

Election euphoria:

Real games kicks off; one more congress MLA resigns; another former Congress MLA to officially join BJP tomorrow

IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: It is clear now; the fight will be between BJP and Congress. Congress now is losing its feet with one more MLA from Tadubi Assembly Constituency officially resigning from the post of MLA as well as from the primary membership of the INC. On the other hand former vice president of MPCC, who was also in-charge of PDA in the 9th Manipur Legislative Assembly is all set to join the BJP. A press communiqué by the General Secretary, BJP Manipur Pradesh said that Dr.

N Loken former congress MLA from Sagolband Assembly constituency will officially join the BJP. A reception ceremony is being organized at the BJP Manipur Pradesh Office at 2.30 pm to welcome the former MLA. Meanwhile, days after supporters of Former Congress Minister, Franchis Ngazokpa had urged the MLA to resign from the Congress government; the MLA from Tadubi Assembly Constituency had officially submitted his resignation paper to the Speaker of the

Manipur Legislative Assembly. There was no justification addressed to the resignation letter submitted to the Speaker. Meanwhile, the state BJP is rolling out red carpet to Congress MLAs who are yet to leave the Congress party and to those who had already left the party. Source said that 8 more sitting Congress MLAs will join the BJP in the coming days and the joining of congress MLAs to BJP will be over before October 20. The source further said that some among the Congress MLA

who will be accepted by the BJP might not get the BJP ticket but majority of them had been assured to contest in the forthcoming election as BJP candidates. On the other hand MPCC is facing tough time convincing the MLAs to stay with the party. A sitting congress MLA of Naoriya Pakhang Lakpa Assembly Constituency had openly stated that MLAs who are not given Ministerial Portfolio will be given the ministerial berth if elected once more in the 2017 assembly election.

Tribal body stage rally; submits memorandum; demands implementation of 31% reservation for ST to MU



IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: Demanding revocation of the Academic Council meeting resolution adopted on October 8, different Tribal students' body today staged a rally and submitted memorandum to the governor of Manipur. The protest rally that kicks off from Adimjati Complex at Chingmeirong was organized jointly by All Triba Students' Union Manipur (ATSUM), All Naga Students' Association Manipur (ANSAM) and Kuki Students' Organisation (KSO) GHQ.

Placards with slogans "our right is our life", "shame on you MU authority", "punish the law violators VC and registered", "follow 31% for ST, follow parliament act 2012", "respect tribal rights" etc. From Adimjati complex the large number of tribal students proceeded towards North

AOC and then to Governor's Bungalow along the PWD road. The students were however, intervene by a strong team of police near PCTC Oil depot near DM College. After a brief confrontation the Police after getting permission from the higher authority allow 5 representatives of the to submit their memorandum to the governor of Manipur. The 5 member team was led by Joseph Hmar, President ATSUM and Seth Shatsang, President ANSAM.

In the memorandum submitted today it is mentioned that the root cause of the present imbroglio in Manipur University can be traced back to UGC letter no. 21-2/2015(CU) dated 23rd march 2016. On the basis of this letter which sent to all 40 central university in India, the deans committee of Manipur university in its meeting held 4h April took a hasty decision without seeking clarification from UGC to implement the all India reservation norms of 7.5% for ST 15% for SC, 27% for OBC in admission and recruitment overlooking the high court of Manipur order date 03.09.2014 and the central educational institutions act 2016 and as amended in 2012 the Dean committee

resolution was strongly condemned by Manipur University Tribal students Union backed by ATSUM as it was reversed to the existing parliament act and a direct attempt to further discriminate and marginalize the tribal community in the state of Manipur by limiting access to higher education learning. It also mention that the latest MU Academic council meeting held on 11 October 2016 decided to refer the matter to the visitor instead of complying the high court order to comply with the amended reservation act of 2006. The memorandum also urged the attention of the governor stating that unless strict corrective measures are not taken at the earliest it would tantamount to encouraging disrespect of the rule of law and violating the parliament act. Any decision taken by MU academic council against the Central Educational Institutional (Reservation in Admission) amendment act 2012 will attract prompt interference from all quarters which may pave May to social upheavals and social divide between the already divided hill and valley dwellers, the memorandum added.

Maoist warns; appeals to release worker

IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: Maoist Communist Party Manipur has expressed strong condemnation to the kidnapping of workers who was engaged for the road construction at Moirang Pural Road. The outfit in a press statement said that they have no problem to the burning of the JCB vehicle but when a worker is targeted the Maoist Communist Party Manipur will not remain a silent spectator. It warn those involved in the kidnapping of the labour to release the worker safe and sound and said that they have not problem to any conflict with any groups to capitalist people. It said it would launch intense form of agitation if fail to release the kidnapped worker.

India to take on Brazil in final round of BRICS U-17 football tournament

Goa, Oct 13: India will take on Brazil in their final round-robin match of the inaugural BRICS Under-17 football tournament in Goa today. The match will kick-off at 8 PM. India has lost all of its last 3 games and is at the bottom of the 5-team table. It is out of the race for a place in the Final. Brazil, which is at the top of the table, has already made it to the title clash which will be played on Saturday. The second finalist will be decided today. Russia will play South Africa in the other match of the day.

Tinseed Road Joint Action Committee threatens agitation if govt. fails to repair Tinseed road

IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: Demanding immediate repairing of Tinseed road from Sanjenbam to Kanghuchingjin, the Tinseed Road Joint Action Committee (TRJAC), Takhel GP, Impal East, Manipur threats to launch different form of agitation. Speaking to the media persons at Manipur Press Club, Majorkhul, Yumkhaibam Surjit, President of TRJAC said that for the past 7/8 years the inter-village roads linking from Tinseed road to different villages of the GP have remain in deplorable condition as the roads have not been repaired. Village authorities, clubs and meira paibi of the villages located under the Takhel Sanjenbam Gram Panchayat had held a general meeting on October 8 regarding the problem faced by the people of the area due to the pathetic road condition where a memorandum have been submitted to the concern Minister (Works), he added. Yumkhaibam Surjit also said that some of the roads along the Tinseed road are in unnotorable and accident prone condition. Public,

especially the students have been suffering untold meseries for many years due to bad road conditions, he added. Yumkhaibam Surjit further said that locals of the Takhel, under Lamlai constituency have sought for help from the concern department, MLAs and even submitted numbers of memorandum but no positive response have been receive. In the year 2013, Kshetri Biren, Works Minister had assured to repair the road during a program called "Meet the MLAs" which was telecast at ISTV but his words seems to be only for showoff to the

public, he added. TRJAC has submitted a memorandum to the local MLA and Works Minister to take up the repairing works of the roads on or before October 20 or TRJAC will launch different form of democratic agitation from the next day, October 21. The roads which still remain repair are Tinseed road from Sanjenbam to Kanghuchingjin which is of 8-9 Km distance, Sanjenbam to Terakhong, Sanjenbam to Kharason, Sanjenbam to Kambongput, Sanjenbam to Sangsabi, Takhel to Tuishephai and Takhel to Nongmaipan (Ngamaram).



Horizon Hospital and Research Institute Inaugurated

IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: In collaboration with Lions Club of Imphal East on the occasion of World Sight Day observance, Horizon Hospital and Research Institute (HHRI), a newly constructed hospital building located at Khurai Soibam Leikai, Ayangpali Rpad, Porompat opposite of JNIMS, Imphal East has been inaugurated today. Speaking on the occasion, Dr Yambem Yaima Singh, Managing Director of HHRI said that during his time of being a government doctor, he was unable to fully dedicate his work for the

people of the state. Being the Managing Director of the HHRI, people who are unable to get the treatment of their health, mostly for eye sight will be able to do at HHRI, he added. Dr Yambem Yaima Singh also said that most of the people of the state face many problems while getting treatment outside of the state, mostly financial and travelling. At HHRI patients and family member will not be facing such problems, he added. Dr Yambem Yaima Singh further said that comparing with other Hospital and Institute, to meet the needs

of the public and patients while getting their treatment, only regional charges which are in low rate that satisfy the patients will be charge at HHRI. Medicine will also be made available as low as of that MRP price which is in process, he added. Horizon Hospital and Research Institute is a well equipped hospital with modern technology which has 35 beds, 4 OT, different OPD Blocks. Later, a free health check-up and vision screening for the invitee, guests and those attended the function was also conducted at the HHRI.

CM Inaugurates

IT News
Imphal, Oct 13: Chief Minister Okram Ibobi today inaugurated the Leishan Package drinking water and fruit juice at Koirengi in Imphal today morning. Many MLAs and Ministers were attended in the inaugural function.

Muslim bodies to boycott Law Commission's Uniform Civil Code Proposal

Source AIR
New Delhi, Oct 13: The All India Muslim Personal Law Board today said Muslim Bodies will boycott the questionnaire sent by the Law Commission on Uniform Civil Code saying that the Commission is not acting as an independent body. The Law Commission has sent out a list of 16 questions to

gaugue public opinion on the code. It has sought opinion on ending customs that had been branded anti-women in all three major religions. Briefing media in New Delhi, Hazrat Maulana Wali Rehman said the Board is totally opposed to the Uniform Civil Code saying it is not good for the nation. Mr Rehman said country is known for

diversity and it should be respected. He said people are living in this country in accordance with the Constitution, which grants freedom to live and practice one's religion. He wondered how India does not want to follow America in this matter as everyone in the US follows his or her personal laws and identity there.

Kerala BJP state wide hartal hits normal life

Source AIR
Thiruvananthapuram, Oct 13: The State-wide dawn-to-dusk Hartal, called by the BJP in Kerala to protest the murder of party activist Remith in Kannur has hit normal life. The strike is reported to be peaceful. No untoward incident has been reported from anywhere so far. Vehicles kept off the roads

including Kerala SRTC bus services. Only some private vehicles and two-wheelers are plying. Hospitals, medical stores, milk and newspaper distributions have been exempted from the strike. Elaborate security arrangements have been put in place by the police to prevent any untoward incidents. DGP Loknath

Behera urged all citizens to help ensure peace and to prevent violence and destruction of public property. Strong action will be taken against those who try to block vehicles or engage in violence, he said. Remith's body will be brought from Kozhikode after postmortem to Kannur for cremation today.