



## NSCN-IM looks forward to settle Indo-Naga issue much before March 2017

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**Imphal, Nov 2:** A press statement issued by the Ministry of Information and Publicity (MIP), NSCN-IM has indicated a final settlement of the prolonged Indo-Naga issue much before March, 2017. Reacting to the press statement of Mulatnu, GPRN/NSCN, which stated that a political talk is scheduled with Government of India by March 2017, the NSCN-IM said that the Indo-Naga political talks would have

resulted to a final solution much before March, 2017 and the question of even the existence of the GPRN/NSCN would not arise by then. "Does anyone believe in his sound mind that Government of India will have political talks with non-existence or dissolve organization? It is good to dream within the ambit of possibilities", the MIP statement said indicating that there will be no more NSCN-IM as a settlement would be already arrived between the two

entities in the month of March 2017. The MIP statement also stated that there is nothing new about such repeated empty claims that they are schedule for political talks with Government of India and yet all that they discussed since 2007 is confine to ceasefire extension whereby they have accepted to be disciplined under the Indian laws as signed in their ceasefire agreement. It further added that the officials of Government of

India have repeatedly told Kehoi Campers that there will be only one solution for the Indo-Naga political issue. The on-going Indo-Naga political talk with Government of India and NSCN representing Naga people is inclusive and final. Since cadres from GPRN/NSCN realizing the truth that they have reach a dead end are coming over in hundreds months after months to join hands with the NSCN and to further strengthen the on-going Indo-Naga peace process, the statement added.

## Tribute paid to Victims of Malom Massacres

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**Imphal, Nov 2:** Victims of the infamous Malom Massacre which prompted Irom Chanu Sharmila to launch 16 years long hunger strike protest, was remembered today on 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Irom Chanu Sharmila, which began her fast due to the inhuman killing of 10 civilians including a child National award winner and women also came to pay her tribute to the departed soul. "It is heartbreaking, still justice has not been delivered to the innocent victims", AFSPA crusader Sharmila who had

recently shun hunger strike protest and chose electoral politics to continue her struggle said. In November 2, 2000, 10 civilians, including a 62-year-old woman and a national child bravery award winner were mercilessly killed by personnel of the 8th Assam Rifles at Malom Makha Leikai roadside along Imphal Tulihal Airport Road. In memory of the 10<sup>th</sup> civilians, a site has been constructed and today is the first time that Irom Sharmila came to pay tribute. Family members, friends and others offered floral tributes to the memorial stone erected near

the bus stop at the site in memory of the 10 victims. The AR personnel gunned the 10 civilians after letting them stand in line. The victims killed by the Assam Rifles troopers were Leisangbam ongbi Ibtombi, 62; Gurumayum Babu Sharma, 57; Oinam Sanatomba Singh, 50; Kangiam Bijoy alias Naouba, 35; Amakcham Raghamani, 34; Soibam Prakash, 25; Kshetrimayum Inaocha, 20; Tokpam Shantikummar, 19; Sinam Robin, 28 and 18-year-old Sinam Chandramani who was a National Child Bravery Award winner in 1988.

## Shops gutted

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**Imphal, Nov 2:** A grocery shop was gutted late yesterday evening at Thangmeibam Hijam Dewan leikai destroying property worth around Rs.15 lakhs. The freak fire incident broke out due to electric short-circuit at around 8.30 pm, said locals of the area. No person was however injured in the incident. People of the area pour their angry to fire tender vehicle which rushed the spot without water in the vehicle tank, charging them of dereliction of duty. The locals also stated that the emergency number provided was not responded when contacted by the locals. The shop belong to Leitongbam Tomba of Thangmeibam Hijam Dewan leikai. According to him, properties worth around Rs15 lakh, including gold and cash were cindered in the fire. On the otherhand a maruti van was caught in fire at Lilong at around 6 pm yesterday. Report said the fire broke out while it was driving. The occupant in the van miraculously escaped only to witness the van burning. Fire tender which was informed rushed the spot and tried to extinguish it but could not save. The registration of the van is MN06L3601.

## Head Master Molests Teenage Girl at Boarding

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Nov 2:** A teenage girl student was reportedly molested at her boarding/hostel situated at Andro under Imphal-East District. According to a report, the girl was allegedly molested by Salam John @ Ibungo (45) of Andro Bazar, Imphal-East, who is also the Head Master of Saint Joshep School, Andro. The parent of the girl said that their daughter was molested and rape by the head master three times. As the 12 years old girl was threatened not to reveal the incident to anyone, the



incident was kept in the dark corner. But the incident came into

light, when the 12 years old took the courage to narrate the whole incident to her mother, today. Abungo was later caught by local club, meira paibi and CSO when the girl's mother complains about the incident. A public meeting was held at the school premises regarding the incident where the local club, meira paibi and CSO's took the decision to exile Ibungo from the village for his entire life. Later, Ibungo was handed over to Andro Police Station.

## DESAM volunteers protest third degree torture ; demands punishment

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Nov 2:** Volunteers of DESAM today staged a sit-in-protest demanding punishment of the police personnel who had tortured five of its member including its President Moirangthem Angamba on October 29. The students' body said that 5 of its member including its president were picked up by Singjamei Police in connection with an incident happened in front of Manipur University main gate and alleged the police of treating third degree torture to their member including its president Moirangthem Angamba. Buish signed of torture at both the legs of M

Angamba was shown to media persons at Raj Medicity where the student leader was admitted and undergoing treatment two soon after their released two days back. Speaking to the media persons at the protest site General Secretary of DESAM, Nameirakpam Adison demanded immediate action against those police personnel involved in the brutal torture of their student colleagues in custody on or before November 4. The students' body warned the government to face serious form of agitation if the government failed to take up appropriate action against those police personnel if fails to fulfill the

demand. On October 29, a clashed broke out at Manipur University between two student groups. Some students from the Manipur University strongly opposed DESAM's proposed felicitation function of newly elected college students' union election inside the Manipur university campus prompting the two group to engaged in fierce clashed. Police which rushed the spot fired tear gas shells and even charge the students with baton as the situation could not be controlled. Later, police picked up five students including the DESAM President. A police man also sustained injury while trying to control the clashed.

## 68<sup>th</sup> Information and Public Relations day observed

**DIPR**  
**Imphal, Nov. 2:** The 68<sup>th</sup> Information and Public Relations Day, 2016 was celebrated yesterday at the State Information Centre (SIC) DIPR, Palace Gate, Imphal and a 5-Day Photo Exhibition on 15 years Achievements of the Government led by Shri Okram Ibobi Singh was also inaugurated by the Commissioner (IPR) Shri K. Radhakumar Singh, IAS who graced the function as Chief Guest. The Chief Guest released the Documentary Film "Chaokhat Khongthangda Manipur" produced by DIPR, which highlighted the achievements of the government in 15 years. Speaking on the occasion, K. Radhakumar Singh said the role of DIPR was very important and it could be considered as two-way traffic. It was not only to inform the public about the activities and achievement of the government but to give feedback from the

public as well. While revamping the Directorate his priority was to complete the requisite infrastructures than required man power must be in position. He was hopeful that the shortages of man power could be solved when the recruitment process was over. The existing recruitment rules need to be amended so that qualified and experienced staff could be inducted in the department. He reminded the reporters of DIPR that the reporting should be objective and not subjective. In his Presidential speech, the Director of Information & Public Relations Shri Meghachandra Kongbam emphasized the urgent need to change the structure of the Department into a specialized professional Department so as to achieve the goal "Reach out to every village and every household" of the government messages to inform, educate and enlighten

the people. He stated that Manipur is a typical state in regards to its geographical and demographical condition, where different communities speaking different dialects and having different life styles settled in different parts of the State. He said, "People talks about 'peace and progress' territorial integrity' and 'communal harmony' in Manipur". He asked, "Which department has to handle the tasks of the above issues in order to convince the masses? He replied, "It is the prime duty of the DIPR to carry out the public relations practices to resolve the various social issues in Manipur". He expressed his hope for a bright future of the Department to make a strong Manipur. The function marked the screening of the 55 - minute documentary film "Chaokhat Khongthangda Manipur" produced by DIPR and musical performance by the media professionals.

## Kut 2016- Unity through Culture celebrated

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**Imphal, Nov 2:** The State Level Kut, 2016 was celebrated under a theme "Unity Through Culture" at 1<sup>st</sup> MR Ground with Chief Minister O.Ibobi Singh, gracing the occasion as the Chief Guest yesterday. Addressing the crowd, the Chief Guest said the Kut festival had been in existence before the advent of Christianity in the state and the Kut festival has become one of the most popular

festival which occupies special place in the hearts of the people and brings together all the communities in the state. The chief guest further encourage the future generation to conserve and preserve culture, and wish that Kut being a festival for bountiful harvest , this year festival will also be a festival of peace and harmony in a true sense and harmony and progress for all community living in the state. The Kut Voice Contest was

held as a part of the celebration, where 13 contestants competed for the top spot. TH.Lokeshore Singh, Speaker, Manipur Legislative Assembly , D Korung thang , Minister (Health), Smt. MC Mary Kom, MP,(Rajya Sabha), Shri Hazi Abdul Salam, MP, Rajya Sabha,Dr.Kh. Ratanakumar, M.O.kendro Singh, Minister,(Education) and Shri TN.Haokip, President, MPCC attended the function as Guests of Honour and President of the function.

## Door to door legal aid campaign kicks off

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Nov 2:** Manipur state legal services authority today launched "Mass door to door campaign" in various part of the state. The door to door campaign will continue till November 3. The campaign aims to provide free and competent legal service to the weaker section of society to ensure that opportunities for securing justice are not denied to any citizen reason of economic or other disabilities and to organize Lok Adalats to secure that the operation of the legal system promotes justice on a basis of equal opportunity.

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**Imphal, Nov 2:** Relief Centre for the welfare of Differently Aabled Persons in association with Manipur State Legal Services Authority organised 4<sup>th</sup> Ningol khudol (Ningol chakouba) with a one day conference on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at Hao Ground, Singjamei yesterday. An audio MP3 disc highlighting on Acts of Persons with Disabilities released and a booklet on "the mental health Act, 1987" published by Manipur state Legal Services Authority" distributed on the said function. Children of orphanage and physically challenged persons who attended the function had a grant feast with eminent persons from different works of life. Volunteers of the organising committee distributed shawls as a token of love to attendees. Dhanabir Laishram, Social Scientist attending as guest of honour stated that everyone has to come forward to fight against discrimination and social stigmatism towards physically challenged persons. He motivated by

## Physically challenged Ningols and their wards spends Ningol Chakkouba day with dignity and love from well wishers



narrating about Hellen kellar and well verse story entitle "the story of real man" to move ahead differently abled persons for a successful life. Drawing government's attention, he emphasis to restructure public office and buildings to put ramps and other essential infrastructures. He lauded to differently abled

persons to come forward breaking all kind of social barriers to participate in social functions to have a developed and peaceful cohesive developed society. Rk Memcha Devi Member Secretary, MASALSA as chief guest lamented that everyone are same in the eyes of law. MASALSA provided free and competent legal services to differently able persons. She assures to extend all possible support to physically challenged persons and financially backward needy persons. Ch Opendro Singh, Former President Relief centre for the welfare of Differently Aabled Persons in his presidential speech state that relief centre organised various programmes to empower the physically challenged persons of the society. Among all those activities every year starting from world disabled day organized winter special mela to exhibit different kinds of product made by differently abled persons. Ph Deban Sharma, President AMUCO, Rakesh Meihoubam, Director Human Rights Law Network, A Bishorji Singh, Pradhan Sapam Leikai Gram Panchayat were among attended the function.