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# Campbell Bay Gulps Down Liquor Worth more than INR 1 Crore in 77 Days



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Campbell Bay, 17 June 2022

ANIIDCO IMFL Shop, Campbell Bay has sold liquor worth more than INR 1 Crore in 77 days between 30 March 2022 and 15 June 2022. Great Nicobar has a population of around 5500 in the legal drinking age.

2329 boxes of liquor were received by the ANIIDCO IMFL Shop on 30th March 2022. By 15th June 2022, almost 2300 boxes of liquor were sold. 2300 boxes contain more than 20,496 litres of liquor.

The data on liquor received and liquor sold was collected by verbal enquiries from the staff of ANIIDCO IMFL Shop, Campbell Bay.

The per capita consumption of liquor in India was around 4 litres in 2021, according to [statista.com](https://www.statista.com). The local data suggests per person consumption of 3.72 Litres of liquor in Great Nicobar in just 77 days.

The population in the legal drinking age was calculated by referring to the first dose of COVID-19 vaccination data from PHC

Campbell Bay. The population estimation is fairly accurate as 100% of the 18+ population has been vaccinated with at least the first dose of the COVID-19 Vaccine, according to the announcement made by Andaman and Nicobar Administration.

The total cost of liquor was estimated by assuming the cost of one litre of liquor as INR 500. INR 500/litre is closer to the lower price band of the liquor sold at ANIIDCO IMFL Shop, Campbell Bay. In reality, the total liquor sold would be worth much more than INR 1 Crore.



Is it possible for a population of 5500 people in the legal drinking age to gulp down 20,496 litres of liquor in just 77 days?

Calculations:

How the cost of liquor sold between 30 March 2022 and 15 June 2022 was calculated?

On verbal enquiry from ANIIDCO IMFL Shop, Campbell Bay we were informed that the last consignment of liquor which arrived at Great Nicobar was on 30th March 2022.

The details of the consignment received was as follows:

IMFL 750 ML Boxes = 1789

IMFL 375 ML Boxes = 30

IMFL 180 ML Boxes = 510

A total of 2329 Boxes of Liquor were received

Almost 2300 Boxes of Liquor were sold by 15 June 2022

All liquor left in stock was in form of 750 ML Bottles by 15 June 2022.

Each box of IMFL 750 ML contains 12 bottles,

IMFL 375 ML box contains 24 bottles and IMFL 180 ML box contains 48 bottles.

Total quantity of liquor sold(in Litres) by 15th June 2022 =  $\{[1760 \text{ (12 Bottles X 750 ML)}]/1000\} + \{[30 \text{ (24 Bottles X 375 ML)}]/1000\} + \{[510 \text{ (48 Bottles X 180 ML)}]/1000\} = 20,496 \text{ Litres (Approx)}$

The cost of liquor towards the lower price band of the brands sold at the IMFL Shop is around Rs. 500/Litre.

Cost of 20,496 Litres of Liquor sold by 15 June 2022 =  $20,496 \times 500 = \text{INR } 1,02,48,000/-$

The Cost of liquor was calculated assuming the cost of per litre liquor in the Low price band of the brands sold at IMFL Shop, which for calculation was assumed as Rs. 500/-.

The actual sale of ANIIDCO IMFL Outlet would be much higher than the estimated value of INR 1,02,48000/- in 77 days.

How the population size in the legal drinking age was estimated?

The legal drinking age in Andaman and Nicobar Islands is 18 Years. Section 24 of the 'Andaman

and Nicobar Islands Excise Regulation, 2012' states that 'No person or licensed vendor or his employee or agent shall sell or deliver any liquor to any person under the age of eighteen years whether for consumption by self or others.'

The best estimate of the latest population data can be drawn from the First Dose COVID-19 Vaccination data as 100% of the 18+ population in the Islands have been vaccinated with at-least the first dose of the vaccine.

We requested the vaccination data from PHC Campbell Bay and the found that:

In 45+ Age group 1957 people have received the first dose of COVID-19 Vaccination.

In 18-44 Age group 3235 people have received the first dose of COVID-19 Vaccination.

149 Health Care Workers have received the first dose of COVID-19 Vaccination.

159 Front Line Workers have received the first dose of COVID-19 Vaccination.

So the total 18+ Population in Great Nicobar is a sum of the people in 45+ age group, 18-45 age group, Front Line Workers and Health Care Workers, which is 5500.





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# Airports Authority of India Equips Veer Savarkar International Airport with Ambulift



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Port Blair, 17 June 2022

Airport Authority of India has equipped Veer Savarkar International Airport, Port Blair with an Ambulift for the hassle-free movement of passengers with reduced mobility (PRM), Divyangjan, patients etc. Airports Authority of India has been actively supporting the Accessible India Campaign and equipping all its airports with new facilities and services for the convenience of divyangjan and people with reduced mobility. Accessible India is a flagship campaign for

achieving universal  
accessibility driven  
countrywide by the Ministry  
of Social Justice and  
Empowerment.

Ambulift services at Port  
Blair will benefit a lot of  
passengers as now they will  
be able to undertake a  
comfortable journey even  
without an attender. Earlier  
different airlines used to  
follow different processes  
for boarding wheelchair  
passengers.

Indigo first introduced a  
comfortable boarding  
experience for wheelchair  
passengers by removing  
the stairs from their  
boarding ramp.

Introducing such small facilities at Airports will not only make the journey of the wheelchair passengers comfortable but will also encourage them to travel more and seek out the world.





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# MP Demands Three Ships a Week for Diglipur via Mayabunder



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Port Blair, 18 June 2022

Mr. Kuldeep Rai Sharma, Member of Parliament, Andaman and Nicobar Islands has requested the Chief Secretary to provide three ships a week for Diglipur via Mayabunder until the NH4 is repaired and normal movement of vehicles are restored.

In a letter addressed to Chief Secretary, the Member of Parliament informed that the condition of Andaman Trunk Road is very bad due to earthwork followed by rain.

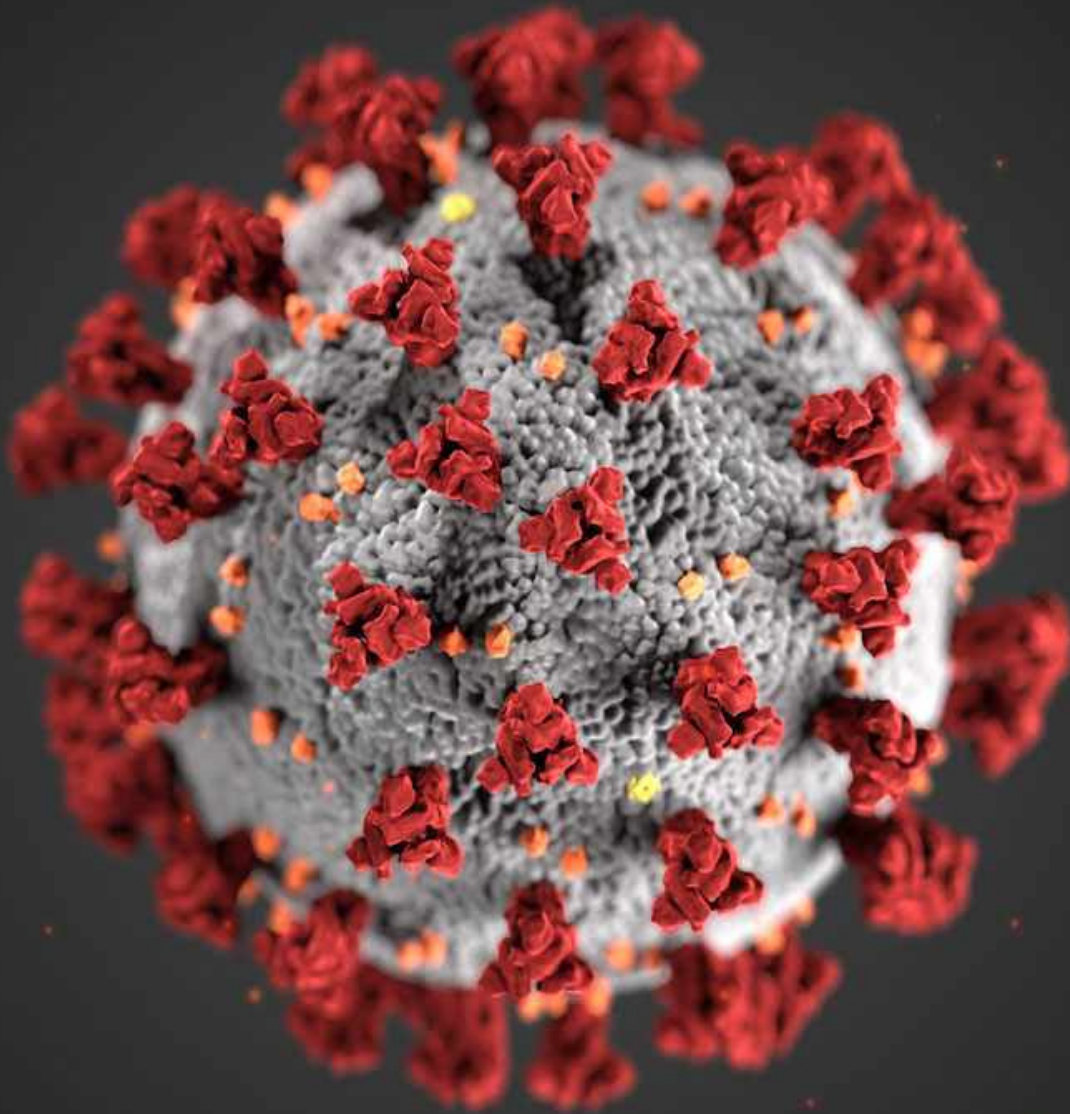
MP also informed the CS that due to heavy rains some parts of ATR near Kalara Junction have become extremely dangerous and prone to accidents.

MP further added that due to the pathetic condition of roads private vehicles are not ready to travel up to Diglipur even at high rates. He also added that the general public is also avoiding driving on such roads because of which the demand for STS Bus Tickets has increased. He informed that not everyone is getting STS Bus Tickets.





# 15 New COVID-19 Cases Detected in Andaman and Nicobar Islands



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Port Blair, 17 June 2022

15 New COVID-19 cases were detected in Andaman and Nicobar Islands recently. The total active COVID-19 cases in Andaman and Nicobar Islands stands at 24. On 17th June 2022, 12 flights with 1909 passengers arrived, out of which, 1654 passengers were vaccinated with both doses of COVID-19 Vaccine, while RT-PCR tests were conducted on 227 passengers and the reports are awaited.

During RAT conducted on 57 passengers bound for North & Middle Andaman at Ferrargunj, no positive cases have been detected. At Phoenix Bay Jetty, 93 passengers were tested with RAT and no positive cases were detected. RAT was conducted on 62 passengers at Mohanpura Bus Terminus and no positive cases were detected. At the helipad, 3 passengers were tested with RAT and all were negative.





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