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**ANCA to conduct National Under 25 Chess Championship at Port Blair**

Port Blair, Jul 8

For the first time, the Andaman Nicobar Chess Association (ANCA) under the aegis of the All India Chess Federation (AICF) will conduct the National Under 25 Chess Championship at Port Blair. The Championship will be held from 11th to 14th July, 2017. The ANCA is organizing the event with the support of the A&N Administration, Port Blair, and the welcome ceremony will be attended by Shri K Ganeshan, PBMC Councilor Ward No. 8 and Shri Rakesh Pal Govind, Secretary A & N Islands Bar Association highlighting the need for fisheries resource stock assessment and required infrastructure development in A&N Islands. He also stressed on the requirement for single window clearance for the environment approved projects to expedite the fishery projects in the islands.

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The event will be followed by a collection of the event, which was attended by more than 150 stakeholders comprising of investors, fishers, processors, fishermen associations of with representatives from Separate fisheries in different coastal areas namely Gogm, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala etc. along with officials from A&N Administration, Port Blair, and the welcome ceremony will be attended by Shri K Ganeshan, PBMC Councilor Ward No. 8 and Shri Rakesh Pal Govind, Secretary A & N Islands Bar Association highlighting the need for fisheries resource stock assessment and required infrastructure development in A&N Islands. He also stressed on the requirement for single window clearance for the environment approved projects to expedite the fishery projects in the islands.

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**High wave alert; fishermen advised!**

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High waves in the range of 4 to 5 meter were forecasted along the coast of Andaman Islands between 11th and 14th of this month. Fishermen are asked to remain vigilant and be prepared to move to safer places at the earliest. Two fishermen were rescued at Port Blair. The rescue operation was conducted under the supervision of SIO, Shri Pavan Kumar, Director (Sailing) of the NABARD, ICAR-CIFT and ICAR-CMFRI. The Stakeholders meet came to an end with the A&N Administration assured that all possible infrastructures will be developed in the fisheries related and other sectors to support the stakeholders meet in the fisheries capital of India, Dr. N. R Ravinder Kumar, Director, ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Technology, Kochi highlighted the harvest and post-harvest fishery technologies developed by the institute, which can be a path finder for this initiative.

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**Wildlife snappers nabbed by South Andaman Police!**

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On a tip off about smuggling of turtles (an endangered Wild Life species), received at PS Parkcagon on July 4, a team of Police personnel led by Shri K Ganeshan, PBMC Councilor Ward No. 8 swung into action and arrested a couple of accused. Suspect no. 1 was involved in smuggling of turtles. The suspects were noticed carrying a heavy carry bag. The suspect, was detained and the carry bag was searched in which a freshly killed Sea Turtle was found. The smugglers were identified as Narayan Roy (25)家住, resident of Manimao, Bd, Son of Rabiul Islam and Sujay Roy (35),家住, resident of G.For PC, Port Blair. Sujay Roy was found to be involved in many criminal activities. The same was also booked under preventive act for the suspected involvement in criminal activities. The Ch. Kg Sea turtle was seized on the spot and the accused were arrested.

The detained accused and vehicles property were handed over to Range Officer (Wild Life) for further action. The accused persons were produced before the Magistrate and Bail was granted.

**Ocean wave alert**

Port Blair, Jul 8

The Science Centre at Good Harbour (Pickers Cove Road) is organizing a Bubble Show on Friday, 7th July at 6:15 pm for general visitors in the evening. The Bubble Show is a fun filled show specially designed to engage all ages with the kids.

**Firing practice**

Port Blair, Jul 8

Firing practice by CG Dornier will be held from 10 am to 3pm on July 11, 2017 at 1165. All persons concerned have been warned to keep the adjacent residential areas and vehicles away from the firing area during the above mentioned time and date. There will be a communication from the Office of the Director (Islands) to the islands concerned about the same.

**ANCA Chess Festival**

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