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RBI Reference Rate	Capital Market
INR / 1 USD : 67.4584	S&P BSE Sensex: 27201.49*
INR / 1 Euro : 74.7169	Nifty 50 : 8337.90*
INR / 100 YEN : 67.1500	* as on previous day
INR / 1 GBP : 87.3182	Bullion Rate
	22ct Gold per 10 gram 29550
	Silver per 1 kg 54000

LG visits Mayabunder

Lays foundation stone for Science Centre and interacts with PRIs and villagers



Port Blair, July 8

It was a dream come true for the people of North & Middle Andaman with the laying of foundation stone for a sub-regional Science Centre by the Lt. Governor Lt. Gen. AK Singh (Retd.), at Mayabunder Tehsil. A plot of land measuring 1.2 hectares was allotted for this purpose at Devpur in November, 2010 and matter was taken up with the National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata to setup the Science Centre. This could not materialize for several years. The Lt. Governor during his visit to Science Centre on August 2014, desired that the pending proposal relating to establishment of District Level Science Centre at Mayabunder be taken up afresh. With vigorous

pursuance of the A&N Administration with the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India agreed to sanction a sub-regional Science Centre for the District of North & Middle Andaman at a total project cost of Rs. 6 Crore to be shared 90% by Ministry of Culture and 10% by the Andaman & Nicobar Administration. Accordingly the A&N Administration released an amount of Rs. 60 Lakhs (10% of the project cost) to the National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata which is the Nodal agency entrusted with the task of creating new Science Centre country wide. In his inaugural speech, the Lt. Governor highlighted the potential of the North & Middle Andaman for development of tourism and related activities. He emphasised that the

proposed Science Centre would make a major impact on the student community as it would facilitate scientific temperament among the youth. He further stated that the first phase of Science Centre would be ready in 2 years. Later there are plans to add mini Planetarium, 3D Theatre to screen Science films and time machine (simulator). He shared with the audience that today on 8th July he has completed 3 years of service to the people of A&N Islands. He thought it would be befitting to mark the occasion by initiating a project on ground which would ignite young minds and also interact with the village community. He reaffirmed his commitment for good governance which had been his driving

force making numerous strides possible in different spheres in a short time. While thanking the people of Andaman for their support, he also stated that these milestones had been only possible with the support of the Central Govt under the visionary leadership and guidance of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi. In his welcome speech the Deputy Commissioner, N&MA welcomed the chief guest and all the dignitaries

present who had come to attend the function. He thanked the Lt. Governor for always supporting the

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India can achieve 1.65 trillion units of electricity next year: Power Minister

New Delhi, Jul 8

New Delhi yesterday, Shri Power Minister Shri Piyush Goyal said the country can achieve as high as 50 per cent growth in electricity production up to 1.65 trillion units next year. Addressing a function in

New Delhi yesterday, Shri Goyal said, we need to double our power production. He said given the infrastructure and generating capacity we have the ability to double our power production.

The Minister termed power shortages cited by the states as technical arising out of mismanagement. He said there was surplus production of coal now unlike in the past when

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Centre constitutes cyber cell to check online abuse

New Delhi, July 8

Centre has constituted a cyber cell to check the online abuse and harassment of women and children on social media platforms. The move came in the wake of reported increase in abuse or harassment of women on social media. Women and Child Development Minister Smt Maneka Gandhi told media in New Delhi that her Ministry has taken the decision as it has got several complaints from women. She also clarified that the Ministry will not be policing the Internet and it will only examine the complaints. Earlier in the day, Smt Gandhi met Twitter India

team and discussed the empowerment of women and children to deal with abuse, harassment and hateful conduct on social media especially on Twitter. During the meeting, it was decided that the complaints received by the Ministry, which are of a grave nature, will be reported to Twitter India for

necessary action. The Ministry will also be working with the Cyber-crime Cells of the police, wherever required. Recently, the Women and Child Development Ministry had advised women and children to send their complaints and since then it has been receiving a large number of complaints.

LG to inaugurate CSC at ZPSA

Port Blair, July 8

The Lt. Governor, Lt. Gen. AK Singh (Retd.) shall inaugurate the Common Service Centre and LED Blub Distribution under DELP of Govt of India, in the premises of Zilla Parishad, South Andaman tomorrow (July 9) at 10.30 am. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar and Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas will also grace the occasion, a communication said.

'Kalapani'- first of its kind museum inaugurated CS appreciates rare collection; hails spirit of entrepreneurship

Port Blair, July 8

Kalapani, (a Centre of Research and Education), a first of its kind museum at Garacharama-IIATR Road, showcasing the history of these Islands, was inaugurated by the Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Majumdar in the presence of the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray here this evening. The museum, housed in a triple storied building, has a unique collection depicting the old history of these Islands, with about 4000 rare photographs and paintings. The inaugural function was also graced by Smt. Rupa Ray, the Adhyaksha Zila Prishad South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas, the Secretary Art & Culture, Smt. Ankita Mishra Bundela, senior citizens of Port Blair and a good gathering of well wishers.

In his address on the occasion, the Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Majumdar, who was moved by the collection & creation, congratulated both, Managing Director of the Museum Shri Mukeshwar Lall and its Patron Shri B. Shanker. The Chief Secretary, who went round and saw almost all the collections, appreciated the massive efforts put up to establish the museum by individuals without Govt. support. "I am able to recollect some of the place by witnessing such vast collections in the museum which is a classic example of private entrepreneurship", an elated Chief Secretary said.



"The people from the rest of the country should also know about the rich history of these Islands. It is in this context, the museum offers vast information about the history of these islands", the Chief Secretary said urging the senior citizens to further contribute information about the Islands so that it can be incorporated in the museum. Speaking as the guest of

honour, the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray showered all praise for Shri Mukeshwar Lall and B. Shanker for their painstaking efforts in creating such a beautiful museum on the history of Andaman & Nicobar Islands. "The future generations and the visiting tourists alike will be able to know the old and the freedom struggle history of these islands

through this museum", the MP added. He also urged the MD of the Museum to bring to the fore the history of Viper Island. In his welcome address, the MD Shri Mukeshwar Lall informed that it was a humble effort put up by him with the financial support of patron Shri B. Shanker to bring forth the old history of these islands, and he plans to expand the

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Installation ceremony of IWC held Members pledge to deliver service with love & compassion



Staff Reporter

Port Blair, Jul 8

The 24th installation ceremony of the Inner Wheel Club of Port Blair was held at the conference hall of Megapode Nest this evening. The Principal Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Raajiv Yaduvanshi was the chief guest on the occasion. Addressing the gathering,

the chief guest lauded the philanthropic services rendered by Inner Wheel Club for the welfare of the Islanders and stated that the installation ceremony is a joyous moment. He also called upon the social organizations to play a greater role in upliftment of the society. He urged the newly elected club members to serve the

society with love and compassion and work towards fulfilling the vision of the club for the betterment of the society. Addressing the gathering, the newly installed President of IWC, Smti Anita Puria said love and compassion are the two most important elements for any social service.

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Tourism Deptt. introduces new system of advance ticketing for L&S show

Port Blair, July 8

In order to avoid inconvenience to the tourists/viewers, the Tourism Department has introduced a system of advance ticketing and refund of tickets for the Sound and Light Show at Ross Island. As per the new system, 50% tickets

shall be issued one day in advance from TIC Counter of Directorate of Tourism on all days from 9 am to 3 pm except Tuesday while remaining 50% tickets shall be issued under current booking from TIC Counter of Directorate of Tourism on all days from 9 am to 3 pm except

Wednesday. The amount collected for the show, boat ride and entry ticket to Ross Island shall be refunded if there is no sailing of boat due to inclement weather condition or any other reason. The amount shall be refunded on the same

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BSI Director to visit Islands

Port Blair, July 8

The Director, Botanical Survey of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Dr. Paramjit Singh will arrive here tomorrow (July 9) on an official tour to A&N Islands. During his stay in the Islands, he will chair the State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC), Andaman and Nicobar Islands meeting. After the meeting, he will inspect and review the progress in ex-situ conservation activities of rare, critically endangered and endemic species in Dhannikhari Experimental

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Observance of World Population Day

Port Blair, July 8

The World Population Day 2016 will be observed with the specific theme 'Zimmedari Nibhao - Plan Banao' along with the rest of the country on July 11, 2016. To mark the day, a function will be organised at the auditorium of JNRM at 10.30 am on July 11 to create awareness about population explosion.

The Director of Health Services, A&N Administration, Dr. (Smt.) Shipra Paul will be the chief guest while the Principal, JNRM, Dr. Francis Xavier will grace the occasion as guest of honour, a communication said.

SPORTS

Griezmann double France in Euro 2016 finals

France, July 8
Antoine Griezmann scored twice Thursday as France beat world champions Germany 2-0 to seal a place in the Euro 2016 final against Portugal. Having converted a controversial first-half penalty for Bastian Schweinsteiger's handball, Griezmann put the result beyond doubt with a sweetly struck second half shot. "We suffered but we knocked them out," said French coach Didier Deschamps after the game in which Germany dominated possession. The victory in Marseille means Les Bleus face Cristiano Ronaldo-led Portugal in Sunday's final at the Stade de France. Friezmann is now the top scorer at the European Championship finals with six goals. France's first win over Germany in their fifth meeting at major finals came out of a controversial penalty just before half-time. Italian referee Nicola Rizzoli's took an eagle-



eyed decision. Schweinsteiger conceded the penalty as replays showed his arm grazed the ball as he put his arms up while marking Patrice Evra from a corner. Germany's stars crowded Rizzoli, furious with the decision. But it was a decisive blow from which the 2014 World Cup winners never recovered. With Mats Hummels suspended, plus Mario Gomez and Sami Khedira injured, Germany were forced into changes at the Stade Velodrome. Liverpool's

defensive midfielder Emre Can made his first start at Euro 2016, winning only his seventh cap, for Khedira alongside Bastian Schweinsteiger. Thomas Mueller started as striker for Gomez while Benedikt Hoewedes took Hummels place at centre-back alongside Jerome Boateng. France coach Didier Deschamps kept faith with the same starting side which beat Iceland 5-2 in the last eight, retaining Samuel Umtiti and Moussa Sissoko.

Serena Williams, Angelique Kerber to Meet in Wimbledon Final

London, July 8
Six-time champion Serena Williams stormed into her ninth Wimbledon final in record time on Thursday and will meet Angelique Kerber after the German ended Venus Williams's hopes of becoming the oldest woman in the title match in 22 years. Serena, bidding for a seventh Wimbledon and an Open Era record-equalling 22nd Grand Slam title, took just 48mins 34sec, the fastest ever semi-final at the All England Club, to secure a 6-2, 6-0 win over

world number 50 Elena Vesnina. But her hopes of meeting Venus for the fifth time in a Wimbledon final and ninth time at a major were shattered when fourth seed Angelique Kerber, the Australian Open champion, saw off the 36-year-old 6-4, 6-4. Serena, playing in her 32nd Grand Slam semi-final, blasted last-four debutant Vesnina off the sun-kissed Centre Court in front of Prince William's wife Kate watching from up in the Royal Box.

The American fired 11 aces, 28 winners and committed just seven unforced errors, breaking serve five times to reach her 28th Grand Slam final. Vesnina won just three points off the Williams serve in the first set and none in the second. "I'm very happy. I was really focused today. We've had tough matches before and I knew she could bring it to me on this surface," said Williams, who has now defeated the Russian five times in five meetings.

Vanmahotsava celebration at Havelock & Neil

Havelock, July 8
As part of month long celebration of 67th Vanamahotsava, 2016, a rally was organised by the Havelock Forest Division on July 4. Shri Shaji P. Abraham, Divisional Forest Officer, Havelock Forest Division flagged off the rally that culminated at school ground of GSSS Havelock. About 200 people including school students with their teachers, other departmental staff along with the forest officials actively participated in the rally. Meanwhile, a similar rally was organised in Neil Island yesterday. Shri Rama Krishna Biswas, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Neil Island was the chief guest on the occasion and the rally

was held from GSSS Neil Kendra to Neil Island jetty. The rally concluded with a plantation ceremony in the premises of school ground of GSSS Govinda Nagar, Havelock. Shri Apoorva Chandra Roy, Pramukh, Panchayat Samiti, Prothrapur was the chief guest on the occasion. Besides, the PRI member, Smt. Shika Rani Mistry, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Shyam Nagar, Havelock, Shri Alok Mridha, Samiti Member, Shyam Nagar, Shri Jithin Gharami, Sarpanch, Shri Alpha Roy, Up-Pradhan, teachers and students of GSSS Havelock and GSSV Middle School, Kalapathar and general public of Havelock also attended the function in large number.

Heavy rainfall forecast

Port Blair, July 8
Heavy Rain (07-11 cm) likely to occur at isolated places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands during next 24 hrs commencing from July 8. Under the influence of moderate to strong Southwest Monsoon current, strong Southwesterly wind speed between 35 to 45 kmph and generally rough seas likely along and off A & N coasts. Fishermen have been advised to be cautious while venturing into the sea. The general public have been advised to take precautionary measures and in case of any emergency they may contact phone numbers of

State Control Room, District Control Room and Emergency Operation Centres viz. State Control Room: 03192-238880 (Tele-Fax), 1077(Helpline), District Control Room: 03192-238881, EOC (Campbell Bay): 03193-264020, EOC (Kamorta): 03193-263222, EOC (N&M): 03192-262960, EOC (Hut Bay): 03192-284014, EOC (Car Nicobar): 03193-265241, EOC (Havelock): 03192-282030 and EOC (Ferrargunj): 03192-266527, a communication from the State Control Room, Directorate of Disaster Management said here today.

Livestock show at Wandoor

Port Blair, July 8
A livestock show/calf rally shall be conducted on July 12, 2016 under Wandoor Gram Panchayat in coordination with the Veterinary Officer, Wandoor. The various categories of animals included in the programme are crossbred cow, crossbred calf and crossbred heifer. The cattle owners under Wandoor Gram Panchayat have been requested to be present at the designated places along with their cattle on the mentioned date at 8 am at Maymyo junction near Buddha Temple, in front of Shri P.K. Das house at Wandoor-I, at Wandoor, at North Wandoor near Kranti Youth Club, a communication from the Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Wandoor said.

BSI Director.

Garden cum Arboretum of BSI, ANRC at Nayashahar. The Director will be accompanied by Dr. Lal Ji Singh, Dy. Director & Scientist-D, other scientists and officials of the Andaman and Nicobar Regional Centre, Port Blair, a communication said.

DC SA sanctions.....

Sl. No.	Name of the deceased persons	Age (in yrs.)	Name of family member/beneficiary/Legal heir	Relation with the deceased	Admissible Amount (in Rs)
1.	B. Ramesh, S/o Shri. B. Neelaiah	17	Shri. B. Neelaiah	Father	1,50,000.00
2.	Satyanarayan Naidu, S/o Late Tata Rao,	18	1. Sanyasi Naidu 2. Venkatesh Rao Naidu	Brother Brother	75,000.00 75,000.00
Total					3,00,000.00

The financial assistance has been sanctioned under "A & N Islands Scheme for

Lays foundation ..

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developments needs of the District. He also enumerated various development works which are in the final stage of completion, as also those planned for the future. The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, N&MA, Smt Prabhavati Biswas said that the students of rural area have lot of fear for subjects like Mathematics and Science and the Science Centre will bring back the students to the Science stream. She also thanked the Hon'ble Prime Minister and the Lt Governor for the fast paced development that is taking place since the last two years and said that people have great hopes and confidence that their remaining projects will also fructify soon. While proposing the vote of thanks, Dr. Utpal Sharma, Secretary Executive Council of Science Centre made special reference to the local agencies who have helped



the Science Centre in organizing the function in this rural area to make it a grand success. The programme concluded with the National Anthem sung by the students of Karen Community. The Lt. Governor also visited Danapur community hall, interacted with villagers and PRTs. He patiently heard their grievances and gave directions to officials to resolve their problems and issues in a time bound manner. There was a general sense of satisfaction amongst the villagers who have greatly benefited from the schemes and development of last 2 years.

CS appreciates....

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museum gradually. He said the entry for the students from mainland and from these Islands will be free while entry for the tourists will be charged. Later, a film on surrender and occupation of Japanese Forces was also screened on the occasion. The rare photographs include A nicobarese home-1912, women of Chowra islands with indigenous pottery in 1901, battle of Aberdeen, assassination of Lord Mayo, Bank of Delhi-1857 and Taty Tope after his capture in 1859, the arrival of Indian freedom fighters as convicts, Japanese occupation of Andaman, Netaji in conversation with



Ramakrishna President of IIL (Andaman) and photograph of Mohammed Saudagar.

MV Badam's sailing postponed

Port Blair, July 8
Due to administrative reasons the scheduled sailing of MV Badam for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry on 09th July, 2016 has been postponed to 16th July, 2016 at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair immediately after discharging/loading of Cargo at respective ports.

Swaraj Dweep to sail for Chennai

Port Blair, July 8
MV Swaraj Dweep will sail for Chennai at 4 pm on July 9, 2016 from Haddo Wharf. Excess baggage loading, medical examination and embarkation of passengers will be done from 1 pm to 3 pm on July 9, a communication said.

Special 3D show at Science Centre

Port Blair, July 8
The Science Centre at Goodwill Estate, Corbyn's Cove Road will be organising a special 3D show on July 9 & 10, 2016 from 5.30 pm, 6.15 pm & 7 pm, a communication said.

Tourism Deptt.

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day from Rajiv Gandhi Water Sports Complex only on production of the tickets. In instances where tourists arrive at Ross Island but are not able to witness the complete sound & light show due to technical fault or weather condition etc., only the amount of the show will be refunded. Fare of boat and entry fee will not be refunded. Tourists have been advised to keep the tickets intact as the same will be required for getting refund in the event of cancellation of the show. For any further clarification one can contact over ph. nos. 03192-230933/244091, a communication from the Director (Tourism) said here today.

High wave warning

Port Blair, July 8
High waves in the range of 3.0 - 3.7 meters have been forecasted in Andaman till July 10, 2016 along the west coast of Andaman Islands between Ten Degree Channel to Coco Channel. Current speeds vary between 65 - 72 cm/sec. Meanwhile, high waves in the range of 3.0 - 3.2 meters have been forecasted in Nicobar till July 10 along the west coast of Nicobar Islands between Ten Degree Channel to Great Channel. Current speeds vary between 81 - 92 cm/sec. Fishermen have been advised to be cautious while venturing into the sea.

Interview postponed

Port Blair, July 8
The interview for the post of Assistant Professor in Mahatma Gandhi Govt. College, Mayabunder in various disciplines on contract basis shall be conducted at the conference hall of Secretariat, Port Blair on July 18, 2016 at 10 am instead of July 10 due to some administrative reasons as per communication received from the Administration. The eligible candidates have been directed to attend the interview on the above date, time and venue.

WEATHER

Rain/thundershower may occur at many places over Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 29°C and 24°C respectively on Saturday 09/07/2016

Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours

Maximum Temperature (°C): 30.5
Minimum Temperature (°C): 23.2
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 089
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 083
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0501
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1748
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 127.1
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.5
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 16: 1122.7 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA

DIVIYUM TALKIES

Following is the schedule for Week Jul 6 - 14
Sultan - (Hindi UA) - 11:15 AM, 11:45 AM, 3:00 PM, 3:30 PM, 6:45 PM & 7:15 PM
www.ticketnew.com
For queries only 8373010002

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

MV Chowra will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry on 08.07.2016 (Fri) at 1600 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will now sail for Port Blair on 13.07.2016 (Wed) at 1600 Hrs instead of 11.07.2016 from Campbell Bay via Nancowry, Katchal, Teressa, Chowra & Car Nicobar. MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancowry on 09.07.2016 (Sat) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 11.07.2016 (Mon) 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancowry on 14.07.2016 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 16.07.2016 (Sat) 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 13.07.2016 (Wed) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of excess baggage will commence from 13.07.2016 (Wed) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All passengers are advised to carry out only the booked baggage as no excess baggage other than the booked will be allowed.

HUT BAY SECTOR:-
MV North Passage will sail for Hut Bay on 10.07.2016 (Sun) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV North Passage will sail for Hut Bay on 11.07.2016 (Mon) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV Rani Lakshmi will sail for Hut Bay on 12.07.2016 (Tue) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailing i.e. for 10th, 11th & 12th July, 2016 will be issued to the general public from 09.07.2016 from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.
MV North Passage will sail for Hut Bay on 13.07.2016 (Wed) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV Rani Changa will sail for Hut Bay on 14.07.2016 (Thu) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
MV North Passage will sail for Hut Bay on 15.07.2016 (Fri) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings i.e. for 13th, 14th & 15th July, 2016 will be issued to the general public on 12.07.2016 from 1400 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

FORESHORE SECTOR:-
Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels scheduled on 12th, 13th & 14th July, 2016 will be issued to the general public from 11.07.2016 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. 09.07.2016 (SATURDAY)

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 09.07.2016 (Sat) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Rani Lakshmi will sail for Neil Island on 09.07.2016 (Sat) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

India can....
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two-third of India's power plants were left with only critical coal stocks. The Minister said 1.11 lakh crore rupees would be pumped in for technological upgradation of power infrastructure through various schemes for rural and urban India. He added that the government was trying to ensure 24x7 power supply to each household by 2019, three years ahead of the target. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had announced providing power to the last household by 2022.

Members pledge....
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The theme for this year is 'Touch a heart', which she said focuses upon changing lives. She expressed gratitude to the outgoing President, Smt Priya Krishna and the Secretary Smti Yasmin Parvez and their whole team for the various commendable works and projects executed with zeal and dedication during her tenure. The outgoing President, Smti Priya Krishna recalled the activities done by the club for the year 2015-16. Earlier, the outgoing President handed over the charter to the incoming President.

The Inner Wheel Club is headed by its new President Smti Anita Puria, Vice President Smti Renu Chani, Secretary Smti Farida Hasan, Treasurer, Smti Shukla Chowdhury, ISO, Smti Anchal Goyal and Editor, Smti Satinder Pal Kaur. The outgoing Secretary, Smti Yasmin through a power point presentation highlighted about the various projects and activities carried out by IWC for the year 2015-16. The chief guest along with the Editor also released the annual Club Bulletin on the occasion.

A beautiful classical dance presentation by Shweta and Nandita drew applause from the gathering. Three members were also welcomed into the club on the occasion viz. Dinaz Nobel, Charu Pandit and Namrata Puria. The function was attended among others by the Chairperson, PBMC, Smti Sheela Singh, Adhyaksha Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smti Minati Biswas, ex-Chairpersons of SWB, Smti Shanta Laxman and Smti Ratna Kannan, senior members of the IWC, Members and office bearers of Rotary Club, Port Blair. Earlier, Ms. Nita Agarwal welcomed the gathering and the programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Secretary, Smti Farida Hassan.