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## PM calls for empowering women to make country stronger

New Delhi, Mar 6 Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has called for giving more powers to women to strengthen the country. Addressing the 2nd day of National Conference of Women Legislators in New Delhi this afternoon, Shri Modi said, every citizen of India strengthens the nation and a Mother strengthens a citizen therefore it is the need of the hour to make women more stronger. Shri Modi said, women should understand themselves and their strength. The Prime Minister said, this can happen only when the women face and deal with the challenges efficiently. He said if women are provided with better opportunities they can excel and touch the heights in any field. Shri Modi said when it comes to multi task activities, nobody can beat women. He said the country

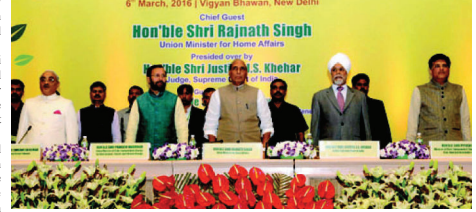


had many Foreign Ministers but everybody knows about the outstanding work of present External Affairs Minister Smti Sushma Swaraj. The Prime Minister said women representation has increased in his government. He asked women legislators to adopt latest technologies to reach out and connect to people across the country. He said adapting better technology can help women legislators to receive views from common man and find solutions to their problems. Speaking on the occasion, former President Smti Pratibha Devisingh Patil asked women to come forward and make the nation stronger. She said, children must be taught that men and women are equal from the very beginning. Union Minister Ms Uma Bharti who also addressed the conference, said women can play a good role in ensuring better governance in the country. She said the need of the hour is to increase women representation in politics. The Minister also pitched

for better infrastructure, law and order and corruption free administration for good governance. Lok Sabha Speaker Smti Sumitra Mahajan has said women must develop their personality and face the challenges in their life with grit and determination. Addressing the National Conference of Women Legislators in New Delhi, she asked all those present to take the message of women empowerment to their respective areas. She said MLAs and MLCs got an opportunity to visit Central Hall and get a glimpse of some Parliamentary traditions during the conference.

## Govt committed to double income of farmers by 2022: HM

### International Conference on Rule of Law for Supporting The 2030 Development Agenda/Sustainable Development Goals



New Delhi, Mar 6 Government is committed to double the income of all farmers by 2022, much ahead of time frame set by the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh said this today in his valedictory address on the concluding day of the international conference on Rule of Law for Supporting the 2030 Development Goals.

Agenda/Sustainable Development Goals. Shri Singh said Centre has adopted a zero tolerance policy against hunger. He said India will be successfully able to end hunger by 2030. The Home Minister also said poverty eradication is the greatest global challenge and (Contd. on last page)

## Efforts on to achieve target of electrifying every village a year before PM's 2018 deadline: Power Minister

Mathura, Mar 6 Peeyush Goyal said this in Efforts are on to achieve the target of electrifying every village in the country a year before the 2018 deadline set by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Union Power Minister, Shri

electrified. The Minister asserted that there is no shortage of power and coal in the country, adding that adequate quantity of coal can now be supplied to any state on demand. Batting for increased use of LED the Minister said that it is being made available to common man at Rs 74 against its earlier market price of Rs 450 since transparency has been maintained in bidding etc. He said that use of LED bulbs would save 2.5 crore units of power.

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## Ward Councillor inspect Ward No.3; identify priority area for immediate development

Port Blair, Mar 6 The Secretary, Port Blair Municipal Council, Shri P. Jawahar along with Councillor Ward No.3, Shri Ramzan Ali and staff of Port Blair Municipal Council inspected Ward No. 3 and identified priority area for immediate development. The inspection included development of parking space adjacent to Nair Service Society premises. Spot directions were issued to the Engineering wing to expediously take up the work after confirming the boundaries of allotted land from Revenue authorities. The development of the parking space shall come as a big relief catering to the demand for organized parking space to several vehicle owners and general public at large living in the vicinity. This would also come as a handy tool to decongest traffic



in the said area which otherwise remain congested due to improper road side parking. Subsequently in order to assess the living conditions of staff of Port Blair Municipal Council, the Secretary, along with Ward Councillor visited staff quarters at Delanipur which calls for undertaking immediate repair to make it comfortably liveable. Spot directions were issued to the Engineering wing to act proactively to undertake essential repairs and maintenance immediately. Besides, construction of Office of Sanitary Inspector, completion of works pertaining to development of Senior Citizen park and Undertaking repair works at the residences of Sanitary Workers at Delanipur were accorded priority for immediate redressal.

## Sitting of State Commission from today

Port Blair, Mar 6 Justice Asim Kumar Ray, President of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (State Commission), A&N Islands will hold sitting of the State Commission's Court with effect from March 7 to 18, 2016 at Port Blair in the State Commission's building, Directorate of Civil Supplies Complex. All the litigants whose matters are pending before the State Commission, A&N Islands have been asked to appear before the Commission, a communication said.

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Port Blair, Mar 6 The 4th and final batch of Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP scheme) will begin at the SBI R-SEIT, Mahanpura, Port Blair at 10 am on March 7, 2016. The General Manager, NABARD, A&N Administration, Shri Hemant Songadkar will inaugurate programme as the chief guest. The Director of Industries, Regional Manager, RO, SBI, MD, A&N State Cooperative Bank and Chief Manager, Syndicate Bank (main), Port Blair will be the

## Draft National Policy on Marine Fisheries prepared; suggestions invited

Port Blair, Mar 6 The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, Ministry of Agriculture has constituted a Committee to draft the 2016 National Policy on Marine Fisheries. The Committee has brought out the first draft of the policy and the copy of the

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other guests during the programme. The six month long EDP will continue till Mar 12, 2016. Altogether 30-40 PMEGP beneficiaries for whom the Bank has sanctioned loan will attend the EDP. The beneficiaries being joined the EDP from far

## Total Eclipse of the Sun to occur on March 9 Phase of partial eclipse in Port Blair to be around 49 percent

New Delhi, Mar 6 A total eclipse of the Sun will occur on March 9, 2016 (19 Phalgun, 1937 Saka Era). From India it will be seen as partial solar eclipse at sunrise. The same will be visible from most places of India except from North West and western parts of the country. In most places of India, the partial phase of the eclipse begins before sunrise i.e. partially eclipsed sunrise will take place. However, start of partial phase of the eclipse will take place just after sunrise from extreme north east India. As one moves towards the east of the country, the duration of the partial eclipse increases reaching upto a duration of about one hour and more in extreme north east India and in Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Considering the Earth as a whole the partial phase of the eclipse will begin at 4 h 49 m IST. The total phase will begin at 5 h 47 m IST. The total phase will end at 9 h 08m IST. The partial phase will end at 10h 05m IST. In India obscuration of the Sun by the Moon at the time of greatest phase of partial eclipse will be around 15 percent in Agartala, 24.5 percent in Bhubaneswar, 11 percent in Guwahati, 18.5 percent in Kolkata, 12 percent in Patna, 49 percent in Port Blair, 12 percent in Silchar etc. However, the greatest phase of the partial eclipse will not be seen from many places in India as the sunrise will take place after the time of occurrence of greatest phase at these places. Eclipsed Sun should not be viewed with the naked eye, even for a very short time. It will cause permanent damage of the eyes leading to blindness even when the moon covers most portion of the Sun. Safe technique to observe the solar eclipse is either by using proper filter like aluminized Mylar, black polymer, welding glass of shade number 14 or by making projection of Sun's image on a white board by telescope.



## International Women's Day celebration

Port Blair, Mar 6 'Lehcin' a Socio Cultural Organization, here will be celebrating International Women's Day and Andaman Day with a function on March 7 at 6 pm in TSG Emerald View, Phoenix Bay. The Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Rakesh Bali will be the chief guest

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while the Chairperson, PBMC, Smt. Sheela Singh will be the guest of honour on the occasion. Meanwhile, Aarohi, a Social & Cultural Organisation will be organising a cultural programme to celebrate Women's Day on March 8 at 5:30 pm at Tagore College auditorium, Middle Point.

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The PBMC has accordingly thrown open for third party validation by general public and SBA -Team nominated by Member of Parliament to be associated with various aspects of Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Gol i.e. Swachh Bharat Mission.

All concerned have been requested to intimate the Council about the said claim. Citizens may also express their views using Jan Shikayat app launched by the Council or mail at ODFreeportblair@gmail.com. Subsequent to the third party validation and inputs from general public in the said wards will

be declared as Open Defecation Free. The general public have also been requested to bring to the notice of Secretary, PBMC about any open

defecation practices in these wards within 15 days from date of issue of this publication, a communication from the Secretary, Municipal Council said.

**SPORTS**

**Perfect preparation for World T20**

**Men in Blue thrash Bangladesh by 8 wickets to lift Asia Cup T20 Trophy**



Mirpur, Mar 1  
India has lifted the Asia Cup T20 Trophy for the sixth time. In the final played here today at Mirpur, they defeated the hosts Bangladesh by 8 wickets. Put into bat, the Bangladesh team scored 120 for 5 in the stipulated rain-curtailed 15 overs a side match. For India, Jadeja, Bumrah, Nehra and Ashwin took one wicket each.  
The Indian side comfortably reached the target in 13.5 overs losing only two wickets. Virat Kohli played yet another brilliant 41 not out in 28 balls, while Shikhar Dhawan scored 60 in 44 balls. Mahendra Singh Dhoni, who came ahead of Yuvraj, finished the match in style, hitting a six. He scored 20 of 6 balls which turned

out to be a crucial knock in the victory.  
The Dhoni led Indian side remained unbeaten in the tournament and it is a perfect launching pad for the Indian side as they go into the World T20 tournament beginning on March 8 with a major victory. The victory will give the Men in Blue huge confidence to go into the series.



Shikhar Dhawan was declared Man of the Match while Shabbir Rehman of Bangladesh team won the Man of the Series Award. While India won the Asia Cup T20 six times, Sri Lanka and Pakistan won it for 5 and 2 times respectively.  
Earlier, the match could not start at the scheduled time due to heavy downpour. The umpires after inspecting the pitch decided to start the play at 9 pm and this forced the match to finish late at 11.40 pm.  
During the post presentation ceremony, the Indian Skipper MS Dhoni said top order batsman had done well. He praised Bumrah for his tremendous ability to bowl yorkers which is very important in this format of the game.

**WEATHER**

Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 32°C and 25°C respectively on Monday 07/03/2016  
**Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours**  
Maximum Temperature (°C): 31.7  
Minimum Temperature (°C): 25.2  
Relative Humidity (%): at 0830 IST: 068  
Relative Humidity (%): at 1730 IST: 072  
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0532  
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1730  
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**

**DIVYUM TALKIES**

Following is the Schedule for Week Mar 4 - 10

- Jai Gangaajal - (Hindi UA) - 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM
  - Neceria - (Hindi U) - 3:30 PM
  - Zubaan - (Hindi UA) - 1:00 PM
  - Sowcarpettai - (Tamil A) - 4:00 PM
  - Pichakkaran - (Tamil U) - 7:30 PM
- Online booking at www.ticketnew.com  
For queries only 8373010002

**SEVA SUCHNAYEN**

The cargo vessel MV Badam will sail for Neil Island and Havelock on 07.03.2016 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo/Chatham Wharf and will sail for Port Blair immediately after discharging/loading of Cargo at respective ports.  
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**INTER ISLAND SECTOR:-**

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancyour on 07.03.2016 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 09.03.2016 (Wed) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route.

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 12.03.2016 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 13.03.2016 (Sun) at 1400 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 10.03.2016 (Thu) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 10.03.2016 (Thu) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Nancyour on 12.03.2016 (Sat) at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 14.03.2016 (Mon) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 10.03.2016 (Thu) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 15.03.2016 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 16.03.2016 (Wed) at 1200 Hrs directly from Car Nicobar. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 12.03.2016 (Sat) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 12.03.2016 (Sat) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancyour on 16.03.2016 (Wed) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 18.03.2016 (Fri) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 14.03.2016 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets (for perishable items only) will commence from 14.03.2016 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Chowra will sail for Campbell Bay via Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teresa, Katchal & Nancyour on 20.03.2016 (Sun) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 24.03.2016 (Thu) at 2000 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 17.03.2016 (Thu) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 17.03.2016 (Thu) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Nancyour on 21.03.2016 (Mon) at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 23.03.2016 (Wed) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 17.03.2016 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets (for perishable items only) will commence from 17.03.2016 between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Chowra will sail for Campbell Bay via Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teresa, Katchal & Nancyour on 29.03.2016 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 02.04.2016 (Sat) at 2000 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 26.03.2016 (Sat) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 26.03.2016 (Sat) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

**HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND**  
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 07.03.2016 (Mon) 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 07.03.2016 (Mon) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island. Cargo booking will commence from 05.03.2016 onwards at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 07.03.2016 (Mon) 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 07.03.2016 (Mon) 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 07.03.2016 (Mon) 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). Cargo booking will commence from 05.03.2016 onwards at Commercial Wing. All the consignors are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 07.03.2016 (Mon) 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 07.03.2016 (Mon) at 2000 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 08.03.2016 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.

**RANGAT, MAYABUNDER & DIGLIPUR**  
MV Rani Changa will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Kadamtala and Long Island on 07.03.2016 (Mon) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 08.03.2016 (Tue) at 0615 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

**Govt releases four colour classification scheme for industries based on pollution potential**

New Delhi, Mar 6  
Centre has released a new four-colour classification scheme for industries based on their pollution potential and exempted over 30 industries that have zero-pollution load from taking environmental clearance. Under the new categorization system, industries which pollute the most have been put in the red category while the moderately polluting units are classified orange. Industries that have a significantly low pollution load have been placed in the green category while those that operate without causing any pollution have been categorized as white.  
Environment Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar yesterday released new categorization

**Delhi, other parts of North India receive widespread rainfall**

New Delhi, Mar 6  
Delhi and other parts of North India, including Punjab, Haryana, north Rajasthan and west Uttar Pradesh have received widespread rainfall. Met department has attributed it to western disturbance which is affecting the Western Himalayas and plains of North India.  
Delhi experienced overnight showers with the minimum temperature settling at 15.5 degrees Celsius, two notches above normal activity. The maximum temperature was recorded at 30 degrees Celsius. Yesterday, parts of Delhi had received showers in the evening leading to a drop in mercury. Met department has forecast partly cloudy tomorrow.

**China reduces its growth rate target for this year to 6.5 %**

Beijing, Mar 5  
China has set this year's economic growth target at 6.5 to 7 percent. Chinese Premier Li Keqiang told lawmakers at their annual meeting in Beijing on Saturday that stable growth is needed to advance structural reform and to help guide market expectations.

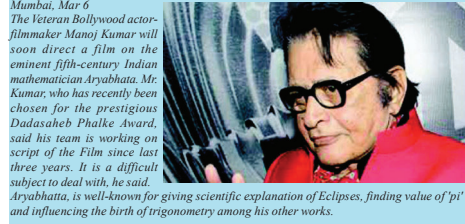
**Indigenous, cheaper test to diagnose TB likely to be available in a year**

Hyderabad, Mar 6  
An indigenous and cheaper test to diagnose tuberculosis (TB) can be made available in a year. It was stated by Indian Council of Medical Research or ICMR's Director General Soumya Swaminathan on the sidelines of 17th International Congress on Infectious Diseases in Hyderabad.  
Dr. Swaminathan said, A Bengaluru-based company has made the new diagnostic tool for TB. Expressing hope that it will be as good as GeneXpert test, she said, if ICMR's evaluation shows positive result, then the new tool may replace GeneXpert. GeneXpert is a popular test for detecting TB that provides result in a couple of hours. ICMR is also working on developing vaccines for major infections, malaria and HIV. The phase-one trial for malaria vaccine should start very soon as the necessary approvals have been obtained. Dr. Swaminathan said. She added, regulatory clearance is also being sought to start the phase-three trial for a new vaccine for TB.

**Govt. to deliberate on sale of non-core assets of banks as a step to resolve problem of bad loans**

New Delhi, Mar 5  
Minister of State for Finance, Shri Jayant Sinha has said that the government is working with RBI to resolve the problem of bad loans, which is going to continue till March next year. Speaking to reporters at New Delhi on Friday at the second edition of Gyan Sangam, a meeting of heads of public sector financial institutions, the Minister said, out of the total advances of about 69 lakh crore rupees in the banking sector, the stressed assets account for about 8 lakh crore rupees. Shri Sinha said, the issue of sale of non-core assets of banks will be deliberated upon at the Gyan Sangam.  
Non-core assets are assets that are either not essential or simply no longer used in business operations. Shri Sinha assured that RBI has systematically taken note of stressed assets across both public and private sector banks and noted that banks are in a fairly comfortable position with regard to capital requirements.  
Shri Sinha said, the government has provided 25,000 crore rupees in the Budget 2016, and added that timely funds will be provided to ensure that the banks are well capitalised.

**Veteran actor Manoj Kumar to direct film on Indian mathematician Aryabhata soon**



Mumbai, Mar 6  
The veteran Bollywood actor-filmmaker Manoj Kumar will soon direct a film on the eminent fifth-century Indian mathematician Aryabhata. Mr. Kumar, who has recently been chosen for the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award, said his team is working on script of the film since last three years. It is a difficult subject to deal with, he said.  
Aryabhata, is well-known for giving scientific explanation of Eclipses, finding value of 'pi' and influencing the birth of trigonometry among his other works.

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top most priority for India. He said Government is exploring new ways to empower women by providing equal opportunity in political, economic and public life. In his address, Environment and Forest Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar said Narendra Modi government is committed to ensure growth as well as work towards environment conservation. He said coal conservation is a hazard but a mainstay in developing countries. Shri Javadekar said India's coal consumption is 50 percent that of which US consumes despite having tremendous shale gas.



Pic show: Varieties of fresh agri produce & handicrafts sold at 'SHG Haat' at ITF Ground on 06.3.2016. The National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development, Port Blair (NABARD) in association with the A&N Administration organized the three-day 'HAAT' (market) at the ITF Ground from March 4 to 6, 2016.



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