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Delhi HC quashes appointment of 21 AAP Parliamentary Secretary

Non Congress political party including BJP welcomes the verdict said the same be complied with the Manipur government

ITNews
Imphal, Sept 8: Non congress political parties in the state has started questioning the legitimacy of appointing Parliamentary Secretaries in the Okram Ibobi Singh led Congress government in the state after the Delhi High Court today quashed the appointment of 21 AAP MLAs as parliamentary secretaries.
 BJP Manipur Pradesh President Ksh. Bhavananda, while speaking to Imphal Times said that they welcome the court verdict.
 The case of the Delhi Government appointing Parliamentary Secretary is different from the state of Manipur as in the case of Manipur the Parliamentary secretaries are allowed to enjoy full status of Minister of state and also enjoy all sort of privileges as well as salary, the state BJP President

added.
 "As there is a ruling in the Delhi High court we are hopeful that the same will be complied to the Manipur. The verdict showed that nobody is above the law", Bhavananda in a telephonic conversation with Imphal Times said.
 A similar case is being filed to the Manipur High Court but verdict is still yet to be announced.
 Bhavananda also express positive outcome and said that even as there is no penalty associated to the Delhi High Court verdict, as for the state of Manipur Chief Minister Okram should forfeit all expenditures entitled to all the five Parliamentary secretaries.
 A bench headed by chief justice G Rohini of the Delhi High Court quashed the controversial appointments that were also declined by

the President in June this year.
 Agency reports said the High Court's order comes after a PIL, which was filed by NGO Rashtriya Mukti Morcha, sought scrapping of the appointments for being "unconstitutional, illegal and without jurisdiction".
 Following the verdict, when Imphal Times contacted MLAs of the ruling Congress government in the state, an MLA who also hold important portfolio in the party organization says that it is too early to comment on the ruling of the Delhi High Court as the appointment of Parliamentary Secretaries in the state was done by following proper order.
 "The nature of appointment might be different from that of the appointment in our state and there may be lapses for their government", he said.
 "For our government we have

passed a Bill and after getting assent of the Governor on behalf of the President of India Parliamentary Secretaries have been appointed", the congress MLAs who does not want to reveal his name said.
 General Secretary of CPI(M), Ksh. Shanta when contacted said that as there has already been a verdict it is better that the state government too apprise the court ruling as it might spark another constitutional crisis.
 At Present Manipur Government has appointed 5 Parliamentary Secretaries after the government cannot expand the ministry more than 12 as according to the guideline of the 10 Scheduled of the Representation of the Peoples' Act.
 The Parliamentary secretaries are entitled equal status with that of the Minister of State in term of salary and power.

JCILPS drives against non-locals re-launched; 35 without proper documents pull down



ITNews
Imphal, Sept 8: Even as the state government has failed to introduce a ILPS related Bill in the recently concluded monsoon session of the State Assembly Session, supporters and volunteers of the JCILPS continue its drive against the illegal influx of migrants in the state.
 Volunteers and supporters of JCILPS and local meira paibis and club members today conducted drive along the NH-1 by checking passenger vehicles at Pheidinga area.
 In the checking today as many as 35 non-locals who did not possess proper valid documents were verified pull down and handed over to the Sekmai police.

The 35 non locals came in a bus and was brought by a contractor identified as Mani @ Ashutosh, as labour for the construction of Leimakhong Army Hospital. The JCILPS while warning Ashutosh and owner of the bus appealed them to come to the office of the JCILPS and clarify over the matter on or before 11 of this month. Similar drive was conducted for around a week last month and as many as 500 non locals were handed over to police for not possessing proper valid documents. It is not sure whether appropriate action has been taken up against all those illegal migrants. Reports with the Imphal Times said that even though the JCILPS has

been demanding the concern government authority to sent back those without proper valid document to the place where they from, no workers handed over to the police were sent back outside the state. The report added that those migrant handed over to Sekmai Police were again handed over to those contractors of farm's proprietors who had brought them in the state. Meanwhile, JCILPS had cautioned the government of serious agitation if the government failed to introduce a bill to check the influx of the illegal migrants and to protect the indigenous people of the state and to fix another sitting of the state assembly by September 21 this year.

Kh Ratan released on bail

ITNews
Imphal, Sept 8: Former JCILPS convenor Khomdran Ratan, who was arrested by a police team while staging protest at Keishampat Leimajam Leikai, on charge of having nexus with underground group was released today JMJC 1W on bail with a security bond of Rs. 2000.
 The former JCILPS leader was given a warm reception by members of the JCILPS and its allied organisation and later a mass reception function at Singjamei Kehtri leikai.

SEVA distributes 177 bicycle to BPL families

ITNews
Imphal, Sept 8: Self Employment Voluntary Association (SEVA) has distributed 117 bicycle to the BPL families of the state in a subsidise price under the theme "bicycle for control of carbon free environment". The bicycle distribution function for BPL families was held at Manipur press club today. Secretary cum CEO of SEVA Kh Chinglen Singh said that the programme is being taken up to control pollution of the environment and in the aim to reduce use of motorbike. He said similar distribution will also be conducted at hill districts.
 Deputy Mayor of IMC Meibon Phaoimei and President of AMWJU Wakhemcha Samjagrad the occasion as presidiums member.

AMKIL appeals government to respect peoples' rights

ITNews
Imphal, Sept. 8: Apunba Manipur Kanba Ima Lup (AMKIL) today celebrated 16th Foundation Day at Nongpok Leingak Nupi Lupgi Sanglen, Wangkhei Meihoubam Lampak in Imphal East.
 Speaking on the occasion Ph. Sakhi Devi Leima, President

of AMKIL appealed the leaders of the state to respect the rights of the common people.
 She said that Manipur government should respect the peoples' movement against the violation of right. She expressed disappointment to the attitude of the state police

force while trying to control peoples' movement and said that such act should not be repeated as the agitation was for all the people of the state. President of Nupi Samaj Th. Ramani Leima, and President of Iammi Chingmee S. Momon also attended the foundation day as chief guest and guest of honour respectively.

Assam's Majuli to be declared India's first island district today

Guwahati, Sept. 8: Majuli island in the Brahmaputra river in Assam will be declared as India's first river island district on Thursday.
 Assam Chief Minister Sarbanand Sonowal, who represents the Majuli assembly seat, will formally upgrade Majuli

- inhabited by Mising tribes, Deorian Sonowal Kachin tribes - to a district from sub-division. A Cabinet meeting of Sarbanand Sonowal government will also be held in Majuli on the occasion. Residents of the river island have welcomed the move of the

state government as it is likely to help them in administrative works.
 Majuli has no road or rail connection with rest of the world and it covers an area of around 340 miles and is one of the prime tourist's destinations of North East.

JAC accepts dead body; last rite to perform tomorrow

ITNews
Imphal, Sept 8: JAC formed against the death of a school student identified as Tongbram Suresh (16) had agreed to perform the last rite tomorrow.
 Tongbram Suresh (16) was found dead on August 28 after school authorities reportedly left him in a precarious state

on the previous day.
 Speaking to the media person at the Manipur press club the co-convenor of the JAC RK. Tombisana said that the decision to perform the last rite of the dead body adopted after a meeting was held with representatives of AMSU, DESAM, MSF, SUK, KSA, ANSAM, SSUM, Poirei

Leimarol Meira paibi and Kangla mei at Manipur press club today.
 RK. Tombisana said that the JAC accepted the dead body as the Deputy Chief Minister Gaikhangam who is also in charge of Home Department had assured to fulfill the demand of the JAC during a meeting held yesterday.

32nd foundation day of MHJU celebrated

Dialect newspapers educate and enlighten public in hill areas: Meghachandra Kongbam

DIPR
Imphal, Sept 8: The 32nd foundation day of the Manipur Hill Journalists' Union (MHJU) was celebrated today at the DRDA Conference hall, Senapati. Many hill journalists from Churachandpur, Ukhrul, Chandel, Senapati and Tamenglong districts attended the function.
 Shri ML. Markson, Chairman of the Senapati Autonomous District Council who was the Chief Guest on the occasion, stated that until and unless all the communities living together in Manipur extend co-operation and support each other, Manipur can not be a peaceful and progressive state.
 In his speech, Shri Meghachandra Kongbam, Director of Information and

Public Relations, Government of Manipur as Guest of Honour stated that dialect newspapers educate and enlighten public in hill areas of the State, besides providing day to day information. A close study of newspaper readership in India shows that there are more readers for language newspapers. This is mainly because English newspapers are confined to cities and towns whereas language newspapers are widely circulated in the rural areas. The Government of India has been paying a special attention towards the growth of dialect newspapers by empanelling of dialect newspapers in the DAVP on priority.
 Shri Meghachandra Kongbam who had done P G Bachelor



degree in Journalism from the Benaras Hindu University and also well experienced in the field of Journalism added every journalist is supposed to observe sincerity, truthfulness and accuracy; impartiality; fairplay and decency. As long as we maintain and preserve the above canons of journalism, our media products, which

may be press or electronic media, will be of great value and credibility of the consumers.
 With a view to raise the standard of journalism and to create awareness about the journalism in the hill areas of Manipur; the Department of Information & Public Relations, Government of Manipur, for the first time, is

organizing a 7-day Basic Course in News Reporting at the District Headquarters of Senapati and Ukhrul in this month of September. Eligible qualification for the course is Graduate for fresh candidates; preference will be given to the working journalists. Course materials will be provided to the course participants and DIPR is also

holding a three day Information and Public Relations Festivals in all hill districts and two valley districts with an aim to deliver the information on various significant developments taken place in the state to the people living in hill and rural areas, the Director added.
 Saying that the officers of DIPR will always be with you whenever you deserve our service for the cause of a healthy journalism in Manipur and he also appealed to all the members of Manipur Hill Journalists Union to cooperate to DIPR.
 The function was presided over by the President MHJU Shri Sothing Shimray. Shri Ajaykumar Sharma, PRO/ Defence also spoke about the role played by the hill journalists for the people in the hill areas.