

Locals of Wangjing Tenta in protesting against the arrest of NJP workers front of Khongjom Police station



24 hour bandh called at Khangabok AC

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Khangabok Mandal BJP has called 24 hour bandh in the Assembly constituency from midnight today against state government failure to contain the prolonged economic blockade imposed by UNC along the two National Highways. Former VP of BJP Manipur Pradesh, presently a state executive member, Thokchom Jadumani while speaking to a group of reporters said that, the 24 hour bandh is being called against the state government failure to protect the lives of the common people. He said even after knowing that all the problems are being started by UNC the government fails to act anything to the organization.

MSAD organised essay competition cum discussion on Nupi Lan

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Manipur Students' Association, Delhi (MSAD) organized essay competition cum discussion programme to commemorate the Nupi Lan day at Kiroi Mal College, Delhi University on December 18. In a statement, MSAD said that the programme was earlier scheduled to organized on Dec 12 however, due to exam scheduled of the students the programme had to be postponed to the day. Members of the North East Forum for International Solidarity (NEFIS), Delhi Association of Manipur Muslim Students, United Kaching students, Delhi, VOICE and Maring Monroves Delhi also attended the programme organized by the MSAD.

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Goodwill mission demands Center, State to bring long lasting solution to ethnic tension

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: In a bid to restore communal harmony in the state, a conglomerate body of 17 hill and valley-based civil society organizations named as Goodwill Mission for Peaceful Co-existence has conducted a public discussion at Lamlai Keithel today with members of local clubs, Meira Paiba and civil bodies of the area. During the meeting, the Goodwill Ambassadors of the conglomerate body discussed about the prevailing law and order situation in the state as well as the raining communal tensions aftermath the indefinite Economic Blockade of United Naga Council along National

Highways. They also discussed about the measures that have to be taken in order to restore the communal harmony among the ethnic groups of the state. The representatives of the Goodwill Mission along with representatives of the local bodies have also jointly decided to press the concern authorities to bring back normalcy and prevent unwanted incidents along the Imphal-Ukhul road and other sensitive parts of the state. The main objective of the Goodwill Mission is to find a long-lasting solution to the reportedly raising communal tension causing sporadic ethnic

feud among the hill and valley people, said Ningthoucha Lancha, Convener of the Goodwill Mission. He also informed that the Goodwill ambassadors will organise such public meeting across the sensitive areas of the state, and will play the role of a mediator for bringing peace, harmony and strengthening the bond of fraternity among the ethnic groups of Manipur. As part of their mission, the Goodwill Mission team will hold another public meeting at Ina Keithel tomorrow (21 Dec, 2016) at 11 AM, and their further course of actions would also be decided along with other people of Manipur.

TNL prepares for any eventualities

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Tangkhul Naga Long (TNL) has appealed the Tangkhul people to be ready for any eventualities that may rise as a result of the State government's intentional communal tirade against the Naga people of the state. In a release issued by the TNL, Ukhul Headquarters, president of TNL, VWeapon Zimik said that the state government is creating disparity, exploitation, oppression and intentional communal tirade against the

Naga people, orchestrated by Meitei Civil Societies, Clubs and individual with tacit support and understanding of the O Ibohi Singh led communal Congress Government of Manipur. The body along has also conducted a public meeting at its ground situated at Ukhul today and resolved 5-charter of demands. During the meeting it has also condemned the open arson, daylight robbery, ransacking and communal lash perpetrated against the Tangkhul Naga

people on 18 December, 2016 by Meitei community under the protection of state security forces. TNL also rejected the creation of 7 (seven) new districts and said that it is a strategy to barter away the land of Naga people. While appealing early final peace talk of the Indo-Naga settlement, the body has also demanded for immediate imposition of President Rule in the state of Manipur and separate administration for the Naga of the state.

Tension erupts in Wangjing area after MLA's escort pull up BJP leaders

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Tension grips Wangjing Tenta Assembly Constituency after escorts of MLA Brojen pull up two workers of the BJP including the secretary of BJP Yuva Morcha Tenta Unit and handed over to Khongjom Police station yesterday evening.

Report reaching here said that the security escort of MLA P Brojen assaulted the two BJP workers at Tenta around 3.00 pm yesterday and later they were taken along with them and handed over to Khongjom Police station. Following the news large number of people of Wangjing Tenta storm to the police station and demanded immediate released of the two. The two BJP workers were identified as Naorem Kabilan (35 years) son of N. Mera and Tondomba of Tenta Troban. Kabilan is the general secretary of BJP Yuva Morcha Tenta Unit and Tondomba is his driver. Vice president of BJP Manipur Pradesh, M Hemanta who rushed to the spot yesterday question if the MLA and his security escort are under the Khongjom Police station. He said both were pulled up by the security escort even after knowing that they are workers of BJP. The former minister also said that there were instances of BJP active member being threaten by the MLA and a complaint has been lodge against the pulling up of BJP workers by



security escort. Hemanta also alleged MLA Brojen of looting mobile phones belonging to both the BJP workers and appealed to

return it back without delay. Later, late in the evening the two BJP workers were released by the Khongjom Police.

They were handed over on suspicious ground – MLA's PRO

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: A press statement released by PRO of MLA Paonam Brojen Singh today clarified that the two persons were handed over to police by security escorts yesterday evening as they were found in suspicious manner. The statement said that when the MLA was in tour to take stock of developmental works at Tenta area, a numberless gypsy overtook them and parked in front of the MLA's vehicles in suspicious manner. The MLA escorts then check the vehicle but was found to be numberless. Deadly weapons like stumps were also found inside the gypsy. As there were incident of

unidentified persons thrashing civilians, the security force left with no option but to hand over to the Khongjom Police station.

Protest staged

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Tenta United Youth Front today organised a mass sit-in-protest by blocking Tenta Khongbal Lambi today afternoon. The protest decried the excess of the P Brojen and his security forces and said since Brojen has been elected as MLA of the constituency there were cases of security escort assaulting civilian on petty matters. It blamed the MLA of inciting gundaism in the Assembly constituency.

EM inaugurates residential school for backward students of Imphal West

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: Education Minister of Manipur, Kh Ratan Kumar Singh has inaugurated a residential school of Imphal West district today at Lamboi Khongnangkong here. The school, which was established under Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (SSA) will provide free education to 100 backward students (boys and girls) of VI-VIII. Residential schools under SSA are running successfully in nine districts of the state, said Ratan Kumar, while delivering speech at the inaugural function of the school. He also informed that the state government has proposed the Center to add class IX and X to residential schools under SSA. Separate residential school Kasturba Gandhi Balika



Vidyalaya under SSA has also been also opened for girl students of the district. The Education Minister also urged the local people to extend support in imparting quality education by the newly established residential school for the backward students of the district. **Minister Calls To Stay Calm** In connection with the

prevailing law and order situation in the state, the Minister also appealed the mass to stay calm and not to provoke communal flare. In such a critical juncture, all the people in the state should join hands and stand against reactionaries. All should working towards maintaining communal harmony and co-existence.

Students protest postponed of MSU election

IT News
Imphal, Dec 20: A group of students of Manipur University today stage protest against the postponement of Manipur University Students' Union election which was earlier scheduled to hold today. At around 11 am today morning large number of

students today gathered at Manipur University complex and demanded reason for postponement of the election. They demanded immediate conduct of the election. A students said that postponement of the election is nothing but depriving the rights of the students as there

are no problems in the MU campus. It said that bringing the prevailing crisis in the state as a reason for postponement of election is not justified. Earlier University authority has announced postponed the students' election on December 28.

'UNC should aware the strategy of Manipuris of outside Manipur'

Imphal, Dec 19: The Manipuri youths Front of Assam, MYFA, today in its press communicate strongly condemned the brutal acts of economic blockade imposed by the United Naga Council, UNC. In their press statement, Convener of the MYFA, Fanjobam Lokenath alias Luchinglen Fanjobam, opined

that the UNC should not forget that there are huge Manipuris residing in outside Manipur. He also stated, the UNC should aware about the strategy that may be taken by the Manipuris of the outside Manipur. Later, the leader of MYFA also lauded that UNC must revoke the ongoing economic blockade as it leads to paralysing the normal life of the people in the state.

MYFA will not remain silent when anybody challenge the unity and integrity of our Manipur brothers and sisters (all communities of Manipur). If UNC do not revoke the unlawful activities and trying to create communal tension as a terrorist group, MYFA is ready to take necessary steps through a democratic form of actions, the statement added.

409 SHGS formed under MSRLM

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Imphal, Dec 20 : Manipur State Rural Livelihoods Mission (MSRLM), an autonomous society of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department, Government of Manipur, is the designated State Nodal Agency for implementation of the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM)/Aajeevika, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.

To boost economically empower rural population, intensive strategy implementation of Manipur State Rural Livelihoods Mission under Ministry of Rural Development is in process in 10 Gram Panchayats. MSRLM is also implemented in 84 villages with 19 villages in Imphal East Phase-1, 11 villages in Imphal East in Phase-2, 29 villages in Machi and 25 villages in Tengenpual. A total of 399 new Self Help Groups is being promoted with

116 SHGs in Imphal East in Phase-1, 101 SHGs in Imphal East in Phase -2 and Machi and 81 SHGs in Tengenpual. There are 409 SHGs formed in the state till September, 2016. 299 SHGs are providing bookkeeping training and 86 SHGs are providing membership training. A total of 4,693 households are mobilized into all SHGs. 267 SHGs have opened Saving Bank Account including 90 SHGs in Imphal East Phase -1, 87 SHGs in Imphal East Phase-2, 30 SHGs in Machi and 60 SHGs in Tengenpual. 155 SHGs have been graded for Revolving fund. A total of 3,634 individual bank account has been opened with 1021 in Imphal East Phase -1, 1012 in Imphal East Phase -2, 889 in Machi and 713 in Tengenpual. MSRLM conducted various National Rural Livelihoods Mission awareness and workshops in four resource blocks and at State Institute of Rural Development,

Imphal for the stakeholders. In October, 2014 MSRLM organized 12 days regional SARAS fair held at DM(Arts) Imphal. 22 active women and 76 Panchayati Raj Institutions members were exposed in OMPLIS, Andhra Pradesh following the High Level Exposure visit led by Minister of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj in August, 2016. Office of State Mission Management Unit (SMMU) and Block Mission Management Unit (BMMU) is complete and occupied. 31 staffs (8 for State and 23 for four blocks) are working since September, 2015. MSRLM will be continuing SHG formation and nurturing as part of action plan for Nov' 16 till Mar' 17. MSRLM will also enter into MoU with leading banks to achieve good Financial Inclusion and conduct various capacity building for staff including annual write-shop cum visioning exercise