



Media briefed on COVID-19 situation in Isles

Administration will be forced to resort to complete lockdown if people continue to overcrowd markets: Secretary (IP&T)

"People should realise it is a pandemic... and not a happy time"

Port Blair, May 31

The A&N Administration to prevent the spread of COVID cases in the Islands, has been making appeals to all the Islanders to stay at home and follow COVID appropriate behaviour to help in breaking the chain of transmission of the virus. It has also imposed lockdown to control the spread of the infection. "We are trying our best but people are not listening. Despite the best strain and hardship to people, some people are really flouting COVID appropriate behaviour. The Administration will have no option but to resort to complete lockdown, if people don't improve". Yesterday (Sunday), in most of the market places heavy rush were noticed and people were not following social distancing and other COVID protocols. If people do Sunday type overcrowding, complete lockdown will be the only solution, said the Secretary (IP&T), Shri Sunil Kumar Singh addressing the media persons on COVID-19 situation in the Islands and steps initiated by the Administration to protect its citizens in the conference hall of IP&T here this evening. "We are battling the pandemic and it is not a happy time", he said urging the people to restrain themselves from unnecessary movement. Wearing mask, social distancing and minimizing their movement are vital to break the chain of transmission of the virus. More carelessness would lead to more difficulties and the only way to 'Break the Chain' is to be at home for some days, he said.



OVERCROWDING AT MARKET PLACES A CONCERN: Pics show people in large numbers at markets in city on Sunday (May 30).

The Secretary further said that during the RT-PCR conducted on 501 incoming passengers who arrived here yesterday, 6 positive cases have been detected despite their carrying RT-PCR report from mainland. He further disclosed that today 3 flights with 412 passengers arrived today and the RT-PCR report is awaited. He further stated that during the RAT conducted on 43 passengers proceeding to N&M Andaman at Ferrargunj, all were found negative. He said today, 435 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District, out of which, 355 were in the age group of 18-



District Administration extends lockdown in South Andaman District till June 7 to control COVID-19 cases

- Shops selling essential items to be open from 6 am to 8 am; Home delivery of items will be allowed from 9 am to 6 pm
- Movement will be allowed for medical emergencies
- Clinical establishments, pharmacy shops will be allowed to open; home delivery of medicines to be encouraged
- Persons going for COVID vaccination will be permitted
- POL Outlets will be opened from 6 am to 1 pm
- Home delivery of food will be allowed between 8 am and 8 pm

Port Blair, May 31

The District Administration has been closely monitoring the situation, though there is a marginal dip in the positive cases, it is felt that the Administration cannot be complacent until there is drastic reduction in the number of positive cases. In order to place stricter measures of isolation and social distancing in the South Andaman District to control the surge in the cases of COVID-19 and also to prevent any disturbance to the peace and tranquility, Shri Suneel Anchipaka, District Magistrate, South Andaman District, in exercise of the powers vested U/s 144 of Cr.P.C., has extended lockdown in the entire District of

South Andaman from 1st June, 2021 to 7th June, 2021. It may be recalled that the District Magistrate, South Andaman in view of the unprecedented surge in the positive cases of COVID-19 in the Islands has imposed the lockdown in the South Andaman District from May 24 to 31, 2021 and it has now been extended till June 7. As per the Order issued today, shops selling essential items such as provision stores, vegetable shops, shops dealing with food, groceries, fruits, dairy and milk booth/shop, meat, animal feed/fodder, bakeries shall be allowed to open between 6 am to 8 am by observing COVID Appropriate Behaviors. It shall be the sole responsibility of the

owner/In-Charge of the shop/business establishment to ensure its compliance, failing which he shall be liable to be fined to the tune of Rs.25,000/- in addition to sealing of the shop/establishment for a period of 14 days by the Executive Magistrate. Home delivery of items will be encouraged and promoted. Movement of bare minimum personnel attached with such organisations shall be allowed for which valid e-passes shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate based on the certification from the concerned organisation. Home delivery and movement of persons of all above mentioned services will also be allowed between 9 am to 6 pm. No movement

of men and material other than the time fixed for opening of shops between 6 am and 8 am will be allowed except for persons having valid movement/e-passes issued by the Office of the District Magistrate. Movement will be allowed for emergency cases, medical emergencies, pregnant women and patients availing medical services. The order further states that clinical establishments, chemists and pharmacy shops shall be allowed to open with movement of bare minimum personnel attached with such organisations for which valid e-passes shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate based on the certification from the concerned organisation.

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Lt Gen Manoj Pande, AVSM, VSM relinquish as the 15th Commander-in-Chief of A&N Command



Port Blair, May 31

Lt Gen Manoj Pande, AVSM, VSM the 15th Commander-in-Chief of Andaman and Nicobar Command (CINCAN), has relinquished Command of the Joint Services Command at Andaman and Nicobar

Islands today, consequent to his appointment as the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief Eastern Army Command with effect from 1st June, 2021. The CINCAN called on Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Andaman and

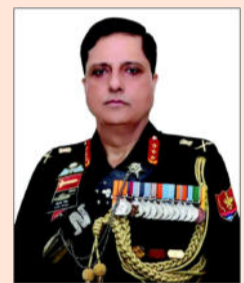
Nicobar Islands, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd), to bid farewell and thanked him and the UT Administration for the support and cooperation, during his tenure at the ANC.

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Lt Gen Ajai Singh, AVSM takes over as 16th Commander-in-Chief, A&N Command

Port Blair, May 31

Lt Gen Ajai Singh, AVSM will assume charge as the 16th Commander-in-Chief of the Andaman & Nicobar Command (CINCAN) tomorrow (June 1). The Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) is the only tri-services theatre command of the country and is a harbinger of the larger similarly planned theaterisation of the country's Army, Navy



and Air Force capabilities. A fifth generation Army as well as Cavalry/Armoured Corps officer, with family service of

over 162 years since 13th Sept., 1858, he is an alumnus of The Lawrence School, Sanawar & the NDA and IMA. He was commissioned in Dec 1983, into 81 Armoured Regiment, a Regiment raised by his late father.

The General Officer has had the privilege of tenancing various appointments across all six of the Army's

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District Administration facilitates hassle free movement of blood donors to donate blood

Port Blair, May 31

A blood donation camp was conducted at GB Pant Hospital by the District Administration in coordination with Civil Society Organisation to address the shortage of blood in the blood Bank of the Hospital. This matter was brought to the knowledge of District Administration as due to the prevailing pandemic situation



most of the voluntary blood donors were not coming forward to donate blood. Taking cognizance of the situation, Shri Suneel Anchipaka, Deputy Commissioner

(SA) took up the matter on priority and discussed with Civil Society Organisations and accordingly, a strategy was envisaged whereby a list of

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Vaccination drive being smoothly conducted in A&N Islands

7,095 beneficiaries in the age group of 18-44 years inoculated

Port Blair, May 31

The vaccination drive is continuing smoothly in A&N Islands and so far, a total of 7,095 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date. As per the data available, altogether, 355 persons

in the age group of 18 to 44 years were vaccinated in South Andaman District while 45 persons in the same age group were vaccinated at N&M Andaman.

Similarly, a total of 489 beneficiaries both in the age group of 18-44 years

and 45-59 years of age were vaccinated today. In South Andaman 435 beneficiaries were inoculated while in North and Middle Andaman 54 were vaccinated. With this, a total of 1,25,774 doses of vaccines have been

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Tweets on COVID-19 Management by Administration

Pavitrn @itspavitrn
Extending lockdown for another week is a good decision @Andaman_Admin Will bring down case load.

neelkantchotu @neelkantchotu1
Good decision to start RT-PCR testing of incoming air passengers by @Andaman_Admin! More accurate tests will enable control of virus in the islands.

Navaneeth @50989762778... · 2m
Children are the worst sufferers of the pandemic. It is good to know that @Andaman_admin is taking steps to ensure children are safe and cared for through 1098 Childline and a dedicated committee. Well done

Piyush @Piyush134811491
Replying to @Andaman_Admin @MediaRN_ANI and @jitendra_narain
New cases are coming down and recovery rate is going up something to cheer about 🙌🙌

ANVES K @anves_k
Teleconsultation medical services by @Andaman_admin and @DHS is a commendable initiative which should be used by one and all. 🙌🙌

lets stay indoor @umaa14... · 22s
It's a good work that @Andaman_admin and @dcSouthAndaman is working with NGOs to provide door to door delivery of materials. It is much appreciated. Thank you.

COVID ALERT
FOLLOW COVID APPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR EVERYDAY
AND HELP KEEP COVID-19 AWAY



- Total number of active cases in India: 2026092
- Deaths in India: 329100
- Total no of active cases in Andaman since 1.03.2021: 171
- Total Deaths since 1.03.2021: 53
- Surge in a single day: 21

**It is time to be alert & vigilant
Follow COVID appropriate
behaviour strictly**

• Call Control Room number for assistance: 240126, 232102, 1077, 1070
BADALKAR APNA VYAVAHAR, KAREIN CORONA PAR VAAR
Issued in public interest by A&N Administration

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Health Bulletin For Containment Of

नोबल कोरोना वायरस रोग (COVID-19)

(No. 427/31st May 2021)
COVID-19 STATUS OF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AS ON 31.05.2021

> Status of Cases :

| Second Wave since: 01.03.2021 | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Active new case in last 24 Hours | 21 |
| Discharges in last 24 hours | 36 |
| Total confirmed cases | 2011 |
| Total Discharges | 1787 |
| Total Active case as on date | 171 |
| Total Deaths during second wave | 53 |

Cumulative since March 2020

| Details | On 30 th May 2021 | On 31 st May 2021 | Total |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|
| Confirmed Cases | 6984 | 21* | 7005 |
| Cured/Discharged from Hospital | 6683 | 36 | 6719 |
| Death | 114 | 01 | 115 |

*Includes 06 positives from Airport arrival.

> Clinical Management of Cases :

| Name of District | Isolation Beds Available | Occupied | Vacant |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------|--------|
| North & Middle Andaman | 286 | 09 | 277 |
| South Andaman | 5583 | 162 | 5421 |
| Nicobar | 507 | 00 | 507 |
| Total | 6376 | 171 | 6205 |

Total 13 containment zone formed in South Andaman District

> Status of Sample and Testing:

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Total Samples sent till date | 386613 |
| Total Reports received till date | 386613 |
| Total Pending Reports | 0 |
| Rate of Testing Per Million | 966533 |
| Cumulative Test Positivity Rate | 1.81% |
| COWIN 1.0 | |

> Vaccination Status

| | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|
| Total population | 4,00,000 | -- |
| Target Beneficiaries | 2,81,603(Approx) | -- |
| Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated so far | 1,25,774 | -- |
| Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated with 1 st Dose so far | 1,08,403 | 38.49 |
| Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated with 2 nd Dose so far | 17,371 | 16.02 |
| % of population vaccinated | -- | 27.10 |

> Passengers screened at VSI Airport & Haddo Wharf

| Details | From 25 th May 2020 to 30 th May 2021 | On 31 st May 2021 | Total |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| Incoming Passengers | | | |
| a) VSI Airport | 241529 | 425 | 241954 |
| b) Haddo Wharf | 1032 | 0 | 1032 |
| Outward Passengers | | | |
| a) VSI Airport | 253443 | 334 | 253777 |
| b) Haddo Wharf | 928 | 0 | 928 |

(On 31.05.2021, 412 passengers were retested by RTPCR at Airport)

24x7 CONTROL ROOM NUMBERS: 240126/ 232102 / 1077/ 1070

(Source: Directorate of Health Services)

**Free online Yoga sessions through
Google Meet App from today**

Port Blair, May 31
AYUSH Unit, Health and Wellness Centre, Garacharma will be organizing free online Yoga sessions for general public through Google Meet App on topics like Yoga for immunity, Post COVID Rehabilitation, Mental Health etc. Sessions will be conducted daily from June 1 to 21, 2021 (Monday to Friday) from 5 pm onwards. Persons willing to participate may register their names by sending Whatsapp Message "YOGA" on 9679511644/9476096964, a press release received here said.

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administered so far in A&N Islands.

Meanwhile, the online registration for the vaccination is done through CoWIN portal and Aarogya Setu App. Online registration is mandatory and no on-site registration is being done and people have been advised to reach the centres as per the time schedule provided to the beneficiaries through the App. In South Andaman, the vaccination is being done at JNRM Vaccination Centre between 9.30 am and 12.30 pm. The general public have been requested to follow COVID Appropriate Behavior while going for vaccination, a press release from DHS said.



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44 while rest were above 45.

The Deputy Director, G.B. Pant Hospital, Dr. Amitabha De said that 69 COVID positive patients are presently undergoing treatment in the Hospital. Today, 2 COVID patients were discharged and 5 new patients have been admitted. He said, out of the 69 patients, 55 patients are on Oxygen and 4 are on ventilators. In the three COVID Care Centres functioning in A&N Islands, he said no new cases have been admitted today while 1 patient was discharged. Presently, 13 patients are being taken care of in these three COVID Care Centres. Apart from this, no new corona patient has been admitted in Wimberlygunj COVID Care Centre. Presently, 6 patients are taken care of in this Centre.

District Administration extends lockdown ...

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movement of goods on Andaman Trunk Road, loading and unloading of essential cargo will be allowed on production of valid movement passes issued by the Office of District Magistrate. Travel of persons will be allowed to proceed to their destinations at mainland on production of valid travel documents. However, the person(one person) who intend to pick/drop the traveller should apply for e-pass well in advance with supporting documents and the same shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate on case to case basis.

Movement of officers/officials involved in providing essential services such as District Administration, Police, CISF, Health Services, ICMR, PBMC, Home Guards, Civil Defence, Fire and emergency services, Defence personnel on duty will be permitted on production of valid Identity Cards issued by their concerned departments.

Movement of bare minimum number of Officers/Officials, for whom movement passes have already been issued by the Office of District Magistrate, involved in providing services such as Pay & Accounts, Shipping Services, Forest, Banking, Electricity, Water Supply & Sanitation in Rural Areas, Disaster Management, Port services and related services, Telecommunication will be allowed. The concerned Department should also ensure that such officials are called on for duties on alternate days to maintain COVID appropriate behavior at work places.

Persons going for COVID vaccination shall be permitted subject to production of acknowledgment slip/SMS. Movement of bare minimum personnel for whom movement passes have already been issued by the Office of District Magistrate involved in providing Broadcasting and Cable services, Internet service providers, all print and electronic media persons, private security services, POL Outlets, LPG Stores/Godown, ATMs, Cold Storages and warehouses will be allowed. The concerned organization should also ensure that such officials are called on for duties on alternate days to maintain COVID appropriate behavior at work places.

All POL outlets shall be opened from 6 am to 1 pm. Movement of bare minimum private medical personnel such as Doctors, nursing staff, paramedics etc. attached with diagnostic centres and clinics, veterinary clinics will be allowed for which valid e-passes shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate based on the certification from the concerned organisation.

Movement of persons from Containment Zones shall be strictly restricted and shall only be permitted on case to case basis upon approval from the Office of District Magistrate. Movement of persons involved with Hotels/Restaurants and Mess to be certified by the firm/organisation for home delivery of food shall be allowed between 8 am to 8 pm for which valid e-passes shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate based on the certification from the concerned organisation.

e-pass for movement during lockdown may be submitted online on https://e-pass.andaman.gov.in. The applicants/organizations submitting applications for e-pass should invariably submit valid and clear supporting documents, failing which the application will be summarily rejected. In view of the emergent circumstances, this order is being issued ex-parte and is addressed to the public in general. Further, the Superintendent of Police/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Executive Magistrates and all authorities concerned shall ensure strict compliance of this order and shall adequately inform and sensitize the field functionaries to note that these restrictions fundamentally relate to movement of people, but not to that of essential services.

Any disobedience of the above orders shall invite penal action u/s 188 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and the relevant provisions of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 against the violator(s) and fine shall also be imposed as per Order issued by this office from time to time, the Order to this effect issued by District Magistrate, South Andaman District added.

Lt Gen Manoj Pande, AVSM, VSM...

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In his address to the officers of ANC, CINCAN highlighted the present and emerging security challenges and complimented all Ranks for maintaining a very high level of operational readiness despite the COVID Pandemic. He also emphasised on the importance of synergy between the three Services and Coast Guard to achieve desired operational outcomes. The CINCAN later inspected the Joint Forces Guard of Honour at INS Utkrosh.

Under the General Officer's command during this last one year, the ANC has significantly enhanced to operational preparedness and successfully conducted a number of major Tri-Service operational exercises, BrahMos missile firing and joint exercises with friendly foreign Navies. The Command also conducted a unique joint operational exercise during the visit of Hon'ble President of India in early March 2021. Emphasis was also given to speed up ongoing infrastructure works at Port Blair and other outlying stations such as Shibpur, Car Nicobar, Kamorta and Campbell Bay. The General Officer has remained at the forefront of efforts to develop good relationship with Civil Administration and the people of the Islands.

During the farewell activities, personnel strictly adhered to COVID related precautions and guidelines, a press release from HQANC said.

Lt Gen Ajai Singh, AVSM takes over...

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geographical Commands, as well as at the Army Training Command. He has been an Instructor of Tank Gunnery & Tactics at the Armoured Corps Centre & School and also served at important assignments at the Army HQ, HQ Integrated Defence Staff (IDS) as well as with the UN as a Military Observer at Angola.

He has also undertaken volunteer tenures for counter-insurgency operations in the Kashmir Valley and in North East, where he was posted at a Mountain Division on the border. As a Major with over 16 years of service, the General had also volunteered for a tenure on the Siachen Glacier and was posted to a Battalion of the Maratha Light Infantry, with whom he commanded a Rifle Company in Operations VIJAY (Kargil) and MEGHDOOT (Siachen Glacier) and received the Army Chief's Commendation for gallantry.

The General has also held sensitive posts at the Army HQ as the Additional DG at the Military Operations Directorate, and has been the Director General (DG) of Financial Planning and also the Director General of Military Training.

Other than a Rifle Company in active operations, Lt Gen Ajai Singh has commanded an Armoured Regiment, Brigade & Division and a Corps deployed on the border in Punjab & Rajasthan. He has attended numerous prestigious military courses as well as mountaineering courses at the High-Altitude Warfare School and tank gunnery and technology courses. Lt Gen Ajai was also selected to attend a UN Senior Mission Leader Course at Indonesia as well as the Royal College of Defence Studies (RCDS) Course at the UK.

Lt Gen Ajai Singh has recently authored three key studies. These include the initial draft of the Army's "Land Warfare Doctrine, 2018", the "Army HQ Re-organisation Study, 2019" and an important Operational Study concluded in 2020.

The General was an active part of Flood Relief efforts in Uttarakhand in 2013, and in UP and Bihar in 2017 and Kerala in 2018, and the Govt's Covid amelioration efforts.

During service of over 37 years, the General Officer has been awarded an AVSM and Commendation Cards eight times-thrice from Chiefs of the Army Staff, four times from Army Commanders and once from a CISC at HQ IDS.

In addition to being the CINCAN, he is also a Colonel of the Regiment of seven Armoured Regiments: 45 Cavalry and 55, 56, 58, 71, 81 & 86 Armoured Regiments, a press release received from CD PR Office, HQANC said.

District Administration facilitates hassle ...

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willing donors ready to donate blood to the blood bank was prepared in coordination with Transport Department and Civil Society Organisations such as Friends to Support, Yuva Bharath Samaj Seva Trust and Hindu Rashtra Sabha. Following this, the DC (SA) made all the arrangements with the line Departments for the movement of the donors from their respective homes to the blood bank for donation and prospective donors were brought to GB Pant Hospital.

The District Administration will continue to hold such camps in the future also to augment the shortage of blood in the blood bank which would be instrumental in saving precious lives. The DC (SA) further requested other Civil Society Organisations to come forward in this regard as and when required, a press release received from DC (SA) said.





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Union Minister of Agriculture launches Horticulture Cluster Development Programme In pilot phase, Programme to be implemented in 12 clusters covering 11 States/UTs

New Delhi, May 31

To ensure holistic growth of horticulture, Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shri Narendra Singh Tomar virtually launched the Horticulture Cluster Development Programme (CDP) today. In a pilot phase, the programme will be implemented in 12 horticulture clusters out of the total 53 clusters selected for the programme. A central sector programme implemented by the National Horticulture Board (NHB) of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, CDP aims at growing and developing identified horticulture clusters to make them globally competitive.

Shri Tomar, in his speech, highlighted that the programme will address all major issues related to the Indian horticulture sector including pre-production, production, post-harvest management, logistics, marketing and branding. The programme is designed to leverage geographical specialisation and promote integrated and market-led development of horticulture clusters. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW) has identified 53 horticulture clusters, of which 12 have been selected for the pilot launch of the programme. Based on the learnings from the pilot project, the programme will be scaled up to cover all the identified clusters.

Talking about the reach and impact of the programme, Shri Tomar said, 'Doubling farmers' income is one of the biggest priorities of our government. CDP will benefit about 10 lakh farmers and related stakeholders of the value chain. With this programme, we aim to improve exports of the targeted crops by approx. 20% and create cluster-specific brands to enhance the competitiveness of cluster crops.' CDP is expected to attract an



estimated investment of INR 10,000 crore when implemented in all the 53 clusters.

The clusters of the pilot phase include Shopian (J&K) and Kinnaur (H.P.) for Apple, Lucknow (U.P.), Kutch (Gujarat) and Mahabubnagar (Telangana) for Mango, Anantpur (A.P.) and Theni (T.N.) for Banana, Nasik (Maharashtra) for Grapes, Siphahijala (Tripura) for Pineapple, Solapur (Maharashtra) and Chitradurga (Karnataka) for Pomegranate and West Jaintia Hills (Meghalaya) for Turmeric. These clusters will be implemented through Cluster Development Agencies (CDAs) which are appointed on the recommendations of the respective State/UT Government.

The programme is expected to converge with other initiatives of the Government such as the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund which is a medium - long term financing facility for investment in projects for post-harvest management infrastructure and community farming assets and will leverage the central sector scheme of the Ministry for Formation and Promotion of 10,000 Farmers Producer Organisations (FPOs).

The Cluster Development Programme has a huge potential to transform the entire horticulture ecosystem improving its global competitiveness by building last-mile connectivity with the use of multimodal transport for the efficient and timely evacuation and transport of

horticulture produce.

In his address, Minister of State for the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shri Parshottam Rupala stated that "there is need to develop such clusters throughout the country which will help the farmers with small size of holdings through formation of FPOs".

The Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare Shri Sanjay Agarwal announced the appointment of Cluster Development Agencies (CDAs) in the selected clusters. He further stated that "the programme framework will ensure an astute engagement of state governments through CDAs, and institutionalization of learnings for future replication and scaling up of the programme in other clusters. The Cluster Development Programme will not only help in achieving economies of scale but also create cluster-specific brands to entrench them into national and global value chains bringing higher remuneration to the farmers".

The event was also attended by Dr. Abhilaksh Likhi, Additional Secretary, MoA&FW, other senior officers of the Ministry, Shri. Rajbir Singh, Managing Director, NHB and officials of APEDA. The senior officers of the Cluster States/UTs and officers from the State Horticulture Missions also joined the virtual launch of the ceremony.

(Source: PIB)

Cumulative number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in country exceed 21.58 Cr

New Delhi, May 31

The cumulative number of COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in the country exceeded 21.58 Crore today. On the 136th day of the nationwide vaccination drive today, 25 lakh 52 thousand 501 vaccine doses were given. Over 12 lakh 23 thousand beneficiaries of the age group 18-44 years received their first dose and over 13 thousand beneficiaries of the same age group received their second dose of COVID vaccine today. Over 2 crore 2 lakh persons across 37 States and UTs have received their first dose and over 23 thousand persons have received their second dose since the start of Phase-3 of the



vaccination drive.

Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal have administered more than 10 lakh beneficiaries of the age group 18-44 years for the first

dose of COVID vaccine. Over 1.66 crore doses administered by health care workers, over 2.41 crore doses given to front line workers, over 7.71 crore doses to people in the age group of 45 to 60 and 7.76 crore doses given to people aged 60 and above. (Source: india.gov.in)

WHO honours Dr Harsh Vardhan for efforts in tobacco control

New Delhi, May 31

This year WHO Director-General Special award has been given to Union Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan.

Every year, the World Health Organization, WHO recognizes individuals or organizations in each of the six WHO Regions for their accomplishments in the area of tobacco control.

Director-General of WHO, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus has said that Dr Harsh Vardhan leadership was instrumental in the 2019 national legislation to ban E-cigarettes and heated tobacco products.



In a tweet, Harsh Vardhan to remain important personal said, Tobacco Free Homes and missions in his life. Tobacco Free society continue (Source: india.gov.in)

Govt to take final decision within next 2-days on class 12 board exams

New Delhi, May 31

Government will take a final decision within the next two days on whether to conduct class 12 board exams amid the Covid Pandemic. Attorney General K K Venugopal told this to Supreme Court bench of Justices AM Khanwilkar and Dinesh Maheshwari which

was hearing a plea seeking directions to cancel the class 12 exams of the CBSE and Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination, CISCE in view of the current situation.

The plea filed by Supreme Court Advocate Mamta Sharma asked for directions

to the Centre, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and the Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination (CISCE) to cancel the CBSE board exam 2021 and ICSE Class 12 exams in the view of deadly coronavirus infection. (Source: india.gov.in)

ICMR initiates efforts in mission mode to ramp up testing to 45 lakhs per day; to upscale rural testing by June 30

New Delhi, May 31

Indian Council of Medical Research, ICMR has initiated efforts in mission mode to ramp up testing to 45 lakhs per day and massively upscale rural testing by 30th of June. Earlier this month, ICMR revised testing strategy that rationalises testing through RT PCR and enhanced testing in rural areas. In the last 17 months, ICMR has covered many milestones as India continues its fight against COVID. India had reached the landmark of 300 million cumulative tests on 7th of May.

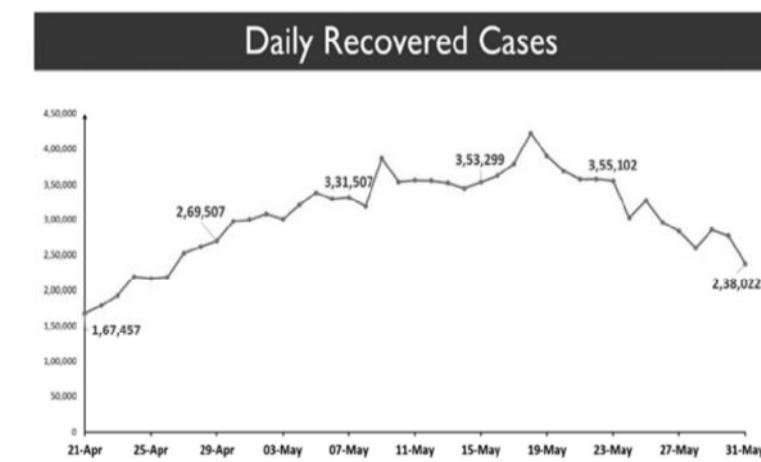


National recovery rate increases to 91.60 pct; total 2 lakh 38 thousand 22 patients recover in last 24 hours

New Delhi, May 31

The recovery rate has increased to 91.60 percent. The recoveries continue to outnumber the daily new cases for the 18th consecutive day. A total of 2 lakh 38 thousand 22 patients recovered during the last 24 hours. The total number of recoveries across the country so far is over 2 crore 56 lakh 92 thousand.

The number of active cases has decreased by 88 thousand 416 in the last 24 hours. 3128



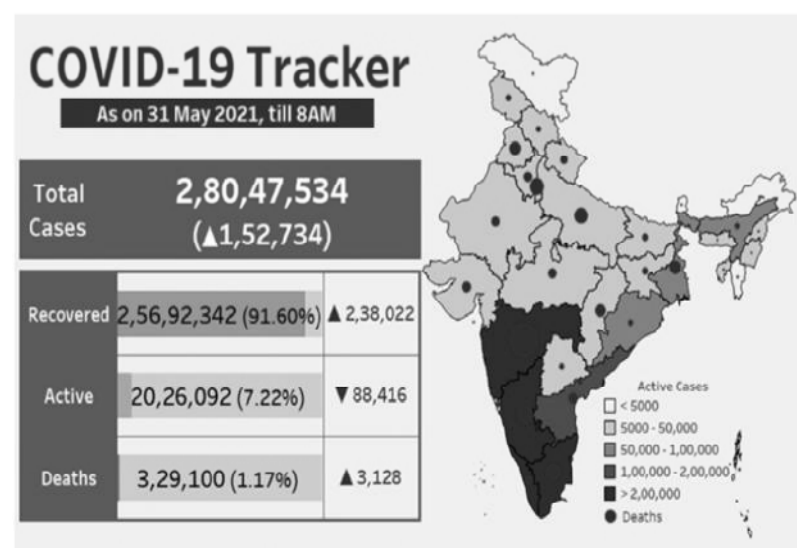
deaths were reported in the last 24 hours taking the death toll to over 3 lakh 29 thousand. (Source: india.gov.in)

India reports lowest number of daily COVID-19 cases in 50 days

New Delhi, May 31

India has reported the lowest number of daily new COVID-19 cases in 50 days. A total of 1 lakh 52 thousand and 734 cases were reported in the last 24 hours. The recovery rate has increased to 91.60 percent. The recoveries continue to outnumber the daily new cases for the 18th consecutive day. A total of 2 lakh 38 thousand 22 patients recovered during the last 24 hours. The total number of recoveries across the country so far is over 2 crore 56 lakh 92 thousand.

The number of active cases has decreased by 88 thousand 416 in the last 24 hours. 3128 deaths were



reported in the last 24 hours taking the death toll to over 3 lakh 29 thousand. The weekly positivity rate currently stands at 9.04 percent. The daily positivity rate stands at

9.07 percent. The capacity for COVID-19 tests has been substantially ramped up and 34.48 crore tests have been conducted in total. (Source: india.gov.in)

COVID-19: Wash your hands regularly using soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.

Govt. of India
Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
DIRECTORATE OF LIGHTHOUSES & LIGHTSHIPS
"Deep Bhavan", 44-Bhagat Singh Road, Port Blair - 744101
Tel : 03192-233298, Fax: 03192-244577
email: dte-port@gov.in

AN/GM(2)/2020 Dated. 31.05.2021

CORRIGENDUM

In continuation of this office Notice Inviting quotation, published for "Laying of 6.0 Sqmm,3-core and 2.5 sqm,4 core insulated PVC sheathed/XLPE armoured UG copper cable" the last dates for submission and opening are hereby extended as follows: -
a) Last date & time for submission of quotation : 10.06.2021 upto 1500 Hrs.
b) Date & time for opening of quotation : 10.06.2021 at 1600 Hrs.

The remaining terms and conditions of the quotation will remain unchanged.

ID NO. 7803 For Director

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
No.e-TENDER/DB/NACD/MB/2021-22/2233, dated 20/05/2021.
NACD/MB/2021-22/15

The Executive Engineer, North Andaman Construction Division, APWD, Mayabunder invites on behalf of President of India, online Item Rate bid from Electrical Contractors irrespective of their enlistment in APWD or any other Govt. Department subject to the condition that they have experience on executing the relevant magnitude of work as per CPWD Works Manual and with other Govt. of India Organization in these Islands and do not have any adverse remarks for the following works:-
1) NIT No.11/EE/NACD/2021-22, Tender ID: 2021_APWD_3094_1
Name of work:- Supplying, installation, testing and commissioning of Atmospheric Water Generator and supplying of portable electric generator set at Avis Island under NACD, APWD, Mayabunder.
Estimate Cost- 2,61,775/- & Time of completion - 02 (two) months.
The tender should be filled online upto 3.00 pm on or before 07/06/2021. The tender will be opened on 08/06/2021 at 10.30 am in presence of tenderers or their representative if any.

The Tender forms and others details can be obtained from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>.

Executive Engineer
NACD, APWD, Mayabunder
ID No. 7793

OBITUARY

The President, Members & Staff of Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industry mourn the sad demise of **Shri Yusoof Jadwet**, Ex MD of EHL and Father of Executive Committee Member Shri Zakir Jadwet, who passed away on 29th May 2021 at Port Blair.

Shri Yusoof Jadwet, during his tenure as MD and advisor to EHL, played an integral role in the development of trade commerce in the Nicobar Islands and his contribution to the economic development, especially of the Nicobar Group, will be long remembered.

May the Almighty God give eternal peace to the departed soul and give courage to the bereaved family to bear this irreparable loss.

President and Members
Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industry

OBITUARY

We, convey our heartfelt condolences to the sudden and untimely demise of **Shri Biju Thomas Jacob, S/o. K A Jacob**, Proprietor M/s Andaman Residency; Member ACCI; President YMCA; Executive Member Hoteliers Association of A&N & Carmel Alumnus, who departed on 30th May, 2021 in a Hospital in Chennai. He is Survived by his wife, son & daughter.

May the Almighty God give eternal peace to the departed soul and give courage to the bereaved families to bear with this irreparable loss.

President and Members
Hoteliers Association of A&N Islands

OBITUARY

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Friends, Colleagues and Carmel alumni

Happy Superannuation

Shri P.K. Dey

Ex-President of Govt. Press Atal Karmachari Sangh and Senior Reader of the Govt. Press retired from his service on 31/5/2021. He is a very loyal and hard working leader. He joined Govt. Press in 1991 and served for 30 years. We all the members of GPAKS wish him all success in his retirement life.

UNION TERRITORY HEALTH MISSION
OFFICE OF THE STATE HEALTH SOCIETY
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS

SELECTION OF AUDITORS - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL HIRING SERVICES OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT FIRM FOR STATUTORY AUDIT OF STATE HEALTH SOCIETY (SHS) & DISTRICT HEALTH SOCIETY (DHS)-(FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21) under National Health Mission (NHM)

NOTICE

Govt. of India (GoI) in partnership with the states is implementing the National Health Mission which comprises of various programs, with the objective of improving medical facilities in the areas and seeks to provide accessible, affordable and quality health care to the population, especially the vulnerable sections. To facilitate implementation of NHM, State and District level entities (Health Societies) have registered which work under the administrative control of the Department of Health & Family Welfare. The Andaman & Nicobar, State Health Society invites "Proposal for audit" from firms of Chartered Accountants empanelled with C & AG and eligible for major PSUs audit for the year 2020-21.

The minimum Audit Fee is Rs **Rs.1,36,290/- (One Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Only)** for the FY 2020-21, as followed the notification of the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India (The Gazette of India: Extraordinary -Part III- sec4) dated 7th April 2016. Detailed RFP: Detailed Expression of Interest (EOI) comprising Background, Terms of Reference (ToR) and guidelines for submitting the proposal can be either downloaded from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in> this can be collected from the O/o State Health Society, Room No. AP 111, Atlanta Point, Port Blair between 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

Tender ID: 2021_SHSAN_3114_1

Important Dates:
Last Date for collection of RFP from office if SHS : 14.06.2021 upto 5.00PM
Date for Pre-bid conference : 14.06.2021 at 4.00 PM
Last date for submission of proposal to SHS : 15.06.2021 upto 4.00 PM
Date of opening of Financial bid : 16.06.2021 at 4.00PM
Venue for pre-bid Conference: Pre-bid Conference would be held at the O/o State Health Society, Room No. AP 111, Atlanta Point, Port Blair.

Sd/-
State Programme Manager
State Health Society
Andaman & Nicobar Islands
I.D No.7796

Miss U Forever Ammi Jaan

1st DEATH ANNIVERSARY
On 01-06-2021

MAHROM = AKTHARI BIBI
Date of death: 01-06-2020
LOVE U MISS U FOREVER AMMI JAAN

Inserted By:
Mehar Parveen (Manju), Daughter & all family members

OBITUARY

With profound grief we inform the sudden and untimely demise of our beloved son **BIJU THOMAS JACOB** (47 yrs.) at Chennai on 30.05.2021. He was the proprietor of Andaman Residency, Port Blair, President of YMCA, and active member of Andaman Hotel Owners Association.

In grief: Shri. K.A Jacob, (Retd. EE) and Smti. Chechamma Jacob (Father & Mother)

Sorrowing family members: Smti. Swapna Anna Jacob (Wife), Sanjay Jacob (Son), Betty Jacob (Daughter), Giju Jacob (Brother) and Bincy Jacob (Sister-in-law)

OBITUARY

We, the Board of Directors and all the Members of Port Blair YMCA, deeply mourn the sad and untimely demise of our President **Mr. Biju Thomas Jacob** who breathed his last on 30.05.2021 at Chennai. We all Pray to God for the departed Soul to Rest In Eternal Peace and also Pray to the Almighty God to give enough strength to his bereaved family to bear this irreparable and great loss.

What brush! What colours! Thou used to express the tiny and tender hands, feet, lips, eyes-n-brows of Shanaya, Oh Heavens. We thank thee for this precious gift Of Gods and we shall see her bloom-n-grow.

Wish you a very Happy 1st Birthday dear baby

On 1st June, 2021

Shanaya Saket

D/o Saket Lal & Sameeksha Setia
Gurudwara Line, Port Blair.

Best wishes from
Rakesh Chander Lal (Dada),
A C Manoja (Dadi), Bhagwati Devi (Great Grandmother),
Satyam Setia (Nana),
Sunita Setia (Nani), Sandarbh Setia (Mama) and all family members.

Happy superannuation daddy!

A tiger does not shout its tigritude, it acts.

Dr. B. Vijay Kumar
Your way of living is an inspiration to us.
This is just the beginning of many adventures that awaits you.
Happy Superannuation daddy!
Love Mol & Mon

CORRIGENDUM/EXTENSION OF DUE DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF eTENDER

F.No.1-1/Store/19/20/856 Dated 27th May' 2021.

This is with reference to e-Tender Notice F.No.1-1/Store/19/20/603 Dated 9th April, 2021 vide Tender ID: 2021_BRAIT_2897_1 uploaded in eProcurement portal <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in> for "Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Laboratory Equipments" for Civil Engineering Department" of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Port Blair. The last date of submission of eTender has been extended up to 21/06/2021.

The details are as under:-
Last date and time of tender submission:-21/06/2021 at 2:00 PM
Date & Time for Opening of Tender:-24/06/2021 at 2:00 PM
All other terms and condition shall remain unchanged.

PURCHASE SECRETARY
DR.B.R.AMBERDKAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ID PAHARGAON
NO. 7798

OBITUARY

All the staff and officers of Prosecution Branch, District Administration, Port Blair as well as Prosecution Office, Mayabunder deeply mourn the sudden and untimely demise of **Mr. P. Mohd. Hanifa**, Deputy Ranger, Forest Department attached with Prosecution Office, Port Blair, for last several years, who left for heavenly abode on 18/05/2021. We stand with his family and pray to almighty that the departed soul may rest in peace and his bereaved family members may be given strength to bear the irreparable loss.

OBITUARY

Shri S Dharmaraj
Retired APWD Staff Port Blair
Expired on 28th May, 2021 at his native place in Tamil Nadu
We pray the Almighty to give eternal peace to the departed soul.
Inserted by: Wife, Daughters, & All Family members.

Andaman & Nicobar State Cooperative Bank Ltd.
98, Maulana Azad Road, Port Blair-744101

OBITUARY

The Chairman, Members of Board, Managing Director, Officers and staff of Andaman & Nicobar State Cooperative Bank Ltd. deeply mourn the untimely and sad demise of **Shri. Yusoof Jadwet**, Ex-Managing Director, EHL on 29th May, 2021. He was the trustee of Nicobar Athletic Association for over 30 years, Director of Nicobar District Coop. Union, trustee of Nicobar Social & Educational Foundation.

The Andaman & Nicobar State Cooperative Bank convey the condolence to the members of bereaved family and pray the almighty to give strength and courage to bear the irreparable loss.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.