



The first anniversary celebration of "Swachh Bharat Mission" launched by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi was celebrated with great enthusiasm by the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal.

Question hour

Ima Keithel

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: Government will decide on whether to reconstruct or repair the Khwairamband Ima Keithel as according to the report of the enquiry committee. Answering to a question asked by BJP MLA Th. Biswajit, Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh said that damage portion is being investigated by a team comprising of Central Government and the state Government team.

On another question asked by MLA Karam Shyam, the chief minister said that recommendation for action against the construction company will be forwarded as according to the findings of the enquiry committee.

Gun license

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: A total of 17 persons are having armed license to possess 9 mm pistol in Manipur. This was stated by Deputy Chief Minister Gaikhangam who is also in-charge of Home department while replying to a question asked by MLA Th. Biswajit during question hour today. Biswajit also asked to provide the names of the those persons possessing license 9 mm pistol, however, the Home minister said that as those having the license are having high threat perception it is not right to give the list of the persons. Gaikhangam further said that the license for 9 mm is provided by the Union Home Ministry after thorough enquiry and with the recommendation of the state Home department.

BPL rice and sugar

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: MLAs are not authorised channels for distribution of BPL rice or sugar or any times under Public Distribution System. This was answered by the Minister in charge of CAF & PD M. Okendro on a question asked by BJP MLA Kh. Joykishan. The minister further said that additional BPL rice is distributed to unregistered needy family who are identified by locals.

Old age pension

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: At present there is no measures to replace beneficiary of old age pension scheme who are expired as of the moment. Answering to a question asked by Congress MLA RK Imo during question hour today, Social Welfare Minister AK Mirabai said that there are two categories of Old Age pension schemes in the state. The two schemes are Indira Gandhi National Old age pension scheme (IGNOAPS) and Manipur Old Age Pension Scheme (MOAPS) and one category of Widow pension scheme namely Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS)

NSF suspends ban on Manipur's vehicles

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: Naga Students Federation (NSF) has suspended the ban on Manipur's vehicles in Naga inhabited areas following state government action against the police personnel who were alleged of harassing the NSF executives at Mantripukhri area on February 14 morning.

In a letter to the President of the Naga Students' Federation, the Additional Director General of Police, Manipur C Doungel had intimated that those involved in the making trouble on the day has been suspended after conducting an enquiry by a senior police personnel.

Those suspended in connection with the February 14 incident at Mantripukhri near Route 39 are S.I. Md. Imtiya Rahman of Tamenglong district (presently attached to CDO/IE), Havildar S. Gunachandra, Rifleman, W Jiten Singh, Rifleman O. Bishwanath Singh and N. Surchandrajit.

IE CDOs protest, stay away from duty

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: Alleging government of working under the pressure of the Nagaland Students' Federation, Imphal East district police Commando today begins their protest by staying away from duty with immediate effect. According to source the Police Commando of the Imphal East were not satisfied to the suspension of

four Police Commandos including a sub inspector under pressure from a student body based in Nagaland. A police commando, who does not want to reveal his identity had said that the attitude of the government is nothing but to encourage the activities of the NSF. Earlier during the ongoing state assembly session

Congress MLA N. Biren had raised the issue of demoralizing the Manipur police by not empowering them in hills district. During the demand discussion for passing of the demands for grants of Police, Biren had questioned the reason for sending a police officer at Nagaland to hold talk with the students' body.

Over Rs.1215 crores for 7 demands passed

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: A sum of rupees 1215,581,23,000 for 7 demands for grants under the Home department was passed today in the ongoing 13th session of the 10th Manipur Assembly Session. A sum of Rs. 1159,19,06,000 was passed for the Police, other passed today are Rs. 3,26,29,000 for vigilance department, Rs. 10,48,00,000 for Fire protection and control, Rs. 17,15,15,000 for Jails, Rs. 17,11,80,000 for Home Guards, Rs. 2,56,47,000 for Rehabilitation and Rs. 6,04,46,000 for the State Academy of Training. Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh who is also in charge of Finance today moved the demands for discussion and voting and after brief discussion the demands was passed in the house.

Dealing with communities in state is very sensitive – Dy. CM

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: Sensitiveness of the Manipur state while imposing the laws to deal with issues of various communities in the state was reminded today by Deputy Chief Minister Gaikhangam while clarifying to the cut motions by opposition MLAs to the passing of the demands for grants for Home

department in the ongoing state Assembly Session. He said the complex nature of the Manipur state should be remembered by all that if the truth committed has the tendency to distort the integrity of the state than it is better not to do the truth. "Mildness is not weakness, we are doing everything to settle the matter to safeguard the integrity of the nation", Gaikhangam said.

The Deputy Chief Minister

was replying to the Congress MLA N Biren when he said that why the state government is not sending the law enforcers to deal with the criminal activities by law breakers. Biren was referring to the snatching of documents from the loaded vehicles by suspected supporters of NSF in Senapati district along National High ways after the NSF had announced ban on vehicles of the state to Naga inhabited. The Congress

MLA also questioned on how the government is allowed a student body of another state to operated criminal activities in the state. Biren further said that the police are helpless in hills as they are not empowered with adequate powers. Giving Amol tribe problems in Chandel district Biren said that why the government has failed to provide security to the community whose existence is threaten by a specific group.

State nurses join nation-wide stir for implementation of 7th Pay Commission

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: Manipur joined the nation-wide strike called by the All India Nurses Federation against the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission. The main event in the state- a sit in protest was held at Regional

Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) which was participated by more than 30 nurses of RIMS hospital today. Speaking to media persons, Y. Sundari- the representative of the protesting nurses said that 15 more days of agitation will be

One day discussion on justice for Th Rabina and Ch. Sanjit

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: The Working Committee of the Apunba Lup organized a one day discussion on justice for the brutal killing of Th Rabina and Ch. Sanjit at Lamyamba Shanglein today. The program was moderated by Yumnam Rupachandra- Chief Editor of Impact TV. Senior advocate Khaidam Mani said that the state government might not want to hand over the investigation of the

khwairamband fake encounter case as there will be custodial investigation and it will be a huge burden to the senior officer of the police or state government those whose names had been mentioned in the recent confession of head constable Th. Herojit. Nonglei Leima- co-Convener of the JAC against the brutal killing of Rabina said that the JAC is prepared to work and to follow the people's movement to get justice for the killing of

Sanjit and Rabina. She further added that the JAC of Rabina would not dissolve and would wait for the conclusion of the CBI investigation. The issue of Rabina and Sanjit is not only about the justice for them will be the icebreaker for all those fake encounter cases that are still awaiting a fair investigation and justice. A number of prominent personalities also spoke on the issue and shared their views during the discussion.

Farmers mulling extreme steps over non-uniformity of Railways compensation

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: "Our farm land will not be surrendered; instead will commit suicide" railway affected farmers of Konthoujam declared. Speaking to media persons, Konthoujam Sanajaoba- President of Railway Affected Farmers of Konthoujam said that the state government is playing the divide and rule policy while handing over compensation to the farmers of the railway affected areas of the state. Farmers of Konthoujam and Sagoltonba (Lansombi) are having 3-4 farm lands which are being brought and sold at the

price rates ranging from 15 lakhs to 30 lakhs in today's market but unfortunately Manipur Government is handing over Rs 4/5 lakhs only at 0.62 acre of farm land of Konthoujam, Sagoltonba (Lansombi), Awangkhumon, Salam and Luker while Rs 30 to 40 lakhs are fixed for 0.62 acre of farm land of Bamdiar, Malom and Yurembam areas which is not acceptable, Konthoujam Sanajaoba added. Sanajaoba also said that a written and verbal memorandum have also been submitted to the concern minister but failed to fulfill their demands so far.

Woman found dead at paddy field; another found hanging

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 27: A woman who was reported missing since 22 February by her family members was found dead today morning at a paddy field. The missing woman was identified as Nongmaithem (O) Memcha (45) w/o Nongmaithem Shyam of

Naharup Pangong, Imphal East. Her dead body was found by some locals of Samaram at the Samaram paddy field under Thoubal Police Station. A bottle of pesticide was also recovered near the dead body of Memcha. A case of murder has been registered and investigation

has begun regarding the incident by Police. Meanwhile, in another incident, a woman identified as one Laishram Sophia (23) w/o Laishram Thoiba of Thanga was found hanging from a tree grown at the main gate of her residence last night at around 7pm by family members.

Academic awareness campaign concluded MSAD condemns arrest of Kanhaiyalal, urges to shift army camp from MU

IT News
Imphal, Feb. 26: An academic awareness campaign organised by Manipur Students' Association Delhi (MSAD) starting from February 2 concluded yesterday at Senapati. Speaking to media persons at Manipur Press Club today, MSAD president Meraj Shah Kori said that the awareness campaign was organised under the aim of highlighting the problems and prospects of academic facilities. The awareness campaign was focused on facilitating students

who wish to go to Delhi for higher studies where many parents and students were made aware of the problems faced by the NE people, especially students, which have been facing lots of difficulties including racial discriminations. The campaign also highlight prospects of academic facilities and courses offered in Delhi University, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Jamia Millia Islamia University etc. Meraj also said that most of the schools are turning into business houses, coaching institutes transforming into

schools and rising number of private institutes create an ecological disorder in the education system. Schools in the remote areas of Manipur mainly the hill areas lack teachers, academic infrastructures, and urged the concern authority to implement the education policies, transfer and posting of teachers at the remote areas effectively. On the other hand, Meraj Shah said that MSAD strongly condemned the deployment of police at the JNU campus after the recent unfortunate incident, taking away their freedom of

speech and capturing of students for being anti-national which is a false statement. Meraj appeals to the concern authority and the government to remove the police deployed inside the college campus. The army camp stationed inside the campus of Manipur University is not reasonable and should be stationed far from the educational zone areas and that JNU and MU campus is not a war zone. Meraj asserted is his speech. MSAD also provided help to the victims of the recent earthquake of Noney and Kabui Khullen.

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JNU row: SC seeks reply of Centre, cops on plea against lawyers

New Delhi, Feb. 26: The Supreme Court today sought response from the Centre and Delhi Police on a plea seeking an SIT probe in Patiala House court violence. The apex court also sought response on initiation of contempt action against three lawyers who were allegedly caught on camera bragging and boasting that they had beaten up JNUSU President Kanhaiya Kumar and others, including journalists. A bench of the apex court also issued notice to the three lawyers, allegedly caught in a sting operation. The bench fixed the matter for further hearing on March 4. A bench headed by Chief Justice T S Thakur had yesterday listed

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