

Finance Minister presents Union Budget 2025-26 Budget recognises 4 Engines of Development - Agriculture, MSME, Investment & Exports Salaried Class to pay Nil Income Tax Upto Rs. 12.75 Lakh Per Annum in New Tax Regime

● 50,000 Atal Tinkering Labs in Government Schools in next 5 Years; Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence for Education ● PM SVANidhi with enhanced loans from banks, and UPI linked credit cards with Rs. 30,000 limit ● Gig workers to get identity cards, registration on e-SHRAM portal & healthcare under PM Jan Arogya Yojana ● Modified UDAN Scheme to enhance Regional Connectivity to 120 New Destinations ● TDS on rent increased from Rs. 2.4 Lakh to Rs. 6 Lakh ● BCD exempted on 36 Lifesaving Drugs and Medicines for Treating Cancer, Rare and Chronic Diseases

New Delhi, Feb. 1 (PIB)
Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman presented the Union Budget 2025-26 in Parliament today. The Minister presented the Union Budget with the theme "Sabka Vikas" stimulating balanced growth of all regions. In line with this theme, the Finance Minister outlined the broad Principles of 'Viksit Bharat' to encompass Zero-poverty; Hundred per cent good quality school education; Access to high-quality, affordable, and comprehensive



healthcare; Hundred per cent skilled labour with meaningful employment; Seventy per cent women in economic activities; and farmers making our country the 'food basket of the world'.
The Union Budget

middle class. The Budget proposes development measures focusing on poor (Garib), Youth, farmer (Annadata) and women (Nari).
The Budget aims to initiate transformative reforms in Taxation, Power Sector, Urban Development, Mining, Financial Sector, and Regulatory Reforms to augment India's growth potential and global competitiveness.
Union Budget highlights that Agriculture, MSME, Investment, and Exports are engines in the journey to Viksit Bharat
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Prime Minister's remarks on Union Budget 2025-26

Viksit Bharat Budget 2025-26 will fulfill the aspirations of 140 crore Indians: PM

New Delhi, Feb.1 (PIB)
The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi delivered his remarks on the Union Budget 2025-26 via video message today. Highlighting that today marked an important milestone in the journey of India's development, Shri Modi remarked that this budget reflects the aspirations of 140 crore Indians and fulfills the dreams of every citizen. He highlighted that several sectors were opened up for the youth, and the common citizen will drive the mission of Viksit Bharat (Developed India). The Prime Minister emphasized that this budget is a force multiplier which would increase the savings, investment,



consumption, and growth. He congratulated the Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman and her team for this 'People's Budget'.
Prime Minister remarked that typically, the focus of the budget is on how to fill the

Government's treasury. However, he said this budget focused on how to fill the pockets of the citizens, increase their savings, and make them partners in the country's development. He emphasized that this budget lays the foundation for these goals. "Significant steps have been taken

towards reforms in this budget", said Shri Modi and highlighted the historic decision to promote the private sector in nuclear energy. He added that civil nuclear energy will ensure a significant contribution to the country's development in the future. He emphasized that all employment sectors were given priority in the budget.
Pointing out two major reforms that will bring significant changes in the coming time, Shri Modi said that granting infrastructure status to shipbuilding will boost the construction of large ships in India, accelerating the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan and
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HIGHLIGHTS OF UNION BUDGET 2025-26

PART A

Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman presented Union Budget 2025-26 in the Parliament today. The highlights of the budget are as follows:

Budget Estimates 2025-26

- > The total receipts other than borrowings and the total expenditure are estimated at Rs. 34.96 lakh crore and Rs. 50.65 lakh crore respectively.
- > The net tax receipts are estimated at Rs. 28.37 lakh crore.
- > The fiscal deficit is estimated to be 4.4 per cent of GDP.
- > The gross market borrowings are estimated at Rs. 14.82 lakh crore.
- > Capex Expenditure of Rs.11.21 lakh crore (3.1% of GDP) earmarked in FY2025-26.

AGRICULTURE AS THE 1ST ENGINE OF DEVELOPMENT

- Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana - Developing Agri Districts Programme**
- > The programme to be launched in partnership with the States, covering 100 districts with low productivity, moderate crop intensity and below-average credit parameters, to benefit 1.7 crore farmers.
- Building Rural Prosperity and Resilience**
- > A comprehensive multi-sectoral programme to be launched in partnership with states to address under-employment in agriculture through skilling, investment, technology, and invigorating the rural economy.
 - > Phase-1 to cover 100 developing agri-districts.
- Aatmanirbharta in Pulses**
- > Government to launch a 6-year "Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses" with focus on Tur, Urad and Masoor.
 - > NAFED and NCCF to procure these pulses from farmers during the next 4 years. (Contd. on page 2)

Budget 2025-26 proposes framework for sustainable harnessing of Fisheries from Indian EEZ and High Seas Targets approx 2.5 Lakh Tonnes of untapped fisheries potential in Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands

New Delhi, Feb.1 (PIB)
The Union Budget, tabled today in the Lok Sabha for the year 2025-26, proposed the highest ever total annual budgetary support of Rs. 2,703.67 crores for the fisheries sector. This overall allocation for the financial year 2025-26 has increased by 3.3% in comparison to the allocation of Rs. 2,616.44 crore (BE) made during last year 2024-25. This includes the allocation of Rs. 2,465 crore for Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana during the year 2025-26 that has increased by 4.8% in comparison to



the allocation made for the scheme during the year 2024-25 (Rs. 2,352 crore). Union Finance Minister, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman in her budget speech, highlighted India's achievement as a leader in aquaculture and seafood exports. The budget announcement strategically focuses on

enhancing financial inclusion, reducing financial burden on farmers by reducing custom duties and furthering development of the marine fisheries.
The Budget 2025-26 highlights enabling a framework for sustainable harnessing of fisheries from Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) and High Seas with special focus on Lakshadweep and A&N Islands. This will ensure sustainable harnessing of the untapped potential of
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Budget 2025: Cancer Centers to be established in all districts; Day Care Treatment facilities in 3 years: FM

New Delhi, Feb.1
Union Finance Minister, Smti Nirmala Sitharaman while presenting the Union Budget-2025-26, said that Cancer Centres will be set up in all districts and Day-Care Centres for cancer treatment in the next three years.

MESSAGE

It gives me great pleasure to note that World Wetlands Day will be observed on February 2, 2025, in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, alongside the rest of the nation and the world. This year's theme, "Protecting Wetlands for Our Common Future," highlights the essential role wetlands play in sustaining life through their vital ecological and economic services.



Wetlands are among the most diverse and productive ecosystems on Earth. Often referred to as the "Kidneys of the Earth," they act as natural filters absorbing pollutants, purifying water, and maintaining ecological balance. These invaluable ecosystems support biodiversity, fisheries, agriculture, tourism, and water management, while also playing a key role in flood control, groundwater recharge and climate change mitigation. Despite their immense importance, wetlands are vanishing at an alarming rate- three times faster than forests.

World Wetlands Day serves as an important reminder of our shared responsibility to conserve and restore these vital ecosystems. It is essential that we make dedicated efforts to halt wetland degradation and ensure their protection for future generations.

On this occasion, I call upon all nature-loving citizens of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands to unite in preserving and restoring our wetlands. By safeguarding these ecosystems today, we ensure a healthier, more sustainable future for all.

Let us reaffirm our commitment to wetland conservation and work together to protect these irreplaceable ecosystems for generations to come.



(Admiral D K Joshi)
PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.)
Lieutenant Governor
Andaman & Nicobar Islands &
Vice Chairman, Islands Development Agency

Additional Secretary (UT), MHA along with delegation from Ministry holds meeting with Chief Secretary and Senior Officers of A&N Administration

Sri Vijaya Puram, Feb.1
Shri Nitesh Kumar Vyas, IAS, Additional Secretary (UT), MHA along with delegation from Ministry on visit to A&N Islands, today, held a review meeting regarding Flagship schemes of different Departments and also discussed about GNI project with the Chief Secretary, A & N Islands, Dr. Chandra Bhushan Kumar, IAS,



in the Conference Hall of A&N Secretariat. Senior Officers of A&N Administration were also present in the meeting.
On completion of visit, the delegation will return to mainland tomorrow (Feb. 2).

Sri Vijaya Puram, Feb. 1
Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, A & N Islands has hailed the Union Budget 2025-26. "This is a people friendly budget which will help boost savings and investment", he said in his message, post budget presentation today.
Major changes in the income tax slabs will bring major relief for the middle class. No income tax would be payable up to income of Rs 12 lakh. This limit will be Rs 12.75 lakh for salaried tax payers, due to standard deduction of Rs 75,000.
Similarly, another big announcement on the



homestay owners, enhancing hospitality services, especially in rural and emerging tourist destinations. This will greatly help new entrepreneurs in our Islands, Shri Ray added. "This budget will help boost agriculture, manufacturing, innovation and service sector", he observed.
Overall this budget is development oriented with eye on making India the 3rd largest economy in the world", Shri Ray said while giving preliminary reaction to budget proposals, a press release received from MP Office said.

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using reforms as fuel, guided by the spirit of inclusivity.

No Income Tax on average monthly income of upto Rs 1 Lakh, to boost middle class household savings & consumption; Salaried class to pay Nil Income Tax Upto Rs. 12.75 Lakh Per Annum in New Tax Regime; Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana' to cover 100 Low Agricultural Productivity Districts; "Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses" with a special focus on Tur, Urad and Masoor to be launched; Loans upto Rs. 5 lakhs through KCC under modified interest subvention scheme; FY-25 estimated to end with fiscal deficit of 4.8%, target to bring it down to 4.4% in FY-26; significant enhancement of credit with guarantee cover to MSMEs from Rs. 5 cr to Rs. 10 cr; A National Manufacturing Mission covering Small, Medium and Large Industries for furthering "Make In India"; 50,000 Atal Tinkering Labs in Government Schools in next 5 years; Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence for Education, with a total outlay of Rs. 500 crore; PM SVANidhi with enhanced loans from banks, and UPI linked credit cards with Rs. 30,000 limit; Gig workers to get identity cards, registration on e-Shram portal & healthcare under PM Jan Arogya Yojana; Rs. 1 lakh crore Urban Challenge Fund for 'Cities As Growth Hubs'; Nuclear Energy Mission for R&D of Small Modular Reactors with an outlay of Rs. 20,000 crore; Modified UDAN Scheme to enhance Regional Connectivity to 120 New Destinations; Rs. 15,000 crore SWAMIH fund to be established for expeditious completion of another 1 lakh stressed housing units; Rs. 20,000 crore allocated for private sector driven research development and innovation initiatives; Gyan Bharatam Mission for Survey and Conservation of Manuscripts to cover more than one crore manuscripts; FDI limit enhanced for insurance from 74 to 100 per cent; Jan Vishwas Bill 2.0 to be introduced for decriminalising more than 100 provisions in various laws; Updated Income Tax Returns time limit increased from two to four years; Delay in TCS payment decriminalized; TDS on rent increased from Rs. 2.4 lakh to Rs. 6 lakh; BCD exempted on 36 lifesaving drugs and medicines for treating cancer, rare and chronic diseases; BCD on IFPD increased to 20% and on open cells reduced to 5%; BCD on parts of open cells exempted to promote domestic manufacturing; to boost battery production, additional capital goods for EV and mobile battery manufacturing exempted; BCD exempted for 10 years on raw materials & components used for ship building; BCD reduced from 30% to 5% on frozen fish paste and 15% to 5% on fish hydrolysate are the key highlights of the Union Budget 2025-26 presented by the Union Finance Minister in Parliament today.

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Passenger tickets for the sailing schedule of Foreshore Sector vessels from 3rd February, 2025 onwards is being issued to the general public from 31.01.2025 (Friday).

Passengers may book their tickets from DSS e-ticketing portal (<https://dss.andaman.gov.in/eticketing>) on all days from 09.00 AM to 04.00 PM and from STARS Ticketing Counter in all working days from 9.00 AM to 04.00 PM, except on Saturday from 09.00 AM to 12.00 PM

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – MAYABUNDER & DIGLIPUR
Passenger tickets for the sailing schedule w.e.f. 1st February, 2025 is being issued from 31.01.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	MV Hut Bay	01.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur	02.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Diglipur	Sri Vijaya Puram
2.	MV Jolly Buoy	03.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	04.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Diglipur	Sri Vijaya Puram via Mayabunder
3.	MV Hut Bay	05.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	06.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Diglipur	Sri Vijaya Puram via Mayabunder
4.	MV Baratang	07.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Diglipur via Mayabunder	08.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Diglipur	Sri Vijaya Puram via Mayabunder

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – LITTLE ANDAMAN
Passenger tickets for the sailing schedule w.e.f. 4th February, 2025 is being issued from 31.01.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	Nalanda	02.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	02.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Little Andaman	Sri Vijaya Puram
2.	Nalanda	04.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	04.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Little Andaman	Sri Vijaya Puram
3.	MV Campbell Bay	07.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	08.02.2025 1000 Hrs	Little Andaman	Sri Vijaya Puram
4.	MV Campbell Bay	09.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Little Andaman	09.02.2025 2100 Hrs	Little Andaman	Sri Vijaya Puram

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – CAR NICOBAR & LITTLE ANDAMAN
Passenger tickets for the following schedule is being issued from 31.01.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	Nalanda	06.02.2025 1100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Car Nicobar via Little Andaman	07.02.2025 at 1600 Hrs	Car Nicobar	Sri Vijaya Puram via Little Andaman

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – CAMPBELL BAY via LITTLE ANDAMAN, CAR NICOBAR, CHOWRA, TERESSA, KATCHAL & NANCOWRY
Passenger tickets for the following schedule is being issued from 07.02.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	MV Sentinel	13.02.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Little Andaman, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa, Katchal & Nancowry	17.02.2025 0500 Hrs	Campbell Bay	Sri Vijaya Puram via Nancowry, Katchal, Teressa, Chowra, Car Nicobar & Little Andaman

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – NANCOWRY via LITTLE ANDAMAN, CAR NICOBAR, CHOWRA, TERESSA & KATCHAL
Passenger tickets for the following schedule is being issued from 07.02.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	MV Sentinel	27.02.2025 0700 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Nancowry via Little Andaman, Car Nicobar, Chowra, Teressa & Katchal	02.03.2025 0500 Hrs	Nancowry	Sri Vijaya Puram via Katchal, Teressa, Chowra, Car Nicobar & Little Andaman

SRI VIJAYA PURAM – CAMPBELL BAY - NANCOWRY – KATCHAL
Passenger tickets for the following schedule is being issued from 31.01.2025 onwards.

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	Sindhu	04.02.2025 0900 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Nancowry & Katchal	06.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Campbell Bay	Sri Vijaya Puram via Nancowry
2.	MV Campbell Bay	11.02.2025 0900 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Nancowry	13.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Campbell Bay	Sri Vijaya Puram via Nancowry
3.	Nalanda	18.02.2025 0900 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Nancowry & Katchal	20.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Campbell Bay	Sri Vijaya Puram via Nancowry
4.	Sindhu	25.02.2025 0900 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Campbell Bay via Nancowry	27.02.2025 0800 Hrs	Campbell Bay	Sri Vijaya Puram via Nancowry

Note: Embarkation of passengers will commence 02 Hours prior to the scheduled departure time of the vessel and boarding will be closed 30 Minutes before departure time. Passengers arriving late will not be allowed to board the vessel. The vessel will sail only after completion of survey procedure which will commence on completion of embarkation of passengers for issuance of 'B' Certificate as per MS Act. Further, with regard to cargo all the consignees are hereby advised to book actual quantity of cargo to be transhipped, as no excess cargo will be allowed.

FORESHORE SECTOR
02.02.2025 (SUNDAY)

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	MV Bambooka	02.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep & Long Island	02.02.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat	Sri Vijaya Puram via Long Island & Swaraj Dweep
2.	MV North Passage	02.02.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	02.02.2025 0845 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
3.	MV Jolly Buoy	02.02.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	02.02.2025 0900 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
4.	MV Baratang	02.02.2025 1100 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	02.02.2025 1300 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Swaraj Dweep
					02.02.2025 1430 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
5.	MV North Passage	02.02.2025 1130 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep	02.02.2025 1400 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Shaheed Dweep
					02.02.2025 1530 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram
6.	MV Strait Island	02.02.2025 1430 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep	03.02.2025 0530 Hrs	Swaraj Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram via Shaheed Dweep

03.02.2025 (MONDAY)

Sl. No.	Name of the vessel	Date & Time of Sailing	From	To	Date & Time of Return Sailing	From	To
1.	MV North Passage	03.02.2025 0600 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Rangat via Swaraj Dweep & Long Island	03.02.2025 1200 Hrs	Rangat	Sri Vijaya Puram via Long Island & Swaraj Dweep
2.	MV Bambooka	03.02.2025 0630 Hrs	Sri Vijaya Puram	Shaheed Dweep	03.02.2025 0845 Hrs	Shaheed Dweep	Sri Vijaya Puram

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including hotels at 50 tourist destinations under the infrastructure category will significantly boost tourism, providing new energy to the hospitality sector, which is the largest employment sector. The Prime Minister stated that the country was progressing with the mantra of "Vikas bhi, Virasat bhi" (Development and Heritage). He mentioned that significant steps were taken in this budget to preserve one crore manuscripts through the launch of the Gyan Bharatam Mission. Additionally, a National Digital Repository inspired by Indian knowledge traditions will be created.

Remarking that the announcements made in the budget for farmers will lay the foundation for a new revolution in the agricultural sector and the entire rural economy, Shri Modi highlighted that under the PM Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana, irrigation and infrastructure development will take place in 100 districts. He emphasized that increasing the limit of the Kisan Credit Card from Rs.3 lakh to Rs.5 lakh will provide greater assistance to farmers.

Highlighting that the budget has exempted income up to Rs.12 lakh from tax, the Prime Minister said tax reductions were made for all income groups, which will greatly benefit the middle class and those who have been newly employed.

"The budget has a 360-degree focus on manufacturing to strengthen entrepreneurs, MSMEs, and small businesses, creating new jobs", emphasised the Prime Minister. He highlighted that sectors like clean tech, leather, footwear, and the toy industry had received special support under the National Manufacturing Mission. He stressed that the goal was clear to ensure Indian products to shine in the global market.

Pointing that the budget places special emphasis on creating a vibrant and competitive investment environment in the States, Shri Modi highlighted the announcement to double the credit guarantee for MSMEs and startups. He mentioned the introduction of a scheme to provide loans up to Rs.2 crore without guarantee for SC, ST, and women first-time entrepreneurs. He emphasized the significant announcement for gig workers, with their registration on the e-Shram portal for the first time, enabling them to access healthcare and other social security schemes. The Prime Minister stated that this reflects the Government's commitment to the dignity of labor. He highlighted that regulatory and financial reforms, such as Jan Vishwas 2.0, will strengthen the commitment to minimum Government and trust-based governance.

Concluding his address, the Prime Minister remarked that this budget not only addresses the current needs of the country but also helps in preparing for the future. He highlighted the initiatives for startups, including the Deep Tech Fund, Geospatial Mission, and Nuclear Energy Mission. He extended his congratulations to all citizens for this historic budget.

Budget 2025-26 proposes framework for sustainable...

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the marine fish resources in the Indian EEZ and adjacent High Seas for growth in the marine sector. As India has an EEZ of 20 lakh sq. km and a long coastline of 8,118 km with estimated marine potential of 53 lakh tonnes (2018) and dependence of 50 lakh people for their livelihoods on the marine fisheries sector. This offers an enormous scope and potential for harnessing of high valued tuna and tuna like species in the Indian EEZ, especially around the Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands. Government will promote Deep Sea Fishing with capacity development and support acquisition of Resource-Specific Fishing Vessels.

Development of fisheries in Andaman & Nicobar Islands will target harnessing of its EEZ area of 6.60 lakh sq. km (1/3rd of Indian EEZ) with marine fisheries potential of 1.48 lakh tonnes including potential of 60,000 tons for tuna fisheries. For this purpose, development of Tuna Cluster has been notified and activities such as establishment of on-board processing & freezing facilities in tuna fishing vessels, licensing for deep-sea tuna fishing vessels and single window clearances by the Andaman & Nicobar Administration, harnessing opportunities in sea cage culture, seaweed, ornamental and pearl cultivation have been undertaken. The Development of Fisheries in Lakshadweep Islands will target harnessing of its EEZ area of 4 lakh sq. km (17% of Indian EEZ) and lagoon area of 4200 sq mt with potential of 1 lakh tonnes including potential of 4,200 tonnes for tuna fisheries. For this purpose, development of Seaweed Cluster has been notified and activities such as island-wise area allocation and leasing policy with end-to-end value chain by Lakshadweep Administration, formation of women Self Help Group (SHGs) and capacity building through ICAR Institution in collaboration with private entrepreneurs and Lakshadweep Administration, harnessing opportunities in tuna fishing and ornamental fish farming have been undertaken.

In the Union Budget 2025, the Government of India increased the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) lending limit from Rs.3 lakh to Rs.5 lakh to enhance credit accessibility for fishers, farmers, processors and other fisheries' stakeholder. This move aims at streamlining the flow of financial resources ensuring that necessary funds are easily accessible for fulfilling working capital requirements of the sector. Enhanced credit availability will support adoption of modern farming techniques and strengthen rural development and economic stability, reinforcing the Government's commitment to making institutional credit more inclusive and accessible.

To enhance India's competitiveness in global seafood market and to increase the share of value-added products in our export basket, Union Finance Minister proposed to reduce Basic Custom Duty (BCD) on frozen fish paste (surimi) from 30% to 5% for manufacturing and export of value-added seafood products like Imitation Crab Meat Sticks, Surimi Crab Claw Products, Shrimp analogue, lobster analogue and other surimi analogue or Imitation products etc. Further, to strengthen the Indian shrimp farming industry globally, import duty reduction from 15% to 5% on fish hydrolysate an important input for manufacturing of aquafeed has been announced. This is expected to lower production costs and increase revenue and profit margins for farmers, thereby improving and increasing exports.

Background

Termed as one of the key 'sunrise sectors' of the Indian economy, the Indian Fisheries sector continues to make its mark and grow at a very healthy pace registering the highest average annual decadal growth of 9.08% in value of output (FY 2014-15 to 2022-23) amongst allied sectors under Agriculture (NITI Aayog Report 2024). This growth story is marked by India's global ranking as 2nd largest fish producing country with ~8% share in global fish production and a record high fish production of 184.02 lakh tonnes (2023-24). India also stands 2nd in aquaculture production with 139.07 lakh tonnes in 2023-24 and is one of the top shrimp producing and seafood exporting nations in the world with a total export value of Rs 60,524 crore (2023-24). The sector provides sustainable livelihoods to over 30 million people within the marginalized and vulnerable communities. With the motto of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas', Government of India continues to prioritise the development of the fisheries sector as a key driver towards Viksit Bharat by 2047.

India's Forex Reserves rise by \$5.57 Billion to \$629.55 Billion



New Delhi, Feb. 1
India's foreign exchange reserves increased by 5.57 billion dollars to 629.55 billion dollars in the week ending January 24, according to the latest data released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). In the previous week, the country's forex reserves had declined by 1.8 billion dollars in the week ending January 17 and had settled at 623.98 billion dollars. The uptick was primarily attributed to a significant gain in Foreign Currency Assets (FCA), a major component of the reserves. The FCA surged by 4.75 billion dollars to over 537.89 billion dollars during the week. Additionally, gold reserves were up by 704 million dollars, totalling over 69.65 billion dollars. (Source:newsonair.gov.in)

Beach cleanup drive organized at Dhaninallah Beach



Rangat, Feb. 1
In a concerted effort to promote environmental conservation and sustainable tourism, the Assistant Commissioner, Middle Andaman, organized a beach cleanup drive this morning at Dhaninallah Beach, Rangat Tehsil, Padmanabhapuram village, Rangat. The initiative driven by his leadership, witnessed enthusiastic participation on enhancing public awareness of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) Scheme, the critical importance of cleanliness, and prospective developmental initiatives aimed at boosting tourism in Dhaninallah Beach region and its adjoining villages.

In his concluding address, the Assistant Commissioner, Middle Andaman, extended his gratitude to all participants and underscored the necessity of consistent and collective efforts to maintain a clean and sustainable environment. He further emphasized the importance of such initiatives in fostering a cleaner, greener, and more tourism-friendly Rangat Zone, encouraging stakeholders to continue their engagement in similar environmental conservation activities in the future, a press release received from Tehsildar, Rangat said.

The event was attended by the Tehsildar, Rangat, Block Development Officer, Pradhan, Nimbutala, along with officials from the Office of AC, Middle Andaman, Tehsildar Office, Rangat, and the Gram Panchayat, Shivapuram. Over 40 participants took part in the initiative, successfully removing a substantial amount of waste from the beach area.

Beyond the cleanup activity, the event served as a platform for meaningful discussions on enhancing public awareness of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) Scheme, the critical importance of cleanliness, and prospective developmental initiatives aimed at boosting tourism in Dhaninallah Beach region and its adjoining villages.

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Annual Athletic Meet of PM SHRI Govt. SSS Swadesh Nagar held



Sri Vijaya Puram, Feb. 1
The Annual Athletic Meet of PM SHRI Govt. Senior Secondary School Swadesh Nagar, N&M Andaman was held yesterday. The Meet was declared open by Dr. Damodaran, Senior Scientist, KVK, Nimbudera. The meet torch was lit by the chief guest. He also took the guard of honour and witnessed the events. Earlier, in his welcome address, Shri. Saleem Kerketta, Vice-Principal highlighted the events of the academic year. Shri Deborata Das, Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Swadesh Nagar was the chief guest of the closing ceremony and gave away the prizes to the winners. In his address, the chief guest stressed the importance of sports.

At the concluding session, the students presented a brief cultural programme and theme based drills and aerobics, a press release received from Principal, Swadesh Nagar said.

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Comprehensive Programme for Vegetables & Fruits

- A comprehensive programme to promote production, efficient supplies, processing, and remunerative prices for farmers to be launched in partnership with States.

Makhana Board in Bihar

- A Makhana Board to be established to improve production, processing, value addition, and marketing of makhana.

National Mission on High Yielding Seeds

- A National Mission on High Yielding Seeds to be launched aiming at strengthening the research ecosystem, targeted development and propagation of seeds with high yield, and commercial availability of more than 100 seed varieties.

Fisheries

- Government to bring a framework for sustainable harnessing of fisheries from Indian Exclusive Economic Zone and High Seas, with a special focus on the Andaman & Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands.

Mission for Cotton Productivity

- A 5-year mission announced to facilitate significant improvements in productivity and sustainability of cotton farming, and promote extra-long staple cotton varieties.

Enhanced Credit through KCC

- The loan limit under the Modified Interest Subvention Scheme to be enhanced from Rs. 3 lakh to Rs. 5 lakh for loans taken through the KCC.

Urea Plant in Assam

- A plant with annual capacity of 12.7 lakh metric tons to be set up at Namrup, Assam.

MSMEs AS THE 2ND ENGINE OF DEVELOPMENT

Revision in classification criteria for MSMEs

- The investment and turnover limits for classification of all MSMEs to be enhanced to 2.5 and 2 times respectively.

Credit Cards for Micro Enterprises

- Customized Credit Cards with Rs.5 lakh limit for micro enterprises registered on Udyam portal, 10 lakh cards to be issued in the first year.

Fund of Funds for Startups

- A new Fund of Funds, with expanded scope and a fresh contribution of Rs. 10,000 crore to be set up.

Scheme for First-time Entrepreneurs

- A new scheme for 5 lakh women, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes first-time entrepreneurs to provide term-loans upto Rs. 2 crore in the next 5 years announced.

Focus Product Scheme for Footwear & Leather Sectors

- To enhance the productivity, quality and competitiveness of India's footwear and leather sector, a focus product scheme announced to facilitate employment for 22 lakh persons, generate turnover of Rs. 4 lakh crore and exports of over Rs. 1.1 lakh crore.

Measures for the Toy Sector

- A scheme to create high-quality, unique, innovative, and sustainable toys, making India a global hub for toys announced.

Support for Food Processing

- A National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management to be set up in Bihar.

Manufacturing Mission - Furthering "Make in India"

- A National Manufacturing Mission covering small, medium and large industries for furthering "Make in India" announced.

INVESTMENT AS THE 3RD ENGINE OF DEVELOPMENT

I. Investing in People

Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0

- The cost norms for the nutritional support to be enhanced appropriately.

Atal Tinkering Labs

- 50,000 Atal Tinkering Labs to be set up in Government schools in next 5 years.

Broadband Connectivity to Government Secondary Schools and PHCs

- Broadband connectivity to be provided to all Government secondary schools and primary health centres in rural areas under the Bharatnet project.

Bharatiya Bhasha Pustak Scheme

- Bharatiya Bhasha Pustak Scheme announced to provide digital-form Indian language books for school and higher education.

National Centres of Excellence for Skilling

- 5 National Centres of Excellence for skilling to be set up with global expertise and partnerships to equip our youth with the skills required for "Make for India, Make for the World" manufacturing.

Expansion of Capacity in IITs

- Additional infrastructure to be created in the 5 IITs started after 2014 to facilitate education for 6,500 more students.

Centre of Excellence in AI for Education

- A Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence for education to be set up with a total outlay of Rs. 500 crore.

Expansion of medical education

- 10,000 additional seats to be added in medical colleges and hospitals next year, adding to 75000 seats in the next 5 years.

Day Care Cancer Centres in all District Hospitals

- Government to set up Day Care Cancer Centres in all district hospitals in the next 3 years, 200 Centres in 2025-26.

Strengthening urban livelihoods

- A scheme for socio-economic upliftment of urban workers to help them improve their incomes and have sustainable livelihoods announced.

PM SVANidhi

- Scheme to be revamped with enhanced loans from banks, UPI linked credit cards with Rs.30,000 limit, and capacity building support. Social Security Scheme for Welfare of Online Platform Workers

- Government to arrange for identity cards, registration on e-Shram portal and healthcare under PM Jan Arogya Yojna, for gig-workers.

II. Investing in the Economy

Public Private Partnership in Infrastructure

- Infrastructure-related Ministries to come up with a 3-year pipeline of projects in PPP mode, States also encouraged.

Support to States for Infrastructure

- An outlay of Rs.1.5 lakh crore proposed for the 50-year interest free loans to states for capital expenditure and incentives for reforms.

Asset Monetization Plan 2025-30

- Second Plan for 2025-30 to plough back capital of Rs. 10 lakh crore in new projects announced.

Jal Jeevan Mission

- Mission to be extended until 2028 with an enhanced total outlay.

Urban Challenge Fund

- An Urban Challenge Fund of Rs. 1 lakh crore announced to implement the proposals for 'Cities as Growth Hubs', 'Creative Redevelopment of Cities' and 'Water and Sanitation', allocation of Rs. 10,000 crore proposed for 2025-26.

Nuclear Energy Mission for Viksit Bharat

- Amendments to the Atomic Energy Act and the Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act to be taken up.

- Nuclear Energy Mission for research & development of Small Modular Reactors (SMR) with an outlay of Rs.20,000 crore to be set up, 5 indigenously developed SMRs to be operational by 2033.

Shipbuilding

- The Shipbuilding Financial Assistance Policy to be revamped.
- Large ships above a specified size to be included in the infrastructure Harmonized Master List (HML).

Maritime Development Fund

- A Maritime Development Fund with a corpus of Rs. 25,000 crore to be set up, with up to 49 per cent contribution by the Government, and the balance from ports and private sector.

UDAN - Regional Connectivity Scheme

- A modified UDAN scheme announced to enhance regional connectivity to 120 new destinations and carry 4 crore passengers in the next 10 years.

- Also to support helipads and smaller airports in hilly, aspirational, and North East region districts.

Greenfield Airport in Bihar

- Greenfield airports announced in Bihar, in addition to the expansion of the capacity of Patna airport and a brownfield airport at Bihta.

Western Koshi Canal Project in Mithilanchal

- Financial support for the Western Koshi Canal ERM Project in Bihar.

Mining Sector Reforms

- A policy for recovery of critical minerals from tailings to be brought out.

SWAMIH Fund 2

- A fund of Rs.15,000 crore aimed at expeditious completion of another 1 lakh dwelling units, with contribution from the Government, banks and private investors announced.

Tourism for employment-led growth

- Top 50 tourist destination sites in the country to be developed in partnership with States through a challenge mode.

III. Investing in Innovation

Research, Development and Innovation

- Rs.20,000 crore to be allocated to implement private sector driven Research, Development and Innovation initiative announced in the July Budget.

Deep Tech Fund of Funds

- Deep Tech Fund of Funds to be explored to catalyze the next generation startups.

PM Research Fellowship

- 10,000 fellowships for technological research in IITs and IISc with enhanced financial support.

Gene Bank for Crops Germplasm

- 2nd Gene Bank with 10 lakh germplasm lines to be set up for future food and nutritional security.

National Geospatial Mission

- A National Geospatial Mission announced to develop foundational geospatial infrastructure and data.

Gyan Bharatam Mission

- A Gyan Bharatam Mission for survey, documentation and conservation of our manuscript heritage with academic institutions, museums, libraries and private collectors to be undertaken to cover more than 1 crore manuscripts announced.

EXPORTS AS THE 4TH ENGINE OF DEVELOPMENT

Export Promotion Mission

- An Export Promotion Mission, with sectoral and ministerial targets, driven jointly by the Ministries of Commerce, MSME, and Finance to be set up.

Bharat Trade Net

- 'Bharat Trade Net' (BTN) for international trade to be set-up as a unified platform for trade documentation and financing solutions. National Framework for GCC

- A national framework to be formulated as guidance to states for promoting Global Capability Centres in emerging tier 2 cities.

REFORMS AS FUEL: FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORMS AND DEVELOPMENT

FDI in Insurance Sector

- The FDI limit for the insurance sector to be raised from 74 to 100 per cent, for those companies which invest the entire premium in India.

Credit Enhancement Facility by NaBFID

- NaBFID to set up a 'Partial Credit Enhancement Facility' for corporate bonds for infrastructure.

Grameen Credit Score

- Public Sector Banks to develop 'Grameen Credit Score' framework to serve the credit needs of SHG members and people in rural areas.

Pension Sector

- A forum for regulatory coordination and development of pension products to be set up.

High Level Committee for Regulatory Reforms

- A High-Level Committee for Regulatory Reforms to be set up for a review of all non-financial sector regulations, certifications, licenses, and permissions.

Investment Friendliness Index of States

- An Investment Friendliness Index of States to be launched in 2025 to further the spirit of competitive cooperative federalism announced.

Jan Vishwas Bill 2.0

- The Jan Vishwas Bill 2.0 to decriminalize more than 100 provisions in various laws.

PART B

DIRECT TAX

- No personal income tax payable upto income of Rs 12 lakh (i.e. average income of Rs 1 lakh per month other than special rate income such as capital gains) under the new regime.

- This limit will be Rs 12.75 lakh for salaried tax payers, due to standard deduction of Rs 75,000.

- The new structure will substantially reduce the taxes of the middle class and leave more money in their hands, boosting household consumption, savings and investment.

- The new Income-Tax Bill to be clear and direct in text so as to make it simple to understand for taxpayers and tax administration, leading to tax certainty and reduced litigation.

- Revenue of about Rs. 1 lakh crore in direct taxes will be forgone.

Revised tax rate structure

In the new tax regime, the revised tax rate structure will stand as follows:

0-4 lakh rupees	Nil
4-8 lakh rupees	5 percent
8-12 lakh rupees	10 percent
12-16 lakh rupees	15 percent
16-20 lakh rupees	20 percent
20- 24 lakh rupees	25 percent
Above 24 lakh rupees	30 percent

TDS/TCS rationalization for easing difficulties

- ⇒ Rationalization of Tax Deduction at Source (TDS) by reducing number of rates and thresholds above which TDS is deducted.

- ⇒ The limit for tax deduction on interest for senior citizens doubled from the present Rs 50,000 to Rs 1 lakh.

- ⇒ The annual limit of Rs 2.40 lakh for TDS on rent increased to Rs 6 lakh.

- ⇒ The threshold to collect tax at source (TCS) on remittances under RBI's Liberalized Remittance Scheme (LRS) increased from Rs 7 lakh to Rs 10 lakh.

- ⇒ The provisions of the higher TDS deduction will apply only in non-PAN cases.

- ⇒ Decriminalization for the cases of delay of payment of TCS up to the due date of filing statement.

Reducing Compliance Burden

- ⇒ Reduction of compliance burden for small charitable trusts/institutions by increasing their period of registration from 5 years to 10 years.

- ⇒ The benefit of claiming the annual value of self-occupied properties as nil will be extended for two such self-occupied properties without any condition.

Ease of Doing Business

- ⇒ Introduction of a scheme for determining arm's length price of international transaction for a block period of three years.

- ⇒ Expansion of the scope of safe harbour rules to reduce litigation and provide certainty in international taxation.

- ⇒ Exemption of withdrawals made from National Savings Scheme (NSS) by individuals on or after the 29th of August, 2024.

- ⇒ Similar treatment to NPS Vatsalya accounts as is available to normal NPS accounts, subject to overall limits.

Employment and Investment

Tax certainty for electronics manufacturing Schemes

- ⇒ Presumptive taxation regime for non-residents who provide services to a resident company that is establishing or operating an electronics manufacturing facility.

- ⇒ Introduction of a safe harbour for tax certainty for non-residents who store components for supply to specified electronics manufacturing units.

Tonnage Tax Scheme for Inland Vessels

- ⇒ The benefits of existing tonnage tax scheme to be extended to inland vessels registered under the Indian Vessels Act, 2021 to promote inland water transport in the country.

Extension for incorporation of Start-Ups

- ⇒ Extension of the period of incorporation by 5 years to allow the benefit available to start-ups incorporated before 1.4.2030.

Alternate Investment Funds (AIFs)

- ⇒ Certainty of taxation on the gains from securities to Category I and Category II AIFs which are undertaking investments in infrastructure and other such sectors.

Extension of investment date for Sovereign and Pension Funds

- ⇒ Extension of the date of making investments in Sovereign Wealth Funds and Pension Funds by five more years, to 31st March, 2030, to promote funding from them to the infrastructure sector.

INDIRECT TAX

Rationalisation of Customs Tariff Structure for Industrial Goods

Union Budget 2025-26 proposes to:

- i. Remove seven tariff rates. This is over and above the seven tariff rates removed in 2023-24 budget. After this, there will be only eight remaining tariff rates including 'zero' rate.

- ii. Apply appropriate cess to broadly maintain effective duty incidence except on a few items, where such incidence will reduce marginally.

- iii. Levy not more than one cess or surcharge. Therefore Social Welfare Surcharge on 82 tariff lines that are subject to a cess, exempted.

Revenue of about Rs.2600 crore in indirect taxes will be forgone.

Relief on import of Drugs/Medicines

- 36 lifesaving drugs and medicines fully exempted from Basic Customs Duty (BCD).

- 6 lifesaving medicines to attract concessional customs duty of 5%.

- Specified drugs and medicines under Patient Assistance Programmes run by pharmaceutical companies fully exempted from BCD; 37 more medicines added along with 13 new patient assistance programmes.

Support to Domestic Manufacturing and Value addition

Critical Minerals :

- ⇒ Cobalt powder and waste, the scrap of lithium-ion battery, Lead, Zinc and 12 more critical minerals fully exempted from BCD.

Textiles:

- ⇒ Two more types of shuttle-less looms fully exempted textile machinery.

- ⇒ BCD rate on knitted fabrics revised from "10% or 20%" to "20% or 115 per kg, whichever is higher."

Electronic Goods:

- ⇒ BCD on Interactive Flat Panel Display (IFPD) increased from 10% to 20% .

- ⇒ BCD reduced to 5% on Open Cell and other components.

- ⇒ BCD on parts of Open Cells exempted.

Lithium Ion Battery:

- ⇒ 35 additional capital goods for EV battery manufacturing, and 28 additional capital goods for mobile phone battery manufacturing exempted.

Shipping Sector:

- ⇒ Exemption of BCD on raw materials, components, consumables or parts for the manufacture of ships extended for another ten years.

- ⇒ The same dispensation to continue for ship breaking.

Telecommunication:

- ⇒ BCD reduced from 20% to 10% on Carrier Grade ethernet switches. Export Promotion

Handicraft Goods:

- ⇒ Time period for export extended from six months to one year, further extendable by another three months, if required.

- ⇒ Nine items added to list of duty-free inputs.

Leather sector:

- ⇒ BCD on Wet Blue leather fully exempted.

- ⇒ Crust leather exempted from 20% export duty.

Marine products:

- ⇒ BCD reduced from 30% to 5% on Frozen Fish Paste (Surimi) for manufacture and export of its analogue products.

- ⇒ BCD reduced from 15% to 5% on fish hydrolysate for manufacture of fish and shrimp feeds.

Domestic MROs for Railway Goods:

- ⇒ Railways MROs to benefit similar to the aircraft and ships MROs in terms of import of repair items.

Andaman and Nicobar Administration
Secretariat

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

Sri Vijaya Puram dated the 29th January, 2025

/F.No.34-725/2021-Rev-Whereas, it appears to the appropriate Government (Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands) that a total of 6.8244 hectares land is required in the Hopetown village under Ferrargunj Tehsil in the South Andaman District for a public purpose, namely, "Shifting the existing POL Terminal from Haddo to Hopetown village" as requisitioned by the Sr. Terminal Manager, IOCL, Sri Vijaya Puram vide letter No. IOCL/PBT/LAND/2022/03 dated 24/06/2022.

Whereas, a Social Impact Assessment (SIA) has been conducted and preliminary investigation was conducted by a committee constituted vide Collector, Land Acquisition (SA)O.NO.335 dated 06/06/2024.

Therefore, it is notified that for the above said project in the Hopetown village under Ferrargunj Tehsil in the South Andaman District a piece of land measuring 6.8244 hectares of standard measurement as requested by the Sr. Terminal Manager, IOCL, Sri Vijaya Puram as detailed below, is under acquisition: -

Sl No	Name of the tenant	Survey No.	Total area in hecets	Classification	Boundaries				
					N.	S.	E.	W.	
1.	Geeta Bai W/o late Sukh Lall	71/1/1	1.36	Hilly	71/1/3	71/2	73/2,	63.64	
		72/1/2	0.29			& 60	72/1, 72/2/P & 71/2	& 65	
2.	Sumitra Devi & 02 others (D/o & S/o late Jai Chand Lall)	71/2	0.01	Hilly	70/2 & 70/17	71/1/3	73/1	65.66 & 67	
		71/1/1						71/1/1	
3.	T. Antony & 01 other	72/1	0.51	Hilly	74/2	72/2/P	74/2	71/1/1	
		72/2/P	1.00	Commercial	72/1	61 & 62	74/2 & 78	71/1/1 & 71/2	
		73/1	0.1375	Hilly	70/17	73/3	70/17	71/1/2	
		73/2	0.1365	Hilly	73/3	71/1/1	74/2	71/1/1	
		74/1	0.9713	Hilly	North Bay Village	74/3	74/1/P	70/17	
		74/2	0.3621	Hilly	74/3, 75/1 & 72/2/P	72/1	74/2/P	73/2	
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		70/3	0.05	House-site	70/2	70/2	70/17	70/2	
		Total	6.8244						

This notification is made under the provisions of section 11(1) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (30 of 2013), read with Notification No. 1197(E), dated 23/06/2017 of GOI, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi, to all whom it may concern.

The plan of the land under acquisition be inspected in the office of the Collector, Land Acquisition (SA) and office of the Tehsildar, Ferrargunj on any working day during the working hours.

The Government is pleased to authorize Tehsildar, Ferrargunj and his field staff to enter upon and survey land, take levels of any land, dig or bore into the sub-soil and do all other acts required for the proper execution of their work as provided and specified in section 12 of the said Act.

Under section 11(4) of the Act, no person shall make any transaction or cause any transaction of land i.e. sale/purchase, etc., or create any encumbrances on such land from the date of publication of such notification without prior approval of the Collector, Land Acquisition (SA).

Objections to the acquisition, if any, may be filed by the person interested within 60 (sixty) days from the date of publication of this notification as provided under section 15 of the Act before the Collector, Land Acquisition (SA).

By order and in the name of Lt. Governor
A&N Islands
Assistant Secretary (Rev.)
A&N Administration

LOST NOTICE

Missing my Original Boat Licence in between Ghanta Ghar and Junglighat. The License No. is PS/280/1840/Re registered in the name of Ramu Shevappa Lamani.
Contact: 9730162896 / 8197643427

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200 Sq. Mtrs. Land for Sale in Manglutan, Single Patta.
Contact Ph. No.: 9474233938 / 9679569394

AFFIDAVIT

I, V Dharmaraj, S/o Veerachinnu, R/o near Community Hall, Buniyadabad, Haddo Village under Sri Vijaya Puram Tehsil, Andaman and Nicobar Islands- 744102, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:
1. That my actual name is V Dharmaraj as mentioned in my Aadhaar Card and PAN Card.
2. That in my Service record my name is erroneously mentioned as Dharmaraj instead of V Dharmaraj.
3. That the names Dharmaraj and V Dharmaraj are of one identical person.
4. That wherever my name is appearing as Dharmaraj shall be read, understood, corrected and mentioned as V Dharmaraj for all the purposes and intends.
VERIFICATION: The statements made in Paras 1 to 4 above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Date: 08-01-2025 DEPONENT

NOTICE

General Public by this Notice is hereby made aware that Shri Alban Belung, S/o Late Simon Belung R/o Danapur Village under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District, has executed two Sale Agreement duly Notorized dated 06/11/2015 and 27/02/2024 with my client Shri K. Abdul Aziz, S/o Late K. Hamza R/o Presently Residing at Lucknow under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District in respect of 4000 Sq. Mtrs. And 2000 Sq. Mtrs. Of land out of total area 1.1000 Hects. Out of Survey No. 57 situated at Danapur Village under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District. My client from reliable sources has Recently came to know that Shri Alban Belung, S/o Late Simon Belung R/o Danapur Village under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District is secretly Negotiating with the third party to Sale out the above said landed property in exorbitant price.
Hence by this Notice all are requested not to deal / transact / indulge and or process in any Manner whatsoever with Shri Alban Belung, S/o Late Simon Belung R/o Danapur Village under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District pertaining to sale and purchase / transfer of interest of right in respect of 4000 Sq. Mtrs. And 2000 Sq. Mtrs. (Total 6000 Sq. Mtrs.) of land out of total area 1.1000 Hects. In Survey No. 57 situated at Danapur Village under Mayabunder Tehsil of North & Middle Andaman District in any manner whatsoever else will make self liable to be prosecuted before the Court of Law.

Sd./
K. SABIR
Advocate
Notary Public
South Andaman District, Sri Vijaya Puram

AFFIDAVIT

I, A Ibrahim, S/o Late V Ameer Batcha, aged 55 years, residing at Near Kamaraj English Medium School, Aberdeen Bazaar, Sri Vijaya Puram, South Andaman District, do here solemnly affirm and declare as follows: -
1. That my father's actual and correct name is V Ameer Batcha, as reflected in his official records and documents.
2. That in my Passport, my father's name is incorrectly mentioned as Ameer Batcha, instead of his full name, V Ameer Batcha.
3. That in my Aadhaar Card and Driving License correctly reflect my father's name as V Ameer Batcha.
4. That this discrepancy in my father's name in my Passport is unintentional and due to oversight.
5. I am making this affidavit to declare and confirm that V Ameer Batcha and Ameer Batcha refer to the same person, my father, and there is no difference in identity.
6. I undertake to update or correct the name in my Passport as necessary to reflect the correct name, V Ameer Batcha, in accordance with my father's actual name.
I declare that the statements made herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that nothing material has been concealed therein.
Place:- Sri Vijaya Puram.
Date:- 28.01.2025.
DEPONENT

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT ON 31ST JAN., 2025



After completion of 39 years of service in ALHW, "Wishing you a retirement filled with good health, happiness, and cherished memories".

SMTI. B. SARITA DEVI
W/o LATE B. BHASKAR RAO
ASSISTANT (RETD.), ALHW

Best Wishes from: B. Gyaneshwar Rao (Son), Archana Devi (Daughter-in-law), B. Nandika Devi (Grand Daughter), B. Divya Sri (Daughter).

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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj Institution, South Andaman Division-I on behalf of Pradhan, Gram Panchayat, Collinpur invites online item rate tender (in CPWD form-8) from bonafide and experienced contractors for the below mentioned work:
1. NIT No. EE/PRI/SAD-I/GEN/MS/2024-25/92 Name of Work: Repair and Maintenance of existing Multipurpose Hall at Herbertabad under Gram Panchayat Collinpur. (Re-Tender)
Estimated Cost: Rs. 16,14,201/-, Earnest Money Deposit: Rs. 32,284/-, Time of Completion: Four (04) Months, Tender Fee: Rs. 500/- & last date & time of submission of bid: 10/02/2025 (1500 hrs.)
The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website <https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in>.
Tender ID: 2025 RDPRI 17396 1

Executive Engineer
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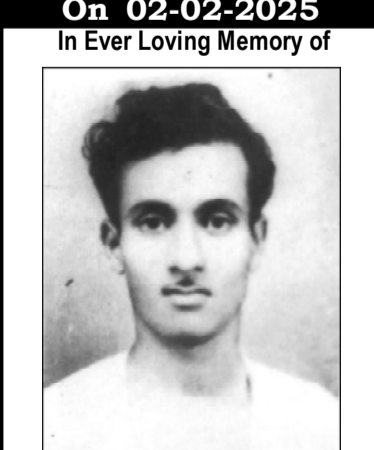
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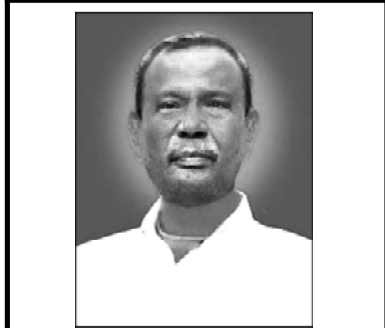
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24th Death Anniversary On 02-02-2025 In Ever Loving Memory of



LATE BISHAN MOORTHY
"You will be always remain in our hearts forever".
Inserted by: Surita Kumari (Wife), Sunaina Pankaj (Daughter).

FOREVER MISSED: 4TH YEAR OF REMEMBRANCE



Late S.K. NATH
DOB: 16-07-1944 DOD: 02-02-2021
Another year has passed, but your memory still feels as vivid as yesterday.
You may be gone, but you are never forgotten, as your love continues to touch our lives in countless ways.
Fondly remembered by:
Dulali Nath (Wife), Prakash Chandra Nath (Son) and family, R/o Prem Nagar.

18th Death Anniversary On 02-02-2025



LATE PHOOL KUNWAR (DIDI)
W/o Late Brij Behari Lall
R/o South Point
Expired on 2nd Feb., 2007
"Sri Krishna Sarnam Mamma"
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