



JCILPS protest at Kakching Bazar

## No antidote hunted to sort out the differences between Hill and Plain people

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** Tough stand of the JAC formed against the passing of the 3 ILPS related Bills on their stand to continue the 10 days economic blockade and the mad retaliation from certain section of the people of the valley people enforcing the counter blockade has left many common people of both hill and valley region to extreme hardship. At Hill district volunteers supporting the JAC's 10 days economic blockade keep on checking vehicles coming towards Imphal and pull down goods and other

*Common people harassed by both counter blockade and 10 days economic blockade; Police restrains for interference*



materials at various area including Senapati, Kangpokpi, Mao gate, and at various places along the national Highway-2. Similar checking by volunteers, supporting the economic blockades along NH-37 at different places. Goods ferrying trucks coming towards Imphal had suspended service as taking risk would be a disaster, while many loaded trucks are reported to have been stranded at Mao gate on the other site of Nagaland. Many are reportedly stuck at Dimapur too. On the other hand, fed up with the kind of economic blockade, large number of people at different area at valley region are imposing counter blockade by

preventing transportation of goods and essential items to hill district. This reporter witnessed large number of women folk and club members checking vehicles and pulling down essential edible items from vehicles at Khonghampat and Pheidinga area. Police personnel were seen on gypsy but did not do anything to prevent the counter blockade supporter from pulling down the essential food items. On the other hand large number of women folk today pulled down essential items and other goods transporting towards hill district at Khumbong area along NH-37 today morning. Police did not take any action to the counter blockade supporters. Meanwhile the economic

blockade supporter along Imphal Moreh road had reportedly allowed some vehicles belonging to some section of people from Moreh but did not allowed vehicles that transported goods towards Imphal. It is 9 day, and state government had not spelled out a single announcement to the kind of problem that people of the region are facing due to the ongoing blockade of both sides. More surprising thing is that both at Hill and Valley area law enforcing agency have not been acting to stop the anti social activities. Source said that hands of the police are tied with some informal order at Hill area and this resulted the police at valley to follow the same.

## 'No alternative arrangement if Indo-Naga peace-talk finds a solution'

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** If there is a settlement to the Indo-Naga peace talk then there will be no need for the alternative demand. This was stated by UNC president Gaidoun Kamei during first felicitation programme for class 10 and 12 meritorious students held at Tribal Research Institute (TRI) near MBC Church. The felicitation programme was organised by Kharman Students' Union Manipur (KSUM) under the theme 'Coming together is beginning'. Speaking to the media persons at the sideline of the function, Gaidoun Kamei, President of United Naga Council (UNC) said that JAC Churachandpur

and outer Manipur tribal forum will have a joint meeting for further steps to be taken up in the coming days as the 10 days economic blockade will end today midnight. It is believed that a unique solution will be brought for the frame work agreement sign between the Government of India and NSCN(IM) as it is clear to all the people of the states, he added. Gaidoun Kamei also said that all the ethnic community including Naga tribes will stand strong to protect their identity and their land before becoming endangered. Another alternative agreement for the Indo-Naga peace talk will not be need if the right

solution wanted by the people of all the ethnic community comes to the point of settlement, he added. Decision to be made between Home Ministry and the constitutional expert for the 2 bills among the 3 bills for the ILPS is against the ethnic community including Naga tribes, unexpected form of agitation would come out as all the ethnic community are ready to face it, Gaidoun Kamei asserted in his speech. Joseph Hmar, President of ATSUM; R Samuel, President of KUM; Gaidoun Kamei, President of UNC was chaired as guest of honours, president and chief guest respectively.

## ILPS protest staged at Kakching

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** Even as the Deputy Chief Minister of Manipur had assured a new Bill to protect the indigenous people of the state, there is not let up to the protest demanding ILPS. As a part of the series of protest being underway under the aegis of the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System in the state,

Kakching keithel Business welfare Association today observed a total shut down from 6 am today morning. Large number of women folk from Kakching area came out in the street at around 12 noon and staged sit-in demonstration at various places of Kakching area. Later at around 2 pm the women folk form human chain and shouted slogan demanding

implantation of Inner Line Permit System and denouncing the announcement of wanted to former JCILPS convenor Kh Ratan. Due to the protest, no vehicles were allowed to pass through kakching area by supporters of JCILPS since early morning today. At some of the places supporters burnt tyres to prevent commuters.

## Nation sets to observe International Yoga Day

**Agency**  
**New Delhi, June 19:** Preparations are on to celebrate the International Yoga Day on Tuesday. The main event will be held in Chandigarh where Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be present. Manipur government is also all set to join

the nation in celebrating the day. The national capital is also gearing up to celebrate the day with Yoga guru Ramdev organizing a special yoga session at the Rajpath in New Delhi Sunday evening. Nearly 30,000 people are expected to take part in the session. Report

said that Ramdev will lead the large congregation and practice Yoga asanas. Divyans, a term coined by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the differently abled, are being imparted special training for the mega yoga event on Tuesday in Chandigarh.

## 7th Pay Commission: Starting salary likely to be recommended at Rs 23,000; fitment factor to rise

**New Delhi, June 19:** A good news is there for the central government employees as the recommendations by the empowered group of secretaries have said that the minimum salary as well as the fitment factor should be raised in the Seventh Pay Commission. The empowered group which is headed by Cabinet Secretary, is said to have recommended so in its report.

As per a Zeenews report, "According to the sources, the starting salary of government employees is expected to be around Rs 23,000, up from Rs 18,000 as recommended by AK Mathur led panel. Sources said that the fitment factor is likely to be raised to around 2.7, up from 2.57 as recommended by the 7th Pay Commission." According to a Dainik Jagran report, "The Cabinet Secretary met the PMO officials on

Wednesday and apprised them about the secretaries panel's recommendations on the salary and allowances hike recommended for central government employees. The secretaries panel reviewing the 7th pay commission's recommendations have submitted its report to the Finance Ministry. The Finance Ministry will prepare a note and present it before the Cabinet in the next 15 days."

## Journalists Tour to Chennai flagged-off

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** A team of Journalists of the state including Imphal Times Sr. Reporter Huirem Nareish today leaves for Chennai, on Journalists' Tour. The 10 member team including DIPR staffs was flagged off by Wangkhemcha Shyamjai, President All Manipur Working Journalists' Union (AMWJU) on the office premises of DIPR at Moirangkhom at Imphal. Joint Editor of Kangleipakki Meira Evening daily Wangkhemcha Dhamen, Manitomba, Senior Reporter Kangleipakki, Ranbir, reporter Manaba daily, Salam Prem, Editor Weekly journal, Ajit Video Journalist ISTV News programme, Bidyandana, Staff reporter DIPR and Romio Free lance Journalist among others are taking part in the journalist tour programme. The tour programme is sponsored by the Directorate of Information and Public Relation (DIPR), Govt. of Manipur. During the tour, the journalists will meet the journalist fraternity of the Tamil Nadu as well as the DIPR, Govt. of Tamil Nadu.

## 3 ULFA, 1 GNLA militant arrested in Assam

**Guwahati, June 19:** Security forces arrested three ULFA and a Garo National Liberation Army militants in Dibrugarh district. Additional Director General of Police Pallab Bhattacharya said, a joint team of police and CRPF launched offensive at Chetiagaon last night. He said, the arrested ULFA militants were in the wanted list of Assam police. He said, three pistols and ammunition were recovered from the militants.

## Missing girl found dead suspiciously

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** A 21 year old girl, who went missing since June 11, was found dead in a suspicious manner at Thoubal Channel near Thoubal Police station at around 9 am today. The dead body was first noticed by passerby and reported to police. As the body was found in decompose state, police and the locals were unable to guess on whether dead body was of

female or male at first sight. But later, on verification by the family member the dead body was confirmed to be of female. The deceased identified as Elangbam kanon Devi, daughter of Panchamani of Khangabok Part -II, Khulakpam leikai was reported to missing since June 11. A missing report was filed at Thoubal police station on June 13. Materials found from around

the place where the dead body was found suggested that the girl might have been left to death after having illicit activities with some miscreants. Family said the girl also had some mental problem. The dead body was later picked up and deposited at RIMS morgue after a team of forensic experts inspected the area. Autopsy will be conducted to find out the cause of the death.

## Singjamei JAC vows to continue protest until wanted tag to Kh. Ratan has been lifted

**IT News**  
**Imphal, June 19:** JAC against the announcement of wanted on JCILPS leader Khomdrum Ratan and implementation of ILPS, Singjamei Wangma Bhagyabati Leikai today staged a sit in protest at Singjamei bridge. Speaking to the media persons, Irom Rajen, General Secretary of United Youth Organisation (UYO), Singjamei Wangma

Bhagyabati Leikai said that public meeting will be held at Singjamei Bridge tomorrow against the announcement of wanted on Kh Ratan including the implementation of ILPS in the state. "The inhuman act of the state government on the protestors for the ongoing agitation of implementation of ILPS and announcement of wanted on JCILPS leader of Kh. Ratan is very unfortunate", Irom Rajen

said. JAC appeals the concern authority to withdraw the baseless charge against Kh. Ratan and also demanded immediate implementation of ILPS in the state, immediately, Rajen added. Rajen further said that protest and different form of agitation will be continued until ILPS is implemented in the state besides lifting of the wanted tag to Kh Ratan.

## Animesh Pandit from Meghalaya becomes 7th Fair & Lovely Men Mega Mister North East

*Sushanta Rajkumar from Manipur and Colin Jacob Rajan from Assam become 1st and 2nd Runners up respectively*

**Guwahati, June 19, 2016:** In front of an audience of approximately 700 spectators from all across the north eastern region, **Animesh Pandit from Meghalaya** became the **7th Fair & Lovely Men Mega Mister North East 2016** at the ITA Cultural Complex, Makhchhwa on Saturday. Besides, **Sushanta Rajkumar from Manipur** and **Colin Jacob Rajan from Assam** became the 1st and 2nd runners up respectively. The contestants travelled to Guwahati for almost a week of activities which included grooming and training sessions conducted by Mega Entertainment, followed by rehearsals, leading up to the Grand Finale of the biggest Man Hunt of North East India. The pageant has been supported by **Reliance Trends, Radisson Blu, Vodafone U, Axe Signature and State Bank of India**. **20-year-old Animesh Pandit** is a degree final year student studying Biochemistry in St. Anthony's College, Shillong. Animesh, who did his schooling from St. Edmund's School, thanked everyone for the support and said that the title will enable him to live up his dreams. "I am very happy today. My dad is a school teacher and mom is a homemaker based in Shillong. I know they will be proud," said Animesh.



First Runner's up Sushanta Rajkumar, who hails from Imphal, said that he was happy that his hard work was appreciated by the panel of judges. Sushanta is a B.Tech second year student, studying in Punjab where his father is an IFS officer.

Studied in Scotland, **Colin Jacob Rajan** was the second Runner's up at the 7th Fair & Lovely Men Mega Mister North East 2016. "I am very happy that I could come back from the United States, where I was working, and participate in this competition. I thank the panel of judges for all this and most importantly thank Mega Entertainment and Abhijit Singha for the opportunity," he said. 7th Fair & Lovely Men Mega Mister North East 2016 **Animesh Pandit** has won a cash prize of Rs. 50,000, gifts from pageant sponsors and an opportunity to become a showstopper during North East Fashion Weekend. He has also won travel opportunities to the South East Asian countries with ICSI, professional representation by Mega Entertainment, portfolio shoot by Rahul's Spectrum, public relations and reputation management consultancy for one year by Life's Purple. The three winners will be offered a professional grooming session, which would guide them further on how to carry themselves forward in the professional sphere. Besides, the winners also get the opportunity to walk the ramp in various national and international shows. (Contd. on page 2)