



KSA Volunteers released without conditions

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Imphal, June 13: The five volunteers of the Kangleipak Students' Association (KSA), arrested and remanded in judicial custody by the state police for pulling up two traders responsible of adulterating Tata salt, were released today without any condition.

The five volunteers of the KSA including its General Secretary Sukham Bideyananda and other four members - Langonjam Rajesh, Khulakpam Sanjoy Singh, Yumnam Luwangamba and Nongmaithem Biren @ Alex were arrested by a team of city police on May 27 for pulling up two traders who were found selling adulterated tata salt packets.

The KSA volunteers also seized the adulterated Tata salt from the two shops.

Following the arrest volunteers of KSA along with various civil society organizations including meira paibis has been demanding release of the



5 KSA members and punishment of those involved in the adulteration of edible food items. Various form of agitation including sit-in-protest agitation and road blocked were staged for the released. Ultimately, it was only at the time that the KSA with support from various civil society bodies called 48 hours total bandh that the Deputy Chief Minister finally agreed to release the 5 volunteers

without any condition.

All the five volunteers were given hero welcome by the civil society organization and other supporters of the KSA. Interestingly one among the traders who was pulled up by the volunteers of the KSA identified as Rajeskumar Yadav, presently staying at Keishampat Leimajam Leikai was also named along with the 5 KSA volunteers as accused by the police.

Police registered an FIR against the 5 KSA members as well as against the traders (whom the media had no knowledge of whether he had detained in custody or not) under section 365/368/34 of the Indian Penal Code.

Chief Judicial Magistrate, Imphal West lamkhanpau today passed an order stated that the FIR is closed and thus, the accused persons were released without any condition.

Slogans demanding implementation of ILPS in the state echoed Tiddim road

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Imphal, June 13: Large number of protestors today staged sit-in-protest along the Tiddim road inbetween Keishampat to Malom area from 11 am till late evening today.

The protest is being staged as a part of the phase wise protest announced by the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System (JCILPS). Similar protest has been held along NH -2 inbetween Moirangkhom to Lilong, Minuthong to Yangangpokpi

Wahengleikai to Keithelmanbi, Keishampat to Hiyangthang and Chingmeitrong to Sekmai on simultaneous days starting from June 7. Today, meira pabis and local club members located inbetween Keishampat to Malom Keithel staged sit-in-protest by blocking half of the road along the Tiddim road. Later, at around 2 pm the protestors formed human chain and shouted slogans demanding implementation of ILPS.

The protestors demanded immediate implementation of the 3 Bills passed by the state assembly on August 31. Besides, the protestors also decried the wanted tag announced to former JCILPS governor Kh Ratan.

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Thunderstorm, rains kill 11 in Bihar

New Delhi, June 13: In Bihar, at least 11 people were killed in thunderstorm and rain related incidents throughout the state. Officials said, maximum 5 casualties have been reported from Muzzafarpur. Three people were killed due to lightning. Another three were killed in Patna and Siwan district. Quoting sources, our correspondent reports that rail traffic has been disrupted between Siwan and Mairwa for few hours. According to Met department, Monsoon is likely to reach Bihar between June 18th and June 20th.



Women Wing of JCILPS while speaking to media person said that announcement of Kh Ratan as wanted is nothing to sabotage the peoples' movement for introduction of the ILPS to protect the indigenous people of the state. She said there will be no turning back to the protest until the demands are being fulfilled. Places that the sit-in protest were staged and later formed human chain are Keishampat leimajam Leikai, Community Hall, Sega Road Konjeng

Hajari Leikai, Kwakeithel Takhel Leikai, Kwakeithel Thokchom Leikai, Kwakeithel Keithel, Changangei, Ghari, Sangaiprou and Malom Keithel. JCILPS had announced the similar kind of protest in Imphal east from Angro Keithel to Iriblung. The phase wise protest will be concluded on June 15. The last day will be the similar protest inbetween Lamlong Keithel to Ayangt Palli road till Kongba Keithel.

DU: Results likely to get delayed as teachers refuse to check papers

New Delhi, June 13: Teachers' refusal to check answer sheets in Delhi University has brought uncertainty to students, especially those who will graduate this year. With teachers having boycotted the evaluation duty over redefined service conditions, the results of all DU students are sure to get delayed.

The boycott started on May 24, a few days after the evaluation had started. The teachers are protesting against UGC's notification that will, teachers say, bring down the number of teaching positions by 50% with 'unreasonable' terms of promotion. The new notification also increases the workload for assistant professors from 16 hours per week to 22 hours per week (including tutorials). The work hours of associate professors will go up from 14 to 20 hours. This means that the number of teachers required per subject will be lowered.

The boycott will go on at least till Thursday when teachers again take a stock of the situation. Admissions might also get derailed because of the agitation and teachers have said they won't participate unless UGC's new norms are back-pedaled.

Delayed results

The biggest worry on students' minds is regarding the declaration of results. Students, who graduate this year, have to apply to universities and colleges for postgraduation. Most of these institutions want students to submit their mark sheets and a provisional degree latest by August.

"I am quite worried about the results. I have applied for masters in colleges across the country and most of them want me to submit my final

mark sheets by August. I have also applied in foreign universities and they also want my final score as soon as possible," said Devika Sharma, a third-year student at Miranda House.

Impact on academic year
The academic year in Delhi University starts by the third week of July every year. Even if the standoff between teachers and UGC is resolved, teachers will have to get back to the evaluation process as soon as possible. This means that teachers could be in evaluation halls, not classrooms, till August. By June 16, the evaluation process will already have been 24 days behind schedule. It is a process that no one else can complete and doesn't involve just marking answer scripts. The evaluation process also entails a moderation process which lasts at least 10 days. All in all, it is not just the results but also the start of the 2016-17 academic year that will be affected by the teachers' stir.

Admissions to get hampered?
Across colleges, the admission process for sports admissions and after the declaration of cut-off lists is handled by teachers.

If teachers boycott the admission process as well, there could be problems. Each department appoints a head to sign off on a student's admission papers after scrutinizing all relevant documents. With the number of cases of fake documents also coming up over the past years, the number of teachers engaged for admission has also gone up.

According to college authorities, however, if teachers boycott admissions, they will manage to scrape through by asking administrative staff to admit students.

Counter Blockade at Yairipok

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Imphal, June 13: Large number people today pull down goods and other material from vehicles which were heading towards Kasom Khullen and Phungyar area at Yairipok keithel since early morning today enforcing the counter blockade. The counter blockade supporters pull down the materials including edible items which were supposed to deliver to the interior citizen of the state at Kasom Khullen and Phungyar area in front of state police personnel.

The police present there remain as a mere spectators to the action of those persons ensuing the counter blockade.

At Swombung area and Chingarel too along Imphal - Ukhrul road large number of counter blockade supporters had come out to the street and pull down all goods and edible items carrying towards Ukhrul. Report said that AR personnel and police do not interfere the counter blockade supporters.

School van service suspension shuts school

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Imphal, June 13: Suspension of the school van transporter service has compelled the Little Flower School authority to declare holiday today. The School Van service association of the Little Flower had yesterday announced to halt a service for the day in support of the JCILPS agitation scheduled today along the Tiddim road in the road stretch between Keishampat to Malom area.

AMUCO sets to observe Protest Day

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Imphal, June 13: All Manipur United Club Organisation (AMUCO) is all set to observe "Protest Day" tomorrow to recall the day of signing cease fire agreement between the Government of India and the NSCN-IM with the clause 'without territorial limit' which led to the burning of Manipur in June 2001.

Popularly known as 'Bangkok declaration', the then interlocutor of India Government K. Padmanabhaiah while signing the peace agreement with Th. Muivah, General Secretary of NSCN-

IM, on June 14, 2001 agreed to extend the cease fire agreement without territorial limit. The deal led to unprecedented outcry and violent protest resulting to the burning of various government offices, political party's offices and also the Manipur Legislative Assembly. As per record, 23 persons lost their lives during the uprising. The government of India finally dropped the word 'Without territorial Limit' and decided to restrict the cease fire with the state of Nagaland.

Interesting the signing of the

agreement took place a day after the then Defence Minister of India, George Fernandez, assured the people of Manipur that no such extension of cease fire between the NSCN-IM and the GOI will be extended in the state in a public meeting organized at GM hall Imphal. Speaking to media AMUCO said that the organization still stands for the integrity of the state and will not compromise to the territorial issue of the state.

It appeals people to stand united so that the similar thing do not repeat again.



Counter blockade supporters pulling down goods including edible items transporting towards Ukhrul district.

Over 8,000 arrested in in Bangladesh's nationwide anti-militant crackdown

Dhaka, June 13: Bangladesh police said Monday they have arrested more than 8,000 people in a nationwide crackdown on militants launched after a series of murders targeting minorities and secular activists.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina vowed on Saturday to catch "each and every killer" as Bangladesh reels from a wave of murders of religious minorities and secular and liberal activists that have spiked in recent weeks.

Police spokesman Kamrul Ahsan said 3,245 suspects had been arrested in the last 24 hours, raising the total number to 8,192 since the campaign began Friday. Bangladeshi authorities have come under mounting international pressure to end the attacks, which have left nearly 50 people dead over the last three years. But opposition parties have accused police of using the crackdown to suppress political dissent. Many of those arrested were suspected ordinary criminals with existing warrants against them.

"We've arrested 3,245 people including 34 Islamist militants on the third day of the nationwide anti-militant drive," deputy inspector general AKM Shahidur Rahman told AFP. "Only a fraction of the people who have been arrested are members of Islamist militant groups. "Most of those who

have been detained have warrants of arrests against them or they are charged with narcotics, arms and other criminal offences."

The week-long crackdown is part of ramped up efforts to halt the killings, with five suspected Islamist militant group members shot dead in gun battles with police in recent days. Among those arrested in the latest sweep were members of banned group Jamayetul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), police said. JMB is one of two local groups blamed for most of the recent killings. The government rejects claims of responsibility from the Islamic State (IS) group and a South Asian branch of Al-Qaeda, saying international jihadists have no presence in Bangladesh.

Omar Faruq, an alleged senior official of the banned Islamist outfit Hizb ut Tahrir, was among those arrested, a local police chief told AFP from the northwestern district of the Chapai Nawabganj.

"We seized anti-government leaflets, pistol and gunpowder from his possession," Bashir Ahmed said. "Faruk was previously arrested in 2012 and went out on bail. Then he started trying to re-organise the activities of the banned organisation," he said. (Courtesy AFP)