

**Andaman and Nicobar Administration  
Directorate of IP&T  
Information & Publicity Division**

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**Press Release**

**MESSAGE**

September 15th is celebrated every year in India as Engineers' Day to commemorate the birthday of the legendary engineer and statesman Sir M. Visvesvaraya.

I am glad that the vibrant local unit – the Andaman & Nicobar State Centre of The Institution of Engineers (India) – is celebrating the 51st Engineers' Day and deliberating its theme – "Digital Transformation: A New Industrial Revolution" in detail. We have a collective responsibility to ensure that engineers become ready to face the growing and ever changing need of development.

I extend my warm wishes to the engineering fraternity of these Islands on the 51st Engineers' Day.

Sd/-

**(Admiral D K Joshi)  
PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.)  
Lt. Governor  
Andaman and Nicobar Islands**

**Union Minister of Science & Technology,  
Earth Science, Environment, Forest &  
Climate Change arriving today**

**To inaugurate 'Swachhata Hi Sewa' & Atal Centre for  
Ocean Science & Technology for Islands**

**Port Blair, Sept 14:** The Union Minister of Science & Technology, Earth Science, Environment, Forest & Climate Change,

Dr. Harsh Vardhan will be arriving here tomorrow (Sept. 15) on a day's visit to the Islands. Soon after arrival, the Minister will visit National Memorial Cellular Jail and lay a wreath at the Martyr's Column.

Thereafter, the Minister will inaugurate 'Swachhata hi Sewa' campaign, organized in the Islands by the Port Blair Municipal Council, at Gandhi Statue premises, Aberdeen Bazaar at 10.45 am. The Minister will administer the 'Swachhata hi Sewa' pledge to the gathering and flag off the campaign. He will also participate in the 'Swachhata Abhiyan' to be carried out at Rathnam Market. The Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) will also be present on this occasion.

Later, the Minister will inaugurate the Atal Centre for Ocean Science and Technology for Islands (ACOSTI) at a function to be held at Dollygunj tomorrow at 11.30 am. The Lt. Governor, A&N Islands, Admiral DK Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.) will preside over the function. The Member of Parliament, Shri Bishnu Pada Ray, Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences, GoI, Dr. M. Rajeevan, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration, Shri Chetan B. Sanghi, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences, GoI, Dr. Vipin Chandra and Director, NIOT, Dr. M.A Atmanand will also be present on this occasion.

Dr Mylswamy Annadurai Director-Chandrayan, ISRO called on Admiral D K Joshi, AVSM, PVSM, YSM, NM, VSM (Retd.), Lt Governor A&N Islands & Vice-Chairman, IDA. Discussion were held on several issues including NITI Aayog/IDA steered Holistic Development of Islands, intent of A&N Administration towards impetus on offshore energy exploration in surrounding EEZ, concern from debris of SLVs/missiles launched from facilities on eastern coast of India, etc.

