

# Editorial

Imphal, Saturday, October 17, 2015

## Performance anxiety

The electoral politics being practiced in the country in its present form has come under increasing attacks and criticisms from all quarters, and with credible reasons which are acquiring greater relevance considering the fact that even after more than sixty years since the country regained independence, the rate of development and progress across every parameter remains dismally low, especially in comparison with countries like China and many of the southeast Asian countries. Yet, despite the conceived flaws and drawbacks, representative democracy or electoral politics remains the most widely followed form of electing public representatives throughout the world, a clear indication that either the system or the method of implementation has gone awry, either through inefficiency or as a deliberate mechanism. The seemingly inexplicable contradiction should be analysed in detail if the country is to make radical changes and expedite progress and development. A perfect or fail-safe system, when used in the context of a political environment, is something non-existent, and yet this inherent drawback should not be allowed to be used as an excuse to cover up deficiencies or, more alarmingly, to pilfer from the huge amount of resources allocated for public welfare by a few who have the wherewithal to control and regulate such schemes. There has been a perceptible increase in the pace of initiation of development measures with more promises and assurances, a signal to the changing work ethos of the government and the increasing awareness of the general populace of the intricacies of governance coupled with the willingness to air one's views and opinions ably supported, and at times, sensationalized by the rapidly expanding reach and influence of the print and electronic media. What is woefully absent is the fruitful completion of these initiatives. Till date, almost every public project conceived for the general welfare of the public has yet to have a smooth run and are often beset with disruptions, cost and time overrun, and in many cases, ending up being scrapped altogether after huge amount of funds have been sunk in. There surely has to be a remedy for these unfortunate and undesirable deviations and shortcomings. Public opinions have it that the overlapping jurisdiction and authority of many implementing agencies and departments have been playing an unenviable role in propagating such rampant inefficiencies, discord and opportunities for pilferage and misappropriation in the actual implementation of the schemes and projects which are always often launched with much pomp and promise. A persistent and continuous monitoring system with clearly defined objectives and procedures should help in carrying out the plans. A system of checks and measures to take prompt actions, whether remedial or punitive, should also be in place which would act as a deterrent for any individual or department with the intention or inclination to deviate from the given procedures and process. Perhaps it is high time for the government think tank to hunker down and draw up a system which would improve the delivery or implementation system rather than conjuring up populist schemes and grand plans that serve to benefit a few unscrupulous individuals because of the inherent loopholes and defects that allows them an easy escape route.

## Court orders hand-over of trespasser to Bangladesh

**PTI**  
**Barasat (WB), Oct 16:** A local court here today ordered that Bangladeshi national Nur Hossain, who was arrested last year from Kolkata on charges of trespassing into India, be handed over to Bangladesh government to face in a murder case there. Additional Chief Judicial Magistrate of North 24 Parganas district Sandipan Chakrabarty asked the authorities to comply with his order within December 16.

Public Prosecutor Bikash Ranjan Dey said Bangladesh government had requested Indian government to hand over Hossain to them as he was accused of murder in his country. "The magistrate has withdrawn all charges against him so that he can be sent back to Bangladesh," he said.

Hossain, who fled to India after the murder, was arrested in Kolkata in June last year as he was found staying in India without valid documents.

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## National & International

# Rape of minors shameful, what are PM, LG doing, asks Arvind Kejriwal

**PTI**  
**New Delhi, Oct. 17:** Two minors were brutally gang raped in the city, incidents which comes close on the heels of the rape of a four-year-old girl in northwest Delhi last week. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal expressed concern over the "repeated" rape of minors in the city and asked what the Prime Minister and the Delhi LG were

doing. While a two-and-a-half-year-old girl was raped in Nihal Vihar area of west Delhi yesterday, a 5-year-old girl was allegedly gang raped by three men who were later arrested by the police in East Delhi's Anand Vihar. The two-and-a-half-year-old girl was kidnapped and allegedly gang raped by two bike-borne men who picked her up last night from

outside her home in Nihal Vihar area of south west Delhi. The girl was later found by the locals in a park and was profusely bleeding. She was rushed to Sanjay Gandhi Hospital where she is undergoing treatment, police said.

A case has been registered under relevant Sections of IPC and POCSO Act and a manhunt has been launched to arrest the accused, said a senior police officer.

In other incident, three men who were allegedly under the influence of intoxicants gang raped a 5-year-old girl last evening in Anand Vihar area of east Delhi, police said. The victim, who sustained severe injuries to her private parts, was rushed to GTB Hospital. The accused Prakash, Rewati and Sitaram were caught by the locals after they heard the shrieks of the girl. The accused were thrashed and later handed over to police. A case has been registered against them under relevant Sections of

IPC and POCSO at Anand Vihar Police Station, DCP of East district police Bhairon Singh Gurjar said. Taking a grim view of the cases, the Chief Minister said, "Repeated rape of minors is shameful and worrying. Delhi Police has completely failed to provide safety. What are the PM n his LG doing?" "Am on my way to hospitals to meet rape victims," he tweeted. Chairperson of Delhi Commission for Women (DCW) Swati Maliwal, who visited the victims in hospitals, termed the incidents as "absolutely disgusting" and "shameful."

"Woke up to 2 incidents of gang rape of a 2.5 year old n 5 year old. Bleeding not stopping for 2.5 years old," she tweeted. "When will Delhi wake up? Till when girls will continue to be brutalised in the Indian capital. Gang rape of 2.5 years and 5 years old. Shameful," she said in another tweet. Last week a four year-old-girl was brutally raped in the city.

## Observer for 2 tests found dead on railway track in Odisha

**TNN**  
**Jharsuguda, Oct. 17:** A retired bureaucrat, who was an observer for two recruitment tests in the Vyapam scam, was found dead in Odisha.

The body of retired Indian Forest Services (IFS) officer Vijay Bahadur was found on a railway track in Jharsuguda on October 15, police said. The Vyapam scam is an admission and recruitment scam involving politicians, senior officials and businessmen in Madhya Pradesh. All Vyapam scam related cases were handed over to the CBI recently.

The spate of spooky unnatural deaths of those linked to Vyapam recruitment scam in Madhya Pradesh had stopped since the Supreme Court ordered CBI probe into it and decided to monitor the investigations. The Supreme Court had even observed that mysterious deaths related to the scandal have

"suddenly stopped" after the central agency started its probe. The opposition in the state has alleged that people linked to the Vyapam scam were dying mysteriously as part of a conspiracy to silence key witnesses.

## No nuclear deal with Pak, only talks

**ANI**  
**Lahore, Oct. 16:** White House Press Secretary Josh Earnest has said that US President Barack Obama and Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif would not sign any nuclear deal but would discuss nuclear issue during their meeting next week. According to the Dawn, reports in the US media have claimed that the US may offer Sharif a similar deal that the nation did with India, which may lead to Pakistan's acceptance in the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG).

## Nepal elects its first woman speaker

**ANI**  
**Kathmandu, Oct. 17:** Unified CPN-Maoist leader and former deputy speaker Onsari Gharti Magar has been elected as the first woman speaker of the Nepal Parliament. She was announced as the speaker, after the withdrawal of candidacy of Nepal Workers' and Peasants' Party lawmaker Anuradha Thapa Magar by her proposer Prem Suwal, reported the Himalayan Times

Even the Nepali Congress (NC) supported Onsari's candidature for the post of the speaker. NC vice president Ramchandra Paudel said that his party's support for Onsari would lead to an increase in cooperation among the parties. Onsari after the announcement thanked the lawmakers for unanimously electing her and said that her victory showed the united face of the parties.

## Letter to the Editor

### Maruti Van owners harassed by local dealers

Sir,  
It is quite necessary to bring to your kind notice about the difficulties faced by the local owner of Maruti Van at Imphal(Manipur), who actually doing small time Transport Business for their day to day business for livelihood,once they struct any accident to their Maruti-Van and to the repairing. This is happening because of the non co-operation between Maruti Dealer,M/s Eastern Motors and spare parts dealer, M/s Manipur Diesels, both located physically very near,within a Km, but they never short out their differences resulting uncomfortable situation to the Van Owner. On 22nd July 2015,a Maruti Van bearing No MN 01 S 7523 was handed over at the Shop of M/S Eastern Motors after completing all the formalities, but till today they have not taken up any repairing works but suffering to the Van Owner. When contacted their response are so simple by stating that Spares are not available at M/S Manipur Diesels. It is the same in case of M/S Manipur Diesels too, though it is showing available in their book of account that particular item Panel Roof, Van Part no 71111M79500, that, they are not willing to deliver to M/S Eastern Motors, the reason best known to them only. In this situation you are the only person to help out of this Situation. The matter also discussed with Shri Amit Malhotra on 13th October 2015, evening telephonically.

Thanking you,  
Yours,  
Kambam Seityajit  
Social & RTI Activist  
Imphal, 17th Oct 2015.

## DELHI POLICE (Corrigendum)

Corrigendum regarding recruitment of temporary constable (Executive) Male/Female in Delhi Police - 2015  
In partial modification of the advertisement dated 09<sup>th</sup> October, 2015 for recruitment of Constable (Exe) Male/Female in Delhi Police from Manipur, the age of eligible candidates should be 18-21 years (for Male) and 18-25 years (for Female) as on 01/01/2015 (instead of 01/07/2015). Thus, Male candidates born not earlier than 02/01/1994 and not later than 01/01/1997 and Female candidates born not earlier than 02/01/1990 and not later than 01/01/1997 will be eligible for the recruitment. Upper age limit is relaxable for OBC/SC/ST etc. as per rules. For more details, kindly refer to the recruitment notice on the website of Manipur Police : <http://manipurpolice.org/>.

Sd/-  
Deputy Commissioner Police  
Chairman/Recruitment Board for Manipur  
Delhi Police

## More State News

### Annual school sports meet 2015



**IGAR (S)**  
**Imphal, Oct 17:** Personality development of young generation is crucial to their journey towards attaining their goals and becoming responsible citizens of the nation. Holistic personality development entails numerous facets, ranging from education to sports, to overall awareness. HQ 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) has been focusing on personality development of generation next in Chandel District. Towards this end, Kuki Students Organisation, Moreh celebrated its Annual School Sports meet on 15 Oct 2015. Brig Rajiv Chhibber, Commander 26 Sector Assam Rifles along with Commandant, 11 Assam Rifles attended the program as Chief Guest. Other guests were Pu Jangnam Hoakip President HTC, Moreh and Pu Mubi Moirangthem, MPS, Adtl SP, Moreh. The event was attended by the Students from all Schools of Moreh. The event began with singing of National Anthem by all present, which was followed by march past by all students. Brig Rajiv Chhibber highlighted the importance of sports and health education and of all round development for the personality of students and how sports play an important role for development of self confidence in young children. These kinds of events will go a long way in building relations with locals.

### Promoting friendly ties with locals

**IGAR (S)**  
**Imphal, Oct 17:** 24 Assam Rifles of 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) conducted an interaction with Women Society at RRC Village on 15 Oct 2015. Women representatives of various organisations were present during the informative and fruitful interactive session. They were briefed about the various women related welfare schemes being undertaken by the Govt. Safety of women, encouragement for the independent livelihood and awareness about the various laws recently enacted by the Government for the women safety were the focus of the interaction. The women society also commended various other projects being conducted by Assam Rifles for the society. The function culminated with interaction of women society and Assam Rifles personnel followed by tea and snacks.