

Poetry section

A promise

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Paint your face! Paint in black!  
Paint with charcoal! Leave your face dirty!  
Men are animals! Men will never change! Exclaimed my father  
I never realized? I got angry by his utterance;  
What wrong have I been into?  
I walked tall Carrying Millions of questions to self!  
Never did dare to welcome my early young days?  
Or never did dare to salute my adolescence period?  
And I never did dare to flaunt my puberty life?  
All I did was a dumb lazy sluggish mower;  
He's happy when I 'm idle;  
He's happy when I'm listless;  
My Courage never did help finding an answer to this.

Paint your face! Paint in black!  
Paint with charcoal! Leave your face dirty!  
Men are animals! Men will never change! Exclaimed my father  
He did loved cutting and trimming my hairs;  
Every single month's Sunday was his day!  
Come! I need to cut your hair,  
It's growing long! My father Roar repeatedly  
I threw up crying; never had guts to say a word  
Never had a chance to protest;  
My hair too short, my speechless hair so active;  
Nothing was sure and certain,  
Oh! My ugly hair, reasoning thousand finding a way to save  
But, I swing around with crazy boy cut hair;  
Never did I pose my long silky hairs.

Paint your face! Paint in black!  
Paint with charcoal! Leave your face dirty!  
Men are animals! Men will never change! Exclaimed my father  
Wondering how? Why? And what for I had to paint?  
He never opens or unfurls his exclaiming!  
'It was an untold story my mother did tell?  
All she does is cool and quite; and she's happy too,  
I walked tall with my short boy cut hair;  
Feeling plain looking, dull and unattractive;  
I own not a lipstick for my lips to color red;  
I own not a pencil to color my eyes brows dark;  
I own not a compact to powder my face white;  
Wearing boy shirt and skirt,  
I pounder exciting and unknowingly the ugly truth forepart;  
Never did I neglect Swimming dutifully across my youth life.

Japan searches for crew after navy helicopter accident

**AFP Tokyo, Aug 27:** Japan's military and coastguard were searching today for three navy personnel who went missing along with their helicopter in a night-time accident, a navy official said. The Maritime Self-Defense Force lost contact with the SH60J patrol chopper carrying four crew around 10:50 pm Saturday, said the official, with the navy handling the search-and-rescue mission. Rescuers found one of the four men and the helicopter's flight recorder shortly after it went missing in northern waters off Aomori Prefecture, the official told AFP.

"There will be an investigation on what happened," he said. "One of them has been rescued and the flight data recorder has been recovered. Analysis will be done on that," he told AFP. The helicopter was still missing, he said without elaborating. The rescued man was uninjured and the helicopter issued a distress signal immediately after it lost contact, according to national broadcaster NHK. Japan's military and coastguard are using a total of seven vessels and 10 aircraft to look for the missing men, the navy official said.

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Back door entry at MPSC Manipur

**By: Mohd Amir**  
With the advent of new Chairman, we hope that MPSC will conduct free and fair exams giving a chance of hope to all hardworking candidates of Manipur. But, it seems to be a distant dream. Advt 06/2017 dated 21 Jul 2017 was issued by MPSC for recruitment of District Information Officer (02 vacancies) and Assistant Publicity Officer (01 vacancy). Essential qualification of the exam is Degree and Degree/Diploma in Journalism OR Certificate in Journalism. The date of examination was fixed on 25 Aug 2017. However, on 21 Aug 17, only four days the exam, MPSC conducted its meeting to change the eligibility criteria stating that, Master Degree in Science /Mass Communication are also eligible. The exam was conducted on 25 Aug 17. However, some admit cards were printed as 31 Aug 17 as the date of exam. So MPSC issued another notification on 26 Aug 17 which allowed any other candidate

whose date of exam is printed as 31 Aug 17 to appear for an exam to be conducted on 28 Aug 17. The notification also allowed other candidates to appear on 28 Aug 17, even if they have not applied for the post. Now with this fiasco, the following questions remain unanswered:  
1. Essential qualification of the Exam includes Degree/Diploma in Journalism OR Certificate in Journalism. Why MPSC amended its essential qualification only before 04 days of examination?  
2. District Information Officer/ Assistant Publicity Officer is specialised job. Why MPSC allowed candidates with Master Degree in Science to appear for the exam. There are thousands of candidates who hold Master Degree in Science. And there are only 03 vacancies in the advertisements.  
There are only few people in Manipur who have invested their time and money studying journalism. These people are looking for Jobs which suit their academic

qualification. Why their rights are being confiscated? If opportunity is not given to them, will any students take up journalism in future?  
3. Why examination is to be conducted twice? When exams are conducted in phase, questions are different, difficulty level of questions will differ. Hence selection rate will differ. MPSC is a full commission with Soldiers and IAS Officers. Why MPSC is blaming a third party, Cube Ten technology? If MPSC denies its mistake and shirks off responsibility, then what is the use of posting IAS Officers at the Office? Taking moral responsibility, MPSC should cancel the exam on 25 Aug 17 and re-conduct afresh. Otherwise, many candidates will go to the court to redress their grievances.  
4. The notification dated 26 Aug 17, it is stated that anybody who have not applied for the exam can also appear for the exam on 28 Aug 17. MPSC is great. MPSC can do anything, everything. MPSC don't know the rules and it

has no fear of law of the land. Where can we find any examination body on this planet, which allows candidates to sit in an exam without applying for it? Now anybody with Master Degree in Science will apply for the exam and appear on 28 Aug 17. It seems that bribery and nepotism is knocking the door of MPSC again. It seems that relatives of MPSC who holds Master Degree in Science are vying for the posts (its only an assumption) It is also possible that the above mentioned 04 posts are already sold out to politicians. Great injustice is done to candidates studying Journalism. In such conditions, how can a candidate keep faith on MPSC? How will the students work hard for their career if such misdoings happen every now and then? Such inefficient style of working of MPSC will only disturb the school and college environment. And this could be one of the reasons, why students come out on streets frequently. Because they have no faith in the system.

National & International News

Dera violence: PM says guilty will be punished

**PTI New Delhi, Aug 27:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi today slammed the mayhem created by followers of self-styled godman Gurmeet Ram Rahim, saying violence in the name of faith won't be tolerated and asserted that the guilty would not be spared. In his monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat', Modi said everybody will have to bow before the law. He said the Constitution provides

scope for redressal of all kinds of grievances. "At a time, when the country is in the mode of celebrating festivals, news of violence from any part is naturally a matter of concern," the prime minister said, clearly referring to the mayhem created by the followers of Ram Rahim, chief of Dera Satcha Suda, in Haryana. "This is a country of Lord Buddha and Mahatma Gandhi. This is a country of Sardar Patel,

who devoted his life for the unity," he said. He said non-violence has been the foundation of the country for ages. "I had said it from the Red Fort (in Independence Day speech) that in the name of faith, violence will not be tolerated. Whether the faith is religious, political or in favour of an individual or a tradition, nobody has the right to take the law into his own hands in the name of faith," the prime minister declared.

"I want to assure the country that no country, no government can tolerate anybody taking law into their hands, whether it is an individual or a group. Everybody will have to bow before the law. The law will determine accountability and the guilty will be punished," he asserted. Followers of Ram Rahim went on the rampage in Panchkula and some other parts of Haryana on last Friday after a CBI court convicted him of rape.

Days after deadly Typhoon Hato, Hong Kong and Macau hit by storm Pakhar

**Reuters Hong Kong, Aug. 27:** Tropical storm Pakhar brought strong winds and heavy rain to Hong Kong and Macau on Sunday, just four days after one of the strongest typhoons on record, Hato, caused serious flooding and damage in the territories and killed at least 10 people in the gaming hub. Both cities issued their third-highest weather warnings, storm signal No. 8, early on Sunday as heavy rain lashed down, churning up rough seas and prompting alerts of serious flooding in low-lying areas. Hong Kong's weather observatory said winds occasionally reached storm force in the southern part of the territory and hurricane force on high ground on Lantau Island to the west of the city where the airport is situated. Pakhar's arrival comes as the cities are still reeling from Hato. While Hong Kong escaped major damage, Hato devastated Macau, the world's largest gambling hub, killing at least 10 people, injuring 244 and exposing critical infrastructure flaws after it left the city without water and power for days. "Pakhar will land to the west of the Pearl River Estuary in the next few hours," said the Hong Kong Observatory, the territory's weather forecasting agency. The maximum sustained winds recorded at Ngong Ping, Cheung

Chau and Chek Lap Kok were 140, 114 and 76 kilometers per hour (87, 71 and 47 miles per hour) respectively, with maximum gusts 173, 136 and 101 kmh. Hong Kong's flagship carrier, Cathay Pacific, said the storm would cause delays and cancellations to flights arriving and departing on Sunday and Monday. Local media said 140 flights had been canceled as of 6 a.m. local time (2200 GMT on Sunday). Other transport services including ferries to Macau and outlying islands in Hong Kong were suspended. In Macau, the storm will pose a major setback to clean-up efforts that saw Chinese People's Liberation Army troops deployed to help remove mountains of stinking debris strewn across some heavily flooded districts battered by Hato. Power has been restored in the territory but some areas still lacked water supply as of Saturday evening, the Macau Government Information Bureau said on its official website. The government said the city still faced a severe challenge in removing huge piles of waste from the streets, with 2,600 tonnes of debris collected on Saturday alone. Shower facilities and changing rooms at four public swimming pools have been opened to accommodate residents with no water facilities.

**পাওঞ্জৈজবা**

**Shri Khumukcham Mangi Singh,**  
Retd. Dy Commandant, 1st IRB  
Govt. of Manipur  
(Expired on 23/8/2017)

চংখিবা August 23, ইং 2017, লাংবনগী  
নিনি পানবা কুমশাকৈশা নুমিত্তা ঐখোয় স্বাইবু  
কোনবীরহা Shri Khumukcham Mangi Singh,  
Retd. Dy Commandant, 1st IRB Govt. of  
Manipur. মাসী নুংশিজরবা ইমুং-মনুং,  
শাগৈ-নাতে অমদি মরপ-মপাং স্বাই পুন্নমকপু  
থান্ডেককপা ইম্বোরগী খুয়ানা চংজন্তে।  
লাক্সিবা August 28, ইং, লাংবন গী ৭ নি  
পানবা নুমিত্তা অষ্ট সক্ষয় লৌখৎচরগা লাক্সিবা  
September 5, ইং লাংবনগী ১৪ পানবা  
লৈপাকপোকপা নুমিত্তা শ্রাক্স দিন থোক্রে। নুমিৎ  
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খরৎ শ্রীশ্রীগৌরচন্ড মহাপ্রভুগী চরন্দা শ্রীহরি  
সঙ্কির্ভগণা লোয়ননা কচগবৌবি।  
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লোয়নবিরহা স্বাই বিবিকনা হরিনাম শব্দন হৌবা  
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**Name changed**

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