

Bamboo products showcase at the First International Bamboo Conference cum Workshop (IBCCW-2015) at Oriental College



Mob vandalise drug peddler's houses at Sangaiyumpham Mairel Khul

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Thoubal, Oct 22: Locals of Sangaiyumpham Mairel Khul area in Thoubal district vandalised houses of six drug peddlers early today morning. A drug peddler who allegedly fired towards the locals was beaten blues and black by the irate mob. The drug peddler has been identified as Aribam Sher Khan (30 years) son of A. Kayamuddin of Sangaiyumpham Mairel Khul. A police team which rushed the spot rescued the

drug peddlers from the clutch of the angry locals. He was immediately evacuated to a hospital in Imphal by the police team. Report said, two drug users were caught red handed last night while stealing a sum of rupees 25,000/- and rice bags from a shop belonging to one Md. Azuruddin at Sangaiyumpham Keithel. The two thieves have been identified as Aribam Abo (45) and Md. Azad (30) of the same village. On being questioned about the drug

peddlers who were supplying drugs to them, the two reportedly name six persons. Early today morning large number of people from Sangaiyumpham area under the aegis of Anjum Sangaiyumpham, Meira Paibis and club members today throng to the residence of one Aribam Sher Khan whom the two drug users identified as drug peddler. Before the large number of people called out the person he

allegedly fired rounds of gun shots towards the locals. No one was injured. Later, the mob chased him and thrashed him blues and black. A team of police which reached the spot on time rescued the drug peddler from the clutch of the irate mob. Later, the locals went to the residence of the five other drug peddlers and vandalised their houses. The five drug peddlers have been identified as Miss Binatoon, wife of (I) Nazir Ahmad, Miss

Noorjan (28 years) wife of Sabir Khan, Miss Nooda (28 years) wife of Maffizuddin, Md. Meino (45 years), son of (late) Mani and Md. Ibocha, son of (late) Raffi of the same locality. Later in the afternoon, a public meeting held at Sangaiyumpham Mairel Khul resolved to drive out the six drug peddlers from the locality. The meeting also resolved to do the same with anybody of the area found providing them shelter.

Indefinite bandh crippled normalcy at Wangoo area

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Imphal, Oct 22: The indefinite bandh called by the JAC jointly formed by the Moirang, Wangoo, Kumbi, Keibul, Sandhong, Napat Diesel Auto and Magic Welfare Association against the deplorable road condition of Wangoo to Moirang enters 2nd day

today. Normal life continues to be crippled today freezing all commercial and business sectors of the area in Bishempur district. People came out in large number in support of the bandh called demanding immediate repairing of the road stretch.

National Sanitation Campaign at Chandel

Letmang Haokip

Chandel, Oct. 22: As a part of National Sanitation campaign 2015, District Water & Sanitation Committee (DSWC)/Public Health & Engineering (PHE), Chandel Division in associated with Chandel District Private Schools Association organized an Essay Writing and Painting Competition at Koinonia Training School, Hnahringkhu Village today. Altogether 150 school students from different schools located in the District Headquarters took part in the Essay writing and painting competition conducted under the theme "Promoting the use of safe water and improved sanitation in schools". Later on, demonstration of the methods for proper Hand

washing was also held in which Ts. Kanlun Anal, Member 13-Vomku District Council Constituency handed over hand washing materials to the participating schools. Briefing the media persons, Jameson Bungdon, District Co-ordinator of DSWC told that the competition was held as a part of observing the National Sanitation Campaign 2015 under the theme "Promoting the use of safe water and improved sanitation in schools". And it was organized in schools to promote the value of sanitation among the young students, he added. He also maintained that it is important to provide awareness to the student on personal hygiene so that they can maintain personal hygiene.

One KCP(N) cadre held

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Imphal, Oct 22: Troops of Jwalamukhi Battalion of Senapati Brigade under Red Shield Division apprehended an active cadre of KCP(Noyan) from Mayang Langjing village of Imphal West district in an operation carried out on October 20. The individual was identified as Inao alias Jiten, age 46 years, s/o Lal Mani, resident of village Khagempali Hudrom Letkai, Imphal West (Manipur). He was apprehended alongwith a demand letter of KCP, one Mobile and two SIM cards. He has been reportedly involved in extorting money and nefarious activities. The cadre was handed over to Police for further investigations.

AR Organises Health Camp

Imphal, Oct 22: 12 BISHAR of 9 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) organised a nutrition and health camp for young boxers and athletes of Nambol Area yesterday. The one day camp took place at Nambol in Bishnupur district. The camp started early morning of 21 Oct 2015 with power fitness capsule. Then, after a break, a lecture was held for the athletes on importance of nutrition and diet planning. The young athletes were motivated by the stories of their very own state legends like Olympian Mary Kom and Sarita Devi. During the break all athletes were served with highly nutritious refreshment. The officer clarified the doubts and questions of athletes over Nutrition and Sports Injuries. Later basic physical fitness of athletes was checked followed by an informal discussion and a group photograph. The effort of Army to promote fitness healthy living in the Youth was widely appreciated by the local populace of the region.

Bamboo conference highlights the significance of Bamboo in Manipuri life

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Imphal, Oct 22: The First International Bamboo Conference cum Workshop (IBCCW-2015) jointly organized by Oriental College (Autonomous) Salai Holding Pvt. Ltd and Bamboo Forum of India Dev Bamboo Industry & CREDO, Manipur has been inaugurated at the auditorium of Oriental College (Autonomous), Takyel, Imphal today. Govindas Konthoujam, Minister, Commerce and Industries, A.K Mirabai Devi, Minister, Social Welfare and Cooperation and Prof. H Tombi Singh, Chairman, Governing Body (Oriental College) also Former Vice-Chancellor of MU attended as dignitaries in the inaugural function. Speaking in the function, A.K Mirabai Devi, Minister, Social Welfare and Cooperation said that bamboo is associated with the people of Manipur from birth to death as bamboo is easily available to us. Bamboo has many roles and from the opinion of experts, the dangers posed by climate change can be controlled by a global propagation of bamboo, she added.

Manipur is globally known for its field of games and sports activities as well as handloom and handicraft which have their origin out of a skilful use of bamboo. Some decades back most of the items of daily use on the state were made out of bamboo. Looking through this matter, a close revival of these items is needed and through mass production, these items made from bamboo can be made available cheaply. Bamboo plays an important role in providing lots of food items mainly Soibum or fermented bamboo shoot which is the local delicacy and if efforts are channeled into it, it can be a base for industry in the state, she added. Unemployed youths of Manipur can employ themselves profitably if they are able to exploit the latent potentialities of bamboo. The responsibility of turning Manipur into a bamboo manufacturing hub lies with the people of our state and the State Government has the potential of creating Bamboo tourism, she added. Govindas Konthoujam, Minister, Commerce and

Industries said that the state Government are looking forward to produce the product of bamboo and made available in the most possible way. 67% of bamboo grows in the North-East states of India. Most of the bamboo of North East grows in the jungle. 1/3 land of Manipur are covered by bamboo, he added. He further said that economic growth of the state can be increased if the product of bamboo can be supplied globally.

Countries like China and Japan has already shown interest in the product of Bamboo and has a high demand of Soibum or fermented bamboo shoot, he added. Foreign delegates were also present at today's function. Some of the foreign delegates took part at the workshop. Around 60 stalls of different varieties of bamboos, product of bamboos, handloom and handicraft, etc are taking part at the workshop.

Consultative meet on climate change and indigenous peoples' rights held

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Imphal, Oct. 22: Centre for Research and Advocacy-Manipur, Mapithel Dam Affected Villagers Organization and North East Dialogue Forum jointly organized a one day consultation program on Climate change and Indigenous people's rights in Manipur" at Manipur press club today. Environment activist, Jiten Yumnam in his key note speech expressed concern

over the aggressive pursuance of unsustainable development processes, mega dam, other extractive industries, large scale projects in Manipur, which led to destruction of forest, agriculture land, while deepening climate crisis and impacts on indigenous peoples' rights. He expressed concern with the false climate change solutions pursued in Manipur. He further added that the

National Hydroelectric Power Corporation is striving to seek carbon credits and profits from its controversial 105 MW Loktak Hydroelectric Project in Manipur from the CDM mechanism of UNFCC, despite the lack of accountability and destroying of more than 80,000 acres of agricultural land. Chairman of Mapithel Dam Affected Villagers' Organization, Dominic

Kashung, secretary of All Loktak Lake Areas Fisherman Union Oinam Rajen, President of Centre for Organization Research and Education, Dr. Debabrata Roy Laifungbam, chairman of Committee on Human Rights Phulindro Komsam attended the consultative meet as resource persons. A documentary film on Mapithel Dam called "Wall of Injustice" was also screen as a part of the consultative meet.

MODified Northeast India laments on poor implementation of central schemes in Hills

New Delhi, Oct. 22: MODified Northeast India has informed Prime Minister on the issue regarding the haphazard implementations of various Central schemes in Manipur, with special focus on hill districts. The Social Initiative has been working towards educating and informing citizens the good governance of PM Narendra Modi since 2014. The organisation has been successfully took part in various campaigns - Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, NaMo 2.0 and conducting surveys in the hill districts, bordering Myanmar. From Ukhrul alone, MODified Northeast India is able to enrol more than 600 active members, out of which 260 are female members. A memorandum has been submitted to the Prime Minister Office (PMO) for poor implementation of various schemes in the State. Residents of Ukhrul are satisfied with the governance of PM Modi and hoping for the Acche Din to reach every village soon. However, in a recent survey conducted in Ukhrul district covering Poi, Soidal, Nambisha, Khamasom, Phungyar, Ringui and Sirui villages; there are many people who don't have a Ration card, Aadhar card, sanitary toilets etc. Widows are not getting widow benefit schemes, girl students are not getting free education, proper healthcare facility and

free medicines are not available to the sick patients who were admitted to the government hospital. People have heard of Prime Minister Jan Dhan Yojana or Zero balance account of Shri Narendra Modi's initiative, the Atal Bima Yojana, health schemes and other social security schemes. Yet, many of them are not getting such benefits in Ukhrul district. Recently launched MUDRA loans are like a Utopian dream for many young entrepreneurs, who are educated, yet unemployed. A paltry sum of Rs 50,000, if provided to these youths will surely make a social change. MUDRA loan forms are not available in various bank, those few available are reserved for the kith and kin of Bank staffs. MODified Northeast India feels if such practice continues, there will be no difference of PM Modi governance and Congress rule of 50 years. The organisation laments that few State Party leaderships are working for self interest and personal gains. The organisation also request State BJP leaderships to bring the "Monsoon of Delhi" to hills and valleys of the State and work in the interest of people. MODified Northeast India believed that few Samaritans and true Nationalist are still in the Party which will work towards Integral Humanism.

Ex-servicemen meet held

Imphal, Oct 22: An interaction was held with veterans of Army and Assam Rifles at Patsoi village by officers and troops of 12th Battalion the Bihar Regt of 9 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) on 21 Oct 2015. The meeting was chaired by an officer of Patsoi army camp and was attended by 10 veterans and their families from the nearby villages. The interaction started with a small speech honouring the Ex-Servicemen for their contribution to the forces. They were subsequently informed about various facilities available to them and mechanisms to resolve their issues. The importance of getting themselves registered in National Population Register, making

Aadhar card and Suvigya software for veterans was employed. The Officer from Patsoi Army Camp told the veterans that they are free to approach army camp regarding any problem faced by them and all possible assistance will be provided to them. The troops later compiled a list of facilities available to the Ex-Servicemen and handed it over to them for ready reference making it a fruitful interaction for the veterans. This interaction has created a combined list of veterans in the area which will lead to institutionalized method of support for the veterans. Assam Rifles continues to strive to the people of Manipur in every manner and be a true supporter of the population.