borders with all the littorals in the Bay of Bengal, he added.

The Lt Governor concluded his speech by extending his heartiest congratulations to India Foundation for organizing conference on such an important and meaningful subject and hoped that considering the strategic significance of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and their proximity to countries of Southeast Asia, this UNCLOS Conference will also make an attempt to highlight the importance of rule based International order. In his address, the Minister of State for External Affairs, Govt. of India, Shri MJ Akbar stated that the 21st Century is going to be of seas, skies and space and it belongs to those who have new ideas, vision and technologies. He said India is going to be a major player with regard to technology. He also explained as why India is also emerging as a Naval power. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray also graced the inaugural session. In his speech, Vice Admiral Vinay Badhwar, Chief Hydrographer, Govt. of India, while enlightening about UNCLOS, said, it sets forth the legal framework for the sustainable development of the oceans and seas which aims at balancing the rights and obligations of coastal States with those of other States. Earlier, the Director, India Foundation, Shri Alok Bansal welcomed the gathering while the inaugural session concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Maj. General (Retd) Dhruv Katoch of India Foundation.

WEATHER



Rain or Thundershower very likely to occur at many places. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30 °C and 25 °C respectively on Thursday 05/10/2017
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date : 30.5
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date : 25.1
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 089
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 087
Sunrise Time for tomorrow(in IST): 0508
Sunset Time for tomorrow(in IST): 1707
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 17 2676.4 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS
05.10.2017 (THURSDAY)

BARATANG
MV North Passage will sail for Baratang on 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Baratang.

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Strait Island will sail for Neil Island on 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Strait Island will sail for Neil Island on 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Strait Island will sail for Havelock 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 05.10.2017 (Thu) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

06.10.2017 (FRIDAY)
BARATANG

MV Bambooka will sail for Baratang on 06.10.2017 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Baratang.

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 06.10.2017 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Katchal will sail for Neil Island on 06.10.2017 (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 Chouldari will sail for Neil Island on 06.10.2017 (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 Chouldari will sail for Havelock on 06.10.2017 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 06.10.2017 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

RANGAT
MV Strait Island will sail for Rangat via Havelock and Long Island on 06.10.2017 (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.

HUT BAY
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Hut Bay on 06.10.2017 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.

Baby Fareeda elected...

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conference hall of the Zila Parishad South Andaman today under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri Udit Prakash Rai. The Deputy Commissioner handed over the Certificates of Election and also greeted the new Adhyaksha and Up-Adhyaksh for their election to ZPSA for its third year term. All the 18 members of the Zila Parishad South Andaman participated in today's election. The Bharatiya Janata Party workers present in good numbers greeted the new Adhyaksha and Up-Adhyaksh by garlanding and presenting flower bouquets to them.

GeM is one ...

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procedure of Govt. procurement. The Chief Secretary further said that a big leap forward has come with the introduction of GeM as the portal will make things faster by harnessing the power of Information Technology. "Though we are facing the challenge of connectivity in these Islands, we are not deterred by it, rather we are overcoming the constraints", he said expressing hope that the workshop will benefit all the participants, both buyers and sellers. Earlier, in his welcome address, the Spl. Secretary (IT), Shri Utpal Sharma said that GeM will improve timely delivery of products and ensure timely payment. With the advancement in Information Technology and introduction of GeM, things will improve to a great extent, he said highlighting the objectives of the workshop. He also informed that similar workshops will also be arranged at North & Middle Andaman District and Nicobar District as well.

The resource persons of the workshop, Shri Sanjay Joshep, Director GeM and Shri Uday Pratap Singh, Trainer DGS&D through power point presentation threw light on the various aspects of GeM. He said that GeM is a one stop solution to the lengthy procedure of Govt. procurement.

The workshop was attended by a large number of officers and staff of different organization/departments besides defense and sellers organizations.