

Chief Minister
Okram Ibobi Singh
Inaugurating the
Khongjom Police
Station today



3 injured in blast at Border town Moreh

IT News
Imphal, April 20: At least 3 Assam Rifles personnel were injured in an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) blast at T Minou village under Moreh Police Station along the Indo-Myanmar border today morning. The blast took place at 7.30 am when the Assam Rifles personnel were on foot patrol in the vicinity of the village which has a large presence of underground outfits, a police officer said. They received minor splinter injuries, the police officer said. The medium intensity blast was triggered by unidentified persons and no outfit has claimed responsibility for the explosion, he said. T Minou village is located some 5 km from the border town of Moreh in the state.

Constable appeared candidates calls Indefinite bandh

IT News
Imphal, April 20: All Manipur Police Constable Male 2013 batch which had cleared written test and completed viva voce has called an indefinite bandh along National Highway 37 with effect from 6 am of April 21. This is announced by the convener of the police constable recruitment appeared body M Romi Meitei. The body has been demanding immediate declaration of the result of the recruitment test. The body appealed CSOs and other civil body to support the band called the body.

RPF clarifies

IT News
Imphal, April 20: Proscribed group Revolutionary People's Front (RPF) today clarified that the person arrested by Imphal East District Police Commando on April 17, identified as one Kherimayum Rajen (58), son of (late) Kh Nilamani of Top Khongnangkhang Hand Ball ground is not a member of the outfit and is not related with the RPF or its armed wing PLA.

Social Service

IT News
Imphal, April 20: Ningthoukhong Municipality Council in collaboration with Coalition Against Drugs & Alcohol (CADA) Bishnupur District and CADA Head Office have organized a social service at Ningthoukhong Keithel area today morning.

State prepares to pay highest honour to Indian President

All is set for inauguration of the incomplete historic Khongjom War memorial Complex on April 23

IT News
Imphal, April 20: Everything is set ready to honour the President of India, Mr. Pranab Mukherji, who is visiting the state on April 23 to inaugurate the Historic Khongjom War Memorial cum Tourist Complex which is being constructed at the site where the last Anglo-Manipuri war was fought. Interesting the Historic war monuments at which the President is visiting the state

for inauguration is only half completed. Imphal Times reporters who went to take stock of the constructions yesterday found only 50% of the structures completed. However, the government staffs and other engaged contractors and labourers were seen working on war footing as the scheduled of the President visit for inauguration of the memorial site is only 2 days left.

A highly placed source close to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of Manipur said that the President office has been intimated about the present status of the Historic War memorial site. As according to the source the MHA in its report submitted to the Rastrapati Bhavan stated that the Khongjom War Memorial Complex and the Mega Tourism Centre which the President is invited for

inauguration is only 50% completed as on April 19. The report also mention about the incomplete structure of the fencing at Kheba Ching where the Khongjom War memorial statue is erected. Unfortunately, for the state but worth knowing is that the report also mentioned that the wall fencing being constructed at Kheba Ching lacks quality maintenance. Even as the security

arrangement of the President's visit is beef up to ensure full security by the state government the report from the MHA mentioned that the presence of over 1000 labourers engaging for completion of the construction at the memorial complex need to be checked properly. It may be mentioned that DGP Manipur has been assigned for overall security arrangement of the

president's visit. Besides IGAR (S) and the 57 Mountain division will assist the DGP in assuring full proof security. (see Imphal Times date 17/4/2016 issue) Mentioned may be made that total cost for construction of the War Memorial Complex is around Rs. 22 crore and including the newly constructed Tourism complex the total cost is around 40 crores, official source said.

Tangkhu bodies stage protest over killing of Pa Chinao Shang

IT News
Imphal, April 20: Three Tangkhu bodies, Tangkhu People Organization of Imphal, Tangkhu Katamnao Saklong, Imphal and Tangkhu Shanao Long staged sit-in protest denouncing brutal killing of Pa Chinao Shang at Kangkhu Baptist Church, Chingmeirong today. The protesters strongly condemned the kidnapping and killing of innocent person. Protesters demanded to punish the culprits at the

earliest, ex-gratia of Rs 5 Lakhs. The protesting organizations gave ultimatum to Government of three weeks to fulfill their demands if fails have announced to call intense agitations with other organizations. Speaking to media persons, C Ngaraiam, Convener of the three Tangkhu bodies and Secretary of Tangkhu People Organization of Imphal urged all communities in Manipur to join together in fighting against such social evils.

CM inaugurates District Sports Complex, Police Station and Power Sub-station at Thoubal District

IT News
Thoubal, April 20: Chief Minister Okram Ibobi today inaugurated District Sports Complex at Wangjing Kodompokpi Ground, newly constructed Police Station at Khongjom and a 33/11 KV Power Sub-station at Khongjom in Thoubal District today.



A 33/11 KV Sub station, Khongjom is 2x5 MVA capacity installed under Ministry of DoNER after getting administrative approval of Rs.479.49 Lakh only. The Power Sub-station aims to provide non-stop supply of

electricity to the surrounding villages like Khangabok, Papal, Sangaiyupham, Tentha, Sapam, Tekcham, Cherapur, Langathel, Phundrei and Saram Tangkhu etc. A part from Chief Minister, Dy.Chief Minister Gaikhangam, RD & PR, Economic & Statistics Minister, M.Okendro Singh, MLA Y Surchandra and MLA P.Brojen Singh were also

attended at the inaugural function. Speaking at the occasion, Chief Minister O Ibobi stated that the Government is working to built one District Sports Complex each at every district headquarters with the objective of grooming a healthy society. Dy.CM.Gaikhangam said that, It has now been 15 years since the Congress party took helms of the State's

administration. The government is trying its best in bringing equal development at both hills and valley. The Chief Minister also inspected of the ongoing construction work of Khongjom War Memorial Pillar and Water body of the healthy tourist centre. Thoubal DC, T.Ranjit, YAS officials, and District Level officers were also present at the inaugural function.

Jiri Police Check Post alerted government over trespass by illegal migrants through Barak and Jiri Rivers



IT News
Imphal, April 20: Jiri Police Foreigner Check Post and CID (SB) Foreigner Check Post officials have called government's attention towards those illegal migrants trespassing Manipur State through Barak River or Jiri

River. The officials have informed that the influx of migrant workers in the name of working at various national projects such as Railway projects is a matter of concern. It is doubtful that whether the workers have proper

identification papers or not. According to N Udhoi Singh, a police personal at Jiri Police Foreigner Check Post, every foreigner (tourist) or other Indian citizens were allowed to pass the western gate of the State for the Capital only after their proper verification of their identity or else they were sent back. So, far there was no chance for illegal migrants to cross the state border through road ways but said sometimes the police are helpless if these migrant workers enter the state through illegal route like by crossing Barak River or Jiribam River.

Over 5,000 prisoners await trial in Assam

Agency
Guwahati, April 20: The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) prison report, which was published in September 2015, shed light on the gruesome reality of the prison system in Assam. Over 5,000 inmates languish in Assam's overcrowded jails, waiting for trial. The report takes into account data till the end of 2014. Of the 5,193 under-trials identified till December 31,

2014, 186 were women and 20 were foreigners. "There was one Nigerian, one Nepalese and 18 Bangladeshi under-trial prisoners in Assam jails till 2014-end," the report said. One of the worst cases of delayed justice was reported a decade back in the state. Machang Lalung, then 77, was released from incarceration in 2005 after spending more than 50 years behind bars, awaiting trial. A jail official said, "Some of the inmates are incarcerated for a long time for false allegations too. Case diaries of many cases are yet to be prepared."

The report highlighted the plight of waiting for inordinate durations. "At least 23 under-trial prisoners have been in Assam jails for more than five years...There were 96 others who have been languishing in similar condition for periods between 3 to five years. Some 3,450 other prisoners were in jails for more than one year waiting for their trials to end in the same time frame," said an official, citing the report. And it is not just the duration of the wait. The prison conditions are inhuman, compounding the gravity of the situation. In a scenario where prisons are overcrowded, the numbers are all the more telling. There are 31 prisons in the state. However, against the total capacity of 8,192 inmates, there were 8,346 inmates in state prisons in the period the report covers.

CWC fails to rescue children from the complex of Panthou at Wangkhei

IT News
Imphal, April 20: Combine team of four of Manipur Commission for Protection of Child Right; Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Imphal East; Manipur Alliance for Child Right and District Child Protection Unit (under Social Welfare Dept) has failed to rescue 33 children who are still stuck at the complex of Hijam Ratan "Panthou" due to the conflict occurred on April 17 between the locals and the committee members of Panthou. According to information received by our staff reporter from the incident place, there are 33 children's below 18 years of age who are still stuck

at the ritual place where 18 are boys and 15 are girls. On receiving the news of the minor children's from their parents, the combine team of child rights went to rescue them. While trying to rescue the minors, there were some rows between the committee members of Panthou and the child right teams. Committee members sought to the child rights team to rescue all the children's including of the locals not only the 33 children's avail at the ritual place. A team of Imphal East Police personnel's led by OC S.K Singh reach the spot and control the situation raised between the committee and

the child rights teams. It is known that the 33 children's were put up by their parents for dance rehearsal at the ritual place of Panthou for the coming Sajibu Enat Ngaikham Kumbei commencing from April 22 till May 1 of 2016. Unfortunately, these 33 children's were stuck at the ritual place due to the ongoing conflict between the locals of Wangkhei Hijam Leirak and the committee members of Panthou since April 17. Parents of these 33 children were let known by the concern authority to pick up their children's from the ritual place to avoid unwanted happening at the conflict area but non turn

up so far. A committee member of Panthou said that parents have donated their children's for Panthou as devotees and they no more have the right on their childer's. On April 17, two vehicles was vandalized by locals of Wangkhei Hijam Leikai over a conflict between committee members of Panthou over land demarcation which was bought in the name of Hijam Ratan @ Panthou at Hijam Leirak. Due to the conflict Hijam Ratan was boycotted by locals of Hijam Leirak to apologize for the act of barbarism done by his committee members and followers.

State JD(U) to put up state issues at National Executive meeting

IT News
Imphal, April 20: 7 Executive members of the JD (U) Manipur Pradesh will leave Imphal tomorrow to participate the national executive council meeting which is scheduled to hold at Patna on April 23. Speaking to the media person's president of the JD (U) M. Tombi said that state JD (U) will move issue to the

national meeting such as repeal of AFSPA 1958, immediate implementation of ILPS, issue of Indo-Myanmar Border and implementation of food security in the state. He further added that in the upcoming Imphal municipality election all secular political party of the state will from a common platform and will fight in the election.