



Members of the JAC formed against the death of Md Arif staged protest demonstration in front of Lilong Police station today.

Bike Rally staged by ILPS protestors



: JCIPLS organised a motor cycle rally demanding implementation of ILPS in Manipur and against the wanted tag on JCIPLS leader Khomdrum Ratan by Manipur police. In today's bike rally hundreds of bikes participated across the state. The rally was flagged off from THAU ground of Thangmeiband and passed various important places of the four districts of the valley.

One succumb to injury in brutal assault at Moijing

ITNews Imphal, June 30: Tension erupted in Moijing Village in Thoubal District early today morning after one 45 years old person was beaten to death by unknown miscreants at around midnight yesterday. The deceased is identified as Md. Abdul @ Rahman, son of Md Habijudin of Thoubal Moijing Wangma taba Chingya Leikai. Family members found the brutally assaulted body at the gate of his residence at around 1.45 am early today morning. He succumbed to his injury on the way to Noor Hospital, Lilong at around 2 am. Family members suspect the locals of

Thoubal Mayum leikai to have been those culprits who had assaulted Rahman. Talking to reporters, a family member said that the deceased Rahman went out of home at around 10 pm yesterday to witness the catching of a rare animal called Lokdroabi at Moijing Awang Leikai. Talking over phone a family member of the deceased said that at around 10 pm yesterday some anti drug campaigners from Thoubal Mayum leikai area conducted drive against drug peddlers in the locality. As the deceased Rahman was also reported to have been passing at the area he was also

alleged to have been a drug user and was assaulted in inhuman way. This was stated as according to the report of the family where the incident. Around 5/6 persons was reportedly involved to the assault of the person. At around afternoon today, locals of Moijing Wangma Tabachingya leikai convened a public meeting and resolved not to accept the dead body until the culprits involved in the killing of the deceased. A JAC formed in the connection said that those person involved to the assault of Rahman has been known and a complaint has also been lodged to the Thoubal Police Station.

Paddy production increased in the state

DIPR Imphal, June 30: The total production of paddy is increasing from 4,39,000 MT to 5,97,670 MT of cleanrice during the last 15 years with a productivity of 2680 kg/ha against the National average of 2177 Kg/ha. (2010-11). The Union Government had awarded Krishi Karman Award consecutively in the year 2011-12 and 2012-13 for increasing the Rice production in the State. Agriculture in the State is confined to 10.48% of the total geographical area (the geographical area being 22,327-lakh ha.). The Net Agricultural area has increased from the 222.51 lakh hectare to 234.12 lakh ha and increased the Gross Agricultural Area of the State by 24.22 %. Increased the Cropping intensity from 121.61% (2001-02) to 151.90%(2015-16) The irrigated area is 50,000 ha. i.e. 21.32 % of the net agricultural land. Pre-kharif paddy were brought under cultivation of 18,110 ha.(2001-02) to 42,000 ha.(2015-16). The production of Pre-kharif paddy is increasing from 43,460 MT to 1,68,190 MT in clean rice with a productivity of 2400 Kg/ha and 4000 Kg/ha respectively. The total area under pulses is increasing from 22,180 to 30,920

ha with a production of 16,450 MT and 29,440 MT during the last 15 year. The per hectare yield of pulses is also increased from 750 Kg to 950 Kg/ha against the National average of 537 Kg/ha.(2010-11) The total area under maize is increasing from 16500 to 26720 ha with a production from 33160 MT to 61560 MT during the last 15 year. The per hectare yield of maize is also increased from 2010 Kg to 2300 Kg/ha against the National average of 1959 Kg/ha (2010-11). The total area under oilseeds is increasing from 22750 to 37480 ha with a production of 15210 MT and 31780 MT during the last 15 year. The per hectare yield of pulses is also increased from 670 Kg to 850 Kg/ha against the National average of 1159 Kg/ha. (2010-11). The area and production of potato is increasing from 7520 to 15250 ha and production from 62,040 to 1,29,170 MT/ha. System of Rice Intensification (SRI) in Paddy and Zero Tillage in Mustard have also been successfully introduced in the State. The Department had also introduced 2 (two) High Yielding Variety of Rice namely Gin-Phou and Pari-Phou at Rice Research Station, Wangbal, Thoubal District for increasing the production and productivity in the State.

Journalist Asem Babycha bags RK Sanatomba Memorial Journalist Award 2016

ITNews Imphal, June 30: RK Sanatomba Memorial Trust has conferred RK Sanatomba Memorial Journalist Award 2016 to journalist Asem Babycha of Hueiyen Lampao which carries a cash prize of Rs 20,000 under the category

Human Resource during a function organised by RK Sanatomba Memorial Trust at Kontung Hijang Thangapat Man here today evening. While, Professor W Vishwanath Singh, Dean, School of Life Science, Manipur University has delivered on the topic 'Indigenous Fishes of

Manipur, Impact of its habitat destruction and ways to mitigate the problem'. Various resource persons also presented papers on subjects related with media and social issues. A Brajakumar Sharma, President of Manipur Integration Conference and K Madhumangol Singh, Veteran Journalist presided over the function.

Naoria Phulo remembered on 75th Death Anniversary

ITNews Imphal, June 30: The Laininghan Naoria Phulo Charitable Trust, Soibam Leikai, Wangkhei Khunou, Imphal today has observed its 75th Death Anniversary of Naoria Phulo at Manipur Press Club, Majorkhul, Imphal. Professor S Sanatombi, Manipuri Department, MU, Nk Puthiba, President of Apokpa Marup, Sanglen, Singjamei Akampat, Imphal, Advocate Ng Nongyai, Former Member



of Manipur Human Rights Commission graced the occasion as chief guest, president and guest of honour respectively. Presentation of patriotic songs and poems by invitees followed by speeches from the dignitaries mark the observance after paying floral tributes to the portrait of the Meitei revivalist.

Isak Chishi Swu 's lifeless body reached at Camp Hebron

ITNews Imphal, June 30: The lifeless body of NSCN-IM Chairman Isak Chishi Swu was brought at Camp Hebron, Dimapur today. Already large number of people from Nagaland and Manipur have rushed Dimapur to pay tribute to the leader. A mass mourning was observed at various places including Ukhrul, Chandel, and Senapati district. A public mourning service will be observed tomorrow at Hebron.

Farmers group SPOM established, appeals for timely and efficient supply of essential materials to farmers

ITNews Imphal, June 30: A conglomerate consisting of fifty farmers each from the cluster systems of Imphal East District, Imphal West District, Bishnupur District and Thoubal District have been formed on Wednesday, 29 June 2016. The farmers group named Seed Produce Farmers Organisation Manipur (SPOM) aims to produce healthy and economical seeds suitable to the soil and climatic conditions of the state with the first lot of produce from the organisation to be paddy saplings to be distributed to

the farmers of the state. A press release of the newly formed body states that the state agriculture department have already purchased seeds produces from these member clusters thereby providing financial incentives to various farmers and appealed to the department to continue purchasing seeds produced by the member clusters under a long-term policy, adding that a written communication has also been submitted to the authorities. The release further disclosed that an exhibition is on the anvil that will display and provide information on the various indigenous rice varieties such as Phourel Amubi, Moirang Phou, Kumbi Phou, Taothabi, Tumai Angouba, Phoudum, Chakhao (black rice) etc.

mentioning the need for the seeds and other farming requirements to be made available through proper channel such as farmers themselves or the cluster system in time instead of the politicized channel of NGOs, social workers, politicians, MLAs or ministers. The Managing Committee of SPOM are: President- Ningombam Ibotombi Singh of Shantipur. Vice-President- Md Abdul Hasim of Keibung. General Secretary- Soram Kendrick of Haoreim. Treasurer- Chongtham Shanta Singh of Sogolotonga. Pherojram Lupajao Singh of Takyel, Heinsnam Rajen Singh of Wangoo and Oinam Oken Singh of Wangoo Shandugkhong as Executive members.

AR recovers IED

ITNews Imphal, June 30: Somsai Battalion of Somsai Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) recovered a powerful IED on NH-202 in general area of Ukhrul district, Manipur on 28 June 2016 at 10:55AM. The foot patrolling party of Somsai Battalion while sanitizing the road found a suspicious looking object rapped in a poly bag lying approximately 300 meters away from the main highway. Troops of the Assam Rifles cordoned the area, stopped movement of vehicles and carried out thorough search to ascertain presence of any miscreant for triggering the IED. Own bomb disposal team was called and the IED weighing approximately 4.5 Kg was neutralized at 4:15 PM. Timely effective measures taken by the Assam Rifles resulted in the aversion of a major mishap and thwarting the nefarious designs of the underground groups.

For sport climber Sushirani, marriage is not an obstacle to carry forward her passion for climbing

IT Exclusive Imphal, June 30: Life is adventure and sport climbing is my passion to enjoy the nature, said young mountaineer Ph Sushirani Devi. In an interview with a representative of Imphal Times, the 25-years-old climber who hails from Nongada Makha Leikai under Imphal East district informed that she started her rock and sport climbing career in the year 2005. "I was inspired by Shantirani, the international mountaineers as well as eminent rock and sport climber", she said. Interestingly, Sushirani, who entered wedlock last year, is still pursuing her passion of exploring the nature and



adventurous sports across the world through rock and sport climbing. Currently, based in Bangalore, the climber is working as Outward Bound Trainer and Adventure Guide

all over the country. She has been helping multiple organizations in designing and executing various training programs on adventurous sports and sports climbing. "To me personal life and career are two different entities, it should never be mixed up. Marriage is never an impediment to professional career, rather it helps in knowing the meaning of life better. However, co-operation and motivation of my husband Yendrembam Subhashchandra Singh made me to pursue my profession further after marriage," she said, when asked about her post-marriage life. Along with this she also started mountaineering from the year 2006 and completed

an advance mountaineering course from Himalayan Mountaineering Institute, Darjeeling. In the year 2009 Sushirani secured 2nd place in Natural Bouldering and 3rd place in Indoor Bouldering in the 6th Open International Artificial and Natural Bouldering Competition organized by Girivihar, in Mumbai, Maharashtra. Recently, she also placed 3rd (women bouldering) in the All India Open Artificial Bouldering Competition held in Sikkim. She is also a recipient of Rajkumari Sanatombi Devi Award, 2007 for outstanding performance in the field of mountaineering and sport climbing.

MRSAM successfully test fired

PBBDEFENCE Imphal, June 30: A Medium Range Surface-to-Air Missile (MRSAM) was successfully test-fired today from the Integrated Test Range off Odisha Coast. The MRSAM is jointly developed by DRDO and IAI of Israel for the Indian Air Force. The missile guided by a Radar system and on-board avionics successfully hit a Pilotless target aircraft. Many Indian industries like BEL, L&T, BDL, TATA group of companies besides other private industries have contributed to the development of a number of

subsystems which have been put into use in this flight test. The MRSAM system provides reliable air defence in medium ranges. Both, Indian and Israel teams participated in the launch campaign. The Defence Minister Shri Manohar Parrikar congratulated DRDO and the Industry Partners for successful demonstration of the Air Defence capability. Secretary Dept of Def R&D and DG DRDO Dr.S Christopher declared the launch as a major milestone for the IAF towards air defence.