

PM pays rich tribute to Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya at BHU centenary convocation

Varanasi, Feb 22 Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today called upon students to work innovatively to bring solution for challenges facing India and the world. Addressing centenary year convocation today at Banaras Hindu University campus, the Prime Minister lauded the role played by the university in its one hundred years. Remembering Mahamana Madan Mohan Malviya's great role and sacrifices for the university, he appealed to students that they should follow the core of Mahamana's vision for the university



where education with values and tradition are equally important. On this occasion, Prime Minister and Chancellor of the University Dr. Karan Singh gave away BHU medals to 34 meritorious students.

Government planning to open up 5 A&N Islands to tourists: Minister

New Delhi, Feb 22 The Centre is considering a proposal to open up five islands of Andaman and Nicobar to tourists to promote them as eco-tourism destinations, Union Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar said today. The Andaman and Nicobar archipelago comprises more than 500 islands, many of which are uninhabited and restricted. Shri Javadekar said during his recent trip to Andaman and Nicobar he explored the potential for developing five islands from tourism perspective. "I went to the place recently to meet people. It is 94 per cent forest and rest is Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ). The place is so beautiful it can easily beat Thailand and Phuket... But due to our policies we could not open it for public. "We have prepared a plan and we are working on it to develop five islands of the place for eco-tourism without disturbing their forests," he said while taking part in a budget programme of 'AajTak'. The Minister said a group of five ministries is collectively working on the concept of island development to make them tourism destinations.



District Planning Committee meeting held at Zilla Parishad, North & Middle Andaman



Port Blair, Feb 22 District Planning Committee meeting was successfully conducted in the Conference Hall of Zilla Parishad, North & Middle Andaman District on Feb 19 & 20, 2016. The DPC meeting, chaired by the Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, N&M Andaman, Smti Prabhathi Biswas was also attended by the Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray on both the days. The Home Secretary, who is also Secretary (Civil Aviation/ RD, PRIs & ULBs), Shri N.K.Sharma, Secretary (Finance), Shri Ajay Singla, PCCF (Wildlife), Shri M.S.Negi, Chief Engineer, APWD, Shri Mathura Das, besides HoDs and representatives of various Departments namely Civil Supplies &

Affairs, Information & Publicity, Social Welfare, Industries, Tourism, Science & Technology, Health, RD/ PRIs attended the DPC meetings. Shri N.K.Sharma and Shri

Budget Session of Parliament to begin today

New Delhi, Feb 22 Budget Session of Parliament will begin from tomorrow (Feb 23). Since it is the first session of the new calendar year, it will begin with the address of President Shri Pranab Mukherjee to the joint sitting of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha. During the session, the Rail Budget will be presented on 25th and General Budget on 29th of this month. The first phase of the Session will come to an end on 16th of next month. The second phase will start from 25th April and conclude on 13th May. The government has prioritised 32 items for the session including 11 Bills pending in the Rajya Sabha and one in the Lok Sabha (Contd. on last page)

Raj Niwas opens to public from Feb 25 to 28

Port Blair, Feb 22 Raj Niwas, the official residence of the Lieutenant Governor of the A & N Islands, will be opened to the general public from February 25 to 28, 2016. People can visit and see the gardens and other attractions of Raj Niwas on the above mentioned dates between 3.30 pm & 5.30 pm.

Dharna by BJP today

Port Blair, Feb 22 On the issue concerning the recent turn of events at the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Delhi, the A&N Islands unit of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) will organise a dharna at 5 pm in front of the Gandhi Statue at Mohanpura on Feb 23, 2016. All the party workers, elected public representatives, PRIs and members of the general public have been requested to assemble for the cause at the given time and venue tomorrow, a communication from the State Secretary, BJP, A&N Islands said here today.

No Public Hearing at Raj Niwas

Port Blair, Feb 22 There will be no Public Hearing by the Lt Governor at Raj Niwas on 23.02.2016, an official communication said.

Chartered flight tickets on Kolkata-Port Blair sector available

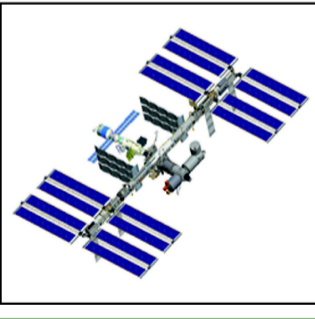
Port Blair, Feb 22 Tickets for travel from Kolkata to Port Blair and Port Blair to Kolkata in the chartered flight scheduled on 25th February, 2016 and subsequent flights on every Thursdays are available for Islanders and Non-Islanders at the following prices.

- a). Islanders ticket - Rs. 5000/- one way.
- b). Non-Islanders ticket - Rs. 9000/- one way.

Passengers intending to travel in the inaugural night chartered flight from Port Blair to Kolkata and from Kolkata to Port Blair on 25th February, 2016 and forthcoming flights on every Thursdays can book their tickets at the Inter-Island Helicopter terminal, VIP Road, Port Blair between 9 am to 4 pm on all working days. Tickets for sector Kolkata to Port Blair can also be booked at the office of the Dy. Resident Commissioner, Andaman & Nicobar Bhawan, No. 7, D.P. Block, Sector 5, Salt Lake, Kolkata- 91 between 10 am to 4 pm, a communication from the Dy. Director, Civil Aviation said here today.

Demo on spotting International Space Station

Port Blair, Feb 21 The Port Blair Science Centre located at Good will Estate, Corbyn's cove road shall be arranging a demonstration to spot the International Space Station which shall be passing over Port Blair sky as per details given below:-



| Date & time | Visible Duration | Max height | Appears | Disappears |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 23 rd Feb 2016 6.22 pm | 5 min | 78 ^o | 10 ^o above NNW | 19 ^o above SE |
| 25 th Feb 2016 6.17 pm | 2 min | 23 ^o | 23 ^o above SW | 10 ^o above S |

Since the Port Blair sky is the most cleanest sky having no light interference, it becomes easy to spot the Space Station which shall be passing over the Port Blair sky at an height of 400 kms with a speed of 27,400 km per hour. Further, the Science Centre shall be screening a video clips of expedition No 33 on Captain Sunita William's conversation with the ground station from the space.

The programme starts at 6 pm on Feb 23, 2016 with a communication said.

South Andaman Police solves robbery case; 2 arrested

Port Blair, Feb 22 In a major breakthrough, the staff of South Andaman Police has solved a robbery and arson case and arrested two persons involved in it. On 21/02/16, at around 0230 hrs, information was received at PS Aberdeen that the complainant and his friend went to Marina Park to learn Motor Cycle riding and in the meantime, two persons came there and introduced themselves as police personnel and asked them to produce their documents. The offenders threatened to kill them with a gun and robbed their money and set afire their motorcycle which compelled the victims to leave the spot. (Contd. on last page)

UTLBC meeting today

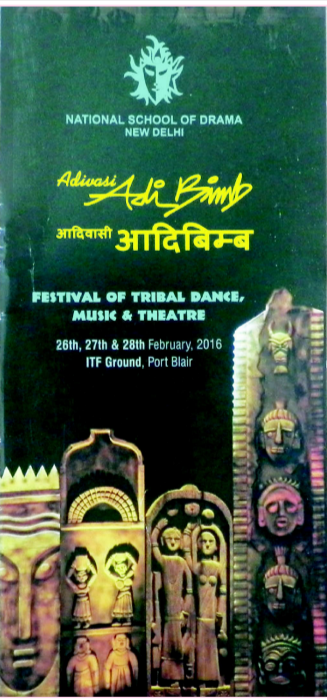
Port Blair, Feb 22 Union Territory Level Bankers' Committee (UTLBC) meeting will be held at Megapode Nest at 11 am on Feb 23, 2016. The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anand Prakash will be the guest of honour of the meeting which will also be attended by higher authorities from Reserve Bank of India, FIDD, Kolkata, NABARD and banking sector apart from senior officials from the govt. departments and developmental agencies. The meeting to be held under the Chairmanship of General Manager, State Bank of India will review the performance upto December 2015 quarter under Annual Credit Plan 2015-16 and various govt. sponsored schemes, a communication said.

Guru Puja Divas at SNM

Port Blair, Feb 22 Sant Nirankari Mandal (SNM), Port Blair is going to celebrate Guru Puja Divas at Sat Sang Bhavan, Junglighthat on Feb 23 from 4 pm to 7 pm which will include congregation, sat sangh, divine messages through devotional song, dance, skit by small children and mahaprush. This day is being observed all over the world to celebrate the birth day of Nirankari Baba 'Hardev Singh Ji Maharaj' as Guru Puja Divas.

Festival of Tribal Dance, Music & Theatre at ITF Ground from Feb 26-28

Port Blair, Feb 22 The National School of Drama, New Delhi in collaboration with the Department of Art & Culture, A & N Administration will be organizing 'Adivasi Adi Bimb' - Festival of Tribal Dance, Music & Theatre at ITF Ground from Feb 26-28, 2016. About 250 tribal artists from all over the country including Nicobari and Karen artists from these Islands shall take part in the festival. 'Adi Bimb' is a beautifully conceptualized festival to create awareness and spread the taste of the rich heritage of tribal culture among the new generations. The festival will be inaugurated by the Chief Secretary, A & N Administration as chief guest at 6 pm at ITF Ground on Feb 26. Shri Rakesh Bali, Secretary (Art & Culture) will be the guest of honour at the inaugural function which will be presided over by Shri Ratan Thiyam, Chairman, National School of Drama Society. Established in 1950, the National School of Drama is one of the foremost theatre training institutions in the world and the only one of its kind in India, a communication from the Director (Art & Culture) said here today.



40 bedded Girls' hostel under phase -I to be ready by March this year

Port Blair, Feb 22 A 100 bedded Girls' Hostel for students of Girls' School will come up at the School campus soon. Apart from accommodation facilities for inmates, the new Hostel will have facilities such as recreation hall, visitors' hall, warden's office, dining hall and kitchen. The Hostel project is being constructed in a phased manner. Accordingly, under phase -I, the construction work for 40 bed facilities including kitchen and dining hall has already been taken up, 80 percent work of which is complete and is expected to be ready by March 31, 2016.



The Hostel is meant for students of Girls' School and is being constructed under Education Department by building is Rs 2.13 crore, the APWD. The estimated APWD sources informed our Reporter.

SPORTS

WEATHER

Partly cloudy sky. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 23°C respectively on Tuesday 23/02/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
 Maximum Temperature (°C): 31.0
 Minimum Temperature (°C): 22.6
 Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 063
 Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 070
 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
 Online booking at www.ticketnew.com
 For queries only 8373010002

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 ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

CARGO SERVICE:
 Due to delay in arrival of the vessel from Southern Group of Islands, the announced schedule of the cargo vessel MV Badam from Neil Island and Havelock on 26.02.2016 has been cancelled. However, further schedule of the vessel will be promulgated in due course.
 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.

23.02.2016 (TUESDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
 MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
 MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.
 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 North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 23.02.2016 (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 North Passage will sail for Havelock on 23.02.2016 (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 23.02.2016 (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).
 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 Havelock on 23.02.2016 (Tue) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

24.02.2016 (WEDNESDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
 MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 24.02.2016 (Wed) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
 MV Rani Changa will sail for Neil Island on 24.02.2016 (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 Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 24.02.2016 (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 Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 24.02.2016 (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 24.02.2016 (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 24.02.2016 (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 Jolly Buoy will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Strait Island and Long Island on 24.02.2016 (Wed) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 25.02.2016 (Thu) at 0615 Hrs from Rangat via same route.
 MV Kamorta will sail for Diglipur on 24.02.2016 (Wed) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Diglipur.
 Cargo booking will commence from 22.02.2016 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.

25.02.2016 (THURSDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
 MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 25.02.2016 (Thu) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
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 MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 25.02.2016 (Thu) 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 25.02.2016 (Thu) at 2000 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 26.02.2016(Fri) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay.
26.02.2016 (FRIDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
 MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 26.02.2016 (Fri) 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 26.02.2016 (Fri) 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 24.02.2016 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.
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Vijender's maiden title bout set for June 11 tentatively



New Delhi, Feb 22
 Star Indian boxer Vijender Singh's maiden professional title bout was today tentatively scheduled for June 11 at the Indira Gandhi Indoor stadium here with the event's sanctioning authority -- the World Boxing Organisation (WBO) -- promising a "historic and epic" contest.
 Vijender, who is three fights old in the pro circuit having won all of them via knockouts, will be gunning for either the WBO middleweight or the super-middleweight title.
 His opponent will be worked out in the next few weeks. "It is the right time for him to fight for his first title. In fact it is definitely the right time commercially because we think, it would be huge for him to fight in India. Before the June event, he has three fights in the UK. First is on March 12 in Liverpool, then he will fight on April 2 and April 30. After a bit of break, he will be fighting for either the WBO middleweight or the super middleweight title," Vijender's UK-based promoters - Queensberry Promotions' Francis Warren said.
 "We are going to look at which title is available. It is not about the belt but finding the right opponent for him. We will make the right decision for him. His progress so far has been exceptional. He has adapted very well and works very hard. Initially the plan was to have his India fight in September but June seems perfect and we might come back again in the next couple of months," he added.

Cricket is now a career option for youngsters: Kapil Dev



New Delhi, Feb 22
 Former captain Kapil Dev on Monday doffed his hat at the rise of cricket as a career option for youngsters, saying that parents now encourage their children to take up the game to earn a living. "Now a cricketer can earn Rs. 10 crore for playing 40 days only (in the IPL). It is just fantastic. Cricket is a career option now," Kapil said during his address at the 7th Global Sports Summit organised by Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) in New Delhi. "Times have changed and the thought process has changed. Now parents say to their children 'if you do not want to study you can at least play cricket and become a Sachin Tendulkar or a Rahul Dravid,'" the 1983 cricket World Cup-winning captain said. Kapil asked the government to provide the required sports infrastructure, including play fields, and reduce tax on sports goods and equipments. "The corporate has done their part

by way of sponsorship and media have done their part by making sports, especially cricket, big. I think the government will have to do its part by giving sports infrastructure if India wants to produce champions," he said. "The government will have to provide the sports infrastructure. Reduce the tax on sports goods and equipments. I heard that shooters have issues on importing their equipment and ammunition. The government will have to make it easy to bring in sports goods and equipments by reducing taxes on these," he said in the presence of Sports Secretary Rajiv Yadav. He also said that every school in the country should have enough play fields. "Schools are the places from where talent will come and if there are not enough play fields, how will the country produce world champions.

Talent identification by SAI

Port Blair, Feb 22
 The Sports Authority of India in collaboration with the Directorate of Education and Department of Sports will conduct Talent Identification in Kayaking, Canoeing, Rowing and Cycling from Baratang to Diglipur from Feb 22 to Mar 1, 2016. A team of Coaches will be visiting schools and with help of Physical Education Teachers and after conducting anthropometric and fitness tests will identify talented boys and girls in the age group of 12-14 years. These selected boys and girls will undergo four weeks assessment camp before inducting them in the SAI Special Area Games Scheme. About 40 boys and girls will be inducted as residential trainees under a long term coaching programme in the SAG Centre at Port Blair.
 Meanwhile, talent scouting in football boys and girls and weight lifting has been completed at Car Nicobar. About 80 boys and girls are to be admitted in the SAI SAG Centre, Car Nicobar which is likely to start functioning in collaboration with the A&N Administration soon, a communication said.

Lakshya- Andaman Nicobar Colleges Youth Festival from today

Port Blair, Feb 22
 The Colleges of Higher Education, A&N Islands will be celebrating Lakshya-2016, Andaman Nicobar Colleges Youth Festival commencing from Feb 23 to 28, 2016 in which colleges viz. JNRM, TGCE, MGGC, SON, ANCOL, ANIMS, PU Brookshabad Campus, DIET and TTI will be participating in various cultural, sports and literary events. The fest, conducted after the gap of 6 years and is being coordinated by Dr. BR Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Port Blair. A number of activities will be organised on a daily basis during these days, at different venues, a communication said.



People asked to use water judiciously

Port Blair, Feb 22
 Due to acute shortage of water and drying of different water sources, a meeting with all PRI members were convened on Jan 11, 2016 in the chamber of Executive Engineer, RCD and it was decided that the drinking water under RCD Wimberlygunj shall be supplied to all general public/institution of Wimberlygunj Sub Division of every alternative days w.e.f Feb 22, 2016.
 In a press release received here today, the Executive Engineer, RCD, Wimberlygunj have requested everyone to utilize water judiciously. Utilization of the supplied water for gardening/construction etc, if noticed, the individual of such person shall be disconnected without any notice, a communication said.

South Andaman Police...

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 On this information, an investigative team comprising of S.I Pankaj Kumar Panday, ASI Henthoo, PC P.K Mondal, PC Ashok Kumar and PC Rasheed was constituted under the supervision of Insp. Mahesh Yadav, SHO PS Aberdeen. With strenuous efforts, the team succeeded in nabbing the accused namely Mohd. Arif @Munna R/o Round Basti and he was arrested and produced before the Hon'ble court of CJM. Later, another accused namely Om Prakash Kushwaha was also arrested by District Special Team, headed by ASI M.Rasheed and he will be produced before the Hon'ble Court of CJM, Port Blair. Further investigation is in progress. The entire investigation was closely monitored by Senior Police officials. The A&N Police is committed to keep the general public safe and secure and any crime should be reported to the Police Control Room immediately, a communication from the Superintendent of Police, South Andaman District said here today.

Zonal level sports competitions organized at Car Nicobar as part of 'Beti Bacho Beti Padhao' Programme

Car Nicobar, Feb 22
 The Integrated Child Development Project Office, Car Nicobar organized a two day Zonal Level Sports Competition at the John Richardson Stadium, Car Nicobar as part of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao programme recently. The events were flagged off by Shri. Akhil Kumar, Assistant Commissioner (HQ), Car Nicobar.



Altogether 272 girls from different schools of Car Nicobar participated in different sporting events viz. 100 mtr. race, 500 mtr. race, shot - put, long jump, and needle race.
 Separate Cycle Race from +Tsunami Memorial to John Richardson Stadium, Tamaloo in open to all categories for girls were also organized and

flagged off by Smti. Indira Devi, Child Development Project Officer. Later, while closing the two day programme a mother daughter one leg tied 100 mtr. walking was also organized. A large number of gatherings from different villages of Car Nicobar witnessed the event.
 The events were organized in coordination with Education Department, Car Nicobar and Dr. U. N. Chowdhary, Assistant Director (Sports), Car Nicobar.
 Earlier, Smti. Indira Devi, Child Development Project Officer welcomed the gathering and Smti. Nikhat Begum, Mukhya Sevika proposed the vote of thanks, a communication from the Child Development Project Officer said.

Open badminton tourney

Port Blair, Feb 22
 The Department of Sports & Youth Affairs is going to organize an Open Badminton Tournament from Feb 23 to 26, 2016 at Multipurpose Hall, Netaji Sports Complex, Port Blair. All men's singles matches will be played on Feb 23 from 5 pm onward as per fixture. All participants have been asked to collect the copy of the fixture from Assistant Director (Sports), Netaji Stadium at 10 am.
 In connection with the tournament, the multipurpose hall shall remain closed from Feb 23 to 26 for the members and non-members.

Power break

Port Blair, Feb 22
 The power supply will remain suspended at Wightmyo jetty to Shoalbay no.10 & 19 from 8 am to 4 pm on Feb 23 to Mar 6, 2016 in connection with replacement of faulty 33 KV AB cable between Wrightmyo jetty to Shoalbay No.10 & 19 to be carried out by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, Port Blair, a communication said.

MV Nicobar to sail from Kolkata on Feb 24

Port Blair, Feb 22
 The vessel MV Nicobar will now sail from Kolkata to Port Blair via Mayabunder on 24.02.2016 (under voyage No 723). In this regard, all passengers who are holding their tickets of MV Nicobar for the voyage No. 721 which could not maintain her sailing schedule from Kolkata on 10.02.2016 can avail the sailing of MV Nicobar on 24.02.2016 with the same ticket.

Health Ministry committed to improve Public Health infrastructure in the country: Minister

New Delhi, Feb 22
 In a bid to strengthen the public health infrastructure and medical education in the country, the Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare Shri J P Nadda gave a nod for the expansion of AIIMS Trauma Centre attached to AIIMS New Delhi, today. As part of this expansion, AIIMS has also been allotted 15 acres of the land by Delhi Development Authority. The expansion plan includes a Centre for Digestive Diseases, Centre for Endocrinology, Centre for ENT, a Spine Centre, a Bone Marrow Transplant Centre and Kidney Transplant Centre. To be built with a capacity of 1841 beds, the total project cost is estimated at Rs 2700 Crore. The total numbers of beds are spread across Trauma (445), Digestive (465),

ENT (334), Endocrinology (244), BMT (88), Kidney (63) and Spine (202). Union Health Minister Shri J P Nadda said, "The expansion of Trauma centre along with the upgradation of AIIMS in the states is a part of the sustained efforts by the Ministry to significantly improve the health infrastructure in the country."
 Shri Nadda further added, "The expansion plans of the Government would not only improve medical education but will also provide greater access to world class facilities to the citizens."
 The expansion of the AIIMS Trauma Centre is based on a green building concept and will have efficient management of energy and water resources. The building will further have features

like restoration and protection of health environmental quality, reinforcement of natural systems, enhancement and protection of health and indoor environmental quality, analysis of the life cycle costs and benefits of material and methods; and integration of the design decision-making process.
Budget Session...
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 besides transacting financial business related to budget. The Bills which will come up for consideration and passage in the Rajya Sabha include GST, Real Estate, Anti-Hijacking, National Waterways and Whistle Blowers Protection. In the Lok Sabha, the Lokpal and Lokayuktas Amendment Bill is among others which will be taken up for discussion and passage.

Intl. Mother Language Day celebrated

Port Blair, Feb 22
 To commemorate the 17th International Mother Language Day, a cultural get together was organised jointly by Aditya Natya Academy and Ananda Dhara in the premises of the Academy yesterday. The Vice President of Academy, Shri Sushen Kumar Pal presided over the function. The programme was started with a musical feature titled 'Amar Ekush' (compiled and directed by Raiusuddin Gayen) presented by Nanda Lal

Debsharma & Smt. Mina Mondal (in narration) and Raisuddin Gayen, as well as the students of Rabindra Bangla Vidyalaya (in songs). A couple of songs and poetry recital were presented by Shri Nanda Lal Das, Smt. Arunima Ghosh, Shri Kankan Mondal and Raiusuddin Gayen. The programme was conducted by Shri Anadiranjana Bhattacharjee and concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Vice President of the Academy, a communication said.

District Planning ...

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 pertaining to the respective departments were discussed at length.
 The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray thanked all and the Secretary (Home/RD/Civil Aviation) and Secretary (Finance) who remained present from morning to evening and played active role in healthy discussions in the 2 days DPC meeting and also thanked the Lt. Governor and the Chief Secretary in particular. Concluding the meeting, Adhyaksha, ZP, N&M Andaman thanked all present in the meeting and all the departments for successful conduct of the DPC meeting.
 All the members of the DPC thanked the Lt. Governor, Chief Secretary and the Secretary (Civil Aviation) for starting the promised Kolkata-Port Blair- Kolkata chartered flight from 25th February 2016. Immediately after conclusion of the DPC meeting, PRI representatives met the Secretary (RD) Shri N.K.Sharma who heard their issues separately and assured them to have the discussed issues to the logical end timely, a communication said here today.

