



High Court Wants To Know Why Google Maps Reveals India's Secret Defense And Nuke Locations

New Delhi, Jan. 18: The Delhi high court on Friday asked the Centre to examine Google's Maps showing Indian defense installations, nuclear power plants and other sensitive locations. A bench of chief justice G Rohini and Justice Jayant Nath asked additional solicitor general Sanjay Jain to look into the matter and inform the court about the procedure being followed. But the court refused to restrain Google from putting such maps in the public domain. Petitioner Lokesh Kumar Sharma had sought the court's directions to restrain Google from making available maps and images of sensitive and

defense establishments. He cited the Pathankot attack and alleged the government appeared to be "absolutely negligent and callous in preventing Google from displaying such maps". "The respondent has put up very detailed high resolution images of Pathankot airbase and surrounding areas on Google Earth and Google Maps," said the petitioner. "However, there seems to be no opposition or objection from any quarter to the display of images of Pathankot airbase on Google Earth and Google Maps." Sharma alleged that Google induced public to give information regarding maps and images including those of

sensitive installations under the garb of Mapathon competition. "One Vishal Saini, who had mapped Pathankot and its surroundings including the Air force station at Pathankot, was adjudged and ranked No 1 in Mapathon 2013. Respondent No 2 (Google) conducts Mapathon every year," the petition claimed. Sharma said Google has no right to provide or make available maps and images of sensitive installations as it "adversely undermines" the country's security. He pointed out Google only shows older locations of defence installations of developed nations like USA.

Sharma added such sites in China are masked. "The moment the cursor is pointed to China clear images immediately turn cloudy and entire China mysteriously gets cloud ridden with hardly any observable geo-physical feature," he said. He said China is said to have more than four air bases in Tibet bordering India. "Google, however, did not show a single (Chinese) air base in Tibet. On the other hand, Indian Air Force Stations in the North East are shown with minute details of the air bases." Sharma pointed out ex-President A P J Abdul Kalam had warned of serious consequences of Google providing maps and images

of sensitive installations in view of growing terror threats. Sharma said Google is aware of serious consequences of providing images and maps of sensitive locations. "The maps and images provide minute details regarding sensitive installations and surrounding areas showing in detail roads, streets, lanes, waterways, streams, canals, sewage lines, buildings etc with precise dimensions including the distance, length, width and height of buildings, walls, towers and everything in and around the sensitive installations and defense establishments," said Sharma.

Courtesy TNN

Minister Govindas allegedly assaults 3 of kin inside Police Station

ITNews
Imphal, Jan.18: Commerce and Industry Minister Govindas Konthoujam was accused of assaulting three persons of a family including women inside Bishnupur Police Station. Following the incident, BJP Manipur Pradesh President Th. Chaoba called an urgent meet at the party office and demanded Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh to remove Minister Govindas Konthoujam within 24 hours jailing which BJP will launch a series of agitations. He said the incident has been reported to the Union Home Minister and will meet Governor regarding the matter. Speaking to media persons, Angom Eberma, an eyewitness to the incident and relative of the three victims said Angom Aruna, age 28, Angom Sonia, age 21 and Angom Dipak, age 29 were beaten up by Minister Govindas Konthoujam. The victims were admitted at Bishnupur District hospital. All of them are children of A. Irabanta Singh and Angom onghi Tombi of Ningshokhong Awang Khunou Ward Number 1. It is worth mentioning here that Angom onghi Tombi is locked up in Bishnupur Police Station for scuffle with Congress workers after some Congress workers allegedly insulted Prime Minister Narendra Modi and BJP symbol. Angom onghi Tombi contested the Urban Local election on Jan 11 on BJP ticket for the Ningshokhong Ward No.1. Angom Eberma told media persons that Angom onghi Tombi and his son Angom Dipak were summoned to the Bishnupur Police Station regarding the scuffle with Congress workers during which Minister Govindas Konthoujam also visited the police station. Minister Govindas allegedly slapped Angom Dipak and physically assaulted him. Both the sisters Angom Aruna and Angom Sonia rushed to save their brother but were also beaten up by the Minister.

HPC(P) cadre apprehends with arms and ammunition

Pro Defence, Imphal, Jan. 18: Troops of Jwalamukhi Battalion under Senapati Brigade of Red Shield Division apprehended one active cadre of HPC(P) Hamar People Convention (PCC) in an operation carried out on 16 Jan 2016. The cadre was apprehended from Saparamina, Senapati district of Manipur. The cadre was identified as Jonathan, age 36 years, s/o Heginhaokpi, resident of village K Sinai, PO - Tuibong, Churachandpur district of Manipur. He was apprehended along with one 9 mm Pistol and two live rounds. He was reportedly involved in nefarious activities in the area. The cadre was handed over to Police for further investigations.

Scuffle at Khwairamband left two women injured

ITNews
Imphal, Jan.18: Women of Thangmeiband assembly constituency today tried to storm Khwairamband Keithel at around 12 noon after a public meeting held under the aegis of Thangmeiband Kendra Development Organisation in an effort to enforce the bandh which was declared earlier and to stop the construction of Temporary Market Shed which led to a scuffle with the women vendors who were selling their wares at the temporary shed. Police personnel who were on duty at Kasturi bridge baton charged the women to disperse them when they reached Kasturi bridge. The two injured women identified as Laikhuram Geeta, aged 33 of Thangmeiband and Lourungpuri Leikai and Soram Landhoni, aged 70 of Nagamapal Soram Leirak. Both of them were admitted at RIMS. Geeta sustained injuries on her head while



Landhoni is hurt on her waist and leg. Meanwhile, Thangmeiband MLA Joykishan personally visited the injured at RIMS today

Lokeshwor clarifies confusion on Irabot Complex

ITNews
Imphal, Jan. 18: Pukhrabam Lokeshwor Singh, 40, s/o (L) Pukhrabam Bino Singh of Tera Yambem Leikai clarifies that he has no objection against any civil organizations including Young Development Organization (YDO) of Lukram Leirak, Imphal West in construction of Irabot Complex over the State Land. Lokeshwor further said in his clarification that the organization must consider the gateway for using ingress and egress to the homestead of himself and his kins when constructing of Irabot Complex.

22 persons pulled up

ITNews
Imphal, Jan.18: A Cordon and Search operation was conducted at Singjamei Chingamathak Congtham Leikai from 5 am to 6.40 am today under the supervision of Imphal West SP and team led by Imphal West District Police OC Sanjoy and DSP commando OP Nephram Netrajit after which 13 individuals were brought to Singjamei police station for further verification. Meanwhile, on the Imphal east side, CASO at Golapati auto parking to KR Lane ground were also searched where 9 persons including including one KYKL bailout were picked up for further verification.

MPCC organized reception for newly elected representatives

ITNews
Imphal, Jan. 18: Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC) organized a reception function for the 108 newly elected councilors in the recent local body elections which were held on the 11th of this month for 18 Municipal Councils and 8 Nagar Panchayats to elect

278 Councilors and 586 Nagar Panchayat members in Manipur's four districts of Imphal West, Thoubal, Imphal East, and Bishnupur. The function which was held at the Congress Bhavan was attended by the state Chief Minister, the Deputy Chief Minister, congress MLAs and a huge number of supporters of the party.

IMFCC set to launch agitations at Moreh

ITNews
Imphal, Jan.18: Indo-Myanmar Friendship Chamber of Commerce-IMFCC, Moreh has threatened to impose a ban on opening of the newly inaugurated multi-storeyed Moreh market complex if the Government fails to allot 50 per cent of the vending space to the

local traders and members of IMFCC. In a press note IMFCC information secretary Anil Kumar Poddar said Government is yet to respond to the memorandum submitted in this regard to Deputy Chief Minister Gaikhangam, Commerce and Industries Minister Govindas

Konthoujam and Tenguon AC MLA D Korungthang during the inauguration function of the market complex. He further said people of Moreh would launch an intense agitation if the construction of the proposed 500-capacity auditorium of the border town is not started within this month.

Minister Govindas highlights make in Manipur initiative for employment generation

Manipur Information Centre

New Delhi, Jan. 18: Manipur Commerce and Industries Minister Govindas Konthoujam today informed the 13th Meeting of the National Board for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) held at Vigyan Bhawan here that the Government of Manipur had recently launched 'Make in Manipur initiative for Employment Generation' on 26th Nov, 2015 focusing on micro & small enterprises based on products from agriculture, horticulture, forest, handloom, handicrafts, fisheries and animal husbandry in a cluster based approach. He further stated that the Manipur Government combined the efforts under 'Make in India', 'Skill India' and 'Ease of doing Business'. The meeting was chaired by the Union Minister for MSME Kalraj Mishra. Govindas Konthoujam expressed happiness on the sanction of nine Livelihood Business Incubators (LBIs) for Manipur out of 22 sanctioned by Government of India under ASPIRE scheme. He said, "These nine LBIs, one in each of nine Districts of Manipur are going to play a crucial role in our 'Make in Manipur initiative'. The creation of more employment opportunities to educated unemployed youth shall pave the path of peace and prosperity in Manipur as per the vision of our Hon'ble Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh. In addition, one rapid Incubation Centre is being set up by National Small Industries

Corporation Ltd. (NSIC) in Imphal". Under the Cluster Development Programme (CDP) for infrastructural development, the Industries Minister stated that the State Government got approval as well as release of the first installment for three new Industrial Estates in hill district of Ukhrul, Chandel and Churachandpur in Manipur. Infrastructural development of three earlier Industrial Estates of Takeyelpat in Imphal West, Tera Urak in Bishnupur and Kuraopokpi in Thoubal District was completed. He requested that in the next Steering Committee meeting, the proposal of Industrial Estates for the three remaining districts of Senapati, Imphal East & Tamenglong be considered for approval. This would ensure Industrial Estates in each of nine Districts in Manipur which would be linked with the concerned LBI in the District. He thanked to the Development Commissioner, MSME for having accepted Diagnostic Study Reports for Common Facility Centre (CFC) under CDP in each of nine Districts of Manipur. Accordingly, the State Government submitted Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for consideration in the next Steering Committee meeting for approval. Highlighting the importance of Khadi & Village Industries in the economy of Manipur, Govindas Konthoujam stated that under the revised SFURTI guidelines, the State Government submitted DPRs for

10 clusters with due recommendations of the regional office of KVIC at Guwahati and urged the KVIC Headquarters to consider the DPRs for approval in the current financial year. He also urged the Centre to release the margin money under PMeGP scheme liberally as the State Government had a huge backlog of cases duly recommended by the District Level Task Force. He stated, "We are making special efforts to link PMeGP beneficiaries with LBIs being set up in each District so as to provide necessary handholding for a minimum one cycle of income generation activity". He also drew the attention of the Union Minister for MSME to issue a strong instruction to the bankers through RBI for early release of loan to all the selected beneficiaries under PMeGP. Manipur Industries Minister said that a new Technology Centre in Imphal under the mentorship of FFDC, Kannauj was agreed upon by DC, MSME. An area of 30.00 acres of land at Ningshokhong Awang in Bishnupur District was acquired for cultivation of aromatic and medicinal plants and providing of demonstration, training and oil distillation units. This was in addition to the 5 acres of land at Nilakuthi for housing its Administrative Building, Quality Assessment Laboratory, Processing and Valuation of Essential Oils, Training & Hostel,

Library, Aromatic Gardens and others. It would be handed over to MSME-DI, Takyel Industrial Estate, Imphal on lease for a period of 90 years. The World Bank under Technology Centre System Programme (TCSP) would be requested to expedite preparation of DPR for the project. He informed, "In fact we have already sent 26 fresh post graduate students from Central Agriculture University and Manipur University for training in FFDC Kannauj for a period of six months. After completion of their training they shall be able to render their services in the Technology Centre which perhaps could be named as i-CAMP (Imphal Centre for Aromatic & Medicinal Plant Processing)". Industries Minister Govindas Konthoujam requested the Union Minister for MSME to visit Manipur for inaugurating Industrial Estates in Takeyelpat, Tera Urak and Kuraopokpi and laying the foundation stones for i-CAMP (an extension unit of FFDC), three new Industrial Estates in Chandel, Churachandpur and Ukhrul Districts, Nine LBIs and one Rapid Incubation Centre in Manipur. He also informed in the meeting that the State Government would extend invitation to all dignitaries and members of the National Board for MSME for visiting Manipur during April 5 to 11, 2016 for an Industrial Expo in Imphal on the theme of 'Make in Manipur' and 'Start up - Stand up India'.