

9 including 6 women injured in poll related cash at Khangabok Assembly constituency



IT News
Imphal, Feb 14: At least 9 persons including 6 women were injured in poll related clash between BJP and Congress workers at around 11 am today morning at Khangabok Assembly Constituency.

Chief Minister Okram Ibobi's son Okram Surjakumar is the congress candidate while Th. Jadumani is the BJP candidate in the constituency. Report said that the clashed took place after some BJP workers tried to stop a poll related public meeting by congress workers at a ground located in between Khangabok and Sangaiyupham in Thoubal district. The report added that a fierce clash took place between the two groups of workers by pelting stones towards one another. Police team which rushed the spot fired several rounds of tear gas shell, mock bombs to control the situation. Those injured in the clash are Ningthoujam Biren (50 years), Khundrakam Sharta (47 years), Thokchom

Maipakpi Devi (47 years), Ningthoujam Sangeeta Devi (39 years), Moirangthem Jamini Devi (42 years), Moirangthem Binodini Devi (49 years), Moirangthem Romita Devi (33 years) and Laishram Sharmila Devi (48 years). All are from Khangabok part 2 and part 3. They sustained injuries at hands, legs and other parts of their body. After providing first aid at Thoubal district Hospital, they were later discharge from the hospital.

Among those injured Biren, Sangeeta, and Jamini are BJP supporters while the remaining are Congress supporters.

Security tightens congress supporter stage protest against BJP poll campaign



IT News
Imphal, Feb 14: Security has been beefed up in and around Angtha Village in Andro Assembly constituency as Congress candidate supporters staged protest against a proposed election meeting of the BJP at the village today.

BJP candidate, Dr. Nimaichand Luwang today begin door to door meeting since morning today at Angtha village. A poll campaign meeting is scheduled at the village at 3 am today. Report said that around 1000 people accompanied the BJP candidate

during the door to door campaign.

At the time, when the BJP candidate was conducting house campaign supporters of congress candidate Th. Shyamkumar staged protest against the congress party election meeting.

As the situation seem volatile and had the tendency to erupt poll related clash, police department beefed up security arrangement to in the area to prevent any unwanted incident.

Till the filing of this story there are no report of any clashed between the two group.

SC sends Sasikala to 4-year jail in DA case, dashes her CM hopes

Deccan Chronicles

New Delhi, Feb 14: The Supreme Court on Tuesday convicted AIADMK general secretary Sasikala in the Rs 66 crore disproportionate assets case.

The apex court also sentenced Sasikala to a prison term of four years, and imposed a fine of Rs 10 crore.

The AIADMK general secretary now cannot become the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, or contest elections for 10 years — which includes the four years of prison term.

Sasikala has also been asked by the Supreme Court to surrender immediately.

The apex court has directed that Sasikala must serve over 3 years of her remaining prison term.

A bench of Justices Pinaki Chandra Ghose and Amitav

Roy, who had reserved the verdict on June 7, 2016, gave the verdict in the case on Tuesday.

Subsequently, police reached the Golden Bay resort outside Chennai to arrest Sasikala.

"Amma's sanctity has been defiled by betrayers," the AIADMK's Twitter handle said after the SC's verdict against Sasikala.

The apex court with its verdict restored in toto the judgement and the findings of the trial court in Bengaluru which had held guilty all accused including Sasikala's two relatives, V N Sudhakaran and Elavarasi.

The matter escalated to the Supreme Court after the Karnataka High Court had on May 11, 2015 ruled that Jayalalithaa and Sasikala's

conviction by special court suffered from infirmity and was not sustainable in law, clearing decks for Jaya to return as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister.

The SC bench read the operative portion of the voluminous judgement saying, "according to the material and evidence placed on record, we set aside the judgement and the order of the high court and affirm in toto the judgement and order the trial court convicting the accused persons."

The bench said since Jayalalithaa had expired, the proceeding against her was abated.

"Nevertheless, we reiterate that having regard to the facts, the charge framed against them by the trial court is restored," the bench said. (Contd. on page 2)

Only 3 women candidates are likely to fight in the upcoming state election

IT News

Imphal, Feb 14: On the last day filing nomination papers for the upcoming Manipur state legislative Assembly election, only 4 women candidate are likely to fight the election.

BJP field one women candidates Nemcha Kipgen at Kangpokpi Assembly constituency while Congress Party provided a ticket to a woman candidate AK Mirabai of Patsoi Assembly constituency, who was a

Minister in the state cabinet. NPP filed one woman candidate G Seityabati from Sagolband Assembly constituency while MNDF field Yumnam Romola at Keishamthong Assembly constituency.

Protest staged against removal of IRB



IT News
Thoubal, Feb.14: Villagers of Aimal villages in and around Ngairong area of newly created Tengnoupal district today staged protest against the state government plan to remove 3rd IRB post from Aimal Ngairong village. As the report about the removal of the 3rd IRB pos reached to the people, villagers of Aimal Ngairong, Aimal Khullen, Aimal

Chandonpokpi, Aimal Khudamphai, Aimal Tampak etc. came out in the street and staged protest by blocking the road between Aimal Tampak and Aimal Ngairong. A protestor while talking to media persons said that due to the presence of the IRB post the villagers felt secured and are being protected. "If the IRB post has been

removed then people of the area will be left in state of terror and we don't want replacement of it by either police or the VDF", said the protestor. Placards with slogans "we want IRB, keep IRB post permanent" etc were display during the protest. On the other hand villagers of Molnom too protested against the removal of IRB post from Molnom area.

Congress now field only 58 candidates in 60 assembly seats

IT News

Imphal, Feb 14: The ruling congress has field only 58 candidates of the 60 seats as a candidate filed nomination as Independent candidates while another left the party and filed as NPP candidate.

Minister Phungzathang Tensing had joined NPP and filed nomination as NPP candidate while Kharga Tamang the Congress candidate of Kangpokpi AC filed nomination as Independent candidate.

Girl from Assam Urges PM Modi to Include Northeast's History in Textbooks



Courtesy NE Today

Imphal, Feb 14: What we usually do when we find that despite 69 years of the independence, histories of 45 million people living in the eight states of the Northeast are absent from our school, college and university text books. We blame our

respective representatives or government? However, going out of the way, 12-year old, Aaira Goswami, a student from Assam studying in Jaipur has written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi urging him to include the history of Assam and the Northeast's in her text book.

300 more trucks escorted

IT News

Imphal, Feb 14: A total of 300 more loaded trucks have been escorted towards Imphal along NH 37 today morning.

Among those loaded trucks 42 are petrol tanker trucks, 38 diesel tanker trucks, 20 LPG loaded trucks, 86 trucks of the FCI, one medicine loaded truck, 53 cement loaded trucks and 60 other essential commodities loaded trucks.

As per report from Jiribam over 660 trucks are stranded at Jiribam.

4 more tanker trucks airlifted

IT News

Imphal, Feb 14: Four more diesel tanker trucks have been airlifted today from Guwahaty today. As per report 2 diesel tanker trucks landed at Imphal Tuliha airport at 9.45 am today. Later at 1.45 pm another two diesel tanker trucks were landed here in Imphal by Airforce flight.

Voluntary Blood Donation Camp on Valentine's Day



IT News
Thoubal, Feb.14 : Kairembikhok Students Union and Club (KSUC) and Blood Bank Transfusion Unit, District Hospital Thoubal jointly organised a Voluntary Blood Donation Camp on Valentine's Day at District Hospital Thoubal with the objective of "Give the gift of

life, Donate Blood". A total of 15 donors including one woman and Youths donated blood at the occasion. Ksh.Premdash, Secretary Youths' KSUC said that the blood donation camp is organised to spread message that donating blood do nothing harm to the body and it saves thousands live.

Supreme Court Modifies Earlier Order, No Need To Stand During National Anthem When Part Of A Film

New Delhi, Feb 14: Modifying its earlier order, the Supreme Court has now said that audience need not stand when the National Anthem is played as storyline in a film, newsreel or documentary.

A bench of Justices Dipak Misra and R Banumathi made this clear after one of the petitioners said that the apex court should clarify if people are expected to stand when the National Anthem is played in a film, newsreel or documentary.

"It is clarified that when the National Anthem is played as part of the storyline of a film, newsreel or a

documentary the audience need not stand," the bench said.

The bench, which said the issue raised by petitioners needs to be debated, has fixed the matter for further hearing on April 18.

The apex court had on November 30 last year ordered cinema halls across the nation to mandatorily play the National Anthem before screening of a movie and the audience must stand and show respect. This order had come on the PIL filed by one Shyam Narayan Chouksey seeking directions that National Anthem should be played in

cinema halls across the country before a film begins and proper norms and protocol be fixed regarding its playing and singing at official functions and programmes where those holding constitutional office are present.

The apex court, while passing a slew of directions, had also observed that "time has come when citizens must realise they live in a nation and are duty-bound to show respect to National Anthem which is a symbol of constitutional patriotism and inherent national quality."

It had said that "love and

respect for the motherland is reflected when one shows respect to the National Anthem as well as to the National Flag".

The court had barred printing of the anthem or part of it on any object and displaying it in such a manner at places which may be "disgraceful to its status and tantamount to disrespect". It had also barred playing or displaying an "abridged version" of the anthem.

Various other petitioners have also approached the apex court, which has tagged them with and the bench has tagged with the main petition. (Courtesy: Outlook)