

Block Mela-cum-Tribal Food Festival Held in Nancowrie

The Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services (AH&VS), Andaman and Nicobar Administration, participated in a two-day Block Mela-cum-Tribal Food Festival held on August 15 and 16, 2025, in Nancowrie as part of Independence Day celebrations. The event showcased local tribal traditions, delicacies, and government initiatives, fostering community engagement and cultural pride.

On August 15, the festival was inaugurated by Shri Aditya Sangotra, Assistant Commissioner, Nancowrie, accompanied by his team. Various departmental stalls and competitions highlighted local culture and achievements. The AH&VS stall presented descriptions of its schemes and featured the innovative Teressa Goat Milk Soap, which attracted significant attention from visitors. Colorful cultural displays and food stalls enriched the event, providing a platform to promote local products and community participation.

On August 16, the AH&VS stall was awarded third prize in the mela, reflecting the dedication and efforts of the department's team. The event concluded with continued engagement through cultural activities and informative presentations, emphasizing the role of government initiatives in supporting rural development.

The AH&VS Department extends gratitude to the staff of the Composite Livestock Farm (CLF) and Veterinary Dispensary, Kamorta, for their committed efforts in ensuring the event's smooth execution. Their contributions were instrumental in showcasing the department's initiatives and engaging the community effectively.

This initiative underscores the AH&VS Department's commitment to promoting sustainable animal husbandry and local products in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. The active participation of the Nancowrie community highlights their enthusiasm for celebrating tribal heritage and supporting government schemes. The department plans to continue participating in such events to foster unity and promote rural development, aligning with the Andaman and Nicobar Administration's vision of enhancing community welfare and cultural preservation.

