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Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 29.2
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 24.8
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST : 062
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST : 063
Sunrise time on 13/01/2026 (in IST): 0543
Sunset time on 13/01/2026 (in IST): 1713
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 2025 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 002.0

Weather Report



Andaman and Nicobar arc: India's strategic anchor in the Indian Ocean Region and Indo-Pacific

The Andaman and Nicobar Command, India's only operational tri-service command, is uniquely placed to monitor the critical waterways of the Bay of Bengal and adjoining seas. Within this island chain, the bases at Car Nicobar and Great Nicobar are of extraordinary importance

New Delhi: The Indo-Pacific has emerged as the defining strategic arena of the 21st century. Stretching from the eastern coast of Africa to the Pacific islands, this vast expanse is home to the world's most dynamic economies, critical sea lanes, and intensifying geopolitical contestation. India's geography confers both opportunity and responsibility. With a coastline of over 11,000 kilometres and island territories that overlook vital shipping routes, India sits at the heart of the Indian Ocean. Nearly 95% of India's trade by volume including crude oil, coal, electronics, and agricultural products moves by sea, traversing these waters.

The broader global context only heightens the stakes. The global balance of power is shifting eastwards, and the extended Indian and Pacific Ocean space already accounts for around 60% of global GDP. Three of the world's five largest economies are in Asia, and their growth has generated an insatiable

appetite for energy. Lacking self-sufficiency, these economies depend heavily on imports from Russia, West Asia, and Africa, with Indian Ocean sea lanes carrying most of this cargo. Over 80% of world trade by volume moves by sea, much of it through these interconnected oceanic corridors. At the same time, more than 95% of international data traffic, the lifeblood of today's digital economy, travels through undersea cables laid across this expanse. Any disruption of these arteries, whether energy routes or digital networks, would endanger global security and prosperity.

India's vision of a free, open, and inclusive Indo-Pacific where sovereignty is respected and coercion has no place has been welcomed by partners and smaller nations alike. Initiatives such as the launch of the Forum for India Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIIPC) in 2014 have deepened India's engagement with Pacific Island states. India has built strong strategic linkages with



Andaman and Nicobar arc: India's strategic anchor in the Indian Ocean Region and Indo-Pacific (Image: File/ X)

ASEAN countries, joined hands with likeminded powers in the Quad, and taken concrete steps to expand its presence across Asia's maritime theatre. Nowhere is this more evident than in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, which serve as the fulcrum of India's eastern seaboard strategy.

The Andaman and Nicobar Command, India's only operational tri-service command, is uniquely placed to monitor the critical waterways of the Bay of Bengal and adjoining seas. Within this island chain, the bases at Car

Nicobar and Great Nicobar are of extraordinary importance. Car Nicobar hosts an Indian Air Force facility that provides air dominance over the Bay of Bengal and sustained surveillance of shipping activity. The base also supports joint exercises such as Malabar, enhancing interoperability and reinforcing India's Act East policy. Its location, just under a thousand kilometres from the Malacca Strait, adds to its strategic value.

Even more consequential is INS Baaz, India's southernmost naval air station at Campbell Bay in Great Nicobar. Upgraded and integrated into broader development plans, it lies barely 100 kilometres from the Malacca Strait. This is among the world's most vital maritime chokepoints, handling around 60% of China's trade and nearly 90% of Japan, South Korea and some ASEAN nations' oil imports. For India, it is an indispensable artery for energy and commerce. The ability to monitor, secure, and, if

necessary, influence access to this strait confers immense strategic leverage. INS Baaz supports maritime reconnaissance, anti-submarine warfare, and surveillance operations, and is being expanded under the Modi government's Rs 72,000-crore Great Nicobar project, which also envisages a trans-shipment port and an international airport. This integration of security and economic infrastructure strengthens both India's logistics capacity and its strategic posture.

Control and influence over the approaches to the Malacca Strait guarantee the safety of India's own sea lines of communication and protect its growing digital and energy requirements. With Car Nicobar and INS Baaz acting as forward outposts, India possesses the capability to track submarine movements, deter hostile actions, and work with partners to ensure a free and open maritime commons. When integrated with India's wider Security and Growth for

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South Andaman District Athletics C'ship concludes



Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The South Andaman District Athletics Championship was successfully conducted on 10th and 11th January, 2026 at JNRM College Ground in a befitting manner. The two-day championship witnessed enthusiastic participation from young and senior athletes and created a vibrant sporting atmosphere throughout the venue.

Hon'ble Member of Parliament, A&N Islands, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray was the chief guest of the closing ceremony. Addressing the gathering, Hon'ble MP appreciated the efforts of the organizers for successfully conducting the championship and congratulated all the participating athletes for their performances. He

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A&N Islands secured second position at National Folk-Dance Competition-2025-26 under NPEP prog.



Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

Under the Department of Education (Social Science), NCERT, the National Population Education Project (NPEP) organized National Role Play and Folk-Dance Competition at Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education (LNIFE), Shakti Nagar, Mela Road, Gwalior, from Jan. 6 to 9.

The State Level winner team of Role Play & Folk Dance participated in the National Role Play and Folk-Dance Competition in which Andaman & Nicobar Islands secured second position at the National Level Folk Dance with

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Island Sea Food Festival - 2026 on Jan. 15 & 16

Traditional Boat Race to be organized at Fish Landing Centre, Junglighat on Jan. 15

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The Department of Fisheries, in assistance with the Information, Publicity & Tourism (IP&T) Department, A&N Administration is organizing the "Island Sea Food Festival - 2026" on 15th & 16th January, 2026 at the Marina Park

Stretch Road, Sri Vijaya Puram. The festival will be organized with financial support from the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad.

As part of the Island Sea Food Festival - 2026, the Department of Fisheries will also

organize a Traditional Boat Race at the Fish Landing Centre, Junglighat on Jan. 15 at 9.30 AM. Participation in the Traditional Boat Race is open only to non-motorized fishing boats (Halis dinghy) having registration, fishing

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163rd Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda celebrated with reverence in A&N Islands



Staff Correspondent

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12


The 163rd birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda was befittingly celebrated today across the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with great enthusiasm and reverence. The main function was held near the statue of Swami Vivekananda at Puram, Swami Jawaharlal Nehru Omkaratmananda, Rajkanya Swamiji of Mahavidyalaya (JNRM) lending a solemn and inspiring ambience to the occasion.

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Ms. Chanchal Yadav, IAS, graced the function as the chief guest. The Director of Education and Sports, Shri Vikram Singh, Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Sri Vijaya Puram, Swami Omkaratmananda, Rajkanya Swamiji of Ramakrishna Mission, students from schools and colleges, general public also graced the occasion. The chief guest paid floral tributes at the statue of Swami Vivekananda, which was followed by others present on the occasion.

Addressing the gathering, Ms. Chanchal Yadav highlighted the timeless principles and teachings of Swami Vivekananda and emphasized their relevance in present times. She said, Swami Vivekananda had unwavering faith in the strength, energy, and potential of the youth of our nation. He strongly believed that the youth would lead India towards progress and prosperity. His timeless message, "Arise, awake, and stop not till the goal is reached," urges us to awaken our inner strength and strive relentlessly for nation's development. She stated that the younger generation, as the future of the country, must draw inspiration from Swami Vivekananda's ideals and actively contribute to nation-building. She further emphasized that the books and quotes of Swami Vivekananda continue to inspire and empower people even today. Everyone should read his works to gain strength, clarity of

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Training prog. on 'Care & Management of Calf, Kid & Pregnant Cattle and Goat' concludes at Katchal



Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Kamorta, in collaboration with UTATMA (Union Territory Agriculture Technology Management Agency), conducted a comprehensive two-day training programme on Jan. 8 and 9, at E-wall Village, Katchal Island.

The programme focused on the crucial topic "Care and Management of Calf, Kid and Pregnant Cattle and Goat," with the primary objective of equipping local livestock farmers with scientific knowledge and best practices for improved animal health, nutrition and productivity during the most vulnerable

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Legal Services and Youth Awareness Programme organized by DLSA as part National Youth Day



Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

On the occasion of National Youth Day, commemorating the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Andaman & Nicobar Islands, in association with PRAYAS Juvenile Aid Centre (JAC), organised a Legal Services and Youth Awareness Programme at DBRAIT today. The programme was conducted with the objective of empowering students with legal awareness while inspiring them through the timeless teachings and ideals of Swami Vivekananda.

The event was graced by Shri Neyaz Alam, Learned Additional District & Sessions Judge, Port Blair, Shri Samrat Roy, Learned Chief Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, A&N Islands, and Shri Anupam Sircar, Learned Judicial Magistrate First Class (Additional Court), Port Blair. The programme was also attended by Ms. Mariya Sheela, Regional Head, PRAYAS JAC, and Shri K. Vijay Kumar, Advisor, JAC. Students and faculty members of

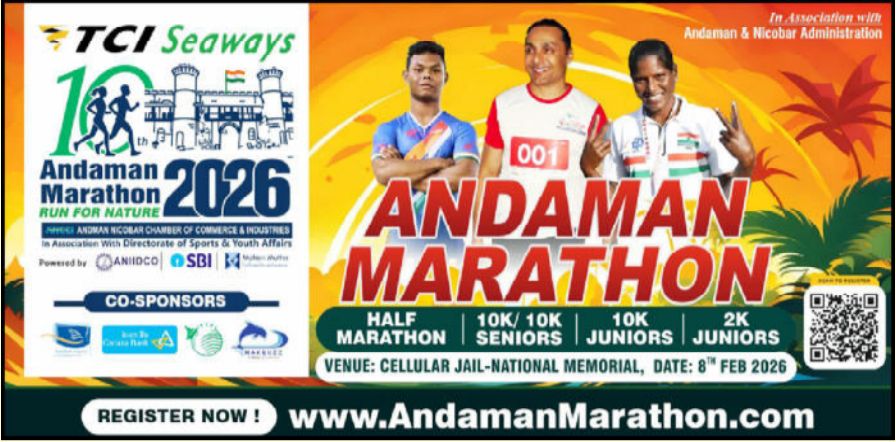
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10th Edition of Andaman Marathon 2026 to be held on Feb. 8; last date of registration is Jan. 29

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All arrangements for conducting the 10th Edition of Andaman Marathon 2026 by the Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industry (ANCCI), Sri Vijaya Puram in association with the Andaman & Nicobar Administration on 8th February, 2026 is going on in full swing. The event will be flagged off from the historic National Memorial Cellular Jail on February 8. The last date of receipt of registration is Jan. 29, 2026.

Andaman Marathon has five events Half Marathon (male & female) open to all Indian National, 10K male & female (for Islander only), 10 K for seniors male & female (men above 50 years and women above 40 years) (for Islander only), 10 K Boys & Girls [between 14 & 18 years](for Islander only) and 2K Boys & Girls (between 10 to 13 years) at a total prize money of Rs.10,05,000/-. The definition of Islander for this purpose would be residents of the Islands including people who are posted/working or studying in these Islands. The event also includes a one and half kilometre 'Run for Fun' starting from the historic Cellular Jail and concluding at Netaji Stadium.

The route map for half Marathon Cellular Jail Khan Junction Water Sports Complex Dharmsala Girls School Corbyn's Cove Beach - Corbyn's



Chowk, Austinabad, Pathargudda Junction - Prothrapur Junction - Bathu - Basthi - Dollygunj School Line - Dairy Farm - Junglighat - Goalghar - Prem Nagar - Delanipur - Phoenix Bay Light House - Syndicate Bank - Power House DSS Gate - Marine Hall - Mohanpura - Gandhi Statue - Rathnam Market - Clock Tower - Narayan Chowk - Dharmsala, Marina Park Netaji Stadium 2nd Gate.

The route map for 10K/10K Seniors/10K Boys & Girls - Cellular Jail- Khan Junction - Water Sports Complex - Dharmsala -

Dharmasala -Narayan Chowk -Clock Tower - Model School -Head Post Office -Bengali Club- Middle Point-Goalghar - Prem Nagar - Delanipur- Teal House - Vansadan - Van Vikas Bhavan - Chatham PS Junction- Foreshore Road - Phoenix Bay Power House - Marine Hall- Mohanpura- Gandhi Statue -Rathnam Market -Clock Tower- Narayan Chowk- Dharmasala- Marina Park - Netaji Stadium 2nd Gate.

The route map for 2 K -Cellular Jail- Khan Junction - Water Sports Complex - Dharmasala -

Girls School- Ramakrishan Mission Chowk return- Girls School- Velodrome- Netaji Stadium 2nd Gate.

The kit (including T-Shirts, bibs containing electronic timer chips & registration number) for the participants will be distributed between 9 AM & 5 PM from the Netaji Stadium, Sri Vijaya Puram on 7th February, 2026.

All citizens of Sri Vijaya Puram have been requested to join their hands so that the Andaman Marathon 2026 can be a grand success.

Andaman Nicobar Chamber of Commerce & Industry 10 th Andaman Marathon 2026 Prize Money List				
Sl. No.	Category	Prizes	Male (Cash Award)	Female (Cash Award)
1.	Half Marathon – Open to all above 18 years age (Only Indian Nationals are eligible for prize money)	1 st prize 2 nd prize 3 rd prize	100000/- 60000/- 40000/-	100000/- 60000/- 40000/-
2.	10 K Open – Open to all Men & women (Islanders only)	1 st prize 2 nd prize 3 rd prize	50000/- 30000/- 20000/-	50000/- 30000/- 20000/-
3.	10 K Seniors- above 50+ men and 40+ women (Islanders only)	1 st prize 2 nd prize 3 rd prize	50000/- 30000/- 20000/-	50000/- 30000/- 20000/-
4.	10 K (Boys & Girls – Islanders only) 14 to 17 age group	1 st prize 2 nd prize 3 rd prize	40000/- 25000/- 15000/-	40000/- 25000/- 15000/-
5.	2 K (Boys & Girls -Islanders only) 10 to 13 age group	1 st prize 2 nd prize 3 rd prize	10,000/- 7500/- 5000/-	10,000/- 7500/- 5000/-
TOTAL			Rs.502500/-	Rs.502500/-
GRAND TOTAL			Rs. 10,05,000/-	

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purpose, and motivation, she added.

In his address, the Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission, Sri Vijaya Puram, Swami Omkaratmananda spoke on the life and philosophy of Swami Vivekananda, inspiring the gathering to follow the path of knowledge, courage and character.

Meanwhile, as part of the celebration, a rally was organized in which large number of students/officials participated. The rally which started from Netaji Stadium passed through Clock Tower - Model School - Post Office - Bengali Club - CEO Office - LIC Building - Gandhi Statue - Clock Tower - Narayan Chowk - Swimming Pool - Girls School - R.K. Mission and culminated at Vivekananda Statue at JNRM.

The Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, A&N Administration in association with Department of Education, JNRM, NYK, SAI and Ramakrishna Mission organised the programme to celebrate the National Youth Day which concluded with a collective resolve to uphold Swamiji's message for building a strong, enlightened and progressive society.

Schedule of Cruise to Barren Island for month of February announced

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

In view of the growing interest among tourists and local residents in visiting Barren Island, the Directorate of Shipping Services has scheduled a round cruise for February, 2026. This exclusive cruise provides passengers with a rare opportunity to observe the only active volcano in South Asia, while enjoying the scenic beauty of the Andaman Sea.

The sailing schedule is as follows:

MONTH	NAME OF THE VESSEL	DATE & TIME OF DEPARTURE
FEBRUARY, 2026	NALANDA	13.02.2026 at 2100 Hrs
	NALANDA	27.02.2026 at 2100 Hrs

Tickets can be booked through the DSS e-Ticketing Portal at <https://dss.andamannicobar.gov.in/eticketing>, which will be available 24x7 with effect from 15.01.2026 at 0900 Hrs onwards. For user convenience, a QR code linking directly to the portal has also been provided.



Scan QR Code to open on mobile.

National Youth Day celebrated at ZPVKV, Ferrargunj

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The Zilla Parishad Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, Ferrargunj celebrated the 163rd Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda as National Youth Day today to inspire students to follow his ideals of discipline, character, and service to the nation.

The event was graced by Shri R. S. Sharath, Additional Conservator of Forests, as the chief guest. Shri Abdul Aziz, ZPM was present as the guest of honor, while Smt. M. A. Naseem Banu, Pradhan,

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All in the Region (SAGAR) doctrine, these capabilities reinforce India's role as a credible net stakeholder and provider of stability across the Indian Ocean space.

This expansion of infrastructure and capability is emblematic of Prime Minister, Shri Modi's broader emphasis on self-reliance in critical sectors. Security is no longer viewed as a narrow military function but as a comprehensive national project encompassing infrastructure, industry, technology, and human capital. The Nicobar bases are therefore not isolated military installations; they are part of a holistic effort to ensure India has the means to shape, rather than merely react to, developments across the Indian Ocean Region and the wider Indo-Pacific. Prime Minister, Shri Modi's proactive policies, from the launch of FIPIC to the strengthening of facilities in Car Nicobar and Great Nicobar reflect India's determination to shape the regional balance in favour of openness, security, growth, and freedom of navigation.

During his recent visit to the island chain, Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah also reinforced India's security commitment by chairing a high-level Parliamentary Consultative Committee meeting focused squarely on national security, disaster management, cybercrime, and strategic infrastructure. In emphasising a coordinated, multi-domain strategy to counter emerging threats and boost cyber resilience, the visit signalled that India's security calculus in the eastern maritime approaches encompasses both hard defence and governance systems.

India's investments in Car Nicobar and Great Nicobar spanning military infrastructure, logistics hubs, and connectivity projects are ultimately about securing the arteries of energy, commerce, and data that sustain modern life. These initiatives ensure that it is no longer a peripheral player but a central actor with the capacity to guarantee security, project strength, and uphold the principle of a free and open wider maritime commons. (Source: <https://sundayguardianlive.com>)

163rd Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda & National Youth Day celebrated

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The Zilla Parishad Vivekanand Kendra Vidyalaya, Shore Point, South Andaman, celebrated the 163rd Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda as National Youth Day with great enthusiasm. The programme was organized to inspire students with the ideals, teachings, and vision of Swami Vivekananda. Shri S. Boominathan, Up-Adhyaksh, ZPSA was the chief guest while Smt. Dhana Rekha,



ZPM, Shore Point Constituency was the guest of honour. Prizes were also distributed by them. A series of vibrant and meaningful cultural performances were presented by the students which included patriotic and folk dances, skit

depicting the life and teachings of Swami Vivekananda and speech highlighting the significance of National Youth Day. Earlier, the programme commenced with a welcome address by the Headmistress, Smt. Sita Das, a press release from ZPSA said.

Interview for Guest Assistant Professors & Part Time Instructors in DBRAIT on Jan. 16

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The interview (theory & practical) for recruitment of Guest Assistant Professors & Part Time Instructors under Degree Program in the establishment of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Sri Vijaya Puram for the Academic

Session 2025-26 (Even sem) is scheduled on 16th Jan, 2026. The details of qualifications, schedule for interview and demo topics can be downloaded from the institute website <https://dbrait.andamannicobar.gov.in>. The eligible candidates are informed to submit

their resume along the duly self-attested copies of education qualification, trainings, experience, etc during the time of interview. The candidates shall also bring their original documents for verification, a press release from DBRAIT said.

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a powerful performance based on the theme 'Gender Equality.' The achievement has brought laurels to the Islands and reflects the students' dedication, teamwork, and commitment to promoting social awareness through cultural expression.

The participants of Folk Dance were Sri Shana, Saina Halder, Anshu Pandey, P. Vinitha, Isha Mondal, and Sneha Shastri of Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Aberdeen. The students were choreographed and trained by Smt.



V. Radhika, CI (Dance), with support from Ms. Sriidevi M, Lab Assistant, GMSSS, Aberdeen.

The National-level competition under the NPEP project was coordinated by Shri Tarpan Sarkar, staff, Office of the Deputy Director Education

(Science), a press release from Shiksha Sadan said.

Training prog. on 'Care & Management.....

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early growth and pregnancy stages.

The training sessions covered a wide range of practical and essential aspects, including proper colostrum feeding for newborns, balanced nutrition for growing calves and kids, mineral and vitamin supplementation, deworming and vaccination schedules, early detection and management of common health issues, scientific housing and hygiene practices, pregnancy diagnosis, care during advanced gestation, preparation for safe parturition, and post-partum management of dams to ensure healthy offspring and sustained milk production. Resource persons from the Department delivered detailed demonstrations, interactive discussions and hands-on guidance tailored to the unique island conditions and small-holder farming systems prevalent in Nicobar District.

Shri S. Samson, Vice-Captain, Katchal, graced the programme and actively encouraged the participating farmers to adopt the improved livestock management practices demonstrated during the training. He highlighted how scientific rearing can significantly enhance animal health, reduce mortality rates in young stock, increase milk yield and overall farm income, thereby contributing to better livelihoods for rural families in the islands.

The programme saw enthusiastic participation from a large number of local cattle and goat rearers. The training concluded on Jan. 9, with farmers expressing deep appreciation for the timely and relevant content, a press release from Deptt. of AH&VS said.

TGCE celebrates National Youth Day

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

Tagore Government College of Education (TGCE) observed National Youth Day with reverence and enthusiasm to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. The programme began with floral tributes to Swami Vivekananda. The programme motivated students to reflect on their roles as responsible citizens and future educators, encouraging them to channel their energy towards nation-building and personal excellence.

An introductory speech highlighted the relevance of Swami Vivekananda's ideals for today's youth while the cultural segment included a graceful classical dance, a poetry recitation on Swami Vivekananda, and screening of a video depicting his life and teachings. A skit on Swami Vivekananda was also presented followed by a narration-based instrumental dance, a press release from TGCE said.

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encouraged the players to remain focused, maintain discipline and continue their hard work to bring laurels to the islands at the state and national levels.

During the championship, track and field events were conducted for Sub-Junior (U-14), Junior (U-16, U-18, U-20) and Open categories. About 80 athletes from various parts of the South Andaman region, ranging in age from 11 to 50 years, took part in the competition. The participants displayed commendable discipline, determination and sporting spirit, making the championship a memorable and competitive event.

The championship concluded with the distribution of medals and words of encouragement, marking the successful completion of the South Andaman District Athletics Championship, 2026, a press release from ANSOA said.

Prerana: an experiential learning program completes 1st Cycle with nationwide participation, inspiring students through value-based experiential learning

2nd cycle of experiential learning under Prerana is scheduled to commence in April 2026

New Delhi Jan. 12(PIB)

Prerana, an Experiential Learning Program, a pioneering national initiative of the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, has successfully completed its first cycle, marking a significant milestone in India's journey towards value-based, experiential education. The program, inspired by the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, commenced on 15th January, 2024 and is being conducted at the historic Vernacular School in Vadnagar, established in 1888, the very institution where the Hon'ble Prime Minister began his educational journey.

Prerana is hosted at the Prerana Sankul, a unique space where history meets innovation and tradition is

seamlessly woven into a future-focused educational experience. The Prerana Sankul was dedicated to the nation on 16 January 2025 by the Hon'ble Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, in the presence of Union Education Minister, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Bhupendrabhai Patel.

Each weekly batch of Prerana comprises 20 students one boy and one girl from each of 10 districts across 10 different States/Union Territories accompanied by Lady Guardian Teachers, ensuring balanced gender representation and inclusive participation from across the country. The first cycle witnessed the successful completion of 81 batches, involving a total of 1,620

students and 810 Guardian Teachers, representing all 785 districts of India.

The participants engaged deeply with Prerana's nine core human values: Swabhiman aur Vinay; Shaurya aur Sahas; Parishram aur Samarpan; Satyanishtha aur Shuchita; Karuna aur Sewa; Navachar aur Jigyasa; Vividhta aur Ekta; Shraddha aur Vishwas; and Swatantrata aur Kartavya. The program was delivered under the guidance of teachers from Kendriya Vidyalayas and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas, trained by experts from leading institutions including IIT Gandhinagar, IIM Ahmedabad, and the Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) Division, among others.

Through storytelling, heritage immersion, indigenous games,

collaborative reflection, and hands-on experiential activities, students developed confidence, teamwork, leadership qualities, and a strong sense of social responsibility. The Prerana Alumni Network, supported through the Prerana Alumni Portal, continues to foster connection, peer mentorship, and knowledge-sharing, sustaining the ethos of Prerana well beyond the residential experience.

Building on the success of the first cycle, the second cycle of Prerana is scheduled to commence in April 2026. Drawing from the operational learnings of experiential education, Prerana Utsav is being organised across schools in all States and Union Territories. Serving as the gateway to the Prerana Program, Prerana Utsav ensures inclusive outreach and enables talented students from diverse backgrounds to be identified and nominated for participation.

The upcoming cycle aims to further promote value-based learning, expand opportunities for student leadership, and deepen engagement with Indian Knowledge Systems, cultural heritage, and experiential pedagogy. With an expanding alumni base, a strengthened mentorship ecosystem, and enhanced district-level participation, Prerana is poised to inspire young learners, nurture civic responsibility, and deepen their commitment to nation-building – thereby advancing the collective national vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

SDJ Golden Racquets win ABPL-4 C'ship

Sri Vijaya Puram, Jan. 12

The 5 days league cum knock out ABPL-4 Championship which commenced on Jan. 7 concluded yesterday at the multipurpose hall of Netaji Stadium. Altogether sixty top players from the islands participated in the tournament representing 10 teams. Shri. C Raj, Director, RESTI, SBI was the chief guest while Shri Dinesh Kannan, CCF, Wildlife and Shri. Ummer Farooq, Chief Manager, SBI were the guests of honor.

In addition to trophies, medals and certificates, the winner of the tournament SDJ Golden Racquets was awarded cash prize of Rs. 1 Lakh. INS Blaze Fusion who were the runnerup won a cash prize of Rs. 70,000/- while team String Rulers received over Rs. 40,000/-. Master Eric James was titled the Player of the Tournament while Master Akshaj was identified as the young promising player, a press release from BAANI said.



Block level training prog. on strengthening local governance held at GP Subashgram

Diglipur, Jan. 12

The Department of Rural Development & Panchayat, organized a Block Level Training Programme on 'Strengthening Local Governance - Training Elected Representatives on the Principles and Objectives of PRIs (Theme-8)' today in the Conference Hall of the Gram Panchayat Subashgram. The programme aimed at enhancing the capacity of elected representatives, particularly

Pradhans and Ward Members, to promote transparent, accountable and participatory governance at the grassroots level.

Shri CH. Kiran Kumar, Domain Expert (IT), RGSA, as the Resource Person provided valuable inputs on strengthening local governance, the use of the Local Indicator Framework (LIF) to assess governance performance, and monitoring developmental progress for effective service

delivery.

Shri M. Rajendra Kumar, Block Development Officer, CD Block Diglipur welcome the participants of the programme. The sessions also focused on social audit, Special Gram Sabha, and practical aspects of preparing the Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP). An interactive discussion and feedback session was held, and certificates were distributed to the participants, a press release BDO, Diglipur said.

Legal Services and Youth Awareness Programme....

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DBRAIT participated actively in large numbers.

During the programme, Shri Neyaz Alam, Ld. ADJ, sensitised the students on important social legislations such as the Prevention of Sexual Harassment (POSH) Act, 2013, the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, and the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, highlighting their relevance in protecting youth and society from crime, exploitation and substance abuse.

Shri Samrat Roy, Ld. Chief Judicial Magistrate-cum-Secretary, DLSA, delivered an inspiring address on "We Are Children of Eternity", elaborating on the life, philosophy and vision of Swami Vivekananda, and urging the students to imbibe his ideals of self-belief, character, discipline and service to the nation.

Shri Anupam Sircar, Ld. Judicial Magistrate, spoke on leadership, character and youth empowerment by reflecting upon the teachings and journey of Swami Vivekananda, and encouraged students to develop confidence, responsibility and moral strength in their personal and professional lives.

The programme successfully blended legal awareness with motivational guidance, leaving the students better informed about their rights and duties and deeply inspired by the message of National Youth Day, a press release from DLSA said.

National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2026 notified

New Delhi Jan. 12(PIB)

The Union Government has notified the National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules, 2026 under the National Sports Governance Act, 2025.

The Rules provide the framework for the inclusion of Sportspersons of Outstanding Merit, composition of the General Body and Executive Committee, election procedures, and disqualification criteria for members of National Sports Bodies and Regional Sports Federations.

The Rules also outline provisions for the National Sports Election Panel and further specify procedures for registration and periodic updating of affiliate units with the National Sports Board.

Among the salient provisions, these Rules provide for inclusion of at least four sportspersons of outstanding merit (SOMs) in the General Bodies of National Sports Bodies. For ensuring representation of women SOMs in the General Body, the Rules specifically provide for fifty per cent of women SOMs in the General Body.

For ensuring the representation of at least four women in Executive Committee of National Sports Bodies, as mandated in the National Sports Governance Act, 2025, Rules provide that every National Sports Body may reserve specific posts for women in the Executive Committee, through its bye-laws.

The Rules also prescribe the General eligibility criteria and tiered criteria for representation of SOMs in the General Body

and Executive Committee of National Sports Bodies.

The Sportspersons applying to be designated as SOMs should not be less than twenty-five years of age and must have retired from active sports and should have not participated in any competitive sport event which leads to selection to represent a district, State or India for at least one year prior to the date of application.

In the rules, a tiered criteria has also been prescribed, taking into consideration, nature of sports, and level of sporting achievements attained by Indian sportspersons in different sports disciplines.

In the Tiered criteria, 10 Tiers have been prescribed staring from sportspersons who have won at gold, silver or bronze medal in the Summer Olympic Games, Paralympic Games or Winter Olympic Games, to sportspersons who have won gold, silver or bronze medal in the National Games or a National Championship.

The Tiered criteria has been kept broad enough to meet requirements of different sports disciplines.

These Rules prescribe in detail the procedure for election to Executive Committee with timelines for each stage of election, starting from submission of application to be a SOM to call for elections, release of final electoral roll and invitation for nominations.

The Rules also provide the disqualifications for being a member of the General Body, or of any committee of a National Sports Body and declaring them ineligible for contesting for election to the Executive Committee or the Athletes Committee.

Among the disqualifications prescribed in the Rules, persons convicted by a court of law for an offence, followed by a sentence of imprisonment, are debarred from contesting for elections to Executive Committee or the Athletes Committee or being member in the General Body or any any committee of a National Sports Body.

The Rules provide that the roster of the National Sports Election Panel shall at all times contain at least twenty members who satisfy the qualifications specified under the National Sports Governance Act 2025.

The Fee of the electoral officer, selected from the Election Panel, will be decided by the National Sports Body on the basis of mutual agreement with the Electoral Officer, subject to a maximum amount of Rs. 5 lakh, along with fees of a mutually agreed amount for an assistant to such officer, if any.

The Rules further provide that every National Sports Body shall amend its bye-laws in conformity with the provisions of the Act, within a period of six months.

The Rules also authorize the Central Government, on receipt of the application from a National Sports Body, to relax the provisions of the Rules for a period of twelve months for reasons to be recorded in writing.

Notification of the National Sports Governance (National Sports Bodies) Rules marks a key milestone in the smooth transition to the statutory sports governance framework pursuant to enactment of National Sports Governance Act 2025.

Traditional Boat Race to be organized at..... (Contd. from page 01)

licence, and Fisher ID Cards. Each boat shall have a maximum of two crew members, and wearing of life jackets is mandatory for all participants.

Interested owners of non-motorized fishing boats (Halis dinghy) of South Andaman District may register their willingness for participation to Zonal Fisheries Office, South Andaman along with details of the boat, name of crew members, and copies of Fisher ID Cards of the participants.

The last date of submission of the willingness to participate in the Traditional Boat Race is Jan. 14, a press release from Department of Fisheries said.

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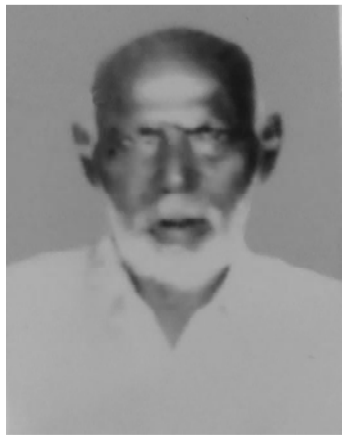
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13th Death Anniversary On 13-01-2026

Late M. Periyaya (Retd. Mason, APWD)
R/o Nayagaon
Inserted by: Anjali & All family members.

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26th Anniversary Remembrance

On 13-01-2026 Of Our Beloved

M. SIVADASA MENON (Ex. ASI)
H/o Smti. Indira Amma
"We Salute "U" on this day for your selfless, kind hearted, sincere hard work and great sacrifice service rendered to the department and for the never ending care, love and affections to the family members, colleagues and friends"
"MAY UR LOVELY "SOUL"
Rest in Eternal Peace"

'We seek your blessings always'
Inserted by: Family Members, Colleagues, Relatives & Friends far & near

"OM SHANTI OM"

**8th Death Anniversary**

On 13.01.2026

In Loving Memory of
Late K. Subramani (Subra)
R/o Anarkali Basti
Inserted By: Saroja Devi (Wife), S. Adarsh Kumar (Son) and All Family Members.

**DISTRICT: ANDAMAN**

IN THE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE JUNIOR DIVISION (ADDITIONAL) AT PORT BLAIR
Other Suit No. 17 of 2023

Shri Dharendra Nath Rana

... Plaintiff

-Versus-

Smti. R Pankajan

.... Defendant

To,

Smti. R. Pankajan, W/o A. V. Ramachandran, R/o Minnie Bay, Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil, South Andaman District.

Whereas, the Plaintiff Shri Dulal Chatterjee, S/o Late Satish Chatterjee, R/o Teylorabad, Sri Vijaya Puram, South Andaman, has instituted a suit against you for "SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE OF CONTRACT", you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person or by pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questioning relating to the suit (or who shall be accompanied by some person able to answer all such question) on the 13th day of January, 2026 at 9 O'clock in forenoon.

1. To answer the claim and as the day fixed for your appearance is appointment for the final disposal of the suit you must be prepared to produce on that day all the witness upon whose evidence and all documents upon which you intend to reply in support of your defence.
2. To state whether you contest or do not contest, the claim either in whole or in part and if you contest to receive directions of the Court as to the date on which your written statement is to be filed the witness or witnesses upon whose evidence you intend to rely in support of your defence are to be produced, the documents upon which you intend to rely are to be filed also the date to trial and other matters. Take notice that in the event of your admitting the claim either in whole or part the Court with forthwith pass judgement in accordance with such admissions, or in the event of the claim not being contested the suit shall be decided at once.
3. To answer the claim and you are directed to produce on that day, all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard of determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Court, this 14th day of Nov., 2025.

SEAL

Sd./-
CIVIL JUDGE JUNIOR DIVISION I (ADD.) CIVIL JUDGE (JUNIOR DIVISION) ADDITION COURT PORT BLAIR

R. C. No. 518/2024/DC(SA)/1540
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 11th July, 2025.
This is for the information of the general public that Shri Shribash Das, S/o Bimal Kumar Das, R/o Lamba Line has requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of his name and his father's name as **"SHRIBASH DAS, S/o BIMAL KUMAR DAS"**, instead of **"SHRINIBAS DAS, S/o BIMAL DAS,"** in the revenue records in respect of land bearing Survey No. 174/3 measuring area 0.1 hect. land situated at Lamba Line Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil.

The persons having any claims or objections in the above matter, shall submit their claims/ objections before this Court within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice in the Daily Telegrams in person or through authorized agent alongwith all relevant records.

Sd./-
Reader to Deputy Commissioner South Andaman District

R. C. No. 520/2024/DC(SA)/1849
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 07th Aug., 2025.
This is for the information of the general public that Smti. Permila Mondal, W/o Gobinda Mondal has requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of her name and her husband's name as **"PERMILA MONDAL, W/o GOBINDA MONDAL"** instead of **"PROMILA MONDAL, W/o GORINELO MONDAL"** jointly recorded in the revenue records in respect of land bearing Survey No. 174/2 measuring area 0.1 hectares situated at Garacharma Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil.

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Sd./-
Reader to Deputy Commissioner South Andaman District

R.C. No.230/2025/DC(SA)/63
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 9th January, 2026.
This is for the information of the general public that Smti. Sunitha Bala, W/o V Selva Kumar has requested the Deputy Commissioner (SA) for correction of her name which is erroneously recorded as **"SUNITHA BALA"** instead of **"SUNITA BALA"** in the revenue records in respect of land bearing Sy. No. 158/1/54 measuring area 0.1 hectares situated at Beodnabad Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil.

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2nd Death Anniversary

On 12.01.2026

In Loving Memory of



A. Anthony Raj
(DOB: 10.10.1962 - DOD: 12.01.2024)
R/o Megapode, Seashore.
"We miss his love and gratitude, his kindness, strength and warm remain in our heart forever".
Fondly Remembered By: Emmanuel H. (Brother-in-Law), Sandhya (Sister), Sheela & Seema (Niece) and All Family Members.

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