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PM launches National Rurban Mission

Raipur, Feb 21

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, today launched the National Rurban Mission from Kurubhat, in Rajnandgaon district of Chhattisgarh.

Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister described the Rurban Mission as one which would enable cluster based development - with a "rural soul and urban amenities." He said this scheme would complement the Smart Cities initiative by creating Smart Villages. The Prime Minister described Rurban clusters as centres of economic activity, which would spur growth, and improve the quality of life in nearby villages.

The Prime Minister said the country is taking a new direction of development. He said one example of this was that the important Rurban mission was being launched not from New Delhi, but from Kurubhat, in Rajnandgaon district of Chhattisgarh. He said that Government was now being brought to the doorstep of the villages and the tribal communities. The Prime Minister congratulated villages and communities of nearby areas for achieving Open Defecation Free status.



Earlier, the Prime Minister visited an exhibition at the venue, which showcased the implementation of development schemes, and handicrafts.

India pledges 250 million dollars for post-earthquake re-construction in Nepal

New Delhi, Feb 21

India has pledged 250 million dollars for post-earthquake re-construction in Nepal. An MoU in this regard was signed between Foreign Ministers of both countries after the bilateral talks between Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and visiting Nepalese Prime Minister Shri K P Sharma Oli yesterday.

100 million dollars will be utilised for construction of 50,000 houses in 14 severely affected districts. 50 million each will be utilised in health, education and cultural heritage sectors in 31 earthquake affected districts of Nepal. Nearly 9,000 people were killed in the earthquake and aftershocks in Nepal last year. Nearly a million houses and buildings were damaged. India and Nepal yesterday also inked nine agreements in fields like road infrastructure, arts and culture and railways. Besides, Shri Modi and Mr Oli inaugurated 400 KV Muzzafarpur-Dhalkebar transmission line.

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Upcoming Budget to be citizen-centric with focus on job creation: Minister

New Delhi, Feb 21

The upcoming Budget will be citizen-centric with a focus on farm sector, job creation and eradication of poverty. This was stated by Minister of State for Finance Shri Jayant Sinha yesterday in his pre-Budget message on Finance Ministry's

YouTube channel. Shri Sinha said, the budget will be forward-looking and it will ensure that India continues to be a haven of stability and growth in a turbulent global environment. The Budget, which will be presented on the 29th of this month, will be the

second full-fledged Budget of the ruling NDA government. The International Monetary Fund has kept India's growth projection unchanged at 7.3 per cent in the current fiscal. As for the world growth, IMF forecast is 3.4 per cent for 2016.

Ensuring uniqueness & quality

Logos invited for Sagarika Govt Emporium, Brand Andaman & Andaman Organic

Port Blair, Feb 21

In the modern market, branding is necessity for conveying the promise of uniqueness and quality. It has therefore been felt that Andaman & Nicobar Islands must have its own USP which differentiates its product from others.

Towards this end, the Directorate of Industries,

Andaman & Nicobar Administration is organizing a competition wherein Logos for Sagarika Government Emporium, Brand Andaman & Andaman Organic are invited from interested general public in Hard and Soft Copy.

The logos submitted in the said competition will be the

property of Directorate of Industries, A&N Administration and will be used as deemed fit by the Administration. All the contributions will be screened by a committee. The top entries in each category would be suitably rewarded.

Meanwhile, the last date for receiving the design of

Logos has been extended and should now reach Directorate of Industries by March 2, 2016.

Any enquiries in this regard may be made at Directorate of Industries, Andaman & Nicobar Administration Middle Point, Port Blair on any working day over ph. no. 232395.

Odisha govt launches 'Pucca Ghara Yojana'

Bhubaneswar, Feb 21

The Odisha Government on Saturday launched Pucca Ghara Yojana for construction workers of the state. Under the Yojana, the Government will provide an assistance of Rs. 1 lakh to each registered construction worker of the state for construction of house. Inaugurating the scheme in Bhubaneswar on Saturday, Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik said

Banks urged to make timely disbursement of financial assistance to beneficiaries: Dy Commissioner

Port Blair, Feb 21

The District Consultative Committee/ District Level Review Committee (DCC/ DLRC) meeting was held in the conference hall of District Office, South Andaman District here on Friday. The Chairman DCC/DLRC, Shri Vijay Kumar Bidhuri, Deputy Commissioner (SA) presided over the meeting, which was attended by officials from banks and scheme implementing Department/ agencies.

The Chairman, while addressing the meeting impressed upon the need for disbursing financial assistance to the PMEGP projects, which have been selected and distributed among the

banks in the Islands. He said that the PMEGP beneficiaries are motivating force for others to take up economic activities under the scheme and therefore banks should make timely disbursement of financial assistance to beneficiaries, he said.

On the Credit : Disbursement (C:D) ratio, Shri Bidhuri said that though there has been a slight improvement in the C:D ratio, efforts need to be initiated to achieve it up to the national bench mark of 72%. Bankers need to identify potential borrowers and sanction loan to prospective entrepreneurs to achieve the bench mark of C:D ratio, he said

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'Job Mela' at ITF Ground from March 11 to 13

Port Blair, Feb 21

The Directorate of Employment & Training, A&N Administration will be conducting a 'Job Mela' in the ITF Ground on March 11, 12 & 13, 2016 from 2 pm to 8 pm. The objective of the 'Job Mela' is to facilitate the placement of job-seekers during this event in various private sectors like schools, banks, tours & travels, hotels, civil construction work, automobile, security agencies, hospital etc.

All interested job seekers have been urged to participate in the three day job mela.

Meanwhile, the private job providers/employers of private establishment/ agencies have also been requested to participate in the job mela. They will be provided separate rooms, sector wise, for the purpose of conducting interview of candidates. They may also submit their requirement/vacancies in advance to Vocational Guidance Officer, Employment Exchange, (contact no. 9434289382, fax 03192-232462), a communication from the Employment Officer, Employment Exchange, Port Blair said.

94.50% children covered under second round of PPI

Port Blair, Feb 21

The second round of Pulse Polio Immunization Programme was conducted today in the entire Union Territory. As many as 628 fixed booths were made functional for carrying over the PPI smoothly. Arrangements were made to cover the children at bus

terminals, harbours and in religious places while arrangements were also made to cover the children travelling by Inter Island vessels as well as at Veer Savarkar International Airport, Port Blair.

In A&N Islands, more than 27379 children in the age group of 0-5 years

were administered polio vaccine on 1st day today, which include Port Blair area 5645 children and 639 children in defense area. Total 94.50% children have been covered on 1st day, which will be followed by two days' house to house visit on Feb 22 & 23, 2016, a communication said.

Dr. Lall urges Administration for development of Botanical Garden at Haddo

Port Blair, Feb 21

The Member, Heritage Committee and Member of the Penal Settler (1860's), Dr. Rohindra Lall has strongly advocated for development of the Botanical Garden at Haddo. In a letter addressed to the Lt Governor, a copy of which has been released to the Press, Dr. Lall has given adequate reasons for taking the proposed Botanical Garden project forward at the same land at Haddo. Mentioning about the historical past of the land, he said that the present land in question i.e (land of around 10 hectares in Ward no.2 at Haddo) was a horticulture garden which

was developed immediately after Independence in 1950s at an area of 10 hector land for cultivating different types of horticulture flower, fruit plants, for distribution amongst the local gardeners as samples. The place was also used as quarantine for the species brought from the mainland.

He further stated that the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has already introduced the scheme of developing

Smart City in the country; one of the main concepts of the project being increasing the green cover of the city through development of large scale plantation and urban forestry and keeping the heritage intact.

In the given situation, the Administration should go ahead with the development of the Botanical Garden at Haddo, which will not only provide better green cover

Regional Officer, Coir Board interacts with coir artisans of Neil Kendra

Port Blair, Feb 21

The Regional Officer i/c of Coir Board for Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry and Andaman & Nicobar Islands regions Shri G.Poopalan was on a visit to these Islands as part of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Skill Development which

visited A&N Islands recently. As part of his visit, the Regional Officer alongwith OIC, Coir Board, Port Blair, Shri Manoj visited Neil Island on Feb 20 wherein a function was held at Neil Kendra Gram Panchayat Bhawan to mark

Birth of Gir Twin Calves



Port Blair, Feb 21

A cow belonging to Shri. Sadananda Mondal, farmer of Govinda Nagar Village, Havelock gave birth to twin female calves, which is very rare in cows. This Holstein Friesian cross breed cow was artificially inseminated with "Gir" breed germ-plasm at Veterinary Dispensary, Havelock. The farmer is very happy on having these twin healthy female calves born through adoption of Artificial Insemination. "Gir" cows are pure red in colour, yield high milk producing, and sturdy animals belonging to the breeding tracts of Gujarat.

Army Recruitment; candidates advised

Port Blair, Feb 21

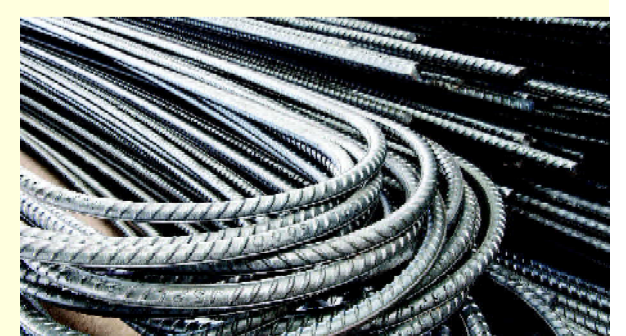
Candidates who have cleared the Army Recruitment Common Entrance Exam held on Jan 31, 2016, have been asked to report to Director Recruiting RO (HQ) at 10 am on Feb 25, 2016 at JNRM Football Stadium, for further recruitment formalities and documentation, a communication from Director Recruiting (HQ), Chennai, Col. A.D. Pitre said here today.

Port Blair, Feb 21 Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation Ltd (ANIIDCO) has a steel stockyard in the industrial Estate, Dollygunj, Port Blair, having storage facility of 500 MT and 40MT Electronic weigh bridge. After request and suggestions from buyers, a 'Single Window System' has been started at this

Stockyard so that general public or interested parties can directly purchase the required items by making cash payment from this counter.

After introduction of this single window system, there has been a huge rise of about 60% in sales of the TMT Bars to private parties. TMT Bars manufactured by SAIL as primary produce has good

elasticity compared to secondary produce and Andaman being a seismic 5 zone people should go for primary produce which is also cost effective. Sales of TMT Bars to private parties was nearly 500 MT in financial year 2014-15 where as it has reached 820 MT as of now. This shows that private parties are interested in purchasing TMT Bars



manufactured by SAIL as primary produce. It is known that ANIIDCO is Consignment Agent of

SAIL who has established standards throughout the country. (Contd. on last page)

'Single Window System' at Dollygunj stockyard

Huge jump in ANIIDCO's sale of TMT bars to private parties

SPORTS

Brendon McCullum a fantastic cricketer, who entertains crowd: Mahendra Singh Dhoni

New Delhi, Feb 21
India's limited-overs skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni on Tuesday heaped praise on retiring New Zealand skipper Brendon McCullum.
McCullum, who is playing in his last international match against Australia before hanging his cricketing boots, smashed the fastest ton in Test history on Day 1 of the 2nd Test on Sunday.
The right-hander scored a century off just 54 balls, providing great entertainment to the home fans.
Before heading for the Asia Cup, scheduled to start from February 24 in Bangladesh, when MSD was asked about the swashbuckling Kiwi batsman, Dhoni said that he has entertained the crowd with his batting.
"McCullum is a fantastic cricketer, a player who entertains the crowd," said Dhoni.
While playing in Indian Premier League (IPL), McCullum played a lot of cricket under the captaincy of Dhoni, who headed the now suspended Chennai Super Kings. Earlier, the fastest Test century record was with West Indian great Viv Richards, who took 56 balls to reach the three-figure mark against England in Antigua in 1986.
Though, the mark was then equaled by Pakistan's Misbah-ul-Haq against Australia in Abu Dhabi in 2014.

WUSHU expert congratulated

Port Blair, Feb 21
For the first time in the history of A&N Islands in the field of Martial Arts, M.S. Murugan, Officer of A&N Police (IRBn), a WUSHU expert honorary Chief Coach has participated as Judge in the 12th South Asian Games, Shillong, Meghalaya organised by Govt. of India in association with Indian Olympic Association from Feb 4 to 11.
For his achievement, the WUSHU Association, A&N Islands, all association members and Island's WUSHU

fans as well as the Technical Chairman, South Asian WUSHU Federation, Nepal, Sh. Ching Chi Choy of Technical Delegate, WUSHU Federation of Asia, Sh. Shambhu Seth, Competition Director of 12th South Asian Games - 2016, Shillong, Meghalaya, Sh. Bhupender Singh Bajwa, President, Sh. Suhel Ahmed, General Secretary of WUSHU Association of India respectively have congratulated him, a communication said.

Open league-cum-knockout cricket tourney

Rangat, Feb 21
An open league-cum-knockout T-20 cricket tournament is being organised from March 10, 2016 at Mini Stadium, Rangat. The interested teams may contact Shri Deepak Ram over ph. No.09474219641 or Shri M. Sonai Muthu over ph. No.09474203426 and submit their 18 member team list along with the entry fee of Rs.15000/- by March 1. Fixture will be drawn on March 3.

YFC Haddo lifts YCOB Unity Cup Volleyball Championship



Port Blair, Feb 21
The final match of YCOB Unity Cup Volleyball Championship - 2016, season-III was held the forest ground, Ograbraj today between YFC Haddo and A&N Police. The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri. Vijay Kumar Bidhuri was the chief guest on the occasion. While speaking, he lauded the efforts of Youth Club Ograbraj for organizing such a big event in the rural area.
Guest of honour Smt. Minoti Biswas, Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman in her address also lauded the remarkable rise of Youth Club and promised to provide all assistance from Zilla Parishad.



The team of YFC Haddo won the final in a straight three sets by 25-23, 25-23 and 25-21 in contrasting styles. Apart from the winners and runners trophies, both the teams were presented with a cash award of Rs.10000/- and Rs.5000/- respectively besides medals and certificates.
Shri Prashant of YFC Haddo was adjudged man of the Tournament while the man of the match for final contest was also bagged by him. Sh. Subir Chander, Up-Adyakh Z.P.S.A was also present on the occasion.
In his address Shri. Safuvan, Secretary, YCOB thanked the

State Athletic C'ship rescheduled

Port Blair, Feb 21
The State Athletics Championship-cum-Selection Trial for State Athletic Team for National Athletics Championship, which was scheduled to be held on Feb 27 & 28, 2016, has now been re-scheduled to be held on March 2 & 3 at Netaji Stadium. In this regard, all interested units, institutions, govt. departments, clubs and individual athletes have been requested to register their entries in the State Olympic Office at Netaji Stadium by Feb 29, 2016, a communication said.

Annual Training Camp of Bharat Scouts & Guides held



Port Blair, Feb 21
The Bharat Scouts & Guides organised a 4 days Annual Training Camp for school students from Feb 18 to 21 at GMS Lalta Singh Ground, Haddo with the help of Trained Scout Masters and Guide Captains. Altogether 100 Cubs and Bulbuls from 14 different schools of South Andaman Educational Zone participated in the one day Cub and Bulbul Utsav held on Feb 18 on the first day.
Three days residential Annual Training Camp for Scouts and Guides was held from Feb 19 to 21. The grand campfire/closing ceremony of the camp was held on Feb 20 at GMS Lalta Singh Ground, Haddo. Shri. Dharmendra Kumar, General Manager, ANIIDCO was the chief guest for the closing ceremony. The chief guest

Dr. Lall urges ...

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& create a tourists' spot in town but will also be useful for the botanists and researchers of these Islands.
He further urged the Administration to maintain all Govt. wooden office buildings & quarters, built either in pre independence or immediately after independence period. He also advocated for saving more wooden structures and urged the Administration to come out with a clear policy of no more construction of govt. buildings and quarters in the Municipal town. Instead the available vacant space in the Municipal area should be utilized for making children's park and parking space for the vehicles, Dr. Lall said in his letter.

Rafael Nadal stunned by 45th-ranked Pablo Cuevas in semi-final

Rio de Janeiro, Feb 21
World number five Rafael Nadal was ousted in the ATP Rio Open semi-finals on Saturday, falling to 45th-ranked Pablo Cuevas 6-7 (6/8), 7-6 (7/3), 6-4.
Uruguay's Cuevas denied the 29-year-old Spanish left-hander his 100th career ATP final by outlasting 14-time Grand Slam champion Nadal over three hours and 28 minutes on his beyond red clay surface. Cuevas, who fired the last of his 11 aces on the final point of the match, will play for the title on Sunday against Argentina's 71st-ranked Guido Pella, who eliminated Austrian fifth seed Dominic Thiem 6-1, 6-4. Nadal converted only two of 13 break-point chances and made 33 unforced errors against 32 winners while Cuevas, 30, blasted 48 winners against 37 unforced errors. In the first tie-breaker, Nadal sent a forehand long and double faulted to squander his first two set points but followed with a forehand crosscourt winner before Cuevas sent a backhand wide to end the 77-minute opening set.

LPG consumers attached with CCS Limited advised

Port Blair, Feb 21
All the LPG consumers attached with CCS Limited have been informed that submission of their Aadhaar Number at the Distributorship is necessary for incorporating the same with their connection data as it will enable continuity of subsidy deposit to their Bank account. The submission of Aadhaar Number will also benefit the consumers as they need not to submit Bank Account Number.
Therefore, all the LPG Consumers of CCS Limited have been requested to submit copy of Aadhaar Card along with LPG Consumer Number to the LPG Showroom at Delanipur in person or by SMS to 9476033197 in the format of (Cons. No.- Aadhaar No.- Mobile No.) on or before 10th of March, 2016. Consumers can also submit the same at any of the nearest branch of CCS Limited.
The LPG Consumers, who do not have DGCC (LPG Consumer Card) have been requested to avail the same from the LPG Showroom at Delanipur, a communication said.

Regional Officer, ...

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the congregation of coir artisans promoted by the Yuvasakthi (NGO). During his interaction with the coir artisans, the Regional Officer applauded the role of islands' women in nation making through skill development in coir.
While explaining about various schemes available for women empowerment and social development through Coir Board, Shri Poopalan also pledged the support of Coir Board in forming cluster of artisans and forming women SHGs for taking their entrepreneurial strides forward.
Shri G.Poopalan, in the presence of Shri Ram Krishna, Pradhan of the Village, handed over a bunch of application forms for formation of Coir Handicraft Clusters in Andaman & Nicobar Islands, a communication said here today.

Celebration of National...

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the Institute and interact with the scientists.
The National Science Day - 2016 is being conducted under the guidance of Dr. S. Dam Roy, Director, ICAR-CIARI from Feb 23 to 29, 2016 at its Garacharma Research Complex.
For details one can contact, Dr. S.K. Zamir Ahmed, Pr. Scientist & Organizing Secretary on ph no 09434262869 & Co-Organizing Secretaries, Dr. Jaisunder, Pr. Scientist on ph no 09434281240, Dr. Nagesh Ram, Sr. Scientist & Head on ph no 09474225222 and Amit Srivastava, Senior Technical Officer on ph no 09679530821.

'Single Window System'...

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According to a press release, ANIIDCO is selling TMT Bars in sizes of 08mm to 25mm of Grade Fe-500, Fe-500 D (Fe-500 is standardized by BIS for earthquake resistance) and HCRM (High Corrosion Resistant Material) and also supplies MS Plates, MS Channel & MS Angles of primary products from M/s SAIL, Chennai to Govt. Departments and Private parties.
Prices of TMT Bars in different categories for Private Parties are as follows:

Name of Item	Selling Price for Private Parties
08mm FE - 500 D	40037.00
10mm FE - 415D	39890.00
12mm FE - 500D	37937.00
16mm FE - 500 D	38462.00
20mm FE - 500 D	38345.00

WEATHER

Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 31° C and 25° C respectively on Monday 22/02/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
Maximum Temperature (°C): 31.8
Minimum Temperature (°C): 24.2
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 075
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 082
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0538
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1728
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: 71.0 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA

DIVIYUM TALKIES

Following is the Schedule for Week Feb 19 - 25
Neerja - (Hindi U) - 1:00 PM, 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Loveshudda - (Hindi UA) - 1:30 PM
Miruthan - (Tamil UA) - 4:30 PM
Sethupati - (Tamil U) - 7:30 PM
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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

The cargo vessel MV Badam will sail for Neil Island and Havelock on 26.02.2016 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo/Chatham Wharf and will sail for Port Blair immediately after discharging/loading of Cargo at respective ports.
Note: Booking of cargo tickets for the above sailing will commence from 22.02.2016 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.

22.02.2016 (MONDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island. Cargo booking will commence from 20.02.2016 onwards 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 Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.
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MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 22.02.2016 (Mon) 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 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 2000 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.
RANGAT, MAYABUNDER & DIGLIPUR
MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Kadamtala and Long Island on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 0615 Hrs from Rangat via same route.
MV Rani Changa will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on 22.02.2016 (Mon) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Diglipur via Mayabunder.

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AATO President..

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opening of tourist spots on all days and issuing of advance tickets for Jolly Buoy/ Redskin Island.
The Association welcomed the decision of DSS to introduce the system of issuing return tickets for tourists visiting Neil & Havelock Islands but at the same time requested for change in advance ticketing system. The present system forces the guest to purchase their one side travel tickets from private boat operators which is not possible for all guests as lot of people travel to Port Blair on LTC while it is not fair to force tourists to buy tickets from private boats. The AATO President suggested that DSS should ensure issuance of both side tickets to guests by increasing the period of advance ticketing system as they do for mainland sector and also requested for plying of boats between Havelock and Neil.
He also requested for increasing the rates of pre-paid cab services here too.
Display of rates at Rajiv Gandhi Water Sports Complex by Tourism Department, formation of Co-Ordination Committee for tourism consisting of Tourism Stake Holders and official, training for Tourist Guides, connectivity of tourist spots by roads were the other notable issues highlighted by the Association.

Odisha govt..

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1200 registered construction workers would be included in the first phase of the scheme.
Shri Patnaik said that the Government will provide Rs. 10 crore assistance to over 25 thousand registered construction workers of the state.