



## RBI Sub-Office at Imphal

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is opening a Sub-Office at Imphal on October 17 this year. According to a highly placed source the sub-office will be opened at Chingmeirong Lilashingkhongnangkhang, Imphal. Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh will inaugurate the RBI sub-office in the presence of Deputy Governor of RBI, H.R. Khan. The sub-office will be the first branch of the RBI.

## Miscreants ransack UCO bank; lifted computer set

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Miscreants today ransacked the office of UCO bank located at Mantripukhri and lifted a computer set and a CCTV recorder installed inside the bank around midnight yesterday. Most of the table, chair and cupboard were found vandalised early today morning. Police said that the miscreants might have lifted the computer sets and the CCTV recorders at around 1 am today morning after ransacking the office properties.

## Medical camp

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Manipur Peace and Integrity Council (MAPI Council) Manipur today organized a free medical camp at Ningel in Thoubal district under the theme 'Peaceful and Co-existence'. Around 100 people of the area were provided free treatment. Medicines were also distributed during the camp.

## Legal awareness programme

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** District Legal Services Authority, Imphal West in association with All Manipur Nupi Marup today organized a one day Legal Awareness Programme at Johnstone Hr. Sec. School Hall. The legal awareness programme was sponsored by Manipur State Legal Service Authority. RK Memcha Devi, Chief Judicial magistrate, Imphal West cum Secretary, District Legal Service Authority, Imphal West, Wangkheirakpam Chaoba Devi, Principal Johnstone Hr. Secondary School and Soibam Inaobi, Vice Principal, Johnstone Hr. Secondary School attended Chief Guest, President and Guest of Honour respectively.

## Chief Minister Inaugurates ITI Lilong

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Chief Minister Okram Ibobi today inaugurated the ITI Institute at Lilong Mairenkul in Thoubal district. The Chief Minister was accompanied by I. Hemochandra Singh Minister for Labour & Employment and PHED and Md. Abdul Nasir, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries in the inaugural function.



The ITI Lilong was laid foundation stone by Md Salman Khursid, the then Union Minister and Minorities Affairs In-Charge around 7/8 years back.

Speaking on the occasion the Chief Minister expressed dissatisfaction to the quality maintenance of the construction work of the ITI building.

The ITI facility which has been lying dormant for about three years was handed over to HASK Skill Development Centre Pvt. Ltd. (HSDC) by Government of Manipur to run the centre under Public Private Partnership (PPP) model in March this year. HSDC is a company promoted for this initiative by the Singapore based HASK Group of companies owned by RK Herojit. HASK Group is a service provider in Oil & Gas industries providing services to various world class companies like Siemens, Toshiba, Veolia etc. HASK provide services in Singapore, Indonesia, Philippines and Malaysia with offices in these countries.

The target group of this skill training centre will be the

youth who continued their studies up to class eight or class ten due to economic and other reasons. But based on upcoming trades the requirement for the qualification may change accordingly. This centre will be a feeder for employment to the Oil and Gas industry in South East Asia - Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and Middle East Countries. Besides, the centre will also be offering customized training courses to cater to the requirements of the upcoming projects in Manipur like the railways and other major constructions so that these projects could be executed through local resources.

The centre is equipped with a training set up for welding spread across more than forty cabins with welding machines of international standard. There are facilities for steel fitting and pipe fitting as well. More trades like Scaffolding, HVAC Ducting, Plumbing, Electrical fittings will be added on progressively. The centre is well stocked with the consumables so that the

students could be thoroughly trained with course content of 70 percent practical class component. The first batch comprises of an intake of sixty students.

Through this residential training set up, the students will be trained on skills to match the requirements of international standard of oil and gas industry through a rigorous schedule to inculcate discipline and can-do attitude besides acquiring the relevant skills. The trainers are Indians returned having worked in the Europe, Middle East and Singapore. On finishing the two month course, the students will be put up for employment in countries like Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia and Middle East through the linkages of HASK Group.

On completion of the pilot run, HSDC plans to replicate this skill training model in the other ITIs of the state to provide a gainful engagement of the youth to nurture an army of vibrant force who would be willing to traverse anywhere in the globe.

## Workshop on RTE held

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct.12:** A 6-Day Workshop/orientation Program cum Induction training on "Special Training" for education Volunteers, Teachers, Conveners and chairpersons of School Management Committees (SMCs) or School Management and Development Committees started today at Sangeet Kala Sangam Hall, Lamlong, Imphal East.

The Special Training program aims to provide induction techniques on how to facilitate children of disadvantage group under Right to Education. The program is organized by District Project Office, SSA Imphal East.

Speaking to the inaugural session, M.Joy, DC and Chairman, DBE, Imphal East who graced the session as chief guest said that under RTE all children should be given compulsory and free education up to the level of class VIII.

Labour child, orphan, differently abled children, children of SC/ST, Muslim minorities and children with special needs under 10 to 11 years old but do not have facility to enjoy formal education have the right to back up their knowledge like other children who has formal education facility.

He said, if there is development in human resources then there automatically will be development in infrastructure.

## State BJP demands arrest and punishment of culprits involved in Loktak scam

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Manipur Pradesh BJP today demanded speedy investigation to the Rs 224 crore Loktak lake scam and urged the concern investigative agency to book all the culprits involved in the multi crore scandal. Speaking to the media person at its party office at Keishampat Nityapat Chuthek, M. Hemanta Singh, spokesperson of BJP Manipur Pradesh said that Loktak Lake has been converted into an earning ground for Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh led congress government in Manipur. He said that the BJP has already raised the scam of the Loktak lake management and conservation project under SPA funded by planning commission of India with a

total of Rs 224 crore which is sanctioned and released only for clearance of the Phomdis of Loktak Lake. It alleged the government led by Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh for awarding the work to an incompetent Company called K. Pro Infra Works private Ltd. He said in the name of clearance of Phumdid, the rights of the common ignorant fishing communities of the Loktak Lake had been deprived by evicting their floating hut dwellers in a hush manner by LDA under the instruction of O Ibobi. The BJP Spokesperson questions on how the project is being implemented when the real work which are meant to be implemented under the project are not visible in and around Loktak Lake. He said the government

should provide a white paper on the present status of the work being implemented by K. Pro Infra works Pvt Ltd at Loktak Lake. He also asked for the reason on why the then chairman of LDA O. Ibobi Singh failed to make public about the promoters of the K. Pro Infra works Pvt Ltd. He further added that government should form an enquiry committee headed by a sitting supreme Court judge with a special auditor from the comptroller and auditor general of India so that there will be independent and free and fair enquiry on the scam. He further added that the government should immediately arrest the promoters of the K.pro infra works pvt.ltd, including all the officials involved like the main responsible persons.

## Sharmila dissatisfied with the people; says she is confuse on whether her movement is right or wrong

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct 12:** Irom Chanu Sharmila who has been undergoing fast -unto death protest for the last 14 years today expressed dissatisfaction towards the attitude of the people of the state towards her movement. The lady who has been demanding for repealed of the draconian act AFSPA, today said that she is now confused on whether her movement is right or wrong

as people of the state no more showed support to her in any form. Speaking to media persons at CJM Imphal West court complex today afternoon, Sharmila said that people seems to have no desires for repealed of the act who have provided license to kill anybody on mere suspicion by security force. On the other hand Sharmila said that this so called democratic country have

no respect for common people. She said that while she was produced to Patialia House Court recently the Judge of the court do not want to hear her real voice, instead the justice prefer to listen to her defense lawyer only. She said her voice is not respected by the court in this democratic country. Irom Chanu shirma was produce at CJM Imphal west today at 11 am as usual.

## We are cheated by IFCD - Dolaithabi affected Villagers

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Oct.12:** Villagers of Naharup, Satang Kuki and Utonglok Koireng affected by Dolaithabi Barrage project today said that they were cheated by IFCD Department, Government of Manipur by not proving the compensation for their standing properties. Speaking to media persons in a press meet today at Manipur Press Club, Kalam

Koireng, Chairman of Joint action Committee Dolaithabi Barrage Project said, Manipur Government acquired a total land of 70.70 acres. Land compensation has been paid but the compensation for the standing properties have never been provided till today. He said according to government notification on 1997 the people were asked to claim

their property compensation within 3 months, however the notification had never reached the villagers. Recently an executive engineer of the department came and said that as the villagers had not claimed the compensation for the standing property within the three month they are not going to pay the compensation.

## Joint Military exercise 'Hand in Hand' - 2015 Commence

**Lt. Col. Ajay Kumar Sharma PRODEFENCE**

**Imphal, Oct. 12:** The fifth joint exercise between Indian and China, named 'Hand-in-Hand 2015', commenced at Kunming Military Academy, Yunnan Province, China on 12 Oct. The twelve day exercise will lay emphasis on joint handling of counter terrorism and 'Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief'.

The opening ceremony commenced with an impressive parade by both contingents wherein national flags of both countries were brought on parade, followed by national anthem of both countries. The combined parade was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Ruchir Pant of Indian Army. A Weapon and Equipment Display was organized to familiarize with each others weapon systems at sub unit level. This was followed by a demonstration of skills by the Indian contingent, which enthralled the audience with a spectacular display of Yoga training, energetic tribal dances of Nagaland and unarmed combat skills. The Chinese contingent



displayed combat shooting and obstacle negotiation skills within the Military Academy premises.

Lt Gen Zhou Xiaozhou, head of the Chinese Observer Delegation stated that the joint exercise will play important role in deepening mutual cooperation and forging a closer development partnership. He said that the exercise would expand the scope of military interaction, facilitate exchange

of best practices in counter terrorism operations, enhance mutual understanding and trust and further promote friendly relationship between both militaries.

Shri Ashok Kantha, the Indian ambassador to China emphasized the need to tackle terrorism jointly and stressed on expanding defence cooperation at all levels.

Gen Surinder Singh, head of the Indian Observer Delegation expressed confidence that the exercise will become a landmark in the history of bilateral relations of both countries and we will continue to work together and take our traditional friendship to new heights. He stated that both countries shared common perspective regarding countering terrorism in all its manifestations. He welcomed the proposed visit of Vice Chairman of CMC in Nov 15. The general officer thereafter declared the Exercise Hand-in-Hand open.

The exercise Hand-in-Hand-2015 will contribute immensely in developing mutual understanding and respect for each other's military as also facilitate in tackling the world wide phenomenon of terrorism.