



PM Modi leaves for Russia to attend 16th Annual Summit

ANI
New Delhi, Dec. 23: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday left for a two-day visit to Russia to attend the 16th Annual Summit there. The Summit would commence with a private dinner hosted by Russian President Vladimir Putin. The Summit would begin on the second day with the Prime Minister interacting with Russian and Indian CEOs. Earlier, Prime Minister Modi had expressed hope that the visit would deepen bilateral ties between the two nations. "Today I will commence my visit to Russia, my first bilateral visit after we formed the Government. I am very

optimistic about the outcome of this visit. History is witness to the close ties India and Russia have had over the decades. Russia remains one of India's most valued friends in the world," he said in his Facebook post. Briefing media in New Delhi yesterday, Foreign Secretary S. Jaishankar told reporters that Prime Minister's visit to Russia is aimed at expanding the special and privileged strategic ties with a particular focus on nuclear energy, hydrocarbons, defence and trade. India and Russia are likely to

ink a number of pacts in a range of sectors including nuclear energy and defence. The two time-tested partners will focus on expanding economic ties. The two countries are aiming at enhancing annual bilateral trade to 30 billion dollars over the next ten years from current ten billion dollars. Besides bilateral issues, the two Prime Ministers are likely to deliberate on a number of global issues having global dimensions including the situation in Syria and ways to tackle terrorism.

New Political Party formed

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: A new political party "North East India Development party (NEIDP) was formed today at Sagolband Tera Loukrakpam Leikai. Speaking to the media person the president of the NEIDP Narendra Samrajit Singh said that North Eastern India is a mini India and the region is the house of more than 200 tribal and non-tribal groups living together in an area of 2,54,956 sq. kms. The president said that NEIDP stands for the social justice and removal of disparities of

opportunities, it wants to create a smart society with a political government in the entire north east powerful in its legitimate domain and minimal elsewhere. He further added that NEIDP will work for the north east people based on Gandhian values and Ideals. Party is dedicated to the task of building a democratic and corruption free region drawing inspiration from rich heritage and the Noble traditions of the struggle for independence. NEIDP would work within the framework of the constitution of our country to bring development peace and harmony in all the seven sisters. He further added that the party would work for self reliance of north eastern states and shall demand in a democratic manner rightful share for people in central government. The party is yet to be registered with the Election Commission of India.

NEROCA - FC lifts 59th CC Meet trophy

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: NEROCA FC of Sangakpham lifted champion trophy after defeating SSU of Singamei in the final match of the 59th Sir Churachand Singh KCSI, CBE Memorial football Tournament 2052 organized by All Manipur Football association held at Khuman Lampak Main Stadium Today. At the beginning of the final match, Md Shidur Rehman of SSU scores the first goal at 2 minutes of the play taking the lead over NEROCA FC. In response to that NEROCA FC players, Kh Satish Singh score the first goal of NEROCA FC at 20 minutes, making the score equals at 1-1. Many attempts were made from both the teams to take the lead during the first half but failed. The referee of the match S Kennedy penalized one

yellow card each to SSU players Md Shidur Rehman, P Christopher Khan and one each to NEROCA FC players O Emeka Christian and Th Johnson Singh during the first half of the play. 3 minutes extra time was provided in the first half. At the 46th minutes of the extra times, O Emeka Christian scores the 2nd goal for NEROCA FC breaking the tie score. After the match kick-off in the second half, there were arguments among players of both the teams over some fault played. The referee controlled the match. During the 2nd Half Imran Khan of NEROCA FC scored another goal for the team assuring the champion title in 82 minutes. NEROCA FC finally scored 3 goals and SSU was put to halt in 1 goal.

Gunbattle at Khoupum

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: A fierce gun battle between suspected rebels and troops of 2/5 GR was reported today at Khoupum area in Tamenglong district at around 6.30 am. Unconfirmed source said that at least a militant suspected to be cadre of NNC is reported killed in the encounter. According to the source some of the cadre fled the area. Following the incident additional troops has been reinforced and massive hunt is being carried out at the site. There are no reports of any casualty to the site of the security force.

Festival of Andro

IT News
Imphal, Dec. 23: A two day festival on Food-Music-Art & Culture, 'Festival of Andro' organised by Leipung Wah Entertainment will be held on coming 26 and 27 December at Panam Ningthou Garden. The event will showcase traditional food items, pottery making of the Andro and several other cultural performances. Music bands from outside the state and home state will also perform during the two days festival.

Church leader alleges police of taking bribe for carrying beef meat to celebrate Christmas

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: Local Church leader today alleges police of taking bribe from innocent Christian for carrying beef meat to celebrate Christmas festival. In a press meet held today at Manipur press Club one Chingjaopou Phaomei,

leader of Namdialong Baptist Church, Dewland said that some police personnel had taken bribe of rupees 2000 for carrying beef meat at Lamsang area at around 9 am today even after showing relevant document showing that the beef meat was bought for Christmas festival.

"Christmas is the biggest festival of the Christian community both at Hill and valley areas and police should not harass the community during the festival", he said. He appealed concern government authority to look into the matter.

Kurkam Memorial Research Centre for Tribal and Endangered Languages inaugurated

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: Declaration ceremony for the opening of Kurkam Memorial Research Centre for Tribal and Endangered Languages at South East Manipur College, Komlathabi Chandel District cum Thanks Giving Ceremony of Upa Roel JindaShing Moyon, newly appointed Chief of Kapam Moyon village of Chandel District was held at the residential venue of Dr. Th Chandramani, Korou, Thongju Part II, Imphal on Tuesday. Th. Bishwajit Singh, MLA, Thongju Assembly

Constituency, Dr. Monoranjan Khuman, National Energy Scientist & Advisor (Internal Security) NE Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, GoI, JC Hajarnis, 12th Assam Rifles, Thoubal, Prof. Ch. Yashwanta, Head, Linguistics Dept., Manipur University (MU); Dr. Arambam Anil, State Coordinator cum Joint Director, Sarvashiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Govt. of Manipur; Kh Loyalakpa, Editor, Naharlogi Thoudang; Brojendra Ningomba, Editor, ISTV News; N. Rajendro, President, ICHAM (Information

Committee Hill Areas Manipur). Ambition Anghangmi Thangal attended the function as the Chief Guest, President and the Chief of Honour respectively. The said research centre was opened with Dr. Th. Chandramani as the Founder Coordinator to fulfil the prime objective of protecting, promoting, revitalising and enriching the tribal languages and at the same time upholding their rights. Together with the Chairperson, the Centre is constituted by fourteen members.

Club 26 formed by Sainik School Imphal Alumni

IT News
Imphal, Dec. 23: The 26th batch of Sainik School Imphal, a premier residential boys' public school under Ministry of Defence of India, has formed a society named 'Club 26' in Imphal, Manipur. The batch has its alumni from not only India but also from Bhutan. It now has its alumni excelling well in different fields of profession such as politics,

administration, defence, law, banking and finance, art, literature, music, medical and engineering departments, science and technology, and business. It invites its alumni spreading across the globe to contact its main office based in Imphal, Manipur for their formal registration in the society. It will have a formal congregation of its alumni

followed by a high tea on 24 December, 2015, Thursday by 2 P.M. at The Classic Hotel, Imphal, Manipur. All of its alumni who are to be the members of Club 26 are cordially invited for the high tea at The Classic Hotel.

IT News
Imphal, Dec 23: Editors Guild of India has expressed serious concern to the recent bomb threats to IMPACT TV News Editor Yumnam Rupachandra by militants. In a press statement the state closed their publication on 16th December and not even a single newspaper hit the stands on 17th December. In their editions dated 16th December, they left the editorial space blank. All the

Editor Yumnam Rupachandra Singh received death threats from a militant organisation and a bomb was found at the gate of his house on December 14 evening. "All the newspapers in the state closed their publication on 16th December and not even a single newspaper hit the stands on 17th December. In their editions dated 16th December, they left the editorial space blank. All the

Television news channels stopped their news broadcasts on that day to protest against threats to the media, impinging on the freedom of the media", the statement said. Editors Guild of Manipur and other journalists and civil society organisations condemned the militant threats to editors and working journalists and demanded that security should be provided to them.

Constable killed in firing inside Delhi Court

Agency
New Delhi, Dec. 23: A police constable was killed, and two persons were injured after being fired upon allegedly by the relatives of an undertrial at Karkardooma District Court here on Wednesday. According to sources in the court, the incident happened inside court room number 73.

The constable, from third battalion of Delhi Armed Police, sustained three bullets and succumbed to injuries. He was bringing a prisoner for court hearing, as soon as he entered, four men fired shots. Court clerk received two bullet injuries along with another constable. They were reported stable.

A case has been registered at the Farsh Bazar police station in East Delhi. Senior police officers of the district were unavailable for a comment while Joint Commissioner of Police (Eastern Range) Sanjay Benival refused to comment on the incident. All the four assailants were detained for questioning.

BJP leader files Rs 100 crore defamation suit against Assam chief minister Tarun Gogoi

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Guwahati, Dec. 23: BJP leader and former Assam minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Tuesday said he has filed a Rs 100 crore civil defamation suit against chief minister Tarun Gogoi for alleging his involvement in scams. At a press conference in Guwahati, Sarma said he will also file a criminal defamation suit against Gogoi. "Gogoi has been making

baseless and untrue allegations against me for the past few days. He said I am involved in the Saradha scam and in the Louis Berger bribery scam. Gogoi also recently told the media that there are criminal cases pending against me," he said. "I think I should not be a mute spectator to all these allegations and sit idle. I have decided to file a lawsuit against the chief minister," said Sarma, once a close aide

of Gogoi. Sarma, who held several portfolios in the Gogoi cabinet since the Congress came to power in Assam in 2001, however, revolted against the chief minister and led a group of dissident legislators who demanded a change in the party leadership. Sarma left the Congress in August and joined the BJP, following which nine aides also resigned from the ruling party and joined the BJP.

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New Delhi, Dec. 23: The relations between India and Russia are linked together through water, land and sky, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has told a Russian agency, hours before he is hosted by Russian President Vladimir Putin at a dinner on Wednesday. Modi is on his maiden visit to Russia as PM and is expected to close a host of deals in defence, technology and trade, and has said he is optimistic about the visit. In an interview to TAAS, Modi said his political journey was almost identical

to that of Putin and described Russia as India's "unwavering friend". "In the global environment, in times of crisis, where you need a friend, Russia has always stood with us. We never had to wait to know what Russia will do with us in this regard.. So this in itself, an atmosphere of trust continues between the two countries," he said. "Today I will commence my visit to Russia, my first bilateral visit after we formed the Government. I am very optimistic about the outcome of this visit," Modi said in a Facebook post. Modi is attending the 16th

India-Russia annual summit meeting – the first meeting between him and Putin since their formal interaction at the BRICS summit in Ufa in July. "My visit will deepen the cooperation between India and Russia in the economic, energy and security spheres. We also want to increase cooperation in science and technology, mining among other sectors. Trade ties between India and Russia can increase even further, to benefit not only our two nations but also the world," the post said. There will be an interaction between Modi and Russian

businesspersons to invite them to invest in India. He will also attend a 'Friends of India' programme. The PM said the strengths of Russia in science and technology, military technology and nuclear energy complement the large market of India, expanding economy and demand of its young population. "Energy is a sector where we can do a lot more. Russia is one of the world's top sources for hydrocarbon resources and India is one of the world's largest importers. We have had significant investments in this sector."