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## Science Training and Placement Cell at Government College of Arts Inaugurated



Shri. A. Anbarasu IAS, Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator inaugurating through Video Conference.

**Androth :** The training and placement Cell of Government College of Arts and Science, Androth was inaugurated by Shri. A. Anbarasu IAS, Advisor to the Hon'ble Administrator and Principle Secretary on 13.07.2022 online with the participation of Shri. Vikrant Raja A. IAS, Secretary of Education, Shri. Rakesh Dahiya, Director of Education along with Shri. Harshit Saini, Deputy Collector cum

CEO, Androth and Kalpeni and with Dr. Majduhen Al Jalaliya, Principal of Govt. College of Arts and Science, Androth and with invitees of difference departments, with PTA members and students. The function started with prayer and ended by reciting National Anthem by the students. The Hon' ble Advisor to the Administrator disclosed the unique logo and unveiled the Brochure designed by the team of Government College Androth.

## Cycling from Kerala to Kashmir, Lakshadweep's very own Muhammed Yaseen

**Kavaratti :** Cycling from Kerala to Kashmir, Lakshadweep's very own \*Muhammed Yaseen\* from Kadmat Island has made history by becoming the first islander to travel to Kashmir on a cycle. Yaseen cycled through the heart of the country to spread the message that a healthy person should donate blood every three months.



He covered 3670 kilometers in 38 days from May 5 till June 11 to complete the ride. Yaseen is the son of \*Shri. Cheriya Koya and Smt. A.C. Beebi of Kadmat\*. Yaseen started his solo cycle journey from Kerala and completed his trip in 38 days. He cycled through Karnataka, Goa, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana, New Delhi, Punjab etc and

finally reached Kashmir, the heaven on earth.

Yaseen ended his ride at Khardungla pass, the highest motorable pass in the world on June 11. All through his trip, he relied on petrol pumps, Mosques, Gurudwaras etc for sleeping and for having food.

Yaseen had earlier completed the 'All Kerala Bicycle Ride' through the 14 districts of the state. He has also cycled through the coastline of Kerala from Kasaragod to Thiruvananthapuram.

## Mubassina Muhammed - Pride of Lakshadweep !

**Kavaratti :** Mubassina Muhammed has become a household name in Lakshadweep these days. The 16-year-old Indian athlete had secured 10<sup>th</sup> place in the Long Jump final of the 19<sup>th</sup> edition of the ISF World School Games. The multi-sport event was held from May 14 to May 20 in France. Mubassina secured participation through selection trials held in Bhubaneswar.

Mubassina has also represented India in the 4x100 meter relay and her team finished in 7<sup>th</sup> position. Mubassina's Coach Ahamed Javad Hassan was also part of the Indian contingent as the coach of the Indian athletic team.

Mubassina, hailing from Minicoy, is the eldest daughter of



District Collector Shri. S. Asker Ali, IAS facilitating Kum. Mubassina Muhammed.

Muhammed and Dubeena Banu. She kickstarted her athletic career through inter-junior school games at the age of seven. Mubassina won the Mini Marathon for women organised as part of the Minicoy Fest in 2015. She had also taken part in Lakshadweep school games and National school games since 2016.

Mubassina won her first medal through a long jump bronze at South Zone Championship, Kozhikode in 2021. She

had also won gold in Javelin Throw in that championship.

She shifted to Androth as a paying guest to receive better training several coaches based in that area. She joined Malabar Sports Academy for a year following the South Zone Championship. Mubassina, who has recently passed the Class 10 examinations, is all set to pursue her higher secondary education in Lakshadweep.

## Special Recognition Award to Women Farmer of Minicoy on 45<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of ICAR-CIARI



**Minicoy :** ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair conferred Special Recognition to two progressive farm women of Minicoy for their contributions for adoption of improved technologies in agriculture & allied with

the scientific assistance of ICAR-CIARI Regional Station Minicoy. The two progressive farmers of Minicoy, Smt. Ayeshomma Beegum and Smt. Aneesa Hinavage are the winners of Special



Recognition which was conferred during the occasion. The Chief Guest Dr. Shrikant R. Tapdiya, Deputy Collector, Minicoy and Guest of Honour Mr. Hussain Manikfan,

Chairperson, Village Dweep Panchayat, Minicoy, conveyed their happiness for the two progressive farmers of Minicoy during this occasion.

### PRESS RELEASE

Lakshadweep administration is operating five all weather ships for ensuring passenger connectivity between various islands and Kochi. In this regard, ships operated by Lakshadweep Administration have to undergo regular dry dock repairs and other voyage repairs on need basis as per the norms of Directorate General of Shipping. Recently, for improving the shipping operations in Lakshadweep, the operation and maintenance of vessels has been handed over to Shipping Corporation of India.

Out of five ships, three are currently in service for the people of Lakshadweep and connecting people between islands and Kochi. On 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022, MV Arabian Sea sailed from Kochi to Kavaratti and Agatti with 11 seats vacant. On 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022, MV corals sailed from Kochi to Bitra, Chetlat, Kiltan, Kadmat, Amini, Agatti and Kavaratti with 75 vacant seats. And on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022, MV Arabian Sea sailed from Kochi to Agatti, Kavaratti, Bitra, Chetlat and Kiltan with 47 vacant seats. It is evident that many unsold tickets were there in the recent voyages and this clearly indicates the optimal planning and utilization of voyages of ships considering the requirement of the local population.

For facilitating the hassle-free movement of Hajj Pilgrims, Lakshadweep Administration had made special voyages and ensured timely movement of 142 Pilgrims from various islands of Lakshadweep to Kochi. Hajj pilgrims are now expected to return back to their respective islands by 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2022. Lakshadweep Administration has made special voyage plans for facilitating Hajj Pilgrims to reach their respective islands from Kochi on time.

Requirements of students have been taken care by coordinating with education department and all requests of students for attending examinations have been met by the Administration. In order to facilitate movement of students from various islands studying in Jawahar Navadoya Vidyalaya, Minicoy Island, additional voyages have been made available to ensure hassle free movement of students. The NEET exam conducted on 17.07.2022 in Kavaratti Island, Lakshadweep was attended by 130 students and Administration has ensured hassle free movement of students along with their parents/guardians from various islands to Kavaratti.

Out of the two ships under repairs, MV Kavaratti had met with a fire accident in December 2021 and currently undergoing major repairs under the supervision of Shipping Corporation of India. MV Lakshadweep Sea was under study to meet the stability criteria in consultation with IRS and dry dock of Lakshadweep Sea is due as well. Shipping Corporation of India in association with Cochin Shipyard Limited is in the process of allocation of dry dock for scheduled repairs of Lakshadweep Sea. These two ships are under repair in order to meet the safety requirements for safe journey of People of Lakshadweep.

In spite of the continuous efforts made by Lakshadweep Administration, there are ill-intended news spread by certain elements with an intention to spread hatred and panic among the community. Lakshadweep Administration has been taking all efforts to ensure smooth and efficient operations of the ships under the guidance of Hon'ble Administrator.

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### PRESS RELEASE

Certain news items in social media are circulating attributing motives to police actions in Lakshadweep islands. Lakshadweep administration has been taking steps for the all-round development of islands by initiating various schemes, policies, projects etc. Local people have been supporting the Administration whole heartedly for the developmental efforts.

However, with the aim to malign the image of administration, create resentment and spread rumours among the residents of Lakshadweep, certain elements have been using social media platform, print and electronic media and infusing false and fabricated information. In order to maintain peace and tranquillity and to prevent commission of cognizable offences certain people have been booked by Lakshadweep police as per provisions of law for violating prohibitory orders (144 Cr.PC, COVID lockdown etc.)

Protests which violate the law with an aim to create a fear psychosis against the government machinery so as to wean away the genuine support of people for the welfare measures of Lakshadweep Administration have to be dealt by the Police to uphold the law. Persons are booked only to prevent the commission of cognizable offences by ill-advised and motivated protests. Had such arrests not been effected, protesters would have disturbed peace tranquillity and normalcy in the island.

It is wrong to claim that Lakshadweep administration has been quelling democratic protesters. Lakshadweep police is fully committed to stand by the peace-loving people of Lakshadweep.

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### Awareness Class Conducted



**Kiltan :** Police department and Fisheries department jointly organized a community interaction awareness class at Fisheries Conference Hall on 04-07-2022, 5 pm for

the fisherman about National Security. The program was inaugurated by Shri. M.K Cheriya Koya, BDO Kiltan, felicitation address given by Chairperson Shri.

M. K. Abdul Shukoor. Shri. Muthukoya, SHO given key note address on national security. There were 70 fishermen participated in the event.

### Regional Station, ICAR- CIARI, Celebrated 45<sup>th</sup> Institute Foundation Day



**Minicoy :** Regional Station Minicoy of ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair conducted "45<sup>th</sup> Institute Foundation Day at Minicoy, Lakshadweep" on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 with participation of staff, farmers, media personnel, representative of department and villages at its Regional campus.

Speaking on the inaugural occasion, the Chief Guest Dr. Shrikant R. Tapdiya, the Deputy Collector Minicoy and guest of honour Mr. Hussain Manikfan, Chairperson, Village Dweep Panchayat, Minicoy, expressed their happiness for the two progressive farmers of Minicoy, Smt. Ayesamma Beegum and Smt. Aneesa Hinavage

for Special recognition award by ICAR-CIARI, who were felicitated during the occasion.

The team of ICAR-CIARI, Regional Station, Minicoy conducted poster making and essay writing competition for the senior school students, a total of 28 students participated, the winners were felicitated during the occasion. The presence of officials from Department of Agriculture Shri. Kunhikoya, Department of Animal Husbandry Shri. Mohammed and Shri. Ibrahim Manikfan, In-charge Financial Literacy, Minicoy adored the ceremony.

The scientific team comprising of Dr. Gladston Y. Scientist

in-charge ICAR-CIARI, RS, Minicoy and Dr. Ajina S. M. Scientist interacted with the farmers and impressed the views for improving research activities and adopting ICAR-CIARI technologies at farmer's level for the islanders. A total of 28 farmers, 15 staff and 5 officials participated the program.

Dr. Gladston Y. Convener, Dr. Ajina S. M., Shri Shareefuddeen Hassan, Senior Technical Assistant, Shri. Arif. M.I Senior Technician, Co-Conveners and the Nodal Officer, Lakshadweep Dr. S.K Zamir Ahmed coordinated the overall conduct of programme under the Chairmanship of Dr. Eaknath B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR-CIARI, Port Blair.