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Light Rainfall very likely over Port Blair. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 32°C and 26°C respectively on Monday 18/05/2020.

Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 31.2
 Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 26.8
 Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST: 080
 Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST: 078
 Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0455
 Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1736
 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 196.5 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

Finance Minister announces Government Reforms & Enablers across Seven Sectors under Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan

- Key Highlights**
- Rs 40,000 crore increase in allocation for MGNREGS to provide employment boost
 - Increased investments in Public Health and other health reforms to prepare India for future pandemics
 - Technology Driven Education with Equity post-COVID
 - Further enhancement of Ease of Doing Business through IBC related measures
 - Decriminalisation of Companies Act defaults
 - Ease of Doing Business for Corporates
 - Public Sector Enterprise Policy for a New, Self-reliant India
 - Increase borrowing limits of States from 3% to 5% for 2020-21 only & promoting State level reforms

New Delhi, May 17 (PIB)
 Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi announced a Special economic and comprehensive package of Rs 20 lakh crore - equivalent to 10% of India's GDP on 12th May, 2020. He gave a clarion call for **आत्मनिर्भर भारत अभियान** or Self-Reliant India Movement. He also outlined five pillars of **Atmanirbhar Bharat - Economy, Infrastructure, System, Vibrant Demography and Demand.**

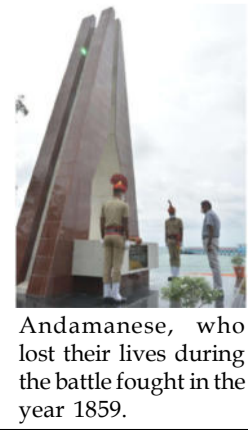
In her opening remarks during the 5th Press Conference here today on stimulus package to fight COVID-19 under Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan, the Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman referred to the vision laid out by Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi in his address to the Nation on 12th May 2020. Quoting the Prime Minister, Smt. Sitharaman said that as a Nation, we stand at a very crucial juncture. COVID-19 Pandemic has brought a message and an opportunity. We need now to build an Aatma Nirbhar Bharat.

Smt. Sitharaman said that in order to prove the resolve of Aatma Nirbhar Bharat, land, labour, liquidity and laws have all been emphasised in Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Package. The crisis and the challenge is an opportunity to build a self-reliant India.

The Finance Minister said today's announcement is in continuation in the series of reforms. Soon after lockdown, we came up with Prime Minister Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP). As part of the Rs 1.70 lakh crore PMGKP, the Government announced distribution of free food grains, cash payment to women and poor senior citizens and farmers etc. The swift implementation of the package is being continuously monitored. Around 41 crore poor people received financial assistance of Rs 52,608 crore under the PMGKP. The Finance Minister also said PMGKP used technology to do Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) to people. We could do what we did because of the initiatives taken during the last

Great Andamanese remembered; wreath laid at Memorial of Battle of Aberdeen

Port Blair, May 17
 Due to lockdown, no official function could be held at the Memorial of Battle of Aberdeen at Water Sports Complex. However, the Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri Abhishek Dev, formally laid a wreath on behalf of the A&N Administration in the memory of the Great



few years, she added.
 In addition, 84 lakh metric tonnes of food grains has been lifted by States and also more than 3.5 lakh metric tonnes of pulses has been dispatched to various States. And for this, Smt. Sitharaman appreciated the concerted efforts of FCI, NAFED and States, giving pulses and grains in huge quantities, despite logistical challenges.

Announcing the 5th and last Tranche of measures towards Government Reforms and Enablers, Smt. Sitharaman detailed seven measures for providing employment, support to businesses, Ease of Doing Business, and State Governments as well sectors such as Education and Health.

1. Rs 40,000 crore increase in allocation for MGNREGS to provide employment boost
 The Government will now allocate an additional Rs 40,000 crore under MGNREGS. It will help generate nearly 300 crore person days in total addressing need for more work including returning migrant workers in Monsoon season as well. Creation of larger
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Nationwide Lockdown extended till 31st May; Home Ministry issues fresh guidelines to contain spread of COVID-19

Air, metro services to remain suspended; educational institutions, religious places, shopping malls to remain closed during 4th phase of lockdown

New Delhi, May 17
 After National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) extended the lockdown till 31st of this month, National Executive Committee has released a detailed guideline to be followed in the fourth phase of nationwide lockdown starting from tomorrow (May 18). The delineation of Red, Green and Orange Zones will be decided by the respective State and UT Governments after taking into consideration the parameters shared by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare. No relaxation has been extended to the Containment zones.

All domestic and international air travel of passengers, except for domestic medical services, domestic air ambulance and for security purposes or purposes as permitted by MHA will remain prohibited even in the fourth phase of lockdown. Apart from this, Metro Rail Services will also remain suspended.

Schools, colleges, educational, training and coaching institutions will remain closed. Online distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.

Hotels, restaurants and other hospitality services will also remain closed as earlier. However hospitality services meant for Health or Government officials, healthcare workers, stranded persons including tourists and for quarantine facilities are allowed to remain
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Lockdown extension Chief Secretary orders for implementation of new guidelines on measures to be taken for containment of COVID-19 by MHA in whole of A&N Islands

Entire South Andaman District classified as 'Green Zone' based on parameters stipulated by MoHFW except containment zones. All three Districts of A&N Islands are in 'Green Zone' now. Movement of individuals shall remain prohibited between 7 pm & 7 am except for essential activities

Port Blair, May 17
 The Govt. of India has decided to extend the ongoing lockdown for a further period up to 31.5.2020. The Ministry of Home Affairs has issued an order under Section 6(2)(I) of the Disaster Management Act to further extend the lockdown by issuing fresh guidelines. The Chief Secretary, A & N Administration, Shri Chetan B. Sanghi had issued a consequential order dated 17.5.2020 that the guidelines on the measures for containment of COVID-19 issued by MHA shall be applicable to the whole of A & N Islands.

The guidelines stipulate that delineation of red, green and orange zone will be decided by the respective State and UT Governments after taking into consideration the parameters shared by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

North and Middle and Nicobar District had already been classified as Green Zone vide MoHFW vide DO dated 15.4.2020 and shall continue as such under the new guidelines.

The entire South Andaman District has now been classified as Green Zone based on the parameters stipulated by MoHFW except the containment zone(s) as is/may be notified by the District Magistrate South Andaman from time to time. At present there are two containment zones comprising Bambooflat, Stewartgunj, Wimberlygunj, Hope Town, Kanayapuram, Nayapuram and Teylerabad (Part), Calicut respectively.

The guidelines have permitted considerable relaxation except in containment zones. The prohibited activities throughout the country include all domestic and international air travel of passengers, metro, running of schools, colleges, educational/training/coaching institutions, hotels, restaurants and other hospitality services, all cinema halls,

shopping malls, gymnasium, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theaters, bars and auditorium, assembly halls and similar places. All social, political, sports, entertainment, academic, cultural, religious functions and other gatherings and religious congregations. All religious places/places of worship will remain closed.

Outside the containment zones, the following activities are permitted:- a) Inter-state movement of passenger vehicles and buses with mutual consent of the State(s)/UT(s) involved. b) Intra State movement of passenger vehicles and buses as decided by the State and UTs.

The movement of individuals shall remain strictly prohibited between 7 pm to 7 am except for essential activities.

Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women and children below the age of 10 years, shall stay at home except for essential and health purposes.

In the containment zones, only essential activities shall be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining supply of essential goods and services. Guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare shall be taken into consideration for this purpose.

The States/UT Government have been directed to strictly enforce the guidelines including following of SOPs for movement of persons and national directives for COVID-19 management i.e. compulsory wearing of face cover in all public and work places, spitting in public and work places shall be punishable with fine, social distancing shall be followed by all person in public places and in transport, marriage related gathering shall ensure social distancing and maximum number of guests allowed shall not be more than 50. Funeral/

last rites related gathering shall ensure social distancing and maximum numbers allowed shall not be more than 20. Consumption of liquor, pan, gutka, tobacco etc., in public places is not allowed. Shops will ensure minimum 6 feet distance among customers and shall not allow more than five persons at the shop. Additional directive for work places have been specified and as far as possible the practice of work from home should be followed, staggering of work/business hours shall be followed in offices, work places shops markets & industrial and commercial establishments. Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer at entry and exit points. Frequent sanitization of entire work place and common facilities shall be ensured, an official release said here today.

District Administration issues Orders for compliance of lockdown measures

Port Blair, May 17
 The District Administration, South Andaman vide Order No 500 dated 17.05.2020 has issued orders regarding the compliance of the lockdown measures as issued by the MHA vide order dated 17th May, 2020 and has also issued orders u/s 144 Cr.PC vide order No. 501 dated 17th May, 2020 prohibiting movement of persons between 7 pm to 7 am, except for essential activities and also prohibiting persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women and children below the age of 10 years to venture out from their homes except for meeting essential requirements and for health purposes, a press release from Dy. Commissioner (SA) said here today. **(Order No. 500 & 501 are published on page 2).**

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ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
सचिवालय/SECRETARIAT

Health Bulletin For Containment Of

नोवल कोरोना वायरस रोग (COVID-19)

(No. 48/ 17th May 2020)

COVID-19 STATUS AS ON 17.05.2020

> Andaman & Nicobar Islands:			
Total Confirmed cases			33
Cured/Discharged from Hospital			33
Death			00
Admitted at Hospital			00
Migrated out of Country			00
Outside Resident			00
> Status of Hospitals:			
Name of Hospital	Isolation Beds Available	Occupied	Positive Cases Admitted
G B Pant Hospital, Port Blair	50	00	00
INHS, Dhanvantri, Minnie Bay, Port Blair	48	00	00
* No cases are admitted at Private Hospital.			
> Status of Sample Testing:			
Total Samples sent till date			6683
Total Reports received till date			6683
Total Pending Reports			00
> House to House surveillance throughout South Andaman District including all Containment Zones are being conducted by District Administration with the help of Health Workers. 189400 population being surveyed daily in these Zones. > All COVID-19 patient cured and now under observation. Recovery Rate 100% > Intensive awareness is continued through print and electronic media. > Calls received at 102 - 472 calls. > 15 lines are activated in State Head Quarter Control Room and District Headquarter Control Room also set up at North & Middle Andaman District and Nicobar District. > 1215 persons put under Institutional Quarantine as on today which includes passengers as well as contacts.			
SURVEILLANCE DATA			
Contacts put under Home Quarantine till date			1517
Contacts under Home Quarantine as on today			475
Contacts completed 14 days period of Home Quarantine			1042
Persons under Institutional Quarantine as on today			02
Persons completed 14 days period of Institutional Quarantine			1213
Passengers completed 14 days period of Quarantine			1812



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

(Source: Principal Secretary (Health), A&N Administration)

Finance Minister announces Government Reforms & Enablers....

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number of durable and livelihood assets including water conservation assets will boost the rural economy through higher production.

2. Health Reforms & Initiatives

Public Expenditure on Health will be increased by investing in grass root health institutions and ramping up Health and Wellness Centres in rural and urban areas. Setting up of Infectious Diseases Hospital Blocks in all districts and strengthening of lab network and surveillance by Integrated Public Health Labs in all districts & block level Labs & Public Health Unit to manage pandemics. Further, National Institutional Platform for One health by ICMR will encourage research. And implementation of National Digital Health Blueprint under the National Digital Health Mission.

3. Technology Driven Education with Equity post-COVID

PM eVIDYA, a programme for multi-mode access to digital/online education to be launched immediately. Manodarpan, an initiative for psycho-social support for students, teachers and families for mental health and emotional well-being to be launched immediately as well. New National Curriculum and Pedagogical framework for school, early childhood and teachers will also be launched. National Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Mission for ensuring that every child attains Learning levels and outcomes in grade 5 by 2025 will be launched by December 2020.

4. Further enhancement of Ease of Doing Business through IBC related measures

Minimum threshold to initiate insolvency proceedings has been raised to Rs. 1 crore (from Rs. 1 lakh, which largely insulates MSMEs). Special insolvency resolution framework for MSMEs under Section 240A of the Code will be notified soon.

Suspension of fresh initiation of insolvency proceedings up to one year, depending upon the pandemic situation. Empowering Central Government to exclude COVID 19 related debt from the definition of "default" under the Code for the purpose of triggering insolvency proceedings.

5. Decriminalisation of Companies Act defaults

Decriminalisation of Companies Act violations involving minor technical and procedural defaults such as shortcomings in CSR reporting, inadequacies in Board report, filing defaults, delay in holding of AGM. The Amendments will de-clog the criminal courts and NCLT. 7 compoundable offences altogether dropped and 5 to be dealt with under alternative framework.

6. Ease of Doing Business for Corporates

Key reforms include:

- > Direct listing of securities by Indian public companies in permissible foreign jurisdictions.
- > Private companies which list NCDs on stock exchanges not to be regarded as listed companies.
- > Including the provisions of Part IXA (Producer Companies) of Companies Act, 1956 in Companies Act, 2013.
- > Power to create additional/ specialized benches for NCLAT
- > Lower penalties for all defaults for Small Companies, One-person Companies, Producer Companies & Start Ups.
- > Public Sector Enterprise Policy for a New, Self-reliant India
- > Government will announce a new policy whereby -
- > List of strategic sectors requiring presence of PSEs in public interest will be notified
- > In strategic sectors, at least one enterprise will remain in the public sector but private sector will also be allowed
- > In other sectors, PSEs will be privatized (timing to be based on feasibility etc.)
- > To minimise wasteful administrative costs, number of enterprises in strategic sectors will ordinarily be only one to four; others will be privatised/ merged/ brought under holding companies

Support to State Governments

Centre has decided to increase borrowing limits of States from 3% to 5% for 2020-21 only. This will give States extra resources of Rs. 4.28 lakh crore. Part of the borrowing will be linked to specific reforms (including recommendations of the Finance Commission). Reform linkage will be in four areas: universalisation of 'One Nation One Ration card', Ease of Doing Business, Power distribution and Urban Local Body revenues. A specific scheme will be notified by Department of Expenditure on the following pattern:

Unconditional increase of 0.50%

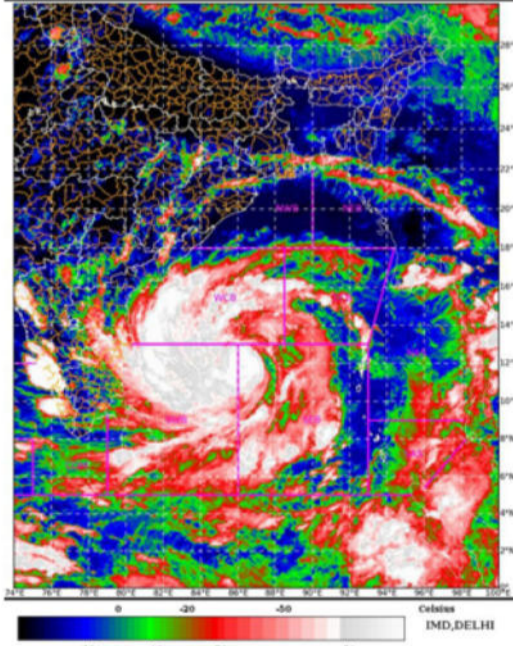
- > 1% in 4 tranches of 0.25%, with each tranche linked to clearly specified, measurable and feasible reform actions
- > Further 0.50% if milestones are achieved in at least three out of four reform areas

The Finance Minister concluded by providing a breakup of the stimulus measures provided so far in order to become Aatma Nirbhar Bharat.

Cyclonic Storm 'AMPHAN' over Southeast Bay of Bengal and neighbourhood; likely to intensify further into Cyclonic Storm

Port Blair, May 17

SAT : INSAT-3D IMG 17-05-2020(1030 to 1050) GMT
IMG_TIR1_TEMP 10.0 um 17-05-2020(1600 to 1620) IST
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The Severe Cyclonic Storm 'A M P H A N' (pronounced as UM-PUN) over central parts of South Bay of Bengal and neighbourhood moved slowly northwards with a speed of 05 kmph during past 06 hours, further intensified into a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm and lay centred at 1430 hrs IST of today, the 17th May, 2020 over central parts of South Bay of Bengal near latitude 11.7°N and longitude 86.0°E, about 960 km south of Paradip (Odisha), 1110 km south-southwest of Digha (West Bengal) and 1230 km south-southwest of Khepupara (Bangladesh).

It is very likely Bengal and cross to intensify further West Bengal - into an Extremely Bangladesh coasts Severe Cyclonic between Digha (West Bengal) and Hatiya Islands (Bangladesh) during the Afternoon / Evening of 20th May 2020 as a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm, a press release from Met Office Shadipur said.

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open. Restaurants shall be permitted to operate kitchens only for home delivery of food items.

All cinema halls, shopping malls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places will remain closed. Sports complexes and stadiums will be permitted to open, however, spectators will not be allowed.

All social, political, sports, entertainment, academic, cultural, religious functions and other type of gatherings and large congregations remain to be prohibited.

All religious places, places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.

Inter-State movement of passenger vehicles and buses, with mutual consent of the States involved will be permitted in the fourth phase of nationwide lockdown. However Intra State movement of passenger vehicles and buses would be allowed as decided by the respective State or Union Territory government.

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for movement of persons is to be strictly followed. National Directives for COVID-19 Management shall be followed throughout the country.

IMD issues thunderstorm, lightning & gusty wind alert over A&N Islands

Port Blair, May 17
Thunderstorm, lightning, gusty wind (30-40) kmph is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands tomorrow (May 18). On Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, thunderstorm, lightning, gusty wind (30-40) kmph is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

its very likely further intensification and movement towards North Bay of Bengal, fishermen have been advised not to venture into the sea till further information. **Port warning:-** Local Cautionary Signal No-III has been kept hoisted at Port Blair port. For further enquiries / information contact helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1077 & District Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1070 viz. State Control Room: 03192- 238880 (T e l e - F a x) , 1077(Helpline), District Control Room: 03192-238881, 1070(Helpline), EOC (Campbell Bay): 03193-264020, EOC (Kamorta): 03193-263222, EOC (N&M): 03192-262960, EOC (Hut Bay): 03192-284014, EOC (Car Nicobar): 03193-265241, EOC (Swaraj Dweep): 03192-282030, EOC (Ferrargunj): 03192-266527. For any emergency/assistance at sea, call CoastGuard SAR Agency at Toll Free number 1554, a press release from Directorate of Disaster Management said.

Central Crime Station busts gambling den; five arrested

Port Blair, May 17

Keeping its commitment of zero tolerance against illegal activities, the staff of PS Central Crime Station conducted raid at Mazar Pahad area and arrested 5 gamblers. On May 15, upon information regarding gambling in Mazar Pahad near Church, a team comprising of Inspr. Mohd Elias raided the spot at around 1815 hrs. All the 5 gamblers were arrested and Rs.47,830/- in cash were recovered from their possession with board money of Rs. 45,800/-.

Meanwhile, the Andaman & Nicobar Police is taking all possible steps in making these Islands free from anti-social activity and keeping strict vigil over gamblers, smuggling and proliferation of narcotics substances in these Islands. General Public have been requested to pass on credible information on narcotics substances, illegal sale of liquor, gambling or any illegal activity on the telephone numbers: 233307, 232586, 100, & 9474290250. The identity of the informer will be kept secret, a press release from SP Rajesh Kumar, R/o (CID) said.

Shadipur near Electricity Office. A case under section 188/34 IPCrws 51(b) of Disaster Management Act, 2005 & 5/7 of A & N Gambling Regulation 1951 has been registered at PS CCS.



**OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT**

Port Blair, dated the 17th May, 2020

Order No. 500

WHEREAS, the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Government of India in exercise of their powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, vide their Orders dated 24.03.2020, 14.04.2020 and 01.05.2020 had directed the National Executive Committee (NEC) to take lockdown measures so as to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the country;

AND WHEREAS, the Chairperson NEC, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, has issued Orders of even number on lockdown measures dated 24.03.2020, 29.03.2020, 14.04.2020, 15.04.2020 and 01.05.2020;

AND WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, NDMA has issued an Order number 1-29/2020-PP dated 17.05.2020 directing the Chairperson, NEC that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 be continued to be implemented in all parts of the Country, for a further period upto 31.05.2020;

AND WHEREAS, under directions issued vide Order number 1-29/2020-PP dated 17.05.2020 of NDMA dated 17.05.2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the Ministry of Home Affairs has issued directions vide Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 17th May 2020 for strict implementation, to all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State/Union Territory Authorities that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 will continue for a period of upto 31.05.2020, as per the guidelines annexed to aforementioned Order of Ministry of Home Affairs, which will come into effect from 18.05.2020.

AND WHEREAS, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration vide Order No. F.No.CS/Sr.PS/05/2020 dated 17.05.2020 has directed that the guidelines on the measures to be taken by the Ministries/ departments of Govt. of India, State/UT Governments and State/UT Authorities for containment of COVID-19 in the country upto 31.05.2020 issued by MHA dated 17.05.2020 shall be applicable to the whole of A&N Islands. In said order the entire South Andaman District has been classified as Green Zone based on the parameters shared by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, except the containment zone(s) as is/may be notified by the District Magistrate, South Andaman from time to time.

NOW THEREFORE, in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the South Andaman District, I, Abhishek Dev, IAS, District Magistrate, South Andaman, in exercise of powers vested in me u/s 51(b) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 hereby direct the following: -

I. The following activities shall continue to remain prohibited in the South Andaman District, for a period till the midnight of 31st May, 2020 with effect from midnight of 17th May, 2020:

- All domestic and international air travel of passengers, except for domestic medical services, domestic air ambulance and for security purposes or for purposes as permitted by MHA.
- Schools, colleges, educational/ training/ coaching institutions etc. will remain closed. Online/distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
- Hotels, restaurants and other Hospitality services except those meant for housing health/police/ Government officials/healthcare workers/ stranded persons including tourists and for quarantine facilities; and running of canteens at bus depots and airports. Restaurants shall be permitted to operate kitchens for home delivery of food items.
- All cinema halls, shopping malls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places. Sports complexes and stadia will be permitted to open; however, spectators will not be allowed.
- All social/ political/ sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions/ other gatherings and large congregations.
- All religious places/ places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.

II. The following activities shall be permitted with restrictions except in the containment zones (i) Inter District movement of passenger vehicles and buses. The necessary permit for inter district movement shall be given by the Office of the undersigned, if the point of origin is South Andaman District.

(ii) Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs) for movement of persons as specified in Annexure I of the Order of the MHA No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 17th May 2020, shall continue to operate.

III. National Directives for COVID-19 Management

The National Directives for COVID-19 Management as specified in Annexure II of the Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 17th May 2020 of the Ministry of Home Affairs and reproduced below shall be strictly followed throughout the South Andaman District.

- Wearing of face cover is compulsory in all public and work places.
 - Spitting in public & work places shall be punishable with fine as prescribed.
 - Social distancing shall be followed by all persons in public places and in transport.
 - Marriage related gathering shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum number of guests allowed shall not be more than 50.
 - Funeral/last rites related gatherings shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum number allowed shall not be more than 20.
 - Consumption of liquor, paan, gutka, tobacco etc. in public places is not allowed.
 - Shops will ensure minimum six feet distance (2 gaz ki doori) among customers and shall not allow more than 5 persons at the shop.
- Additional directives for Work Places
- As far as possible, the practice of work from home should be followed.
 - Staggering of work/ business hours shall be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial Establishments.
 - Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas.
 - Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact eg. door handles etc. shall be ensured including between shifts.
 - All persons in charge of work places shall ensure social distancing through adequate

distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.

IV. Activities in Containment Zones

(i) In the containment zones only essential activities shall be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining supply of essential goods and services. Guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare shall be taken into consideration for this purpose.

(ii) In the containment zones there shall be intensive contact tracing, house to house surveillance and other clinical interventions, as required.

V. All other activities will be permitted, except those which are specifically prohibited. However, in containment zones only essential activities shall be allowed as mentioned in para IV above.

VI. Use of Aarogya Setu

(i) Aarogya Setu enables early identification of potential risk of infection, and thus acts as a shield for individuals and the community.

(ii) With a view to ensuring safety in offices and workplaces, employers on best effort basis should ensure that Aarogya Setu is installed by all employees having compatible mobile phones. They should then regularly update their health status on this app. This will facilitate timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.

VII. Penal Provisions:

Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Sec. 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

Sd./-
Abhishek Dev (IAS)
District Magistrate
South Andaman District

**No. 1-1/DC/PA/2020/
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT**

Port Blair, dated the 17th May, 2020

Order No. 501

WHEREAS, the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Government of India in exercise of their powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, vide their Orders dated 24.03.2020, 14.04.2020 and 01.05.2020 had directed the National Executive Committee (NEC) to take lockdown measures so as to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the country;

AND WHEREAS, the Chairperson NEC, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, has issued Orders of even number on lockdown measures dated 24.03.2020, 29.03.2020, 14.04.2020, 15.04.2020 and 01.05.2020;

AND WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, NDMA has issued an Order number 1-29/2020-PP dated 17.05.2020 directing the Chairperson, NEC that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 be continued to be implemented in all parts of the Country, for a further period upto 31.05.2020;

AND WHEREAS, under directions issued vide Order number 1-29/2020-PP dated 17.05.2020 of NDMA dated 17.05.2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the Ministry of Home Affairs has issued directions vide Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 17th May 2020 for strict implementation, to all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State/Union Territory Authorities that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 will continue for a period of upto 31.05.2020, as per the guidelines annexed to aforementioned Order of Ministry of Home Affairs, which will come into effect from 18.05.2020.

AND WHEREAS, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration vide Order No. F.No.CS/Sr.PS/05/2020 dated 17.05.2020 has directed that the guidelines on the measures to be taken by the Ministries/ departments of Govt. of India, State/UT Governments and State/UT Authorities for containment of COVID-19 in the country upto 31.05.2020 issued by MHA dated 17.05.2020 shall be applicable to the whole of A&N Islands. In said order the entire South Andaman District is has been classified as Green Zone based on the parameters shared by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, except the containment zone(s) as is/may be notified by the District Magistrate, South Andaman from time to time.

NOW THEREFORE, in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the South Andaman District, I, Abhishek Dev, IAS, District Magistrate, South Andaman, in exercise of the powers vested in me u/s 144 of Cr. P.C., do hereby direct the following: -

- The movement of individuals shall remain strictly prohibited between 7.00 pm to 7.00 am except for essential activities.
- No persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women and children below the age of 10 years shall leave their home, except for essential and health purposes.

And whereas, this order shall come in force in the South Andaman District including all Containment Areas from the midnight of 17th May 2020 and shall be effective till the midnight of 31st May, 2020.

And whereas, in view of the emergent circumstances, this order is being issued ex-parte and is addressed to the public in general. This order shall be promulgated in the South Andaman District by announcement through publicity vans and affixing of copies thereof at notice boards of the Office of the District Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrates/Tehsildars as well as public places of prominence and publication in the newspapers having circulation in the district.

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).

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on 17th May 2020.

Sd./-
Abhishek Dev (IAS)
District Magistrate
South Andaman District

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बेहद जरूरी**

पर अमल करें

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7th HAPPY BIRTHDAY
To
I. P. MRIDULA
(D/o S. Irulappan & S.
Ponnammal)
R/o Shadipur
On 18-05-2020

Best wishes from: Father, Mother,
Sister (I. P. Krishna), Grandfather,
all relatives & friends.

Happy 1st Marriage Anniversary on 18-05-2020



To
**Ajay Kumar Minj &
Rashma Kumari**
With Best Wishes from:
Anand Kumar Minj (Father)
& Rojeena (Mother),
Brother- Sachin & Relatives
Prem Nagar, Port Blair

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Magazine

Stop Global Warming
Protect future generations from the harmful effects of global warming by reducing emissions from power plants, cars, factories and other sources
You too can help!!



KIDS' CORNER

Creative DIY (Do It Yourself) Crafts for kids
How to Make Painted Garden Flowers



Material needed: wooden garden stakes, clear plastic old plates, outdoor acrylic paint & paint brushes, drill, screws, screwdrivers, twine.
Method:
♣ Give your kids an old plate, a paintbrush, and all their favorite colors of paint. Let them create!
♣ Once paint is completely dry, drill a small hole approximately one centimeter from the inner rim of the plate. Use a drill bit that is slightly smaller than your screws.
♣ Use a screwdriver to attach the plate to the garden stake, using the drilled hole as your starting point.
♣ Cut 4 feet of twine and wrap it 4-5 times around the stake, leaving some on each end to tie a bow.
♣ Use a rubber mallet to gently tap the stake into the ground.♣

Silly Riddles

Q. What did one cliff say to the other cliff?
A "Don't try to bluff me."
Q. What relatives are dependent on U?
A Aunt, uncle, cousin. They all need U.
Q. What did the fish say when it swam into a wall?
A "Dam!"
Q. Which pillar is not used in a building?
A A caterpillar.
Q. What is the difference between a cat that got photocopied and a cat that follows you?
A One is a cat copy, the other is a copy cat.
Q. What does a pickle say when he wants to play cards?
A "Dill me in!"♣

Learn Some Idioms & its meaning

- Bury one's head in the sand
Meaning : To refuse to think about or confront serious issues or situations
- By the skin of one's teeth
Meaning: To narrowly succeed in doing something
- Call a spade a spade
Meaning: To state the truth about something even if it's unpopular or unpleasant.
- Call it a day
Meaning: To stop working on something.
- Cheap as chips
Meaning: When something is inexpensive or good value for money.♣

Health benefits of Bay leaf (Tej Patta)



* **May Aid Diabetes Treatment:** Studies show that bay leaves can help people with type 2 diabetes. In addition to rendering flavor to foods, bay leaves were also found to play a role in glucose metabolism. Bay leaves also reduced bad cholesterol levels and increased levels of HDL (the good cholesterol) in patients with type 2 diabetes.
* **May Fight Inflammation :** Bay leaf contains sesquiterpene lactones, which are known to fight inflammation by inhibiting the production of nitric oxide. Studies show that nitric oxide, in higher concentrations, can lead to inflammation. Nitric oxide inhibitors serve as potential treatment options for inflammatory diseases.
* **May Help Reduce Cancer Risk:** A study conducted on human cancer cell lines concluded that bay leaf extract showed promising results as an anticancer agent. Cineole, the main compound in bay leaves, was found to suppress the growth of leukemia cancer cell lines.
* **May Help Fight Fungal Infections:** Studies highlight the antifungal properties of bay leaf, especially against Candida infection. The leaf can prevent the adhesion of Candida to the cell walls, thereby keeping it from penetrating the membrane.
* **May Aid Wound Healing:** In rat studies, bay leaf was found to contribute to better wound healing than the control. Though it didn't fare better than Allamanda (a perennial shrub used in traditional medicine) in terms of healing wounds, it did show beneficial effects.
* **May Treat Respiratory Issues:** Bay leaf extract may be used to treat respiratory problems. A study showed antibacterial activity of the leaf extracts against some organisms, like Staphylococcus aureus. This leaf extract is strong against the methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus.
* **May Improve Skin Health:** As per one study, bay leaves can act against skin rashes. These leaves can also help prevent wrinkles and relieve skin from stress.
* **May Aid Dandruff Treatment:** Anecdotal evidence suggests that bay leaf may treat dandruff and reduce hair loss. Bay leaf oil and a rinse made from these leaves were found to be effective in treating hair loss and dandruff.♣

Amazing facts about Whale

- ✓ **Whales are divided into two main groups:** The baleen whales and the toothed whales. Baleen whales have fibrous 'baleen' plates in their mouths instead of teeth which help them filter out huge quantities of krill, plankton, and crustaceans. Toothed whales have teeth which enable them to feed on larger prey such as fish and squid.
- ✓ **Humpback whales don't eat for most of the year:** Humpback whales in the Southern Hemisphere live off their fat reserves for 5.5-7.5 months each year, as they migrate from their tropical breeding grounds to the Antarctic, to feed on krill.
- ✓ **All toothed whales have a 'melon' in their foreheads:** It's a mass of tissue which focuses the whales' calls, vital for communication and echolocation. Like bats, they use this echolocation to "see".
- ✓ **Some whales bubble net feed:** This involves whales cooperatively blowing bubbles that encircle their prey. As the prey won't cross through the bubbles, they're trapped, making it easy for the whales to eat them.
- ✓ **Killer whales aren't actually whales:** Despite being known as 'killer whales', orcas are actually the largest species of dolphin!
- ✓ **The Antarctic blue whale is the largest animal on the planet:** They can consume about 3,600kg of krill a day! ♣

Recipe for Oats Halwa

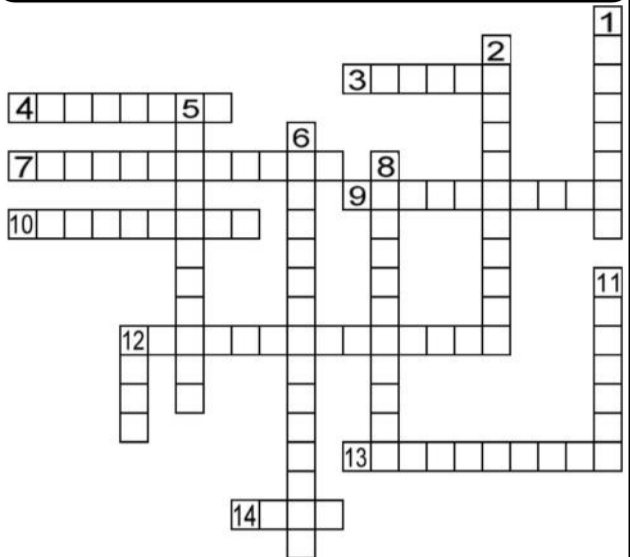


Ingredients:
✓ Ghee - ¼ cup
✓ Instant oats - ½ cup
✓ Milk - ½ cup
✓ Sugar - ½ cup
✓ Cashews - 2 tblsp
✓ Cardamom Powder - ½ tsp.
Method
✓ Dry roast oats for 4 to 5 mins till it smells toasty. Take it in a blender and powder fine.
✓ Take 2 tblsp of ghee in a pan, add in cashews and fry till golden. Set aside.
✓ Add in oats powder and stir for 2 mins.
✓ Now add in milk and keep cooking and stirring till it thickens.
✓ Add sugar and mix well. Once it starts to thicken, add in ghee little by little and mix well.
✓ Cook till halwa leaves the sides of the pan.
✓ Add cardamom powder and fried nuts. Mix well.♣

Enrich your vocabulary

- ✓ **Semaphore** - an apparatus for visual signaling.
- ✓ **Serendipity**- good luck in making unexpected and fortunate discoveries.
- ✓ **Solicitous** - full of anxiety and concern.
- ✓ **Solipsism** - the philosophical theory that the self is all that exists.
- ✓ **Spurious**- plausible but false.
- ✓ **Staid**- characterized by dignity and propriety.
- ✓ **Stolid** - having or revealing little emotion or sensibility.
- ✓ **Subjugate** -make subservient; force to submit or subdue.♣

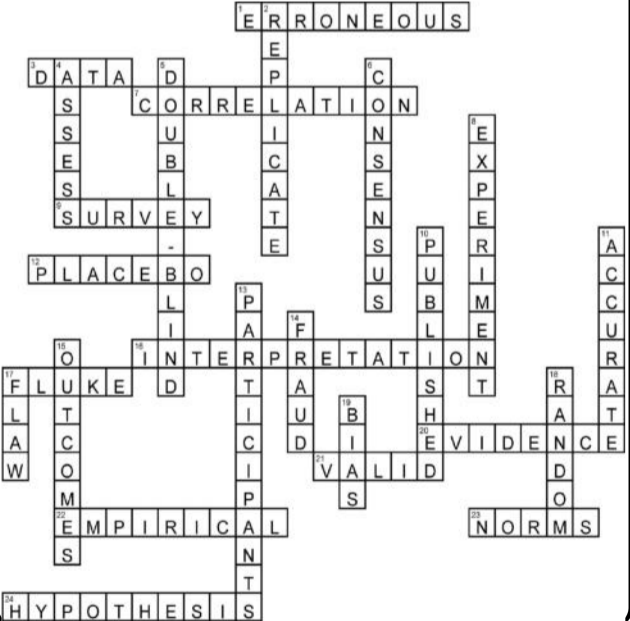
Crossword Puzzle: Vocabulary for Cooperation



Across
3. an area (group of cities, states or countries) with specific geographic characteristics
4. a struggle or fight between two or more groups
7. someone who studies the mind
9. people who work together
10. to work together for a common goal
12. a complete change
13. a person who studies problems in an organized way, using the scientific method
14. a group of people working together on a project

Down
1. an attitude that expects things to work out for the best
2. activity happening between two or more people or groups
5. to work together officially on a project
6. related to a person's mental and emotional condition
8. willingness to work together (or a store organized on that principle)
11. to watch the progress of an experiment or event in order to keep it working as planned
12. a piece of a job or a project that needs to be done

Answers to Crossword Puzzle published on May 17



Quotable quotes

- * "Man needs his difficulties because they are necessary to enjoy success."
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- * "Depth of friendship does not depend on length of acquaintance."
Rabindranath Tagore
- * "Art is the truth delivered through the medium of beauty."
Mahadevi Verma
- * "I have often claimed that I have had one good idea in my life: that true development is the development of women and men."
Dr. Vikram Sarabai
- * "Remember, no one is stopping you from lighting a lamp in a dark night."
Harivansh Rai Bacchan