

Editorial

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Issues of October 15

The merger of Manipur to the Indian Union in October 15, 1949 after the controversial signing of the merger agreement between Maharajah Bodhachandra and the representatives of the Indian Union on September 21 of the same year at Shillong is the root of all mayhem in the present state of Manipur. For years people of the state have been witnessing several rebel groups observing October 15 as "Black Day" by freezing all wakes of live under the spell of general strike. The rebels do have their cause in calling the day general strike and most surprising thing the irresponsible attitude of both the state and central government to the calls made on this day. The silence of both the state and central government seems to be a clear indication on the righteousness to the call of the rebel or else why shouldn't there be any statement from the government authority regarding the reasons that the rebels had put forward justifying their cause. A stitch in time save River Nile - the saying should be well think upon. For someone who wanted to go deep into the genesis of all this chaos arisen out of the conflict we certainly do have reason to blame the Central government authority for all the present state of our state.

In his book "Open Secret", Maloy Krishna Dhar, the then joint director of the SIB, an intelligent agency had categorically stated the political and economic condition of the state. As according to him he had submitted reports on why the youths especially the Meitei had frustration to the merger of the erstwhile kingdom to the Indian Union terming it as ignorance from the part of the Union government authority. It was in the late 60s that intelligent agency had understood and further cautioned the Union leadership about the possible raise of a separatist movement as an outcome of negligence and proper understanding about the problem of the state.

Points here we wanted every guardian of the country's constituency is the need of special attention to the problem of the state. A mere policy for awarding rehabilitation package to some of the rebel groups and signing of peace deal or cease fire is not a lasting solution. Rather it would bring major problem to the state.

A wrong is a wrong, and a right is always right. What is wrong in correcting the wrongs. India now is emerging as a super power and it is not wrong to speculate in the possible interference of external force to distort the country's unity. The only means to strengthen the ties of the country's unity is through proper clarification on what had been committed before. It was a fact that people in the state believed that merger of Manipur with the Indian Union was illegal - a resolution adopted by a peoples' convention held at GM Hall Imphal in 1993.

Now the mindset of the youth had change a lot, no individuals are fool enough to be driven by some cheap provocative propaganda. So it is better the government accept what has happened before and should sort out the conflict with proper understanding. After all, rebels waging war are also human beings.

MSPDCL POWER DRIVE

A team of Manipur State Power Distribution Company Limited (MSPDCL) during one of its drives conducted on 13th October 2015 caught the following defaulter power consumers for theft/ unauthorized connection from various location.

In IED - III

1. S. Tampakleima Devi of Singjamei Okram Leikai
2. S. Prabha of Singjamei Okram Leikai

Total amount fined as penalty from the above two defaulters : Rs. 6000/-

In IED - II

1. A. Momo Singh of Sagolband Bijoy Govinda Fined Rs. 7800/- as penalty for multiple connection
2. Y. Khamba Singh of Sagolband Bijoy Govinda Fined Rs. 500/- as penalty for unauthorised Connection

In IED - I

1. Md. Ibomia of Hapta Gollapati Fined Rs. 21434/- as penalty for meter bypass

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State News

Government alone cannot face the problems in health sector - Chief Minister

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Imphal, Oct. 15: The Government alone cannot face the problems in health sector in the society. Facing such problems by the government alone is next to impossible. This was stated by the Chief Minister of Manipur O. Ibobi Singh while addressing the Financial Assistance Distribution Function sponsored by Manipur Heart Foundation in Collaboration with Sky Hospital at Classic Hotel, North AOC, Imphal.

The Chief Minister further said that the Government including those of private sectors together have to face the problems of Health and Education just like a war. We human beings faced enormous problems such as joy or sorrow which are inevitable part of our lives. By facing all these problems only then we can feel the real taste of life. Whether one lives in any secure place, definitely one day either he or she will die bidding adieu to his near and dear ones when his time comes. Even the cleverest of the clever could not be left out from death.

Appreciating the contribution of Dr. L. Shyamkishore who left London and started working here



in Manipur for the noble cause of humanity, the Chief Minister said, one may adopt the profession of doctor, engineer or social worker but, at least what one can do by his profession be contributed in order to bring a good and an advanced society. We have to appreciate not only Dr. Shyamkishore's contribution but also those philanthropists who are also rendering their services by helping in the form of financially, physically or otherwise for the needy and BPL families who couldn't afford to go for

treatment outside Manipur, he added. While distributing financial assistance of Rs. 25,000/- each to 9 heart patients belonging to different BPL families from all the district of the state for treatment, the Chief Minister hoped that people with generosity will contribute for this noble cause of humanity and also donated Rs. 1 lakh to Manipur Heart Foundation from his discretionary fund. The function was attended by President, Manipur Heart Foundation and Chairman and

Chief Cardiologist, Sky group of hospitals Dr. L. Shyamkishore and Minister PHED, Labour and Employment Shri I. Hemochandra Singh as President and Guest of Honour respectively. The function was also attended by Parliamentary Secretary TA & Hills and IT Shri Victor Keishing, MLA's Smt. O. Landhoni Devi and Shri St. Nunglung Victor as Special Guests respectively.

As a part of the function, the activities and achievements of Manipur Heart Foundation since its inception i.e., 3rd March, 2013 was also highlighted through 16 minutes visual support. It may be mentioned that since the establishment of MHF, during a short span of 2 years it could organise/conducted different seminars on heart related patients at different districts of the state, established Full fledged Heart Hospital, rendered financial assistance to patients belonging to the needy and BPL families covering the entire state of Manipur for treatment, besides conducting free heart camps at district level for children under the age group of 13 years at various places of the state.

National & International

Nation celebrates APJ Abdul Kalam's 84th Birth Anniversary



With inputs from Zee News

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today unveiled a statue of late former president Dr APJ Abdul kalam to mark his 84th birth anniversary.

Speaking at the event at DRDO Bhawan here, PM said Kalam was a 'rashtra ratna' before a 'Rashtrapati'. Modi also announced that the government has acquired land

in Rameswaram, Kalam's birth place, to build a memorial of the former president to inspire future generations.

Prime Minister said that while most people look for opportunities in life, Dr Kalam always sought fresh challenges to overcome. He recalled how he worked closely with Dr Kalam during the post-earthquake reconstruction work in Kutch.

Recalling that Dr Kalam wished to be remembered as a teacher, Modi said that the former president was well-aware of the importance of nurturing future generations. He said that on the birth anniversary for Dr Kalam, we must explore how we can encourage innovation in India.

The PM mentioned several vital sectors where innovation was essential, including cyber-security,

housing for all, river-linking, enhancing agricultural productivity, blue economy, and zero-defect, zero-effect manufacturing.

Dr Kalam had not only risen himself from humble beginnings to the highest office in India, but had also built great institutions, virtually from scratch, underlined the PM. He said all of us should draw inspiration from his example, added Modi.

The PM also inaugurated a photo exhibition titled as "A Celebration of Dr. Kalam's Life".

Union Ministers M Venkaiah Naidu, Manohar Parrikar, Ravi Shankar Prasad, and Dr Harsh Vardhan were present on the occasion.

Kalam, who died in July, was a career scientist, before becoming India's 11th president, holding office from 2002 to 2007

CBI moves SC for arrest of Himachal CM Virbhadra Singh in DA case

Courtesy HT

New Delhi, Oct 15: The CBI on Thursday moved the Supreme Court challenging a high court order restraining it from arresting and interrogating Himachal Pradesh chief minister Virbhadra Singh in a corruption case.

An apex court bench headed by Chief Justice HL Dattu said they would hear the plea by the investigating agency on the opening day after the Dusshera holidays. The bench, also including justice Arun Mishra, however refused to list the matter for hearing on Friday, saying that it was not so urgent. Additional solicitor general PS Patwalia, appearing for the probe agency, said the high court order has virtually stalled the investigation process by granting relief such as protection from arrest and no interrogation of accused without its prior permission. He said the high court not only restrained CBI from arresting the chief minister but also embargoed it from filing charge sheet without its prior leave. The Himachal Pradesh HC had on

October 1 restrained CBI from arresting Singh and his wife in the DA case but had allowed the inquiry in the matter to proceed.

The probe agency has filed a transfer petition and a special leave petition in the apex court seeking transferring the case against Singh from Himachal Pradesh to Delhi and setting aside of the order passed by the state high court, respectively.

Admitting the petition of Singh, the high court had also directed the CBI to keep the court informed before interrogating the couple.

The chief minister had filed a petition in the high court pleading that the raids on his private residence and other premises were conducted with "malafide intentions and political vendetta" by the central investigating agency.

Man found alive at Mortuary

Mumbai, Oct 15: A 50 years old man who was declared dead mistakenly by doctors Sion Hospital in Mumbai was found alive when brought to Mortuary of the Hospital. Staffs of the Mortuary were stunned in seeing the man alive. The person identified as Prakash was admitted to the hospital on Saturday. He was again taken to the hospital and treated at ICU. But he succumbed later.

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NSCN-IM prepares 50 points demands to ink with GoI under 'Framework Agreement'

And as such of the GoI is willing to live with Nagas, she must tender her apology before the Nagas for grossly violation of Human Rights. That adequate compensation for the Naga political victims including the cost of their properties should be paid to them through each Naga Village Authority with the help of DA, ADC or SDO Civil in every Naga

villages and the same shall not be dealt by any other Dept. of the Government or the same should not be dealt by the VIPs. And the assessment for the compensation for the genuine victims should be done from each Naga Traditional Villages in order to wipe out the tears from the face of the Naga so that the way of Amicable Settlement will be opened."

It also said that there shall be at least 99 years of Interim period for the Naga Government and especially for Defence, Foreign Affairs and Currency to be combine with the GoI till the 99 years of Interim Period is expired. "But when the Nagas can stand on their own feet, they should be allowed to look into their own affairs" the NSCN-IM proposal stated.