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## Transparency and accountability essential for local self governments: VP



Kochi, Nov 22

Vice President Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has said that transparency and accountability are very much essential for the effective functioning of local self governments. Inaugurating the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Kochi Municipal Corporation, he called upon the local self governments to find their own resources to fulfil the developmental works within the stipulated time. He said the public rightly wants corruption free, accountable, transparent and effective governments. The Vice President further said while the availability of funds might not pose a problem under various programs, including the Smart Cities initiatives launched by Union Government, the timely execution of the project must be accorded high priority.

## India successfully test-fires BrahMos from Sukhoi-30 fighter aircraft



New Delhi, Nov 22

The Brahmos supersonic cruise missile was today successfully test fired for the first time from the Indian Air Force's frontline Sukhoi-30 MKI combat jet, significantly bolstering the country's aerial prowess. The air-launched BrahMos missile is a 2.5-ton supersonic air to surface cruise missile with ranges

of more than 400 kms. The IAF is the first Air Force in the world to have successfully fired an air-launched 2.8 Mach surface attack missile of this category. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated all those associated with the maiden test fire of Brahmos Air Launched Missile. In a  
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## Cabinet approves Pradhan Mantri Mahila Shakti Kendra scheme

New Delhi, Nov 22

Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved a new scheme called 'Pradhan Mantri Mahila Shakti Kendra' (PM-MSK) to empower rural women through community participation. National level and State level structures will provide technical support to the respective government on issues related to women.

The district and block level Centres will provide support to PM-MSK and also give a foothold to 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' in 640 districts to be covered in a phased manner. More than 3 lakh student volunteers from local colleges will generate awareness about various important government schemes and programmes as well as social issues.

CCEA has also approved expansion and intensification of efforts for 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' (BBBP) through sustained nation-wide advocacy and media campaigns across all districts and focused multi-sectoral action in selected 405 districts of the country.

All low child sex ratio districts will be taken up in the first year itself under BBBP. 190 more Working Women Hostels will be set up to accommodate 19 thousand  
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## Trng. on 'water budgeting & management' held. Neet for sustainable management of fresh water resources in Isles stressed



Port Blair, Nov 22

A Tier-III Training Programme under Information, Education and Communication (IEC) activities of Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation (MoWR, RD&GR), was organized by the Central Ground Water Board on 'Water Budgeting and Management at Local Level', for capacity building of stakeholders in the seminar hall of JNRM here today. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (APWD), Shri Sanjeev Khirwar was the chief guest while Dr. N. Francis Xavier, Principal, JNRM and Dr. Pearl

Devas, HOD, Geography were present as guest of honour and special guest in the programme. In his address, the Commissioner-cum-Secretary (APWD) stressed the need for

making concerted efforts for sustainable management of fresh water resources in this water scarce archipelago. He also informed that A&N Administration is making  
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## ZPSA Adhyaksha inspects boats

Port Blair, Nov 22

The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smti Baby Fareeda along with the Boat Inspection Committee Member recently inspected the boats constructed by the beneficiaries under transferred scheme of Fisheries Department at Chatham old vehicle ferry jetty. She took ride in all

the 9 boats and expressed satisfaction. She also visited the construction sites at Phoenix Bay Fisheries jetty to ascertain that the construction is in progress, of 5 boats and also to ensure the quality of materials used for construction purpose by the builder/beneficiaries, a communication said.

## Promotion of organic farming; Director NCOF holds meeting

Port Blair, Nov 22

The Director, National Centre for Organic Farming (NCOF), Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare, Govt. of India, Ghaziabad, Dr. Kishen Chandra, held a meeting with the officers of the Department of Agriculture on promotion of organic farming in Andaman & Nicobar Islands and its Certification

procedures, in the Chamber of Director of Agriculture yesterday.

The NCOF Director stated that crop management, input management, pest and disease management and marketing linkages are to be taken in account for organic cultivation. He informed that any land can be converted into organic with proper planning and execution.

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## Gold rush for JNRM during Golden Jubilee Year



Port Blair, Nov 22

Pondicherry University has sent thirty Gold Medals won by students of JNRM for being toppers in various subjects from the year 2013 to 2016. The Gold Medals have been won by students in subjects viz. Geography, Political Science, English, Bengali, Hindi, Physical Education, Chemistry, Zoology, Plant Science & Commerce.

In the year 2016 alone,

## ANFCOFED Chairman meets Union Agriculture Minister

Port Blair, Nov 22

The Chairman A & N Fisheries Cooperative Federation Ltd., (ANFCOFED) Shri. CH Vallabha Rao met Shri. Radha Mohan Singh, Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare at New Delhi yesterday and discussed various issues related to Fishermen and Fisheries  
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## Spiritual retreat by RK Mission

Port Blair, Nov 22

The Ramakrishna Mission here will be conducting spiritual retreat on Nov. 26 from 8.15 am to 12.30 pm. Bhajan, interactive session on experience of spiritual life, meditation, question & answer session will form part of the programme. For registration, one may contact the Mission Office over phone no. 9679503281, a communication said.

## Legal aid clinic inaugurated at Andaman Law College

### Need to create legal awareness among rural masses highlighted



Port Blair, Nov 22

Andaman Law College, an infant legal institution here, got its Legal Aid Clinic inaugurated by Justice Nadira Patherya, Circuit Bench of Calcutta High Court at Port Blair today. The inaugural function was attended by Justice Shivakant Prasad, Shri Prasenjit Biswas, Registrar, Shri Siddhartha Kanjilal, District and Session Judge, Shri Pradip Banerjee, Secretary (Law), Shri Debassish Bandyopadhyay, Addl. District & Sessions Judge, Shri. Amitabha Das, Chief Judicial Magistrate along with all other Judicial

Officers of Port Blair.

In her inaugural address, Justice Nadira Patherya highlighted on the need to instill a sense of social responsibility in the minds of law students to create legal awareness among the rural masses and conduct legal aid camps in villages.

Justice Shivakant Prasad, while speaking, emphasized on the multiple responsibilities of law students and lawyers towards the society at large. Shri Siddhartha Kanjilal explained the need

for the law students to associate with District Legal Services Authority in rendering free legal services to the poor and needy people.

Prof. (Dr.) M. S. Soundara Pandian, Principal, Andaman Law College spoke on the need to create professionally competent, technically sound and socially relevant lawyers through law colleges. The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. R.N. Rath, a communication said.

## World Fisheries Day observed in Isles



Port Blair, Nov 22

World Fisheries Day was observed by Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Port Blair in collaboration with ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair, Deptt. of Fisheries, A & N Administration and Fishery Survey of India with the fishermen at Fish Landing Centre, Junglghat yesterday. About 60 fishermen attended the

programme. The Director, ICAR-CIARI Dr. A. Kundu, who was the chief guest on the occasion, highlighted the importance of the day for the fishing community. He also informed about the importance of fish for human health and emphasized for conservation of fishery resources for future generation.  
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## PBMC Chairperson inspects developmental activities at South Point

Port Blair, Nov 22

The Chairperson, PBMC Shri Indrapal Singh, visited Ward No. 11 along with the Ward Councilor, Smti Vinita Malhotra, Shri Ganeshan, EE (Works) and other Engineering staff of PBMC. The team inspected the area near Muthu Mariamman Temple. During inspection, it was observed that the residents of that area as well as the devotees face immense hardships due to lack of proper approach in reaching the temple. It was also noticed that there is every chance of land sliding



during heavy rain. To avoid further mishap, and to protect the existing footpath, raising a retaining wall for the safety of the people as well as public property was felt necessary.

Accordingly, the Chairperson directed the Engineering staff to complete this work on a war footing in the larger public interest.

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## Orientation prog. for in-service untrained PSTs

Port Blair, Nov 22

A two days workshop-cum-orientation programme will be held on Nov 25 & 26, 2017 for the in-service untrained Primary School Teachers whose admission to the online D.EI.Ed. programme, being conducted through National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) has been confirmed. The programme will be

conducted in Tagore Government College of Education. All concerned have been advised to report to the Nodal Officer, D.EI.Ed. programme at 9.30 am on Nov 25, 2017 for attending the workshop. No individual intimation or communication will be sent to the concerned participants, a communication said

## Live phone-in interactive prog. 'Hello Doctor'

Port Blair, Nov 22

The All India Radio here will broadcast live phone-in interactive programme entitled 'Hello Doctor' on Nov. 25 from 7.20 am to 7.55 am. The topic of discussion is 'Precautions to avoid AIDS'. The Deputy Director (Health) Dr. Avijit Roy will be the expert in the studio answering to the queries of  
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SPORTS

**Saina Nehwal, PV Sindhu, HS Prannoy enter second round of Hong Kong Open**

Kowloon, Nov 22  
Indian shuttlers Saina Nehwal, PV Sindhu and HS Prannoy made positive starts to their campaign, progressing to the second round of USD 400,000 Hong Kong Super Series in Kowloon on Wednesday. London Olympics bronze medalist Saina staved off a spirited challenge from World No. 44 Mette Poulsen of Denmark before emerging 21-19, 23-21 winner in a 46-minute match. World No. 11 Saina, who won the bronze at the World Championship will next face a tough opponent in eighth-seeded Chinese Chen Yufei, who had clinched the other bronze at the Glasgow Worlds in August. Olympic silver medalist Sindhu, seeded second, disposed of Hong Kong's Leung Yuet Yee 21-18, 21-10 to set up a clash with either Japan's Aya Ohori or Russia's Evgeniya Kosetskaya in the next round.



In men's singles competition, Prannoy survived a scare against Hong Kong's Hu Yun to win 19-21, 21-17, 21-15 in a match that lasted a little over an hour. The World No. 10 Indian will face Japan's Kazumasa Sakai, who had defeated the Indian in the semifinals of Indonesia Open Super Series Premier. However, Commonwealth Games champion Parupalli Kashyap squandered an opening game advantage to go down narrowly 21-15, 9-21, 20-22 to Korean Lee Dong Keun, while Sourabh Verma failed to put up a fight against

Indonesia's Tommy Sugiarto, losing 15-21, 8-21 to bow out of the competition. Women's doubles pair of Ashwini Ponnappa and N Sikki Reddy played their hearts out before going down 11-21, 21-19, 19-21 against the Chinese combo of Huang Dongping and Li Wenmei in a hard-fought contest. Prannoy lagged behind for the most part of the opening game even though he did manage to turn the tables a few times, taking slender leads at 9-8, 13-12 and 16-15. But Hu Yun managed to keep his nose ahead to pocket the first game.

**Seven medals confirmed for India at Women's Youth World Boxing Championships**

Guwahati, Nov 22  
Indian boxers are on course for their best ever performance at the AIBA Women's Youth World Championships. The boxers added five more medals to the already assured two on the day of quarterfinals in Guwahati today. Jyoti Gulia (51kg), Shashi Chopra (57kg), Ankushita Boro (64kg), Nitu (48kg) and Sakshi Choudhary (54kg) entered the semifinals after winning their respective quarterfinal bouts. They joined Neha Yadav (+81kg) and Anupama (81kg), who found themselves in the last-four



stage due to the small size of the draws of their respective weight categories. India had won just one bronze medal in the previous edition of the event and the country has not won a gold in this event since 2011. Over 150 boxers from 38 countries are competing in the event, being held in India for the first time.

**Vijay Shankar realises long-time dream after being named in India Test squad**

New Delhi, Nov 22  
Vijay Shankar has been hoping for a national call-up for a while now but his elevation in the India Test team came as a surprise to the Tamil Nadu all-rounder. Shankar, who was seen as a back-up seam bowling all-rounder to Hardik Pandya, was

drafted into the Indian Test team on the ongoing series against Sri Lanka as a replacement for Bhuvneshwar Kumar. "I am really excited (about the call-up). It has been a long-time dream of mine to be part of the Indian team. Now it has come true. My hard work has paid off. I was not expecting it but it feels great," he said from Indore. "I am looking forward to being part of the Indian dressing room for the first time," he added. The 26-year-old cricketer, who has played for India 'A' said it has helped him grow as an all-rounder.

**WEATHER**

Rain or Thundershower very likely to occur at many places. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 24°C respectively on Thursday 23/11/2017  
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date : 29.8  
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date : 23.7  
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 084  
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 087  
Sunrise Time for tomorrow(in IST): 0520  
Sunset Time for tomorrow(in IST): 1651  
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 030.3  
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0  
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm 17 3077.7

**REVISED SEVA SUCHNAYEIN**  
ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

**INTER ISLAND SECTOR:**  
MV Coral Queen will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancowry on 25.11.2017 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 27.11.2017 (Mon) at 0800 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 23.11.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 23.11.2017 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 Bharat Seema will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 30.11.2017 (Thu) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 01.12.2017 (Fri) at 1600 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 28.11.2017 (Tue) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 28.11.2017 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.

**CARGO SERVICE:**  
The cargo vessel MV Chuglam will now sail for Diglipur via Havelock, Rangat & Mayabunder on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 1400 Hrs from Haddo/Chatham Wharf and will sail for Port Blair and will sail for Port Blair immediately after discharging/loading of Cargo at respective ports.

**HUT BAY SECTOR:**  
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Hut Bay on 24.11.2017 (Fri) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2000 Hrs from Hut Bay.  
MV Bharat Seema will sail for Hut Bay on 26.11.2017 (Sun) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Hut Bay.  
MV Chowra will sail for Hut Bay on 27.11.2017 (Mon) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Hut Bay.  
**Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings for Hut Bay on 24th, 26th & 27th Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public from 23.11.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.**  
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**Note: Passenger tickets for the above sailings for Hut Bay on 28th & 29th Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public from 27.11.2017 (Mon) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.**

**FORESHORE SECTOR:**  
**Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels scheduled on 24th, 25th, 26th & 27th Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public on 23.11.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Counters & CSC's. Similarly tickets for 28th, 29th & 30th Nov., 2017 will be issued to the general public on 27.11.2017 (Mon) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Counters & CSC's.**  
23.11.2017 (THURSDAY)  
**BARATANG**  
MV Katchal will sail for Baratang on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1430 Hrs from Baratang.  
**HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND**  
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.  
MV Strait Island will sail for Neil Island on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.  
MV Strait Island will sail for Neil Island on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.  
MV Strait Island will sail for Havelock on 23.11.2017 (Thu) 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 23.11.2017 (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 Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 23.11.2017 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 2100 Hrs from Hut Bay.  
**24.11.2017 (FRIDAY)**  
**BARATANG**  
Due to administrative reasons the scheduled sailing for Baratang on 24.11.2017 (Fri) has been cancelled. Inconvenience caused is regretted.  
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**ANFCOFED ..**  
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sector of these Islands and also requested for strengthening A & N Fisheries Cooperative Federation Limited. The Union Minister is said to have assured of looking into the demands and problems of Fisherman and Fisheries sector of these Islands. The ANFCOFED Chairman Shri. Vallabha Rao has expressed his gratitude to the Minister for his assurance, a communication said.

**Promotion of ..**  
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Dr. G. S. Pandey, Director of Agriculture informed that presently Neil Island is adopted for organic farming while other Islands will be brought under organic in a phased manner. However, Nicobar Island is organic by default. The meeting was also attended by Dr. A. Kundu, Director, CIARI and Dr. Sachidananda Swain, Scientist, CIARI, a communication said.

**Cabinet approves..** (Contd. from page 1)  
**additional working women. CCEA has also approved additional 'SwadharGreh's' to provide relief and rehabilitation of 26 thousand beneficiaries. CCEA has also given its approval for expansion of the schemes for Protection and Empowerment for Women for 2017-18 to 2019-20.**

**India successfully ...** (Contd. from page 1)  
tweet, Shri Modi said he is delighted on the remarkable feat. Defence Minister Smti Nirmala Sitharaman said that India has created a world record and completed Supersonic Cruise Missile Triad by successfully test firing of Brahmos from Indian Air Force Sukhoi-30MKI fighter aircraft. The Defence Ministry said the missile hit a sea-based target in the Bay of Bengal from the combat jet. The land and warship versions of the missile have already been inducted into the armed forces. The Defence Ministry said, the successful maiden test firing of Brahmos Air Launched Cruise Missile (ALCM) from Su-30MKI will significantly bolster the IAF's air combat operations capability from stand-off ranges. Giving details of the test firing, the ministry said the missile was "gravity dropped" from the Su-30 fuselage, and the two-stage missile's engine fired up and straightway propelled towards the intended target at the sea. Brahmos ALCM, weighing 2.5 ton is the heaviest weapon to be deployed on India's Su-30 fighter aircraft modified by state-run aerospace behemoth Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) to carry weapons. Brahmos is a joint venture between DRDO of India and NPO Mashinostroyeniya (NPOM) of Russia.

**PBMC Chairperson..** (Contd. from page 1)  
Thereafter, the team visited the slaughter house situated at South Point. The Chairperson noticed that there is an urgent need for repair / renovation of the existing slaughter house. Necessary directions have been issued to the Engineering staff to take up the repair work of the slaughter house immediately. The Chairperson further directed the Engineering wing to create a Children's Park by developing the vacant land situated near the slaughter house and an eco-friendly hut for the convenience of the residents of the area, a communication said.

**Death condoled**  
Port Blair, Nov.22  
The Principal, staff and students of GSSS Neil Island has mourned the untimely demise of class XII student Kr. Soumitra Bala, S/o Shri Sudanshu Bala, R/o, Neil Island who died yesterday at GB Pant Hospital, a communication received here said.

**Live phone-in ..**  
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the listeners. Listeners can call on phone numbers 232336 or 232558 to participate in this live programme. This programme will be moderated by Smti. Meena Prakash, a communication said.

**Bible charismatic convention**  
Port Blair, Nov 22  
The Bible Charismatic Convention will be held from 23rd Nov. to 26th Nov. 2017 at Catholic Church (Stella Maris Cathedral), Prem Nagar from 8.30 am to 4 pm. This convention is being organized by National Service team, New Delhi and will be preached by Rev. Francis Kalist, (Bishop of Meerut), Fr. George Karamvellil, Fr. Ignace Ekka on the occasion of the golden jubilee of the Catholic Charismatic movement.

**Firing practice**  
Port Blair, Nov. 22  
Firing practice by Andaman & Nicobar Command Headquarters Naval Ship will be carried out from 10 am to 7 pm tomorrow (Nov. 23). Meanwhile, the unit 108 Mtn Bde. Camp Pin-908108, C/o 99 APO will be conducting small arm firing at Chinthe 200 M long range Brichgunj on Nov. 28 from 9.30 am to 1 pm. All concerned have been warned to keep themselves and their vehicle or livestock, vessels/fishing boat away from the firing range during the above mentioned date and time, a communication said.

**Heavy rain forecast**  
Port Blair, Nov 22  
Heavy rain (07-11) cm is likely to occur at isolated places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands during next 24 hours. The general public have been advised to take precautionary measures and in case of any emergency, they may contact the phone numbers of State Control Room, District Control Room and Emergency Operation Centres viz. State Control Room: 03192-238880 (Tele-Fax), 1077 (Helpline), District Control Room: 03192-238881, EOC (Campbell Bay): 03193-264020, EOC (Kamorta): 03193-263222, EOC (N&M): 03192-262960, EOC (Hut Bay): 03192-284014, EOC (Car Nicobar): 03193-265241 EOC (Havelock): 03192-282030, EOC (Ferrargunj): 03192-266527, EOC (Neil): 03192- 284511, a communication said.

**Unidentified dead body found**  
Port Blair, Nov 22  
A partially decomposed unidentified dead body of a man was found by PS Paharganj police on the sea shore of Kodayaghat area. As per the description of the body, the height of the person would be 5.6ft, age - around 40-45yrs, hair - Black, wearing white colour with light green linings formal shirt and black colour formal pant. The general public/family members/relatives have been asked to come forward to claim the body, or information about it over phno 03192-250525/100.

**Student of GSSS Haddo shines in National Yoga Sports C'ship**  
Port Blair, Nov 22  
A 14 year old girl Somi Reddy Lakshmi Devi, a student of Class IX of GSSS Haddo (Telugu Medium) has excelled in the discipline of Yoga by participating and winning prizes at the National level Competition held at Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh recently. She won the fourth position in the event 'Free Yoga Dance' and sixth position in Artistic Pair Yoga Competition conducted by the Yoga Federation of India. Meanwhile, the fraternity of GSSS Haddo (Telugu Medium) has congratulated Somi Reddy for her performance and bringing laurels to the Institution as well as the Islands, a communication said.

**ICAR-CIARI participates in Zonal Sports Meet at mainland**  
Port Blair, Nov 22  
ICAR-Central Island Agricultural Research Institute (ICAR-CIARI), Port Blair participated in the ICAR-Eastern Zonal Sports Meet held at Patna, Bihar recently. Participants from 16 National Research Institutes from the Eastern Zone participated in the meet. ICAR-CIARI represented the Islands in the Zonal meet with a contingent of 14 members with the coordination of Dr. S. Monalisha Devi as Chief-De-Mission and Shri Dibakar Khan as Team Manager. The team from CIARI secured 3 gold medals, 2 silver medals and 1 bronze medal through Shri. Pradhan, Dr. S. Monalisha Devi, Smt. Saida Bibi and Dr. Soobedar Yadav. The winners will represent the Eastern Zone in the ICAR Inter-Zonal Sports Meet to be held by next year.

**World Fisheries Day ...** (Contd. from page 1)  
The Director (i/c), Deptt. of Fisheries, Shri J. Chandrasekhar highlighted about the fisheries schemes and fisheries development in Andaman. He emphasized that juvenile fish should be allowed to grow and they should get a chance of breeding to replenish the stock. Scientist & Head In-charge, Fisheries Science Division of ICAR-CIARI, Dr. Kirubashankar discussed the need and procedure for forecasting of fisheries resources in our Islands  
A fishermen rally was also organized at the Fish Landing Centre. Shri S. C. Dey, Deputy Director, Shri Abdul Salam, Assistant Director, Fisheries Department, A & N Administration, Dr. Lohit Kumar & Dr. Saravanan, Scientist, ICAR-CIARI, Dr. L. B. Singh, SMS (Horticulture), Er. B. K. Nanda, SMS (Agri. Engg.), Dr. Vivek Pandey, SMS (Plant Pathology) and Dr. N. C. Choudhuri, ACTO (Animal Sc) from KVK, Port Blair were the other resource persons for the programme.  
Earlier, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK, Port Blair, Dr. Nagesh Ram welcomed the gathering and briefed about the need of creating awareness among the fishers for fisheries resources, a communication said.

**Neet for sustainable..** (Contd. from page 1)  
sincere attempts to solve the water scarcity in Chowra and Neil Islands with the help of CGWB.  
While speaking, Dr. Francis explained about the earlier surveys carried out, before independence, in the Islands to solve the water crisis. He also recalled the efforts made by Shri Kar in solving the water problems in Chowra, pre-tsunami. He requested CGWB to initiate few good studies in coordination with Geography Department of JNRM which will be beneficial for the Islands.  
Earlier, in his welcome address, Shri Amlanjyoti Kar, Regional Director (i/c), Central Ground Water Board, Eastern Region Kolkata and a Member of Task Force (Water Supply), A&N Administration explained the necessity of such programmes in the Islands and the planning of MoWR, RD&GR to promulgate the ideas and sensitizing the stake holders at all levels across the country.  
Many important deliberations were made by the experts during the training programme. These include 'Basics of Ground Water Hydrology and Role of Stake Holders in Groundwater Management at local Levels' and 'Groundwater Management Problems in A&N Islands in Pre and Post Tsunami' by Regional Director (I/C), CGWB, Kolkata; 'Role of Geophysics in Groundwater Exploration with Field demonstration' by Dr. A. K. Sinha, Geophysicist, CGWB, Kolkata; 'Groundwater chemical quality with special reference to drinking water suitability' by Shri. A. N. Chowdhury, Chemist CGWB, Kolkata. Prof. P. M. Mohan, and Dr. S. Balaji, both from Pudukcherry University (Port Blair Campus) and Dr. Gaurab Dhali and Dr. G. Narshimulu both Guest Faculty, JNRM also expressed their views in the training programme.  
At the end of the programme, certificates were given to the participants. Shri. A. N. Chowdhury, Chemist CGWB, Kolkata proposed the vote of thanks.

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