



JCILPS continues drive against illegal intruders; Pull up 57 illegal intruders

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Imphal, April 5: Days after government seemed to have neglected the 3 ILPS related Bills passed by the state Legislative Assembly in August 31 last year, the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System is left with no choice but to launch drive against illegal outsiders in the state. As announced earlier, the JCILPS under the supervision of its convener Khomdram Ratan had begun intensive drive against the illegal intruders in the state that are engaging at various construction sectors in the state.

Early today morning a team of JCILPS under the supervision of Convener Khomdram Ratan went at the construction site of Govt. Indian Institute of Information Technology at Mantripukhri in Imphal West. Even as the three Bills passed by the state legislative Assembly is yet to get consent from the President of India, the JCILPS team



conducted a spot verification of the identity of each workers utilized at the construction site. The Migrant worker are mandatory to get work permission under the inter-state migrant workmen regulation Act 1975. During the verification the JCILPS team found 35 labourers without in documents. 22 other labourers were found possessing

improper documents. Convener of the JCILPS Khomdram rattan said that the committee is left with no choice but to engage in flushing out the illegal migrants from the state as concern government authority are not doing their duty. He said government should urged the centre about the need for implementation of the three ILPS related Bills to

protect the indigenous people of the state. Mentioned may be made that 9 dead body are still lying at Churachandpur protesting the three Bills and demanding for immediate withdrawal of Bills. However, the JCILPS as well as the government had repeatedly said that no there is no content that might hurt the interest of the tribal people in the said ILPS related Bills.

JAC calls 24 hours general strike against the killing of Pampha Rai

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Imphal, April 5: Large number of people today staged a sit-in-protest near 2nd Manipur Rifles Battalion in protest against the brutal rape and murder of Pampha Rai. The JAC demanded harsh action against the culprit involved in the killing of the lady besides awarding appropriate punishment to the parents of the culprit for concealing the truth. Besides, the JAC has called 24-hour general strike on NH-39 starting from 6 pm today. Speaking to the media persons, Mina Chettri, aged 37, elder sister of Pampha Rai expressed displeasure to the family of the culprits for misinforming her sister. Pallujam Jameson was stated to be a bachelor even though he had already married a Kuki girl and had a son studying in 5th standard. They were however not living together anymore. Pampha and Jameson came to

know each other while working in the same TATA Company and started having affairs since the last 3 years. She said even after knowing that the culprit Jameson is a married and have a son, his parents came and beg her hand for marriage. Accordingly engagement ceremony has been held, she added. Co-convener of the JAC, N Rashi Devi said that the JAC strongly condemned the brutal rape and murder of Pampha Rai where she was found hung naked inside the bathroom of Hotel Venus in Churachandpur on April 2. JAC demands appropriate punishment to the family member of the accused. Dead body of Pampha Rai will not be accepted until the demands are fulfilled. Meanwhile, Pallujam Dallaleima, mother of the accused defend her son stating that her son is

innocent as evidences proves that he had no intention to kill his girl friend. She said her son had registered real name to the hotel register. She however said that she is ready to accept any form of punishment if her son is found guilty. Dallaleima said her son had already married a Kuki girl and had a 5 years old son. Pampha Rai (32), d/o Dul Bahadur Rai of 2nd MR Family Line was found hung to dead inside the bathroom of Hotel Venus in Churachandpur on April 2 and her body is still deposited at the district hospital mortuary. An FIR have been lodge by the victim family while the accused Pallujam Jemson (30) s/o Pallujam Rikendrajit of Langjing Achouba Maning Leikai has already surrender to Bishempur Police on the day itself and still in custody.

Northeast India receives heavy pre-Monsoon rain after dry winters

Shillong, April 5: Winter rains in Northeast India were deficit this year. It's no surprise considering the pan-India deficit rainfall figures. All the three subdivisions of Northeast India - Assam and Meghalaya, NNMT (Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura) and Arunachal Pradesh witnessed rainfall deficiency. In the month of March, pan-India rains were normal but rain deficiency continued in

all the three subdivisions of Northeast India. NNMT witnessed a deficiency of 32% followed by Arunachal Pradesh with 27% rain deficiency and Assam with 22%.

However, this region has been receiving good showers since the last couple of days of April. Heavy showers were also received in the last couple of days. Rain in Northeast India could be attributed to back to back Western Disturbances which move away eastwards after

affecting North India. As the Western Disturbances reach Northeastern states we may not be able to manifest them in terms of any prominent weather system due to their terrain but they inevitably affect weather in the region. Secondly, the anti-cyclone in Bay of Bengal remains as a semi-permanent feature during this season. It keeps throwing moist winds over Northeast India.

At present, we can see a well-marked Cyclonic circulation over Bangladesh and Gangetic West Bengal. This

system will continue to bring good showers over Southeast Assam, Tripura, Mizoram and Meghalaya will receive good showers. On April 4, Agartala and Kailashahar in Tripura recorded 97.6 mm and 129.6 mm of rainfall, respectively. Both these places received the second highest rainfall recorded in a span of 24 hours. Silchar in Assam also received 44.2 mm of rain.

The monthly normal rainfall figures are also quite high in this region, unlike in North and Central India.

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Imphal, April 5: Royal Riders of Manipur, the riders group has expelled R K Nepolian, an executive member of the association who was found involved in a bomb plant at the residence of Imphal Municipal Corporation Chairperson

Aribam on April 4 at around 9.20 pm. Informing the resolution to media persons at Manipur Press Club today Advisor Momocha Laishram said the association took the resolution following an urgent meeting held today morning after the report

appeared on local media. While condemning the act, he said the riders group has no relation with any kind of Nepolian's personal activity. He further appealed people of Manipur not to misinterpret Royal Riders of Manipur and to co-operate the group in future activities as usual.

Earthquake Rocks NE India

Guwahati, April 5: An earthquake of moderate intensity rocked parts of Meghalaya, Assam and other North Eastern states today.

The epicentre of the quake, measuring 5.4 on the Richter scale, was located in the East Garo Hills in Meghalaya and the quake took place at 1312 hrs, the Seismological Centre in Shillong said. There was no immediate report of any casualty or damage.

Candle light protest staged in solidarity to Sharmila

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Imphal, April 5: Large number of people demonstrated candle light protest in support of Irom Chanu Sharmila who has been undergoing fast-unto-death protest demanding repeal of draconian act AFSPA at Leimayol Art Center Chingamakha yesterday evening. The demonstration was staged under the theme - People's Voice Supporting Irom Chanu Sharmila to Repeal AFSPA, 1958. It was Jointly

organised by North East Dialogue Forum, Conflict Widow Forum, Youth of Manipur, People's Platform Secretariat, Village Women Coordinating Committee, People for Human Rights and Climate Change, Environment Protection Network, Foundation Development Centre, Social Action Development Organisation, Social Youth Development Organisation and Social Welfare and Development Centre.

Representatives from different organizations who took part in the protest demonstration shared their view about the need for repeal of AFSPA. Many also demanded to release Sharmila. The organizers has also shared its view that the people of the region respect the movement of Mahatma Gandhi for India then why not Government of India neglecting the movement of Irom Chanu Sharmila fighting to repeal AFSPA, 1958.

Maoist welcomes protest by RIMS staff; ask if any such protest are done against the dereliction of duty by doctors

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Imphal, April 5: Maoist Communist Party Manipur today said that they have high respect for those staging protest against the bomb attack to the residence of MS Dr. Amuba as the party has no motive to impose AFSPA like sedition act against anybody. The outfit however said that it would be happy if the staffs, nurses and doctors at RIMS had staged a protest against the Doctors practicing in private clinic besides enjoying the non-practicing allowance. In a statement the outfit said that since 2013 the Maoist has been exposing the corrupt practice of some of the top

authority of RIMS and now charge sheet are being frame against the then director Dr. Sekharjit at which the party had exposed rampant corruption practice by him. It said the outfit has been warning the RIMS authority and the doctors to stop visiting private clinic besides appealing them to concentrate at the hospital but the request has never been listen. On Indian Medical Association condemnation to the attack by Maoist, the outfit questions the association, if private practices by hospital doctors who are enjoying non-practicing allowance are right

or wrong. While conveying strong warning to all the doctors of both RIMS and JNIMS, the Maoist said there is no let off to the mission of the party for the welfare of the poor people. It said the party will keep eye to both the hospital and will proceed any kind of action to anybody found indulging in rampant corruption as well as neglecting their duty. The Maoist press statement said that the party will continue to attack Medical Superintendent of RIMS Dr. Amuba and also the Deputy Director of RIMS Y. Rajendra for their high handedness to the party.

Pathankot attack was a drama staged by India to malign Islamabad, says Pakistan JIT: Report

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Pathankot, April 5: Just a few days after the Pakistani Joint Investigation Team (JIT) probing the Pathankot terror attack admitted that the four terrorists who attacked the Pathankot Indian Air Force base were from Pakistan, the JIT has said that the Pathankot attack had been staged by India, according to a Pakistani media report. The JIT "says the attack was a drama staged to malign Pakistan," according to a report in *Pakistan Today*. It further said that the JIT report, which will be submitted to Pakistan prime minister Nawaz Sharif in the next few days, has even concluded that Indian authorities had prior information about the terrorists. The report also quoted a member of the JIT as saying that the NIA officer's murder on Saturday night in Uttar Pradesh showed that "Indian establishment wants to keep the matter under wraps." The same source also told *Pakistan Today* that the JIT concluded that the standoff between the Indian army and "alleged" terrorists ended within hours after the attack, which apparently made it clear that the attack was a drama staged to malign Pakistan.

"The Indian authorities made it a three-day drama to get maximum attention from the world community in order to malign Pakistan," *Pakistan Today* quoted the JIT report as saying.

The source also told *Pakistan Today* that no "major" damage was done to the base and that the perimeter lights at the airbase were not functional on the day of the attack, which apparently raises questions about whether India had prior information about the terrorists. This is not the first time, though, that the Pakistani media and the JIT have made allegations of hiding evidence against India.

On 28 March, a report by Pakistani news channel *Dunya News* had said that Indian authorities showed "signs of reluctance" when the JIT asked them for information and evidence.

"Sketches of the attackers, footage of the closed-circuit television, duty registers of the Border Security Force (BSF), details of the bank accounts, security records, post-mortem report of the driver who died in the car accident at the time of the incident and the FIR of that car's snatching have not been given to the Pakistani

investigation team," a report in Pakistani newspaper *Daily Times* had said.

The report had further said that post-mortem and DNA reports of the terrorists involved and phone records and information about the commander of Pathankot airbase had not been given to the JIT.

The *Dunya News* report had further claimed that the stances of the Indian government and BSF regarding the terror attack were contradicting each other.

Moreover, the report had said that while Indian authorities had said that terrorists had entered the Pathankot airbase after climbing ten-foot walls, no ropes were found as evidence.

These claims by the Pakistani media had come just a day after it was found that Pakistan's electronic media regulatory body (PEMRA) on Sunday had released a statement for the Pakistani media, asking them to be "professional" and "responsible" when reporting on the Lahore attacks, unlike the Indian media.

What is truly surprising about the Pakistani JIT report's claim is that it comes just days after the same JIT admitted that the terrorists were from Pakistan. Reports had, in

fact, also suggested that Pakistan had enough evidence to link them to extremist group Jaish-e-Mohammad. Moreover, during the beginning of the investigation, Indian investigators had said that the visiting officials did not "contradict" any of the evidence submitted by the NIA.

"The fact that they did not contradict or made any adverse comment or observation is a positive sign," sources had told *IANS*.

The fact that the JIT is now saying that Indian authorities did not provide evidence and is claiming something as absurd as India staging the Pathankot attack shows exactly how dark relations between India and Pakistan truly are.

As this report in *The Tribune* had said, "Cricketers believe that if India and Pakistan were to play more games, it would help both countries to live in peace. They do not realise that at political and diplomatic levels too, both nations play games. This game is called one-upmanship, with surprise as an important element."

With inputs from agencies