

## NFP crisis

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**Kohima, Aug 23:** The Kohima Bench of Gauhati High Court yesterday deferred the hearing on present NPF crisis till 21st of next month. This is the second time that the deferment has been made by court as the last time was on 24th of last month. Former Chief Minister and MLA Dr Shurhozelie Liezietsu along with the 10 NPF legislators supporting him had gone to Court seeking quashing of the emergent session of Nagaland Legislative Assembly to facilitate TR Zeliang prove his majority on July 21 last wherein the Speaker Intiwapang Aier accepted Zeliang as the whip of NPF Party

## RIMS condoles

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**Kohima, Aug 23:** Staffs of RIMS also condole the demise of veteran congress leaders Rishang Keishing who is also the first MP from the state besides being the Chief Minister for 4 term.

## Legal awareness programme

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**Imphal, Aug 23:** A one day legal awareness programme was held at Leishokching village, Tarao Tribe, Chandul District organised by Legal Aid Clinic, Leishokching sponsored by Manipur State Legal Services Authority (MASLSA) under the theme of Customary Law, Land's Right & Legal Right. Mr. K. Mela, Tarao Tribe Union President. All Tribal Women Organisation executives, including villages chiefs, villages' authorities youth & women leaders and Christian Leaders of Tarao, Moyon, Chothe & Lamkang tribe participated the programme. Advocate, High Court, Imphal elaborated on the practices of personal skills and rights, village laws and order, village land and forest rights based on the enacted constitutional act. He also disclosed that the beneficial provisions for the development of tribal villages since 1956 at the onset of tribal village development of tribal villages since 1956 at the onset of tribal village development plan has been shattered till date which set unacquainted by the concerned mentors. Closing the programme the participant with the concerned of resource person unanimously decided to form a committee to approach the Government for the approval of model village practices in the cluster.

# State mourns demise of Indian Oldest Parliamentarian Rishang Keishing

## Condolence pours; tribute paid to the mortal remains at his residence at Mantri Pukhri

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 23:** The demise of former Chief Minister and Parliamentarian Rishang Keishing has shocked the entire people of the state as well as the neighbours. The first Parliamentarian died here at RIMS at 8.15 pm yesterday due to multi organ failure. The 98 years old parliamentarian has been undergoing treatment at RIMS since July 1 after a significant deterioration in his health condition.



As a tribute to the parliamentarian state government led by Chief Minister N. Biren Singh declared a three-day mourning in the state and announced holiday today. A senior leader of the Congress party, Rishang Keishing served as Manipur CM for four terms. Born 25 October 1920, he was the last surviving member of India's first post-1947 Parliament. Keishing's term at Raja

Sabha, the Upper House of Indian Parliament ended on April 9, 2014. He is also the first MP from the state. He is survived by his spouse, Khatingla and six children. The youngest, Victor Kieshing is a politician like him and is currently a MLA, representing Phungyal constituency of Ukhrul district, the same constituency Rishang had represented as the chief minister.

At morning today large number of people from across the state irrespective of political party pays floral tribute to the lifeless body of the parliamentarian at his residence at Mantri Pukhri, Imphal. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh condole the sudden demise of former Chief Minister and Parliamentarian Shri Rishang Keishing. In his condolence message, the Chief Minister

remembered Rishang Keishing as one of the longest serving Chief Ministers of the State. He said, "Shri Rishang Keishing's contribution towards Manipur's progress will always be remembered. I offer my heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family of Shri Rishang Keishing." The Chief Minister said that Shri Rishang Keishing was a people's man and a

pragmatic leader. The veteran politician was one of the oldest Parliamentarians of India, he added. Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee also condole the demise of the veteran congress leader. President of the Nagaland Pradesh Committee K. Therie also share his pain to the demise of the veteran leader. In his condolence message K. Therie said, "I am deeply saddened to learn of the demise of Shri. Rishang Keishing, former four-time Chief Minister. He was perhaps the longest serving Parliamentarian in the history of the World. He was also the oldest serving parliamentarian. He served as General Secretary, Nagaland Integration Council, after the 16 Point Agreement. He contested as Integration Council candidate and was defeated by those who later championed the cause.

However through his illustrious career, Shri. Keishing left a treasure of political and historical relations" A graduate from Calcutta university, Shri. Keishing served the people as Teacher, Head Master, MLA, Cabinet Minister, AICC Member, MP (Lok Sabha), MP (Rajya Sabha), Deputy Chief Minister and Chief Minister, to name a few. He had served the people for over six decades. He was the last surviving member of India's first post-1947 Parliament and on 13th May 2012 during celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Indian Parliament, Shri. Rishang Keishing was felicitated as the only serving Member of the 1st Lok Sabha by a host of important dignitaries led by the Hon'ble President of India. His vast experience in service to the people made him a living dictionary.

## College teachers observed Black Day & decided to boycott the Teachers' Day 2017" -AMCTA

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**Imphal, Aug 23:** College teachers of Manipur have observed the nationwide protest - "Black Day" yesterday under the banner of All Manipur College Teachers' Association (AMCTA) at the call of AIFUCTO (All India Federation of University & College Teachers' Organizations). All the college units of AMCTA at different districts (both hill and valley districts) of Manipur participated the protest wearing black badges and holding meetings at their respective campuses however, in Manipur, normal classes had not been affected. As per report, today's protest was a historic since all the university and college teachers of whole country have observed in large scale at their state capitals. It is also reported that University and college teachers of all the states in North East India have observed the same maintaining the solidarity of AIFUCTO as per reports received by the Zonal Secretary (NE), AIFUCTO & President AMCTA. The

protest was supported by Federation of Central University Teachers' Association and All India Federation of Retired University and College Teachers' organization. The nation-wide programme was called by AIFUCTO protesting the Govt's inordinate delay in fulfillment of the following demands -

1. Publish the report and implement 7<sup>th</sup> UGC Recommendations after consultation with AIFUCTO and other teachers' bodies.
2. 100% financial assistance for uniform and simultaneous implementation of 7<sup>th</sup> Pay scales.
3. Pay Scales & Service conditions for Temporary/Adhoc/Part time/Guest teachers/Block Grant teachers and self financing teachers and employees.
4. Scrapping of API and extend dates for participation of Refresher Course/Orientation Course.
5. Reject Pension scheme 2004 and pension to all teachers.
6. Abolished anomalies of 6<sup>th</sup> pay scales.
7. Stop budget cut in education,

increase it upto 6% GDP. 8. Immediately withdraw proposed : a) HEERA, HEFA and strengthen UGC and AICTE b) Graded Autonomy to Universities and Colleges c) Compulsory NET/SLET/SET for Ph.D registration. 9. Consult with AIFUCTO and other teachers bodies on Education Policy. 10. Stop commercialization, corporatization and centralization of education. 11. Regular consultation with AIFUCTO and other teachers' body. As AIFUCTO has decided hold Mass Court Arrest on the TEACHERS' DAY, the 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 at New Delhi, the AMCTA has also decided to participate the Court Arrest programme by its representatives at the same and also decided to boycott the Teachers Day, 2017. College teachers of Manipur under the banner of AMCTA will not participate any kind of programmes/functions related to Teachers Day on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

## By-Elections held for 2 seats in Goa; 1 each in Delhi and Andhra Pradesh

**Agency,**  
**Imphal, Aug 23:** Polling for by-election was held at two assembly seats in Goa and one each in Delhi and Andhra Pradesh today. In the national capital, by-poll is being held for the Bawana

Assembly constituency. The seat fell vacant after Aam Aadmi Party MLA Ved Prakash resigned to join the BJP. 24.39 per cent votes were cast till 1 PM. Over 2.94 lakh electors are eligible to exercise their franchise in the bypoll in which EVMS equipped with Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail are being used at all polling stations. In Andhra Pradesh, polling is taking place for the Nandyal Assembly seat. The seat had fallen vacant due to the death of a sitting Telugu Desam Party MLA Bhumu Nagi Reddy. Nearly 30 per cent polling was reported in the

first three hours of the by-election. In Goa, until 12 pm, the voting percentage in Panaji was at 35 per cent, while in Valpoi, it was 41 per cent. Panaji has a total of 30 booths, while there are 40 booths in Valpoi. Chief Minister and BJP candidate Manohar Parrikar is contesting for the Panaji seat. The polls have been necessitated following the resignation of BJP MLA Siddharth Kuncolienkar from Panaji and Congress MLA Vishwajeet Rane from Valpoi. The counting of votes will be held on the 28th of this month.

## Bomb at Mongsangei

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Aug 23:** Unknown miscreants today placed a bomb at Mongsangei at the close proximity of the CRPF post. Witness said that the bomb was found at around 11 am today morning about some 200 metres north from the CRPF post. Manipur police and Bomb Squad rushed the side along with the CRPF Jawans. Traffic was put to halt at both side for hours and later at around 3 pm the bomb was safely detonated by the police bomb disposal squad.

## Social service camp

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**Imphal, Aug 23:** One day social service camp in connection with 52nd Hunger Marchers' Day (Chaklam Khongchat) was carried out today at Students Matyrs Monument, Pishum Chinga. The camp was organised by

All Manipur Students' Union (AMSU) which was also join by members of AMMEK, local club and meira paibi of the pishum chinga area. Hunger Marchers Day (Chaklam Khongchat) is observed on August 27 every year by AMSU.

## '74 injured as train derails in Auraiya'

**Lucknow, Aug 23:** As many as 74 passengers were injured as nine bogies of the Kafiyat Express derailed in UP's Auraiya district early today after dashing against a dumper carrying construction material for railway work, officials here said. However, the railways said 25 persons were injured in the incident and that the dumper did not belong to them. The train travelling from Azamgarh to Delhi collided with the dumper at around 2:50 am between Pata and Achhalda railway stations, a spokesperson for the North Central Railway (NCR) said. Principal Secretary (Home) Arvind Kumar said 74 people were injured of which four received serious injuries and have been rushed to Saifai and Etawah hospitals. Superintendent of Police, Auraiya, Sanjeev Tyagi also said that 74 passengers were injured in the incident. Kafiyat Express met with an accident at an unmanned railway crossing because of a loader carrying sand for track work for dedicated freight corridor, Secretary, Home, Bhagwan Swarup said.

Rescue operations are over and passengers have been moved to Achhalda railway station and rescue train in arriving to take them to Delhi. This is the second train accident in Uttar Pradesh in five days. On Saturday, a passenger train derailed in Muzaffargar district leaving over 22 dead and 156 others injured. "An unauthorised dumper broke the railway fence and hit the engine of Kafiyat Express causing derailment," the Railway Ministry said in a statement. "There are no casualties but 25 persons have been injured," the statement said. Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu tweeted, "A dumper hit the locomotive of the Kafiyat Express, resulting in derailment. Some passengers have received injuries and have been shifted to nearby hospitals". He said that he was personally monitoring the situation and had directed senior officials to reach the site immediately. Kafiyat Express travels between Azamgarh in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi and the collision has impacted the train operations

on the Delhi-Howrah route. Five trains including Howrah-New Delhi Rajdhani have been diverted and seven trains including Kanpur-New Delhi Shatabdi express have been cancelled. Since both UP and DOWN lines are blocked, around 40 local trains were also being diverted. On receiving information about the mishap, senior officials rushed to the accident site which comes under Achhalda police station, around 180 km from Lucknow. Additional forces and ambulance were rushed to the spot from Auraiya, Etawah and Kannauj, while NDRF team was dispatched from Lucknow to provide support to the victims. A medical train and a relief train have been dispatched from Allahabad to the accident site. A spokesman for NCR said rescue operations have been completed and all injured were sent to hospitals nearby. Additional forces and ambulance were rushed to the spot from Auraiya, Etawah and Kannauj while NDRF team was dispatched from Lucknow to provide succour to the victims. (Courtesy PTI)