

MLA Kh. Joykishan, MLA N. Biren, MLA I. Ibohali and MLA L. Ibohcha joining the state journalists' protest at Keishampat on Wednesday



## Scribes protest against militant threat, urges CM for security

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec. 17:** Suspending their normal duty, Media fraternity of the state cease on Wednesday staged sit-in at Keishampat against the threat by an underground outfit on the lives of editors and journalists for not publishing its news. Organized by the All Manipur Working Journalists' Union (AMWJU) and Editors' Guild, scribes also took out a joint rally here today to protest against the threat served to editors, reporters. More than 200 scribes marched from Keishampat here to the gate of the chief minister's office complex. A joint delegation of the All Manipur Working Journalists' Union (AMWJU) and Editors' Guild met the chief minister and reported the threat in the form of memorandum and sought a secure environment for newpersons. The delegation informed the CM that the latest threat was served to the Editors' Guild, Manipur secretary General Yumnam Rupachandra who

is also Editor-in-chief of Impact TV by a group of unidentified people claiming to be members of an armed group by placing a Chinese hand grenade at his residence in Imphal west on Sunday night at around 8.30



pm. The threat is in connection with non publication of certain press statement released by this group which the media in the state had refused to publish. Following the grenade threat, the group has been calling up several media houses and individual scribes, threatening them to

publish their statement. However, AMWJU and EGM have resolved not to publish the same and to cease work on December 16 in protest against the threat. Pointing out that the scribes in Manipur are now under



residential areas of Editors and office bearers of AMWJU and individual scribes who have been directly threatened by the militant group. All the newspapers in Manipur were published with their editorial spaces blank on Wednesday to protest the threat served to the media. It may be mentioned that a Chinese hand grenade was discovered at the gate of Editor in Chief of Impact News and general secretary of Editors' Guild Manipur - Yumnam Rupachandra at Kakwa Khongnang Pheidekpi under Singjamei Police Station on Monday evening around 8:15. The grenade was wrapped in a polythene bag.

threat and the working environment has become more insecure, the joint delegation of AMWJU and EGM urged the Chief Minister to ensure a safe and secure environment for the journalists working in Manipur. They also urged to open adequate police pickets in and around

## 'Save Indigenous People's Campaign' begins

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec 17:** With objective to fill the communication gap between various people of the state, Joint committee on Inner line permit systems today began 'Save Indigenous People's Campaign' at Manipur Press Club Imphal. Speaking to media persons, convener of JCILPS, Khomdran Ratan said that the campaign is being organized to bridge the gap of misunderstanding between different communities in the state. "Public meeting, awareness program, camera meeting, panel discussion, interaction with leaders of political parties

and different communities will be the part of the campaign", Ratan said. He said the JCILPS has suspended the proposed agitation from Dec 16 in view of the forthcoming Christmas Festival, examinations of schools and request made by the state government during the meeting held on Dec. 9. S. Noren, Associate professor, of Statistics, Imphal College while speaking on the occasion stressed on the need to have a regulation to check illegal influx of foreign nations in the state. He said before the erstwhile kingdom merged to Indian Union there was a regulation to check illegal

influx of migrants in the region but after merger to Indian since, the regulation has been lifted the state is facing serious problems of illegal migrants. He said government should make special law to protect the indigenous people of the state. He further added that Army and para military are increasing day by day to protect the border area of the state but it seem like that they are using only to control underground militant. President of the Editor Guild Ahongsangbam Mubi and senior advocate Khaidem Mani attended the occasion as presidium members.

## Martyred soldiers of Indo-Pak War 1971 remembered on VijayDiwas

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec. 17:** As observed in other parts of the country, VijayDiwas was observed here to pay tribute to the martyrs who laid down their lives for the nation during the Indo-Pakistan War of 1971. Manipur Government organised a grand function to mark the day at the 1st Manipur Rifles Banquet hall, where Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh and Works Minister Dr Kh Ratankumar attended as the chief guest and president respectively. Vijay Diwas is commemorated every December 16 across the country to mark its military victory over Pakistan during the Indo-Pak war 1971. Among the Indian soldiers killed in the war, five were from Manipur. The Indo-Pak war 1971 and Kargil war 1999 not only showed the courage, sacrifice of the Indian Army but also reminds us that we should always be ready to fight back against the challenges to the unity and sovereignty of the country. Indian soldiers continue to safeguard the unity and sovereignty of country from the internal and external forces to disintegrate, Chief Minister Ibobi said in his speech on the occasion. "No one can challenge the integrity of the nation. We should prepare ourselves to meet this



challenge," Chief Minister Ibobi said. Ibobi said that the Indo-Pakistan War of 1971 and several other challenges faced by our people have clearly shown that Indians are always ready to fight for the integrity. "It is our bounden duty to honour all the

martyrs", he said. Commerce and Industries Minister Govindas Konhoujam, Hill Area committee chairman Dr Chaltonlian Amo, Chief Secretary, civil and police officials and several ex-servicemen also attended the function.

## Pong Lambi protest

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec 17:** Locals of Porompat Pong Lambi area today staged a protest rally against the closure of Pong Lambi, JNIMS. The rally was organized by JAC formed against the closure of Pong Lambi. Placards denouncing the closure of the Pong Lambi were carried during the rally. JAC threatens serious agitation if the demand to open the road is not fulfilled.

## Bandh affect normalcy along Imphal - Moreh route

**IT News**  
**Chandel, Dec. 17:** Vehicular movement along the Imphal - Moreh Section of National Highway 102 was severely affected due to the Bandh called by the Student's Union of Mission Blind School, Heikakpokpi demanding full-fledged conversion of the School. The Student's Union imposed total bandh along

the Imphal-Moreh road since last midnight till 21st December in protest against the indifferent attitude of the state government for conversion of the only Private run Mission Blind School into full-fledged government school. The bandh supporters and students of the Mission Blind School blocked the Imphal-Moreh road stretch in

between Thamlapokpi and Bongjang Village and prohibited vehicular movement along the National Highway since early morning. Several Commercial and Private Vehicles coming from Imphal towards Moreh were stranded along the road while some vehicles returned back as they could not proceed further due to the bandh.

## Muay Thai

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec 17:** General Secretary of Manipur Muay Boran Association, Ch. Premchandra Singh, has been selected as official of the Muay Boran Association of India, for the forthcoming World Muay Boran Championship which will held from 12<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March at Bangkok, Thailand.

## Tribute paid to departed leaders of KIM

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Dec 17:** Fitting tribute was paid to the departed leaders of the Kuki Inpi Manipur on the 22<sup>nd</sup> general Assembly of Kuki Inpi Manipur held at Kuki Inn Imphal. A souvenir of the Kuki Inpi Manipur (KIM) was also released by Haokohol Hangshing, Chairman ADC Sadar Hills on the occasion. Speaker of

the general Assembly, Ajang Khongsai deliberated on the activities of the departed leaders of the KIM who had work for the welfare of the Kuki community. Major issues discussed in today's assembly were development of Kuki Inn Complex Manipur, Budget and next election of the KIM. Issues on the protest

against ILPS Bills and keeping of the dead bodies till today were also discussed during the assembly session. Some of the speakers opined to perform the last rites of the dead bodies before Christmas but some opposed the idea justifying their stand as the government has not fulfilled the demand.

## State Govt. negligence on Jiri-Tipaimukh Road decried

**Romeo Moirangthem**  
**Jiribam, Dec. 17:** The Jiri-Tipaimukh road, the only road in the Jiribam A/C and one of the most important roads of the Tipaimukh A/C which is the lifeline of about 30,000 strong populations is in the most deplorable condition. And since the Government turned a blind eye upon the condition of the road, a memorandum was submitted to the PWD Minister, the local MLA Th. Debendra Sing and Chief Minister on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2014, but it turned out a futile attempt as there was no reply from the higher authorities. The people of the Barak Circle did a side-cutting of the roadsides last year. It was flashed in the newspaper but it did not get any support or feedback from the concerned higher authorities, statement said by General Secretary, D. Lomsang of the Barak Brothers' Union (BBU), Jiribam. Further said that the side-cutting and cleaning was done again in the month of August 2015. Like before,

it ended up unheeded and unseen by both the MLA's of the two constituencies even after prior notification and reminder through media (newspaper) and memorandum. In 2012-13, the PWD blacktopped the road and it turned out to be a mere colouring of the road as the road wore off in three months. Besides there are 10 bridges which are left unattended to by the PWD. The people of Barak Circle improvised and repaired the bridges in our own limited ways and it still turned out usable. The road is now in its most deplorably bad condition with potholes every section of the road. The SO, EE



felt lost and did not know what to do, so, looking into the grievance and the life affecting condition of the road that can lead to many unwanted road accidents, the Barak Brothers' Union is organising a social work on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015 with fund collected as donations from the Government employees, taxi drivers, auto drivers and philanthropic being in the circle. Since last year, there had been 5 road mishaps and several cases of vehicular glitches and many more owing to the present condition of the road. Transportation charges rose, and now it took almost 4 hours just to traverse a mere 40 km long road from

Khangbor to Jiribam. The Barak Brothers' Union deemed it necessary on its part to look into the welfare of the people try to bring about solution to the problems faced by the people. The Barak Brothers' Union also, through the mass media would like to request to kindly and graciously donate for the purpose of remarking the road and filling the potholes; repairing the life line of the people. The Barak Brothers Union, with the support and help of the people would also like to make this statement that if the Government does not listen or pay heed to our grievances. We are ready to take up any sort of steps and works; be it an agitation, to make the Government listen to our reasonable plea. Besides the hospital, IVR and Government offices in our circle are in a dilapidated condition; turning into shed, sty, coops and whatever else. If the Government is still really in existence; could please look into the grievances of the people; your people.

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