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Nifty 50 : 7597.00*
* as on previous day
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LG launches Disaster Management website Takes stock of disaster preparedness and ability to respond



Port Blair, March 30
At a simple function at Raj Niwas today, the Lt Governor, Lt Gen A K Singh (Retd.), launched the website of Disaster Management Department which is geared towards creation of awareness amongst the people with regard to disaster management in terms of emergency contact nos., relief centres, Do's & Don'ts as well as other relevant details. The website further provides information about the state disaster management plan, state of preparedness, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), various manuals including manuals on monsoon preparedness etc. Taking stock of the disaster preparedness, the Lt Governor directed the department to build on what has been done and plan out response in each disaster scenario by



designating nodal departments and take it to its logical conclusion. This will enable assessment of preparedness levels & in coordinating responses. He further said that disaster management should take top priority. Chief Secretary, Pr. Secretaries, Secretaries & Senior Defence & Civil officers were present on the occasion.
Banks to remain open till 8 PM today
New Delhi, Mar 30
All banks will keep open the counters of their designated branches conducting government business till 8 PM tomorrow (Mar 31). The RBI has asked banks to

LG inaugurates Japanese language Course in JNRM

Emphasises need to introduce more foreign languages to facilitate Isles youth in seeking employment in different arenas

Port Blair, Mar 30

A basic course in Japanese language commenced at JNRM today with its inauguration by the Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Lt. Gen AK Singh (Retd.), in the auditorium of JNRM this evening. The Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Anindo Majumdar, Smt. Rupa Ray, Secretary (Education), Ms. Tanvi Garg, senior officers of the Administration, learners of Japanese language, students and Lecturers of JNRM, representatives of ACCI besides stakeholders in the tourism sector were present during the inaugural ceremony.

Addressing the gathering, the Lt. Governor emphasized that in today's competitive world, our students should also move forward and starting this course in the Islands is one such step in this direction. "Learning an additional language, especially a foreign language, will give our students an edge in seeking job not only in tourism sector but in other arenas too", the Lt. Governor said. Learning any language is a great confidence building measure, he said, adding that the demand for having a course in this language here is an old one. "There is a great joy in learning new languages and you feel connected to another part of the world", he said.

Emphasising the clarion call given by the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi to 'Make in India', the Lt. Governor said "we should also be able to speak the language of the foreign investors in our country". Speaking about the progress being made in the communication sector in the Isles and the opportunities it will bring for the Islanders, the Lt. Governor stated that by 2018 the undersea Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) from Chennai connecting Port Blair and five other Islands will become reality. The work in this regard will commence in another 5 to 6 months, he said. The Lt. Governor reiterated that with this, the Andaman and



Nicobar Islands will become the best place for IT related industries and services, like call centre etc. "Since our children are very good at languages, they will pick up foreign languages too, very fast, and as they are highly disciplined, they will find good job opportunities too", he said, and called upon the youth to develop proficiency in foreign languages to prepare for 2019, by when the undersea optical fibre cable will be completely in place.
The Lt. Governor also asked the Principal, (Contd. on last page)

MP exhorts youth to draw inspiration from lives of freedom fighters & spiritual leaders

Port Blair, Mar 30

The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray has called upon the students and youth to draw inspiration from the lives of the great freedom fighters and spiritual leaders of the country to become good human beings and responsible citizens of the country. He was speaking as the chief guest of a seminar-cum- discussion on 'women empowerment', organised by Youth Social Welfare Group, an NGO here, at the Industrial Training Institute, Dollygunj this morning. The Secretary (Industries), Shri Ramesh



Verma also attended this programme. While interacting with the students, the Member of Parliament also explained about various schemes being implemented by the A&N Administration. He mentioned about ANISHI scheme that enables the Islanders with annual income of less than Rs.3 lakh besides retired govt. servants avail free medical treatment at mainland upto Rs.5 lakh. He also mentioned about the proposed scheme of 'Smart

Class' and 'Tele-education', which will benefit the students to a great extent. The Member of Parliament also advised the students & youth to stay away from alcohol and other drugs. He also asked them to refrain from any corrupt practices in life and struggle earnestly to achieve their goals.

Speaking as the guest of honour, Swami Shuddhananda of Chinmaya Mission here, enlightened the gathering about how to become good human beings and develop



good character. He also advised students to inculcate the habit of reading good books.
The special guest, Smt. Prerna Bali, while interacting with the

MP to inaugurate photo exhibition

Port Blair, Mar 30

The Directorate of Advertising & Visual Publicity, Govt. of India, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting will be organising a photo exhibition titled 'Vikas Ki Nayi Udaan', at Andaman Club, opposite Netaji Stadium.

The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray will be the chief guest of the inaugural ceremony to be held at 4 pm tomorrow (Mar 31). The Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman, Smt. Minati Biswas and Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman, Shri Vijay Kumar Bidhuri will be the guests of honour on the occasion.

Pensioners urged to submit Aadhar Card

Port Blair, Mar 30

All the pensioners of A&N Islands are requested to submit their Aadhar Card number to the bank from which the pension is being drawn so as to enable the Central Government

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Arrangements on coastal security exercise - 'Tatsuraksha' reviewed

Port Blair, Mar 30

A detailed meeting was conducted under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Mazumdar on Coastal Security Exercise - Tatsuraksha 01/16 yesterday. Apart from Inspector General, Coast Guard, A&NI Inspector General Kuldip Singh Sheoran, PCCF Shri M.S.Negi, DGP (i/c) Shri N.S. Bundela, Home Secretary, Shri N.K.Sharma, the senior officers of the Coast Guard, various line departments of A&N Administration and A&N



Police also attended the meeting. The Chief Secretary reviewed the progress on various outstanding agenda points and preparedness of the Administration towards

Coastal Security during this meeting.

At the outset, Commander, Coast Guard Region (Andaman and Nicobar) Inspector General

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Chartered flight in Kolkata-Port Blair-Kolkata sector Advance reservation for April & May 2016

Port Blair, Mar 30

Advance booking of chartered flight tickets for the month of April and May, 2016 for sector Kolkata-Port Blair-Kolkata will commence from 1st April 2016 from 10 am onwards, upto 4 pm on all working days. Intending passengers can book their tickets from any of the

following centres/offices on first come first serve basis-
1. Any of the Common Service Centers (CSC)s - e-Dweep outlets.
2. Ticket counter at Inter-Island Helicopter Terminal, Port Blair.
3. Office of Dy. Commissioner (Nicobar), Car Nicobar.

4. Office of Dy. Commissioner (North & Middle Andaman), Mayabunder.
5. Office of Dy. Resident Commissioner, A & N Bhawan, Kolkata.
6. Office of Asst. Director, Shipping Services, Chennai.
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Rates of publishing advertisements in colour in DT/DS fixed

Port Blair, Mar 30

The Andaman and Nicobar Administration has fixed the rate of publishing advertisements in colour in 'The Daily Telegrams' and 'Dweep Samachar' at Rs.82.60 per column centimetre. Accordingly, the charges for publishing advertisement advertisements in colour will be between 9 am to 12 noon and 1 pm to 4 pm, a communication Rs.7,599 for quarter page from the Manager, (23cm x 04 col), Govt. Press said here Rs.15,198 for half page today.

Tourism Deptt. to organize 'Flea Market' on April 2 & 3

Port Blair, March 30

With the motto to promote the local cuisine, culture, art and handicrafts and also to encourage the participation of the local people towards promotion of Tourism in the Islands, the Tourism Department of A & N Administration is once again presenting a truly 'Relaxing, Rejuvenating Rejoicing Weekend U t s a v ' (Flea Market) on 2nd & 3rd April, 2016 at Marina Park from 4 pm to 10 pm.

The event is successful merely because of the involvement of people from all walks of life particularly the Islanders, NGOs, SHGs, Cultural Associations, Tourism stakeholders etc. Hence, fresh applications are invited from interested participants for setting up KIOSKS/stalls during the flea market on 2nd & 3rd April, 2016. The interested local cultural groups/individuals, who wish to perform voluntarily at this

flea market may approach to Tourism Department for registration. The Tourism Department will give the opportunity to them to perform before large gathering on turn basis. The application form in this regard can be obtained from the Manager (GH), Directorate of Tourism, Tel No.03192-244081. The filled in application form should reach the office of the Director (Tourism) by 1 pm of April 01, 2016, a communication said.

New State Committee of BJP declared

Port Blair, Mar 30

The Bharatiya Janata Party, A&N Islands has declared its new State

Committee. Under the State President, Shri Vishal Jolly, twenty nine other office bearers have been elected.

The job of Spokespersons will be carried out by State President himself. The list is as under:

LIST OF STATE COMMITTEE			
SL. NO.	NAME	DESIGNATION	CONTACT NO.
1	Shri Vishal Jolly	State President	9434281039
2	Shri D.C. Arunagiri	State Vice - President	9434281652
3	Shri Taranga Kr. Dhali	State Vice - President	9434272211
4	Smti Janet Mewa	State Vice - President	9474233655
5	Shri Ramanathan	State Vice - President	
6	Shri R. Narasimha Rao	State Vice - President	
7	Shri Sanjay Kr. Singh	State Vice - President	9434288031
8	Shri Prakash Adhikari	State General Secretary	9434280275
9	Shri Ajoy Bairagi	State General Secretary	9434297937
10	Shri Mohan Halder	State Secretary	9933262663
11	Shri Surendran	State Secretary	9679519828
12	Shri B. Eswar Rao	State Secretary	9434262256
13	Shri R. P. Singh	State Secretary	9434263568
14	Smti Muthu Laxmi	State Secretary	9474266548
15	Shri S. K. Jain	State Treasurer	9933272897

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SPORTS

Kohli-powered India take on mighty Windies for place in final

Mumbai, Mar 30
Virat Kohli's sublime form will be up against the brute force of Chris Gayle when title contenders India clash against a flamboyant West Indies in what promises to be a battle of nerves in the second semifinal match of the ICC World Twenty20 here tomorrow. The no-holds barred battle between the 2007 champions India and the 2012 title-winners West Indies is expected to ultimately be decided by the ability of the players to handle the pressure in front of a full house at a venue where the hosts captured their second ODI World Cup crown almost five years ago. Both teams go into the clash after getting beaten once each in the Super 10 stage and as such the team that grabs its chances is expected to come out triumphant. The head-to-head record between the two rivals in past World Twenty20s is 2-1 in favour of the West Indies. The Caribbean charmers would be hoping to put



the shock loss against Afghanistan behind them. The home team, on the other hand, will be hoping that Kohli's brilliant run, which included a master-class of 82 not out against Australia in the do-or-die game, continues unabated. They would also be eager to see that the under-performing opening duo of Rohit Sharma and Shikhar Dhawan - who are averaging around 10 after four games - come good at a venue considered ideal for stroke-making. One of the key battles to watch

picking up an injury and dropping out, now needs to adapt quickly to the challenge and the conditions. It's expected to be a tad slow, which should help India more than the Windies.

India: Mahendra Singh Dhoni (Captain), Shikhar Dhawan, Rohit Sharma, Virat Kohli, Suresh Raina, Yuvraj Singh, Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, R Ashwin, Jasprit Bumrah, Ashish Nehra, Harbhajan Singh, Pawan Negi, Ajinkya Rahane, Mohammed Shami.

West Indies: Darren Sammy (Captain), Samuel Badree, Sullemann Benn, Carlos Brathwaite, Dwayne Bravo, Johnson Charles, Lendl Simmons, Chris Gayle, Jason Holder, Evin Lewis, Ashley Nurse, Denesh Ramdin, Andre Russell, Marlon Samuels, Jerome Taylor.

Match commences at 7pm (IST).

Australia's Mitchell Starc back for West Windies, South Africa ODI tri-series

New Delhi, Mar 30
Left-arm premier fast bowler Mitchell Starc was included in Australia's one-day international tri-series squad on Wednesday, which is slated to face the West Indies and South Africa in the Caribbean in June. This comes as a big boost for the bowler, who has been nursing an injury since last November. The 26-year-old Starc, has been out of action since fracturing his foot in last November's historic day-night Test in Adelaide against New Zealand and underwent an ankle surgery. But he has now regained fitness and will lead an impressive pace attack which also features Josh Hazlewood, Nathan Coulter-Nile and John Hastings.

Australia's chairman of selectors Rod Marsh said that the bowler has progressed well and will take part in the series. "Mitchell has progressed very well in his rehab and the medical staff are confident he will be fit to play in this series. It is extremely pleasing to have a bowler of his calibre back in the side," Rod Marsh said.

Top-ranked Novak Djokovic battles into Miami quarters

Miami, Mar 30
World number one Novak Djokovic advanced to the quarter-finals of the ATP and WTA Miami Open on Tuesday by defeating Austrian 14th seed Dominic Thiem 6-3, 6-4. Two-time defending champion Djokovic, a five-time Miami winner overall, reached a last-eight date against Czech seventh seed Tomas Berdych, who outlasted French 10th seed Richard Gasquet 6-4, 3-6, 7-5. Berdych has won only two of 24 meetings with Djokovic, having lost their past nine matches since a 2013 Rome quarter-final victory.

MP exhorts youth.....

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students, urged them to maintain cleanliness in their respective surroundings, and the Islands, and also to consider generating least waste in their day to day life. The chief guest also felicitated some women from the Islands who have achieved success in their lives and are role model for others. They included, Smt. Veena Parekh, Retired Principal, Ms. Rita Devi, Welfare Officer (Women), Social Welfare Department and Smt. Kanak Radha Chatterjee, Editor, The Daily Telegrams, Information & Publicity Department. Smt. Bali felicitated Islands' popular female singer, Samhita Veda Achary 'Koyal' for her contribution in the field of music. Earlier, a lively interactive session was also held during which the students raised many issues. The guests clarified their doubts and guided them accordingly. The best speakers among the students were also awarded on the occasion. The programme was coordinated by Social Worker, Smt. Komal Anand, who is also the Advisor of this Group. The President of YSWG, Shri D. Veera Kumar proposed the vote of thanks at the end of the programme.

Arrangements on

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Kuldip Singh Sheoran briefed the gathering on the tactical plans of the Coastal Security Exercise-Tatsuraksha 01/16, specific role of each agency and strategies to synergize the joint efforts. The bi-annual Coastal Security Exercise is being conducted in the month of April in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The importance of the exercise and points meriting attention from the previous Coastal Security Exercise were discussed at length with the various stake holders in the meeting. The exercise is conducted by HQANC and Indian Coast Guard is responsible for Coordinating efforts of the stake holders to achieve a robust Coastal Security matrix. The pending and new agenda points towards Coastal Security were discussed during the meeting with all the stake holders, a communication from the Secretary (Home) said here today.

Death condoled

Port Blair, Mar 30
Parish-in-charge and the congregation of Christ Church, CNI, Port Blair, A&N Islands have mourned the death of Lamson Jacob, ex-Police Constable (PMF) who died at his residence, Mus Village, Car Nicobar today. He was 73 years and left behind his wife, one son and a daughter, a communication said.

Death mourned

Port Blair, Mar 30
The PCC President, Shri Kuldeep Rai Sharma and all senior leaders of Congress party have mourned the sudden and untimely demise of Shri K. Thankappan Pillai, 73, Vice President, ANTCC, R/o. Mannarghat, who expired in his native place at Anchal, Kollam Dist, Kerala State.

Pensioners urged.....

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Pensioner to give the digital Life Certificate at anytime from anywhere without the need of actually coming to the branch physically for submitting Life Certificate.

New State Committee

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16	Smti Rupa Ray	National Council Member	9933273820
17	Shri K. Malaiswamy	District President, Rangat District	9679562667
18	Shri Saw Tathu	District President, Mayabunder District	9476023879
19	Shri K. Srinivasan	District President, North Andaman District	9474282703
20	Shri K. Ramdas	District President, South Andaman District	9434288911
21	Shri B.K. Vinod	State President, Yuva Morcha	9474200931
22	Smti Anusia Devi	State President, Mahila Morcha	9679586950
23	Shri Jyotirmoy Bawali	State President, Kisan Morcha	9474211110
24	Shri R. Vimod	State President, OBC Morcha	9434282125
25	Shri Anil Kr. Tiwari	State Convener, Prashikshan Cell	9434281777
26	Shri Appanna	State Convener, Fisherman Cell	9434276839
27	Shri R. Damodharan	State Convener, Traders Cell	9434281551
28	Shri Sanmuganathan	State Convener, IT Cell	9474213178
29	Shri Gopal Das	State Convener, Swacha Bharat Abhiyan	9476096653
30	Shri N.C. Ghosh	Coordinator, N&M Andaman District	

WEATHER

Partly cloudy sky with possibility of rain/thunderstorm at isolated places. Maximum and minimum temperature will be around 32°C and 26°C respectively on Thursday 31/03/2016
Observational data for Port Blair in last 24 hours
Maximum Temperature (°C): 33.0
Minimum Temperature (°C): 27.3
Relative Humidity (%) at 0830 IST: 069
Relative Humidity (%) at 1730 IST: 093
Sunrise Time for tomorrow (in IST): 05:17
Sunset Time for tomorrow (in IST): 17:31
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs) in mm: 000.0
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 029.0
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 16: 71.0 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm

CINEMA

DIVIYUM TALKIES

Following is the Schedule for Week Mar 25 - 31
Batman V Superman (English UA) - 3:30 PM & 7:00 PM
Rocky Handsome (Hindi A) - 12:30 PM & 7:30 PM
Kapoor & Sons - (Hindi UA) - 12:00 PM & 4:00 PM
Advance booking Now Open for 'Ki n Ka' - (Hindi), 'Kungfu Panda 3' - (English) & 'Hello Naan Pei Pesuren' - (Tamil).
Online booking at www.ticketnew.com
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SEVA SUCHNAYEIN

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar via Hut Bay on 08.04.2016 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 09.04.2016 (Sat) at 1400 Hrs from Car Nicobar via Hut Bay. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 06.04.2016 (Wed) at STARS Ticketing Counters. Similarly booking of cargo tickets will commence from 06.04.2016 (Wed) 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.
31.03.2016 (THURSDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 31.03.2016 (Thu) 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 31.03.2016 (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 North Passage will sail for Neil Island on 31.03.2016 (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 North Passage will sail for Havelock on 31.03.2016 (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 Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 31.03.2016 (Thu) at 1300 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1515 Hrs from Neil Island. (Additional Service). Cargo booking will commence from 29.03.2016 onwards at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.
MV Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 31.03.2016 (Thu) at 1400 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1630 Hrs from Havelock.
HUT BAY
MV Rani Changa will sail for Hut Bay on 31.03.2016 (Thu) at 0615 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Hut Bay.
01.04.2016 (FRIDAY)
HAVELOCK & NEIL ISLAND
MV North Passage will sail for Havelock on 01.04.2016 (Fri) at 0620 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0900 Hrs from Havelock.
MV Kamorta will sail for Neil Island on 01.04.2016 (Fri) at 0630 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 0845 Hrs from Neil Island.
Cargo booking will commence from 30.03.2016 onwards at Commercial Wing. All the consigners are advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.
MV Bambooka will sail for Neil Island on 01.04.2016 (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 Bambooka will sail for Havelock on 01.04.2016 (Fri) at 1300 Hrs from Neil Island Jetty and will sail back to Neil Island on the same day at 1445 Hrs from Havelock.

Power break

Port Blair, Mar 30
The power supply will remain suspended in connection with construction of culvert, RCC retaining wall and CC drain between D.K. Workshop and Minnie Bay junction by APWD from 8 am to 12 noon on Apr 1, 2016. The areas to be affected are part of Old Pahargaon, Minnie Bay, School Line and Lamba Line, a communication said.

PRESS NOTE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that the unutilized/surrendered tickets from some of the reserved quota for the scheduled sailing of MV Nicobar for Chennai on 01.04.2016 (under voyage No. 730) will be issued to the general public on 31.03.2016 (Thu) between 1500 Hrs & 1600 Hrs on first come first service basis at STARS Ticketing Counter No. 08. The total number of births available in the above sailing are as follows:

Deluxe	First Class Cabin	Second Class Cabin	Bunk
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Deputy Director Shipping Services
A & N Admn.

Huge haul of contraband marijuana seized

Port Blair, Mar 30
The Andaman & Nicobar is determined to curb the menace of Narcotics Drugs & Psychotropic Substances from entire Andaman & Nicobar Islands and in attempt to wipe out the evil of drugs from the society the Criminal Investigation Department of A&N Police seized 9 Kgs of Contraband (Marijuana), right on time, before the same could reach the receiver. On 29th March, 2016 on a tip off received from reliable source about arrival of a suspected parcel in Post Office, a raiding team of PS Central Crime Station was constituted for intercepting the alleged parcel before it is delivered to the intended recipient. The raiding team led by SI Sahil Shamsuddin immediately swung into action and intercepted the alleged parcel which was delivered to a residential address with a non-existent recipient at DP Street,

Haddo. On examination of parcel, 9 Kgs of Marijuana was seized under the cover of seizure Memo after observing all codal formalities. FIR has been lodged in this regard and investigation is on to nab the sender and intended receiver of the contraband. The entire operation was conducted under the guidance of Insp. D Jagdeeshwar Rao, SHO PS CCS and Shri. SK Goswami, DySP(CID) under the overall supervision of Shri. Atmaram Deshpande, IPS, Superintendent of Police (CID). The general public have been requested to pass credible information pertaining to gambling, illegal sale or possession of liquor/drugs or any other illegal activity on the following telephone numbers- 100, 232586, 9434289985, 9531856173 & 233307. The identity of the informer will be kept secret, a communication from the Superintendent of Police (CID) said here today.

Sudden spell of shower brings respite from scorching heat

Staff Reporter
Port Blair, Mar 30
The Islanders, who have been braving the scorching heat from the past few weeks, got a little respite from the heat as the mercury level dropped due to the sudden spell of shower here in the city this afternoon. As per the information provided by the Director, Metrological Department, Dr. Siddharth

Singh, the sudden rain shower at Port Blair was due to thunder storm activity caused by high temperature. Today's rainfall was recorded at 29mm. Similar shower is also expected tomorrow, he further added. The progressive total rainfall for the period January to March 2015 was recorded as 131.1mm and the same for this year stands at 71.0mm.

Emphasises need to.....

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ANCOL and DBRAIT to start courses in other foreign languages in their colleges. Apart from Japanese, four more foreign languages viz. German, French, Russian & Chinese should be started in the Islands, he said. He also mentioned that owing to their hardwork and precision, Japan has come up post World War-II and asked the new learners to also understand Japanese culture and their good qualities.

Complementing all stakeholders for this initiative, the Lt. Governor also asked the Secretary (Education) to explore possibilities of providing advanced course in Japanese language to the learners.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Secretary, Shri Anindo Majumdar expressed happiness on the launch of this basic course in Japanese language. "It will fulfil the long felt demand of the people of the Islands to learn Japanese", he said, emphasizing the need to learn other international languages as well. Learning foreign languages will open many job opportunities for the Islanders, the Chief Secretary said. The Chief Secretary also thanked Prof. Jayanta Misra for volunteering to teach Japanese language.

The courses will be conducted on Fridays and Saturdays from 5.30 to 7.30 pm. Admission to the classes is free and open to students as well as outsiders, subject to class room capacity. The duration of course will be three months, on completion of which, the learners will be equipped to take an on line certificate examination conducted by the Japanese Consulate. Prof. Jayanta Kr. Mishra, HoD, Marine Biology, Pondicherry University, Campus, Brookshabad, who is the resource person of this course, in his address, expressed gratitude to the Lt. Governor for starting this course. About the language, he said Japanese is a very simple language and one can learn to speak and read Japanese very easily. He expressed hope that the learners will enjoy learning the language.

A two minutes' silence was also observed to pay respect to those who achieved martyrdom during Japanese occupation in these Islands.

Earlier welcoming the gathering, the Principal, JNRM, Dr. Francis Xavier said that arrangements to start the basic course in Japanese language in JNRM has been done within a very short span of time and assured that a course in French will be started soon. Besides, some skill development courses will also be introduced in JNRM in the coming days, he said. The students of JNRM presented a Japanese dance befitting the occasion.

The programme was coordinated by Asst. Professor, JNRM, Ms. Jochi Bed Vincent, while it concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Ms. Maseem, Member, Student Council, JNRM.

Advance reservation.....

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Schedule of chartered flights Kolkata-Port Blair-Kolkata		
MONTH	DATE OF FLIGHT OPERATION	
	DATE	DAY
April 2016	07.04.16	Thursday
	14.04.16	Thursday
	21.04.16	Thursday
	28.04.16	Thursday
May 2016	05.05.16	Thursday
	12.05.16	Thursday
	19.05.16	Thursday
	26.05.16	Thursday

Procedure for reservation of Tickets:-
- Application has to be made on prescribed format available on A&N Administration's website www.and.nic.in.
- Only one ticket will be issued per applicant. But in case of family, a maximum of 4 tickets will be issued per application.
- The reservation will be done on first come first serve basis by the respective reservation offices/CSC's
- The CSC's and booking offices will book the tickets subject to availability. The CSC operator will obtain the required details and documents of the Passengers and issue a confirmation slip to the passengers. A SMS alert will be sent with confirmation number to those passengers booked the tickets.
- Those passengers having confirmation slip issued by the CSC should remit payment within 24 hours in any of the following offices (1) Inter Island helicopter terminal, Port Blair (2) Deputy Commissioner, Nicobar (4) Asst. Director, Shipping Services, Chennai (5) Deputy Resident Commissioner, A&N Bhavan, Salt Lake, Calcutta.
- Formal Tickets will be issued to individual passenger by the concerned booking office a day or two prior to the date of journey.
Cancellation of Tickets:
No refund will be allowed for cancellation of ticket (s), in case the seat remains unoccupied due to such cancellation. However, 20% cancellation charges will be deducted in case of 100% occupancy.