



The New leader of Myanmar
Aung San Suu Kyi



Organisation Association of Nagas, Assam
U. Sankar's Center at Shillong

Aung San Suu Kyi Wins Myanmar Election

Agency
Yangon, Nov. 10: The ruling party in Myanmar has admitted defeat to the opposition party led by Aung San Suu Kyi in a historic election for the struggling democracy. Myanmar, also known as Burma, voted Sunday in the freest parliamentary elections in 25 years. The ruling Union Solidarity and Development Party of current President Thein Sein is backed by the military, but has acknowledged the National League for Democracy has bested them. "We lost," Union Solidarity and Development Party acting chairman Htay Oo told Reuters on Monday. The National League for

Democracy said it expected to win 70 percent of seats, but it could be days before the final tally. About 80 percent of the country's 30 million people voted. Even if her party wins, Nobel peace prize winner Suu Kyi cannot become president of Myanmar. Her party also won the last free elections held in 1990, but the results were annulled by the military and she was detained under house arrest and remained there for much of the next 20 years. The country's constitution contains a provision barring her from serving as president, but prior to the election she said that if her party wins, she will lead from behind the scenes. But Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy may still have a tough time ruling, even with a majority of the seats in parliament. Twenty-five percent of the seats are reserved for the military, so those combined with the seats won by the ruling Union Solidarity and Development Party could make it difficult for the opposition to govern. Sein, a former general, said he would respect the results of the election. Citizens are voting for 168 of 224 representatives in the upper

house of parliament, and 325 of 440 in the lower house. The remaining seats are reserved for military representatives, with the exception of five additional seats in the lower house that reportedly saw voting canceled due to security issues. Secretary of State John Kerry congratulated the country for the historic election but said the process was "far from perfect." "There remain important structural and systemic impediments to the realization of full democratic and civilian government, including the reservation of a large number of unelected seats for the military; the disfranchisement of groups of people who voted in previous elections, including the Rohingya; and the disqualification of candidates based on arbitrary application of citizenship and residency requirements," Kerry said in a statement. Kerry said it was important for the country to remain peaceful following the vote, regardless of the outcome. "Today's election has the potential to be an important step towards greater peace, prosperity, and democracy for the people of Burma," Kerry said.

72 hours Gen. Strike suspended

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: The 72 hours general strike which was called by the JAC against the murder of School Head Master Md. Hashmad Ali has suspended the general strike in view of the upcoming Ningol Chakkouba and Dreali festival. However, the JAC said that it will continue other form of protest until the culprits are booked under the law of the land.

Rock Music as tribute to Richie

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: Club Muzik is hosting a rock music concert at Onam on November 14. The concert is a tribute to Richie Nongthombam deceased in 2014. Richie was a big fan of rock music and a guitarist as well. The tribute is a mark of respect to his love for music and being a talented guitarist in Onam and the surrounding areas. All together 11 (eleven) bands will be performing at the concert which includes Crush N Burn, Dominix, Morning View, Akaxia, Bitter Symphony, Cleave, Pendulum Swing, Eros, Red Devils, The Wissh and Pariah of Paradise. The event is organised by the Organising Committee of Among The Stars in association with the Progressive Youth Association of Onam and is financially sponsored by the friends and families of Richie Nongthombam. Club Muzik request all to attain the show and cheer the talented rock bands of the state on 14th November at Onam Kangleibung. Also special request to all media houses to cover the event.

NCSN-K declared unlawful organisation

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: Khaplang led group of NCSN which had abrogated peace talk with the government of India in March this year has been once more declared as an unlawful organisation by the government of India. In a notification issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs the outfit, which had taken up arms against the government of India after nearly 15 years of peace talk, has been charged of various violent activities including killing of security forces, bomb blasts and waging war against the government of India and declared as an unlawful organisation under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful association with immediate effect. The same has been directed to the state Home Department of the government of Manipur and Manipur government too issued a notification regarding the matter

Action sought highway blockers

IT News
Imphal, Nov 11: A press conference has been held at Manipur Press Club against the highway blocked call by UNC and its related organization, today. Speaking at a press conference held at Manipur Press Club, Rk Joysana, President, Kick Boxing Association, Manipur thanks for lifting of the blockade during festival time but expressed apprehension on guessing when it will resume. Looking at the situation a PIL has been filed to the court in which his demands are no publication of blocked news at any media and newspapers and shot at sight for the agitators, he added. Notice from the court is still waited. Any organization comes up with any demand which includes blocking of national highways, government should reject their demand. UNC is an unlawful activist and must be ban, he added, he added.

Award distributed to eminent personalities

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: 3rd Annual Regional and National Award presentation, 2015 was held today at the Manipur Press Club at around 10:30 am. The annual award presentation for both regional and national to extraordinary personalities in different filed was organized by North East Biography Forum in association with PAFINLA Foundation, NEBF Head Quarter, Imphal. Dr Th Meinya Singh, MP, Lok Sabha (Inner), Rk Naysana Devi, Former Chairperson, MSSWB, Patron NEBF, Imphal, Dr S Bimolakumari Devi, Padmashree Awardee and Soraisam Manaoon, International Awardee, Patron NEBF, Imphal attended as dignitaries in today's function. Speaking to the media persons at Manipur Press Club, Kangabam Ingaremba, Founder Chairman of North East Biography Forum said that the idea of today's function is to bring all the unknown persons of Manipur together who have contributed so much to the society in different field, yet their story remains. As recognition of their work, this is the third time that North East Biography Forum has organized such award giving ceremony, he added. During the function 40 people were awarded were 20 of them were awarded for North East Regional and 20 for National for the year 2015.

Time to take up cudgels

IT Desk
Imphal, Nov 10: Traders are taking advantages of the total absence of the price fixation committee and the rampant extortions of illegal taxes. Okram Ibobi once told the House that militants of all hues are extorting Rs 30 crore everyday from the vehicles of Manipur. This illegal tax is collected indirectly from the consumers in the state with impunity. In an overcrowded metro like Delhi or Kolkata one kg of chicken is sold at Rs 130 whereas it is Rs 200 in and around Imphal. Pork is available in Delhi at Rs 150 a kg though it is sold at Rs 300 in Imphal. Before the

beef ban it was available at Rs 120 a kg. Fish is also much cheaper in the metros since there is no group extorting illegal taxes. Some chicken sellers could sell chicken at Rs 150 or lower since they brought it straight from Assam. However the traders dealing in locally sold chicken objected. They even took law in their hands to intercept the trucks to distribute the live chickens to the urchins along the highways. In other words consumers are forced to buy costlier. The government has failed to protect the truckers from the tax collectors including those of the government

offices. Most of the police and other posts along the highways are for this purpose and not to maintain law and order. A hamstrung government may fail to do so. But why should the people remain half dead and half dumb? Millions of Rupees will be splurged on Ningol Chakkouba on buying imported items. The appeal to depend on local fruits and products had fallen on deaf ears since there is not enough substitute. This vicious cycle has been going on. It is somewhat surprising that the people are now immune from this kind of exploitation.

CM, Speaker and IGAR (S) wish on Diwali

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh wishes the people of the state on occasion of Diwali Festival tomorrow. In his message the Chief Minister stated that Diwali is a harbinger of peace, joy and prosperity. It said that the festival signifies the victory of good over evil, virtue over vice and light over darkness. The CM further wishes the festival to strengthen the bond of friendship and goodwill between the people of each communities.

Symbolizing the victory of good over evil, it is wished that the occasion will promote goodwill and understanding amongst people of all castes, creed and religions. May the lights of Diwali dispel hostility, conflict, mistrust and disaffection among the people and herald an era of peace, progress and prosperity in the region enhancing the spirit of unity, cohesiveness and brotherhood, the IGAR (S) said

KCP Poirei warns Mela organisers

IT News
Imphal, Nov 10: Armed group KCP-Poirei today reiterated its stand to ban all kind of Mela that provide seat to non-Manipuri who come from outside the state and said that the outfit will continue its

support to the sales and exhibitions of Handloom and Handicraft product of the state. In a statement the outfit warn of serious consequences if outsiders are allowed in Mela organised at any part of the state.

SEACO wishes people on Ningol Chakkouba Festival

IT News
Imphal, Nov. 10: South East Asia Cultural Organisation (SEACO) while terming the Ningol Chakkouba festival as a unique traditional festival to strengthen the bondage of relationship between brothers and sisters and maternal fathers of our society, called upon the people of the state to celebrate the festival with

the spirit of our traditional fervour. In a press statement the organisation appealed the people of the state not to have race in presentation of costly gifts to their near and dear sisters or daughter. SEACO also reminded that there are also familiar festival of the kind observed by other communities like Bhai Dooj, Raksha Bandhan to bridge the bondage of relationship between

brothers and sisters. Manipur too have been observing the tradition in its own style but some changes has been brought after the advent of Hindu religion, at which the organisation term it as unfortunate. SEACO also wish the people of the state especially the sisters and mothers to lead a prosperous life.

My Belief and Vision for my people

By-Retd Gen.Thimoselie M. Keyho

Dimapur, Nov10: What I want to say about my belief and vision is this: his: Had there been no Naga National Movement for free and independent Nagaland, what will be the fate of the Nagas now? Nagas who lived under the then "Naga Hills excluded Area" might still remained living under the domain of the Naga Hills District of Assam. Likewise, other Nagas might also be living as it had been before and the fate of the Nagas will be doomed! But I thank God that in the nick of time He raised some Naga people to lead the Naga National Movement for free and independent Nagaland. The Naga National Movement for Naga (National) political history has commenced from whence Nagas under the banner of Naga Club submitted a memorandum to the Simon Commission in 1929. The most important statement in it was that if British Government were to leave Nagaland one day then Nagas should not be handed over to a strange country or a nation which could never subjugate the Naga people, meaning, not to trust Nagas into the hands of India but to restore them to the ancient times which had been free and independent. Its meaning is



about demanding of independent from the British. In response, the British Imperial Government took cognizance of the memorandum and took it and discussed it in the Parliament. Thereafter it placed Naga Hills as an Excluded

Area through legislation. In my opinion, if the Second World War did not occur and caused to disturb everything, but paved way for a peaceful transition then I believe the British Government might certainly present the Nagas with a definite political status. However, the aforesaid war has disarrayed all processes. Although the British Government had won the war, it had relatively weakened her. Yet it could still have ruled the Indian sub-continent potentially for some years. But by focusing towards its future prospect it chose to grant the India sub-continent independence. There, the Hindus and Muslims in India, in order to form Hindustan and Pakistan respectively, had developed great animosity and hatred between them leading to terrible and horrifying killings. The British Imperial Government instead of first restoring peace and transfer power thereafter looked for way out to transfer power and leave as quickly as possible. As a result, issues concerning the Nagas and other nationalities were left ignored as triviality.

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