



School students welcoming Chief Minister N. Biren during his visit at Ukhrul district head quarter

## Chief Minister Inaugurates Tourist Resort

**DIPR**  
**Imphal, April 11:** Chief Minister Shri N. Biren Singh today inaugurated a tourist resort at Nungshangkong Hungpung, Ukhrul during his maiden visit to the district. The tourist lodge is located just near Nungshangkong Bridge. It is a part of the Integrated Tourist Circuit for Imphal Mahadev – Lambui – Finch Corner – Hundung – Jessami, Manipur. It is developed by Manipur Tourism with financial assistance from the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India and executed by MTDC. At around 15 kms away from Ukhrul town, the tourism spot has already become a favourite picnic spot for the people around the region.

Besides, the Tourism Department has taken up several initiatives in Ukhrul particularly in the areas like Shirui Hills to attract tourists and to develop it into a tourist worthy destination, given its unique location and the rich cultural heritage of the tribals living in Ukhrul district. Since, the best form of Tourism that could be implemented at Shirui is eco-tourism, projects have been taken up at Shirui Hills and adjoining areas of Ukhrul district combining the concept of Eco-lodges, Cafeteria, Trekking, Adventure Tourism and Rain Shelter under the Integrated Tourist Destination at Shirui Hills and Adjoining areas, Ukhrul District, Manipur with MDS as the work agency.

## Red carpet rolls out for Chief Minister N Biren at Ukhrul Cracks among different communities mended

**DIPR**  
**Imphal, April 11:** Large number of people accorded warm welcome to Chief Minister N Biren during his maiden visit to Ukhrul district today. The Chief Minister stopped at Yaingangpokpi, Litan, Ramva (Lambui), Nungshangkong and Hamleikhong to accept the warm welcome accorded to him by the villagers, student and women bodies. The erected giant gates especially arranged for the occasion were imprinted with 'Welcome Shri Biren Singh, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Manipur' and the gates were at these villages to welcome the CM and his council of ministers accompanying him. The grand reception at Yaingangpokpi was organised by Wunghon Village Authority and Wunghon Shanoo Long. The two bodies also submitted memoranda to the CM. The next stoppage was at Litan

where Kuki Inpi, Ukhrul and KSO Ukhrul erected a giant gate to welcome the CM and his Council of Ministers. Large number of people including women folks and school children stood in long lines on both sides of the road to welcome the CM. Memoranda were submitted to the Chief Minister by various organisations during the grand reception. Large number of people including women and school children from 14 villages stood in long lines on both sides of the road to welcome the CM. At Ramva (Lambui) huge number of people turned up to welcome the CM and his Council of Ministers. They

sung 'Samkaphang Laa' (welcome song) to show hearty thankfulness and joy to N Biren his ministers. Ramva Village Authority and Sapao Village Authority also submitted memoranda to him. Interacting with the villagers, Shri Biren said he visited the district in search of 'blood relations'. The State Govt would translate maximum points mentioned in the memoranda into action, he added. People also welcome the CM at Nungshangkong Hungpung where he inaugurated a tourist resort. The visit is the first time ever since N Biren become the Chief Minister of Manipur.



## TNL urges CM to find final solution to the Indo-Naga conflict

**IT News**  
**Imphal, April 11:** Tngkhul Naga Long (TNL), an apex body of the Tangkhul civil society bodies today submitted a memorandum to the Chief Minister N. Biren Singh urging his government to find a final settlement of the Indo-Naga conflict which had cost the lives of over thousand lives leaving many orphan and widows. The Tangkhul apex body submitted the memorandum during the maiden visit of the Manipur's Chief Minister where thousands

of people from Ukhrul town rolled out red carpet and love and cheers. In the memorandum, the TNL urged the Government of Manipur to recognise and honour the legitimate right of the Naga to integrate all contiguous Naga area and to extend all possible support towards expediting the ongoing peace process. The TNL stated that the signing of Frame Work Agreement between GoI and NSCN on August 3, 2013 is an answer to the prayer of the Naga People.

## CM Ukhrul visit: Many see rays of hope in restoring peace in the region

**IT News**  
**Imphal, April 11:** Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren's Maiden visit to Ukhrul district has been lauded from various sections of people across the North East India who had indept understanding of the political senerio of the region. Gin Gangte, News Editor of All India Radio, Aizwaal in his facebook page wrote the visit as "a new ray of hope, a new dawn for Manipur. Indeed the past few decades have been a hell for those living in the region. Communal cards being played by various high profile politicians have

put the Manipur in the state of turmoil. When Gin Gangte wish the Chief Minister a success to his go to hill mission, he probably expressed his hope of restoring peace in the region if all region of the state are equally treated. Editor of Shillong Times, Patricia Mukhim also wrote, "So glad to see this effort of reaching out. It's the only way to quell all kinds of unrest and the feeling of alienation. A well thought out development plan that is participatory and implemented in a time bound manner; checking corruption and ensuring equal opportunities in employment

etc should help to assuage all feelings of separatism". Her comment expressed the eagerness of majority people to live in peace and harmony in the region. The writing also showed previous government inactiveness in reaching out governance at remote hill area. Vung Za Muan Valte in his Facebook post wrote, "This is the only way forward. I love the spirit and I like the moment. Brothers in each other's arms".

## The ongoing budget session is fruitful: PM Modi

**AIR**  
**New Delhi, April 11:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said that the ongoing budget session is fruitful. Briefing media after BJP Parliamentary Party meeting in New Delhi, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ananth Kumar quoted Mr Modi saying there is a positive environment in the country for the NDA government and this should inspire MPs to work more for the people. Mr Kumar said, said so far 21 bills have been passed in the Lok Sabha and 14 in the Rajya Sabha. These include four key bills on the Goods and Services Tax. He said, NDA MPs also termed Prime Minister's leadership as transformative.

## Tripura raises voice against rape through paintings

**ANI**  
**Agartala April 11:** In order to raise their voices in a silent manner against the rising rape incidents and menace of drug among youth, people along with the students of Art College, Tripura took part in road paintings and cartoon drawing under the name "Hope Jagaran" here. According to the protesters, they chose roads as their canvas so that the people get their message which otherwise does not get much

importance in the mainstream media due to the state's geographical isolation. They also expressed their dissatisfaction over the state government as not many measures have been taken to stop these growing threats. One of the protesters Joydeep Chakraborty said, "Tripura ranks among the top three states in our country in rape incidents and the youth are engulfed by drug addiction. So, we have organized to protest against

these menaces with an intention to awaken the people of the state." "We want to know from the Chief Minister the official statement, what the government is thinking about these issues as the youth are not getting any message from the government. So we are showing our protest to hear something from the government what step they are taking against these," he told ANI. Meanwhile, another protester,

Debjyoti Chakraborty said this is a protest against the increasing cases of women atrocity in the state. "Almost every day, there few incidents of rape, murder in our state. Here, we along with the artist of Art College pass out are protesting with these paintings," he added. Tripura is among the states that records the highest crime against women and on contrary, with the lowest conviction rate in India.

## GoI assures Taekwondo Academy, Sepakthakraw Institute and Aqua Park in Dimapur

**Kohima, April 11:** Government of India, GoI has assured setting up Taekwondo Academy, Sepakthakraw Institute and Aqua Park in Dimapur. This was informed by the Parliamentary Secretary, Khekaho Assumi, who recently took over the charge of Sports and Youth Resource during a visit to the ongoing construction of Multi-Disciplinary State Stadium and Swimming Pool in Dimapur at IMC Hall vicinity. The Parliamentary Secretary informed that GoI had assured setting up Taekwondo Academy in Dimapur at the cost of 10-15 crores Rupees within short period on production of feasible Detail Project Report (DPR). Mr. Khekaho also informed that GoI had verbally assured to set up Sepakthakraw Institute in the State amounting 200 crores Rupees with state of the art infrastructure as well as Aqua Park with water sports facilities in Dimapur.

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## Assam court issues bailable arrest warrant against Arvind Kejriwal after he fails to appear in defamation case

**Agency**  
**Guwahati, April 11:** Arvind Kejriwal's legal troubles seem far from over. While the Arun Jaitley defamation case continues to haunt the Delhi chief minister, another defamation suit might put the him in more trouble. According to *India Today*, the Delhi chief minister has been issued a bailable arrest warrant after he failed to appear before an Assam court in connection to a defamation case on

Monday. However, Kejriwal sought to excuse himself from the hearing due to the high-octane campaigning for the Delhi municipal polls. "He (Kejriwal) cannot leave Delhi to attend the court hearing because of the civic election and the nature of his work because he is Chief Minister of Delhi," *NDTV* quoted Kejriwal's lawyer as saying. The defamation case was filed by Assam BJP leader

Surya Rongphar for his tweet against Prime Minister Narendra Modi. In the December 2016 tweet, Kejriwal had questioned the academic degree possessed by the prime minister. He has tweeted, "Modiji 12 pass hain. Uske baad ki degree farzi hai (Modi ji has studied only up to 12th standard. Yet, his degree is fake)." Rongphar has said that the comment made by Kejriwal was "baseless and misleading", *NDTV* reported.

The report also added that the next hearing on the case will be on 8 May. Kejriwal has been targeting Prime Minister Modi over his educational qualifications. Addressing a press conference in December 2016, Kejriwal alleged that Modi's reluctance to show his degrees raised suspicion about their authenticity. "Earlier, Modiji said he did not go to college. Later, he showed correspondence course degrees which were

found to be fake," the Aam Aadmi Party leader said. "If the degree is genuine, why is Modiji reluctant to show it? Why is he hiding his degree?" The Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) had in April 2016 directed the Gujarat and Delhi Universities to disclose details of Modi's graduation and post-graduation degrees to Kejriwal after he approached CIC.