

Automatic assault weapons recovered from a passenger auto by Bishnupur district police commando



## Bomb scare

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** A suspicious bomb like object found at the enclosure of the Mahatma Gandhi Statue at MG Avenue, Thangal bazaar today panic the entire people including police personnel at around 6 am today. Entries along the site were all closed by police personnel for few minutes when the bomb squad were on their way. Later when the Manipur police bomb squad arrived and enquired it was found to be a tiffin box.

## 5 arrested with Machine guns

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** Five persons including three ladies who came in a Diesel Auto were arrested yesterday evening after the diesel auto they came was found carrying 2 Machine guns (with MA-3 and MK-2 marks) along with two loaded magazines at around 7 pm yesterday evening in between Kwakta and Phagatchoa under Moirang Police station. Details of the 5 arrested persons could not be revealed as the police are currently investigating into the matter.

## Discussion on Edn system

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** Students' body DESAM had organised a one day discussion programme for improvement of the education system in the state at Thanga High School in Bishnupur district yesterday. Organisation Secretary and Co-ordination of DESAM Head Office E. Musuk graced the occasion as chief guest. On the occasion issues that hampered the academic atmosphere of the state were deliberated by students as well as those experience in the field. Later after the discussion programme DESAM also opened its Thanga Unit.

## Maoist appeals to support Feb 21 General Strike

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** Maoist Communist Party, Manipur has appealed the people of the state to support the General Strike called on February 21. In a press statement the outfit said that the general strike being called on the day is not to gain popularity of the party but for the cause of the people of the state to make known the the people of the world on how the innocent people of the state has been killed in cold blood and fake encounter by the Indian Security forces. It said the CSOs now had started voicing against the fake encounter and stated that people will win if work together.

## Ready to accept sentence: Herojit

### Herojit turns up but hearing postponed as Presiding Officer is on official tour to Tamenglong



**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** In an interesting twist not totally unexpected, the July 2009 fake encounter case is developing into a blockbuster in the making. After Manipur Police head constable Thounaojam Herojit Singh, the main accused in the whole sordid episode had earlier failed to appear before the court of district and sessions, Imphal West at Cheirap Court Complex on February 2, M Manoj, the Presiding Officer of the case did not turn up today at the Cheirap Court as he is on an abrupt official tour to Tamenglong District even as all the 9 accused persons were present for the much anticipated proceedings. Amidst the jam-packed court

compound, Herojit was ushered in flanked by a large group of elderly meira paibis and human rights activists and even managed to address the anticipating media persons. According to him, the admission to killing Sanjit was his own decision and is not influenced by anyone or, under any drugs or intoxicants and was given in the best interest of justice and for a secure future of the people of Manipur and vowed not to retract his admission. He expressed appreciation to the people for providing him the much needed support and encouragement to face the reality without any doubt and also reiterated that he is ready and prepared to accept any punishment meted out to him by the law of the land, even if it happens to be a death sentence. The next hearing has been fixed for March 3.

## Commen arrested; swindled money recovered

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** Innovative Youth Development Association (IYDA), the NGO entrusted with the management of the Food-Court during the last edition of the Sangai Festival have managed to apprehend the culprit and recovered the money that was collected on the pretext of providing commercial gas connection during the said festival. Speaking to the media persons at a press meet held today at the Manipur Press Club Bikramjit Khongkham, Secretary of IYDA said that one person namely Namerakpam Tarum Kumar from khurai posing to be an asst. accountant in IOCL Indian oil co-operation had collected a huge amount of money totalling Rs 42300 from 41 participants who open up food stalls by issuing fake IOCL certificates for issuing commercial LPG gas connections during the Sangai Festival. However the food stalls never got any commercial LPG gas connection. He further added that when investigated, the certificates issued where found to be fakes. The IYDA subsequently lodged complaint with the Imphal East police station with a request for arresting the culprit. The police, after due investigation succeeded in apprehending the culprit and recovered the amount after which it was handed over to IYDA for which the organisation also expressed regards to the police team. He further added that the amount can be collected from the IYDA office at RIMS road by the 41 participants/ Food Stall owners.

## Indo - Sri Lanka Invitational Masters Swimming Meet 2016

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** 30 individuals from Indian Swimming Team from Hyderabad where two are from Manipur will be participating in the Indo - Sri Lanka Invitational Masters Swimming Meet 2016 at the Visakha Swimming Pool Complex, Colombo, Sri Lanka which is organized by SwimLife, Bangalore, India in collaboration with Rainbow Aquatics, Colombo, Sri Lanka. Salam Jayanta and Laikhrum Lenin Singh are the two individuals which are participating among the selected 30 individuals from the Indian Swimming Team from Hyderabad.

Salam Jayanta will participate in 50m/100m breast stroke event for the age group between 30-39 years while laikhrum Lenin Singh will be participating in 50m/100m back stroke, 100m breast stroke and 100m individual medley for the age group between 40-49 years.

## Dissident Congress leader Kalikho Pul sworn-in as new Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh

**Guwahati, Feb. 20:** Dissident Congress leader Kalikho Pul has been sworn-in as the 9th Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh. Governor JP Rajkhowa administered the oath of office and secrecy to him in a simple function at Raj Bhawan in Itanagar Friday night. The oath taking ceremony was attended by 31 MLAs including the Congress rebels, BJP and 2 independent legislators. Earlier in the day, the Governor invited Mr Pul to form the government in the state. Talking to AIR, BJP state President, Tai Tagak said the BJP MLAs would give outside support to the new



government. The Supreme Court on Thursday vacated its stay order on revocation of the President's Rule, which was imposed on 26th of last month. The apex court rejected the plea of the Congress leaders seeking an interim direction that the party be allowed to go in for a floor test in the Assembly to prove its majority. A five Judge Bench said, this may be a possible manner of dealing with the issue, but the matter is still pending before it and it has not yet delivered decision. On Monday, 32 MLAs, led by Mr Kalikho Pul, called on the Governor J P Rajkhowa to stake claim for forming the next government in the state. The revolt by Congress dissidents led by Mr. Pul led to a political crisis in Arunachal Pradesh.

## Man found brutally murdered; Wife and her former husband arrested

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** Police today arrested a woman and her former husband on charge of killing her present husband today morning at Andro Khoibu Shantipur Leikai under Andro Police station in Imphal East.

Report said that Chingakham Panchon (age about 42 years) son of late Apabi of the mentioned locality was found murdered by cutting his neck late yesterday night. Locals said that the deceased was last heard enjoying local brew with his wife Puthem Ningol Chingkhram Ongbi Tejbati Devi (age about 42 years) at their courtyard at around 9.30 pm yesterday. At around 9.45 pm she allegedly came running to the house of her former husband Yumkhaibam Kulachandra Singh (age about 47 years ) son of Y. Herachandra who stayed opposite to the house of the deceased by screaming that her present husband was murdered. However, she was drive out by her owned



Yumkhaibam Kulachandra Singh



Chingkhram Ongbi Tejbati Devi

children. Report culled from the locality said that Tejbati Devi eloped with the deceased Ch. Panchon some 7 months back by leaving her former husband Yumkhaibam Kulachandra Singh and her 5 children - 2 sons and 3 daughters. Ch. Panchon too was also already married to a Tangkhul lady from Tangkhul Nongdam and is reportedly having 4 children- 1 son and 3 girls. But soon after Panchon eloped with Tejbati, his wife and children left him with the new wife. Both the husband and wife

were heavily drunk at the time of the incident, said a local and further added that Panchon could have been killed by Tejbati by conspiring with her former husband Kulachandra. Police had arrested both Tejbati and Kulachandra and a case has been registered against them. Police sourced said that the deceased was first hit by a dagger like object at his head and latter slit at his neck cutting the throat. The dead body has been handed over to the locals after conducting post mortem.

## UCM condemns Nagaland and Mizoram CMS

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 20:** United Committee Manipur (UCM) today condemns the Chief Minister of Nagaland TR Zeliang for his speech on Lui Ngai Ni Festival at Ukhrul district. Speaking during a press meet held at its office at Lamphel, President of UCM, Johnson Elangbam said that it is very unfortunate that the Chief Minister of Nagaland came to the state and interfered to the internal matter of Manipur. He said he had no right to spew venom among the various community of the state who has been residing harmoniously from centuries. Reacting to the way at his Mr. Zeliang had talk of Naga Integration in Manipur Johnson said that it would hurt the sentiments of those living in Nagaland if Manipuri go to Nagaland and speak to distort the integrity of their state. On the statement by Mizoram Chief Minister Lal Than Hawla, Elangbam Johnson said that ILPS related Bills passed by the State Assembly

due to pressure of the people of the state was nothing but to protect the indigenous people of the state. He said that same is being enforced in the state of Mizoram. "When the same act can be implemented why not the same in Manipur", Johnson said. He further added that when Mizoram flushed out 'B'ru' community from their state Manipur had not gave any comment regarding that as the people of Manipur considered it as their internal matter. The UCM president also appealed the media community to be careful while reporting the matter of NSCN-IM framework agreement with the India government. He said report which are not true has created confusion to the people many times.

## Hotel Classic banned

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**Imphal, Feb 20:** Proscribed arm group Kangleipak Communist party (Poireis) has banned Hotel Classic for being a playground for immoral activities by Politicians and rich Government employees. It further stated that the group and many other Civil Organisations have been trying to curb such activities for a long time but in vain. The statement further asked organizations raiding restaurants to flash the names of couple who are found indulging in immoral activities in newspaper instead of accepting bribes and settling the matter. Also it further appeal to all the Civil Service Organizations, Students organization and the public to support them in curbing crime against women in the state.

## Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh chairs high-level meet in New Delhi over Jat quota agitation row

**New Delhi, Feb. 20:** Home Minister Rajnath Singh is chairing a high-level meet in New Delhi on the Jat quota agitation row. Among others Finance Minister Arun Jaitley, Defence Minister Manohar Parrikar and BJP President Amit Shah also attending the meet. The ongoing Jat quota agitation in Haryana took a violent turn Friday as three protesters were reportedly killed in clashes with security personnel. Shoot-at-sight orders were issued in Rohtak and Bhiwani and curfew was imposed in both these districts as well as Jhajjar. The Army was called in and Section 144 was imposed in at least six districts of the state. The Centre has rushed paramilitary forces as rampaging mobs held some

police men captive. Army has started flag-march in 8 districts of the state. In Kalanaur, mob set ablaze a Bus. Director General of Haryana Police Yashpal Singhal has claimed that situation has improved in the state as compared to Friday. Addressing a press conference in Chandigarh, he said 129 cases has been registered and culprits will be punished. He admitted that house of a minister was attacked today in Jhajjar but mob was dispersed as security forces came into action immediately. He said curfew is clamped in Rohtak, Jhajjar and Bhiwani cities and security forces are doing flag march at various places.