

DESAM alleges foul play in class XII physics exam; said question uploaded hours before the exam

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Imphal, April 5: Democratic Students' Alliance of Manipur (DESAM) today alleged the Council of Higher Secondary Education Manipur of playing foul play in conducting the Class XII final examination held today. General Secretary of the Student body N. Adision, while speaking to reporters said that a team of DESAM volunteers along with All Liangmei Naga Students' Union, Assam Manipur and

Nagaland conducted a inspection visit to 7 schools including two at Hill district. He said during the inspection visit students appearing the examination at TS Paul Women College and Kakching Higher Secondary school. He said at TS Paul Women College Students of HRD Academy were appearing the final examination and found that the students were being supplied answers from outside where answer from questions 1 to Question no.

20 were sent inside in toto. He said similar case was also found at Kakching Higher Secondary School where students of Padma Ratna English School and Paul Star College Wabagai were appearing. The general secretary of DESAM further stated that the exam started at 10 am and ends at 1 pm however, the question paper of today's examination (Physics) was found uploaded at Social Networking site at 9 am. This

means that the question was already leaked to the students before the examination. Adison further added that responsibility of leaking the question paper should be held responsible by the Council of Higher Secondary School. Regarding the matter the student body had lodged a complaint to the Council of Higher Secondary School to look into the matter. He urged the Council authority to clarify on the matter.

He also said that the assurance made by the chairman of the council turn out to be a mere joke. Earlier, the council director had assured to conduct the examination free and fair. He also said that flying squad were appointed to make sure that no unfair means will be allowed during the examination. However, DESAM expressed shocked in seeing many helpers outside the examination center.

Influx problem may hit NE states: Biren



Source Assam Tribune
Guwahati, April 4 - Participating at the concluding function of the Namami Brahmaputra festival here, Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh today said that Assam has to lead the way in fighting the problem of influx. "The main problem in Assam is illegal migration. All the northeastern states should help Assam to solve this problem or else it will hit them too," he said. He said Assam is the leader of the Northeast and it has to lead way and we (rest of the

northeastern states) will support and follow. Singh lauded the Assam Government for organising the Namami Brahmaputra festival to showcase the potential of the mighty river at the global level. "This effort of the Assam Government has left a mark as to how important nature is. It highlighted the potential of the river," he said. He also invited his Assam counterpart Sarbananda Sonowal to visit Manipur during the annual 10-day Sangai Festival, the largest tourism fest in that state.

ANTA submits memorandum to CM

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Imphal, April 5: The Anal Naga Tangpi (ANTA)-the Anal Naga Union staged a sit-in protest against the physical assault and subsequent murder of St Kowar Anal S/o (L) Kongam Anal of Chandel by some unidentified persons from his rented house at Tera Loukrakpam Leikai on the evening of 19 March 2017 who later succumbed to the head injuries sustained during the attack on 21 March 2017. The union is demanding the state government to intervene in bringing an amicable solution, and while expressing regret over the inaction from the concern authorities, placed a charter of demands before the Chief Minister through the Deputy Commissioner. The Union further declared that in case of the failure of the state government to comply to the demands within 48 hours, intensified agitations including total bandh in Chandel District and other hill districts of Manipur. Rally and frisking and picketing of government offices etc will be resorted to.

Khwaairamband Keithel license vendors women demands eviction of street vendors from Keithel surrounding

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Imphal, April 5: Demanding the evictions of women street vendors from around the three women markets at Khwaairamband Keithel, women vendors of the three Ima keithel carried out seize work protest today at Khwaairamband Keithel, Imphal. Speaking to the media persons, Thingujam (O) Rani, General Secretary of Khwaairamband Nupi Keithel Sinpham amasung Sektam Kanba Lup (KNKSSKL) said that women vendors of the three keithel welcomes the steps taken up by the MAHUD Minister Shyamkumar to keep the Ima keithel and bazaar area neat

and clean. Unfortunately, since the announcement of the makeshift market for street vendors on the Naga River by the MAHUD Minister, numbers of street vendors have increase day by day as compare with the last couple of years, while the people living nearby have occupied the areas, she added. Rani also said that the increasing number of street vendors in the Ima Keithel has highly affected the business among the license women vendors of the Ima Keithel. Condemning the statement made by the MAHUD Minister Shyamkumar that politics is involved in the issues of women vendors, Rani alleged that due to the failure of

untimely maintenance of the women street vendors in the Ima Keithel by the concern government, such issues have occurred frequently. Looking into the issues, state government should address the problems of women vendors without any favoritism, she added. Meanwhile, Ibetombi, one of the women street vendors said that with today's issue, they are waiting for the minister who has assured to provide their shed so that they could sell the wares which they have bought late afternoon without facing any hardship of finding a temporary place. Though the steps taken up by the government fair

enough, women street vendors have face big problems in their daily life waiting their turn to avail their temporary shed. With the issue remain unsolved, women street vendors' fear that they might not be able to serve their families and might not be able to send their children schools, Ibetombi added. On the other hand, the women street vendors have been demanding for a market place where they could sell their wares instead of running here and there to find a empty space and the trouble of police personnel who even sometimes smashed and ruin their wares before they could sell it.

Anal body stage protest against the murder of a student; submits memorandum to the CM

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Imphal, April 5: Anal Community civil society body - the Anal Naga Tangpi (ANTA) today staged a sit-in-protest against the physical assault and subsequent Murdered of ST Kowar Anal at DC Lamkhai Chandel today demanding appropriate punishment to those involved in the killing of the Anal student. President of the Anal body Wng. Kohring Victor said that a memorandum in the connection has been submitted to the Chief Minister of Manipur through the Deputy Commissioner today afternoon. The body demanded punishment of the culprits as per the law within 48 hours, compensation to the victim family in the form of ex-gratia besides suitable job to a family member of the victim and also to constitute joint enquiry committee allowing them to re-examine the post mortem recordings with the help of competent doctor/agency. As per the memorandum submitted to the Chief Minister the deceased ST Kowar son of late ST Kongam Anal was staying with one Takhellambam Jellel Singh at Tera Loukrakpam Leikai, Imphal West and was doing computer course at Diana



Computer Center Sagolband NC Road since 2016. The memorandum further said that on March 19 this year at around 8 pm he was attacked by unknown persons at his rented room belonging to one Salam Mani Singh, son of late S. Sanajaoba Singh of Tera

Loukrakpam Leikai Imphal. He was admitted to Shija Hospital Imphal but later succumbed to his head injury on March 21. President of the Anal body Wng. Kohring Victor further added that on March 30 the Anal body had conveyed the government on March 3

through IFCD Minister Letpao Haokip who is also the Circle MLA of Chandel district but as the government has failed to take up any effective action the Anal body threaten to launch series of agitation if fail to fulfill the demand within 48 hours.

Combing operation

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Imphal, April 5: A team of Imphal West Police Commando under the supervision of Additional SP Imphal West (Ops) Dr. S. Ibomcha today conducted search operation at Tera Loukrakpam Leikai around 5.30 am today morning. No one was however arrested in the operation. Yesterday too a team of Imphal West Police conducted search operation at Langol Game Village area. The team arrested a ZUF cadre identified as Johnson Kamei of Khupum Village presently staying at quarter no. 34 of Langol Game Village Zone 3. He was handed over to Lamphel Police station.

Rajya Sabha witnesses noisy scenes over EVM issue

New Delhi, April 5: The Rajya Sabha today witnessed noisy scenes, with the Congress-led opposition accusing the NDA government of indulging in rigging of the recently held Assembly elections through Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs). Raising the issue during Zero Hour, Congress leader Digvijaya Singh charged the ruling party with cheating in the polls. He suggested the use of paper ballots in the coming elections. Responding to this, Human Resources Development Minister Prakash Javadekar said the Election Commission has already clarified in this regard. He asked the opposition to approach the

Election Commission. Ram gopal Yadav and Naresh Agrawal both of the Samajwadi Party blamed the government. Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi took objection to some remarks by some leaders and said they are objectionable and should be expunged. Deputy Chairman P J Kurien also asked the Opposition parties to approach Election Commission saying the Chair cannot do anything in this regard. As noisy continued with several opposition members trooping into the Well, Mr P J Kurien adjourned the House for a brief period.

Govt makes no changes in RTI Act: Jitendra Singh

New Delhi, April 5: The government has not made any changes in the RTI Act. Replying to Congress' allegation of diluting the RTI rules, Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, Dr Jitendra Singh today said rules and regulations have been brought out by the then

Congress government. He said, Congress has put its foot in its mouth by criticizing its own RTI Act in a haste to criticize Central government. Yesterday, the Minister had said in a tweet that the government is committed to easy access to information by citizens.

India reiterates its commitment for ensuring security, safety of all foreigners

New Delhi, April 5: India today reiterated its commitments for ensuring security and safety of all foreigners, including African students in the country. Making a statement in the Lok Sabha on the recent violent incident against Nigerians in Greater Noida, External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj termed the incident as unfortunate, painful and surprising. She also said, it would be

inappropriate to connect the attack incident with racism before the probe ends. She also questioned the allegation by a group of African envoys describing the attacks as xenophobic and racial. The Minister added that it is wrong to term the incident as racial attack since this was done by an angry mob. She said Indians have also died in African nations, but New Delhi did not allege racial attacks.

Mrs Swaraj said her junior Cabinet colleague V K Singh today spoke to the Dean of African Head of Missions over the issue and termed their remarks as sad. She said they have said that they want to go to the UN Human Rights Council, but India has all human rights institutions, a free press and judiciary. The Minister said six people have been arrested in the case and strict action will be taken against the culprits.

I&B ministry to increase grants for Community radio stations: Rajyavardhan

New Delhi, April 5: Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, Col Rajyavardhan Rathore has said, his ministry has taken decisions to increase grants for Community radio stations especially for North-East, to increase grants from 75 per cent to 90 per cent, with upper cap of 7.5 lakh rupees. Replying to supplementaries in the Lok Sabha, Col. Rathore said, long duration advertisements for sustenance

of the model has also been allowed. He said, even NGOs can be given licences. The Minister told the House that as of now there are 206 community radio stations and the letter of intent has been issued to 564 applicants, it is for non profit purposes. He said government has taken various steps towards the expansion of community radio sector and grant of permissions to set up community radio stations is a continuous process.