



Welfare measures initiated by District Administration during COVID-19

COVID health infrastructure strengthened, vaccination intensified, monitoring of COVID patients under home quarantine by District Control Room

- Procures ration kits to distribute to poor & needy daily wage earners
- District Control Room working 24/7 to address grievances of public

Port Blair, June 8
 The District Administration is taking up various welfare measures in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic which has helped in redressing the issues of the general public in South Andaman District. The District Administration has also strengthened health infrastructure especially with the creation of COVID Care Centre at Wimberlygunj, Isolation Wards and also intensified the COVID-19 vaccination camps all over the District to reach out to the remotest parts as well. Further, in order to



prevent movement of people, door to door delivery of COVID medicine kits to Home quarantine and ILI/SARI cases by the Administration is carried out on daily basis. Pulse oximeters are distributed to positive patients in home quarantine to keep a track of the SpO2 levels which is also monitored twice a day by the doctors present in the District Control Room. Oxygen concentrators are also being provided to COVID patients at their homes on the specific recommendation of doctors. Through the efforts of the Administration, various corporates have donated oxygen concentrators as a part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as a support towards the treatment of COVID patients. The Administration has procured 1000 ration kits to distribute to the poor and needy daily wage earners who are struggling during the lockdown, which has proved to be a very big relief to such persons. The Administration is further coordinating with Civil Society Organisations for distributing ration kits to daily wage earners, auto drivers and labourers at various places. Regular

Govt. releases guidelines for the development of e-Content for Children with Disabilities

Guidelines aim at fulfilling goal of Inclusive Education

New Delhi, June 8 (PIB) Union Education Minister, Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' today approved the release of the guidelines for the Development of e-Content for Children with Disabilities. A comprehensive initiative, PM e-VIDYA was launched on 17th May, 2020, with an aim to unify all efforts related to digital/online/on-air education. The programme envisages development of special e-content for the Divyang (Children with Disabilities-CwDs). In pursuance of this vision, the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education had constituted a Committee of Experts, for recommending guidelines for developing e-content for these children. For the first time, an attempt was made to prepare guidelines for CwD also referred to as Children with Special Needs (CWSN)

COVID-19 vaccination

1,28,821 doses of vaccines administered; 9640 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years inoculated so far

Port Blair, June 8
 The Administration is ever committed for the welfare of the Islanders and during this pandemic time, to shield its citizens from the dreaded virus, it has initiated vaccination drive in the Islands. The vaccination began with administering of COVISHIELD vaccine for Health Care Workers



Subsequently, the vaccination for 45 and above was initiated followed by 18 to 44 years which is currently underway. As per data available, a total of 1,28,821 beneficiaries have been vaccinated so far in A&N Islands, out of the target beneficiaries of 2,81,603 (approx.). A total

Enforcement Team of Deptt. of CS&CA conducts inspection to check prevailing market prices of vegetables

Vendors urged to desist from unfair trade practices



Port Blair, June 8
 The Department of Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs has been actively monitoring the price and availability of all essential commodities including groceries and agro-horticultural products in the markets of this UT especially during the lockdown imposed to curb the spread of the pandemic. The Enforcement Team of the Department today conducted rigorous inspection in the markets of Port Blair, Tehsil as well as part of Ferrargunj Tehsil to keep a check in price of vegetables as well as enforcing various rules/regulations framed under the Legal Metrology Act, 2009 in larger public interest. During inspection, it was found that many roadside vegetable vendors were not displaying the retail price for the information of the consumers and all such vendors were made to display the price list accordingly. It was also revealed that many vendors were found using unverified weights & measures which were seized by the enforcement team and appropriate legal proceedings were initiated. All the vegetable vendors have been once again advised to refrain from any unfair trade practices and over charging which may lead to exploitation of consumers. This may be treated as the last warning and thereafter

Replenishing ground water resources through 'Catch the Rain & Rear Fish' - An inter-departmental successful initiative

Freshwater fish seeds released into new reservoir pond at DBRAIT campus



Port Blair, June 8
 In a first of its kind initiative in the Islands, the Department of Fisheries in consultation with Department of RD & PRIs, APWD and other Departments of Administration has worked out a project under the tag line 'Diggi Macchi' (Pond Fish) with an aim to recharge the ground water resources and food security in the form of fish production which is under consideration of Ministry for approval. As a token of commencement of this initiative, Ms. Veditha Reddy, Secretary (Fisheries), A&N Administration released freshwater fish seeds in the new reservoir pond constructed in the campus of Dr. B.R Ambedkar Institute of Technology (DBRAIT), Dollygunj under 'Catch the Rain' Project. The Secretary (Fisheries) appreciated the initiative of DBRAIT and Department of Fisheries for taking up such rain harvest projects as well as for promoting Aquaculture as a supplementary activity. Shri Utpal Sharma, Principal, DBRAIT, Dollygunj informed that the rainwater harvested in this reservoir pond will be used for meeting the requirements of the campus thereby reducing dependency on the Govt. water supply. This 2000 Sq.mt. reservoir pond will be maintained and managed by DBRAIT to make the campus 'Green, Clean and Beautiful'. It is worth mentioning that the

Media briefing on COVID-19 held

Administration makes arrangement for transportation of stranded passengers of Little Andaman: Secretary (IP&T)

Port Blair, June 8
 The Secretary (IP&T), Shri Sunil Kumar Singh addressing the media persons on COVID-19 status in the Islands in the conference hall of IP&T here this evening stated that the Administration has made arrangement for stranded passengers bound for Little Andaman and accordingly, the vessel MV Kalighat will depart



for Hut Bay on June 10. Passengers intending to travel shall be subjected to RT-PCR and only those passengers whose reports are negative will be allowed to travel. He also said that for the first time, after the rise in number of cases during the second wave, the number of active cases has come down to below 100 i.e. 96 as on June 7. The Secretary further said that during the RT-PCR conducted on 358 incoming passengers who arrived here yesterday by flight, 9 positive cases have been detected despite them carrying RT-PCR report from mainland. He further disclosed that 3 flights with 271 passengers arrived today and the RT-PCR reports are awaited. He also stated that during the RAT conducted on

Tweets on COVID-19 Management by Administration

Shasi Kumar @shasi92-1td
Considering the National Average, A & N Islands performed better than most of other states. All thanks to our Islanders, Healthcare Staffs, @Andaman_Admin & other coronawarriors.
Still long way to go for #CovidFreeAndamans #TogetherWeCan #AndamanFightsCOVID19

Saikat Biswas @Saikat_Andaman
Replying to @DcSouthandaman @SuneelAnchipaka and 3 others
Good to see @Andaman_Admin reaching far flung areas. This will ensure that authorities get to know the exact on grounds situation & also infuse confidence among general public in #FightAgainstCOVID19

Sayyid Ashraf @SayyidAshraf2
Replying to @Andaman_Admin @MediaRN_ANI and @jitendra_narain
Today very good result. The general public should take the covid epidemic seriously. We must obey what our Island Administration, Police and Doctors say they say it is for our health. Wear a mask. Keep a social distance. Avoid unnecessary trips & vaccine should be taken.

Abdul Rasheed @Ration_Rasheed
Replying to @DcSouthandaman @Andaman_Admin and 3 others
Door delivery of essentials has been a huge relief for islanders. It is good to see that people are no longer crowding shops in the 6-8 window. Declining COVID graph is a sigh of relief. Kudos to @Andaman_Admin, @AndamanPolice for their hard work during #COVID19

Andaman Chamber of Commerce @AndamanChamber
The Chamber appreciates the efforts of Admin in managing the Pandemic in the islands & has been supporting Admin through various means like essentials distribution, beds for Covid wards etc, since March 20.

Deepak Ram @DeepakR83424856
Administration is doing great job. Cases declining. Now it's our turn make our Islands free from COVID by following Protocol strictly. Stay home stay safe.

अंडमान तथा निकोबार प्रशासन
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
सचिवालय/SECRETARIAT

Health Bulletin For Containment Of
नोबल कोरोना वायरस रोग (COVID-19)
(No. 435/08th June 2021)
COVID-19 STATUS OF ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS AS ON 08.06.2021

> Status of Cases :

Second Wave since: 01.03.2021			
Active new case in last 24 Hours	23		
Discharges in last 24 hours	23		
Total confirmed cases	2160		
Total Discharges	2003		
Total Active case as on date	94		
Total Deaths	63		
Cumulative since March 2020			
Details	On 07 th June 2021	On 08 th June 2021	Total
Confirmed Cases	7131	23*	7154
Cured/Discharged from Hospital	6912	23	6935
Death	123	02	125

*Includes 09 positives from Airport arrival.

> Clinical Management of Cases :

Name of District	Isolation Beds Available	Occupied	Vacant
North & Middle Andaman	286	04	282
South Andaman	5583	90	5493
Nicobar	507	00	507
Total	6376	94	6282

Total 14 containment zones formed in South Andaman District

> Status of Sample and Testing:

Total Samples sent till date	392095
Total Reports received till date	392095
Total Pending Reports	0
Rate of Testing Per Million	980238
Cumulative Test Positivity Rate	1.82%
COWIN 1.0	

> Vaccination Status

Total population	4,00,000
Target Beneficiaries	2,81,603(Approx)
Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated so far	1,28,821
Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated with 1 st Dose so far	1,11,409
Cumulative Beneficiaries vaccinated with 2 nd Dose so far	17,412
% of population vaccinated	27.85

> Passengers screened at VSI Airport & Haddo Wharf

Details	From 25 th May 2020 to 07 th June 2021	On 08 th June 2021	Total
Incoming Passengers			
a) VSI Airport	244314	283	244597
b) Haddo Wharf	1032	0	1032
Outward Passengers			
a) VSI Airport	256264	348	256612
b) Haddo Wharf	928	0	928

(On 08.06.2021, 271 passengers were retested by RTPCR at Airport)

24x7 CONTROL ROOM NUMBERS: 240126/ 232102 / 1077/ 1070
(Source: Directorate of Health Services)

Replenishing ground water resources through 'Catch...'
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pond at DBRAIT has been created from scratch with 1 crore litres capacity which will cater to the water supply requirements in the campus and also promote aquaculture.

This initiative has been taken up taking into account the gradual diminishing of groundwater resource of Andaman and Nicobar Islands due to increase in population. Though the Islands group receives on an average 3180 mm of rainfall, most of it goes away to sea due to rugged topography and deforestation.

To cope up with this situation, the only feasible solution is augmentation of the diminishing water resources with artificial recharge techniques including construction of Check Dams, Rain Water Harvesting and Ponds. Dr. Utpal Kumar Sar, Director of Fisheries informed that the stocking of fish seed will help in creating aquatic life in the ponds and thereby make water healthy, clean and pollution free apart from fish production. For this purpose, a detailed project proposal costing Rs. 285.00 Lakh by convergence of resources from various Central Sector Schemes, i.e MGNREGA and PMMSY. The project will cover major underutilized Govt. lands including grazing lands, farm lands of around 25 Ha. The utilization of existing water bodies of Municipal area is also one of the motto of this initiative.

The Department has also planned to release Departmentally produced seeds of freshwater fishes in the Govt. owned water bodies of APWD, PBMC and other Govt. institutions in and around Municipal areas for augmenting freshwater fish production. Presently, these water bodies are not being utilised for fisheries related activities. This may generate additional revenue and help in maintaining healthy water conditions of those aquatic systems in a sustainable manner. For this purpose, the Department has already identified 12-15 water bodies in the municipal areas for stocking the seeds as a part of these initiative.

The implementation of the project will be through approx. 50 selected Self Help Groups of the Islands thereby providing employment opportunities to 500 beneficiaries. This will also help in irrigation of agriculture/fodder lands and domestic usages and thus contributing to boosting of rural economy of the Islands. The present proposal is aligned with the focussed areas of dream project of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's 'Jal Shakthi Abhiyan' to create more water spread areas for multilateral activities and for recharging the ground water resources.

As a pilot project, it is proposed to create 01/02 ponds in each Panchayat/ Govt. farm or revenue land as per availability of suitable land with the following objectives:-

- ♦ Increase in area under freshwater Aquaculture of A&N Islands.
- ♦ Attaining self-sufficiency in freshwater fish production.
- ♦ Recharging ground water.
- ♦ Enhancing water spread area.
- ♦ Popularization of Aquaculture practices.
- ♦ Increasing the availability of fodder and possibility of Horticulture.
- ♦ Utilization of Govt. owned land for income generation.
- ♦ Strengthening of SHGs through entrepreneurship.
- ♦ Improvement of water holding capacity and ground water availability.

This project will increase freshwater fish production from 305 MT to 410 MT within one year and will be a milestone for making A&N Islands self sufficient, a press release from Directorate of Fisheries said.

31st India-Thailand coordinated patrol to be conducted in Andaman Sea from June 9 to 11

Port Blair, June 8
The 31st edition of India Thailand Coordinated Patrol (Indo-Thai CORPAT) between the Indian Navy (IN) and Royal Thai Navy (RTN) is being conducted from June 9 to 11,2021. Indian Naval Ship Saryu, an indigenously built Naval Offshore Patrol Vessel and His Thai Majesty's Ship (HTMS) Krabi along with Maritime Patrol Aircraft from both the navies are participating in the exercise.

As part of Government of India's vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region), the Indian Navy has been proactively operating with the countries in the Ocean Region for

Coordinated Patrols, cooperation in EEZ surveillance, Passage exercise and other bilateral and multilateral exercises towards enhancing regional maritime security. India and Thailand have especially enjoyed a close and friendly relationship covering a wide spectrum of activities and interaction which have strengthened over the years.

To reinforce our close relations and maritime links, IN ships and aircraft of Government of India's vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region), the Indian Navy has been participating in the biannual Coordinated Patrol with Royal Thai Navy since 2005, with the aim of keeping this

vital part of the Indian Ocean safe and secure for commercial shipping and international trade.

CORPATs enable improved understanding and interoperability between the two navies and facilitate the institution of measures to prevent Illegal Unreported Unregulated (IUU) fishing, drug trafficking, maritime terrorism, armed robbery, piracy and illegal immigration. The exercise also facilitates exchange of information towards maintaining good order at sea and reinforce the resolve of both the nations to enhance strong bilateral ties and maritime cooperation, a press release received from HQANC said.

Online Andaman U-18 Open Chess Tournament 2021 held

R. Kashthuri Bhai wins first prize

Port Blair, June 8
As part of the upcoming online National Age-wise Chess Championship 2021 scheduled to be held from 10th June, 2021 to be organised by All India Chess Federation (AICF), the Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) organised first ever Online Andaman U-18 Open Chess Tournament 2021 yesterday in five rounds. The tournament was played under Fide Online Chess Regulation and the Swiss system. The main objective of the tournament was to make the players from Andaman and Nicobar to gain exposure to online chess tournaments. The tournament was

played online under video supervision by using Zoom as Video Conferencing System (VCS) in Tonelo platform, located on the online chess server at <https://www.tornelo.com>. where zoom link has been added. Altogether 33 players participated under different age group in the event. In the competition, R. Kashthuri Bhai won the first prize while M. A. Dinakar and Srihaan Karmakar bagged the second and third positions.

official entries for the FIDE Online Cadet & Youth 10-18 Rapid World Cup 2021 which starts from 1st August, 2021 and their entry fee will be borne by AICF. Players finishing 4th to 10th will be allowed to participate in World event as Special Entries by paying their own entry fee through AICF.

Further, the registered players who could not sign up or create Login-in ID in Tornelo platform can contact B Neelaiah, Gen. Secretary ANCA at ph no. 9434293379 for technical and other necessary support to create the user ID and other mandatory procedure to join the online tournament successfully, a press release from ANCA said.

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children so that the goal of inclusive education is fulfilled. The Committee submitted a report titled "Guidelines for the Development of e-Content for Children with Disabilities" comprising of eleven Sections and two Appendices. This report was shared, presented, discussed and accepted by the MoE. These guidelines will initiate the creation of high quality content for digital education to Children with Special needs. They are dynamic by nature, to be improved based on experience and advent of better technology.

COVID-19 vaccination ...
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of 9640 eligible people in the age group of 18 to 44 years have been vaccinated till date. A total of 409 people were vaccinated today, out of which, 343 beneficiaries were in the age group of 18 to 44 years and 66 persons above 45 were inoculated in South Andaman today.

The online registration for the vaccination is done through CoWIN portal and Aarogya Setu App. Online registration is mandatory and no on-site registration will be done and people have been advised to reach the centres as per the time schedule provided to the beneficiaries through the App. In South Andaman, the vaccination is being done at JNRM Vaccination Centre between 9.30 am and 12.30 pm. The general public have been requested to follow COVID Appropriate Behaviour while going for vaccination, a press release from DHS said.

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medicines are also being distributed by the Civil Society Organisations to patients suffering from diseases other than COVID-19.

With the support of Administration, few Civil Society Organisations have come forward and taken up the issue of menstrual hygiene during lockdown and are providing sanitary napkins to the women along with creating awareness about hygiene associated issues. The Administration in cooperation with various Civil Society Organisation has initiated the stray dog feeding campaign, to provide food to the voiceless creatures.

During the Yaas cyclone, Administration had arranged measures for providing relief in case the cyclone had severely affected the public. It has also made sure all the damages due to falling of tree and electric poles were rectified on war footing.

The District Control Room is working 24/7 to address the grievances of the public. The Deputy Commissioner (SA) has once again thanked the Civil Society Organisations and the frontline workers who are fighting it out day and night to make the Islands free from COVID -19 pandemic and has also sought the full support and cooperation of the general public in the fight against the pandemic, a press release from Deputy Commissioner (SA) said.

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stringent legal action as deemed fit will be initiated against them as per the various provisions under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 as well as the Legal Metrology Act, 2009; which may result in imprisonment of up to 7 years or fine or both. Offenders shall also be detained under the Prevention of Black Marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980.

In the interest of consumers, the Department appeals to all the stakeholders to be aware about their duties & responsibilities during this pandemic situation. Further, all the vendors/retailers/wholesalers have been requested to wear face masks at all times and shall ensure proper compliance of Covid Appropriate Behaviour by the consumers.

It is also appealed to all the consumers that in case of any complaints regarding violation of aforementioned nature by any traders may be brought to notice to the Directorate of Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Port Blair over Telephone No. 03192-230337 or Toll free Phone No. 18003453197, a press release from Directorate of CS&CA said.

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152 passengers proceeding to N&M Andaman at Ferrargunj, all were found negative. He said, that today, 376 beneficiaries were vaccinated in South Andaman District till 3 pm, out of which, 343 were in the age group of 18-44 and the rest were above 45.

The Secretary also addressed the queries raised by media persons on various issues pertaining to COVID management and other issues concerning the people.

The Deputy Director, G.B. Pant Hospital, Dr. Amitabha De disclosed that 38 COVID positive patients are presently undergoing treatment in the Hospital. Today, 1 COVID patient was discharged and 2 new patients have been admitted. He said, out of the 38 patients, 25 patients are on Oxygen and no patient is on ventilator. He said that in the three COVID Care Centres functioning in Port Blair, 1 new patient has been admitted today and 1 person has been discharged. 10 patients are presently being taken care of in these three COVID Care Centres. Apart from this, 2 patients are presently being taken care of in Wimberlygunj COVID Care Centre.

Heavy rain to occur in Isles on June 9 & 10

Port Blair, June 8
Heavy rain (7-11cm) is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman Islands and thunderstorm with lightning and gusty wind (wind speed reaching 40-50 kmph) is likely to occur at one or two places over Andaman & Nicobar Islands on June 9 & 10. Similarly, on June 11, thunderstorm with lightning and gusty wind (wind speed reaching (30-40kmph) is also likely to occur at one or two places over A&N Islands.

In anticipation of strong monsoon pressure gradient over Southeast Bay and Andaman Sea from 8th June, the wind speed is likely to exceed 45 kmph over Andaman Sea and adjoining Southeast Bay from 8th June. Fishermen have been advised not to venture into the sea from 8-10th June, 2021. For further enquiries / information, one may contact helpline of State Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No.1070 & District Emergency Operation Centre at Helpline No. 1077. For any emergency/assistance at sea, call Coast Guard SAR Agency at Toll Free number 1554, a press release from Disaster Management Deptt. with input from IMD added.

Exploration of *Tabernaemontana crispa* as ethno veterinary

Traditional knowledge on medicinal plants and their use by the indigenous healers has been instrumental in the present drug development. Medicinal plants still play a crucial role in the health care system of our Islands. Interestingly, the use of medicinal plants as a disease preventive measure have acquired greater impetus in the veterinary field since last few decades due to scare of drug residues in the livestock products and development of drug resistance. Hence, importance on herbal treatment and immune boosters has been drastically increased.

Therefore, exploration and investigation of medicinal plants is ever increasing in the veterinary field. The exploratory studies both in vitro and in vivo are being carried out at ICAR-CIARI to assess the immunomodulatory potentiality of medicinal plants in livestock and poultry. The results are encouraging. In poultry, brooding stage after hatching for a period of 4 weeks is very much critical. During this time, antibiotics are by default used by the farmers and initial vaccinations against Ranikhet disease and Infectious bursal disease are completed. Either water or feed supplements are needed during brooding period to enhance growth and reduce chick mortality. Vaccination cannot be compromised with any supplements to prevent the outbreak of viral diseases in poultry. Viral diseases could be controlled through vaccination only. Broilers are usually vaccinated. Rural poultry including vanaraja and desi birds should also be vaccinated to prevent the acute mortality. However vaccination does not confer 100%



immunity in all cases. There is a need to search for alternative measures to boost up the immunity acquired through vaccination. Medicinal plants are considered as a complementary means to control this virus, because they have been implicated in treatments for a variety of infectious and non-infectious diseases. Alkaloids, flavonoids, saponins and tannins found in plants have been regarded as novel antiviral agents. Therefore, herbal supplements helping to promote bird immune systems cause successful vaccination outcomes.

Nicobarese of A&N Islands is rich in resource for the medicinal plants which are widely used by tribal farming community. One of such commonly found medicinal plants among nicobari tribes is *Tabernaemontana crispa* Roxb belonging to Apocynaceae family. Nicobarese generally called it as "K?liteng?ench/ T?kur? t?ng". Milk wood trees (*Tabernaemontana crispa*) is a flowering plant having pan-tropical distribution and has proven record of medicinal effect in human. This plant had wide applications for various ailments such as Blood Vomiting, Body Ache, Diarrhea, Dysuria, Fever, bone fracture, Head ache, Hypertension, Jaundice, Menstrual Disorder, Pain in the Eye, Groin pain, Scrotal pain, Abdominal Pain, Dental caries, Vomiting, Wounds, Skin Injuries and Joint Pain. The leaves of this plant have

high content of alkaloids and carotenoids. The scientific team of Dr.T.Sujatha, Dr.Bhattacharya, Dr.Jai Sunder and Dr.A.K.De has standardized the herbal composition using *Tabernaemontana crispa* through controlled experiments under the guidance of Dr. E.B.Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI. The leaves can be used either fresh or dried form. The decoction of dried leaves of *Tabernaemontana crispa* can be given as drink during brooding period to keep up the health of immune system of rural poultry and it may be continued throughout the laying cycle. The plant may be given along with other herbs also to have synergistic effect. Herbal decoction has to be prepared with fresh leaves of *Tabernaemontana crispa*, Neem leaves, Garlic, Ginger and Turmeric and given as water supplement. This supplementation increased the vaccination titres against RD vaccination. Hence, the scientific team report that herbal boosters enhances protection titre of vaccination and recommend for supplementation of herbal supplement comprising of *Tabernaemontana*, neem, garlic, ginger and turmeric to boost up the vaccine effect in rural poultry at field level. Farmers are recommended to supplement these herbs while vaccinating rural poultry to address the issue of vaccination failure at field level by boosting up the vaccination. This practice is not only useful for conservation of cultural tradition and biodiversity of medicinal plants but also for community health care.

(Source: CIARI)

Govt. issues revised guidelines for implementation of National COVID Vaccination Programme, to come into effect from June 21

New Delhi, June 8

The Central Government will procure 75 per cent of the COVID vaccines produced by the vaccine manufacturers. Procured vaccines would be provided free of cost to States and Union Territories. These doses would be administered to all citizens free of cost in Government Vaccination Centres across the country.

The Union Health and Family Welfare Ministry today issued revised guidelines for implementation of the National COVID Vaccination Programme. The revised guidelines will come into effect from the 21st of this month. Yesterday, the Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that the Central government will provide free vaccines to states for all above 18 years of age.

In the revised guidelines, it is stated that vaccine doses will be allocated to States and Union Territories based on criteria such as population, disease burden and the progress

of vaccination. It has been said that wastage of vaccines will affect the allocation negatively. It is advised that information about the availability of vaccines at district and vaccination centres must be made available in the public domain to ensure convenience of citizens.

In the revised guidelines, domestic vaccine manufacturers have been given the option to provide vaccines directly to private hospitals. This would be restricted to 25 per cent of their monthly production. States and Union Territories would aggregate the demand of private hospitals ensuring equitable distribution between large and small private hospitals. Based on this aggregated demand, the Government of India will facilitate supply of vaccines to the private hospitals. This step would enable the smaller and remote private hospitals to obtain timely supply of vaccines. The price of vaccine doses for private hospitals would be declared by the vaccine manufacturer. The private

hospitals can charge up to a maximum of Rs 150 per dose as service charges. State Governments will monitor the charged price.

The Union Health and Family Welfare Ministry has said that use of non-transferable electronic vouchers will be

encouraged to promote the spirit of 'Lok Kalyan'. These vouchers can be redeemed at private vaccination centres. This would enable people to financially support vaccination of economically weaker sections at private

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India elected to UN Economic and Social Council for term 2022-24



New Delhi, June 8

India has been elected to the United Nations Economic and Social Council, ECOSOC for term 2022-24. The ECOSOC is at the centre of the United Nations development system and brings together people and issues to promote

collective action for a sustainable world. Permanent Representative of India to United Nations T. S. Tirumurti has thanked all Member States of the United Nations for their vote of confidence in India for ECOSOC. (Source:india.gov.in)

Indian Navy inducts three indigenously-built advanced light helicopters ALH MK-III



New Delhi, June 8

The Indian Navy yesterday inducted three indigenously-built advanced light helicopters ALH MK-III that would be used for maritime reconnaissance and coastal security. The three helicopters, made by the Centre-run Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, were inducted at the Indian Naval Station (INS) Dega, Eastern Naval Command (ENC), in Visakhapatnam, an official statement said.

These helicopters are fitted with modern surveillance radar and electro-optical equipment, which enable them to undertake the role of maritime reconnaissance in addition to providing long-range search and rescue, both by day and night. In addition to special operations capabilities, ALH MK-III is also fitted with a heavy machine gun to undertake constabulary missions. (Source:india.gov.in)

India reports less than one lakh new cases after 63 days; 86 thousand 498 new cases in last 24 hours

New Delhi, June 8

Union Health Ministry said the country reported less than one lakh daily new cases after 63 days. In the last 24 hours, 86 thousand

498 new cases were reported which is lowest in 66 days. Recoveries continue to outnumber daily new cases for the 26th consecutive day. (Source:india.gov.in)

COVID-19: Wash your hands regularly using soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.

National COVID-19 recovery rate improves to 94.29 per cent; over 1 lakh 82 thousand patients recovered during last 24 hours



New Delhi, June 8 has gone up to three lakh National COVID 51 thousand 309. recovery rate improved. Meanwhile, under the further to go up to 94.29 globe's largest vaccination per cent. Over one lakh 82 drive, over 23 Crore 61 lakh thousand patients COVID vaccine doses have recovered during the last been administered so far. 24 hours. Country's Active More than 33 lakh Caseload also declined to 64 thousand doses were administered 13 lakh 3 thousand 702. yesterday. Daily positivity rate is at Testing capacity has also 4.62 per cent and it is less than 10 per cent for 15 consecutive days. Weekly substantially and over Positivity Rate currently stands at 5.94 per cent. 36.82 crore tests have been conducted till now. More Two thousand 123 deaths than 18 lakh 73 thousand were reported in the last 24 samples were tested hours. With this, the death y e s t e r d a y . toll due to the pandemic (Source:india.gov.in)

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vaccination centres. The CoWIN platform will continue to provide the facility of pre-booking of vaccination appointments. All government and private vaccination centres would also provide onsite registration facilities to the citizens. It has also been advised to the States to utilize the Common Service Centres and Call Centres to facilitate prior booking of vaccination appointments.

The Union Health Ministry has said that guidelines for the National COVID Vaccination Programme have been revised keeping in view the demands raised by the State Governments. Many States have conveyed its difficulties in managing the funding, procurement

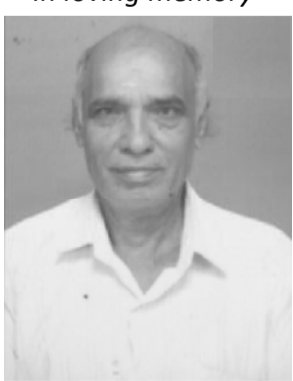
and logistics of vaccines which impacted the pace of the National COVID Vaccination drive. As per the earlier guidelines, the Government of India was procuring 50 per cent of vaccines and providing them to States and Union Territories free of cost. The State Government and private hospitals were also empowered to directly procure from the remaining 50 per cent of the vaccine pool. (Source:india.gov.in)

9th Death Anniversary
On 09.06.2021
In loving memory



Late M. Veeraswamy
R/o Dignabad
"To Live in the hearts of those we love is never to die"
Fondly Remembered by:
Family Members.

First Death Anniversary
In loving memory



KR VENUGOPALAN
(08.08.1953 to 09.06.2020)
You are remembered every moment in our lives.
Time flies away so soon, but not a single day passes without you in our thoughts.
Deeply mourned by:
Family Members.

1st Death Anniversary
On 09.06.2021
In loving memory



Late T. Laxmi
"We feel your absence in every moment of our life"
Inserted by:
Adinarayana (Husband), Uma Rani (Daughter), T. Dharmender (Son) & all family members.

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

The Executive Engineer, E&M Division, APWD, Prothrapur, Port Blair invites on behalf of President of India, online Item Rate tenders from the eligible Contractors of the Andaman PWD and Non APWD Contractors, irrespective of their enlistment subject to the condition that they have experience of having successfully completed of work dealing with Electrical works in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands with Govt. Organizations and do not have any adverse remarks, for the work mentioned below:-

DB-e-Tender/E&M/DIV/PP/PB/2021-22/1264, Dated: 7th June, 2021
1. NIT No. 08/EE/E&M/21-22 "Renovation / Modification of Seed Testing Lab Building for Tissue Culture Lab at Sippighat.SW: Providing IEI & EEI." Estimate Cost: Rs. 20,66,237/- EMD : Exempted (Proforma for EMD Declaration may submit) Period of Completion: 30 (Thirty) Days. (TENDER ID: 2021_APWD_3164_1)

The e-tender form and other details can be downloaded from the website. The Last Date and Time of bid submission will be 25.06.2021 upto 09:30 hours. Other details / information can be seen on website. "https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in."

Executive Engineer
I.D.No. 7821 E&M Division, APWD, Prothrapur, Port Blair

TENDER NOTICE FOR STREETLIGHT ANNUAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT UNDER GRAM PANCHAYAT AT FERRARGUNJ

Tender No. 6-44(IV)/GP-FG/2021-22/89
Ferrargunj Dated the 01st June, 2021

Sealed Quotation are invited from Electric Contractors (Society/individuals) having a team comprising of at least one lineman/ wireman and a helper, one of which should have a minimum qualification of ITI in Electrical (2 year) or a certificate of competency from any of the licensing board for Streetlight Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) under Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj.

The Tender document for the aforesaid Tender can be obtained from the office of Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj on all working days from 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM up to 18th June' 2021 on payment of Rs. 100/-

The Tender along with EMD of Rs. 5000.00 (Rupees Five Thousands only) drawn in favour of Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj complete in all respect should be placed in the tender box of Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj latest by 11.00 Am on 21st June' 2021.

Tender thus received shall be opened on the same day i.e. on 21st June, 2021 at 11.30 AM in presence of the Tenders and the Tender opening committee of Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj.

The Special Officer, Gram Panchayat Ferrargunj reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the Quotations without assigning any reason thereof.

Special Officer
Gram Panchayat
Ferrargunj
I.D. No. 7822

F.No.41-63/DC(N&MA)/LS-BL/2020/
A&N ADMINISTRATION
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
NORTH & MIDDLE ANDAMAN
MAYABUNDER.

NOTICE

"Shri Subash Das, S/o Late Girendranath Das, R/o Khudirampur, Diglipur Prop. Royalesto Bar & Restaurant, Subash Gram under tehsil Diglipur has applied for grant of bar licence in the name & style of Prop. Royalesto Bar & Restaurant, Subash Gram. If there is any objection from the general public, they may file objection in writing alongwith the proof thereof, to this office within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection reached after the stipulated period will not be entertained".

Assistant Commissioner (HQ)
N & M Andaman District
Mayabunder
I.D.No. 7823

CORRIGENDUM/EXTENSION OF DUE DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF eTENDER

F.No.1-4/Store/2019-20/879 Dated 08th June' 2021.
This is with reference to e-Tender Notice F.No.1-4/Store/2019-20/822 Dated 17th May, 2021 vide Tender ID: 2021_BRAIT_3079_1 uploaded in eProcurement portal https://eprocure.andaman.gov.in for "Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of Computer Peripherals" of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Institute of Technology, Port Blair. The last date of submission of eTender has been extended up to 28/06/2021.

The details are as under:-
Last date and time of tender submission:-28/06/2021 at 2:00 PM
Date & Time for Opening of Tender:-29/06/2021 at 2:00 PM
All other terms and condition shall remain unchanged.

PURCHASE SECRETARY
DR.B.R.AMBERDKAR INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
PAHARGAON
I.D. No. 7824

SHRADHANJALI



Shri V. Samban

Grief Stricken
S.Thulasi (Wife), Divya and Vaishakh (Childern), Suhas (Son-in-law), Divya (Daughter-in-law), Ishaana and Aashka (Grand Children and all family members.

I express my sincere gratitude to all my relative, friends and well wishers who stood with us during the time of grief and paid condolence on the sad demise of my beloved husband, who left us for his heavenly adobe on 25.05.2021. A Small ceremony will be held at home in a simple way due to the current pandemic.

Happy Birthday Papa

A. S. Moidu Markar
PAPA, you were there for us from the day we were born, always having our best interest in mind. You are the most important person in our life and we love you with our whole heart



From: Nasreen, Shanavaz, Husna, Shahir, Nafiah, Hassna.

CATARACT SURGERY AND FOLLOW-UP



When vision gets gradually diminished after 40 years of age.
● It could be cataract, consult an Eye Doctor for treatment.
● Cataract surgery is safe and simple.
● Follow instructions and instill eye drops as advised at discharge.
● Visit eye Doctor after 4-6 weeks for check-up and prescription of glasses.

National Programme for Control of Blindness and Visual Impairment
Directorate of Health Services
Andaman & Nicobar Islands

ANDAMAN & NICOBAR UNION TERRITORY HEALTH MISSION

OFFICE OF THE STATE HEALTH SOCIETY (A&NISLANDS)
Quarter NO. AP/III, Atlanta Point, PORT BLAIR - 744104
Email: nrhm.anislands@gmail.com Port Blair, dated 03.06.2021

Walk-in-Interview

A walk-in-interview for hiring of below mentioned posts on contractual basis under Ayushman Bharat-(PMJAY) is hereby scheduled as per following date & time at Conference Hall of Directorate of Health Services, A & N Administration.

Sl.No	Name of the Post	Qualification	No. of Post	Consolidated Salary (in Rs.)	Date & Time of Interview
	Grievance Redressal cum IEC Manager	MSW/Public Relations/MBA or Post Graduate Diploma in Business Administration or Post Graduate Degree in Public Health/Health Management from a reputed and recognized Institution or Post Graduate Degree in Mass Communication, Journalism/Communication Design from a reputed and recognized University/Institution or Similar experience in Marketing/ Customer Service/Grievances of a large private sector/PSU organization preferably in Insurance Sector. Age Limit: Should be below 40 years as on 1st Sep 2020.	01	Rs. 30,000/-	Date 18.06.2021 at Conference Hall of Directorate of Health Services A & N Administration on 10.30 AM
	Accountant	M.Com with at least 3 years experience in Accounting & knowledge of Accounting Software Age limit: Should be below 40 years of age as on 1st Sept 2020.	01	Rs. 30,000/-	Date 19.06.2021 at Conference Hall of Directorate of Health Services A & N Administration on 10.30 AM
	Operations Assistant	● Graduate in any stream ● 3 years experience as an Office Secretary ● Good Typing Speed Age limit: Should be below 40 years of age as on 1st Sept 2020	01	Rs. 30,000/-	Date 21.06.2021 at Conference Hall of Directorate of Health Services A & N Administration on 10.30 AM
	Office Attendant	Essential: XIth Passed with Certificate Course in Computer Age limit: Candidate should be below 40 years of age as on 1st Sept 2020. Desirable: At least 1 year experience in the relevant field.	01	Rs. 16,000/-	Date 21.06.2021 at Conference Hall of Directorate of Health Services A & N Administration on 10.30 AM

Eligible Candidates possessing the required qualification for the said post may attend the Walk-in-Interview on the given date & time along with BIO-DATA/ RESUME & One set of photo copy of all Certificates/ Testimonials. Verification of documents will be carried out on the day of interview between 09.00 A.M to 10.00 A.M.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- No individual call letters will be issued.
- No TA, DA will be paid for attending the interview.
- All the candidate must follow the social distancing norms and other COVID-19 protocols.

I.D. No. 7818

CEO, AB-PMJAY/Mission Director (UTHM)