

Works Minister Kh. Ratankumar and Education Minister M.Okendro along with experts at the inaugural function of international conference



Works Minister Kh. Ratankumar wishes to live till 2100 as he wishes to see the advancement of technology

ITNews
Imphal, Dec 2: Works Minister Kh. Ratankumar today expressed his wish to survive upto the year 2100 if god grants his wish as he is eager to see the changing world with full of scientific technology to comfort human life. Speaking at the inaugural function of the International conference on the Emerging Trends in Science and Engineering research here at the National Institute of Technology (NIT) Manipur, Langol, Ratan, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest said that the kind of transformation in technology taking place across the globe would make the world a wonderful place for human being. The inaugural function of the International Conference is being attended by scientists and professors from various universities across the country including few from USA. Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh

who was supposed to attend the function as Chief guest was replaced by Works Minister Kh Ratankumar, as he is occupied in an emergency government related works. Education Minister M Okendro and Dr.Sarungbam Birendra Singh, Director NIT and Prof. V. Sree Hari Rao, University of Florida shares the dais as dignitaries of the inaugural function. Earlier, Prof. V. Sree Hari Rao, University of Florida, who is being invited by the NIT stressed on the emerging trends of science and technology across the globe. "The past is our pride, present is our challenges and the future is ours' to build", said Prof Rao referring to how our ancestor had developed science and the hope that science has provided to make human life better in the future. He said nature is always a guiding force for scientists. Elaborating on how science discovers and technology

follows to make a change, the professor from the University of Florida, USA however stated that technology ahead of science is a disaster. "Science is finding a way to build gadget to solve human crisis", Prof. Rao added. Talking about the future of science and the technology, Prof. Rao said that many advancement is taking place and by 2100 human civilization may witness the most comfortable form of life. He stressed on the future power as neo atomic power. The professor however is a bit critical about the globalization and liberalization as it is wiping out the domestic industries. When this reporter personally enquired whether what he meant is another form of colonial expansion by developed countries towards the underdeveloped and developing country by making these countries with their technology products, Professor V. Sree Hari Rao

indirectly hinted that nations like India is now spending money to procure products from developed countries as they are more advanced instead of home made products. Education Minister M Okendro, who also attended today's inaugural function while appreciating the NIT for taking the initiative to organize such a international conference, stated that scholars from outside the state as well as from abroad are sometimes reluctant to visit the state due to the law and order problems in the state. He said the state welcomes scholars who will enhance wisdom to the people of the state from outside the state as well as from abroad. NIT Manipur is among the 10 new institutions established in the country in the second phase. At present there are 30 NIT across the country, said Dr. Sarungbam Birendra Singh, Director NIT.

JCILPS warming up for another agitation; set deadlines on Dec 15

ITNews
Imphal, Dec.2: Convenor-in-charge of Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System (JCILPS) Khomdrum Ratan strongly condemned Manipur Government over its failure to implement the point of agreements signed between JCILPS and Manipur Government on August 25 this year. He warned another form of agitations from December 16 if the Government fails to implement the agreements on or before December 15. Interacting media persons at JCILPS office at Keishampat, Ratan said that even after 100

days the agreement signed with the Government have not been implemented and no initiative is seen taken up for that. He also expressed dissatisfaction over government silence over the 3 ILPS related Bills passed by the State Legislative Assembly. The points of agreement includes - constituting a Manipur State Population Commission which will assess the problems and issues of demographic imbalance and other related matters so as to take up measures towards social harmony and peaceful development. In the point it

was also agreed to bring out a white paper on population influx by the State Government. Another point agreed is to constitute a Manipur State Land Reforms Commission which will undertake a review of the situation arising out of complexities related to land, resources and populations dynamics and advice the Government on effective measures on land use policies and help ameliorate inter-community tensions and enhance the respect for democracy and diversity in the state.

JD(U) appeals for free and fair election

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Imphal, Dec 2: President of the state JD(U), N Tombi today lambasted the present system of electing representatives for state legislative assembly or the local bodies at Hill area of the state. Speaking to a group of media at JD(U) Manipur State office, the party president said that any form

of elections conducted at Hill area are never free and fair as some people shattered the voting rights of the common villagers using muscle and money power. N Tombi further said that the trend is same her at Valley area too. He appealed the ECI to check the electoral process so that the present democratic system of the country can be

kept alive. On the other hand N Tombi said that the party will go along with the congress party in the upcoming local body elections. He said seat sharing among the alliance congress partner is being consulting at the highest party level. The decision is being taken up as the party is in alliance at Bihar election.

Jiribam-Tupul BG Project faces hurdles due to bandhs, bad road

Rabi Takhellambam
Imphal, Dec.1: The Construction work of the 84 km Jiribam-Tupul Broad Gauge railway Project has faced lots of hurdles in the past one year due to a host of reasons. More than 30 militant groups are active in the Broad Gauge Project area, while economic blockades and bandhs are common in Manipur. The NH-37 which connects Imphal with Silchar is in bad shape and it has affected the transportation of materials and machinery. Source in the Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) said that work is in progress in 60 Locations, 25 rocket boosters, 10 hydraulic rotary ring, 20 Concrete pumps, 25 batching plants, 30 dozers and 28 vibro-compactors are being used to complete the project within the stipulated date. Around 5000 workers have been engaged in the project,

the anticipated cost of which is Rs.4,599 crores and the permissible speed along the route will be 100kmph. Source said that 66 percent of the total works of the 84km long Jiribam-Tupul railway project was completed by August last year and it has made more progress by the end of October this year. With a view to provide greater connectivity to the hilly terrain of Manipur by an alternative and reliable transportation system and to bring about accelerated economic development and inclusive growth, the former Prime Minister Dr.Mannohan Singh laid the foundation stone of the 111km long Jiribam-Tupul- Imphal railway project in 2004. The planned railway line from Jiribam to Imphal will link the capital with the rest of India through Silchar, Haflong, Laming and Guwahati in Assam. Bridge No.164 with a

pier height of 141 metre will be the world's highest girder bridge. Highest existing currently, the Mala Rijeka Viaduct in Montenegro, is 139 metre high. According to the NFR, 222 metres of the 4409 metre tunnel number-12 and 172 metres of the 4900 metre tunnel number-3 have been completed. There are a total of 34 numbers of tunnels, two major bridges and 112 minor bridges along Jiribam-Tupul route. There are four tall bridges heights of which are respectively 70 metre, 98 metre, 120 metre and 141 metre. The railways hope to connect all the eight states in india's Northeast by 2020. As per the plans of the NFR ,the broad-gauge train will reach Tupul in Manipur by March-2017, Aizawl by March-2018, Imphal by March-2019 and Shillong and Rangpo (near Gangtok) in Sikkim by March-2020.

Ban lifted on appointment of nurses at RIMS

ITNews
Imphal Dec 2: the ban imposed by proscribed group KCP (Poirei Meitei Lup) on the appointment of 116 nurses by RIMS has been lifted. A release to the effect was made available to the press today. The statement further lauded the sincere and earnest efforts of Y Rajendra MS, Deputy Director (Adm.), Dr. M Amnaba and Dr. S Rita (Director, RIMS) in steering the prestigious and invaluable hospital towards the path to progress and development. The release also states that the ban imposed by the party on Rame, a contractor of Manipur University has also been lifted.

Manipuri boy went missing from running train

ITNews
Imphal, Dec 2: A 23 years old Manipuri boy reportedly went missing on November 29 from a running train. The missing person has been identified as L Poumat, aged 23 years from Manipur. According family members, L Poumat was last heard speaking to his family over the phone on Sunday (November 29) at around 4:55 pm evening near Visakhapatnam. At the time he was travelling at Dibrugarh-Balghalore Express train no. 15902. He went missing from a running train between Andra Pradesh and Bangalore.

Minor girl raped; found unconscious

ITNews
Imphal, Dec 2: A minor girl was found lying unconsciously at a paddy field near her residence at a paddy field at Kwakta area under Moirang Police Station at around midnight yesterday. The minor girl (name withheld) was suspected to have been left after being rape by miscreants. She is about 12 years old. According to report the minor girl was found missing since 8 pm yesterday evening and her family members along with the locals went in search of her at around 11 pm. Later, at around midnight she was found lying in unconscious state at a paddy field near her residence. The report added that a suspect has been arrested by Moirang police today

morning. The suspect is identified as Md Ibumngo (age about 20 years) son of Ibocha of Tonglaobi nagar Panchayat ward no 1.

Book Released: NI Publications

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Imphal, Dec 2: 2 books called Poirei "Nakti Wareng" and "Pudin" published by NI Publications of Sagolban, Naoremthong, Khumanthem Leikai, Imphal was release today at the Manipur Press Club. Laisong Ibomcha Singh, MLA, Keishamthong A/C, Th Tombi Singh, President, Manipur Sahitya Parishad, Imphal, K Sundergopal, manioori Community Leader, Myanmar, L Upendro Sharma, Director, JNMDA, Imphal and Lamnabam Viramani attended the function as main guests.

The Nehruvian encourages Muslim youths of Sora village

ITNews
Imphal, Dec. 2: All Sora Students' Organisation organised a Career Counselling Programme at Sora in Thoubal District on Nov. 29. Founder of *The Nehruvian* Ningombam Bupenda Meitei speaking on the occasion motivated the Meitei-Pangal (Muslim) youths and students of Sora village of Thoubal district to take an inspiration from the life of Jawaharlal Nehru and Indira Gandhi. Speaking at the event as an invited speaker, Ningombam Bupenda Meitei quoted Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics to follow one's passion to attain happiness in one's life.

He stressed on the role of education and particularly urged the students to read more and think deeper and use the rights enshrined in the Constitution of India. Sharing the words of Indira Gandhi on following one's passion, he underlined the uniqueness in every child and that uniqueness needed to be honoured and safeguarded in order to excel in life. Taking the statistical fact from the recently published Census of India, he opined that the stable population growth rate of Muslims of Manipur showed the rising socio-economic development of Muslims in Manipur but he further

stressed the need of its socio-economic development to reach the grassroots for the common Muslim population in Manipur. He urged students to learn English writing and speaking with a special attention. Ningombam Bupenda Meitei expressed happiness in witnessing the enthusiasm of children and students participating for the event. He congratulated the youths and organisers for their hard work in making Sora village a role model in India. Later, he distributed prizes and certificates to the meritorious students. He had an interactive session with the youths over a lunch hosted by the organisers.

Mizoram Govt. announces cash reward for information on HPC (D) militants

ANI
New Delhi, Dec. 2: The Mizoram government has announced a cash reward of Rs 1 lakh each for anyone giving information leading to the arrest of five militants of Manipur-based Hmar People's Convention (Democrats) involved in the ambush of members of a state assembly committee on March 28. An official statement said

that three policemen were killed in the ambush of the team of the state legislature's committee. State Home Minister R. Lalzirlana said there could never be peace negotiations with the Hmar People's Convention (Democrats) unless the latter returned all the weapons snatched from the policemen in the March 28 ambush.

Good news for Uro-related patients

Dr. Sinam Sekharjit Singh
M.S (Gen Sgy, PGU), M.Ch. (ORO, AIMS)
Commonwealth Medical Fellow
Consultant Urologist/ Genito-Urinary Surgeon

At
- CMC Hospital Koirengai - 10.00 am to 2.00 pm
- Residence
(Chingamathak, Pishum Leirak) - 7.00 am to 9 am
- 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm