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Weather

Rain or Thundershower likely to occur at isolated places. Max & Mini temperature will be around 30°C and 24°C respectively on Friday 19/01/2018

Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 29.1
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 23.6
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST 074
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST 076
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 05:44
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 17:16
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 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm 18 86.2 **Air Conditioners to be kept at 25 °C**

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Govt announces fund for Solar Projects Financing

Abu Dhabi, Jan 18 Power and New and Renewable Energy Minister Shri RK Singh has announced a 350 million dollar Solar Development Fund by the government for Solar Projects Financing. Delivering the keynote address at a two-day International Solar Alliance (ISA) Forum in Abu Dhabi, Shri Singh said, India has one of the fastest growing Renewable Energy programmes in the world and would achieve 175 Gigawatt target of installed Renewable Energy capacity well before 2020.

ANCON to organize EDP at TGCE

Port Blair, Jan 18 An Entrepreneurship Development Programme will be inaugurated in the conference hall of Tagore Government College of Education here on Jan 20, 2018. Sponsored by National Science & Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board (NSTEDB), Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India under DST-NIMAT Project, the EDP will be organized by A & N Consultancy Centre (ANCON), Port Blair. The registration will remain open till 11 am of Jan 20. For details, one may whatsapp/call on 9470279691 or email on hash.vardhan46@gmail.com, kumhashvardhan@weborin with subject FDP Port Blair.

Twenty One Gun salute

Port Blair, Jan 18 One the occasion of Republic Day, a Twenty One Gun salute will be fired from Ross Island at 1200 hrs on Jan.26, 2018, a communication said.

Motivational session

Port Blair, Jan 18 Local Centre of Bramakumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalyaya, Port Blair will organize a motivational session on 'Happiness Beyond Dependency' at its Centre-15/2, SN Road, NABARD Colony, Goal Ghar on Jan.21, 2018 between 5.30 and 7 pm. Entry is free, a communication said.

Saraswati Puja at Seva Niketan

Port Blair, Jan 18 The Management Committee, members and inmates of Seva Niketan will be celebrating Saraswati Puja at Seva Niketan, Dairy Farm on Jan. 22, 2018. Puspanjali will be started at 9 pm and Bhog Arati at 11.30 am, a communication said.

GST Council reduces tax rate on 29 goods and 53 categories of services

New Delhi, Jan 18 Goods and Services Tax Council has reduced the tax rate on 29 goods and 53 categories of services by bringing them in lower category. The new rates will be effective from 25th of this month.

The GST rate on tailoring services has been reduced from 18 to 5 percent and tax on entry services to theme parks, water parks, joy

rides, merry-go-rounds, go-carting and ballet from 28 percent to 18. The tax rate on construction of metro and monorail projects has been brought down from 18 percent to 12 percent. Besides, the rate on job work services for manufacture of leather goods and footwear has been reduced to 5 percent. The GST rate on transportation of petroleum

crude and petroleum products including ATF has been cut down from 18 percent to 5 percent without input tax credit and 12 percent with it. The GST rate on Common Effluent Treatment Plant services of treatment of effluents from 18 per cent to 12 per cent. The GST rate on the Works Contract Services provided by sub-

contractor to the main contractor to governments and local bodies has been lowered. The GST Council has also given tax exception to services provided by and to FIFA and its subsidiaries related to any of the events under FIFA U-20 World Cup to be hosted by India. Briefing media after the council meeting, Finance

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MP visits ANIMERS, Coast Guard Head Quarter

Port Blair, Jan 18 The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray visited ANIMERS at Port Blair on Jan 15 and Coast Guard Head Quarter Jan 16. He interacted with the DRMs and Officials of the respective Departments. During interaction, Shri Ray heard various problems related to these Departments and assured to pursue the matter with the higher authority for amicable settlement. Shri Ray also interacted with all

Mazdoors working on daily wage basis under establishment of Coast Guard and ANNIMERS, Port Blair and briefed about their admissible benefits after the recent order of the Administration vide No.289 dated 22.09.2017 for granting 1/30th Pay plus D.A. enforced from 01.09.2017 and the Office Memorandum dated 11.12.2017 for enhancement of wages to the DRMs classified in six categories (Contd. on last page)

Awareness prog. on 'Zero Defect & Zero Effect' concludes

Port Blair, Jan.18 Following the direction of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to not to compromise with Zero Defect and Zero Effect, and manufacture products having zero defect which won't come back from International market and products with zero effect so that it does not have negative impact on environment, the Ministry of MSME, Gol has approved a new scheme

'Financial Support to MSMEs in ZED Certification Scheme' for the benefit of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). The scheme envisages promotion of Zero Defects and Zero Effect (ZED) manufacturing amongst MSMEs and ZED Assessment for their certification. In this line, the Directorate of Industries in association

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Cultural prog. organized to celebrate Makar Sankranti



Port Blair, Jan.18 On the occasion of Makar Sankranti, a cultural programme was organized by Friends Club at Haddo (Ward No:2). Shri Vishal Jolly, Member, HMAAC was the

chief guest and Shri Indrapal Singh, Chairperson, PBMC and Shri R. Someswara Rao, Councillor, ward No. 2 were the guests of honour. Speaking on the (Contd. on last page)

State Level Monitoring & Task Force Committee cum-Bankers' review meeting held

Banks asked to support environmental friendly projects

Staff Reporter Port Blair, Jan 18 The State Level Monitoring & Task Force Committee cum-Bankers' Review Meeting organized by the A&N Islands Khadi & Village Industries Board was held under the chairmanship of the Secretary Industries, Smti. Neha Bansal, in the conference hall of the Secretariat here last evening. The Director Industries and representatives from various Banks of Isles, Transport Department, DIC, KVIB and ANIIDCO were present on the

occasion. During the meeting, the Secretary reviewed the performance of year wise target viz performance under PMEGP Scheme of KVIB and Bank wise performance under PMEGP Scheme for KVIB for the period of 2008-9 to 2016-17, EDP trainings, tourism related projects, online implementation of PMEGP Scheme, review of progress of Mudra, Stand up India and Start -Up India Schemes of the Govt. of India for the year 2017-18; besides action plan for implementation of

PMEGP Scheme during the year 2018-19 and DLTF meeting.

The Secretary urged all the banks to sanction the remaining projects under PMEGP schemes latest by Jan 31st, 2018 and called upon all the Banking fraternity to conduct joint recovery drive /campaigns for recovery of overdue /NPA accounts under PMEGP scheme of KVIB. Further, the Secretary urged all the banking fraternity to help support more environmental friendly projects viz. e-rikshaw, (Contd. on last page)

India test-fires surface-to-surface ballistic missile Agni-5

Bhubaneswar, Jan 18 India successfully test-fired indigenously developed long-range surface-to-surface ballistic missile, Agni-5, off the Odisha coast today. The state-of-the-art missile, developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation DRDO, was test fired successfully from the Abdul Kalam Wheeler Island at 9:54 AM. The three-stage solid propellant



Agni-5 missile has a strike range of over 5,000 kilometres and can carry a nuclear warhead of more than one tonne. Defence sources said the missile covered 4,900 kilometres in (Contd. on last page)

Andaman Tourism participating in Travel Fair at Mumbai

Port Blair, Jan 18 A delegation of Andaman Tourism consisting of Islands' Tourism Stakeholders is attending the ongoing leading Travel Fair (OTM) at Mumbai from Jan.18 to 20. The Andaman Stall was visited by Shri KJ Alphonse, Tourism Minister, Govt of India and Tourism Minister of Maharashtra. The Union Tourism Minister was presented a bouquet and brochure about Islands. The Union Tourism Minister praised the



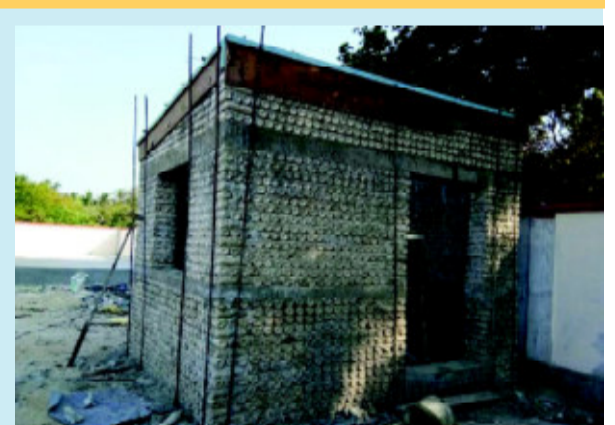
participation of Andaman Tourism in the fair and assured to visit the emerald Islands soon. The delegation is led by Shri C.G.Vijay, Senior Manager Toursim Dept. and accompanied by Shri M.Vinod, President, AATO, a communication said.

First of its kind in Isles ALHW constructs security room using 6600 pet bottles at Neil Island

Port Blair, Jan 18 The Andaman Lakshdweep Harbour Works has come up with an innovative idea of using plastic pet bottles for construction; and accordingly it has created a security room using plastic pet bottles at Neil Island. The Deputy Chief Engineer - I, ALHW, Shri T. N. Krishnamoorthi informed 'The Daily Telegrams' that while on an official visit to one of the Isles, he noticed that a huge part of the garbage generated, due to various activities, comprise of plastic containers; especially plastic pet bottles. After thorough search on the internet, he came across a video showing a house constructed using plastic bottles. Inspired by the technique shown in



this video, directions were issued to the field Engineering Unit at Neil Island to construct a Security Room using PET bottles. The Engineering Unit at Neil Island also took up the matter earnestly and started working on the project, Shri Krishnamoorthi said. Describing about the work, the Dy. Chief Engineer said that for the construction of this Security Room, empty pet bottles were collected from all corners of Neil Island and brought to the site. Empty bottles were then filled with granular earth / moorum / construction waste by compacting using steel rod and bottles were closed by placing cap on them. Thereafter, building foundation was constructed using wall footing technique as being done in normal load bearing brick wall structure. Foundation was excavated and RCC footing slab of 75cm width (10cm thick) all around the wall was cast for receiving and transferring imposed load uniformly to the ground. Thereafter, double width of pet bottles was placed using cement mortar of 1:2:2 (1Cement,



2 Pulvarised Sand, 2 Stone chips of size 12 mm) up to plinth level. At plinth level a 10cm high RCC beam was introduced, over that, single width Pet bottles masonry work was done up to top beam. In (Contd. on last page)

Apne Panchayat Se RD, PRI & ULB Secretary to be live on AIR

Port Blair, Jan 18 The All India Radio Port Blair is broadcasting a series named 'Apne Panchayat Se' on every second and fourth Monday of the month. In the next episode of this programme, the Secretary (RD, PRI & ULB), Shri Udit Prakash Rai will be live on AIR on Jan 22. During the programme developmental activities going on in Shoalbay Gram Panchayat (South Andaman) and Rabindranagar Gram Panchayat (Little Andaman) will be discussed.

The Pradhan of Shoalbay Gram Panchayat, Ms. Mary Pushpa and Pradhan of Rabindranagar Gram Panchayat Shri Gopal Ganguly will also be present in the studio to answer to the queries of listeners. Listeners can participate in this programme by calling on phone numbers 232336 or 232558. This programme will be held from 7.15 to 7.55 am. The programme will be moderated by Ms. Jaisheela J. Lakra and Produced by Shri P. S. Saighal, a communication said.

Adhyaksha ZP N&M inspects community hall & old ZP Bhawan

Port Blair, Jan 18 The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, North & Middle Andaman, Smti. Kalpana Bain along with the Chief Executive Officer, Shri. Som Naidu and Engineering staff of Zilla Parishad inspected the community hall & old Zilla Parishad Bhawan at Mayabunder recently. During the inspection, the Adhyaksha observed that the building needed up-gradation and proper maintenance for optimal use, which will serve as a

SPORTS

Indian captain Virat Kohli named ICC world cricketer of the year

Dubai, Jan 18
Virat Kohli led the list of ICC Awards that were announced on Thursday. The Indian captain was named the Cricketer of the Year, winning him the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for his performances during the ICC cutoff year of September 2016 to October 2017. This is the first time that two Indians have won the award in successive years. R Ashwin won the same award last year. Kohli dominated the awards by winning the ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year as well. He was named in both



Test and ODI teams of the year by ICC. In both the teams, he was named captain. Ashwin, Cheteshwar Pujara and Jasprit Bumrah. Rohit and Kohli are part of the ICC ODI team of the Year while Ashwin, Pujara and Kohli are part of the ICC Test Team of the Year.

ICC Awards Complete List

- Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for ICC Men's Cricketer of the Year – Virat Kohli (India)
- ICC Men's Test Cricketer of the Year – Steve Smith (Australia)
- ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year – Virat Kohli (India)
- ICC Men's Emerging Cricketer of the Year – Hasan Ali (Pakistan)
- ICC Men's Associate Cricketer of the Year – Rashid Khan (Afghanistan)
- ICC Men's T20I Performance of the Year – Yuzvendra Chahal (6-25 v England for India)
- David Shepherd Trophy for ICC Umpire of the Year – Marais Erasmus
- ICC Spirit of Cricket – Anya Shrubsole (England)
- ICC Fans Moment of the Year – Pakistan stun India to win the ICC Champions Trophy 2017
- ICC Men's Test Team of the Year 2017: Dean Elgar (South Africa), David Warner (Australia), Virat Kohli (captain) (India), Steve Smith, (Australia), Cheteshwar Pujara (India), Ben Stokes (England), Quinton de Kock (wicket-keeper) (South Africa), Ravichandran Ashwin (India), Mitchell Starc (Australia), Kagiso Rabada (South Africa), James Anderson (England)
- ICC Men's ODI Team of the Year 2017: David Warner (Australia), Rohit Sharma (India), Virat Kohli (captain) (India), Babar Azam (Pakistan), AB de Villiers (South Africa), Quinton de Kock (wicket-keeper) (South Africa), Ben Stokes (England), Trent Boult (New Zealand), Hasan Ali (Pakistan), Rashid Khan (Afghanistan), Jasprit Bumrah (India)

Zimbabwe record third consecutive ODI win over Sri Lanka

Harere, Jan 18
Zimbabwe survived a Thisara Perera scare to beat Sri Lanka by 12 runs and secure their first victory in the tri-nation series Wednesday. Tendai Chatara claimed his career-best 4-33, including the prized scalp of Perera, to script the victory. Sikandar Raza steered Zimbabwe to a challenging 290-6, hitting a fluent 67 ball-81 not out. Sri Lanka was in a precarious situation with 181-5 in the 34th over but Perera brought victory into sight, smashing the ball to all corners of the park. He was dismissed as the ninth batsman after

striking a 37 ball-64 when his side was 16 runs away from the victory. Sri Lanka was bowled out for 278 in 48.1 overs. Kusal Perera gave Sri Lanka a decent start even though Tendai Chatara inspired Zimbabwe, making inroads at regular intervals. Sikandar Raza however brought relief, removing K Perera, who hit eight fours and two sixes in his 80 off 83. Pace bowlers Blessing Muzurabani and Kyle Jarvis removed two seasoned batsmen, captain Angelo Mathews (42) and Dinesh Chandimal (34) respectively, in four overs as

Zimbabwe sensed a victory. T Perera then resisted. He counterattacked in aggressive manner to keep Zimbabwe at bay before Chatara dismissed him. For Zimbabwe, Raza's half-century was studded with eight fours and one six, most of which came in the last powerplay to steer the side reach closer to 300.

India lost to Belgium 0-2

Tauranga, Jan 18
The Indian Men's Hockey team lost to Belgium, 0-2 in their second round-robin match of the double-leg Four Nations Invitational Tournament at Tauranga in New Zealand on Thursday morning. Arthur De Sloover and Victor Wegnez were the goal scorers. India had won their opening match of the tournament against Japan, 6-0 yesterday. They will play their final round-robin match of the first leg on Saturday against hosts New Zealand. India will have to win the match to make it to the Final scheduled to take place on Sunday.

**ACCI to organize Thomas Cook Andaman Marathon-2018 on Feb.18
Rahul Bose to be Brand Ambassador**

Port Blair, Jan.18
Thomas Cook Andaman Marathon-2018 will be conducted on the 18th February this year. The theme for this year Andaman Marathon is Swachh Andaman, said the President, Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industry, while addressing a press meet at TSG Emerald View, Phoenix Bay here today. Shri Rahul Bose, Actor, Philanthropist and Sports person will continue to be the Brand Ambassador for the event, he said.



Giving details of the Marathon, Shri Mohd. H Jadwet, Ex-President ACCI informed that the categories of the events will be the same. The Half Marathon will be open to all, for all Indian Men and Women respectively and the prize for the event will be Rs.60,000/- for the first, Rs.40,000/- for the second, Rs.25,000/- for the third and Rs.15,000/- for the fourth position, both men and women, he said.

The other categories of the Thomas Cook Andaman Marathon-2018, include 10 K open for Islanders but not open for elite runners (both men & women), 10 K for Senior men and women of fifty years and above. The prizes for these two categories is Rs.40,000/- for first, Rs.30,000/- second, Rs.25,000/- third and

participant in the events will be fitted with chip to record individual timing. Tracking devices will also be put in place at three different vantage points of the route for the Marathon, he said. This will be the second year the Andaman Marathon is participated only by Indian Nationals. Since last year, foreign nationals are not invited in the event, with the view to encourage Indian runners, especially the islanders to participate in such events at national and international competitions, he added.

Dominant Rafael Nadal in Round 3, other big guns pull off great escape

Melbourne, Jan 18
Rafael Nadal swept into the Australian Open third round to keep his Grand Slam title hunt on track Wednesday, as Caroline Wozniacki and Grigor Dimitrov pulled off great escapes to stay in contention. The world number one Spaniard's march towards a 17th

Draw of fixture for Badminton Championship today

Port Blair, Jan 18
The registered players/ individuals/ teams/ Department/ Clubs/ Institution have been requested to attend the State Olympic Office at 5 pm on Jan. 19, 2018 for draw of fixture of the Badminton Championship. The unregistered players of Veteran, Senior, Junior and Sub-Junior may register their names upto 4 pm on the same day along with entry fee of Rs. 500/- per player for singles and Rs. 800/- for doubles Rs.400/- for Junior Single and Doubles respectively. The eligible players have been requested to be present

at 8 am on Jan.20, 2018 at multipurpose hall, Netaji Stadium, a communication said.

Hockey Championship-cum-Selection Trial

Port Blair, Jan 18
The Open Junior and Senior Hockey Championship-cum-Selection Trial has been rescheduled and will now be held from February 1 to 11, 2018 at Port Blair. All the Hockey teams of these Islands have been requested to confirm their entry and submit entry fee at State Olympic Office, Netaji Stadium, Port Blair on or before Jan.27, 2018, a communication said.

SEVASUCHNAYEIN

ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

MV Bharat Seema will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 22.01.2018 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 23.01.2018 (Tue) at 1600 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 19.01.2018 (Fri) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 19.01.2018 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.

HUT BAY SECTOR:

MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 20.01.2018 (Sat) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 21.01.2018 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay. MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 22.01.2018 (Mon) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 23.01.2018 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay. Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings for Hut Bay on 20th & 22nd Jan., 2018 will be issued to the general public from 18.01.2018 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.

19.01.2018 (FRIDAY)

BARATANG
MV Choudhari will sail for Baratang on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1515 Hrs from Baratang.

HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND

MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock. MV Katchal will sail for Neil Island on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs. from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

HUT BAY

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RANGAT

MV Strait Island will sail for Rangat via Havelock and Long Island on 19.01.2018 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

20.01.2018 (SATURDAY)

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RANGAT, DIGLIPUR

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MV Katchal will sail for Diglipur on 20.01.2018 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Diglipur.

GST Council reduces... (Contd. from page 1)

Minister Shri Arun Jaitley said, the Fitment Committee has recommended to the GST Council about this which were considered.

Shri Jaitley said, it was also decided to simplify the return filing process by merging all three types of GST returns into a single return soon.

First of its kind... (Contd. from page 1)

conventional masonry work was found to be 25% cheaper, the DCF, ALHW added.

The Dy. Chief Engineer also expressed gratitude to the tourists, who voluntary came and handed over used PET bottles during construction of this special Security Room. Now, the ALHW is planning to use PET bottle for construction of more structures and also to invent different techniques for safe utilisation of these environmental pollutant. For any detail regarding methodology of construction using PET bottles, people may contact Shri M. A. Feroz, Junior Engineer (Civil), ALHW through email - ferozpb@yahoo.com.

PBMC advises candidates

Port Blair, Jan 18
The candidates appearing in the is for information for all concerned taking part in the recruitment exam for Lower Grade Clerk in PBMC on 21/01/2018 that if any spelling mistakes in the name of the candidates is found in the Hall Ticket and brought to the notice of the Invigilator by any candidate in the examination room, such candidates are advised to write the correct spelling of his/her name in the OMR sheet provided to him/her. Such corrections may also be made in the Council's copy of Hall Ticket by the Invigilator with signature. Under no circumstances, eligible bonafide candidates shall be restrained from appearing in the examination on account of minor spelling mistakes / typographical error in the Admission Certificate/ Hall Ticket.

Awareness prog. ... (Contd. from page 1)

with Quality Council of India has organized a one day awareness programme on Zero Defect Zero Effect (ZED) programme of Ministry of MSMEs, in its conference hall recently. The awareness programme was attended by around 85 MSMEs associated with Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Industrial Entrepreneurs Association, Sea Shell Association and various other Industrial Associations and artisans. Shri. Ajit Anand Director of Industries briefed about the scheme and requested the manufacturing units of these Islands to avail the benefits under 'Financial Support to MSMEs in ZED Certification Scheme'. The various incentives and benefits were explained by the officials visiting these Islands from Quality Council of India, Shri. Amit Sengupta and Shri. Adarsh. During the visit of the officials from Quality Council of India, free registration has been provided to the manufacturing units of these Islands under ZED Scheme from Jan.13 to 15, 2018.

MP visits ANIMERS, ... (Contd. from page 1)

like Unskilled for Rs:437/-, Semi Skilled for Rs: 494/-, Skilled for Rs: 579-, Clerical for Rs: 579/- and Highly Skilled for Rs: 637/- with effect from 01.01.2018. The Workers/Officials of the respective Departments expressed their gratitude to the MP for making efforts in getting the benefit of the Daily Wages Workers working in various Departments of A & N Islands since last many years.

Cultural prog. ... (Contd. from page 1)

occasion, the chief guest greeted the Telugu Community and lauded their contribution in the development of A&N Islands.

The PBMC Chairperson appreciated the brilliant performance of the children and youth of the area and congratulated Shri R.Someswara Rao, Councillor, Ward No:2 for organizing the event. Shri R. Someswara Rao, Councillor proposed vote of thanks at the end.

India test-fires... (Contd. from page 1)

20 minutes in today's launch. The missile is about 17 metres long, 2 metres wide and has a launch weight of around 50 tonnes. Today's test is the fifth developmental trial of the long-range missile, carried out by the Strategic Forces Command of Indian Army to check its operational readiness. Unlike other missiles of Agni series, the latest one 'Agni-5' is the most advanced having new technologies incorporated with it in terms of navigation and guidance, warhead and engine. The missile can hit most northern parts of China and other parts of Asia, Europe and Africa. Defence sources said after some few more trials, Agni-5 will be inducted into the Services. Once this missile is inducted into Services, India will join the super exclusive club of countries with Inter-Continental Ballistic Missiles alongside the US, Russia, China, France and the UK. The last test of the missile was conducted from the same test range on December 26, 2016.

Judge of Circuit ... (Contd. from page 1)

students for good legal practice. He motivated them to have access to legal database to learn the nuances of law. Justice Sambuddha also impressed upon the students to participate in the community service through legal aid and legal literacy programmes. He laid greater emphasis on the social responsibility of law students in building a healthy society. The Principal, OSD and faculty members also attended the interactive sessions, a communication said.

Firing practice

Port Blair, Jan 18
Firing practice by HQ 108 Mtn Bde will be carried out at Burma Nala and ANCEPTA, Brichgunj from 1000 hrs to 1200 hrs on Jan.19,2018.

State Level Monitoring... (Contd. from page 1)

electronics and solar vehicles besides tourism related projects where ever applicable. She stressed that more awareness programmes needs to be conducted in the Nicobar group of Islands pertaining to PMEGP, Mudra, Stand Up India and Start Up India schemes for the benefit of the people residing there. The Secretary also lauded the Banks, KVIB and DIC for achieving some of the targets and urged them to cover the remaining as well.

Earlier, welcoming the gathering, the Executive Officer, A&NI KVIB, Shri A Sinha Roy presented an overview on the salient features of PMEGP scheme, target wise performance under PMEGP scheme for the period from 2008-09 to 2016-17 of KVIB, DIC and the Banks. He also highlighted about the strategy, promotional activities carried out for the successful implementation of PMEGP scheme, awareness campaigns-cum-peoples education programmes conducted by A&NI KVIB, DIC, DLTF meetings conducted by KVIB & DIC, EDP trainings conducted through SBI-RSETI, tourism related projects , review of Mudra and Stand-Up-India schemes etc.

The Bankers also highlighted issues faced by them and assured to reach the target within the stipulated time.

Winter Olympics: North and South Korea to march under unified Korea flag

Seoul, Jan 18
North and South Korea have agreed to march together under a single unified Korea flag at next month's Winter Olympics in the South. They also agreed to field a joint women's ice hockey team in rare talks at the truce village of Panmunjom.

These are the first high-level talks between the countries in more than two years. It marks a thaw in relations that began in the new year when North Korea offered to send a team to the games. The games will take place between 9 and 25 February in Pyeongchang in South Korea.

Deaths mourned

Port Blair, Jan.18
The PCC President, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma and all senior leaders of Congress party have mourned the demise of Shri Beant Singh, who passed away on Jan 14 and Shri Raja Ram, Ex-Up-Adhyaksha, ZPSA who passed away at Chennai recently. The ex-Adhyaksha, ZPSA Ms V.K. Mariyam Bibi has also mourned the demise of Shri R.Rajaram. The Management Committee, members and inmates of Seva Niketan have mourned the demise of Shri Beant Singh, President of Seva Niketan and former Director of Education A&N Administration who expired on Jan.14.