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Hon'ble Prime Minister addresses Lok Sabha Women's participation in our parliamentary democracy is not just about numbers, but a commitment to democratic values: PM

New Delhi, Apr. 16 (PIB) Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today addressed the Lok Sabha. Acknowledging that the discussion on the important bill had commenced early in the morning, PM Modi noted that many colleagues had effectively touched upon crucial issues while relying on facts and logic.

Observing that crucial moments arrive in the life of a nation, the Hon'ble Prime Minister stated that the societal mindset and leadership captured such moments to forge a strong national legacy. Highlighting India's identity as the Mother of Democracy, he pointed out that all House members have received an auspicious opportunity to add a new, reformative dimension to a

millennia-old legacy. Reaffirming that making half of the country's population active participants in policy-making is an incredible privilege, the Hon'ble Prime Minister urged all Hon'ble Members of Parliament not to let this vital opportunity slip away. Focusing strictly on the transformative effort underway, he affirmed that all Indians together are preparing to infuse the governance system with deep sensitivity to determine the future condition of the country. "We stand at such a crucial turning point where the nectar emerging from this churning will decide the nation's direction," observed Shri Modi.

Acknowledging the new self-confidence of India in the 21st century, the Hon'ble Prime Minister observed that the entire nation is



currently experiencing widespread global acceptance, making it a moment of immense pride tied to the resolution of a developed India. He affirmed that his vision of a developed India transcends superior infrastructure and requires the meaningful integration of the 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas'

mantra into policy-making. Emphasizing that making 50 percent of the population a part of policy formulation is an urgent demand, he pointed out that despite past delays, no party opposed the bill in principle during his extensive private consultations. Stating that history proves collective action ultimately favors the nation's democracy rather than individual political entities, he emphasized that the credit belongs to the entire House rather than just the treasury benches or himself. "Therefore, I feel there is absolutely no need to give this a political color, as everyone's true benefit lies in supporting it," affirmed Shri Modi.

Reflecting on his past as an organizational worker outside formal governance, the Hon'ble Prime Minister recalled prevalent corridor discussions questioning the selective ease with which reservations were granted at the Panchayat level. He noted that leaders were comfortable allocating quotas in Panchayats simply because they did not fear losing their own immediate positions or power. Pointing out the deep-seated reluctance of higher officials to implement quotas that threatened their own stakes, Shri Modi observed, "This protective mindset

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Question to be answered in Houselisting and House Census Phase of Census 2027

SL.No	Question
1	Building Number
2	Census house number
3	Predominant material of Floor
4	Predominant material of Wall
5	Predominant material of Roof
6	Use of Census House
7	Condition of Census House
8	Household number
9	Total number of persons normally residing in household
10	Name of head of the household
11	Sex of head of the household
12	Head of the household If SC/ ST or other
13	Ownership status of the house
14	Number of dwelling rooms
15	Number of married couple(s) living in this household
16	Main source of drinking water
17	Availability of drinking water source
18	Main source of lighting
19	Access to Latrine
20	Type of Latrine
21	Waste water outlet connected to
22	Bathing facility available within the premises
23	Availability of kitchen and LPG/PNG Connection
24	Main Fuel used for cooking
25	Radio/Transistor
26	Television
27	Access to Internet
28	Laptop/Computer
29	Telephone/Mobile Phone/Smartphone
30	Bicycle and Scooter/Motorcycle/Moped
31	Car/Jeep/Van
32	Main cereal consumed in the household
33	Mobile number

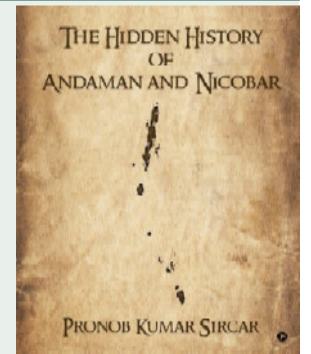
Self Enumerated Residents to provide their SE ID for verification to the enumerator visiting their household.

Our Census Our Development

Author-Historian Dr. Pronob Sircar pens new Book titled "The Hidden History of Andaman and Nicobar"

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16 A newly published book titled, "The Hidden History of Andaman and Nicobar", authored by renowned Aistorian and Anthropologist, Dr. Pronob Kumar Sircar, was launched here this evening by the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Dr. Chandra Bhusan Kumar, IAS, in his chamber in the presence of senior officers of A&N Administration.

Speaking to the 'Daily Telegrams', Dr. Sircar described the book as "not merely a book, but a voice of the forgotten and a journey into truths long buried in time." His sixth work, it goes beyond



conventional narratives to uncover lost stories, hidden heritage, and the living descendants of heroes of the Indian Rebellion of 1857.

The book explores lesser-known sites such as North Corbyn's Cove, convict barracks, ancient shell middens, and the earliest known grave in the islands, while also revisiting colonial-era accounts, shipwrecks, and foreign travel narratives. It delves into enduring mysteries like the abandoned church of NSCB Island (erstwhile Ross Island) and the harsh realities of National Memorial Cellular Jail, including untold stories of suffering, resistance, and sacrifice, such as the account of Neera Arya.

Drawing from over 50 rare interviews, the work restores forgotten voices, including the story of 40 Munda warriors of Bhagwan Birsa Munda. Dr. Sircar noted that the research took him across regions, from West Bengal to Meerut, tracing families and historical sites connected to the Andamans. "This is not just history, it is rediscovery," he said.

CBSE Class X results declared A&N Islands register 92.38% success; 48 Schools achieve 100% results

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16 The results of the All India Secondary School Examination (AISSE) (Class X) for the academic session 2025-26, conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education, were declared on April 15, bringing cheer to

students, parents, and educators across the Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

As per the results downloaded from the CBSE website, a total of 5,421 students from Government and Private Schools across the Islands appeared

for the examination. Out of these, 5,008 students have successfully passed the examination, while 402 students have been placed in the compartment category, giving them an opportunity to improve their

performance in subsequent examinations.

The overall pass percentage for the A&N Islands stands at 92.38%. A total of 48 schools across the Islands have secured 100% results in Class X.

SN	Schools Achieving 100% Results in Class X				
1	JNV CAR NICOBAR	17	GSS SHOAL BAY-12	33	VKZPV RK GRAM
2	JNV CHOULDARI	18	GSS SIVAPURAM	34	ANANDA MARGA SCHOOL JUNGLIGHTAT
3	JNV PANCHAVATI	19	GSS SOUTH POINT	35	CRESCENT PUBLIC SCHOOL
4	K V NO - 1	20	GSS UTTARA	36	IQRAA PUBLIC SCHOOL
5	K V NO - 2	21	GSS BENGALI	37	KAMARAJ ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL
6	GOVT. BOYS SSS MIDDLE POINT	22	GSS CAMPBELL BAY	38	KHALSA PUBLIC SCHOOL
7	GOVT. GIRLS SR SEC. SCHOOL	23	GSS HADDO (TELGUGU)	39	M G I SCHOOL
8	GSS ADAZIG	24	GSS KARMATANG-10	40	MES OGRABRAJ
9	GSS CALICUT	25	GSS LONG ISLAND	41	NCS MINNIE BAY
10	GSS GANDHI NAGAR	26	GSS TUSHNABAD	42	SARASWATI SHISHU MANDIR SCHOOL
11	GSS JIRKATANG-2	27	VKV RANGAT	43	SS INVENT PUBLIC SCHOOL
12	GSS JUNGLIGHTAT	28	VKVZP (KADAMTALA)	44	SS RGT PUBLIC VIDYALAYA
13	GSS KAKANA	29	VKVZP BASANTIPUR	45	ST. MARY'S S BHATHUBASTI
14	GSS KAUSHALYA NAGAR	30	VKV LAMBA LINE	46	St. XAVIER MANNARGHAT
15	GSS MILE TILAK	31	VKVZP PORT MOUT	47	UMMAT PUBLIC SCHOOL
16	GSS PINAKI NAGAR (EM)	32	VKVZP RANCHI BASTI	48	VITALA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Formal handover of land to NSCBIHL for establishment of Permanent Campus

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16 In a landmark development for the higher education landscape of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Institute of Higher Learning (NSCBIHL) takes formal handover of land for the establishment of its permanent campus. The land transfer, executed on 15/04/2026, marks a historic milestone, providing the Institute with its designated place of establishment.

The land transfer



agreement was formally handed over by Shri Aditya Sangotra, Director of Education, A & N Administration to Dr. (Prof.) Sanmukh Kaur, the Nodal Officer, NSCBIHL in the presence of Secretary (Education), A & N

Administration and Vice Chancellor, NSCBIHL.

In his address to the Principals of various colleges, Prof. Alok Kumar Rai, Vice Chancellor, NSCBIHL, acknowledged the significance of the responsibility entrusted

to the institution. He noted that the existing academic and administrative ecosystem in the Islands is highly conducive to growth and development. He placed on record his appreciation for the consistent support and cooperation extended by A & N Administration and the institutional stakeholders.

Prof. Rai further recalled his previous visit, during which consultations were held with college Principals

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3-day Island Food Festival 2026 being organized by Tourism Deptt. to begin at ITF Ground today

Visitors will get an opportunity to savour wide variety of cuisines

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16 The Department of Tourism, A&N Administration has invited residents and tourists to participate in the Island Food Festival 2026, which will be held from April 17 to 19 at ITF Ground, Sri Vijaya Puram, from 5 pm to 9 pm daily. The festival aims to showcase the rich culinary heritage and cultural diversity of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands while promoting local talent and supporting small businesses. Stalls at the festival will be hosted by local vendors, Self Help Groups (SHGs) and various cultural associations.

Visitors will get an



opportunity to savour a wide variety of authentic cuisines presented by cultural

groups such as Kannada Sangh, Bhojpur Samaj, Moplas, Ranchi Association and Nicobari groups, reflecting the spirit of unity in diversity.

Apart from food stalls, a series of cultural programmes has been scheduled during the three-day event. The programmes will include dance and music performances by local artists as well as awareness skits by A&N Police aimed at spreading public awareness.

The Tourism Department has invited people from all walks of life to attend the festival and experience the vibrant flavours and traditions of island communities.

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Hon'ble Prime Minister addresses Lok.....

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allowed local reservations to successfully reach 50 percent without affecting the Parliament."

Pointing out that a profound political consciousness has developed, he noted that the millions of women who have won Panchayat elections have evolved from silent observers into highly vocal grassroots opinion makers. Acknowledging that these experienced women have deeply managed public grievances, he observed that they are now highly agitated and demanding inclusion in the primary decision-making processes of the Legislative Assemblies and Parliament. Advising all ambitious politicians to recognize this shift, the Hon'ble Prime Minister emphasized that these millions of female leaders will now heavily influence future electoral outcomes across all constituencies. The Hon'ble Prime Minister urged the House to place complete trust in the understanding of the nation's women. He pointed out that once the 33 percent representation is achieved, female legislators will be perfectly capable of deciding further sub-allocations for different classes and groups without requiring patriarchal oversight. Acknowledging his own roots in an extremely backward community, he emphasized that his paramount constitutional duty is to take every section of society along. The Hon'ble Prime Minister affirmed that the Constitution remains strictly supreme for him, highlighting it as the very force that allowed a marginalized individual to assume such a massive national responsibility. "Why do we doubt their capabilities; let the women come forward and decide," noted Shri Modi.

Observing the phenomenal achievements across all spheres of life, the Hon'ble Prime Minister stated that women power is nowhere behind in elevating the pride and hoisting the flag of the nation. He remarked that mothers, sisters, and daughters are making immense and outstanding contributions that allow the entire country to hold its head high with pride. The Hon'ble Prime Minister explicitly appealed to the lawmakers to evaluate this monumental step based on national interest rather than petty electoral calculus. "I appeal to you not to weigh this on the scales of politics," remarked Shri Modi.

Highlighting the immediate task at hand, the Hon'ble Prime Minister stated that the current opportunity demands unified thinking to secure women's participation in building a Viksit Bharat (developed India) with an open mind. He reiterated that while the entire nation will analyze the final legislative decision, the female electorate will scrutinize the underlying intentions even more closely.

Recalling the unanimous and joyous acceptance of the act in the new Parliament building in 2023, the Hon'ble Prime Minister noted that it successfully generated a positive, non-partisan atmosphere nationwide. Addressing concerns regarding census data and delimitation, PM Modi pointed out that historical timelines and the massive disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic clearly explained the implementation delays. Stating that extensive discussions in 2023 highlighted a widespread urgency to act quickly, he explained that while immediate implementation was impossible before 2024, missing the 2029 opportunity would permanently shatter public trust. The Hon'ble Prime Minister remarked that endless delays would make it impossible to convince the female demographic that the political establishment is truly committed to their empowerment. "It is the absolute demand of the time that we do not delay this any further," observed Shri Modi.

Providing concrete data to support his stance, the Hon'ble Prime Minister stated that nearly 275 women are currently leading over 650 district panchayats, managing massive responsibilities and budgets that often exceed those of a central Cabinet Minister. He further noted that out of approximately 6,700 block panchayats, more than 2,700 are successfully functioning under the direct and capable leadership of women. Pointing out their urban influence, he observed that women are powerfully directing local bodies, serving as Mayors and standing committee heads in over 900 cities. The Hon'ble Prime Minister affirmed that passing the reservation bill is a critical opportunity for the nation to gratefully acknowledge and repay the profound debt owed to these grassroots leaders for the country's rapid progress. "When this vast administrative experience joins the House, it will multiply our strength immensely," remarked Shri Modi.

Concluding his primary arguments, the Hon'ble Prime Minister reiterated that half of the population possesses an undeniable right to sit in the House. Addressing debates regarding seat numbers, he noted that expanding the total seats accommodates the 33 percent quota smoothly without displacing existing members or violating established rights. Shri Modi noted that the new Parliament building was specifically pre-planned to house this additional legislative strength.

World Homoeopathy Day observed by AYUSH

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

The World Homoeopathy Day 2026 was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 13th April, 2026 at Sri Vijaya Puram. The event was organized by the AYUSH Unit under the Directorate of Health Services in collaboration with the Andaman & Nicobar State Ayush Society (National Ayush Mission). The closing ceremony marked the culmination of month-long activities conducted under World Homoeopathy Day.

Dr. H. M. Siddaraju, Director of Health Services, graced the occasion as the chief guest, while Ms. Sumitamol, Director of Composite Regional Centre (CRC), attended as the guest of honour. In his address, the chief guest emphasized the relevance of homoeopathy in modern healthcare, describing it as a safe,



effective, and holistic system of medicine. The ceremony began with paying floral tributes to the founder of homoeopathy, Dr. Christian Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann. Dr. M. K. Saha, Medical Superintendent of G.B. Pant Hospital and Ms. Sumitamol also addressed the gathering.

Dr. Kalyan P. Kadbhane, Deputy Director (Ayush) presented a comprehensive overview of the activities conducted across the islands. Earlier, Dr. Manabika Dutta, MO I/c (Homoeo), AYUSH

Hospital, briefly highlighted the significance and outline of the event.

A noteworthy highlight of the programme was an informative skit on the Homoeopathic management of autism, presented by students. Certificates were distributed to winners of various competitions by the dignitaries. A major attraction of the event was the mini exhibition organized by various Departments. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Supriya Arangi, MO (H), a press release from AYUSH said.

Drawing & Painting Competition held at Fire Service Headquarter

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

As part of Fire Service Week, observed from 14th April, 2026 to 20th April, 2026, community outreach programmes were organized to enhance public awareness on fire hazard and fire safety measures. A drawing and painting competition were organized in Fire and Emergency Services (HQ) today and also in various Fire Stations spread across A & N Islands.

The competition was divided into two categories, first from class I to class V & the other category from class VI to class IX. Altogether, 54 students from different Schools participated in two



categories (Class I-V & Class VI to IX). In Category-I (Class I to V), D. Sharan of Class-V, VKV School, Lamba Line, V Naresh of Class-V, VKV School, Lamba Line and R. Manishya of Class-V, KEMS, Brookshabad bagged the first three prizes respectively. Similarly, in Category-II (Class VI to IX), P. Samreen Siddique of Class-VII, Carmel SSS, Anindita Banerjee of Class-VIII, Carmel SSS and Anshika Hawlader of Class-IX, VKV School,

Lamba Line stood first, second & third respectively. A felicitation ceremony was organised after the drawing competition at Fire & Emergency Services HQ. Shri. Uma Shankar, Superintendent of Police (Fire and Emergency Services) was the chief guest of the event. The winners were honoured with certificates and prizes by the chief guest, a press release from SP (F&ES) said.

Fire awareness & first aid training conducted at MGCC, Mayabunder as part of Fire Service Week

Mayabunder, Apr. 16

As part of observance of Fire Service Week-2026, F&ES Mayabunder conducted a Fire Awareness & First Aid (FAFF) class along with a live demonstration at MGG College, Karmatang, Mayabunder.

The programme aimed at enhancing awareness and preparedness among students and staff by providing firsthand knowledge of basic



firefighting techniques and emergency response measures. Participants were sensitized on fire prevention, safe evacuation practices and the effective use of firefighting equipment

during emergencies. The initiative witnessed active participation and served as a valuable platform to promote a culture of safety and readiness within the community, a press release from SP, N&MA said.

Poshan Pakhwada observed at Basantipur Panchayat under Mayabunder Block

Mayabunder, Apr. 16

As part of the nationwide observance of the 8th Poshan Pakhwada (9th-23rd April, 2026), an awareness programme was successfully conducted today at Basanti Village Organization (VO), Basantipur Panchayat under Mayabunder Block.

The program focused on the theme "Mother & Child Nutrition; Early Stimulation for Brain Development (0-3 years); Play-Based Education in Early Years (3-6 years); Role of Parents and Community in Minimizing Screen Time and; Garnering Community Support for Stronger Anganwadis". The session highlighted how adequate nutrition,



emotional bonding, and early learning activities contribute significantly to a child's cognitive and physical development.

The event witnessed active participation from VO leaders, SHG members, PRI representatives, and Anganwadi workers under Basantipur Panchayat. The programme was also attended by Shri Ram Krishan Roy, Pradhan, GP Basantipur.

Resource persons sensitized the participants on key

aspects such as breastfeeding practices, complementary feeding, early childhood stimulation, and the role of families in ensuring holistic child development. Interactive discussions and awareness activities were conducted to engage the participants at the grassroots level.

The programme concluded with a Poshan Rally from Panchayat Bhawan to the market area of Nimbudera Bazaar, a press release received here said.

3-day Island Food Festival 2026 being

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Day wise Schedule of Cultural Programme			
Date	Activities	Timings	Location
17.04.2026 (Friday)	SAI Yoga trust • Artistic Yoga - Aaradhya, Gopikasri Darshini - 5 Min • Artistic Pair Yoga - Afsheen & Amreen - 5 Min	5:00 - 5:20 pm	A&N Police Skit
	Garbha dance - Anshika Hawlader and Anushkaa Roy	5:20 - 5:30 pm	A&N Police Cultural Programme
	Mari Jackson & Group	5:30 - 5:40 pm	Alpha Musical
18.04.2026 (Saturday)	Jhankaar Dance Group - Thillana Fusion & Semi classical	5:00 - 5:15 pm	Friends Cultural group
	Gauri Shankar	5:15 - 5:30 pm	MJ music Academy
	BNA	5:30 - 5:40 pm	BNA
19.04.2026	Garbha dance - Anshika Hawlader and Anushkaa Roy	5:00 - 5:20 pm	Melody Makers (Shailender Singh & Group)
	DNA	5:20 - 5:40 pm	A&N Police Skit
	Mari Jackson & Group	5:40 - 5:50 pm	Geet Sangeet Musical Group

Power supply to be affected in Industrial area & parts of Bathubasti Bazaar area today

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

The local consumers and Government Departments have been informed that Prothrapur feeder shall be under isolation on 17.04.2026 between 0700 Hrs to 1300 Hrs for carrying out revamping of old transformer structure as the RCC poles are in bad & damaged condition. In this connection, the power supply will be affected in the industrial area & parts of Bathubasti Bazaar area for undertaking above work.

The aforementioned time is tentative & may vary subject to completion of work. If the work is completed before the scheduled time, the feeder/line will be charged accordingly. For further inquiries, visit the Electricity Department's website at <http://vidyut.andaman.gov.in>. Consumers facing any issues related to the power supply may call the toll-free number 1800-345-1111 to register their complaints, a press release from Electricity Department said.

Educational prog. at Science Centre

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

The Science Centre at Goodwill Estate, Corbyn's Cove Road is organizing special programmes on 18th & 19th April, 2026 for general visitors in the evening hours as details below:

Sl. No	Programme	Timing
1.	Sky Show	5.30 pm to 7.00 pm
2.	Jurassic Park (Light & Sound) Show	6.15 pm
3.	3D Show	5.30 pm & 6.15 pm

During Sky show, the visitors shall be provided with a Sky map of the sky over Sri Vijaya Puram for locating planets and other celestial bodies. The visitor can also have the exciting experience of viewing the Planet-Jupiter & its moons popularly known as Galilean Moons - Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto through powerful telescope. In Jurassic Park (Light

& Sound) show the visitors will get an opportunity to witness the evolution of life as existed different era on earth through light & sound effect. The entry fee for the sky show will be Rs. 10/- per head whereas the entry fee for the 3D show & Jurassic park (L&S) show will be Rs. 20/- per head for each programme, a press release from Science Centre said.

Road closure

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

In exercise of the powers conferred under the M.V. Act, 1988 (Act No. 59 of 1988) read with Administration's Notification No. 32-95/2008-TR dated 10th March, 2008, the District Magistrate, South Andaman District has notified for the information of all concerned that a portion of road from GPS Teylerabad School Junction to Sub Centre (Jio Office Junction), Teylerabad, shall remain closed for all vehicular traffic from 17.04.2026 to 23.04.2026 (for seven days) for execution of

road resurfacing work and construction of cross drainage structures (RCC Hume pipe culverts) by APWD.

During the above-mentioned period, all vehicular traffic shall be diverted through the following route: GPS Teylerabad → RSN Junction Teylerabad via NTS Junction → Garacharma Junction → Old Bimblitan and vice versa.

All concerned have been requested to cooperate and adhere to the traffic regulations for smooth management of traffic, a notification issued by DM (SA) said.

Quarterly Pension Adalat for DoT & BSNL Pensioners

Sri Vijaya Puram, Apr. 16

Quarterly Pension Adalat for DoT & BSNL Pensioners of A & N Circle will be conducted by the Office of Joint Controller of Communication Accounts at DoT Office Premises, Kendriya Sadan Building, Room No-B108, Ranchi Basti, Sri Vijaya Puram on

22.04.2026 at 11.00 am. The DoT & BSNL Pensioners of A&N circle, have been requested to submit their grievances, if any, through post or email (dyccaan.and@nic.in) so as to reach this office latest by 21.04.2026. For details, contact AAO (Pension)- 9895922831, a press release received here said.

Formal handover of land

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to explore avenues for building a robust and efficient higher education system. He reiterated that the core objective behind establishing NSCBIHL is to address systemic challenges, improve quality, strengthen institutional capacities, and ultimately create meaningful opportunities for students and society.

The formal transfer of land is expected to accelerate the development of the NSCBIHL campus and pave the way for the establishment of a comprehensive higher education framework in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, a press release from DBRAIT said.

F. No. 1-5/PR/E-Cell/2016/681
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PANCHAYAT & MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
(DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, SOUTH ANDAMAN)
SRI VIJAYA PURAM
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

Notification No.5-7/EC/A&N/2022 dated 13.04.2026 issued by the Election Commissioner (UTs) for Andaman and Nicobar Islands is hereby published the notification in the Official Gazette of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration for information of all concerned.

Sd./-
Officer-In-Charge (Elections)
For Director of Panchayat & Municipal Elections

Election Commission
Andaman and Nicobar Islands
F Block, M.S. Apartments,
Kasturba Gandhi Marg,
New Delhi - 110 001

No. 5-7/EC/A&N/2022 Dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers vested in it under Rule 12(1) of the Andaman and Nicobar Island (Panchayats) (Preparation of Electoral Rolls and Conduct of Elections) Rules, 1995, the Election Commission for the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, in supersession of all its previous notifications under the said rule and in consultation with the Administrator, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, hereby designates the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, as the Director of Panchayat Elections in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with immediate effect.

Sd./-
(Sudhanshu Pandey)
Election Commissioner

F. No. 1-5/PR/E-Cell/2016/682
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PANCHAYAT & MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
(DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, SOUTH ANDAMAN)
SRI VIJAYA PURAM
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

Notification No.5-7/EC/A&N/2022 (A) dated 13.04.2026 issued by the Election Commissioner (UTs) for Andaman and Nicobar Islands is hereby published the notification in the Official Gazette of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration for information of all concerned.

Sd./-
Officer-In-Charge (Elections)
For Director of Panchayat & Municipal Elections

Election Commission
Andaman and Nicobar Islands
F Block, M.S. Apartments,
Kasturba Gandhi Marg,
New Delhi - 110 001

No. 5-7/EC/A&N/2022 (A) Dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers vested in it under Rule 11(2) of the Andaman and Nicobar Island (Municipal) (Preparation of Electoral Rolls and Conduct of Elections) Rules, 1995, the Election Commission for the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, in supersession of all its previous notifications under the said rule and in consultation with the Administrator, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, hereby designates the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, as the Director of Municipal Elections in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with immediate effect.

Sd./-
(Sudhanshu Pandey)
Election Commissioner

F. No. 1-5/PR/E-Cell/2016/683
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PANCHAYAT & MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS
(DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, SOUTH ANDAMAN)
SRI VIJAYA PURAM
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

Notification No.5-7/EC/A&N/2022 (B) dated 13.04.2026 issued by the Election Commissioner (UTs) for Andaman and Nicobar Islands is hereby published the notification in the Official Gazette of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration for information of all concerned.

Sd./-
Officer-In-Charge (Elections)
For Director of Panchayat & Municipal Elections

Election Commission
Andaman and Nicobar Islands
F Block, M.S. Apartments,
Kasturba Gandhi Marg,
New Delhi - 110 001

No. 5-7/EC/A&N/2022 (B) Dated the 13th April, 2026

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers vested in it under Rule 13(1) of the Andaman and Nicobar Island (Panchayats) (Preparation of Electoral Rolls and Conduct of Elections) Rules, 1995, the Election Commission for the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, in supersession of all its previous notifications under the said rule and in consultation with the Administrator, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, hereby designates the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, as the Electoral Registration Officer for all Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti and Zilla Parishad Constituencies in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with immediate effect.

Sd./-
(Sudhanshu Pandey)
Election Commissioner

RC. No.112/GIS/2024/DC (SA)/1749
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT
Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 16th April, 2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, a joint application has been received from Shri Avinash Bose and three (03) others, residents of Calicut, for the subdivision of land measuring 0.01450 hectares, forming part of the total land measuring 1.6604 hectares under Survey No. 981, classified as hilly land situated at Calicut Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil.

And whereas, as per the revenue records, the land bearing Survey No. 981, admeasuring 1.6604 hectares, stands recorded in the name of Shri Avinash Bose and thirty (30) others.

And whereas, the applicants, Shri Avinash Bose and three (03) others, have submitted a proposal for subdivision of their respective shares acquired through duly registered sale/gift deeds, indicating separation of their portions while retaining the remaining land jointly in the names of other co-tenants.

And whereas, a hearing of the applicants and other co-tenants was conducted on 15.04.2025, wherein the co-tenants present expressed their consent to the proposed subdivision, and the matter was reserved for orders subject to submission of written consent from all co-tenants.

And whereas, upon field verification, the proposed subdivision has been found to be in conformity with the Records of Rights and the schedule of property as described in the relevant sale/gift deeds.

However, despite directions, written consent from all co-tenants has not yet been submitted.

Now, therefore, this Public Notice is hereby issued inviting claims and objections, if any, from the recorded co-tenants or any other interested parties regarding the proposed subdivision.

All such claims and objections must be submitted to the office of the undersigned within five (05) days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the matter shall be proceeded with as per rules.

By Order
Deputy Commissioner
South Andaman District

Reader to Deputy Commissioner,
South Andaman

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

Sri Vijaya Puram, dated the 6th April, 2026.

No. 70/2026/ F/No.2-116/2026-Rev.- In exercise of the power conferred under Rule 8(ii) of the Census Rules, 1990, read with Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs Letter No. 9/3/2026-CD (Cen.)1, dated 12.03.2026, the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator), Andaman and Nicobar Islands appeals the general public of Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands to cooperate in furnishing accurate and unambiguous information in respect of the questions that may be put to them during census, failing which they shall be punishable with penalties prescribed under Section 11 of the Census Act, 1948 :

(i) The Census is the primary source of data up to the lowest administrative units, i.e. villages in rural areas and town / wards in urban areas on Housing Condition; Amenities & Assets, Demography, Literacy, Religion, Economic Activity, Migration, Fertility etc. It is widely used for planning and formulation of policies and effective Public Administration by the Central / State / UT Governments. Apart from this, Census data are used for delimitation and reservation of Constituencies for Parliamentary, Assembly, Panchayats and other Local Bodies. Thus, the public are to cooperate in census taking and provide the correct information. Some of the important provisions in the Census Act, 1948 are reproduced below for information of the public.

(ii) Section 8:- Asking of question and obligation to answer :
(1) A Census-Officer may ask all such questions of all persons within the limits of the local area for which he is appointed as, by instructions issued in this behalf by the Central Government and published in the Official Gazette, he may be directed to ask.
(2) Every person of whom any question is asked under Sub-section (1) shall be legally bound to answer such question to the best of his knowledge or belief. Provided that no person shall be bound to state the name of any female member of his household, and no woman shall be bound to state the name of her husband or deceased husband or of any other person whose name she is forbidden by custom to mention.

(iii) Section 9:- Occupier to permit access and affixing of numbers :
Every person occupying any house, enclosure, vessel or other place shall allow Census-Officers such access thereto as they may require for the purposes of the Census and as, having regard to the customs of the Country, may be reasonable, and shall allow them to paint on, or affix to, the place such letters, marks or numbers as may be necessary for the purposes of the census.

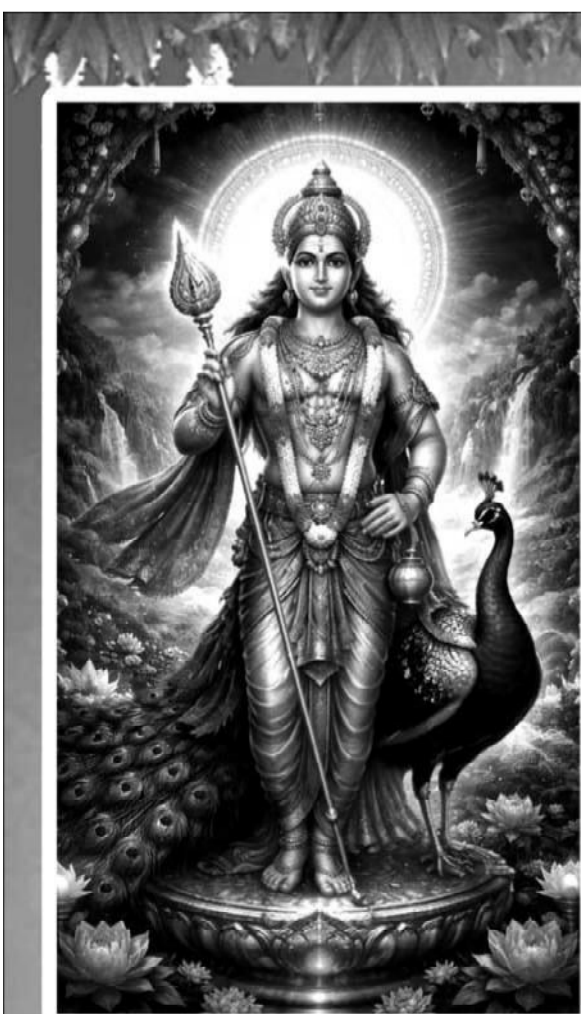
(iv) Section 10:- Occupier or manager to fill up schedule :
(1) Subject to such orders as the Census Commissioner may issue in this behalf, a Census-Officer may, within the local area for which he is appointed, leave or cause to be left a schedule at any dwelling-house or with the manager or any officer of any commercial or industrial establishment, for the purpose of its being filled up by the occupiers of such house or of any specified part thereof or by such manager or officer with such particulars as the Census Commissioner may direct regarding the inmates of such house or part thereof, or the persons employed under such manager or officer, as the case may be, at the time of the taking of the census.
(2) When such schedule has been so left, the said occupier, manager or officer, as the case may be, shall fill it up or cause it to be filled up to the best of his knowledge or belief so far as regards the inmates of such house or part thereof or the person employed under him, as the case may be, at the time aforesaid, and shall sign his name thereto and, when so required, shall deliver the schedule so filled up and signed to the Census-Officer or to such person as the Census-Officer may direct.

(v) Section 11:- Penalties
(1) -(a) Any Census-Officer or any person lawfully required to give assistance towards the taking of census who refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him by this Act or any rule made thereunder, or any person who hinders or obstructs another person in performing any such duty, or
(aa) any Census-Officer or any person lawfully required to give assistance towards the taking of a census who neglects to use reasonable diligence in performing any duty imposed upon him or in obeying any order issued to him in accordance with this Act or any rule made thereunder, or any person who hinders or obstructs another person in performing any such duty or obeying any such order, or
(d) any person who intentionally gives a false answer to, or refuse to answer to the best of his knowledge or belief, any question asked of him by Census-Officer which he is legally bound by Section 8 to answer, or
(e) any person occupying any house, enclosure, vessel or other place who refuses to allow a Census-Officer such reasonable access thereto as he is required by Section 9 to allow, or
(f) any person who removes, obliterates, alters, or damages any letter, marks or numbers which have been painted or affixed for the purpose of the census, or
(g) any person who, having been required under Section 10 to fill up a schedule, knowingly and without sufficient cause fails to comply with the provisions of that Section, or makes any false return there under, or
(h) any person who trespasses into a census office, shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees and in case of a conviction under part(a) shall also be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to three years.
(2) Whoever abets any offence under Sub-section (1) shall be punishable with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees.

(vi) Section 15:- Records of census not open to inspection nor admissible in evidence :
No person shall have a right to inspect any book, register or record made by Census-Officer in the discharge of his duty as such, or any schedule delivered under Section 10, and not withstanding anything to the contrary in the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023 (47 of 2023), no entry in any such book, register, record or schedule shall be admissible as evidence in any civil proceeding whatsoever or in any criminal proceeding other than an prosecution under this Act or any other law for any act or omission which constitutes an offence under this Act.

By order and in the name of the Lieutenant Governor,
Andaman and Nicobar Islands

Sd./-
(A. Yesu Raj)
Assistant Secretary (Revenue)
Andaman and Nicobar Administration



SRI MUTHUKUMARASWAMY TEMPLE
SHAHEED DWEEP, S. ANDAMAN

JEERNODHARANA ASHTABANDHANA
MAHA KUMBABHISHEKAM

PROGRAMME Reg No. 856/95 **23.04.2026**

23-4-2026 THURSDAY **Morning 7-30 a.m.** **Vigneshwara Pooja, Sankalpam, Punniyavasnam, Veda Karsanam, Veda Parayanam Isparasahudhi, Nadi Santhanam, Thiraviyahudhi, Poornahudhi, Yathirathanam, Deepa Aradhana.**

9-30 a.m. to 10-30 a.m. **Maha Kumbabhishegam Alangaram, Deepa Aradhana. Prasadam Distribute.**

23-4-2026 Thursday from 11-00 a.m. to 3-00 p.m. Annadhanam Distribution

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Shri P. SRINIVASAN AYYANGAR
Sri Rama Temple, Aberdeen Bazar, Babu Lane, Andaman, Cell : 9933231424, 9474201424

Temple Architectural Designer
Shri R. AKILAN STHAPATHI
Cell : 9940295932
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Committee Devasthanam Committee
Sri Muthukumaraswamy Temple
Shaheed Dweep, S. Andaman

Annadhanam Donation by : **RAJA RAJESWARI JEWELLERY,** Aberdeen Bazar, Sri Vijaya Puram
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AFFIDAVIT

I, Papi Biswas, D/o Samir Biswas, R/o Sitanagar, Village under Diglipur Tehsil in North and Middle Andaman, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare the following:-
That I have married with "SHRI PROJEET GAIN", S/o Profulla Gain, R/o Sitanagar, Village. Being a Hindu Rights and Custom after Marriage I have adopted my Husband's Surname "GAIN" and left my Father's Surname "BISWAS".
That, henceforth I shall use my Husband Surname "GAIN" in all official and non-official documents from the date of executing this affidavit.
After executing this affidavit all men of this locality known to me as "SMTI. PAPIA GAIN and SMTI. PAPIA BISWAS" a same and genuine lady.
The above statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DEPONENT

JOB VACANCY

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Reg. No.13847/LC/2021

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- Program: Optimist Sailing
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Contact No. 9445600019
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ANDAMAN & NICOBAR STATE COOP BANK. LTD.
98 MAULANA AZAD ROAD,
Sri Vijaya Puram - 744101

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For immovable property)
(Rule 8(1), security interest (enforcement) rule, 2002)

Whereas,
The undersigned being the Authorised Officer (Region-2) of the Andaman and Nicobar State Cooperative Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002 issued demand notice dated as detailed in the notices mentioned against their names in the table, within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower/guarantor having failed to pay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor and the general public that the undersigned had taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers and conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule (9) of the said Rules(s) mentioned against the respective properties.

The borrower/ guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealing with the properties will be subject to the charge of the Andaman and Nicobar State Cooperative Bank Limited for an amount shown in the respective column of the table below and interest thereon.

Sl no	Name of borrower & guarantor	a. Branch b. Date of 13(2) Demand notice c. Outstanding as mentioned in 13(2) Demand Notice	Details of immovable properties	Date of symbolic possession of assets
1	Smti.Nazneen Khan, W/o MJ Javid Maricar Royal Colony, Opp Anbhu Hotel, Dollygunj, Sri Vijaya Puram Guarantor: Sujith Thankachen, S/o G Dailin, Qtr No P-182/2, MES colony, Brinchgunj	a. Sri Vijaya Puram b. 29 th May 2023 c. Rs.8,05,357/-	Survey No.255/285/32 area 0.04 hecst classified as hilly situated at Bimbilitan village, Sri Vijaya Puram	15-04-2026
2	Shri.Sebastin Tirkey, S/o Late Tobias Tirkey, R/o Dollygunj, Near Shiv Mandir, Old Pahargaon, Sri Vijaya Puram	a. Sri Vijaya Puram b. 20 th July 2020 c. Rs.5,00,713/-	Survey No.255/285/33 area 0.0327 hecst classified as hilly situated at Bimbilitan village, Sri Vijaya Puram	

Authorised Officer (Region-2)
A&N State Cooperative Bank Ltd.,
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18th Death Anniversary
On 17-04-2026
In Loving Memory of our beloved...



Late SIMON MATHEW
R/o Prothrapur
"Eighteen years have passed but the legacy of your love continues to light our path."
Inserted by: Mary Kutty Simon (Wife) & all family members.

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In Loving Memory of S. RAMA KRISHNA
(Retired Statistical Officer)

On his 1st Death Anniversary - 17th April, we fondly remember a loving soul whose warmth, wisdom and kindness continue to guide us.
Your memories remain a constant source of strength and your legacy lives on in the lives you touched. You are deeply missed, get forever cherished in our hearts.
Lovingly Remembered by:
Kokila Ramakrishna (Wife), Dr. Priya Krishna (Daughter), Dr. Vishal Krishna (Son), and all family members, dear ones and friends.



FOND MEMORY
6th Death Anniversary
On 17-04-2026



Late Sri P Surya Rao
Every day without you has been hard but on this day especially I can't help but think how much I wish you were with me.
Fondly remembered by:
Smti. P Kamala (Wife) & Family

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LOST
I, K. SUNMUKH, (S/o K. Duryodhana), Resident of (Junglighat), hereby inform that important Educational Document, School TC, have been lost on or around last week of April, 2026, while travelling from Aberdeen to Junglighat.
If anyone finds the document in a transparent file, kindly Contact: **K. Sunmukh, 9933234166, 9531861357**

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OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SRI VIJAYA PURAM
CORRIGENDUM
In continuation of the vacancy notice issued for the post of Executive Engineer (Civil) in SVP/MC, it is hereby informed that the pay band mentioned therein may be read as PB-3 Rs.15600-39100 with Grade Pay Rs.6600, in place of PB-2 Rs.9300-34800 with Grade Pay Rs.4600 as mentioned earlier.
All other terms and conditions of the vacancy notice shall remain unchanged.
Sd./-
Administrative Officer (i/c)
Municipal Council