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Govt working on new consumer protection law: Prime Minister

New Delhi, Oct 26
Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on Thursday said a new consumer protection law is on the anvil to crack down on misleading ads and ensure that grievances are redressed in a time-bound and cost-effective manner. He said, the Government is committed towards consumer interest protection and is in process of drafting new Consumer Act. Addressing an international conference on consumer protection in New Delhi, Shri Modi said, a Central Consumer



Protection Authority with executive powers will be constituted for quick remedial action. The new law will incorporate the revised 2015 UN guidelines

GST will be the consumers and middle class. He said, a new business culture has been started after the GST and poor will be most benefited out of it. Shri Modi said, there is a need to move ahead from only consumer protection towards best consumer practices and consumer prosperity. He said the focus of his government is on consumer empowerment and ensuring consumer faces no difficulties. The Prime Minister said, effective grievance redressal systems are vital for a democracy and the

government is integrating technology and ensuring stronger grievance redressal mechanisms. Shri Modi said, the Government's efforts ensured inflation is kept under check and the consumer saves money. He said, the Government has devoted efforts and resources towards digital empowerment of the rural consumer. The Prime Minister said, one person each from 6 crore rural houses of the country will be empowered to be digitally literate. He said, that paying consumers

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Lt. Governor to visit Car Nicobar and Katchal Islands today

Port Blair, Oct 26
The Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd), will visit Car Nicobar and Katchal Islands tomorrow (Oct 27). At Katchal, the Lt. Governor will hold a meeting with the Tribal Leaders and Local Heads of Offices in the Community Hall, Japan Tikrey at 9.55 am. Prior to this, he will also visit PHC, Katchal. At Car Nicobar, the itinerary of the Lt Governor includes visiting the Tsunami Memorial and paying floral tributes, visiting the Mus Church and laying wreath at the Graveyard of Bishop John Richardson. Thereafter, he will also inspect the Mus Jetty. The Lt Governor will also hold a meeting with the Tribal Leaders and Local Heads of Offices at EOC Conference Hall, Car Nicobar at 12.45 pm. On completion of his tour, the Lt. Governor is scheduled to return to Port Blair by tomorrow evening.

'Rashtriya Ekta Divas' to be celebrated in Isles on Oct 31

Port Blair, Oct 26
Along with the rest of the country, 'Rashtriya Ekta Divas' (National Unity Day) will be befittingly observed in these Islands too, on 31st October 2017, to celebrate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhai Patel. To mark the day, the Department of Sports & Youth Affairs will be organizing a 'Run for Unity' from the main gate of Netaji Stadium, at 6.30 AM on Oct 31.

The Lt. Governor A & N Islands, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) will be the chief guest on this occasion and flag off the run. He will also administer the oath of National Unity Day to the people present in the function. Students and people from all walks of life have been requested to participate in the event, a communication from the Directorate of Sports and youth Affairs said here today.

Outreach programme on GST held Principal Chief Commissioner, GST assures redressal of grievances of Isles' traders

Port Blair, Oct. 26
An outreach programme on Goods & Services Tax (GST), was held in the auditorium of JNRM here today. The Principal Chief Commissioner of GST, Kolkata Zone, Shri Arvind Singh, along with the representatives of CGST Kolkata interacted with traders of Port Blair and its adjoining areas during this programme. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, the Commissioner CGST Kolkata Zone, Shri T K Mallick and the Jt. Commissioner of CGST Kolkata Zone, Shri Surya Teja, were among others present in this programme. The GST team arrived here at the behest and request of Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray and



the Andaman Chamber of Commerce & Industries (ACCI) to address the issues relating to implementation of GST in Isles. The ACCI President, Shri Girish Arora and other members of the Chamber also attended this programme. Presiding over the Session, the Principal Chief Commissioner GST, Shri Arvind Singh said, the A & N Islands' economy is an Island Economy and the implementation of the GST has affected the economy due to freight rate of transporting goods from mainland, that prevail at the rate of 5 to 20%, resulting in hike in

prices of goods. Tourism and hotel industries are the biggest income generating industries in the Islands. He said, tourism and freight are the two issues which will have to be looked into. Since GST Council is the only body to decide the tax rate, these issues will be put forth the Council for seeking all possible solutions, he said.

The Principal Chief Commissioner also mentioned about the connectivity problem, composition schemes and various other issues relating to implementing of GST in the Isles and assured that all these matters will be submitted by the GST team to the Council for redressal. He also lauded the beauty

of these Islands, saying that these beautiful Islands are inhabited by peaceful and hardworking people. The per capita income of the Islands is high and the best thing is that there is no beggar here, he said.

The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, while speaking on the occasion expressed gratitude to the Principal Chief Commissioner of GST and his team and the Ministry of Finance, for accepting his request and visiting the Islands to interact with the stakeholders. He suggested that such interaction should be organized on a regular basis for the benefit of the Islanders, especially the trading community. He also highlighted

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CS to inaugurate Aesthetica Asia Conference at DBRAIT today

Staff Reporter
Port Blair, Oct 26
For the first time in A&N Islands, the 2nd Aesthetica Asia 2017 International conference on 'Aesthetic Medicine and allied Sciences' will be organized by the Eastern India Cosmetic Dermatology Research Academy (EICDRA), Kolkata in collaboration with A&N Administration, Directorate of Health

Services and ANIIMS from Oct 27 to 29. The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar will inaugurate the conference at DBRAIT auditorium at 11 am tomorrow (Oct 27).

Briefing media persons at a press conference held at DHS Conference hall this morning, the President EICDRA, Prof. R. N. Dutta said, this conference is

being organized with an aim to familiarize the Islanders and the doctors about aesthetic dermatology which is gaining widespread significance. Around 400 delegates from different parts of the country as well as other Asian countries will be participating in the three day conference. He also expressed gratitude to the Administration, DHS,

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BJP State President meets CPA

Port Blair, Oct 26
The State President BJP, A&N Islands, & Member, Home Ministry Advisory Committee, Shri. Vishal Jolly met the Chief Port Administrator, Port Management Board, A&N Islands today along with Shri. Keshav Murthy, President, Shri G. Prasad, Vice President and Shri T. Someshwar Rao, General Secretary of Port Mazdoor Sangh, PMB (ALF)

Haddo Wharf, A&N Islands. Various issues relating to mazdoors of PMS (PMB) were discussed and the CPA is stated to have assured the delegation of taking appropriate action to redress the grievances of this union, a communication said.

'Hello Doctor' by AIR on Oct 28

Port Blair, Oct 26
Port Blair Station of All India Radio will broadcast a live phone-in interactive programme - 'Hello Doctor' from 7.20 to 7.55 am on Oct 28. The topic of discussion is 'Stress related issues in children- Reason and Remedy'. Psychiatrist of ANIIMS Dr. Mitesh Behari will be the expert in the studio answering the queries of the listeners. Listeners can call on phone number 232336 or 232558 to participate in this live programme. This programme is moderated by Programme Executive, Smti Meena Prakash and produced by Programme Executive Ms Jaisheela J. Lakra.

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PBMC Chairperson visits Christian Graveyard at Ward No. 12

Port Blair, Oct 26
The Chairperson, Port Blair Municipal Council, Shri Indra Pal Singh, along with Shri Vishal Jolly, Member, HMAC, Shri S.N.N. Gregory, Councillor (Ward No:12) and other officials of the Council visited Christian Graveyard situated at Aberdeen Bazaar opposite to Netaji Stadium today. During the inspection, the team noticed the need for providing various amenities in the graveyard to facilitate the public visiting the graveyard to perform last rites of their



loved ones. The Civic chief issued necessary directions to the officials to take immediate steps to construct separate toilet blocks for men and women. He further directed the Executive Engineer (Water) to provide drinking water facility in the Graveyard.

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PBMC asks people to remove illegal extensions & encroachment from Municipal Markets

Port Blair, Oct 26
The Port Blair Municipal Council has asked all concerned to remove all the illegal extensions and encroachment from the Municipal Markets immediately. In a press release received here today, the PBMC Secretary, Shri Yashpal Garg has mentioned that the advisory has been issued as it has been observed that in and around Municipal Markets, the public area meant for circulation have been

encroached by way permanent/semi-permanent structures/illegal extensions. The public area is meant for use by pedestrian and for traffic circulation which cannot be allowed to be blocked. These encroachments not only create hindrance in circulation but also affect the evacuation plan and movement of emergency services like Fire, Police and Medical Ambulance etc, especially during any natural disaster.

A public notice was issued on 15.11.2016 to vacate the illegal occupancy within 7 days but it has not yielded desired results. Thereafter the PBMC, during January/February 2017, removed encroachments from some of the Municipal Markets. However it has been observed that some of the encroachments have come-up again. Public Notices were issued again on 08.02.2017 and on 17.08.2017. In view of this, all concerned have been once

'Funding the Unfunded' MUDRA promotion camp held at Car Nicobar

Car Nicobar, Oct 26
The Government of India, under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister is reaching out to the common man for addressing their needs of financial inclusion and extending all the support & assistance to the needy people though diverse schemes implemented throughout the country. Micro Units Development & Refinance Agency (MUDRA) is an organization constituted by the centre to help individual & small trader through financial institution. As a part of MUDRA



promotion campaign, a camp was organised in Car Nicobar today. Speaking as the chief guest on the occasion, Shri Martin Luther, Secretary, Tribal Council, Car Nicobar said that MUDRA Yojana can make one's dream come true. He also requested Lead District Manager to

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SPORTS

Spain set up title clash against England in FIFA Under-17 World Cup



New Delhi, Oct 26
In Football, Spain and England have set up the title clash of the Under-17 FIFA World Cup being held in India. In the semi-finals yesterday, while Spain defeated Mali, 3-1 at Navi Mumbai to book a Final berth for the fourth time,

England stunned three-time champions Brazil by the same margin at Kolkata to enter their maiden Final. For Spain, Captain Abel Ruiz scored twice, with Ferran Torres being the other goal scorer. For England, Rhian Brewster struck his second

consecutive hat-trick of the tournament. He is now the highest goal-scorer in the tournament with seven goals. The Final will be played in Kolkata on Saturday. The two losing semi-finalists - Brazil and Mali - will play for the third place on the same day.

Shiva, Devendro advance to second round of National men's Boxing C'ships

Visakhapatnam, Oct 26
Shiva Thapa and L Devendro Singh have advanced to the second round of the National men's Boxing Championships in Visakhapatnam. Shiva, a former World Championships bronze-winner sailed past Tripura's Naveen Kumar in his opening bout in the lightweight 60kg category. Devendro, a Commonwealth Games and Asian Championships silver-medallist, got the better of Arunachal Pradesh's Kumar Beyong in his first-round contest of the flyweight (52kg) category.



K Shyam Kumar competing for the Railways Sports Promotion Board (RSPB) defeated H P Kumar Meitei of Manipur in the first round of the light flyweight (49kg) division. Over 300 boxers from 37 states and sports promotion boards are competing in the championships.

Kidambi Srikanth climbs to fourth position in BWF Rankings

New Delhi, Oct 26
After winning the Denmark Open Super Series Premier title, ace Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth has climbed four places to be at fourth spot in BWF ranking released on Thursday. 25-year-old Srikanth has been in sensational form this season as he became the first Indian shuttler to reach four Super Series final in a year, clinching three titles to surpass Saina Nehwal, who had claimed three crowns in 2010. With 66923 points, Srikanth is behind Viktor Axelsen, Son Wah Ho and Lin Dan. He is now one spot away from matching his



career-best ranking of third which he attained in 2015. HS Prannoy also gained two places to achieve his career-best ranking at 12th position whereas Sameer Verma also improved his ranking by taking the 18th place.

Out of form Ajay Jayaram has slipped to 23rd place. In the women's ranking, PV Sindhu continued to be at second spot while Saina Nehwal managed to better her ranking from 12 to 11th position.

Carmel Golden Jubilee inter-school football and khokho tournaments

Port Blair, Oct. 26
The Carmel Sr. Sec. School, Port Blair is celebrating its fifty glorious years of service in the Islands. As a part of the Jubilee year, an Inter-School Football and KhoKho tournament is being conducted by the school. In the KhoKho tournament, the finals of which was held today, Nirmala Sr. Sec. School defeated Khalsa Public School and emerged as the winner. Meanwhile, the football tournament has reached the semi finals stage. In the matches to be held tomorrow, Nirmala School will clash with Vivekananda



Kendra Vidhyalaya while Carmel Sr. Sec. School will clash against Ummat Public School. The matches are being played in Nirmala School ground, Port Blair. Besides, a volleyball match is being organized by the school tomorrow in which the Carmel Alumni will contest against present Carmel Students. The match is scheduled to be held at 9.30 am in the school premises.

Training prog on youth leadership & community development by NYK

Port Blair, Oct 26
A three- day training programme on Youth Leadership & Community Development, was organized by the Nehru Yuva Kendra, Port Blair at Youth Hostel recently. Under this programme, participants were imparted training on self development, rural and urban youth development, Prime Minister's Flagship

Programmes, importance of Yoga and also about scope of Tourism in these Islands. About 40 youth participated in this training programme, which was inaugurated by Principal ANCOL, Dr. Manju Nair while Dr. Kandimuthu, Programme Officer, NSS, JNRM was the guest of honour. Shri Kundan Lal, District Youth Coordinator, Shri Dheerak Kumar Sharma,

National Youth Volunteer and other NYVs were present on the occasion. In her address, the chief guest, Dr. Manju Nair explained about the contribution of Nehru Yuva Kendra in Nation building which produces young and dynamic volunteers every year. She also threw light on development of tourism in the Island, a communication said.

Govt working on new ...

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subsidy directly on cooking LPG has led to a saving of 57,000 crore rupees. Food and Consumer Affairs Minister Shri Ram Vilas Paswan, Minister of State for Food Shri C R Choudhry, and Secretary General UNCTAD Dr Mukhisa Kituyi were present in the conference. Shri Paswan said, the upcoming Consumer Protection Bill will be a revolutionary Bill. The Minister equated ISI trademark with international standard. Dr Mukhisa Kituyi said, defining consumer interest in a changing world is a challenging task. He said, protecting the interest of online consumers is very important in the era of digital revolution.

Principal Chief Commissioner ... (Contd. from page 1)

the flagship programmes of the Government, which are being undertaken in the Islands. Shri S K Rai, Director, UT, MHA in his brief address informed that A & N Islands and Lakshadweep have unique difficulties owing to their geographical locations and the costs of living in these places are higher than the rest of the country. He assured that all matters discussed during the session will be taken up for consideration. A volley of questions were raised by the stakeholders, which were responded promptly by the GST representatives. The GST officials also clarified all the doubts and problems of the stakeholders and assured them that all the demands will be submitted to the GST Council for further redressal.

MUDRA promotion ... (Contd. from page 1)

Kumar reiterated the commitment of Administration towards implementation of all schemes for the benefit of the people. He also explained about the benefits of formal banking and informed that the main aim of the Government for launching of MUDRA yojana is 'Funding of Unfunded'. The programme was attended among others, by Shri B V S Prasad, General Manager, NABARD and Shri K M Deka, Deputy General Manager, SIDBI. The programme aimed for creating awareness on MUDRA Loan, various financial inclusion schemes and digital payment methods, was organized by Union Territory Level Bankers Committee, Port Blair. A film on MUDRA Yojana was screened on the occasion, highlighting the various social security schemes of the Government. A video highlighting the success stories of One MUDRA and Stand Up India was screened. Sanctioned letters were also handed over to the beneficiaries. In the Welcome address, the Assistant General Manager, ANSCB Shri Raghuveer Singh explained about the Government schemes viz Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bhima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bhima Yojana, Atal Pension Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana and Stand Up India. He also informed that MUDRA Yojana has successful stories in the Island and the bankers have done a splendid job in its implementation in the Island. Various cultural programmes and a friendly football match were organized. As many as 10 stalls of banks and various departments were also set up to show case their schemes and programmes for the benefit of the general public and the counters included those of Tribal Council, SBI, SIDBI, NABARD, Aadhaar Enrollment Centre from Civil Supply, ANSCB, Veterinary Department, Industries Department, Agriculture Department & BSNL. The function was concluded with the vote of thanks, proposed by Shri K Mohan Rao, Lead District Manager, SBI, Port Blair.

WEATHER

Rain or Thundershower likely to occur at few places. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31 °C and 25 °C respectively on Friday 27/10/2017
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date : 31.5
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date : 24.7
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST 077
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST 082
Sunrise Time for tomorrow(in IST): 0510
Sunset Time for tomorrow(in IST): 1656
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 000.5
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 17 2893.2 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS
MV Strait Island will sail for Neil Island on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0600 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1100 Hrs from Neil Island. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at DSS Information Counters one hour prior to the departure of the vessel. MV Strait Island will sail for Havelock on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0800 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 0945 Hrs from Havelock. MV Coral Queen will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay & Nancowry on 02.11.2017 (Thu) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 04.10.2017 (Sat) at 0800 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public on 31.10.2017 (Tue) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 31.10.2017 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.

INTER ISLAND SECTOR:
MV Coral Queen will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0800 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 28.10.2017 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut. MV Bharat Seema will sail for Campbell Bay via Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa & Nancowry on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 1000 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 30.10.2017 (Mon) at 2000 Hrs from Campbell Bay via same route.

CARGO SERVICE:
The cargo vessel MV Chuglam will sail for Campbell Bay via Hut Bay, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry on 31.10.2017 (Tue) at 1700 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 Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 29.10.2017 (Sun) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 30.10.2017 (Mon) at 0800 Hrs from Hut Bay. MV Coral Queen will sail for Hut Bay on 31.10.2017 (Tue) 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 29th & 31st Oct., 2017 will be issued to the general public from 26.10.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counters & CSC's.

FORESHORE SECTOR:
Note: Passenger tickets for the Foreshore Sector vessels scheduled on 27th, 28th, 29th & 30th Oct., 2017 will be issued to the general public on 26.10.2017 (Thu) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Counters & CSC's.

27.10.2017 (FRIDAY) BARATANG
MV Katchal will sail for Baratang on 27.10.2017 (Fri) 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 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs.c 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 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.

RANGAT
MV Chouldari will sail for Rangat via Havelock and Long Island on 27.10.2017 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

28.10.2017 (SATURDAY) BARATANG
MV Chouldari will sail for Baratang on 28.10.2017 (Sat) 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 North Passage will sail for Havelock on 28.10.2017 (Sat) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.

MV Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 28.10.2017 (Sat) 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 28.10.2017 (Sat) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1600 Hrs from Neil Island.

Power suspension

Port Blair, Oct 26
The power supply will remain suspended at Old Pahargaon, part of Dollygunj near ATR Road from 8 am to 12 noon on October 28 in connection with expansion of Low Tension Line at Old Pahargaon. The power suspension time mentioned is tentative which may change subject to completion of work.

PBMC asks people to remove ...

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encroachment on the public land, recovery of damage charges for illegal occupancy of public land and cost of demolition, levying of fine for violation of term & conditions of allotment and cancellation of allotment and sealing of the allotted Shop(s). This Public Notice is the final opportunity and individual notices will not be issued before removal of encroachments at the risk & cost of concerned persons, the release added.

PBMC Chairperson visits ... (Contd. from page 1)

The Chairperson also directed the EE (Works) to carry out maintenance of the shed situated near the Graveyard immediately. He appreciated the SO and concerned sanitary employees for maintaining cleanliness of the surrounding area of the Graveyard. Shri S.N.N. Gregory, Councillor asked the Sanitary Officer for cutting of jungles and other cleanliness keeping in view of ensuing observance of 'All Soul's Day', by Christians on Nov 2, 2017, a PBMC release said.



A large number of people, especially ladies offered 'argh' to the Sun at Corbyn's Cove beach on the occasion of Chhat puja today.

CS to inaugurate...

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ANIIMS and DBRAIT for the support extended towards conducting this conference. Speaking on the occasion, the Secretary (EICDRA), Dr. Ashim Sarkar said this is one of the largest medical conferences conducted in the country. Last year, the 1st conference was held at Kolkata. He further stated that in India, aesthetic medicine is catching up very fast and people need to be made aware to consult the doctors for any kind of skin ailments before taking any advice from any person. Dr. R. P. Choubey, Director ANIIMS said such international conference of this magnitude is being organized here for the first time and this will benefit many doctors of GB Pant and ANIIMS as well as the medical college students to gather knowledge on aesthetic dermatology. Earlier, Dr. R. K. Halder, Dermatologist, G. B Pant Hospital welcomed the gathering and briefed about the conference here in the Islands. He informed that Aesthetica Asia 2017 conference will deal with many aspects of aesthetics and newer modalities of their approach and management. Islanders can also attend the conference and observe the deliberations to have better understanding of the science of skin. There will be no registration fee for the Islanders.