

## Two BSF personnel injured in IED blast, another IED found

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 8:** At least two security personnel belonging to BSF sustain minor injury after suspected rebel triggered a low intensity IED near Kangpokpi town at around 10:45 am today morning. Meanwhile, combined team of Police and AR recovered a powerful IED weighing around 3 kg from a bus at Tengdongyan area along the National Highway under Sekmai Police station at around 6.30 am today. The blast site is around 3 km North from Kangpokpi town along the National Highway 1 under Kangpokpi Police station. According to report, both the BSF personnel of 54 Battalion were travelling in a mini bus bearing registration no. AS-01-S3-8780 when the blast took place. The injured BSF personnel have been identified as Captain Anil Kumar, batch no.



04254399 and Captain Lalji Yadav, batch no. 032544037. Captain Anil Kumar suffered minor splinter injury on his hand while Captain Lalji Yadav suffered on leg after being hit by a splinter. An army convoy, which was passing the blast area, attended the injured BSF personnel by providing medical aid before preceding their journey. Regarding the IED found in the bus Addt. SP (Ops) Imphal West, Th Vikramjit said that the IED was recovered after a combine team of Imphal West Commando and 25 Assam Rifle led by Major Radhakrishna conducted a search operation along the NH-02 after receiving information about it. The IED was found wrapped in a polythene bag inside a rice bag from a passenger bus bearing registration No. MN 01

## Centre directs state Govt. to reserve 33% women post in police force

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 8:** Union Ministry of Women and Child Development have directed the state government to make sure for reservation of 33% post in the police force for women. The Ministry justifies the reservation policy as a means to protect women at the backdrop of increasing offences against women including domestic and sexual violence, trafficking, harassment at workplace etc. "The presence of women police officers and staffs will enable women, especially in villages, to report offences and seek redressal of their grievances," the ministry directive stated. Taking the matter seriously, the State Home Department had written a letter to the Director General of Police, Manipur to take necessary action for complying the Ministry's directives.

## 'Unknown' disease claims 3 cows in Churachandpur

**IT News**  
**Cepur, Aug 8:** In an epidemic like situation, at least 3 cows died of 'unknown' disease last week at Khanpi village in Hengle Sub - Division of Churachandpur District, Manipur. According to reports available with the press, more than 5 cows of the village are now suffering from an 'unknown' disease, and said to be in 'bad' condition, which calls for rapid action from the District Administration. The 'unknown' disease

started to claim the lives of cows in the first week of August. "We really don't know the disease that claimed the lives of 3 cows so far", said a villager and expressed his helplessness of what to do to save more cows of dying from the 'killer' disease. As per information gathered from the village, the 3 cows belonged to Goulun s/o Khawmzangul, Liemthang s/o (L) Siempu and Soinlam s/o (L) Siphokam. With the 'unknown' disease still to be brought under control and no medical help received from the Government yet, villagers expressed fear that the 'unknown' disease may take the lives of more cows in the coming days. Talking to media persons, a villager fervently appeals to the District Administration to rush Officials and Veterinary doctors to take stock of the situation at the earliest. Khanpi village is situated about 97 kms from Churachandpur headquarters.

## Magisterial Enquiry ordered into encounter at Ukhrul

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug. 8:** The state government have ordered a Magisterial Enquiry into the death of Md Akupi @Jakir (18) S/o Md Jalin Shah of Uyumpokpi Pangaltabi Sagolmag, Imphal East and Aboynao Sinam (16) S/o Romesh Sinam of Thangmeiband Polem Leikai, Imphal West in an alleged encounter with 44 Assam Rifles in between Grihang

and Kamjong Village under Chassad Police station, Ukhrul District on 6 January 2016. According to a notification signed by Ningrengam Leisan, Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Kamjong, the enquiry will be conducted in the court of the SDM Kamjong located in the office of the SDO Kamjong, and requests any person or persons desirous or willing to give oral evidence or produce any material/ documents or to submit their statements of the fact supported by the affidavits and documents before the Enquiry Magistrate in connection with the aforementioned enquiry to submit their names along with personal details and other particulars to the SDM on or before 10 August 2016 during office hours.

## Fisheries employees demand regularisation before fresh recruitment

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug. 8:** The Fisheries Officiating Employees Union Gopal Singh said that the 175 officiating employees were recruited in the year 1985 by the cabinet decision of the announcement of fresh recruitment of grade 3 and 4 employees in the Fisheries Department instead of regularising employees who have suffered more than 30 years in the department. Speaking to media persons the acting secretary of the

court of Manipur has ordered the state government not to recruit any employee before regularising them and even the state cabinet has taken a decision to regularise them if there is vacancy post. He added that the Union has no issue or objection in recruitment of fresh candidates, however the state government should regularise the long suffered employees of the department before any recruitment is done.

## Indefinite Bishnupur bandh called against assault of Doctor

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 8:** JAC formed against the attempt to murder of Dr. N Gyaneshwor, has called indefinite total Bandh at Bishnupur district and Tidim road from 6 am of August 10

in protest against the inaction of the state government. Speaking to the media persons, co-convenor of the JAC RK (o) Tombisana said that despite the fact that the JAC has been waiting for the

government to act on against those responsible for the deadly attack to Dr. N Gyaneshwor, the government is trying to conceal the matter. She said that it was on the adjoining night of May 16

and May 17 that Dr. Gyaneshwor was inhumanly assaulted inside his own hostel room and police still failed to arrest those culprits till these days. The co-convenor also

blamed the authority of RIMS over its silent over the matter saying that any unwanted incident happened inside the campus of the institution should be held responsibility by the authority.

## RIMS casualty shuts following protest by students

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 8:** Functioning of RIMS Hospital comes to grinding halt today after doctors and students stop attending normal duties at Casualty following vandalism by patient party over the death of their patient at Chest ward of the hospital yesterday evening. Report said a patient identified as A. Boy (age about 30) son of Laksmam of Pongdongbam in Imphal East district which was referred from JNIMS surrounded to his injury at around 3.30 pm yesterday evening. Following the dead the patient party vandalized

hospital properties inside the ward and even slapped one MBBS student who was attending the ward. Following the incident, MBBS students assigned at various wards including wards left their duty to show their protest over the vandalism. Doctors too cease their works hitting

seriously, the normal functioning of the hospital. Patients in needs of medical care faced the most hardship as casualty remained close today. Till the filling of this story there are no reports of any settlement brought between the doctors and the patient party.

## Original Mark-sheet and Provisional Certificate Lost

I have lost my Original Mark-sheet and Provisional Certificate for All India Secondary School Examination bearing Roll No. 3117773 of 2003 and All India Senior Secondary School Examination bearing roll no. 3215858 of 2006, conducted by Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi and details about the lost of the said documents was published at Hueiyen Lanpao on July 3, 2015 but the same are not found. Sd/-  
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S/o N. Somirkumar  
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## Sharmila, If you still love your people, continue your struggle

By: MC Meitei, Coordinator, MIYC

It has been a complete 15 years and 9 months that you have been on indefinite hunger strike demanding the repeal of the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA), 1958 from Manipur challenging the militarization of the civil society under the garb of the Indian Democracy, the functioning of the Indian polity and the enactment of the said Act that renders human casualties randomly with impunity. Much water has flowed down regarding human casualties and collateral damages on the soil of Manipur since Manipur's annexation to India in 1949 till today. And, you came out as a symbol of this oppression of the people of Manipur under the Indian dispensation after the Malom Massacre of November, 2000. The struggle of Sharmila is unique in the world and is the history itself in the embodiment of the struggle itself. You are no less than Nelson Mandela, Martin Luther King, MK Gandhi or the like. John of Arc of France is also no greater than you. On one side, you are above all these personalities for your relentless struggle against genocide to save humanity. Your struggle is symbolic in this present century not only for the oppressed people of Manipur but for all the burdened people in each and every corner of the Planet Earth who have been struggling against one or the other form of oppression under the tyranny of military rule or autocratic and undemocratic government. Had you been born in the United States, any European country or any NATO Bloc

country, you would have already been adorned with the Nobel Peace Prize. Unlucky is that you were born in Manipur-an Indian ruled territory, where receiving the Nobel Peace Prize while in judicial custody shall ever remain a Black Scar on the face of the so-called largest democracy in the world. Notwithstanding all these facts, everyone was taken by surprise at your sudden declaration to enter into Indian electoral system after curtailing your maiden struggle for the repeal of the notorious AFSPA, 1958 on August 9, 2016. There is no wrong for your entering into politics to serve your people better but the irony is that you have planned to embrace the system which you had rejected for its undemocratic rule and the militarization of the civil society. Even though you win the election, you will not be able to do anything as you will be taking oath under the constitution and shall ever remain as a statue for you won't be able to fight 59 MLA's all alone on the floor of the Manipur Legislative Assembly. We, at the Manipur International Youth Centre (MIYC) still vividly remember how you worked to strengthen the Centre with your position as the Assistant Secretary, Women's Cell, MIYC till the last minute you drove your bicycle all the way from your home to the Malom Massacre Site to launch your hunger strike. We feel sorry as a hurriedly convened meeting of the Executive Council, MIYC denied you to carry out your hunger strike in the name/as a volunteer of MIYC as we firmly

believed that in doing so in the fragile, fragmented and sectarian Manipur Civil Society, you won't be able to receive the popularity you have won today with the support of the Manipur People in particular and the citizens of the world in general. Today, by and large, the people of Manipur feel how painful your struggle in that solitude and solitary confinement for such long a time with no able person from Manipur and elsewhere to play your card in the arena of international relations and international diplomacy. We also feel the inner dissent at the penalty of your heart like you imagine the stars shall never shine down. We also know you are the one and the only one person who could introduce this little paradise on earth more brightly throughout the world by your struggle against AFSPA, 1958 than any other personality in a different field or struggle. Your struggle reminds everyone on earth more or less similar to the struggle of Aung San Suu Kyi who spent more than 15 years in detention, most of it under house arrest during which time she was debared from meeting anyone. By not having any visitor in your social isolation, you could be wrong to outrightly claim (that) you don't have anybody to support your struggle against AFSPA, 1958. See the various international awards you are honoured with, mass protest rallies in India and across the globe-what they are for-just for the sake of your non-violent struggle against AFSPA, 1958. There is no

one in this world who has struggled for such a long period of time in solitary confinement for the cause of humanity. Indeed, you are the longest hunger-striker for humanity in the world. It would also not be wrong to say you are the Icon of Peace in this millennium. And everyone loves you and supports your struggle either mentally or physically. You may feel you have failed your struggle but it is not so. You have already achieved the fruit of your struggle by unmasking the dark side of the Indian Democracy by exposing its ruthless military regime in Manipur, Kashmir and the North-East India to the world. And, it may be wrong to think you can change the Indian structural system through electoral process for nothing can be done against its strategic interest in this land of Kautliya's Arthashastra. And, it will also be unwise to suspend your struggle mid-way. By doing so, you will put the people of Manipur in the quagmire of uncertainty and nobody will be able to earn the respect you have given to your people from all over the world. No one on earth would respect Manipur and her people if another Sharmila happens to come up. You must realize your struggle is like an eclipse in the travesty of Indian Democracy and there is an apocalypse of the Indian Democracy happening in Manipur if the struggle of Sharmila meets an untimely death. (Contd on page 2)