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Union Minister, LG attend closing ceremony of ITF Minister outlines vision of Central Govt. in transforming A&N Islands

Praises true essence of 'Mini India'



Port Blair, Jan 18
The 11 day long cultural extravaganza- Island Tourism Festival-2016 culminated with mesmerizing performances by artists from mainland at the sprawling ITF Ground here this evening. The stupendous performances were witnessed by the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Shri Prakash Javadekar, the Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Lt. Gen. (Retd) A. K. Singh, Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anand Prakash, Adhyaksha Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smti Minati Biswas, Smti Rupa Ray and other senior officers of A&N Administration besides a large gathering of people.

Addressing the gathering, the Union Minister said the Central Government will do its best in transforming A&N Islands in all spheres. He portrayed Andaman and Nicobar Islands as 'Little Bharat' and appreciated the unity among the Islanders. The Minister stated with pride that it is the Islanders who have made the archipelago a unique



place where people from different parts of the country live in perfect harmony. Conveying the Prime Minister's blessings to the gathering, the Minister said the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has the same vision for the Andaman & Nicobar Islands like he has for the North East Region. The Minister also outlined his vision in developing the Islands in the next ten years and said the Islands possess immense potential in generating large employment for the Islanders. "Tourism, Forestry and Fisheries are the key areas which can be developed further, he opined. Tourism can generate employment for the youth, besides increasing the footfall from the present three

lakhs to 30 lakh per year, the Minister said. These Islands should be transformed in such a way that tourists, instead of visiting south East Asian countries, would start preferring Andaman as the most sought after tourist destination, he added. The Minister also congratulated the organizers, artists from mainland for their performances in the 11 day fiesta.

In his address, the Lt. Governor said the presence of the Union Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Shri Prakash Javadekar here has made the day a memorable one. The Lt. Governor described the Minister as the Ambassador of A&N Islands in the Central



Government. Lauding the Minister for visiting most of the Islands to know the ground realities, the Lt. Governor said, the three day visit of the Minister will bring a sea change in the development of A&N Islands. The Lt. Governor expressed hope that the

hurdles concerning environment clearance for development purpose will be sorted to a large extent with the visit of the Minister. The Lt. Governor also highlighted about the Climate change conference held at Paris, (Contd. on last page)



Shri Prakash Javadekar, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Environment, Forests and Climate Change, who is on a visit to these Islands, called on the Hon'ble Lt Governor, Lt Gen A K Singh (Retd), at Raj Niwas on 18.01.2016. All issues related to the Islands were discussed on the occasion and direction of forward movement decided. The Minister later attended the closing ceremony of ITF and won the hearts of the people with his surprise presence. He conveyed the best wishes of the Hon'ble Prime Minister and assured the people of the Govt's resolve to take Andaman on the path of prosperity and progress.

Union Minister visits Diglipur Appreciates contribution of local people towards development of Islands

Port Blair, Jan 18
Shri Prakash Javadekar, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Environment, Forests & Climate Change visited Diglipur and Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park, Wandoor today. The Union Minister along with Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Member of Parliament, Shri Vishal Jolly, BJP State President, PCCF & Pr. Secretary (E&F) reached Diglipur in the morning and visited Ross and Smith Islands where the Chief Conservator of Forests, Divisional Forest Officer, Diglipur, the Deputy

Commissioner (North & Middle Andaman), Superintendent of Police (North & Middle Andaman), PRI Members and other senior officers were also present. The Minister took a round of the Islands and admiring the beauty of Ross and Smith Islands, the Minister asked the Environment and Forests Department to replicate such successful ecotourism initiatives in other areas as well, as it would provide opportunity for the visitors to explore more areas and enjoy the bounty of nature. The DFO Diglipur informed the Minister about the



ecotourism proposal for connecting the Sagardweep Jetty in Smith Island to the ecotourism areas. Shri Prakash Javadekar appreciated the

proposal and suggested to include battery operated vehicle, develop nature trail and set up nature interpretation (Contd. on last page)

Union Minister underlines need for preparing a real vision for future development of A&N Islands

"Act East also includes Andamans": Minister

Staff Reporter,
Port Blair, Jan 18
The Andaman & Nicobar Islands have immense potential for development and the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change is ready to give clearances to the projects that are being created for the welfare of the people of the Islands. The strategy of the Ministry, however, is 'development without destruction', said the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Shri Prakash Javadekar while interacting with the media persons at the conference hall of the Secretariat here this



evening. Addressing a press conference, the Minister said that the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, has a clear vision and has two criteria for giving clearances for

projects. Firstly, it should be a public purpose project and secondly it should have the elements of conservation of nature for sustainable development. Necessary CRZ and environment clearances

will be provided to the meaningful projects accordingly, the Minister added. The Minister stated that these Islands have immense scope for development. "There are three pillars of development of A&N Islands, i.e. Forestry, Fishing and Tourism which need to be tapped earnestly to take these Islands towards the path of further growth", he said. The Minister underlined the need for preparing a real vision for future development, while thinking 'out of the box', for the sustainable development of the Isles. "Act East is not only about North East; it also (Contd. on last page)

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Union Minister discusses activities of BSI in Islands

Port Blair, Jan 18
The Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEF& CC), Govt. of India, Shri Prakash Javadekar, currently on visit to the Islands, held meeting with Dr. Lal Ji Singh, the Scientist and Head, Botanical Survey of India, Andaman and Nicobar Regional Centre Port Blair, a subordinate organization under MoEF& CC yesterday. The Minister discussed various matters related to the documentation and conservation of the floral diversity of these Islands.

Dr. Singh briefed the activities of BSI and the ex-situ conservation activities of RET species at the BSI Botanic Experimental Garden cum Arboretum in these Islands.



The Minister also held discussion on endemic and timber value plant species and discovery of new species, new

to Science from this hot spot of biodiversity by the Botanical survey of India, A&N Regional Center, a communication said.

Minister outlines..

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attended by the Minister which has won him lot of accolades as India's concerns were globally accepted by the participating nations. He also congratulated the Organizers and artistes from mainland who performed during the IFF.

Praising the 'Krishnaleela', performed by Ms. Geetanjali Sharma, Kathak dancer from Uttar Pradesh, the Lt. Governor said, the true essence of 'Mini India' has been translated on the stage through the performance of various artistes from across the country.

In his address, the Member of Parliament said the visit of the Union Minister for Environment, Forests & Climate Change will take the Islands on the path of growth and prosperity.

The Union Minister, the Lt. Governor and the Member of Parliament felicitated the winners of photography contest, flower show, dog show, healthy baby contest and best farmer awardees. Earlier, the Curator, Cellular Jail, Dr. Rashida Iqbal welcomed the gathering.



in Lohabarrack Wildlife Sanctuary as also the issues related to the protection and management of Marine Protected Areas. He was very pleased with the efforts put in by the E&F Department in management of coastal and marine resources of these Islands.

The Union Minister visited the popular tourist spot, the Jolly Buoy Island of Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park, Wandoor. He was briefed about the various activities taken-up by the Department in managing the rich and diverse coral reefs and their associated fauna. He was also shown the different varieties of corals, fishes, sea cucumbers, clam shells existing in nature, etc through glass bottom boat at Jolly Buoy. He appreciated the pristine and serene environment of the National Park and the rich biodiversity, particularly the reef fishes, mangroves and coral reefs. The Minister assured all support from the Ministry in augmenting the protection measures of the Environment and Forests Department for protection and conservation of forests, wildlife, their habitats as also marine life.

Appreciates ...

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centre for the benefit of visitors and also for employment generation and socio-economic upliftment of the people. Later, the Minister addressed a public rally at the Vivekananda Stadium in presence of the Member of Parliament, BJP State President, Zilla Parishad Adhyaksh, North & Middle Andaman District and others. The Union Minister appreciated the contribution made by the local people towards the development of islands of North Andaman Region.

On reaching Port Blair from Diglipur, the Union Minister visited Wandoor, along with Member of Parliament, PCCFs and other senior officers of the Forest Department. He also interacted with Smt Minati Biswas, Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman District and discussed about the issues related to promotion of Eco-tourism at Mohwadera

Union Minister underlines...

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includes Andamans", said the Minister. The Minister further assured that he will submit a plan to the PMO for the development of these Islands.

About National Highways, the Minister said that this project was initiated and sanctioned during Vajpayee Govt but could not materialize. However, now the tender for the same will be floated soon.

Stating that development in these Islands has come to a grinding halt after the Shekhar Singh Commission report, the Minister opined that things should have been put forward in the right perspective so that development activities could continue in these Islands, benefitting the Islanders.

Giving details of his three day visit to these Islands, the Minister said that he was able to meet the people, officers and the tribal representatives and heard about their problems in different parts of the Islands during his visit.

Answering queries, the Minister said that the Ministry of E&F will give clearance to all public utility projects such as infrastructure development, transport, and linear projects, like transmission lines, pipeline laying, roads, drinking water projects etc.

The Minister also assured of taking up the high air fare issue in Andaman sector, with the concerned Minister.

The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Chief Secretary, Shri Anand Prakash and other senior officers of the Administration were also present in the press meet.

SPORTS

India will get full-time coach after World T20: Thakur

New Delhi, Jan 18
BCCI secretary Anurag Thakur on Monday said the Indian cricket team will have a full-time coach after the World T20 and the high-profile advisory committee comprising Sachin Tendulkar, V.V.S. Laxman and Sourav Ganguly will have a say in the appointment.

Thakur also threw his weight behind under-fire skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni, as the team slumped to three successive losses in the ongoing five-match ODI series in Australia.

"There has been a demand for a full-time coach for a long time. We had decided that Ravi Shastri will be the Team Director till the World T20. We do not want to do anything between the season but we also need to decide on the future. We will be playing 13 Tests next series. Like a team is selected series to series, we need to have full-time coach," Thakur responded to a query

Bumrah to replace Shami in T20 international squad

Canberra, Jan 17
Gujarat medium-pacer Jasprit Bumrah was on Monday named as replacement for injured Mohammad Shami in the Twenty20 series against Australia starting January 26.

The 22-year-old youngster has been in wicket-taking mould for Gujarat, bagging 14 scalps in nine Syed Mushtaq Ali games. Meanwhile, Shami, who came back from a long injury layoff, was ruled out of the Australia tour with a hamstring strain even before the start of the three-match series.

Chris Gayle equals Yuvraj Singh's record

New Delhi, Jan 18
The West Indian cricketer Chris Gayle is back in news, this time due to a good reason though, after equalling Yuvraj Singh's record for the fastest T20I fifty. The Jamaican played the whirlwind knock on Monday in the Big Bash League (BBL). Playing against Adelaide Strikers, the Melbourne Renegades' opener completed his fifty in just 12 balls.

Here is the ball by ball description of how Gayle reached the 50-run mark - 2, 0, 6, 6, 6, 6, 2, 6, 6, 4, 1, 6.

from PTI on the sidelines of an ICC promotional event in New Delhi.

Thakur did not get into the details about whether the BCCI would continue with Shastri, only hinting that even the former India all-rounder could be considered for a long-term role.

"The decision will be taken in consultation with the Advisory Committee (Tendulkar, Laxman and Ganguly). We might decide on a coach even before the World T20 but the proper announcement will only happen post tournament," the BCCI secretary said.

However the secretary backed skipper Dhoni despite India's meek surrender Down Under

Chandila gets life ban; Hiken barred for 5 years

Mumbai, Jan 18
Haryana offspinner Ajit Chandila was slapped with a life ban for his involvement in the 2013 IPL spot-fixing scandal, while Mumbai batsman Hiken Shah was handed a five-year suspension for making a corrupt approach to a fellow player as the BCCI disciplinary committee sealed their fate after a meeting in Mumbai on Monday. However, the committee, headed by BCCI president Shashan Manohar and comprising Jyotiraditya Scindia

Australian Open 2016: Relieved Serena Williams reaches second round



Melbourne, Jan 18
Defending champion Serena Williams reached the second round of the Australian Open on Monday after completing a tense 6-4 7-5 win over feisty Italian Camila Giorgi in her first tour match in four months.

The world number one had barely played any competitive tennis since her U.S. Open exit last September and entered a sweltering Rod Laver Arena with doubts over her fitness to face the highest-ranked unseeded

player in the draw. The slight but hard-hitting Giorgi conceded a 4-1 lead early but steadied to give the American a genuine test and Williams' roars of frustration underlined the growing tension as the match progressed.

However, it was Giorgi who wilted at 5-5 in the second set, a double-fault handing Williams the decisive break and allowing the American to close out the match with a barrage of booming serves.

and Niranjn Shah, deferred a decision on Chandila's co-accused Pakistani umpire Asad Rauf till February 12, giving him a final deadline of February 9 to file his reply.

The 32-year-old Chandila, an off-spinner who was found guilty of spot-fixing during his stint with Rajasthan Royals, was handed a tougher punishment for violating the codes pertaining to accepting bribes, fixing, underperforming, trying to induce a fellow player and betting.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 22°C respectively on Tuesday 19/01/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
Maximum Temperature (°C): 30.0
Minimum Temperature (°C): 20.4
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 062
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 065
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0544
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1716
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 16: 0.0 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA

DIVIYUM TALKIES

Following is the Schedule for Jan 15 - 21

Tharai Thappattai - (Tamil A)

1:30 PM & 7:30 PM

Kathakali - (Tamil UA)

4:30 PM

Nannaku Prematho - (Telugu UA)

12:00 PM, 3:30 PM & 7:00 PM

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INTER ISLAND SECTOR:-
MV Chowra will sail for Campbell Bay via Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 22.01.2016 (Fri) at 2000 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route.

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Campbell Bay via Nancowry on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 1600 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 22.01.2016 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Campbell Bay via Nancowry. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 19.01.2016 onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets (for perishable items only) will commence from 19.01.2016 between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed. NOTE : THE ABOVE SAILING IS SUBJECT TO CERTIFICATION OF VESSEL.

MV Sentinel will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay, Car Nicobar & Nancowry on 23.01.2016 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 25.01.2016 (Mon) at 1900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via Nancowry, Teressa, Chowra, Car Nicobar & Hut Bay. Reservation of passenger tickets for the above sailing will commence from 21.01.2016 (Thu) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 27.01.2016 (Wed) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 28.01.2016 (Thu) at 1400 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 22.01.2016 (Fri) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 22.01.2016 (Fri) between 0900 Hrs to 1300 Hrs at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

MV Sentinel will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 30.01.2016 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 31.01.2016 (Sun) at 0700 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Reservation of passenger tickets for the above sailing will commence from 28.01.2016 (Thu) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.

FORESHORE SECTOR:-

19.01.2016 (TUESDAY)

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Rani Changa will sail for Neil Island on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Rani Changa will sail for Neil Island on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Rani Changa will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 1300 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1515 Hrs from Neil Island. (Additional Service).

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

HUT BAY

MV Sentinel will sail for Hut Bay on 19.01.2016 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.

20.01.2016 (WEDNESDAY)

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Neil Island on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Neil Island on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Havelock on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

HUT BAY

MV Dering will sail for Hut Bay on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.

RANGAT & DIGLIPUR

MV Rani Changa will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Strait Island and Long Island on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 21.01.2016 (Thu) at 0615 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

MV Kamorta will sail for Diglipur on 20.01.2016 (Wed) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Diglipur.