

### ENERGY CONSERVATION TIPS

Avoid use of high consuming power gadgets like Geyser, Micro oven, Washing Machine, Iron Box, Refrigerator etc. during evening peak hours i.e. 5 pm to 11 pm.



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### WEATHER

Rain or Thundershower likely to occur at few places. Max & Mini temperature will be around 31°C and 24°C respectively on Monday 08/01/2018  
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 31.4  
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 24.2  
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 086  
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 084  
Sunrise Time for tomorrow(in IST): 0542  
Sunset Time for tomorrow(in IST): 1710  
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 005.1  
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0  
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm 18 80.8  
Air Conditioners to be kept at 25 °C



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### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Pakistan releases 147 Indian fishermen

Islamabad, Jan 7  
Pakistan today freed 147 Indian fishermen. They were imprisoned in Karachi eight months ago for allegedly fishing in its territorial waters. Dawn newspaper reports the fishermen will travel to Lahore where from they will cross the Wagah border and return home. Last month, Pakistan Foreign Office spokesman Mohammad Faisal had said that nearly 300 Indian fishermen would be freed in two phases till 8th January.

#### 6.0-magnitude quake hits Myanmar-India Border Region

New Delhi, Jan 7  
An earthquake measuring 6.0 on the Richter Scale hit the Myanmar-India (Manipur) Border Region this afternoon. According to the National Centre for Seismology (NCS), a unit of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, the quake occurred at 12:17 pm at a depth of 35 km.

#### Cold wave sweeps North India; 26 died in Bihar

Patna, Jan 7  
Northern and eastern parts of the country are reeling under severe cold wave conditions. In Bihar, 26 people have died so far due to intense cold throughout the state. 12 people died in districts of Samastipur, Muzaffarpur and East Champaran.

#### e-way bill system to be rolled out

Port Blair, Jan.4  
All traders, transporters and C&F Agents of A&N Islands have been requested to take note that the nationwide e-way bill system will be ready to be rolled out on a trial basis by 16th January, 2018. This system can be used on a voluntary basis from that day. It is felt necessary that all the stakeholders get acquainted with the system well in advance in order to switch over to the new system painlessly. Anyone can approach the Office of UTGST, A&N Administration, Port Blair, for resolving any query in this regard.

#### IGNOU Practical Exam

Port Blair, Jan.7  
The practical examination of the learners enrolled in Bachelor and Master Degree in Computer Applications (BCA and MCA) of Indira Gandhi National Open University, Study Centre, JNRM, shall commence from Jan.10, 2018 onwards. The schedule of practical examination has been displayed on IGNOU Study Centre.

## VP urges business houses to help improve quality of education

Jaipur, Jan 7  
Vice President Shri M Venkaiah Naidu today appealed to big business houses to come forward to help in improving the quality of education. Addressing the 34th Convocation of Bansathali Vidyapith near Niwai in Tonk district, he said education should be holistic, life giving and character building. "I believe that education is the best way to empower women. Literacy and education are the foundations for a strong,



inclusive, gender-responsive India. We need women and men with right

knowledge, skills and attitudes for inclusive growth," he said.

The task before the nation is to equip two thirds of the population, below 35 years

of age, with skills and knowledge to get a big demographic dividend, Shri Naidu added.

The Vice President called upon the business houses to come forward and help institutions in improving the quality of education. Shri Naidu presented gold medals to the meritorious students of the university. Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Shri Arun Chaturvedi, and Industry Minister Shri Rajpal Singh Shekhawat were also present in the convocation ceremony.

### Major road projects in pipeline to decongest national capital: Minister

New Delhi, Jan 7  
Road Transport and Highways Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari has said, major projects entailing an investment of about 32 thousand crore rupees are in the pipeline to decongest the national capital. It includes development of the Dwarka Expressway at a cost of 6,000 crore rupees. Shri Gadkari said, the initiatives, some of which

are progressing fast, are in line with the Modi government's vision to ensure seamless flow of traffic in the National Capital Region besides minimising vehicular pollution. Shri Gadkari said, bids have also been invited for development of Gurgaon-Sohna road with elevated highway and six-lane road with service roads.

### Indian diaspora provides strong platform for deeper ties with ASEAN countries: Minister

Singapore, Jan 7  
External Affairs Minister Smt Sushma Swaraj today met with her Singaporean counterpart Dr Vivian Balakrishnan in Singapore and discussed bilateral and multilateral issues relating to the economic and strategic partnership. Officials said, the two leaders also discussed the enormous potential for cooperation between ASEAN and India. External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson Shri Raveesh Kumar said in a tweet, they had discussions on bilateral and multilateral issues relating to the economic and strategic partnership. Smt

Swaraj addressed the Indian diaspora at the ASEAN-India Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) during which she reaffirmed India's commitment to ASEAN. She also met delegates from the ASEAN countries attending the PBD. Balakrishnan said that the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) between ASEAN and six of its key partners including India is a historic opportunity to set up the world's largest trade bloc. If it comes to fruition, the RCEP would cover half of the world's population and a third of its gross domestic product, he said.

## Curtains down on Golden Jubilee celebration of Carmel Symphonically presented musical & cultural prog. mesmerizes gathering Nostalgia engulfs 'Alumni'



Staff Reporter  
Port Blair, Jan.7  
The year-long Golden Jubilee celebration of Carmel Senior Secondary school concluded today with a vibrant and enthralling musical and cultural programme presented by students of the school in the Mother Veronica auditorium here this evening. It was a treat to watch the students dance

to the melodious music in fusion. The programme was organized by the School Management. Sister M Susheela A.C Superior General, Apostolic Carmel, who was instrumental in setting up of Carmel School in the Island, way back in the year 1968 was the chief guest on the occasion. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu

Pada Ray was the guest of honour on the occasion. The Secretary (Law), Shri Pradeep Banerjee and Smt. Rupa Ray were also present. A galaxy of people who were associated with the school, Sr. M Marcella A.C provisional Superior, Sister M Lancia A.C, former Provincial Superior/Former Principal, Sr. M Mirabelle A.C Former Provincial



Superior/ Vice Principal, Sister Marie Ivy A.C Former Principal, Sister Marie Fay A.C, Former Manager/ Superior, Sr. Roselinda A.C Manager and Superior, Sr. M Leela A.C Former Principal, Sr. M Agnelita, A.C Former Principal and Fr. Joe Rodrigues SFX were the special guests. The President, Shri Manohar Lall & members of the

Carmel Alumni also attended the function. Addressing the gathering, the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray congratulated the school for completing 50 glorious years in the field of education. He expressed his happiness that the school is imparting quality education which fosters good moral values in  
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## Gateway to Mangrove Forest- Baratang Journey by speed boat gives glimpse of exquisiteness & elegance of Eco-System

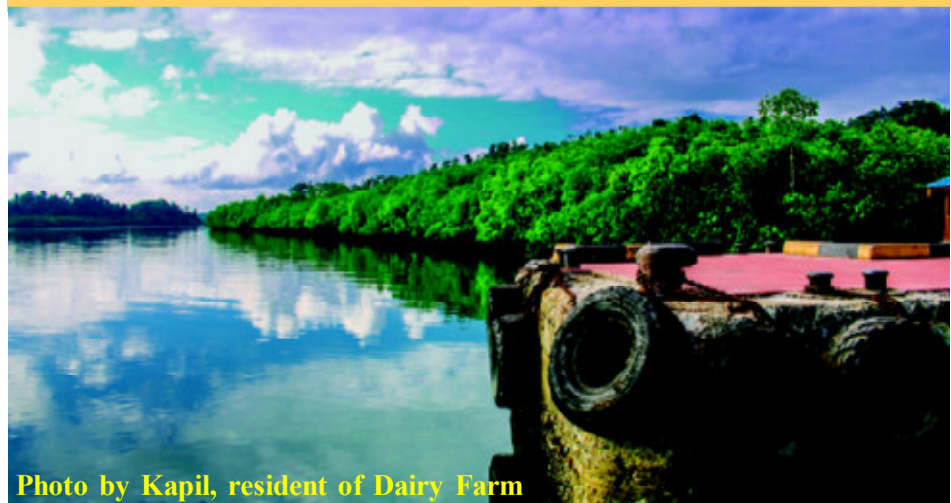


Photo by Kapil, resident of Dairy Farm

Staff Reporter  
Port Blair, Jan.7  
Nothing can be more fascinating than a visit to Baratang through the enchanting and enticing mangrove forest. This popular place is where you can rejuvenate amidst the lustrous sight of the calm waters. Visiting

mangrove wetlands gives a glimpse of the beauty and elegance of these ecosystems and awareness to their impact on the environment. It is the closest thing to having an authentic immersion in untainted natural scenery. Mangroves are trees and shrubs that grow in

brackish waters in creeks and coastlines. The alternate route by sea to this picturesque area has attracted a lot of tourists and Islanders during the year ending week of 2017. The vessel operated by the Directorate of Shipping Services in this route was

almost full and has virtually become a sought after alternate mode of transport. The fare is minimal and affordable by all. The journey by the vessel takes approximately three hours and this early morning voyage to this beautiful Island is so

refreshing that it leaves an ever-lasting niche in the minds of the visitors and will induce them to return to its shores time and again. The Chief Port Administrator, Shri R D Tripathi who is also the Director of Shipping  
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### Skill development training on brood-stock management held



Port Blair, Jan.7  
ICAR-Krishi Vigyan Kendra (CIARI), N & M Andaman organized a three days training programme on 'Brood-stock Management for Quality Seed Production' at Basantipur, from Jan.3 to 5, 2018. The training was inaugurated by Smt. Sabastian Lakra, Pradhan, Basantipur in the presence of PRI members and others. In her inaugural speech she expressed that trainings and practical demonstrations on brood stock management for production of quality seeds will improve skills of fish farmers. Dr. Shailesh Kumar, Course

Director briefed about the content of three days training. Experts of KVK had explained theory and practical on different aspects of brood stock management and quality seed production. Technical sessions were carried out by experts of KVK viz Dr. Shailesh Kumar, Shri. D. Basantia, Shri B. L. Meena, Dr. Pooja Kapoor and Er. Manoj Kumar. Demonstration on preparation of quality organic manures and fish medicines along with analysis of water quantity parameters were shown to the participants. In his  
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## Sports Minister launches 'Khelo India' logo

New Delhi, Jan 7

The vibrant Khelo India logo, reflecting the freshness, agility and vitality of New India was launched at a ceremony by the Union Minister of State (I/C) Youth Affairs and Sports Col Rajyavardhan Rathore at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi on Friday evening. The logo also conveys an impression of fitness and competitiveness.

"We are rapidly moving towards the actualization of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of New India," Col Rathore said. "As the national programme for development of sports, Khelo India, will go a long way in achieving the twin objectives of mass participation and promotion of excellence in sports. Prime Minister sees the future of India aligning with the youth of the nation, adopting sport as part of its culture."

The three-stroke Khelo India logo, designed by Ogilvy India, has in-built modularity, allowing



plenty of adaptability and flexibility into endless pictorial forms. The colour of the Indian flag evoke a sense of National pride and team-work. "We crowd-sourced the logo design and we were delighted that many of them chose the colours of the National Flag," Col Rathore said.

"We are also excited that there has been wonderful response from across the country for the flagship event, the inaugural Khelo India School Games that will begin on January 31," Rathore said. "These competitions will act as avenues for identification of budding sporting talents in specific sports disciplines. We are proud that everyone is coming together in the movement."

The Khelo India School Games, to be broadcast by Star Sports, is being held in collaboration with the School Games Federation of India and National Sports Federations by setting up an Organizing Committee as per procedure of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. SGFI and NSFs will draw up and conduct an annual calendar of competitions leading up to the Khelo India School Games.

## Island Cycling Team bags 6 Gold, 5 Silver & 2 Bronze in National Track Cycling C'ship

### Deborah clinches 3 Gold- receives 'Best Women Rider Award'

Port Blair, Jan.7

The Car Nicobar girl, Ms. Deborah, the World Ranking Cyclist of these emerald Islands has once again proved metal for the Islands, and come out with flying colors, when she finished today with 3 Gold Medals for Andaman & Nicobar Islands, on the last day of the 70th National Track Cycling Championship at I.G. Stadium, New Delhi.

The Ace Cyclist Ms. Deborah has won her first Gold Medal in her favorite Event Women Elite 200 Meters Sprint on 3rd Jan, before grabbing another Medal for Islands of the same Color yesterday in the event, 500 Mts. Time Trial. Today, she finished her last event and bagged her 3rd Medal with Gold in Women's Keirin event and received the 'Best

Women Rider Award' with 15 points.

On the final day of Medal Tally, Island Cycling Team has won altogether 13 Medals in various events, which consists of 6 Gold, 5 Silver & 2 Bronze Medals and stood in 4th Position in the overall Medal Tally in the country and bagged the Runners up Trophy in the Sub Junior Category.

The Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Majumdar and Secretary Sports, Shri Arava Gopi Krishna have congratulated the team for the achievement.

Shri. Mohd. Iqbal, the President, Shri. V. Ranjith Kumar, the Secretary, Shri. Dinakar, the Treasurer of A & N Cycling Association, and all members of A&N Cycling

Association, Officials of Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, State Sports Council & Sports Authority of India, have also congratulated Ms. Deborah and the Islands Cycling Team for their outstanding performance during the Delhi National Track Cycling Championship. Details of Medal Tally are as follows:

S.No.	Name	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Bronze Medal
1	Ms. Deborah	03	-	-
2	Mr. Esow	01	02	01
3	Ms. Nikita	01(Indv) + 01(team)	-	-
4	Ku. Celestina	01(team)	01	-
5	Ku. Clerence	-	01	-
6	Mr. Paul Colingwood	-	-	01(team)
7	Mr. David Backome	-	01	-
8	Mr. Boby Thapa	-	01 (team)	-
9	Mr. Apolonious	-	-	01(team)
Total:-		06	05	02

## Gilles Simon wins inaugural Tata Open title



Pune, Jan 7

Gilles Simon of France has lifted the inaugural Tata Open Maharashtra Tennis trophy. In the summit clash at Balewadi Sports Complex in Pune today, the unseeded French player humbled big-serving second seeded Kevin Anderson in straight sets 7-6, 6-2. Simon is ranked 89 in the world, while Anderson is ranked Fourteen. Simon had earlier knocked out defending champion and

third seed Roberto Bautista Agut before shocking top seed and world number six Marin Cilic en route the final. It is the first title for Simon, since his win at Marseille in February 2015. The tournament is India's only ATP event. For the past 22 years, the tournament had been associated with the big metro cities, New Delhi hosting the inaugural edition in 1996, and Chennai becoming home to it for the next 21 years.

## Canadian Nicholas Latifi appointed Force India F1 reserve

New Delhi, Jan 7

Canadian Nicholas Latifi will be Force India's Formula One test and reserve driver this season with the 22-year-old also taking part in a number of Friday practice sessions at grand prix weekends. The Silverstone-based team, who finished fourth overall in the championship last year, said Latifi would also carry out simulator work and feature in young driver test sessions during the year. Latifi was a race winner and nine times podium finisher in Formula Two last year, ending up fifth overall. He has also tested for Renault. "Nicholas joins us off the back of a strong season in F2 and strengthens our driver development programme," said team principal Vijay Mallya in a statement.

## India vs South Africa, 1st Test, Day 3, Play called off due to rain



## Women's National Boxing Championship: Seema Poonia beats Niharika Gonella 5-0

Rohtak, Jan 7

Asian Championship bronze medalist Seema Poonia of RSPB dumped young Niharika Gonella in a lop-sided affair to advance to the next stage of the Elite Women's National Boxing Championship in Rohtak on Saturday. While Poonia defeated Gonella 5-0 after three rounds, 2004 World Championship gold medalist Aruna Mishra gave a walkover to Madhya Pradesh's Upasana Pandey at the Rajiv Gandhi Stadium in Rohtak.

Poonia started off the bout on an attacking note and put the burly Gonella on the backfoot. The Hyderabad-based boxer fought back to land her jabs from close range but Poonia's strong hooks shook the Telangana lass. Gonella persevered through the rounds and tried her best to take the fight to her opponent. At the end of three rounds, Poonia notched up a comprehensive 5-0 victory to advance to the next round where she would face Uttar Pradesh's Arpita Singh.

In a highly intense encounter, veteran boxer Bhagyabati Kachari of RSPB displayed her experience in the ring as she towered over Chandigarh's Himani, asserting her dominance from the word go. The initial phases of the first-round saw the RSPB boxer land vicious punches which left her opponent with no answers. Into the second round, the referee halted the contest twice before declaring Himani not fit to fight anymore.

Port Blair, Jan.7

Keeping its commitment of zero tolerance against illegal activities, acting on a specific information received from reliable source that one Gopal Bepari, R/o Subash Gram, Diglipur is arriving at Bhatubasti vegetable market on Jan.6 at 2030 hrs. to strike a ganja deal, a Police team led by Insp. P. K. Abdul Arif, SHO, PS CCS rushed to Bhatubasti vegetable market and a trap was laid at the entrance of vegetable

market Bhatubasti. The team intercepted the person and on checking, the Police team recovered about 1.530 kg ganja from the possession of Gopal Bepari which was seized after observing all legal formalities. Accused Gopal Bepari has been arrested U/s 20 (b) (ii) (B) of NDPS Act 1985 and a case was registered against him at PS CCS. The operation was conducted under the close supervision of Shri M. K. Shukla, Dy. SP

(CID). The general public is requested to inform about any credible information pertaining to gambling, illegal sale or possession of liquor/drugs or any other illegal activity on the following telephone numbers- 233307, 9474228912, 232586 and 100. The identity of the informer will be kept secret, a communication said.

**Skill development....**  
(Contd. from page 1) concluding remarks the chief guest of valedictory function Dr. Parag Deori, SVO, Poultry Farm Basantipur appreciated role of KVK in imparting recent innovation and knowledge to farmers, a communication said.

## Gateway to Mangrove..

(Contd. from page 1) Services has appealed to the people to use this mode of transport. This will not only ease the traffic in the ATR but also can be a memorable one. The frequency of service, if needed can be increased in this sea route depending on the spurt in passenger flow, the CPA added.

## Curtains down on ...

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students in leading a meaningful life. He disclosed that the Govt. is providing grants to minority schools and urged the management to set-up school in remote areas of the Islands too. He also mentioned that Sagaritara School got CBSE affiliation due to amendment in norms and was primarily due to the initiative of the HRD Minister, Shri Prakash Javdekar. The Ministry amended the criteria for getting affiliation from one acre land to below one acre land, classifying A & N Islands as backward area. Speaking on the occasion, Sr. M Sushela, narrated the ordeal she had to go through in setting up of the School. She said 'nothing is impossible, when we have a mission', and with this motto she embarked on her journey to Andamans to setup Carmel School. She also mentioned that there is no better investment than investment in education to the children.

Sr. M Sushela also released a 'Souvenir'-marking 50 years journey of Carmel. Earlier, the Principal of the School Sr. Maria Reshma expressed her gratitude to all who played a dominant role in establishment of the School. In a nutshell, she outlined the school's history. Sr. Rose Fatima, proposed the vote of thanks.

## Philippe Coutinho joins Neymar in Top 10 Most Expensive Footballers list



Barcelona, Jan 7

Philippe Coutinho's move to Barcelona from Liverpool for a staggering 160 million Euros has helped him spiral as the second most expensive transfer in the world. The Brazilian's move to La Liga toppers comes in the middle of the season with the player signing a five and a half year contract. As per reports, the transfer fee is believed to be 120 million Euros and 40 million Euros in additions. The 25-year-old's transfer from Liverpool to Barcelona places him as the second most expensive signing but still far behind what Neymar cost Paris

Saint Germain from Barcelona in 2017. The Ligue 1 club forked out 222 million Euros for the Brazilian to bring him to Paris. Incidentally, the third most expensive signing also involves Barcelona with the Catalan club spending 105 million Euros on Frenchman Ousmane Dembele with the cash that the club generated from the Neymar sale.

## Four powerlifting players killed in a road accident due to fog at Singhu border

New Delhi, Jan 7

Four powerlifting players were killed, while two others including world champion Saksham Yadav were seriously injured after their car met with an accident near the Singhu border in outer Delhi's Alipur area in the wee hours of Sunday. Police say that the accident was

reported around 4am when the players were returning from an athletic meet in Panipat in a Swift Dzire car. Locals told the police that the driver somehow lost control of the car, perhaps while overtaking another vehicle, and rammed into a roadside pole due to which it overturned.