

ILPS supporters roads at Uripok Kangchup road



New posting for bureaucrats

IT News
Imphal, June 3: Former principal secretary (CAF & PD) MH Khan, IAS has been posted as the principal Secretary (MOBC/AE) and Secretary, State Commission for OBC from today. BB Sharma, IAS has been posted as the Commissioner (CAF & PD), earlier he was the Commissioner of AE. Gopen Meetei IAS has been posted as secretary (IFC/Agri/Fisheries).

BJP to fight Congress with likeminded parties

NEPS
Kohima, June 3: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) said that they would like to have like-minded people from the Northeast to work for the overall development of the Northeast. Talking to Press here at Kohima Raj Bhavan on Friday, Vinay Sahasrabudhe, Vice President of the National BJP said they recently formed North East Democratic Alliance (NEDA) under the patronage of Himanta Biswa Sarma to fight against the Congress in the region. They would have likeminded people to come together under the banner of NEDA not only to fight against the Congress regimes but also see that developmental activities take place in the region.

MPSC to conduct fresh civil service preliminary exam

IT News
Imphal, June 3: Prelim examination for the MCSCC conducted by the Manipur Public Service Commission on May 15, 2016 has been cancelled by an order of the Secretary MPSC. The civil service examination will be held afresh on July 3, 2016, the official notification said. Candidates are asked to download their admit cards from the official web site - www.empsc.gov.in with effect from June 15, 2016. The decision to cancel the examination has been taken by the commission after due deliberation on the complaints

made by some candidates regarding the errors in the question papers. The official notification issued today said that a contradictory instructions in Para 9 on the cover page of test booklet were found out on the day of the examination when the booklet was opened. On being noticed the error, the committee issued instructions to all the 24 (twenty four) exam centres through the inspecting Officers to inform the candidates that there would be no negative marking. The instruction was verbally announced in all the room of

the exam centres. The MPSC notification further said that, even though the announcement were made complaints were received from some of the candidates stating that the instruction had not been clearly announced in the room or that they did not hear the instruction clearly. The notification also added that on scrutiny of the OMR sheets, the commission found that some candidates had indeed left several questions unanswered, possibly because they were under the impression that there would be negative marking

CM led political party delegation left for New Delhi

IT News
Imphal, June 3: Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh along with other members of the political parties including BJP Spokesperson RK Sivachandra, BJP Media in Charge Bashanta Sharma, MLA Karam Shyam of LJD, MPP President N Sovakiran, General Secretary of CPI (M) of Shanta Kshtrimayum, Manihar Goswami of AAP and other political parties representatives today left Imphal for New Delhi today morning to apprise the central government for getting

Presidential assent of the 3 ILPS related Bills passed by the Manipur Legislative Assembly on August 31 last year. Four other MLAs including President of MPCC TN Haokip, MLA K Ranjit and other two Congress MLAs also left for New Delhi today evening to join the political party delegation. Veteran Politician O Joy, now BJP member and Moirangthem Nara, general Secretary of CPI has been stationed at New Delhi since the past couple of days. They will also join the All

Political Party delegation at New Delhi. The three Bills passed by the state legislative Assembly is pending for assent with the president of India. The political party left for New Delhi under undue pressure from the people of the state demanding immediate implementation of the Inner Line Permit system in the state of Manipur. Meanwhile various individuals had expressed dissatisfaction to the declaration of Kh Ratan as underground organisation.

COCOSUM appeals to relax college students appearing semester exam during ILPS agitation

IT News
Imphal, June 3: Coordinating Committee of Colleges Students' Union Manipur (COCOSUM) has appealed to all the clubs, organisations, civil society, students' body and concern group to relax any form of agitation demanding implementation of ILPS in the state for the college students who are appearing in the ongoing college semester exams. Speaking to media persons at the GP Women's College, COCOSUM convener Longjam Nilakanta said that many college students have been facing severe hardship in appearing their college semester exams due to road blockade during the ongoing demands for the implementation of ILPS in the state. Despite showing their identity proof many students were forbidden to pass through the block roads which force them to drop the very day exam, he added.



Longjam Nilakanta also said that semester exams of colleges in hill districts are conducted routinely without any disturbances; likewise valley colleges should also have the same. Demanding for free education in the state, Longjam Nilakanta appealed to all the concern not to give any hurdle to the students who are appearing the exam. Meanwhile, 4th semester exams for colleges is going to begin from tomorrow, he added. Longjam Nilakanta further

said that COCOSUM have been supporting the demands for implementation of ILPS in the state and will continue to do so until the act have been implemented in the state. Showing disappointment over the using of students as a weapon in any agitation, lock down of colleges, disturbance during the rush hour of college exams form summation is very unfortunate for the students and appeal not to repeat in the future, he added.

No let up in ILPS protest; road blocked, protest staged at various places

IT News
Imphal, June 3: With the demand for implementation of ILPS in the state, different meira pabis, local clubs and organization today staged protest by blocking the road Uripok to Naoremthong Khulem Leikai stretch. An angry agitator said to the media persons that despite many protests and agitation being staged at the state for the past few months, the concern government seems to neglect the demands made by JCILPS and the people of the state to implement ILPS in the state for safeguard of the indigenous people of Manipur. Agitation will be continued until the accent for ILPS are put into act, the agitator added.

Tires were burnt, woods and logs were used to block the road. Commercial vehicles including police vehicles were made to return avoiding to pass the road blocked. Meanwhile, a student of Model higher Secondary School, Takyel who was under going fast-unto-death at Samushang Community Hall, Brilliant Club have been admitted at RIMS hospital today at around 3pm. The student has been identified as Tourangbam Manoj @ Bikanta s/o Tourangbam Naobi of Naoremthong Khulem Leikai. He was studying at II standard. Manoj have been undergoing fast-unto-death demanding

implementation of ILPS in the state for the past 3 days and today was the 4th day. Due to health condition Manoj was admitted at RIMS casualty ward under the supervision of IGP Dr S Ibomcha Singh. On the other hand, JAC against the brutal assault of Taorangbam (O) Tarini devi has also staged protest demanding punishment to the police personnel involved in the assault of Tarini Devi as soon as possible. Failure will create numerous form of agitation against the government. At Salungpham area of Thoubal district too large number of people blocked road in protest against the non-implementation of the ILPS in the state.

Nagaland should work for implementation of Panchayati Raj

NEPS
Kohima, June 3: Minister of State for Panchayati Raj, Nihalchand Meghwal, said that his Ministry had earmarked Rs 1000 for the implementation of the Panchayati Raj system in the three Northeastern States - Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland. Currently only these three States in the Northeast do not have Panchayati Raj system. Talking to press here at Raj Bhavan on Friday, the Minister who came along with Union Minister for Law and Justice, DV Sadananda Dowda to Kohima for NDA's 2nd Anniversary Celebration yesterday, said the Panchayati Raj system was not currently operational in Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland. He further requested that the State Government to initiate for the implementation of the Panchayati Raj system in the State. He further disclosed that the Ministry had already

earmarked Rs 1000 crore for the three Northeastern States - Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland. So once the operation of the Panchayati Raj system in Nagaland is approved by the Ministry, the State will get about Rs 333 crore.

KSA appeals unconditional release of 5 members

IT News
Imphal, June 3: Kangleipak Students' Association (KSA) while appealing the government authority 'unconditional release' of the 5 KSA volunteers today put ban to all trade activities by none locals in the state particularly by those workers and traders supported by Okram Henry. Talking to reporters KSA volunteers blamed the Chief Minister for supporting the illegal traders and those selling

adulterated food items. He said any untoward incident should be held responsible by the Chief minister and his relative for supporting the traders selling poisonous item to the people of the state. The KSA also threatened intense form of agitation if the 5 volunteers arrested were not released unconditionally. The KSA also questioned the reason on why those traders adulterating the tala salt are let free till today.

Cad & Wm minimizes the gap between potential created and utilization through Micro Level Infrastructure Development

DIPR
Imphal, June 3: The Department of Command Area Development under the initiative of the Government of Manipur, implements the Central Sponsored Scheme of Command Area Development & Water Management (CAD&WM) Programme of the Ministry of Water Resources, RD & GR, Government of India covering all the 9 (nine) districts of the

state with 50:50 funding pattern. Thus, CAD&WM has minimized the gap between potential created and utilization through micro level infrastructure development. The scheme is implemented in the commands of Major and Medium Irrigation Projects taken up by Irrigation and Flood Control Department and Minor Irrigation Projects of Minor

Irrigation Department and one more scheme, namely, improvement of Water Reservoir by using Geotechnical Textile materials under the scheme for Promoting Usage of Geotechnical Textile in North East Region of the Ministry of Textile(MoT), Government of India is being taken up from the current year, 2015-16 in all the 9 (nine) Districts of the State. **(Contd. on page 2)**

Hasty decision by the government ?

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The Manipur government's announcement of half a million rupees on the head of Khomdram Ratan, convener of the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System (JCIPLS) is a decision taken on a hasty note. On a similar state is Esha Roy of Indian Express, newspaper of national repute, charging Khomdram Ratan, key leader of the Inner line permit system movement, having allegiance with the banned United National Liberation Front (UNLF) based on the unauthentic photograph circulated in the social media. The photograph was released unanimously which Esha Roy attributes to a "reliable source". Does "reliable Source" always have a tendency to be hundred percent trustworthy? The legalities involved can be demoralizing for Khomdram Ratan if the charges against him are not established hundred percent. Khomdram Ratan had, in a press conference on 01 June 2016 stated that charges against him are nothing but a hoax and unfounded and it is a plot to tarnish the

ongoing movement to safeguard the indigeneous people of the state. Photographs circulated in the so called social Medias have no legitimacy and most of the contentious photographs being circulated have been established to be spurious. It is surprising how a journalist of national repute writes reports based on evidences from social media without ever taking into account the legality of the photograph, wherein the origin or date of the occurrence never ever have been made known. Whoever instigated the Manipur Police to pronounce the reward on Khomdram Ratan's head may have been partly triumphant in trying to capsize the present agitation by JCIPLS. If the ILP movement have been fuelled by the UNLF, what would happen to chief minister Ibobi who have endorsed and passed the ILP bill in the assembly? Would the chief minister and the team of all party delegation who have gone to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi to turn the protection of Manipur People (PMP) bill into an act would

also be on sedition charges? Would the people, who have been agitating for the implementation of ILP in the state out of the blue, become anti-national? There are many radical questions to be answered but it is a humiliation that the government of Manipur has acted on very promptly without corroborating the reports in the Indian Express by Esha Roy. It is an indication of the dumbness and irresponsible governance by a ministry that have been ruling for more or less fifteen years. Legal proceedings against Khomdram Ratan could have been taken up if he was found to have been in allegiance with the proscribed UNLF after validating the so called photograph from the social media. The government should also be conscious that demand for ILP is not beyond the constitution of India. Isn't it too early to come to a hasty wrap up without validating the incrimination against Khomdram Ratan based merely on a likely morphed photograph?