

Commemorating the 77th Nupi Lal Day; 1000 ladies run as a mark of respect to the Martyred Manipuri ladies



State pays homage to the brave mothers of Nupi Lan Dialogue only way to resolve issues: CM

IT News
Imphal, Dec. 12: The state today observed the historic event when the womenfolk of Manipur rose against the oppressive and unconcerned attitude of the British authority as 'Nupi Lan Numit'- the Manipur Women's Agitation of 1939 at Nupi Lan Memorial Complex. Chief Minister Okram Ibobi and his deputy Gaikhangam graced the function as Chief Guest and President respectively.

The heads of state paid homage to the brave mothers who took part in the agitation by offering floral tributes to the departed souls. Speaking on the occasion, the chief minister stressed the need to listen to and tolerate the opinions of others while stating that everybody has the right to voice our concerns and grievances to the authorities in a peaceful and democratic manner, and such grievances can only be resolved through dialogues and discussions instead of indulging in spreading hatred and apprehension amongst the public which will always prove futile. Recalling the historic events of 1904 and 1939 when the fearless womenfolk of the state rose against the oppressive British rulers, Deputy CM Gaikhangam

extolled the vital role of women in every sphere of the society- from arts and culture, trade and commerce to politics and administration. He further stressed the unique role being played by the women of Manipur in managing and running the household which will be impossible for women from other part of the country to imitate. He further expressed the belief that the real form of respect to the brave mothers will be paid when the women in the state can follow in their footsteps. A play- 'Nupilan' was also presented by artists of Nupilan Memorial Association and Nupilan and Khongjom War Memorial society as part of the function. Ministers, MLAs, state officials also attended the ceremony.



Civil bodies observed the day at THAU ground

IT News
Imphal, Dec. 12: Various civil society organisations also jointly organised the 77th Nupilan Memorial Function at THAU ground Thangmeiband. Tributes were paid to the ladies who had sacrificed for the people of the state. Clubs, social organisations and other local bodies of the state also observed the 77th Nupi Lal Memorial day.

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Neglected Buffalo Farm employees ceased work

IT News
Imphal, Dec. 12: Employees on the Muster roll of Regional Buffalo Breeding Farm, Wabagai in Thoubal district have ceased all work to protest the alleged failure of the concern authorities to address their grievances and for not fulfilling the agreements

reached with them despite repeated requests and representations. Speaking to reporters today at the farm, the staffs said they have been rendering services at the farm for more than 25 years, but have not been paid their salaries since 2003. According to the employees, they have

resolved to stop tending to the buffaloes and will neither be taking them out for grazing nor feed the livestock until their dues are cleared and also urged the state government to look into the interest of the muster roll employees who have been serving at the farm for many years.

Three youths assaulted in Chennai theatre for taking selfies during National Anthem

Source-Firstpost
Chennai, Dec 12: Three youths were allegedly beaten up by moviegoers for not standing up when the National Anthem was being played in a Chennai theatre on Sunday, The Times of India reported. The incident comes on the backdrop of Supreme Court's 30 November order which made it mandatory for everyone in a cinema hall to stand for the National Anthem before the commencement of a film.

The incident took place in Kasi Theatre in Chennai's Ashok Nagar. According to The Times of India report, violence broke out during the interval of a Tamil film, Chennai 28-II. Twenty men assaulted three students, including two women, who were part of a seven-member group. They were allegedly taking selfies while the national anthem was being played, the report added. The scuffle took place after a group of moviegoers objected to the group taking selfies

during the National Anthem was being played. Based on the complaint from Vijayakumar, who objected to the behaviour of the youths, filed a police complaint under the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act and the Indian Penal Code, The Hindu reported. Meanwhile, a group of moviegoers filed a separate complaint against those who manhandled and threatened the seven people. Both the groups were later interrogated by police, the report added.

Th. Chaoba consoles Keba

IT News
Imphal, Dec 12: Former President of BJP Manipur Pradesh and presently the convenor of the BJP Manipur Pradesh Ticket Committee Thounaojam Choaba today personally came to the residence of intending candidate Sapam Kunjakeswor @ Keba who had revolted against the Party over misunderstanding in organising a public meeting at Tera. Thounaojam Choaba while speaking to the workers said that if Sapam Kunjakeswor was not provided BJP ticket he himself will resign from the BJP. Former MLA of Patsoi Assembly Constituency was defeated by Congress Candidate Mirabai in last general assembly election. Choaba said that yesterday meeting was organised with the consent of the BJP Manipur Pradesh President Bhavananda and he himself along with Union Minister Prakash Javedkar were supposed to attend the meeting. He assured to resolve all misunderstanding in the party in the coming days.

Over 1000 ladies run to commemorate historic Nupi Lan day

IT News
Imphal, Dec 12: Over 1000 ladies today runs to commemorate the 77th Nupi Lal Day organised by various organisations here in the state of Manipur. Nupi Lal Observation Committee organised a run from Nupi Lal Complex till Singjamei. Women between the age of 20 to 80 joined the

run to show their solidarities to the ladies who had sacrificed for the people of the state. Other organisations also organised Nupi Lal memorial runs at various places.

Blood donation

IT News
Imphal, Dec 12: As a part of the NupiLal observance held today across the state, Welfare Association for the Bilnd, HDFC, Biramangol College Sawombung NSS Unit I & II, Peace Gong Manipur Chapter, Kasturba Gandhi Institute for Development and Lions Club of Imphal Greater jointly organised a blood donation camp in collaboration with Department Of Immuno Haematology Blood Transfusion RIMS.

Plantation

IT News
Imphal, Dec 12: Faculties and students of Department of Life Science, Manipur University today launched a plantation programme at the Department campus to show respect to the martyred Manipuri ladies who had raise against the discriminatory rules to the people.

Cyclone Vardah claimed two lives in Chennai

Source NDTV
Chennai, Dec 12: Two people have died after Cyclone Vardah hit coast making landfall close to Tamil Nadu capital Chennai. Government has taken all precautions for the safety of Kalpakkam nuclear power plant as Tamil Nadu faces a severe cyclonic storm Vardah today. "All precautions are taken at nuclear plant Kalpakkam to face Vardah. So far all is well and plant operation is normal. The plant is in touch with the India Meteorological Department," the National Disaster Management Authority said in a statement. Kalpakkam is in

Kancheepuram, which along with Chennai, Tiruvallur and Villupuram in northern Tamil Nadu, has been pounded by heavy rainfall and high velocity winds reaching over 100 km per hour and overturning trucks and destroying properties. Over 9,400 people living along the Bay of Bengal coast in SPS Nellore district of Andhra Pradesh were today evacuated to relief camps amid heavy rains due to the influence of severe cyclonic storm Vardah. Operations at Chennai airport suspended till 6:00 PM. Heavy rains and high speed winds expected to continue for next 8-12 hrs.

NE team for National Sport Climbing Championship flagged off today

IT News
Imphal, Dec 12: Commander of 9 Sector Assam Rifles Brig. Jai Singh Bainsla today flagged off "North East Team" taking part in the "National Sport Climbing Championship" to be held from 17th to 20th December 2016,

at Bangalor. The team includes 13 climbers from Manipur, 2 from Nagaland, 2 from Arunachal, 2 from Assam, 2 from Mizoram, 1 from Sikkim, 3 from Tripura, 1 Team Coach from Manipur & 1 Manager from Sikkim.

United Naga Council: Failed Report Card -II

By:- Aheibam Koireng Singh

UNC and failed attempt for affiliation to NBSE
The issue of affiliating schools in 'Naga inhabited districts' of Manipur to Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) came into notice in 2001 as All Naga Students Association Manipur (ANSAM) met the Nagaland Chief Minister, SC Jamir urging him to facilitate affiliation of schools and colleges in 'Naga inhabited districts of the Manipur' to NBSE and Nagaland University. The demand resurfaces under the aegis of ANSAM with the Board of Secondary Education Manipur (BoSEM) prescribed text books consigning to flames in four hill districts of Senapati, Ukhrul, Mao, and Chandel in the first fortnight of July 2006 with explicit endorsement by the UNC. The slogans shouted are: "Bye Bye BSEM", "Welcome NBSE", "We want common educational administration" UNC justified it as inevitable for the resolute stand of the Naga people for common administration. However, in the HSLC examination for the year 2007 starting from 12 March, over 23,000 students appeared matriculation examinations despite the "disruption" threat and avowed declaration of not allowing the BoSEM, to hold

matriculation examination in Ukhrul, Senapati, Chandel and Tamenglong districts, the examinations was held at 80 centres across nine districts of Manipur with over 2700 students appearing the examination at the ten examination centres in the four hill districts, where over 2,700 students would appear in the examination. One day ahead of the BoSEM HSLC 2007 examination, a senior official stated that there was no decrease in the number of students appearing in the BoSEM exam authenticating that most of the students, who appeared in the examinations in Nagaland, were also appearing in the examination in Manipur. Due to the non embracement of issue by the public, the movement gradually loses steam by 2008, and in the succeeding years the issue is as good as dead.

UNC ban on Manipuri language audio/video CDs
UNC on September 6, 2006, directed the ANSAM to implement the ban on Meitei language audio/video CDs/cassette in the hill districts of Tamenglong, Chandel, Ukhrul and Senapati with effect from September 17, 2006. The UNC general secretary Azang Longmei later justified the ban imposed on Meitei films

and songs by ANSAM, stating that it has become inevitable to check dilution of Nagas' history from the impact of the 'Meitei endeavors' Meitei films, songs and script influence the Nagas' identity, tradition and culture thereby evoking the prohibitions. The ban is still in force. But everywhere in the district and Sub-divisional Headquarters in Manipur Hills we find selling these banned items in abundance.

UNC's demand for alternative arrangement
Left with no other alternatives, they have even tried in electoral politics by fielding its own candidates indirectly and later directly, but peoples' disapproval remains the same. It is at this stage the UNC initiated the demand for Alternative arrangement through a Naga Peoples' Convention on July 1, 2010 at Senapati District, Manipur. One of the main resolution was to sever all political ties with Government of Manipur and declaring the Autonomous District Council (ADC) election as 'null & void' and filling up the vacuum thereby created because of the severing of ties with an alternative arrangement. However, it was a failure in the initiation itself as none of the ADC members respected the resolution.

Declaration of wanted to acting presidents of ANSAM, UNC in June 2010

The Acting President of ANSAM, David Choro and Acting President of UNC, Samson Remei was declared "wanted with cash rewards of Rs 1,00,000 each for their arrest/providing information leading to their arrest" as a fall out of imposing economic blockade by ANSAM and UNC on the national highways in Manipur with effect from April 11 causing untold hardship to the people of the state. With it both of them, who otherwise were public figures, to mention Samson Remei once a functionary of Federal Party in its affluent times who also nurses political ambition disappears from public life with the wanted declaration still stands valid. How far the UNC stands for them is a question worth asking.

For the happening thing which we are experiencing in the form of ongoing economic blockade and the lost labour to stonewall the creation of new Revenue districts, the evaluation is left to public review. And also to judge who the victim is regarding the victim card played by UNC. Again I am reiterating, this piece of writing is not to demonise but to humanise.