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Weather Report
Light rainfall very likely over Port Blair, partly cloudy sky. Maximum and Minimum temperature will be around 31°C and 24°C respectively on Thursday 02/07/2020.
Maximum Temperature (°C) of Date: 30.5
Minimum Temperature (°C) of Date: 25.6
Relative Humidity(%) at 0830 IST : 080
Relative Humidity(%) at 1730 IST : 082
Sunrise time on 02.07.2020 (in IST): 0459
Sunset time on 02.07.2020 (in IST): 1747
Rainfall upto 0830 hrs of date (last 24 hrs)- in mm: 000.4
Rainfall upto 1730 hrs of date in mm: 000.2
Rainfall (Progressive total from 1st January 20 upto 0830 hrs (of date) in mm: 839.0 mm

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Doctor's Day celebrated; Nation salutes doctors PM lauds role of Doctors as frontline warriors during COVID-19

New Delhi, July 1
National Doctor's Day was celebrated today. The day is celebrated on July 1 every year to thank the doctors and physicians for their relentless service to humanity. The theme of this year's **Doctors Day** was 'Lessen the mortality of COVID-19'.
Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi said, India salutes our doctors - exceptional care givers who are at the forefront of a spirited fight against COVID-19. In a tweet, on the occasion of **Doctor's Day**, Shri Modi



The Prime Minister said, Doctors save the lives of people and we can never repay their debt. He said, it is the duty of everyone to respect and honor them every moment who serve the nation.
The first **National Doctor's Day** was celebrated in July 1991. In India, this day marks the birth as well as the death anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy. He was one of the most renowned physicians in India and former Chief Minister of West Bengal. (Source: india.gov.in)

said, in this time of crisis, Doctors and Nurses are the form of God. He said, mother gives birth to us and doctor gives us rebirth many times.

Push for Aatmanirbhar Bharat BSNL cancels tender for 4G network upgradation & expansion

New Delhi, July 1
BSNL today cancelled the tender for 4G network upgradation and expansion amidst complaints by homegrown companies demanding a fresh tender involving greater usage of 'Make in India' technology.
BSNL said in a notification that tender for planning, engineering, supply, installation, testing commissioning and annual maintenance of 4G mobile



network in North, East, West and South Zones of BSNL and Delhi and Mumbai Local Service Area of MTNL has been cancelled. The tender was floated in March this year.
The decision comes amidst ongoing India China standoff and Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's push for an **Aatmanirbhar Bharat** in (Contd. on last page)

Minister urges farmers to adopt best agricultural practices for maximizing crop production

New Delhi, July 1 (PIB)
Union Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare Minister, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar has appealed to farmers to grow different varieties of crops keeping in view the type of farmland in order to make farming a gainful activity. In a letter to the farmers of the country, Shri Tomar has said that with the onset of monsoon in most parts of the country, sowing of crops has also been completed in many places, and is in process in other areas. Shri Tomar says in his letter that he is

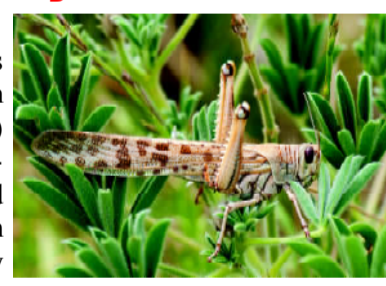
communicating with the farmers to exhort them to adopt best agricultural practices (Contd. on last page)

India's Permanent Representative to UN appointed

New Delhi, July 1
Senior Diplomat Shri Indra Mani Pandey has been appointed as the next Ambassador and Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations and other International Organisations in Geneva. Shri Pandey, a 1990 batch IFS Officer is presently Additional Secretary in the External Affairs Ministry. He is expected to take up the assignment shortly. (Source: india.gov.in)

Alertness for Locust (Tiddi) Pest; Agriculture Department issues advisory for farmers

Port Blair, July 1
Locusts commonly known as Tiddi (in Hindi) are the short-horned grasshoppers with highly migratory habit and voracious feeding behavior. They cause a serious threat to food security by forming large and highly mobile swarms capable of migrating over large distances and destroying standing crops over large areas.



Grasshoppers and locusts are similar in appearance and have similar morphological structures. However, when grasshoppers change into locusts, their wing structures change. As locusts, they need to (Contd. on last page)

Awareness prog. on Deen Dayal Upadhyay Grameen Kaushalya Yojana held at Mithakhari Gram Panchayat

Port Blair, July 1
An awareness programme on 'Deen Dayal Upadhyay Grameen Kaushalya Yojana' (DDUGKY), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the Ministry of Rural Development, GoI was held yesterday at Mithakhari Gram Panchayat Bhawan. Shri Vinay Kumar Jindal, Director (RD, PJs & ULBs) while interacting with the rural youth including women SHG members and briefed them about the salient features of the scheme. He informed the gathering that the same is being implemented in the UT of Andaman & Nicobar Islands with the aim to skill rural youth, who are poor and to provide them not only with jobs but also with regular

Bringing healthcare closer to the homes of people UT Administration to upgrade 129 Health Institutions to Health & Wellness Centres under AB-PMJAY 50 upgraded as HWCs; 35 to be operationalized by July 2020; remaining 44 targeted to be completed by 2021

Port Blair, July 1
The UT Administration endeavors to provide health care at the doorstep of the citizens under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri - Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY). Under the scheme, the Health Department of UT is in the process of converting existing Health Sub Centres and PHCs/UHCs into Health & Wellness Centers (HWCs). The objective of developing the Health Institutions into HWCs is basically identified as peripheral outpost and the first hope of healthcare for all. It fulfills the basic primary and quality health care needs of the families surviving in difficult circumstances in the remote areas as well. The HWCs are not only taking care of Primary Health of citizens but also provides testing facilities at the Centre and also render specialized services for non-communicable critical diseases.



The list of services to be provided at the Health & Wellness Centres interalia includes maternal, neonatal and infant, childhood & adolescent, contraceptive services and reproductive health care services. HWCs also deal with management of communicable diseases and screening and management of non-communicable diseases.

Besides that, basic health care services of ophthalmic, ENT, mental health ailments, dental care and geriatric health care services. As part of the scheme, the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands has already operationalized 30 HWCs [28 Sub Centres (SCs) and 2 Urban Health Centres (UHCs)] in the financial year 2018-19.



Subsequently, in the FY 2019-20, 55 Health Facilities (30 SCs, 22 PHCs and 03 UHCs) have been planned for their upgradation as Health & Wellness Centres. Out of the proposed 55, in the 1st phase, 17 PHCs and 3 UHCs have already been upgraded as Health & Wellness Centres while the remaining 35 Health facilities (30 SCs and 05 PHCs) will be

operationalized by July, 2020. Further, in the FY 2020-21, 44 remaining Sub Centres are proposed to be upgraded as HWCs. A total of 129 Health Institutions (cumulative) with a budgetary provision of Rs. 13.46 crores shall be operationalized during the current year as HWCs and thereby saturating the target of operationalization of Health & Wellness Centers in the UT. These Centres will cater to the need of the entire population of A&N Islands, including the remote and inaccessible areas to provide Primary Health Care and selective consultative services for Secondary Health Care, a press release from Principal Secretary (Health) said.

Infrastructure development in Education Sector Construction work for two Girls' Hostels at Port Blair & Rangat in progress; to be completed soon

Port Blair, July 1
With the objective to ensure that girl students are not denied the opportunity to continue their studies due to distance to schools, parents financial affordability and other societal problems, the Education Department is in pursuit of establishing Girls' Hostel at prominent locations of the Islands to encourage girls in accomplishing their formal schooling at all levels.
In this direction, a 100 Bedded Girls' Hostel is being constructed at the premises of Govt. Girls Sr. Secondary School, Port Blair. Block-I of this Hostel comprising of 40 bedded capacity has already been completed whereas Block-II of 60 bedded capacity at an estimated cost of Rs.2.87 crore is on the verge of completion. The finishing works are being carried out and is expected to



Pic shows the 100 bedded Girls Hostel being constructed at the precincts of GSSS Girls

population of Middle Andaman and this too is proposed to be completed by December 2020.
Creation of these assets / resources would benefit girl students of rural and far-flung remote areas of the Islands. Accommodation facilities will be made available to girls who opt to avail their education in Government Schools away from their residence. This will enable the Education Department to encourage formal education for girls, besides ensuring zero dropouts.
It is pertinent to mentioned that as an encouragement to girl students, meritorious girls of rural and tribal habitations are selected through a competitive examination and provided education at Urban Schools of the Islands by providing hostel accommodation facilities, a press release from the rural Directorate of Education said.

Andaman Fights COVID 19 Use face mask & maintain 'do gaz doori'- Together we will fight COVID-19

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Health Bulletin For Containment Of

नोवल कोरोना वायरस रोग (COVID-19)
(No. 93/ 01st July 2020)
COVID-19 STATUS OF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AS ON
01.07.2020

> Status of Cured/Active Cases

Total Confirmed cases	100
Cured/Discharged from Hospital	50
Death	00
Active Cases	50

> Status of Availability of Beds in Hospitals:

Name of Hospital	Isolation Beds Available	Occupied	Positive Cases Admitted
G B Pant Hospital, Port Blair	50	22	22
INHS, Dhanvantri, Minnie Bay, Port Blair	48	22	22
COVID Care Center (SA)	67	03	03
Dr. RP Hospital, Mayabunder	05	01	01
BJR Hospital, Car Nicobar	06	00	00
Home Isolation	NA	02	02

* No cases are admitted at Private Hospital.

> Status of Sample and Testing for COVID 19:

Total Samples sent till date	15982
Total Reports received till date	15739
Total Pending Reports	243
Rate of Testing Per Million	39348

> House to House surveillance throughout South Andaman District including Containment Zones are being conducted by District Administration with the help of Health Workers. 57734 population is being surveyed daily.

> **50 Active Cases** in the Islands. 50 patients cured.

> Intensive awareness is continued through print and electronic media.

> 9890 Incoming Passengers screened at VSI Airport and 736 screened at Haddo Wharf by medical teams since 25.05.2020.

> 12810 Outward Passengers screened at VSI Airport and 722 screened at Haddo Wharf by medical teams since 25.05.2020.

> 4826 samples of vulnerable passengers (Persons of the age of 65 years and above, persons with co-morbidity, children age below 10 years, pregnant women, persons coming from mainland after treatment alongwith their attendant and persons who are destined to tribal areas of Islands) collected at VSI Airport/Harbour since 30.05.2020.

> 10805 Calls received by Health Department through Helpline 102 till date to avail health services.

> 3027 persons put under Institutional/Home Quarantine for 14 days upto 24.05.2020 which includes passengers as well as contacts.

> 1470 contacts put in Home Quarantine for 14 days upto 24.05.2020.

SURVEILLANCE DATA (w.e.f 25.05.2020)

1. Asymptomatic Passengers (Flight) under Self-Monitoring for 14 days till Date	3220
2. Asymptomatic Passengers (Flight) completed 14 Days Self-Monitoring	6649
3. Asymptomatic Passengers (Ship) in isolation in Govt. Facilities.	NIL
4. Asymptomatic Passengers (Ship) put in Home Quarantine as on date	NIL
5. Asymptomatic Passengers (Ship) completed 14 days Quarantine inclusive of journey period/isolation period	727
6. Symptomatic Persons isolated in Health facility as on date	24
7. Symptomatic Persons under Home Isolation as on date	01
8. Symptomatic Persons completed 07 days in Home Isolation	10
9. Contacts put under Home Quarantine till date	582
10. Contacts completed 14 days period of Home Quarantine	204
11. Contacts put under Isolation in Government Facilities	08

COVID Appropriate Behaviour

Wash
Your hands frequently and thoroughly with soap and water

24x7 CONTROL ROOM NUMBERS
240126/232102/1077/1070
(Source: Principal Secretary (Health), A&N Administration)

Alertness for Locust (Tiddi) Pest....
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be able to fly longer distances, so their wings become longer & stronger.

The loss caused by locusts is gigantic and on an average, small locusts swarm eats as much food in one day as about ten elephants or 2500 people. Locusts cause damage by voraciously eating the leaves, flower, fruits, seeds, bark and growing points and also by breaking down trees because of their weight when they settle down in masses.

There is no past history of locust attack in A & N Islands. However, considering the threat of locust attacks in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh, the Department of Agriculture has suggested the following measures to be adopted for preparedness by the farmers of A&N Islands.

- > Farmers are advised to be vigilant and to keep an eye out for any locust activity.
- > Farmers are advised to gain knowledge time to time from Radio, TV, Newspaper, Mobile etc. on the locust attack
- > In case of notice of Locust attack, spray mixture of Neem Oil 5 ml/litre of water or any environmental friendly neem-based pesticides or bioagent Metarhizium anisopliae.
- > Loud noise created by playing bell, tin, plate or by any other means scares the locust away.
- > Installation of bird perches is recommended as birds can eat the locust.
- > Poultry birds and ducks can be encouraged in the affected fields for eating the locust.
- > For any assistance /queries, farmers may contact the nearest Sub-Depot in charge/Zonal Officer of the Agriculture Department, a press release from Directorate of Agriculture said.

ISRO Cyberspace Competitions (ICC-2020)
Competitions to begin from July 3

Port Blair, July 1
The ISRO Cyberspace Competitions are scheduled to be conducted during the first week of July-2020. The competition will begin from July 3. It may be noted that ISRO had announced the conduct of ICC-2020, an online competition for school children. The registrations for the same have been completed on 28th June, 2020. The probable topics for the various competitions have also been announced by ISRO in order to enable the students to prepare themselves for the competitions. ISRO has announced the detailed schedule of the competitions.

All the registered participants have been requested to prepare themselves for the competitions. For further information and program details, log on to: www.isro.gov.in/icc-2020, a press release from Member, Organizing Committee, ICC-2020 said.

UPSC Civil Services (Prelim) & IFS Exam, 2020
Opportunity for candidates to submit choice of Centre

New Delhi, July 1 (PIB) The Union Public Service Commission will be conducting the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination, 2020 [including the Indian Forest Service (Preliminary) Examination, 2020] and (Preliminary) Examination, 2020] on 04.10.2020 all over India as per the Revised Programme of Examinations/RTs published on 05.06.2020. Keeping in view the large number of candidates of the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination, 2020 [including the Indian Forest Service (Preliminary) Examination, 2020] and requests received from the candidates for changing their Centers, the Commission has decided to give an opportunity to them to submit their revised choice of Centre.

Awareness prog. on Deen Dayal Upadhyay...
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deprived households/ youth of rural areas is based upon the Socio Economic & Caste Census database and Participatory Identification of Poor (PIP) involving community. The target group for DDU-GKY is poor rural youth in the age group 18-35 yrs. The upper age limit for women, vulnerable tribal groups & persons with disabilities shall be 45 years. The various trades/activities that can be taken under the scheme were also explained to them. Extension Officer, Directorate of RD, Shri P.K. Singh briefed about the creation of database for skill demand & placement, conducting of special counseling sessions with the potential candidates by the Project Implementing Agencies. Shri Rajender Pal, BDO, Ferrargunj, Block Officials, Gram Panchayat Members and rural youth attended the awareness programme.

Meanwhile, the Secretary (RD, PRIs & ULBs), Shri Abhishek Dev appealed to the rural youth of these Islands to come forward and grab the opportunity under the scheme for betterment of their livelihood, a press release from Director (RD) said here.

Minister urges farmers to adopt
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in order to maximize production.

Appreciating that farmers in the country have completed their agricultural work with responsibility and dedication even during the difficult time of the lockdown which affected industries and businesses the Minister said, the rabi crops have been harvested and selling procedure completed without any hindrance. Agricultural production has become the pivot of the country's economy.

Shri Tomar has in his communication, written of a number of good agricultural practices such as best methods of growing paddy which is the main crop in the kharif season, control of weeds, use of biopesticides, organic manure and vermicompost, ridge and furrow method of crop planting, seed treatment of pulses with rhizobium bacteria, balanced use of nitrogenous fertilizers along with potash and phosphorus in accordance with soil health card, and using best irrigation methods. The Minister has dealt with the requirements of different regions of the country individually in great detail in his letter.

Summing up, the Minister said that by adopting better crop management practices, agricultural production can be increased manifold. It is essential to plan beforehand, make correct decisions and implement them in the field.

BSNL cancels ...
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the post-COVID world.

The state run telecom company had invited bids for the upgradation for 49 thousand 300 sites to 4G and the addition of 7 thousand new sites in Delhi and Mumbai. (Source: india.gov.in)

Breakdown of harbour ferry vessel MV Hawabill stationed at Long Island; efforts on to station another vessel

Port Blair, July 1
The Directorate of Shipping Services is putting all efforts to station another harbour ferry vessel at Long Island at the earliest, to resume the harbour ferry service. The inconvenience caused to passenger due to the withdrawal of service is regretted, a press release from Directorate of Shipping Services said.

Due to breakdown of harbour ferry vessel MV Hawabill stationed at Long Island, her services has been withdrawn. Following the withdrawal, the harbour ferry service between Long Island and Kadamtala route has been suspended temporarily, till a substitute vessel is re-stationed.

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ALL THE SAILINGS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITION (SHIPPING HELPLINE NO. 245555)

INTER ISLAND SECTOR

MV Coral Queen will sail for Campbell Bay via Nancowry on 03.07.2020 (Fri) at 1500 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 05.07.2020 (Sun) at 0900 Hrs from Campbell Bay via Nancowry.

MV Chowra will sail for Car Nicobar via Little Andaman on 07.07.2020 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 08.07.2020 (Wed) at 1500 Hrs from Car Nicobar via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 04.07.2020 (Sat) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counter & CSC's. Similarly, booking of cargo will commence from 03.07.2020 (Fri) onwards between 0900 Hrs to 1200 Hrs at Commercial Wing.

LITTLE ANDAMAN

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Little Andaman on 03.07.2020 (Fri) at 0900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 04.07.2020 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Little Andaman.

MV Campbell Bay will sail for Little Andaman on 06.07.2020 (Mon) at 0900 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 07.06.2020 (Tue) at 0700 Hrs from Little Andaman. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 03.07.2020 (Fri) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counter & CSC's.

DIGLIPUR & MAYABUNDER

MV Coral Queen will sail for Diglipur via Mayabunder on 06.07.2020 (Mon) at 2100 Hrs from Haddo Wharf and will sail for Port Blair on 07.07.2020 (Tue) at 1400 Hrs from Diglipur via same route. Passenger tickets for the above sailing will be issued to the general public from 02.07.2020 (Thurs) from 0900 Hrs onwards at STARS Ticketing Counter & CSC's.

02.07.2020 (THURSDAY)
SWARAJ DWEEP & SHAHEED DWEEP

MV North Passage will sail for Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep on 02.07.2020 (Thurs) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1200 Hrs directly from Swaraj Dweep. MV Rani Lakshmi will sail for Shaheed Dweep via Swaraj Dweep on 02.07.2020 (Thurs) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1130 Hrs directly from Shaheed Dweep.

03.07.2020 (FRIDAY)
SWARAJ DWEEP & SHAHEED DWEEP

MV North Passage will sail for Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep on 03.07.2020 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1200 Hrs directly from Swaraj Dweep. MV Wandoor will sail for Shaheed Dweep via Swaraj Dweep on 03.07.2020 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1130 Hrs directly from Shaheed Dweep.

RANGAT

MV Rani Lakshmi will sail for Rangat via Swaraj Dweep and Long Island on 03.07.2020 (Fri) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1300 Hrs from Rangat via same route.

04.07.2020 (SATURDAY)
SWARAJ DWEEP & SHAHEED DWEEP

MV North Passage will sail for Swaraj Dweep via Shaheed Dweep on 04.07.2020 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1200 Hrs directly from Swaraj Dweep. MV Wandoor will sail for Shaheed Dweep via Swaraj Dweep on 04.07.2020 (Sat) at 0700 Hrs from Phoenix Bay Jetty and will sail for Port Blair on the same day at 1130 Hrs directly from Shaheed Dweep.

Simple Ayurvedic Procedures

- Nasal application - Apply sesame oil / coconut oil or Ghee in both the nostrils (Pratimarsh Nasya) in morning and evening.
- Oil pulling therapy - Take 1 table spoon sesame or coconut oil in mouth. Do not drink, Swish in the mouth for 2 to 3 minutes and spit it off followed by warm water rinse. This can be done once or twice a day.

During dry cough / sore throat

- Steam inhalation with fresh Pudina (Mint) leaves or Ajwain (Caraway seeds) can be practiced once in a day.
- Lavang (Clove) powder mixed with natural sugar / honey can be taken 2-3 times a day in case of cough or throat irritation.
- These measures generally treat normal dry cough and sore throat. However, it is best to consult doctors if these symptoms persist.

Directorate of Health Services and Andaman & Nicobar State AYUSH Society, A & N Administration