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ector Canjay awarded the Investigating Gold Medal of

17.11.2006; The Minister of rsonnel and Parliamentary i Suresh Pachouri, today the Gold Medal for the Best ng Officer of CBI to Shri I, Inspector of Police of the ion Branch of CBI, Delhi in : Vigyan Bhawan here. This een given to Shri Dhall for investigating a blind case the case.

Sanjay Dhall, Inspr. of Police as a directly recruited Sub-18.8.1993. He is a Science om Delhi University and has ..L.B. and Post Graduate Management from Delhi

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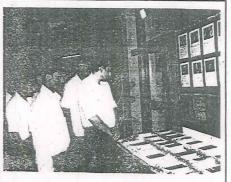
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Agitators turn violent - Attack Police Station & **Tehsil Office**

Port Blair November 18, 2006: The local bandh and agitation organized on 16.11.2006 by the PRI members and the villagers of Gram Panchayat Hut Bay and Netaji Nagar in support of their demands relating to permanent shelters turned violent when they marched to Police Station and were demanding mass arrest themselves. Earlier in the evening the agitators had stopped MV Jolly Buoy and prevented its return from Hut bay to Port Blair. In the late evening the technology and carrying out agitators numbering around 800-900 n in several cities and towns surrounded the Tehsil Office and shouted slogans in support of their demands and also accused the local officials of interfering with the electricity supply which had suddenly gone off on account of some technical snag. The agitators were demanding response from the Tehsil Administration about their demands. Later, the agitators marched towards police station and gheraoed it and were threatening to burn it. As soon as the Police Station staff started noting down their particulars for making preventive arrests, the anti-social elements from amongst the agitators started pelting stones and bottles at the police staff. Several of the Police personnel sustained injuries. The Executive Magistrate who was present in the Police Station warned the mob to disperse but they continued to indulge in stone pelting. The mob was again warned but they did not relent. In the end Executive Magistrate directed the police to use mild force and disperse the crowd. In the process of dispersal some of the agitators were also injured. The agitated crowd also burnt the official Gypsy of Tehsildar, and also set on fire three private motor cycles. They also ransacked the office of Tehsildar destroying official records, furniture and computer. In order to prevent further damage and protect public property reinforcements of about 150 police personnel alongwith Executive Magistrate and SDM and other senior officials were rushed to Hut Bay who reached early in the morning of 17.11.2006. The situation is now under control.



The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Education), Shri Arvind Ray, inaugurating the Book Exhibition on the occasion of the National Book Week at the State Library, Port Blair.

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Illegal entry of outsiders

It has been reported that all these workers were found to be employed by one Shri M. Velumurugan S/o Maya Alagu and engaged in the construction work of 11 no. Type III quarters for Andamanese. As pointed out that said Shri M. Velumurugan S/o Maya Alagu is a self styled contractor, being enlisted as contractor with APWD but to our utter surprise was allegedly executing the work awarded by CD-1, APWD to some other contractor. Being no work is awarded to him in Strait Island by E.E.C.D.I how and on what grounds he and his workers have been allowed entry in the Tribal area also under what authority he is executing the construction work, are some of the mysteries that need to be solved and answered by the authorities concerned. There are reports that this self styled contractor and his work force is exploiting Andamanese by providing them IMFL, cigarettes and other intoxicants. We request the Officials of Forest Department, tribal welfare, Police and the Executive Engineer, APWD to hold an enquiry and to take immediate action for the removal of Shri Velumurgan and his work force from the strait Island, being illegal entrants.

Non-violent action without the co-operation of the heart and the head cannot produce the intended result.

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