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International Solar Alliance will work like life-giver to mankind: PM

New Delhi, Jan 25 Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today said that International Solar Alliance will work like a life-giver to mankind. Laying the foundation stone of the International Solar Alliance, ISA and inaugurating the interim secretariat of the ISA in Gurgaon on Monday, Shri Modi said, at the recent COP 21 Climate Conference in Paris, two major initiatives were launched, one was on the innovation on how to fight global warming and climate

change, and the other was on the solar alliance. Shri Modi said, the three nations-USA, France and India have taken the prime initiative of climate innovation. He also emphasized on the aspect of energy which has also become an integral part of India's development and progress. Stressing that developing countries had their developmental needs, Shri Modi said that this cannot be possible without the use of energy and hence the dilemma

before the world is how to protect the environment while meeting the developmental needs of such nations. The Prime Minister stressed that India and France share much in common about their goal to resolve the issue of global warming. In his address, French President Mr. Francois Hollande said, France wants to build the post Paris agreement with India and the alliance paves the way for it. He also pledged a 300 million euro contribution to the International Solar Alliance.

Reaffirming their commitment to enhance the use of solar energy globally, the leaders also underlined the importance of deepening the cooperation both bilaterally and also under the aegis of ISA in joint research, development, financing and technology innovation, that will help in promoting accessible energy in a clean, affordable and sustainable manner. It is an alliance of some 120 countries situated between the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.

LG greets Islanders on Republic Day Reaffirms Administration's commitment in taking benefits of all welfare schemes to people

Port Blair, Jan 25 The Lt Governor, Lt Gen. A.K. Singh (Retd.), PVSM, AVSM, SM, VSM has called upon all the Islanders to dedicate themselves for the progress of the Islands and the country. Greeting the Islanders on the eve of 67th Republic Day, telecast by Doordarshan and broadcast by AIR this evening, the Lt. Governor stated that under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, the country has witnessed all-round development. Similarly, with the guidance and support of Govt. of India, efforts have also been made by the A&N Administration in taking the Islands towards faster development.

The Lt. Governor also mentioned that the Islands are receiving every help from the Govt. of India under the leadership of the Prime Minister for taking these Islands forward. "We have attained great success in the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, under which 66,000 accounts have been opened, most of which are active. Besides, schemes viz. Suraksha Bima Yojana, Jeeva Jyoti Yojana and Mudra Yojana are also being encouraged", said the Lt. Governor. The Lt. Governor reiterated the commitment of the Administration in taking the benefits of all welfare schemes to the general public, thereby fulfilling the vision of the Prime Minister -'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas'. The Lt. Governor expressed his gratitude to the Islanders as well as the elected representatives for their contribution and their support

to the Administration in its developmental works. Referring to the recent 'Khaas Mulaqaat' programme broadcast over Doordarshan, the Lt. Governor highlighted the notable achievements of 2015. In the governance sector, the citizen charter was introduced which is being implemented by the Departments of Administration. The Lt. Governor invited suggestions from the people for improving the citizen charter. He also mentioned about the 'Prashan Aapke Dwar' programme, under which the

Administration is making efforts to reach the people at their doorsteps. The Lt. Governor assured that the Administration will make concerted efforts, as directed by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, to live up to the expectations of the general public. About the employment sector, the Lt. Governor stated that steps have been initiated to provide employment to our youth in government and private sectors. Accordingly, vacancies in the Army have been increased, which is likely

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All set for Republic Day Celebration in Isles Lt. Governor to unfurl National Tricolour at historic Netaji Stadium today

Port Blair, Jan 25 The 67th Republic Day will be celebrated in a befitting manner in these Islands too together with the rest of the country tomorrow (Jan 26). The main function for the Republic Day celebration will

be held at the historic Netaji Stadium wherein the Lt. Governor, Lt. Gen. AK Singh (Retd.), will unfurl the National Tricolour. As per the programme chalked out for the Republic Day celebrations, the Lt. Governor

will unfurl the National tricolor at 0835 hrs, distribute medals, gallantry awards & commendation certificates and thereafter address the Islanders. March past by defence forces, police, NCC contingents, school boys & girls followed by tableaux presentation and cultural programme by school children will be the other highlights of the Republic Day function which

will conclude with the National Anthem. Before arriving at the Netaji Stadium for the main function, the Lt. Governor will visit National Memorial Cellular Jail and place wreath at the 'Martyr's Column' there. Meanwhile, on the occasion of Republic Day, a twenty one gun salute will be fired from Ross Island at 1200 hrs on Jan 26, 2016.

Islanders greeted on Republic Day

Port Blair, Jan 25 The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas has greeted the Islanders on the occasion of Republic Day 2016. In her message, she sought the cooperation of the people for the successful implementation of the developmental activities in these Islands.

peace, happiness & prosperity amongst the Islanders", she said in her message.

The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, North & Middle Andaman, Ms. Prabhavati Biswas has also expressed her warm & sincere greetings and best wishes to the Islanders on the occasion of Republic Day. "May this occasion bring

The Chairperson, PBMC, Smt. Sheela Singh has also greeted the Islanders on the occasion of 67th Republic Day. "Let us salute the prosperity of India and every freedom fighter, who made it possible. Let us hail the glory of this wonderful country India and its freedom fighters who made it all a victory for us", she said in her message.

The ex-Adhyaksha, ZPSA, Miss V.K. Mariyam Bibi, the Secretary, Consumers

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Padmashree Award for Naresh Chander Lal

Port Blair, Jan 25 The renowned theatre director and film maker from these Islands, Shri Naresh Chander Lal has been chosen for this year's Padmashree Award, announced by the Govt. of India in New Delhi today. Altogether 112 persons have been selected for the Padma Award this year. Shri Naresh Chander Lal has been chosen for the award for his work in the field Art-Theatre and Cinema. Padmashree is the awarded to citizens in fourth civilian award, awarded



by the Govt. of India, which is announced every year on India's Republic Day. It is India's Republic Day. It is India's Republic Day. It is India's Republic Day.

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Voters Day pledge administered



Port Blair, Jan 25 As part of 'National Voters Day' observance, a pledge was administered by Smt. Minati Biswas, Adhyaksha Zilla Parishad, South Andaman to all the staff &

officials along with the Zilla Parishad members of various constituency of South Andaman in the premises of Zilla Parishad Bhawan South Andaman today.

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First Lady visits Balika Niketan & Rama Krishna Mission; interacts with student inmates



Port Blair, Jan 25 The First Lady of A&N Islands, Smti Suneeti Singh paid a visit to Balika Niketan at Attampahad and Rama Krishna Mission, near Girls School today. The elated girls of Balika Niketan as well as the boys (inmates) students of Rama Krishna Mission were visibly happy to have the First Lady amidst them.

Replicating a genuine gesture of humanity, the First Lady handed over a number of sports goodies ranging from carrom boards, tambourine, mini basket ball, board games, hoola-hoops to frisbees besides chocolates to the girls. She asked them to make best use of the facilities and develop penchant for new games. The First Lady also directed the Superintendent of Balika Niketan to arrange spoken English as well as music classes



for the inmates of Balika Niketan to hone their speaking and music skills. Interacting with the girls on the occasion, the First Lady advised them to live in peace & unity and to care for each other. She also advised them to respect the caretakers of the home. Apart from this visit, earlier too, the First Lady frequently visited the girls of Balika Niketan in the old building situated at Atlanta Point. This

was her second visit to this Balika Niketan, after it was shifted permanently to Attampahad. Thereafter, the First Lady also visited the Rama Krishna Mission and interacted with the boys students and enquired about their wellbeing and educational progress. She also gave away chocolates, sports goodies to the students and urged them to make good use of the facility. The First Lady

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Eleven persons chosen for LG's Commendation Certificate

Port Blair, Jan 25 Altogether eleven persons from different walks of life have been chosen to be honoured with the Lt. Governor's Commendation Certificate on the occasion of Republic Day 2016. They include Shri Becomist Mathew, Forester, Forest Department, Shri Shambunath Ghosh, Senior Checking Inspector DSS, Smt. R. Barkha, Forest Range Officer, Forest Department, Shri Arif M Mustafa, Assistant Fisheries Director, Fisheries Deptt, Shri G. Victor Raj, Deputy Resident

Commissioner and Team, Andaman Bhawan Chennai, Shri Ravi Chandran, Deputy Director, Civil Aviation, Dr. SP Burma, Consultant TB and Chest Specialist, Directorate of Health Services, Prof. Viswajit Pandya, Honorary Director, Andaman & Nicobar Tribal Research Institute (ANTRI), Dr. A. Velmurugan, Senior Scientist, Central Island Agriculture Research Institute (CIARI), Shri Lawrence Mathew, First Captain Tapoingming Village, Carnicobar, and Shri Manikuttan P.R. Classical

Dancer. All these recipients have

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Deepak Kumar Jha of BJP suspended

Port Blair, Jan 25 The ex-State General Secretary, BJP of A&N Islands, Shri Deepak Kumar Jha has been suspended from the primary membership of the party with immediate effect on the allegation of misappropriation of public funds, a communication from the State President, BJP, Shri Vishal Jolly said here today.

GREETINGS

On the occasion of the 67th Republic Day, I extend my best felicitations and greetings to the people of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. On this day, in 1950, our Country became a Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic Republic: securing justice, liberty, equality and fraternity to the citizens of India. It is an occasion to remember our martyrs and heroes of our freedom struggle who made the supreme sacrifice for the country, as well as the founding fathers of our Constitution. Today, let us once again dedicate ourselves to the task of nation building, based on the ideals enshrined in the Constitution of India and take our country forward. On this historic occasion, I join the islanders in praying for peace, prosperity and progress of the country.

(Signature)
Lt Gen A K Singh
Lieutenant Governor
Andaman & Nicobar Islands

GREETINGS

With the rest of the Country, the UT of A & N Islands is also celebrating 67th "Republic Day" on 26th January, 2016. On this auspicious occasion of Republic Day, I would like to express my warm greetings and best wishes to all the peoples of A & N Islands for celebrating the national auspicious day with peace and harmony and also for strengthening the unity of the nation.

Sd/
Bishnu Pada Ray
Member of Parliament (LS)
A & N Islands

6th National Voters Day Celebrated in Islands befittingly

DT Correspondent Port Blair, Jan.25 The 6th National Voters' Day-2016 was befittingly celebrated in the Islands together with the rest of the country today. The main function for the celebration was held in the auditorium of Jawaharlal Nehru Rajkeeya Mahavidyalaya (JNRM) here today, in which the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Shri Vijay Kumar Bidhuri (Deputy Commissioner South Andaman) was the chief guest.

The Adhyaksha Zilla Parishad, Smt. Minati Biswas and the Chairperson, PBMC, Smt. Sheela Singh also graced the occasion. The theme for this year celebration was 'Inclusive & Qualitative Electoral Participation'. Addressing a large gathering of students, the chief guest said that India has successfully formed a democratic form of Government and every five year election is conducted peacefully. He attributed the

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SPORTS

XXII Vice President of India Cup Soccer Championship from Jan 28

Car Nicobar, Jan 25
The XXII Prestigious Vice President of India Cup Soccer Championship 2015 -16 will be held in Car Nicobar from 28th January to 6th February, 2016.

Altogether 15 teams from different Zones i.e. Diglipur, Mayabunder, Rangat, Port Blair, Wimberlygunj, A&N Police, DSS, Little Andaman, Car Nicobar 'A', Car Nicobar 'B', IAF, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Nancowry and Campbell Bay shall be participating in this Mega Championship.

The inaugural ceremony and opening match will be held on 28th January, 2016 at 2.00 p.m. at BJR Stadium, Tamaloo, Car Nicobar.

Smti. Neha Bansal, Dy. Commissioner, Nicobar District will be the Chief Guest for the

IInd Kudo Martial Arts Seminar held

Port Blair, Jan 25
Kudo Martial Arts of A&N Islands Chief Instructor Sensei Anand Amrit Raj Black Belt IInd conducted the IInd Kudo Martial Arts Seminar under the guidance of Soshihan Mehul Vora Black VII Dan President Kudo International Federation of India on Jan 23 & 24 at community hall Manglutan. The Chief Secretary, Shri Anand Prakash, who was the chief guest on the occasion, appreciated the team for conducting such kind of seminar and distributed the belts to the students. The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas was the guest of honour. She requested the chief guest for providing all needs for uplift of the martial arts in the Islands.

Smt. Sahay Mary, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat Guptapara was also present on the occasion. The vote of thanks proposed by Shri Ram Bala, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Wandoor.

On the closing ceremony, A&N Kudo Association Chairman, Miss V.K. Mariyam Bibi, ex-Adhyaksha, ZPSA was the chief guest. The Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Tushnabad, Miss Mary Joseph Jasinta and Smt. Ratna Kumari, Samti Member Tushnabad also attended the programme, a communication said.

In form Azarenka reaches quarterfinals

Melbourne, Jan 25
Twice champion Victoria Azarenka reached her fifth Australian Open quarterfinal on Monday with a 6-2 6-4 win over unseeded Czech Barbora Strycova. The former world number one has been in irresistible form at Melbourne Park, winning her four matches without dropping a set, and had too many weapons for Strycova, who scrapped hard but was edged in the baseline battles. Azarenka captured the decisive break in the seventh game of the final set and saved two break points at 4-3 before closing out the match in one hour and 26 minutes.

Eleven persons

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shown extra ordinary sense of responsibility, professional skills, devotion to duty and have contributed to the cause of the islands in their respective fields.

The Lt. Governor will give away Commendation Certificates to these persons during the main function to be held at Netaji Stadium tomorrow (Jan 26).

inaugural function. The team securing winners, runner up and second runner up will

SAI girls trainees won gold medal in canoeing

Port Blair, Jan 25
Four SAI trainees representing Andaman & Nicobar Canoeing team in the 26th Jr. National Kayaking & Canoeing Championship held at Kolam, Kerala from Jan 21 to 24 have won gold medal in C-4 (Canoe four) for the first time in Canoeing event. The crews are consisting of Ms. Meera Das, Ms Sangeeta Das,

receive cash award of Rs. 50,000/- , 35,000/- and 25,000/- respectively.

Ms. Amina Soreng and Ms. Manisha Kumari from the SAI, SAG Centre Port Blair. The SAI officials, coaches, President and General Secretary of the A&N Kayaking & Canoeing Association and its members congratulated the crew and the team coaches for winning the gold medal for the Islands, a communication said.

Police team, Hut Bay wins volleyball tournament



Port Blair, Jan 25
Nehru Yuva Kendra, Port Blair organized League-cum-knock-out Volley Ball Tournament under Block Level Inter Youth Club Sports with the support of Regional Sports Council, Hut Bay from 16th to 24th January, 2016 at APWD Ground, Hut Bay. About ten teams participated in the tournament which was inaugurated by Shri Biju Verghese, Executive Engineer (MID), APWD, Hut Bay as chief guest. Smti Geeta Rao, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Hut Bay and Shri Babul Sarkar, Pradhan, Gram

Panchayat, Netaji Nagar were also present. The District Youth Coordinator, NYK, Port Blair, Shri Kundan Lal welcomed the gathering. Smti Minati Biswas, Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman witnessed a match and blessed the players on the second day of the tournament i.e. on Jan 17. The Police team, Hut Bay won the tournament defeating Bazar Bazigar in the final played on Jan 24. The chief guest gave away trophy and certificates to the winner and runners up the team, a communication said.

India to take on Australia in T20 match today

Adelaide, Jan 25
The opening encounter of the three-match Twenty20 International cricket series between India and Australia will be played in Adelaide tomorrow. All India Radio will broadcast ball-by-ball commentary on the match alternately in Hindi and English. The commentary can be heard on RN Channel and additional frequencies from 1.40 p.m. onwards. After the below-par show in the just concluded five-match ODI rubber which they lost 1-4, Team India will now aim to turn their fortunes in the T20 International series which also kicks off their build-up for the ICC World T20 from March 8 to April 3. The men-in-blue will be bolstered by the return of experienced batsmen Yuvraj Singh, Suresh Raina, off-spinner Harbhajan Singh and pacer Ashish Nehra in the squad. Raina had recently led Uttar Pradesh to their

maiden glory in the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 tournament. Skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni and the team management will be hoping senior pros Harbhajan and Nehra use all their vast experience to good effect in the T20 series as the Indian bowling line-up had been hammered in all the five ODIs. Young Jasprit Bumrah, who made an impressive debut at Sydney, claiming two crucial wickets, is likely to feature in the bowling line-up alongside Nehra and Rishi Dhawan. Dhawan replaced seamer Bhuvneshwar Kumar for the series as he got ruled out due to a fractured left thumb. India, who are currently ranked eighth have managed five wins out of nine matches against Australia in T20Is. India can claim the top spot in the International Cricket Council (ICC) T20I rankings if they make a clean sweep of the three-match series.

6th National Voters Day....

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success of India's democracy to the Election Commission of India, which frames and monitor the process of election as also the people, who take part in it. Shri Bidhuri informed that electoral roll is being maintained and revised from time to time and every voter is issued Electoral Photographed Identity Cards.

The CEO, Adhyaksha Zilla Parishad and Chairperson PBMC distributed prizes to the winners of various contests, held as part of the celebration. Two Booth Level Officers were also felicitated on the occasion. Earlier, the chief guest administered the Voters' Pledge to gathering on the occasion.

Master S A Rehman, JNRM student presented a speech on the theme of the celebration. A short play on the role of voters, voters' awareness-success of democracy, besides group songs were also presented by the students of JNRM.

Padmashree Award ...

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recognition of their distinguished contribution in various spheres. Speaking to 'The Daily Telegrams' over phone, an overjoyed Shri Lal said that his hard work bore fruits in the form of this award. He also thanked the Central Govt. for selecting him and also giving respect to the son of the soil from these remote Islands. "My works were always based on Islands' culture and I tried my best to project the Islands' unity amidst diversity through my films and dramas, Shri Naresh, the NSD Direction Graduate from these Islands said. It is the love of the people that I have been chosen for this award and I dedicate this to the Islanders, Shri Naresh added.

MORE LOCAL NEWS

Four Police personnel get President's Police Medal

Port Blair, Jan 25

Altogether four Police Officers/personnel of Andaman & Nicobar Police, Fire Service and Home Guard Organization, Port Blair have been awarded with Police Medal, Fire Service Medal and President's Home Guard Medal for Meritorious Service on the occasion of Republic Day-2016.

Accordingly, the Police Medal for Meritorious Service has been awarded to Shri Thomas Kutty, Sub-Inspector, A&N Police. During his posting from 2008 at Mayabunder, he caught number of poachers and their boats and handed over to PS CCS. In recognition of his dedicated service throughout the posting in A&N Police and in light of excellent efforts and initiative exhibited by him, he is awarded with the 'President's Police Medal for Meritorious Service' on the occasion of Republic Day 2016.

Shri Vijay Kumar, Sub-Inspector, Fire Service has been awarded Fire Service Medal for Meritorious Service. His sincere efforts for maintaining discipline of Fire Station, better up-keep, maintenance of Fire Vehicles, equipments and records of Fire Stations has earned appreciation from all corners. He has shown great sincerity and efficiency in functioning of Fire Stations wherever he was posted. In recognition of his dedication to duty, valuable contribution

the efficient functioning of various Fire Stations under his charge Shri Vijaya Kumar is awarded with the 'President's Fire Service Medal for Meritorious Service' on the occasion of Republic Day 2016.

Shri M. Rambir, Head Constable (Leading Fireman)/ 645, Fire Service has been awarded Fire Service Medal for Meritorious Service. He has rendered more than 26 years of service in the rank of Head Constable (Leading Fireman). In recognition of his exemplary service and dedicated Service of 33 years with extraordinary professional skills, Shri M. Rambir is awarded with the 'President's Fire Service Medal for Meritorious Service' on the occasion of Republic Day 2016.

Shri Prasanna Kumar M.V., HG(R)221, A&N Home Guard Organization, Port Blair has been awarded President's Home Guard Medal for Meritorious Service. During the period of service he has performed his duty in various units including Police Stations of remote areas in this Union Territory. He has performed his duties in assisting

the local police during Law & order situation in maintaining Police and Public relation and also performed his duties sincerely during search and rescue operation at the time of Tsunami, Anti-poaching operations and other natural disaster situations. In recognition to his sincere, hard working and devotion towards his duties he was rewarded with nine Commendation Certificates Class-I and 26 Commendation Certificates Class-II with cash.

Illumination of ships

Port Blair, Jan 25

As part of Republic Day celebrations, Naval and Coast Guard Ships will be berthed at anchorage off Marine Park on Jan 26 and 29, 2016 for illumination. Two ships each of Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard will join the two merchant ships MV Hut Bay and MV Pulo Millow for illuminating. Naval and Coast Guard Ships participating in this event are INS Baratang, INS Bitra, ICGS Aruna Asaf Ali and ICGS Rajshree. There ships will remain illuminated from 1720 hours to 2200 hours on both these days, a communication received here said.

Voters Day pledge...

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Meanwhile, Dr. S.Radhakrishnan District Institute of Education & Training, Garacharama celebrated the day in the Auditorium. The Principal, DIET administered the Voter's Pledge to the faculties and trainees. An essay competition on the topic 'Inclusive and qualitative Electoral Participation' was organized in which Ms.Nisha Haldar and Ms.Mayuri Ojha (D.El.Ed. II year Trainees) stood first and second position respectively.

Reaffirms Administration's

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to cross 300 mark this year. The Self Help Groups are also being encouraged by way of providing soft loans and marketing support etc., he said. The Lt. Governor also asked the banks to implement the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Scheme in true spirit, under which small farmers and entrepreneurs will be benefited.

The Lt. Governor has assured the youth of providing suitable opportunities for materializing their dreams. For this purpose, the A&N Administration will focus on skill development in 2016, he said. While the Govt. is implementing several schemes for the farmers, welfare of fishermen community is also under focus, he said.

Turning to the tourism sector, the Lt. Governor underlined the need for establishing a Tourism Development Corporation in the Islands, in view of the income generating activities and employment opportunities in the sector here.

Assuring the people of improving the connectivity sector in the Islands, the Lt Governor mentioned about the chartered flight between Port Blair-Chennai and the night flight facility that commenced recently. He also assured that chartered flight between Kolkata-Port Blair will also commence soon. Informing about his vision, the Lt. Governor mentioned that the Administration plans to station an ATR aircraft of Air India at Port Blair so that regular air service can be provided to Campbell Bay, Car Nicobar and Diglipur. This service will begin as soon as the extension of air fields at Diglipur and Campbell Bay is complete. The Administration will also modernize its shipping service under which orders for procuring new ships have been approved by the Shipping Ministry.

Regarding the infrastructure development in the Islands, the Lt. Governor mentioned about the construction of bridges for two straits in North & Middle Andaman District, construction of which will commence soon, he said expressing his gratitude to the Prime Minister and Shri Nitin Gadkari, the Shipping Minister. He also mentioned that Port Blair will become Smart City soon.

Mentioning about the visit of the Union Minister of Communication and Information Technology, Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad to the Islands, the Lt. Governor stated that the work of undersea cable connection between Chennai and Port Blair and five other Islands will commence soon.

About the power sector, the Lt. Governor mentioned about his meeting with the Union Power Minister, Shri Piyush Goyal following which a decision was taken to turn A&N Islands into 'Green Islands'. For this, renewable, non-polluting energy sources will have to be utilized in a phased manner, he said.

Speaking about the health sector, the Lt. Governor stated that the dream of Medical College in the Islands has been fulfilled and in the first batch of the college, 91 students from these Islands got admission. The Lt. Governor also mentioned about the ANISHI scheme under which 367 patients have been benefited so far. "Super Specialty services in GB Pant Hospital have been upgraded", he said adding that from the present 450 bed, the GB Pant Hospital will be upgraded to a 500 bedded hospital.

Referring to the education sector, the Lt. Governor stated that under 'Sansaad Adarsh Gram Yojana', 'Smart Classes' will be introduced in Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Ferrargunj (class XI & XII), which will provide IT enabled quality education to students.

The Lt. Governor also mentioned about the opening of Medical College, ANCOL and Community College in the Islands while a Law College will be introduced from the 2016-17 session. The Administration is also introducing a 'laptop scheme' for the meritorious students of the Govt and Govt. aided schools, said the Lt. Governor.

About the security of the Islands and the Police Department, the Lt. Governor mentioned that in order to strengthen coastal security, 10 interceptor boats have been procured while 10 marine operational centres are being established. Besides, 10 big ships, 23 rigid inflatable boats are being procured to strengthen the infrastructure. He also appreciated the A&N Police for their dedicated services.

Referring to corruption, the Lt. Governor stressed the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister '-zero tolerance towards corruption', which is the motto of these Isles too, he said asking all citizens and govt officials to refrain from any corrupt practices. He also urged the officials of the Administration to work for the Islanders with a dedicated heart.

The Lt. Governor thanked the Hon'ble Prime Minister for his visionary leadership, guidance and support, under which the Islands have achieved so much during a short span of time.

The Lt. Governor also thanked the Member of Parliament, elected representatives, political parties and the people of A&N Islands for their contribution in the development of the Islands. He also lauded the A&N Command and Coast Guard for their support to the Civil Administration. The Lt. Governor also thanked the media for their contribution in developmental activities and also lauded the A&N Administration, under the leadership of the Chief Secretary for all its efforts.

First Lady visits
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advised the boys of Rama Krishna Mission to join the Indian Army and serve the country in various capacities. Earlier, the inmates of Ramakrishna Mission welcomed the First Lady with a beautiful soul stirring vedic chant. The Director, Deptt. of Social Welfare, A&N Administration, Shri M. N. Murali, Superintendent, Balika Niketan, Ms Rita Devi, the CDPO, Smt. Irene Nicholas and staffs of Social Welfare Deptt. and Balika Niketan were present on the occasions.

WEATHER

Moderate rain may occur at isolated places. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 25°C respectively on Tuesday 26/01/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
Maximum Temperature (°C): 31.9
Minimum Temperature (°C): 25.6
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 076
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 090
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0544
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1719
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 000.0
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.3
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 16: 0.0 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA

DIVIYUM TALKIES

Following is the Schedule for week Jan 22 - 28
Airlift - (Hindi UA) - 1.00 PM, 4.30 PM & 7.30 PM
Kya Kool Hain Hum 3 - (Hindi A) - 12.30 PM & 4.00 PM
Thari Thappattai - (Tamil A) - 7.00 PM
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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS
Similarity due to above changes, further announced schedule of MV Dering for Hut Bay on 27.01.2016 has been cancelled.
MV Sentinel will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 30.01.2016 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 31.01.2016 (Sun) at 0700 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Reservation of passenger tickets for the above sailing will commence from 28.01.2016 (Thu) onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters.
26.01.2016 (TUESDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.
MV North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 1300 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1515 Hrs from Neil Island. (Additional Service).
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 26.01.2016 (Tue) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

Islanders greeted

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Cooperative Stores Ltd, Port Blair, Shri K. Paramasivam have also extended their greetings on the occasion of Republic Day 2016.