

## ‘Transformation of India needs without transformation of govt.’

**New Delhi, Aug. 26:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said transformation of India cannot happen without transformation of governance. Inaugurating the first Transforming India series lecture organised by NITI Aayog in New Delhi today, Mr Modi said, transformation of governance needs transformation in mindset and transformative ideas. He said development today depends quality of ideas and institutions. He also said, country has to change its laws, speed up processes and adopt technology for the development. Mr Modi said, if India has to meet the challenge of change, mere incremental progress is not enough. He said, a metamorphosis is needed to meet the challenge. Mr Modi said, nations cannot march through the twenty first century with the administrative systems of the nineteenth century and there is need of collective opening of the minds, to let in new, global perspectives. Mr Modi said, younger generation in India is thinking and aspiring so differently

and government can no longer afford to remain rooted in the past. Mr Modi said, development now depends on the quality of institutions and ideas. He said, 30 years ago, a country might have been able to look inward and find its solutions but today, countries are inter dependent and inter connected. He said, no country can afford any longer to develop in isolation. Prime minister said, this series

is being inaugurated by Tharman Shanmugaratnam, one of the world’s leading intellectuals, Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore. Delivering the keynote address on the subject Fulfilling India’s Potential in the Global Economy, Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore Tharman Shanmugaratnam said, skill and innovation along with technology can take India forward.

## Woman attacked while going to ask for borrowed money

**IT News Imphal, Aug 26:** In an unfortunate incident, a 55 years old woman sustained serious injury after a person, who allegedly borrowed money from her, attacked her with deadly knife. The incident happened at Khurai Lairikyengbam Makha Leikai in Imphal East at around 8 am.



The injured woman have been identified as one Chanamthabam Ongbi Thoibi Devi w/o Chanamthabam Rabi of Khurai Lairikyengbam Makha Leikai, Imphal East. The incident happened when the women went to the residence of Chanam Thabam Momon (age about 54) son of Chanam Thabam Sora of the same locality, whom she allegedly lend a sum of rupees 40,000/- about a year back. Report said Momon chopped the woman with a fillet knife

from behind when she was supposed to enter his house. She was immediately rushed to JNIMS hospital and is presently undergoing treatment at the hospital. Later, local of the area overpowered and rounded up Ch. Momon and handed over to police along with the Fillet knife used in attacking him. The locals also vandalise some portion of the house of Momon and found 60 liters of local liquor.

## DESAM stands against frequent bandh and blockade



**IT News Imphal, Aug 26:** Large number of students under the initiative of Democratic Students’ Alliance of Manipur (DESAM) today staged a protest demonstration at Thoubal district head quarter denouncing the frequent bandh and general strike called by various organisation in the state. The bandh had severely disturbed the academic atmosphere of the schools and colleges in the state and fate of many students are at risk as schools and colleges

had to remained close during bandh or blockade by any groups or organisation, a DESAM Volunteers said. The students also form human chain to get notice of those concern bodies calling bandh and general strike by disturbing the school atmosphere. A volunteer said, at the present condition there is no way that student of the region could compete with students of other part of the states as they could not get proper education due to the bandh and blockade.

## CCpur JAC kickstart ‘Tribal Unity Day’ observance

**IT News Imphal, Aug 26:** In a run up to the Tribal Unity day observance scheduled to organize on August 31 this year, the Churachandpur JAC formed against the ILPS Bills today organized a passenger Auto rally in Churachandpur district head quarter. The rally which begins from Churachandpur public ground snakes through the streets of Churachandpur district head quarters carrying anti ILPS slogans. During the rally which kicked off from 9 am, almost all shops and business establishment remained shuts showing support to the rally. The Churachandpur JAC had yesterday announced that the weeklong observance of ‘Tribal Unity day’ will kick start from today to show highest regards to the nine tribal martyrs who were killed during anti ILPS Bill in August

31 last year. The JAC had yesterday appealed to lite candle at each houses of tribal people at 6.30 pm to show support to the movement. The JAC Against the Anti tribal Bill is also all set to organised series of sit-in protest at various places of Churachandpur district from tomorrow until August 31 where there will be a traditional gun salute as a mark of respect to the tribal martyrs who were killed in the mass uprising against the passing of the 3 ILPS Bills passed by the state government on August 31 last year. After the Protection of Manipuri Peoples Bill, 2015 which was passed along with two other Bills has been denied assent by the President, the state government is preparing another Bill similar to the kind which is being vehemently opposed by the CCpur JAC.

## Petition filed against Wangkhem MLA for ‘unauthorised’ declaration of school holiday - JAC

**IT News Imphal, Aug 26:** JAC against the Construction of Yairpok Aided High school said that the committee has filed a petition with the Manipur high court seeking justice regarding ‘unauthorised’ declaration of holiday for three days by local MLA. JAC convenor Ksh. Ito while talking to reporters at Manipur press club today said that students and guardians of the Yairpok aided high school have been protesting against the government move to

construct a power substation inside the school campus for the last three months. Altogether 15 students underwent fast unto death agitation. Eight students have been detained at juvenile home. Despite stiff opposition from the students and local people, government still continues to construct the power station under strict security deployment in the school campus by clamping 144 CrPc, he said. The JAC convenor said that parliamentary secretary K

Meghachandra who is also incumbent local MLA declared three days holiday for the school from July 20 to July 23 at his will so as to prevent any disruption while constructing the foundation of the power station. The power to declare school holiday lies with the ZEO or authority of education dept, not the legislature. He said that a petition was filed with the court challenging the authority of MLA on declaration of holiday. Debating the claim of MLA Meghachandra stating that

the area where the proposed power substation would be constructed is a khasland area, the JAC convenor maintained that the proposed construction site falls under pattaland of the school. He alleged that the local MLA has misled the people through fabricated statements. He asserted that JAC will continue its agitation until government rescinds its decision to construct power substation while reaffirming the stand to boycott the MLA and members of the school committee who signed the agreement.

## Govt. office set ablaze



**IT News Imphal, May 26:** Unknown miscreants today set ablaze the office of District transport office, Thoubal at around 7.30 am. Report said that around 5/6 youths who looks around 20 to 30 years today came and set ablaze the office room and fled the area. Important documents and files along with some infrastructure of the Transport office had been destroyed in the arson. A team of Thoubal fire Service which rushed the area managed to extinguished the fire from spreading further.

## MCPM warns RIMS on Nurses’ agitation

**IT News Imphal, Aug 26:** Maoist Communist Party Manipur (MCPM) has extended its support to the agitation by RIMS’s nurse against irregularities to the promotion of staff nurse. A statement of the outfit points out the irregularities saying that while promoting the staff nurse senior nurses who are from the serial number 6 to 41 on merit list are skipped and promoted a staff which is at serial

number 42. The outfit said that RIMS authority follow the theory of favouritism and nepotism while giving promotion to its staffs. The Maoist warns RIMS authority of serious consequences if any unwanted incident happens during the agitation to the Patients. The rebel group also appealed the nurses not to give any affect to the patients who are undergoing treatment at the hospital.

## Nagaland Assembly ratifies constitution amendment bill on GST

**Kohima, Aug. 26:** Nagaland Assembly on Friday ratified the landmark constitutional amendment bill for the roll out of the Goods and Services Tax (GST), which was passed by the Parliament earlier this month. Chief Minister T.R. Zeliang, who is also Minister-

in-charge of finance, moved a resolution for ratification of the bill during the one day special session which began early Friday morning. The sixty member house unanimously ratified the bill after which the house was adjourned sine die.

## Meghalaya Dy CM & Health Minister resign

**Shillong, Aug. 26:** Deputy Chief Minister Rowell Lyngdoh and Health Minister AL Hek of Meghalaya have resigned from the Council of Ministers. After meeting Governor V Shanmuganathan, Chief Minister Mukul Sangma told reporters in Shillong on Thursday that he has

submitted the names of former Assembly Speaker Martin Dango and Government Chief Whip Ronnie V Lyngdoh for induction in the Cabinet. Their swearing-in will be held at the Raj Bhavan today. This is the first major reshuffle by Mr Sangma after the general elections two years ago.

## IED seized in Assam

**PTI Rangia, Aug 26:** A powerful Improvised Explosive Device (IED) was seized from a man by security forces in Boko police station area of Kamrup district today. Acting on a tip off, Army Dogra Regiment, with the help of Assam police, seized the explosive from Amir Chan Ali, a defence official said. The IED was later defused by the bomb disposal squad of the army. Ali was detained by the police for interrogation, police said.

## ‘Your right vote will make the bright nation’

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In a Democratic country, people should be at the top of the hierarchy. A Government should come from the people and People itself should be the government. This thought is diminishing. This is the reason that causes the increasing gap between people and government. Even Government (which ought to be People’s Government) and the elected representatives who are supposed to work for the people overlook People’s suffering. This compels people to take politics as a dirty pool, and the politicians as thieves racing amidst the dirty water of the pool. This is also becoming true to some extent. But, in order to clean and rectify it, a sincere effort of the people is needed. The Idea of real Democracy can only be achieved when people become politically conscious. Based on this viewpoint, after consulting various eminent personalities engaged in different fields and various academicians, a Youth committee named as Committee on Voting for a Change (CVC) is constituted with many and various youths who hail from different nook and corners of the state. The objective of the Committee can be known from its name itself. Yes, to bring a change. This is even

signified by the motto which is ‘Right vote-Bright Nation’. Although political parties have been campaigning with the slogan ‘vote for a Change’, the change is still invisible. In a Constituency, people may witness new faces and new representatives but after getting elected, most of the elected representatives are found to join the culture of restraining themselves from the common people. Besides that, most of them pace up in becoming a VIP and live luxuriously, forgetting why they are elected and who elected them. The pride of the VIP tag often disrespects the intentions of the common people. More disheartening is the development of the wicked thought of buying voters with few 500 & 1000 notes. This is where we, the people, are wrong. Today’s few moments’ of happiness with the cash, alcohol and drugs during election will make us burn amidst pain and misery for at least Five years. And if it continues, people will go on suffering while the wicked elected representatives will go on feeding on us. And one day, a time may come when we all die in a hell like situation. So, regarding the upcoming General Assembly Election, Committee on Voting for a Change (CVC) would like to convey its message to the people - first, let us not choose few moment’s

joy against five years’ long term. Second, let us not get trapped in the crocodile tears of wicked self made leaders. Third, let us not sell our motherland for those few 500 and 1000 notes. Please cast your votes for the ones who will work and at least speak for the poor and common men in the Assembly/parliament. Let us stop selling our lives just for the sake of money and drugs. Let us make our children inherit a corruption less society. And for that let us atleast try to take this small step of making elections total free and fair. As a part of CVC’s campaign, a cycle rally will be organized on the 6th of October which will start from THAU ground, Thangmeiband. On this occasion too CVC invites all the people of Manipur irrespective of race, creed and religion to kindly support and take part in the event with a delightful hope of creating a Corruption less, peaceful and developed Manipur. Besides that, a poster campaign in many of the nook and corners of the state will also be organized. And this will simultaneously go on with a street play named ‘eikhoi vote thadha heisi’ to be played by the volunteers of CVC. In such an activity CVC request the fellow brothers and sisters of Manipur to enhance the confidence level of CVC volunteers.