



Moreh town wore deserted look during the 24 hours bandh against the missing of two youths

## JCILPS Student volunteers dare police intervention; intensify ILPS demand

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** The ongoing agitation spearheaded by the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System demanding implementation of the Inner Line Permit System in the state today once more turn ugly with students wing volunteers confronting the police personnel which intervenes them.

A day after Meira Paibi and club volunteers staged a torch rally in at various places of the state including greater Imphal area yesterday evening, large number of JCILPS Students Wing Volunteers today staged another rally at Uripok Kanchup road in Imphal.

The JCILPS has been demanding the state government to implement the agreement signed between the government and the JCILPS members which are under the state list. The committee also blamed the government and other political parties of the state for remaining quite instead of pressing the central leaderships to get assent of the three ILPS related Bills which are pending at the president table.



Around 1 pm today afternoon, large number of students from schools at Uripok area today gathered at Lamboi Khongnangkong in Imphal West and started marching towards Khwaramband Keithel site. The students volunteers were joined by various groups of women meira paibi. Slogans for implementation of ILPS were shouted during the rally. When asked the destination, a student volunteers said that they on their way to the Chief

Minister's Bungalow. However, as the students' volunteers and the women meira paibis reached Petrol depot near BT road fly at Uripok Goplaji Leirak Machin area a strong team of City Police headed by Officer-in-Charge Inspector Sudhir prevented them from proceeding forward. Interestingly, a student volunteer, identified as Bidyalaksmi, the girl student who spearheaded at various agitation last year confronted

the police personnel for stopping them. Bidyalaksmi was the girl student who was brutally assaulted by a police officer in front of Secretariat last year for staging protest in front of the office. She later, underwent a fast unto death protest in front of Ananda Singh Higher Secondary Academy at Soibam Leikai along with various other students until the state legislative Assembly passed the 3 ILPS related Bills on August 31 last year.

## All Political Party delegation to endorse JCILPS demand

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** Unable to bear the pressure from the JCILPS, Chief Minister Okram Ibobi Singh today convened a meeting of All Political Parties at his office bungalow at around 9 am. The meeting chaired by the Chief Minister Okram Ibobi deliberated on the present problem arises out of the demand for ILPS

spearheaded by the JCILPS. The counter protest being underway at Churanchandpur was also an issue which was discussed in depth. After thorough deliberation the meeting resolved to depute a delegation of all Political party to apprise the present issue to the central government. Source said the all political party delegation

will pursue the central government in getting assent of the 3 ILPS related Bills passed by the state legislative Assembly on August 31. Source said that all Political Party delegation will leave Imphal for New Delhi on or before 16 of this month. The team will meet the Prime Minister, Home Minister and President of India if possible.

## Paasenger taxi continue to stay off the road

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** Deisel auto, petrol auto, Wingers, buses and Tata Magic passenger taxi service in Imphal area continue to stay out of road in protest against the state Transport department notification for one tax for all the said vehicles. Various transporter bodies had unanimously resolved to protest the government decision by staying off the road since yesterday.

As the government still failed to give any response to the protest by the passenger service vehicles the steering down strike continue to put up their grievances. The transporters further threatened to intensify the protest in the coming days.

## Manipuri youth missing at Delhi

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** A Manipuri youth identified as Thangkholun (aged about 30 yrs) son of Zamkhogin of Kangvai Village in Churanchandpur district has been reported missing since May 7 this year. A missing report has been filed with the concerned police station.

Report said he reached New Delhi on May 6 and stayed at one of his friend's place located at Kotla Mubarakpur, South Delhi. He reportedly went out of his friend's place at around 9 am of May 7 and did not return back.

It may be mentioned that youths from North Eastern India has been facing serious racial discrimination in the Indian capital city. The Dentral govt. had also set up special police force exclusively for NE people.

## Moreh Bandh

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** 24 hours Moreh bandh called by various civil society organisation base at Moreh including Meitei Council Moreh, Muslim Council Moreh, Hill Tribal Council Moreh, All Community development Organisation, Tamil Sangam Moreh, Gorkha Sama Samiti, etc. has seriously affected normal life in Moreh. The bandh was called since yesterday midnight against the missing of muslim youths who went for fishing inside the Myanmar Territory on May 2. Due to the bandh border trade has also been seriously affected. The Border was sealed since yesterday in view of the prevailing situation.

The civil society organisation based at Moreh has been asking both concern authority of Moreh and India to trace the 2 missing youths.

## Robinhood remembered; Edn Minister laid foundation for erecting his statue

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** Sapam Robinhood Remembrance Committee today laid foundation stone for erecting of a statue of the student and for construction of gallery cum-library inside the complex of Ananda Singh Higher Secondary School. Sapam Robinhood, the class XI student of Ananda Singh Higher Secondary School, was shot dead by state police during an agitation for implementation of ILPS in the state in June last year. The foundation stone in memory of the sapam Robinhood was laid by Dr. Kh Ratankumar, Education Minister.

## ILPS agitation: Fast-unto-death begins, police excess decried

**IT News**

**Imphal, May 9:** A woman meira paibi who was allegedly assaulted mercilessly by a male police officer at around 10 pm yesterday evening at Uripok Sorbon Thingel, in Imphal West area has begun fast-unto-death protest after the incident. The woman identified as Taorangbam Ongbi Tarini Devi (aged about 45) wife of T Anilkumar was allegedly assaulted inhumanly by a police officer for enquiring about the arrest of 3 youths from the area who were staging protest for implementation of ILPS. The Police officer was also alleged to have used unparliamentary words to the woman meira paibi besides assaulting her. She sustained minor injury at her head and her left hand was fractured in the police action. The matter was taken up to the notice of the local MLA however, local MLA Nandakumar allegedly stay



away from the plea of the meira paibi. Condemning the police excess as well as the response of MLA Nandakumar, Meira Paibi groups from Uripok area today convened a meeting at Uripok Sorbaon Thingel Community Hall. The meeting demanded immediate action against the police officer who had assaulted the woman meira paibi. Further the Meira paibi of the area also demanded immediate clarification from MLA Nandakumar for his silence and non-responsive to the

grievances of the people of the locality.

On the other hand, showing solidarity to the demand of the JCILPS and Tarini Devi who began fast unto death protest demanding Inner Line permit system, the Meira Paibi meeting also resolved to make no U- turn to the protest being spearheaded by the JCILPS.

**AT IMPHAL EAST**

A team of JCILPS women wing led by its convener Kh Apibi Devi today throng to the office of the Deputy Commissioner shouting slogans demanding implementation of ILPS in the state.

Over 30 women volunteers the protest which marched from Khurai area. As soon as the women protestors reached the DC Imphal East office slogans demanding ILPS were shouted. They were not given any hindrance by any police personnel. Later, after shouting slogans in front of the DC office the women activist return back.

## Nagas attract tourists with rural tourism

**ANI**

**Dimapur, May 9:** With peace gaining ground in Nagaland, the people are turning towards developing rural tourism sector to attract tourists with rich culture, blessed with a plethora of flora and fauna, and lush green nature's bounty.

A resort named 'Shalom Resort' at Gaili village also known as Hupulzang in Peren district, around 37 kilometers away from Dimapur, was opened on Saturday by Nagaland Rural Development Minister C.L. John.

"I am impressed to see the concept of the resort. It is encouraging and this will certainly help in promoting rural tourism," John said. Inaugurating the resort, he urged all to make the resort a place of coming together in unity for the Nagas and do

away tribalism.

"The name 'Shalom Resort' which is Peace Resort itself is meaningful and we must make it a place of peaceful coexistence by also asking all communities to settle in the vast area," he added.

Talking to ANI, former NLA Speaker and minister Neiba Ndam, who has guided his siblings to start the resort, said the main motive is to attract nature lovers.

Shalom Resort is situated near Sainik School in Punglwa village beneath Mt. Pauna, the third highest mountain in the state.

According to Dr. K Lolo Ndam, the member board of trustees, this resort would provide facilities like jungle gym, cycling, spa, boating, angling to name some.

Nagaland has so far three resorts, the other two 'None'

and 'Niathu' owned by Niathu group.

As of now, the scope and potential of tourism in the state is not a matter of great concern. However, the idea and vision is to promote tourism in progressing year after year. Nagaland is blessed with a beautiful topography filled with rich flora and fauna and a culture and therefore has so much scope and potential in the field of tourism. For so long, the people of the insurgency torn state have not utilized the resources to its advantage except during the season of the Hornbill festival.

The state has also a huge potential to attract tourists as majority of the tourists want to witness the Naga culture and also to experience nature, mostly on wildlife and adventure.

## State Government thrust on education system

**DDPR**

**Imphal, May 9:** Department of Education (S), Govt. of Manipur has implemented Mid Day Meal scheme since 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2004. Under the scheme hot cooked food is being provided to Primary Children since November 2004 and Upper Primary children from 2008-09 onwards. Till the end of December, 2015, 148221 Primary and 38434 Upper Primary children were covered. The average coverage of children is 81.925 percent. The scheme has covered 2475 Primary school, 717 Upper Primary school attached with primary and 177 Upper Primary without Primary schools. Food grains up to March 2016 has been released to all concerned DCs for delivery to all respective schools. The utilized quantities till the end of December 2015 are 2318.793 MTs in Primary and 872.505 MTs in Upper Primary respectively. Fund amounting to Rs 82.50 lakhs @ Rs 5000/- per schools were provided to 1650 schools for purchasing of cooking utensils.

Under SSA, Free text books were also distributed to 2,40,747 students and School grant @ Rs 5,000.00 were

extended to 4431 schools. Maintenance grant @ Rs 5,000.00 to 10,000.00 has been extended to 3090 schools during the year 2014-15. Rs 5343.66 lakhs were sanctioned for construction of 545 new Primary Schools. Rs 2228.66 lakhs sanctioned for construction of 62 new Upper Primary Schools and Rs 6584.65 lakhs were sanctioned for construction of 2169 additional class rooms. The Department of Education (S) has upgraded 49 no. of Jr. High Schools to the status of High Schools. Students of Class I-VIII of Govt. and Private Aided Schools are provided Free Text Books to enable them to complete their Elementary Cycle of schooling. This provision eradicates the financial barriers of the parents upto certain extent. Distribution of Free Text Books for the academic year 2016 is being effected in order to ensure to accomplish during the beginning of the academic session.

SSA Manipur developed training module and trained the members of School Management & Development Committee from time to time which would embraces parents/guardians, community leaders, teachers etc.

regarding their inevitable role, responsibility and their Right enacted under the Right to Education Act. To inculcate scientific temper and to create awareness of the rapid developments taking place in Science, the Science Unit, Department of Education (S), Manipur has conducted various programme during the year 2015-16 like, State level students science seminar 2015 on the topic 'Harnessing Light; Possibilities and challenges'. State level National Talent Search Examination, 2015 where 25 students were selected to appear in the National Talent Search Examination held on 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. State Talent Search Examination, in which 713 students had appeared from 12 Zone/Districts centres of Manipur. National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Examination where 508 students appeared from 12 Zone/Districts centres of Manipur. The department of Education(S) has organized state level Science, mathematics and Environment Exhibition for children, 2015 on the main theme "Science and Mathematics for Inclusive Development". Selected 20 students were participated in the Eastern India Science

Fair, 2016 held at Birla Industrial & Technological Museums, Kolkata from Jan 12-16, 2016.

Under the INSPIRE Award scheme, a total of 150 students have received financial assistance @ Rs 5000/- each and they participated in the State/District level Science Exhibition & Project Competition for INSPIRE Awardees 2015. Selected best 5 awardees had participated in the 5<sup>th</sup> National Level Science Exhibition & Project Competition for INSPIRE Awardees held at IIT Haus Khas, New Delhi from Dec 5-6, 2015.

Under the State Competitive Scholarship Examination scheme, 25 students each were selected and given financial assistance @ Rs 300/- per month to Class V passed and @ Rs 500/- per month to Class VIII passed students every year. Under the State Merit Scholarship of the Directorate of Education (S), 300 students each of Class X & XII passed were provided financial assistance @ Rs 6000/- and @ Rs 12,000/- based on the BoSEM & CoHSEM results.

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