

Burnt portion of the Administrative Block of New Public Higher Secondary School Khangabok



## ‘Intelligentsia should come out and play their role in forming good governance’

**IT News**

**Imphal, Dec 7:** Former Chief Minister of Manipur, Radhabinod Kojiam today calls on the intelligentsia of the state to come forward and play their role in the forming of good governance which will bring peace and harmony in the state during the inaugural function of the two day Political Dialogue on Present Political Scenario in Manipur organized by National Research Centre, Manipur at Kuki Inn Hall Imphal.

Elaborating the present ethno-political turmoil in the state, the former Chief Minister said that every community is right from their own perspectives as the root of all the present crisis stands out from their strong aspiration to get recognition of their respective communities.

“But each leaders of each community should control their tongue while expressing their point of view as it stands true that there are still differences among the

various communities of the state”, Radhabinod said referring to the present crisis in the state in the backdrop of the passing of the three ILPS related Bills.

The three Bills passed from the pressure of the valley based civil society organization is strongly opposed by the almost all tribal civil society organizations of the state particularly those based at Churachandpur and Senapati District.

The former Chief Minister further said that there are still differences among each community where many unsettled problem still remains. He said the Kuki still observed Black days and it is a clear sign of having unresolved problems between communities of the state. The tribal still remembered those days when the majority Meitei reportedly ill-treated them and the Meitei still lives in the past, Radhabinod added.

“If we live in the history we cannot move ahead, what we

need today is a good governance robust communal harmony”, the former chief Minister added. Saying said so the former Chief Minister however said that the people need to know the history and have adequate understanding of today’s affairs and should have a vision for the future.

Radhabinod Kojiam also reminded the people of the state particularly those in the Hills about the needs for a stringent land law for the Hills areas. He however said that the kind of land law he referred to is not about implementation of the existing MLR& LR act but about the formation of another suitable law.

“Non existence of any requisite land laws in Hill areas has hampered the development of the tribal people as individuals in the Hills cannot own a land in their own name”, Radhabinod reminded highlighting example of how people in the Hills are often deprived of their rights of taking loans and other beneficiary as they cannot

provide a legitimate documents to show that the land they are staying are their properties.

Radhabinod also indirectly appealed the government about the need for organizing exclusive meet with all the chieftains and civil society leaders of tribal people of the state.

“When I was the chief Minister I convened meeting with the leaders of the tribal communities and other civil society leaders under the initiative of the tribal welfare Minister. This Helps a lot”, Radhabinod said.

The Inaugural session of the two day public dialogue was also attended by Prof. Y Mohendro, Prof. L Sadananda and Haobam Sanajaoba as dignitaries on the dais.

In the afternoon session, resource persons from various fields brain storms on the present political scenario of the state. Prof. Sadananda moderated the session. The public dialogue will continue tomorrow too.

## Ex-Minister M.Ibotombi remembered on his 21st Death Anniversary

**IT News**

**Thoubal, Dec. 7:** The 21st Death Anniversary of ex-Minister Moirangthem Ibotombi father of Education Minister, M Okendro was held under the aegis of Moirangthem Ibotombi Memorial Trust at the Moirangthem Ibotombi Memorial Complex, Heirok in Thoubal District today.

The anniversary was observed under the theme: “Kanglup Amasung Jatigek Khetnaba Leitaba Leingak Shanti Purakpa” which literally means bringing a harmonious governance with equal treatment to all communities.

The observance function started with thousands of people and dignitaries including Chief Minister O.Ibobi, Deputy Chief Minister Gaikhangam; Parliamentary Secretaries; Ministers, MLAs and top officials of the Manipur Police departments offering floral tributes to the memorial complex of M Ibotombi and other religious rituals due to a departed soul. A contingent of 13 Troop Heirok Hr.Sec.School NCC (Army Wing) under 14 Manipur Bn. NCC Imphal offered guard of honour to the memorable monument of former minister of Manipur M.Ibotombi besides observing a two minutes silence. Speaking on key note address, Rameshwar, Secretary Ibotombi memorial trust said that the people of Manipur are fed up with the



incidents of crimes occurring in the state where a number of innocent people are being killed and murdered with no fault of theirs.

In fact, the people are longing for a developed society free from all such crimes. Recalling the incident in which ex-Minister M Ibotombi was killed by unknown armed miscreants 20 years back, “we have been remaining hapless over the incident for the last many years and have been just paying floral tributes and praying for his soul to rest in peace. We are also yet to keep the promise of following his footsteps and completing the task left behind for the welfare of the people”

Speaking on the occasion as Dy.CM Gaikhangam said that as long as there are internal clashes among the different communities settling in the State, no solution of any kind can be brought about. While asking

UG groups and different ethnic groups whether killing one another would bring any solution, Dy. Chief Minister Gaikhangam said that State Government is against killing of people whether it is among the UG groups or between different communities settling in the State.

However, if the UG cadres start firing at the security forces, the security personnel have no other option but to fire back to save themselves as well as the lives of other innocent people.

Gaikhangam also appealed to all the concerned to stop killing one another and live happily and peacefully.

Minister Okendro, who is also the son of late Moirangthem Ibotombi, while speaking explained that the aim of the Moirangthem Ibotombi Memorial Trust is to spread the idea of love and oneness not just in

Heirok but throughout the State and free the State from senseless killings.

## Imphal-Moreh road freezes during the 48 hours bandh

**IT News**

**Chandel, Dec.7:** Vehicular movement along the Imphal-Moreh Section of National Highway 102 came to grinding halt today due to the 48hrs Hill Districts bandh called by the Kuki Students’ Organisation (KSO) General Headquarters in protest against brutally assaulting KSO Chandel’s President and two village chiefs by the personnel of 24 AR Khudenthabi Check post. Large number of Bandh supporters blocked the highway by burning of tyres and piling of tree branches, boulders as well as electric poles at several places along the road stretch.

At H. Kotlenphai near Pallel, Volunteers of the students’ body who enforced the bandh prohibited the Commanding Officer of 24 Assam Rifles and his escort team to proceed further by pelting stones towards them and forced them

to return back from the spot. The Bandh supporters including large number of women folks also enforced the bandh at Tengnoupal, Khudenthabi and Moreh too in Chandel District since early this morning.

Speaking to the media persons, ML Haokip, Spokesperson of KSO Chandel told that the 48hrs bandh was imposed in protest against brutally assaulting our President and two Village Chiefs by the personnel of 24 Assam Rifles posted at Khudenthabi led by one Major Manish Sharma and a JCO on November 5.

He also warned that the student body will intensify our agitations if the concern authority did not take up appropriate actions against the erring personnel of the Assam Rifles and book them for their crime.

## Road Accident: One dead, vehicle vandalize

**IT News**

**Imphal, Dec 7:** In a tragic accident, an elder man lost his life today morning at around 8:30am at Tera Khurajam area. The deceased person has been identified as Khundrakpam Samungao aged 68 of Tera maibi Leirak, Imphal-west.

Locals said, Khundrakpam Samungao was travelling in a bicycle which collided with a Tata Deeper bearing registration number MN05C-0914, which was on the way to Imphal.

Angry mob vandalized the vehicle which took the life of Khundrakpam Samungao. A team of Imphal Police rush at the spot and were able to control the mob.

The dead body of Khundrakpam Samungao has been taken at Shija Hospital morgue for most mortem. The driver of the Tata deeper has surrendered at the Imphal Police station where a case been registered.

Khundrakpam Samungao was retd. Lecturer of DM college.

## MEELAL & MNF to observe 9<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary of Ch. Akaba

**IT News**

**Imphal, Dec 7:** Meitei Erol Eyeik Leinasinlol Apunba Lup (MEELAL) and Meitei National Front (MNF) is observing the 9<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of Chingsubam Akaba on January 22, 2016 at Rupmahal Theater of BT road.

Speaking to the media persons, President of MEELAL Moirangthem Naokhamba Meitei said that even though the main function will be held at Rupmahal Theater, floral tribute will also be paid at the memorial site of Chingsubam Akaba at Wakha Leima Ching.

He further added that a

patriotic poem competition will be organised in three category as a part of the function. An award of Rs 20,000 will be given to the highest mark scorer of MIL in the Matric exam and also award to highest mark achiever of MIL from Meitei pangal and hill student by MLA N. Biren will also be conferred.

He further added the “Luchingpural Ojha Chingsubam Akaba Ningsing Mana 2016” will be given to Ngasekpa Yumjao Meitei for Vallay and Tomithang KOM (Thoiba) for hill. Chingsubam Akaba’s theater play “Lambelsigi Aroibada will be staged on.

## Assam Speaker suspends 6 BJP MLAs

**PTI**

**Guwahati, Dec. 7:** Six BJP MLAs and nine from Congress, who had recently declared their allegiance to the opposition party, were today suspended from Assam Assembly for the 5-day Winter Session by Speaker Pranab Gogoi for disobeying his ruling and creating noisy scenes.

Just before the beginning of the Question Hour on the first day of the session, the Speaker gave the ruling that all the BJP members and those from Congress supporting it, have been suspended from the House for the entire Winter Session.

## MMWO observes 5<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day

**IT News**

**Imphal, Dec.7:** Manipur Muslim Welfare Organization (MMWO) observed its 5<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day today.

Prof Nejamuddin, CEO, WAQF Board, Manipur, Fundreimayum Abdullah Pathan, President Manipur Muslim Welfare Organization (MMWO), Md Rabi Khan, Advocate, Manipur High Court, Anwari Nurjahan, President, United Manipur Muslim Women’s Development Organization, Md Farid Khan, President, All Manipur Muslim Student’s Organization among others attended the occasion as dignitaries.

While speaking during the occasion, speakers like Anwari Nurjahan, Md Rabi Khan and others highlighted the reason of the sprouting of Civil Society Organizations in the state. He further highlighted the importance of discussing on why the civil society organisation is necessary for any kinds of demands for the welfare of the people of the state. Md Rabi opined that if the 60 MLAs collectively work sincerely for the people of their respective constituencies, then there would not need of CSOs and there would not be insurgency problem in the state.

## School Administrative block cinder in short circuit accident at Kangabok

**IT News**

**Imphal, Dec 7:** The Administrative Block of New Public Higher Secondary School Kangabok has been cinders due to fire broke out from

short circuit at around 4.30 am today morning. The fire continue to burn the school for around 2 hours. Thoubal Fire Service which rushed the spot extinguished the fire before it causes more damage. Important school documents cash for school fund, registration fees are all burnt. No casualties

besides some wounds of school students while controlling the fire. 3 School computer sets, 2 laptop, CCTV camera, Television, school uniforms, library books, fans and furnitures are all burnt. The total lost in the fire could not known at the moment.

### Good news for Uro-related patients

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

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