

Dead body found



IT News
Imphal, April 16: A dead body was found lying today morning at the road side of Khongjom early today morning. Morning joggers found the dead body lying at around 4.30 am today. As per identity card found the deceased is identified as Saikhom Hemchandra of Khongjom Mamang Leikai. Cause of the dead could not be established at the moment.

Two resolutions pass in Bhubaneswar BJP's national executive meet

Source AIR
Bhubaneswar, April 16: Two resolutions have been passed in Bhubaneswar BJP's national executive meet. A resolution was passed thanking Prime minister Modi for the commission on OBC. Hukum Dev Narayan presented it. Shivraj Singh Choudhan, Dharmendra Pradhan, Raghubar Das seconded it. Another resolution also condemned the manner in which Congress and other parties are playing politics in this connection and stalling the bill. The national executive meeting today focused on the government schemes for poor and party should only be working towards the poor. Manipur Chief Minister N Biren also attended the National Executive Meeting.

Over Rs. 30 lakhs allegedly misappropriated in State labour department

IT News
Imphal, April 16: Manipur Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, Manipur state Labour department, Government of Manipur has failed to disclosed the details of the Whereabouts of Rs. 30,45,000/- earmarked for conducting awareness programme for the year 2016. Source with the Imphal

Times said that the said amount has been earmarked and sanctioned for conducting 29 awareness programme in different part of the state. Among them 4 each are proposed at Imphal East and Imphal West and 3 each at 7 districts (before the creation of the 7 new districts).

As per source available, members of the Manipur

Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, which should worked out on where, when and how to conduct the awareness programme have no knowledge of such awareness programme conducted at any places. As per guidelines, the said awareness programme should be conducted during the month of April and May.

Advocate of Manipur threatens to launch protest at New Delhi

IT News
Imphal, April 16: Lawyers of Manipur have raised their voice against the amendment of advocate act of 1961 by the Law Commission of India and threaten to launch protest at New Delhi.

Speaking at a meeting held at High Court, Manipur complex organise by Bar Council of Manipur (BCM) and All Bar Association of Manipur (ABAM), A Jagjit, Spokesperson of BCM said that few provisions have been added to the existing advocate act 1961. According to a propose amendment, if a lawyer loses a case, he or she liable to pay a sum of Rs 3 lakhs and expenses involve d in the case to the client. It also allows the advocate from the foreign countries to practice in India, he added. Jagjit also said that this is a violation of the rights of the

lawyers of the country. Advocates of Manipur will hold a signature campaign and will submit a memorandum to the governor of Manipur weather it will be through the District Magistrate in-order to reach out at Union Government. Report of the Law Commission will also be burn in front of the complex of High Court, Manipur, he added.

Jagjit further said that if all the submitted terms are fails to approve by the Union Government or authority concern on or before Many 1, 2017, on the next day, i.e, May 2, 2017, will leave for Delhi and protest rally will be carried out from Patiala High Court to Rajgath. Despite the protest if the concern fails to provide positive response, the lawyers have decided to launch a series of protest against the decision

of Law Commission of India to make amendment to the advocate act of 1961, he added. The protest is part of the protest carried out in the country by the lawyers.

Social service at RIMS

IT News
Imphal, April 16: Staffs of RIMS, Manipur Security Services and volunteers of CRED today conducted a social service camp at RIMS complex under the supervision of Prof. Ch. Arunkumar Singh, Medical Superintendent, RIMS today morning. Spaking to media persons, staffs of RIMS said that the social service camp is being organised to make the hospital clean.

Memorial pillar for Mega Tourist Center constructed still not completed

IT News
Imphal, April 16: The Khongjom War Memorial Pillar, constructed at the top of Kheba Ching as a part of the Mega Tourist Center and which was inaugurated by the President of India, Pranab Mukherjee on April 23 last year still is not completed till today. The then Manipur government plead the President to inaugurate the Mega Tourist center even though



some of the structures particularly the memorial pillar are yet to be completed. When Imphal Times reporter visited the war memorial complex to take stock of the construction taking place the memorial pillar constructed is still under construction. It is likely that the memorial pillar may not be able to complete before April 23 this year.

Committee demands nomination of RJ MP from 8 deprived ACs

IT News
Imphal, April 16: Thoual District MP Candidature Demand Committee has submitted a memorandum to the prime Minister of India urging him to elect Rajya Sabha MP from among the candidates from 8 Assembly constituencies of the outer Manipur Parliamentary constituencies who are deprived of contesting election as the outer seat is reserved for ST candidate. Around 2,35,182 voters of the 8 Assembly constituencies viz, Sugunu, Hiyanglam, Waagai,

Kakching, Heirok, Wangjing Tenta, Kangabok and Jiribam Assembly Constituencies are allowed to cast their vote in the Lok Sabha election, but they are deprived from contesting the election as the seat is reserved for ST candidate. In a press meet held today at Manipur Press Club, spokesperson of the Thoual District MP Candidate Demand Committee said that after the demise of the Rajya Sabha MP Haji Abdul Salam, the RS seat remain vacant so while filling the vacant seat the candidate should be from the 8 Assembly

segments. He further said that the continued denial of the democratic riht to contest the Lok Sabha Election in their own constituency for the last 65 years is a gross injustice. And the trend is destined to linger upto 2026 thereby extending the denial for 10 more years. So in the coming bye election for Rajya Sabha for the state of Manipur, The BJP Led government of Manipur should elect a person from the constituency, so that justice is delivered to 2 lakhs above voters.

Cycle Rally to spread awareness campaign flagged off

IT News
Imphal, April 16: Speaker of Manipur Legislative Assembly, Yunnam Khemchand Singh flag off a cycle rally from Yunnam Leikai Lairembi Lampak today. The rally will spread message of "Let's make plastic free rivers" on saving the Rivers of Manipur. The cycle rally started from Yunnam Leikai lairembi lampak and crosses Heirangoithong, Wahengbam Leikai, Nagamapal along the Nambul River side heading towards Khurai, Kongba, Uchekon Bashikhong along the Kongba River and back to the river bank at Nongmaishang (Singjamei) Bheigyabati leikai passing through Singjamei Kshetri Leikai where a concert in the theme "Let's Make Plastic Free Rivers" is going to take place.



Speaking to the media persons, Yunnam Khemchand Singh, Speaker of Manipur Legislative Assembly said that though Manipur has been included in the second phase of Smart City, various awareness campaign taken up by today's youth who are independent and non-government registered body to make the city clean is highly appreciated and everyone must support. The Speaker also said that as the aim of the organisation equals the project to be taken up by the state government, these matter will be put up the concern minister. A seminar will also be organised along with the organization at the

earliest on the theme of how a proper solid waste management plan can be set up in the state to make it a proper smart city by bringing out a white paper to the people of the state, he added. One of the organizers of today's cycle rally Tom Meisnam from Singjamei Thokchom Leikai said that the main aim of today's cycle rally and river bank festival is just not only awareness campaign but a part of a protest to save the rivers of Manipur. If entire systems of Solid waste management system, plastic re-cycle plan are set up in the state, solution to keep Nambul River and all the main rivers of Manipur clean and drinkable state can be set up

with the current situation of the various rivers in Manipur, he added. Tom also said that though various awareness are share to the public not to throw garbage and waste materials including plastic products, use of river bank as dumping ground is still practice but once the government manage to set up dumping site for garbage waste materials, such practice can bring to an end. Tom appeals the people of Manipur to stop dumping of garbage and waste materials at the river banks and government to bring out a solution to end the practice before rivers of Manipur becomes a dumping site in the near future.

OFFICE OF THE LEIMA THRIFT & CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD. NOTICE Dated 15th April 2017

It is hereby informed to all the members of The Leima Thrift & Credit Co-operative Society Ltd. Singjamei Waikhom Leikai, Imphal West, that the Annual General Body meeting will be held on 30th April 2017 at 10:00 am at the office premises. So, all the members are requested to attend the meeting timely without fail.

- AGENDA**
1. Secretary report
2. Others

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Secretary
The Leima Thrift & Credit Co-operative Society Ltd.

Barred from singing in Hindi, Assam singer leaves Bihu stage

Courtesy Indian Express
Guwahati, April 16: Assam's top singer Zubeen Garg late Friday night quit a bihu stage after the organisers stopped him from singing a Hindi number, but not before hurling an abuse and stating through the microphone that an artist had the right to sing according to his choice. The organisers however claimed that the singer had agreed beforehand not to sing Hindi songs. "His event manager had assured us even before he went up to the stage that Zubeen Garg would not sing any Hindi song on the bihu stage. It was a gentleman's agreement that

he flouted, prompting us to stop him. We are not opposed to any language, but bihu is not for singing Hindi songs," said Madhu Ranjan Nath, president of the Noonmati Bihu Sammilan. Zubeen Garg, Assam's highest-paid singer had just started singing a Hindi song – one of his own Hindi songs – after having presented a few Assamese and bihu songs, when Nath and a few other organisers walked up to the stage and asked him to stop. This led to exchange of words between the singer and the organisers for a few minutes, both sides pulling the

microphone, until Zubeen Garg announced his quitting, but not before hurling an abusive word that was heard clearly over the sound system as also on local TV channels live. "I am an artist and I have the freedom to sing. I have sung over 16,000 songs in 25 years. Moreover, while Hindi is our national language, bihu is a festival of music," the singer later said. "Assamese, Hindi, Bengali and most other languages have originated from Sanskrit, and I don't understand why I was stopped," he said. Nath, speaking on behalf of the organisers said pioneers of

modern-day bihu, like RG Baruah and Ambikagiri Ray-Choudhury had definitely brought the bihu festival to the urban stage to preserve, promote and propagate it. "Great men like RG Baruah and Ambikagiri Ray-Choudhury had designed the modern-day bihu to popularise it among the urban and younger generation. Moreover, no singer had ever sung a Hindi song in the Noonmati Bihu Sammilan in the past 53 years," Nath said. Zubeen Garg, who left the pandal leaving "Dil tu hi bata" (from Krish-3) incomplete after telling the audience that he had no ill-feeling against them, later

sang a number of Hindi songs in another bihu pandal in Bharalumukh in the city. "Nobody can dictate me or any other artist. I don't care. Everybody knows what happens when I get angry," he said. The issue meanwhile has generated a debate with a section of people condemning it as an attempt to curb the right to freedom of expression. Veteran Assamese actor Biju Phukan said, "Every artist has the right to express freely." But senior journalist Haidar Hussain said, "Bihu is not the occasion to sing Hindi songs."