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PM calls for bridging digital divide, promote digital literacy

San Jose, Sep 27
Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has called for bridging the digital divide and promote digital literacy in the same way as general literacy. Addressing a gathering of large number of CEOs of IT companies including Microsoft, Google, Cisco and Adobe before a dinner interaction in San Jose, USA, today, he also urged making technology accessible and affordable. He said access also means content in local languages. Expounding the concept of Digital India, the Prime Minister said that it is an effort for India's transformation on a scale which is unmatched in human history. The Prime Minister said mobile or M - governance has the potential to make development a truly inclusive



and comprehensive mass movement as it puts governance within everyone's reach. Shri Modi said the government wants all citizens to be Digitally connected. To achieve this, six lakh villages

and all schools and colleges will be connected with broadband. He said five hundred railway stations will shortly be provided with free Wi-fi hotspots. Prime Minister said IT will be used

to build smart cities and villages will be turned into smart economic hubs. He said Digital India presents huge opportunities and invited partnership for rolling out the program.

Centre to come out with new tourism policy soon: Tourism & Culture Minister

New Delhi, Sept 27
Minister of Culture and Tourism Dr Mahesh Sharma has said the government will soon come out with a new tourism policy to attract more foreign tourists. Speaking at the foundation laying ceremony of Paryatan Bhawan today in New Delhi, Dr. Sharma said centre is aiming at increasing the country's share in the global

tourism market from existing 0.68 per cent to 1 per cent by 2020. Shri Sharma added that the country has received 7.7 million annual international tourists. He also raised concern that India has not tapped its tourism potential to the fullest. The Paryatan Bhawan of worth 125 crore will be spread over nearly 23,000 sq metres and is projected to be completed in 18-24 months.

India has huge potential to attract tourists: I&B Minister

New Delhi, Sep 27
Information and Broadcasting Minister, Shri Arun Jaitley has said India has the huge potential to attract tourists around the world but at the same time there is a need to frame policies in such a way which will help the industry in the future. Speaking during the foundation stone laying ceremony of the new building

of Tourism Ministry in New Delhi, the Minister said country has the longest sea shore, huge forests, religious places and culture which have the capacity to attract tourists. Shri Jaitley, however, maintained that there is also need to build more infrastructure specially airports so that tourists will

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Awareness on Army recruitment rally

Lecture-cum-interactive session held at Netaji Stadium

Staff Reporter
Port Blair, Sept 27

With a view to motivate the prospective candidates for the forthcoming Army recruitment rally, scheduled to be held in the first week of December, the Director Recruiting, Chennai, Col. A.D Pitre, conducted a lecture cum interactive session here this morning at Netaji Stadium.

At the outset, the Director Recruiting lauded the effort of the Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Lt. Gen. A. K. Singh (Retd) for his fervent support and relentless effort in making arrangements for conducting awareness regarding Army recruitment rally in various parts of the Islands. "I am thankful to the Lt. Governor for facilitating my movements in various parts of the Islands to create awareness and interact with prospective candidates for the upcoming Army recruitment rally to be held at Port Blair", said Col. A. D. Pitre. The Lt. Governor desired that maximum candidates from A&N Islands are made aware of the recruitment rally and



are enlightened about the Army, he added.

Addressing the youth who have gathered in good numbers, the Director Recruiting dwelt at length on opportunities, role and responsibilities of the Indian Army. "Army is the biggest wing in Indian defence and it offers ample opportunities to the youth, who have the zeal to serve the nation in various capacities", he said. The Director also highlighted the various aspects of the Indian Army such as the facilities provided to the Army personnel and soldiers viz

free medical facility, food, clothing, shelter, concession for travelling, 90 days holidays per year, good pay package etc. He also outlined the basic qualification required for participating in the forth coming Army Recruitment Rally scheduled to be held in the 1st week of December this year viz. Minimum educational

qualification (VIII pass for native of A&N Islands and X pass for settlers), height (165 cms), chest (76 cms), weight (50kg), age limit (17 1/2 to 21 years for Soldiers GD) and (17 1/2 to 23 years for Tradesmen).

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Cleanliness drive marks celebration of World Tourism Day



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Port Blair, Sept. 27
Along with the rest of the globe, World Tourism Day was also celebrated in these Islands today. To celebrate the day, the Tourism Department here organised a number of programmes. The passengers at the Port Blair airport, at Rajiv Gandhi Water Sports Complex and at Neil & Havelock Jetties were accorded traditional

welcome. Meanwhile, to the mark the World Tourism Day, under 'Swatch Bharat Abhiyan', the Tourism Deptt along with other stakeholders viz the ACCI, AATO and FORTO organised cleanliness drives at important tourist beaches like Corbyn's Cove, Chidiyatapu and North Bay. Other stakeholders and people also participated in the drive.

Flea Market at Marina Park

Entertainments of different hues allure visitors



Staff Reporter
Port Blair, Sept 27

Waft of different aromas coupled with cool sea breeze formed a perfect evening for Port Blairians and the visiting tourists to the Islands, as they were seen thronging the 'Flea Market' organised as part of World Tourism Day-2015 here at Mahavir Singh Road near the Marina Park.

People were seen manoeuvring their way to check out stalls selling books, music CDs, accessories, jewellery, appliances,

crockery, decorative items, hand paintings, utility products, homemade local pickles / masala items, arts & handicrafts etc. Apart from this entertainment events such as roller skaters, mini golf, and fun games were also set up for the children who were seen in a gleeful mood.

The Flea Market is organised by the Department of Tourism with the support of individuals, cultural associations, self help groups, NGOs etc. The Flea Market aims at promoting the

local culture, cuisine, arts & handicrafts and also to encourage the participation of the local populace towards promotion of Tourism in the Islands. Altogether 30 different stalls were set up at the Flea Market by various

individuals and associations. A painting competition was also organised for school students up to the age 15 years in which enthusiastic students were seen painting away their imaginations.

Trainees encouraged to promote tourism in M&N Andaman

Port Blair, Sept 27

Addressing the 85 trainees in travel, tourism and hospitality sector under the new scheme skills development initiative of Government of India under Modular Employable skills, the chief guest Dr. P. Viswa Kannan, Director of Tourism said preservation of environment, service mind

and sustainability are important. He said this at a function organized by Trade Wings Institute of Management on the occasion of World Tourism Day 2015 at the conference hall of Megapode Nest here today. Shri Pervez Mohamad, General Manager ANIDCO, the guest of honour said that

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World Rabies Day to be observed today

Port Blair, Sept. 27

World Rabies Day, a global event to create awareness about the scourge of the disease and to highlight the need for its prevention will be observed all over the World tomorrow (Sept.28). The A&N Islands is blessed to be free from Rabies. World Rabies Day is celebrated on September 28 every year to commemorate the death anniversary of Louis Pasteur who developed the first

efficacious rabies vaccine. In a message, the Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services has said that rabies is a highly fatal disease of humans and all other warm blooded species. It is transmitted mainly by rabid dog's bite or through contamination of broken skin or mucous membranes with saliva from an infected animal.

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Cleanliness drive launched in Car Nicobar

Car Nicobar, Sept. 27

The nation-wide sanitation/cleanliness drive was launched in Car Nicobar Island yesterday. A rally was organized in which school children, teachers, Govt. officials and general public participated in large numbers. The Rally was flagged off from the District Office Premises, Nicobars and culminated in front of Gandhi Statue at Malacca.

Banners and placards depicting the theme on cleanliness/sanitation were carried by the school

children and slogans were also raised. At the start and close of the rally, the idea behind such a campaign on cleanliness was spelt out by the officers of the District Administration as well as other departments. The participants were urged to inculcate the habit of keeping ones households and their surroundings clean. It was conveyed that cleanliness drive be adopted as a continuous process in our daily lives to make a Clean India. The school children were urged to

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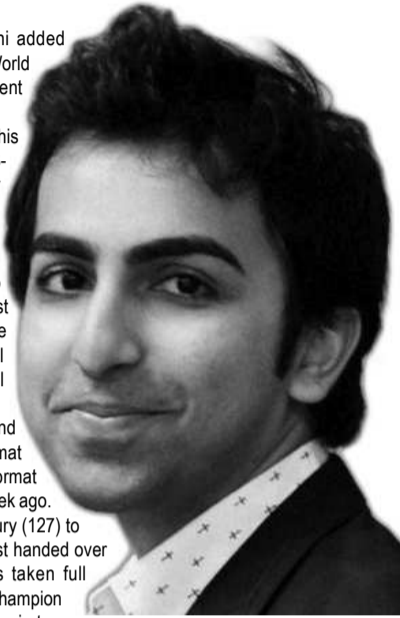
Advani wins IBSF World Billiards Championship, pockets 14th World title

Adelaide, Sept 27

India's most successful cueist Pankaj Advani added another feather to his cap by winning the IBSF World Billiards Championship, by outplaying his opponent in the final to take his world title count to 14. Advani, 30, left the spectators spellbound with his prolific play and indisputable mastery over the 3-ball game, demolishing Singapore's Peter Gilchrist by 1168 points.

On lifting his 14th world crown in style, the Indian ace said, "I was determined to get even with Peter (Gilchrist), after losing the point format final to him. A productive chat with my sports psychologist brother Shree and a good night's sleep did the trick. We discussed my strategies and mental approach the night before the big final and it all panned out perfectly."

Bengaluru's 'Golden Boy' was in roaring form and appeared keen to not only defend his Time format world title, but also avenge his loss of the Point format championship to Gilchrist, which happened a week ago. In the opening visit, Advani fired in a quick century (127) to take the initial lead. Failing to capitalise, Gilchrist handed over an opportunity to the Indian star and it was taken full advantage of. The 2015 6-red snooker world champion showed his fine prowess in billiards by smashing in two back-to-back triple centuries (360 and 301), making the match a foregone conclusion in the first hour itself. With a comfortable 700-point lead, India's posterboy of cuesport continued to add insult to injury with breaks of 284, 119, 101 and 106 in quick succession to extend his lead to 1100 points at the halfway mark of the 5-hour final.



If Pakistan boycotts India at ICC tournaments, they will pay for it: Rajiv Shukla

New Delhi, Sept 27

Reacting to Shahryar Khan's recent statement of boycotting India in ICC tournaments if they refused to play the proposed series against Pakistan in December, IPL Chairman Rajiv Shukla on Saturday said PCB will have to bear the brunt in that case.

Pakistan Cricket Board Chairman Shaharyar was yesterday quoted as saying that "if the Indian Cricket Board officially backs out of the series in December, then we have the option of boycotting all matches

against them in ICC and ACC events".

"Is this statement of Shaharyar Khan a threat to the BCCI or the ICC?," asked Shukla. "PCB is bound by the rules of the ICC, if it backs out it will have to bear the fine," he said at the 'Hindustan Shikhar Samagam' on Saturday.

Stating that no country wants to play in Pakistan, Shukla has asked the PCB if they could guarantee full security to the Indian players. "I want to make an appeal...can you (PCB) guarantee the security to the

players in its country? Because of security concerns, leave alone England and Australia, even Bangladesh team does not want to go there," Shukla said. Refusing there is any possibility of a cricket series in December, Shukla said, "After finalising the cricket series with Pakistan, we will go to the Government for permission. But before that there are a number of issues that have to be resolved, so there is no chance of a series in December." Meanwhile, Shukla maintained that he was not in the race for the post of the BCCI president.

Lewis Hamilton puts hammer down to win in Japan

Suzuka (Japan), Sept 27

Lewis Hamilton blazed to victory at the Japanese Grand Prix ahead of Mercedes team mate Nico Rosberg today to strengthen his grip on a third world title. The Briton, who is chasing back-to-back Formula One championships, opened a 48-point gap over Rosberg with five races left after putting on a masterclass at Suzuka.

Sebastian Vettel, shock winner in Singapore last week, took third with Kimi Raikkonen fourth in the second Ferrari. "Awesome stuff, Lewis! Fantastic race, mate!" his Mercedes team engineer said over the radio as Hamilton crossed the line pumping his fists in celebration after his eighth win of the season.

Varun Aaron to lead Jharkhand in Ranji Trophy

Jamshedpur, Sept 27

Team India speedster Varun Aaron will lead the Jharkhand team in the forthcoming Ranji Trophy tournament.

Announcing a 15-member state Ranji team for the 2015-16 season here on Saturday, Rajesh Verma, secretary of Jharkhand State Cricket Association (JSCA), said off-spinner Vinayak Vikram was the new face in the team. Vikram was selected in the team for his impressive performance in the under-19 tournament last season as well as in selection trials, he said.

Abhinav Bindra clinches gold medal at Asian AirGun Championship

New Delhi, Sept 27

Olympic champion Abhinav Bindra shot 208.8 points to clinch the gold medal in the 10 metre air rifle event at the Asian AirGun Championship in New Delhi on Sunday. London Olympics bronze medallist Gagan Narang and Chain Singh finished fourth

and sixth respectively in the event. All the three shooters have already secured quota places for next year's Rio Olympics. An international shooting competition is being held in India after a gap of almost five years, the last being the 2010 Delhi Commonwealth Games.

Sania wins her 7th title of season, 6th with Hingis



Guangzhou, Sept 27

The world number one Sania Mirza and Martina Hingis team, continued its dominating run by winning their sixth title of the year at the Guangzhou Open. The top seeds hammered Xu Shilin and You Xiaodi 6-3, 6-1 in the final to win their second WTA title in a row. Such has been their domination that they have not dropped a set en route to the title. It was Sania's seventh title of the 2015 season and sixth with Hingis. She won one trophy with

Bethanie-Mattek Sands in Sydney.

Sania and Hingis have now won six of 13 events they have played, since joining forces in March - Indian Wells, Miami, Charleston, Wimbledon, the US Open and now Guangzhou. They have an incredible 42-7 win-loss record together. After a first round bye, they beat Anna-Lena Friedsam and Monica Niculescu in the quarters, 6-2 6-3, and then Julia Glushko and Rebecca Peterson in the semis 6-3 6-4.

MORE LOCAL/NATIONAL NEWS

Indian satellite for astronomy research 'Astrosat' getting ready for launch today

Sriharikotta, Sept 27

The first Indian dedicated satellite for astronomy research, Astrosat, is getting ready for its launch tomorrow. The Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle PSLV-C30 will carry it into a low earth equatorial orbit after its take off from the first launch pad of Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikotta at 10 am on Monday, along with six small satellites of international customers.

PSLV will fly in its extended configuration this time, keeping in view the total payload weight of 1631 kg. Our correspondent reports, the speciality of Astrosat is its ability to observe celestial bodies like distant stars and cosmic X-Ray sources in different wavelengths simultaneously.

The scientists of the Indian

Space Research Organization ISRO are giving the launch vehicle PSLV-C30 final touches for its 31st flight tomorrow. Mr Deviprasad Karnik said, filling up of propellants and oxidizers into its three lower fuel stages are going on now, as part of the 50-hour countdown process. The fourth stage filling has been completed already.

Along with Astrosat, four identical nano-satellites of Spire Global Inc., the US, a micro-satellite from Indonesia and a nano-satellite of the University of Toronto, Canada are also set to take off. Within 22 minutes 33 seconds of ignition of the PSLV, it would lob Astrosat in its 650 km orbit, followed by the smaller payloads. The science research mission Astrosat with five years of



intended operational life would serve as a space observatory.

MV Campbell Bay to sail for Chennai

Port Blair, Sept 27

The Vessel MV Campbell Bay (Voy No. 397) will sail for Chennai via Nancowry & Campbell Bay on 29.09.2015 at 100 hrs. Excess baggage will be loaded from 0700 hrs to 0900 hrs on 29.09.2015. Medical Examination and embarkation of passengers will commence from 0700 hrs to 0900 hrs on 29.09.2015. The embarkation of passengers and excess baggage will be closed one hour before the schedule time. Passengers reporting late will not be allowed to board the vessel, a communication said.

MP condoles death

Port Blair, Sept 27

The Member of Parliament, A & N Islands, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray has condoled the death of Shri Surya Prakash Singh, JE, ALHW, S/o Late Shri. Ram Milan Singh, who expired on Sept.26 at his residence.

Trainees ...

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his organization is also in the process of organizing conducted tours to North Andaman from the ensuing tourist season. He further said that ANIIDCO has a scheme to finance the local youth for starting tourism ventures.

Earlier, Prof. Abdul Salam, Lecturer in Tourism Studies, JNRM and Shri Neelakanthan, Manager Government of India, Tourist Office addressed the trainees on the prospects to promote tourism in North Andaman. On this occasion, certificate to the 43 trainees in Travel & tourism sector have been presented to passed out candidates by the chief guest and the guest of honour.

Prospects of promoting tourism in Middle and North Andaman has been presented by the trainees through a documentary film 'a journey into the prospects of tourism', a communication said here.

Cleanliness drive ...

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spread the message on cleanliness/sanitation in their neighborhoods and practice the same in their lives.

The District Administration is organizing a fortnight long programmes on cleanliness/sanitation throughout the district, a communication from the Assistant Commissioner (HQ), Car Nicobar said.

ADB to double its annual lending for climate change

New York, Sept 27

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is to double its annual lending for climate change adaptation to 6 billion US Dollars by 2020. ADB President Takehiko Nakao said in a statement that the initiative comes as world leaders adopted on Friday an ambitious set of 17 global goals, including

combating climate change and its impacts. Nowhere is tackling climate change more critical than in Asia and the Pacific, where rising sea levels, melting glaciers, and weather extremes like floods and droughts are damaging livelihoods and taking far too many lives, he said.

Awareness on Army ...

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include: minimum education qualification certificate, transfer certificate, character certificate to be obtained from school/panchayat, higher education certificate (degree/diploma), local certificate, caste/ community certificate for data base maintenance, 8 colour passport size photos, he said. Candidates below 18 years of age and who wish to take part in the recruitment rally are required to produce parents' consent certificate. Those who have excelled in sports at state, national and international level, are also eligible and will be assessed for their flexibility and physical growth test and endurance under the sports discipline. Candidates with NCC 'C' certificate for Soldier GD need not appear for the written test, where as for A & B Certificates, bonus marks will be allotted. In the case of Administrative job, candidates possessing NCC 'A, B or C' certificate will not be exempted from written test. During the recruitment rally, candidates will be tested on three parameters i.e. physical test, medical test and written test.

The Director also answered a number queries raised by candidates during the interactive session and motivated them to utilize the opportunity.

Earlier, the Director Recruiting also visited Diglipur in the North and Car Nicobar for motivating and enlightening the prospective candidates about the recruitment rally.

Speaking to 'The Daily Telegrams' Reporter, the Director Recruiting said he found the youth of these Islands quite good and enthusiastic. He also said that Army does not confine itself to boys alone, even girls can also join under various capacities, as it gives a very good avenues for them as well. "Girls can join under permanent service commission in the medicine & nursing field, while they can also opt for the short service commission for 5 years extendable up to 14 years", he said. Sharing his experience during his visit to Diglipur, Col. Pitre said, he found the candidates quite responsive, where as in the Car Nicobar region; he commended the sporting talents of the candidates. "This year the vacancy for the Andaman and Nicobar Islands are approximately 200", he said. For the Officer cadre, aspiring candidates can appear for the NDA exam during their class XII. He also urged the youth to make use of the opportunity and motivated them to start practicing diligently and participate during the recruitment rally.

For further details candidates can log on to the website www.joinindianarmy.nic.in or they can also give a free missed call to on phone number 07939593050 and download the Indian Army Recruitment app 'armycalling' to chat with a live consultant.

Allotment of ...

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above. The said 2 BDS seats will be allotted to the qualified candidates of ANIPMT-2015 as per merit, a communication from the Assistant Secretary (Hr Edn) said here.

India has huge ...

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travel frequently at various tourist places easily. He also emphasized that India should increase its airline capacity from 5 to 10 percent to cater to more foreign tourist in the country. The Minister also said, the industry is generating around 10 percent business opportunities in the world.

Cleanliness drive



WEATHER

Heavy rain may occur at isolated places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 30°C and 28°C respectively on Monday 28/09/2015

Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours

Maximum Temperature (°C): 31.8
Minimum Temperature (°C): 24.7
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 077
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 087
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 0509
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 1713
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 001.6
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.0
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 15: 2297.8 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

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28.09.2015 (MONDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 28.09.2015 (Mon) 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 28.09.2015 (Mon) 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 Havelock via Neil Island on 28.09.2015 (Mon) at 1100 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock via Neil Island.
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 28.09.2015 (Mon) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.
RANGAT, MAYABUNDER & DIGLIPUR
MV Jolly Buoy will sail for Rangat via Neil, Havelock, Kadamtala and Long Island on 28.09.2015 (Mon) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on 29.09.2015 (Tue) at 0615 Hrs from Rangat via same route.
29.09.2015 (TUESDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
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30.09.2015 (WEDNESDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 30.09.2015 (Wed) 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 30.09.2015 (Wed) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.

World Rabies Day ...

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It is reported that, every year a sizeable number of human beings and livestock die in India due to rabies causing large financial burden. Though there is no known cure, the disease can be prevented by vaccination. The responsibility of maintaining the U.T.'s status of Freedom from Rabies is upon each one of its citizens. All animal welfare activists, animal lovers, animal welfare organizations and the professionals from Public Health and Veterinary sectors should strive to sensitize the public on the issues related to control of Rabies and the significance of doing so. With our combined effort we can continue to keep the territory free from Rabies for the future generations, the Director, AH&VS stated.