

BJP re-iterated stands on National Sports University construction; says Koutruk is the best location

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: Convenor of the Election Committee, BJP Manipur Pradesh, Thounaojam Chaoba today sent strong message to the government of Manipur saying that the party will put all effort to stop construction of National Sports University at Yaitibi Loukon in Thoubal district.

Talking at the one day political conference for BJP workers a 21- Naoriya Pakhang Lakpa Mandal at Langthabal Phuramakhong, the former president of BJP and still continue to remain as strong man of the Right wing party Manipur Chapter, Th. Chaoba said that he could not find any logical justification for choosing the Cultivable Agricultural land that too by spending huge amount of state fund at a time when the state is facing acute shortage fund.

The former Union Minister of State is referring to the peoples' plea to establish the Sports University near Koutruk at which locals of the area are ready to donate the land at free of cost.

On the other hand, Th. Chaoba also said that the BJP will not allow any violation of human rights as well as international agreement signed by India to protect the cultivable land as well as forest area.

MLA Khumukcham Joykishan who also spoke on the occasion lambasted the state government for punishing those government officials who are rendering their duty with sincerity. Joykishan called on how Inspector Ranjit was

victimised after he hauled by large quantity of narcotic drugs as the owners or those involved in the drug rackets happen to be close relatives of the Chief Minister Okram Ibobi. BJP state vice president M.Ashikumar Singh,

spokesperson N. Mangi, along with three aspirant candidates of Naoriya Phakhanglakpa Assembly Constituency including N Manoranjan, O Malesh and E Subash attended the political conference as dignitaries.

Dr. Kh. Loken officially joins BJP

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: Former Vice President of Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC), Dr. Khwairakpam Loken, who was also the chairman of the PDA in 9th Manipur Legislative Assembly, today slammed the Congress party leaderships who still consider family member as their priority. The former MLA resigned from the Congress Party on May 11, 2016 along with three Imphal Municipal Council Members and been engaging hectic political campaign without associating with any political party until today.

Dr. Kh Loken who had joined the BJP was given a warm reception by the leaders and workers of the BJP Manipur Pradesh including Election Convenor Thounaojam



Chaoba, Ashinikumar and Nimbus at its Nityapat Chuthek office today.

The other 3 councilors who had quit the Congress party also joined the BJP.

Talking on the occasion, Dr. Loken said that he could no longer stands with the congress party who give more priority to family members only.

"For sixty years they rule the nation, and has left it in the worst form", Dr. Loken lamented.

Dr. Loken said that he has been observing sing the last couple of months to find out the political party where the desires of the people can be fulfilled and finally BJP under the able leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and National President Amit Shah it is now clear that the nation will march ahead and problems of the society will be solved. "If BJP comes to power in the state Manipur will march ahead towards development", Loken asserted.

Manipur Maoist to observe Black Day on Oct 15; boycotts Congress

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: Maoist Communist Party Manipur (MCPM) has appealed the people of the state to observe October 15 as Black Day to protest the force merger of Manipur to the Indian Union. The armed rebel group also declare boycott to Congress party while observing Black Day.

In a press communiqué, the rebel group said that the Congress Party, a group of feudal and Comprador was brought forth by the British and developed them by the Indian colonialist to divert and derail the anti-feudal and anti-Imperialist national liberation movement which was led by Comrade Hijam Irabot and to deprived the people of revolutionary leadership. In a lengthy press

communiqué, Maoist stated that after the formal declaration of Manipur Merger Agreement, The Indian colonialist transferred the power to their faithful agents, the leadership of the Congress Party, representing the comprador bureaucratic Bourgeois and went behind the curtain. It may be mentioned that the Congress Party was the only party which conspired with Imperialist India to colonized Manipur so that they become Ruling class at then.

It further stated that the direct colonial and semi feudal system of the British colonialist was replaced by the Indian colonialism and semi feudal under the control and exploitation in the name of Democracy. Congress Party is one of the chief instruments

for the colonial exploitation and control over Manipur. It is completely tied with and dependent on colonialism for its existence and development. They are not only inherited the sanguinary state machinery from their Indian colonialist masters; but also have preserved and strengthened it further during the last 60 years. This state machinery is nothing but an instrument of suppression and repression, and represents the dictatorship of the comprador bourgeoisie subservient to the colonialism. The repressive rule is sought to be covered up behind the façade of fraudulent parliamentary system. This state system represents the Colonial and semi-feudal control and exploitation in the name of Democracy.

CIRCA to observe Manipur National Day on Oct 18

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: Coalition for Indigenous Rights Campaign (CIRCA), Manipur is all set to observe October 18 as Manipur National Day. In a press meet held at Sana Konung which was attended by Somerandro Thockchom, Convenor CIRCA, Somerandro

stated that, CIRCA had started observing October 18 as Manipur State Assembly Day for the first time on Oct 18, 2015 at Oinam, Bishunupur district to commemorate the day when elected members of the first state Assembly had its first sitting on Oct 18, 1948. He further continued that, after

the formation of CIRCA on August 21, 2016, it held a people convention under the theme "Restoration movement for pre-merger political status of Manipur" and taken five resolutions out of which the fourth resolution decided to observe Oct 18 every year as Manipur National Day.

Myanmar delegates

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: Reliable information available with Imphal Times stated that a delegation of Myanmar Army will be visiting India from Oct 18-21. The delegation is stated as a part of annual bilateral "Regional Border Committee meeting". As per information available the delegates will arrive at Moreh by road on Oct. 18 and will reduce Imphal on the same day. After staying at Imphal for a day the delegated held meeting at IGAR(s) Mantripukhri and year for their law country via March.

Vehicle vandalise for violating blockade called at NH 37

IT News
Imphal, Oct 14: One vehicle which belongs to company undertaking railway construction works at Tamenglong district was vandalized at Keithelmalbi area by suspected blockade supporters today morning. The blockade is being called against the negligence of the deteriorating road condition by the state government. One supporter said that the blockade will continue until the state government repair the road. The road is used to transport goods from the outside to the state however the state government has avoiding to the road. When there is no blockade state do not even lay their eyes on the imphal jiri highway.

BJP's M Ashinikumar's clarification on NH-37

NH 37 Imphal Jiribam portion ,which is life line of Manipur ,remains in pathetic condition inspite of one & half decade long congress regime in Manipur of which congress rule at the centre for one decade (2002-2014).

The irony is that the Ibbi led congress spends huge some of money under different head of accounts like ACA,SPAN,LCPR,CRF,NEC,12th & 13th Finsnce Commission Award,state plan etc to upgrade and maintain the national highways.Imphal to Pallel portion at international standard whereas the other important roads like Imphal -Jiribam ,Imphal -Dimapur ,Imphal -Ukhrul ,Imphal -Moreh ,Pallel-Chandel Imphal -CCpur via Moirang etc are pathetic

Prime minister Narendra Modi realizing the importance of Imphal Jiribam Highways announced that this upgradation of Imphal Jiri highway would initiated over a period of 100 days. Since congress govt is very in place in Manipur, the state govt should have taken initiative to get the highway upgraded with assistance from the central govt .

In Short, it is primary responsibility of congress govt in Manipur to set ball rolling ,particularly in dealing with a critical projects like Imphal -Jiribam national highway which is lifeline of Manipur ,although the onus of providing assistance lies with the central government. The question is why and how the congress govt in Manipur has failed to make any genuine effort to sustain or maintain such life line of Manipur over the last 14 & half years of governance in Manipur. The

present condition of highway in question simply demonstrates the reduntants as well as inability of congress govt to make the Imphal Jiribam highway in all weather road .

The worse part of the story is neither Chief Minister nor Dy CM of Manipur had ever travel on this important national highway over the last 14 years ,despite the untold miseries of the people and huge & cry from different quarter of the civil society . The way one Ranjit try to throw the blame on BJP is quite misleading and simply out of place .

It would be worthwhile to place on record that BJP govt at the centre under Prime Minister Shri Modi Ji has already set up an Empower Committee on Connectivity under DoNER with a focus on removing the communication and transportation bottleneck in the intire North East Region in the time bound manner in deed an unprecedented NER Centric initiative of BJP govt at Delhi over and above ,Dr Jitendra Honb'le Union Minister DoNER has been assigned special responsibilities to oversee the connectivity infrastructure projects in the region .

It is pleasure of BJP Manipur Pradesh to inform the concerned people of Manipur that the process of implementation of up gradation of Highways in Manipur particularly Imphal Jiri ,Imphal Moreh & Imphal Dimapur portion is already underway and it's the commitment of the BJP govt in Delhi to complete the task in time bound manner . The Union Ministry of Surface Transport & Highways is revising the process regularly .

Nagaland GB Federation worries

IT News
Kohima, Oct 14: Nagaland GB Federation (NGBF) expressed serious concern over the integrity and unity of the Naga people in the aftermath of the three Naga tribal apex bodies Of Lotha Hoho, Sema Hoho and Ao Saddens decision to dissociate from Naga Hoho over the Rongmei recognition issue. In a press statement NGBF President, Shaleem Konyak and Secretary Shikuto Zalipu fervently appealed to all the responsible to consider each other as one family, try to create a room for negotiation for the greater interest of all Nagas and look into the issue on a multi-perspective outlook and with all fairness. The NGBF acknowledged and welcome the outlining note given by CNTC towards the possible approach to solve the current issue. However, on the issue of recognition of the 1313 Rongmeis, the NGBF reiterated that those 1313 individuals of Rongmei community, who had settled prior to 1963 in the present state of Nagaland, or immediate descendants of these settlers, were indigenous to the state of Nagaland as per Government notification of 1977.

Thailand's King Bhumibol passes away

Agency
Petaling Jaya, Oct 14: Thailand's King Bhumibol Adulyadej has passed away, according to a statement from the palace. The palace announced that King Bhumibol, aged 88, passed away at 3:52pm (4:52pm Malaysian time) Thursday.

He was the world's longest-reigning monarch, and was on the throne since 1946, a total of 70 years.

Thailand's national legislative assembly will meet at 9pm (10pm Malaysian time) and members have been asked to wear black ties. Earlier in the day, hundreds of people gathered at a Bangkok hospital where the King was being treated.

Thai Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha cancelled an evening engagement on Thursday as well as his attendance at a summit in Goa, India, on Sunday without giving a reason.

On Wednesday, the palace issued a statement saying that the king's health had "overall not yet stabilised" and that he was on a ventilator and battling a new infection.

He had gone into an unstable condition after receiving haemodialysis treatment.

All four of the king's children, including Thai crown prince Maha Vajiralongkorn, visited the hospital on Thursday and Wednesday. The king is seen as a unifying figure in Thailand. His health,



which is watched closely, is a sensitive subject.

In addition to this, strict lese-majeste laws mean public discussion of his health and any succession plans are punishable by jail terms.

As speculation of the king's ill-health spread, the Thai government urged jittery stock investors to ignore rumours fearing a declining stock market.

President of India condoles

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New Delhi, Oct 14: The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee has condole the passing away of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand.

In his tweets, the President said, "Heartfelt condolences on the sad demise of His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand. People of India share the sorrow and grief of the people of Thailand".

Meanwhile, Thai Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha said on Thursday that an heir to King Bhumibol Adulyadej, who died earlier in the day, has been designated since 2002 and that the government would inform parliament of the choice.

"The government will inform the National Legislative Assembly that His Majesty the King has already designated his heir," Prayuth said in a televised address.

The assembly is due to hold a special session later on Thursday. Prayuth urged Thais to love one another and protect "the father's land."