

Dead body found



IT News

Imphal, Jan 28: The dead body of a young married woman identified as one Akina Begum (45) was discovered from a field today morning at kwakta ward no.3 under Moirang police station. While the cause of death is yet to be ascertained, an FIR has been taken up by the police. It is also reported that irate local womenfolk have attacked and damaged the residence of the dead women's husband regarding the suspicious death. Police personnel have been deployed to prevent further agitation and destruction to the property of the husband of the deceased.

Blood Donated

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Thoubal, January 28: Amit Khatana, a member of Anatomy Lifestyle Fitness, Delhi voluntarily donated a unit of blood required for the treatment of Akotijam Prem Singh- unit chairperson, People For Animals (PFA) of Thoubal Wangmataba who is presently undergoing treatment at Haematology department of AIIMS, New Delhi following bone marrow complications after Social Warriors Manipur (SWM) Delhi Unit was alerted to the requirements. According to Amom Jenil- Co-Convener, Social Warriors Manipur who is presently in the national capital, Lifestyle Fitness Delhi has also assured SWM Delhi Unit that they will donate blood whenever the necessity arises and has extended appreciation to the generous members of Lifestyle Fitness centre for the same.

Train, air services disrupted due to fog in Delhi

New Delhi, Jan. 28: More than 20 Delhi bound trains were delayed and one cancelled due to dense fog in the national capital this morning. Northern Railways said, two trains were also rescheduled as the visibility reduced to less than 150 metres in Delhi. According to the Delhi airport, eight domestic and two international flights were delayed at the Indira Gandhi International Airport. The minimum temperature in the city settled at around 10.6 degrees Celsius. The weather has predicted cloudy skies for the day and the maximum temperatures is expected to hover around 22 degree Celsius.

Discussion on Problems of People of the North East India

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Silchar, Jan. 28: The discussion on "various problem which are now being face by the people of the North East India" on 2nd Day "1st North East Youths' Convention" organized by Manipuri Youths' Front Assam (MYFA) in Collaboration with North East Dialogue Forum (NEDF) and Youths' Forum for Protection of Human Rights (YFPHR) was held today at Tourist Lodge in Silchar. The discussion was held to explore the origins of the currently prevailing conflicts in the NE states and the imposition of AFSPA, 1958 in Manipur state and the deprivation of various rights by the development projects like Mega Dams, Mining, Land Acquisition, lack of Education, health, unemployment and migration for jobs, Sexual violence etc.



U Jenison Singh, member of Youths' Forum for Protection of Human Rights (YFPHR) in his speech highlighted the issue by bringing back the historical episodes of the conversion of indigenous religions and culture, the coming of British colonialism and the imposition of AFSPA, 1958. Presentation of "Father of Manipuri Social Workers" Award and Cultural Extravaganza will also be held

on 29 January, the 3rd Day of the 1st North East Youths' Convention. prof. Gourababu- Retd. Nehru College, Silchar was Moderator while IS Thingom- Social Activist, Seram Herajit- President MYFA and M. Kalanjy- Member, North East Dialogue Forum (NEDF) also attended the program besides the participation of youths, Students and elders of the North East area.

13 years old minor raped

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Churachandpur, Jan 28 : A minor of 13 years is studying in class 7 at a private school in Churachandpur was allegedly raped by a distant relative on 26 Jan night inside a vehicle at the Khuga Dam approach road. According to reports, the incident happened while the victim was coming back from Mizoram along with her own brother and other relatives in a Bolero jeep owned by the alleged rapist identified as Vungginmang of Lammual village, a serving Assam Rifles personnel presently stationed at Shillong. The family reported the incident to Zomi Mothers Association (ZMA) and a case has been registered at Churachandpur police station against the accused who was nabbed by SDPO Thanlon and his team yesterday night. Narrating the course of events, a ZMA representative said the victim and her brother went to visit a relative in Mizoram in the Mahindra Bolero owned by Vungginmang. Vungginmang's own son and an uncle were also accompanying them in the vehicle. As they were coming back from Mizoram, Vungginmang dispatched his son and the victim's younger brother to a nearby village on the Khuga Dam road, while he also sent the uncle to fetch alcohol at around 10 pm last

night. As they were left alone Vungginmang locked the doors of the vehicle and brutally forced himself on the victim amidst cries of help. The victim's father reported the incident to ZMA, and they immediately swung into action. The ZMA representatives took her to the Churachandpur district hospital for medical examination and also at the

facility of Medicin Sans Frontiers (MSF) for tests of any sexually transmitted diseases. She sustained injuries on her eyebrows while trying to escape from the rapist. The victim was taken to Imphal for forensic tests.

An official of ZMA said they will not let any stone unturned to find the culprit and will not go for traditional or customary forces.

Photo Exhibition

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Imphal, Jan 28: CHUMTHANG- A photography exhibition by Manipur Photography Club in association with Department of Tourism, Government of Manipur opened today at Kangle Hall, Imphal. Dr. RK Nimai Singh, IAS (Retd) Consultant to Governor of Manipur, N Ashok Kumar, Secretary, Tourism and Devendra Hijam, President, Manipur Photography Club were present at the inaugural function as Chief Guest, Guest of Honour and President respectively. The exhibition which will conclude on the 31st of January will display photographs depicting various aspects of the state comprising of landscapes, lifestyles, flora & fauna, arts and culture, indigenous foods among others.

BJP candidate joins Congress

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Imphal, Jan 28: Maibam Dhanabir, former intending BJP candidate of Hiyanglam Assembly Constituency formally joins Congress today. A reception function was held at Congress Bhavan of Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee office attended by the Chief Minister and other central leaders. A large number of supporters of Maibam Dhanabir also attended the reception function.

Women's ILeague

IT News

Imphal, Jan 28: Eastern Sporting Union (ESU) thrashed Jeppiyar Institute FC by 7 goals to 1 at the 2nd match of the inaugural day today. Kamala Devi (3 goals), Kashmina (3 goals) and Premi Devi- 1 goal scored for ESU.

PM asks NCC to continue movement towards digital transactions

New Delhi, Jan. 28: The Prime Minister has asked the National Cadet Corps, NCC, cadets to continue the movement towards digital transactions. Addressing an NCC rally in New Delhi this afternoon, Mr Narendra Modi said, India and particularly India's youth are adapting to technology very fast.

Mr Modi said, sense of mission is being developed by the NCC cadets among people through the camps. He said, the NCC experience offers a

glimpse of India, strengths and diversities of India. The Prime Minister said, the life of a NCC cadet is beyond the uniform, the parade and the camps.

Mr Modi said, the role of NCC to further cleanliness has been appreciable.

Cadets from all three wings of the armed forces, including the Army, Navy and Air Force presented the Guard of Honour to the Prime Minister followed by a march past by contingents from different

states. Mr Modi also interacted with the cadets during the rally. Popularly known as the 'Prime Minister's rally', the parade marks the culmination of the month long camp which is held every year. The aim of the NCC Republic Day Camp is to provide the cadets an exposure to the rich culture and traditions of the nation. The camp portrays a reflection of Mimi India.

The Prime Minister also presented awards to the best cadets in different categories.

MDPF urges Modi to postpone election dates of Manipur

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Imphal, Jan. 28: In view of the current volatile and socially unstable situation prevailing in the state, a letter requesting the Prime Minister Narendra Modi to review the election dates declared by the ECI has been sent to the PMO by Dr Gurumayum Tonsana Sharma,

President- Manipur Democratic People Front (MDPF) and Coordinator, NE Regional Parties Front (NERPF). Raising serious concern over the possibility to conduct free and fair election due to the protracted economic blockades along the national highways and its

repercussions in the state, the letter urged the prime minister to intervene so that an amicable and lasting solution can be brought, and to postpone the election dates for the state until the social atmosphere becomes conducive to holding a free and fair election.

International Earth Sciences Olympiad, 2017 winners felicitated

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Imphal, Jan 28: The prize distribution ceremony for the winners of the International Earth Sciences Olympiad, 2017 of Imphal centre which was held on January 22, 2017 at Department of Earth Sciences Manipur University was held today at the Chamber of Dean, School of Human and Environmental Sciences, Manipur University.

Top three prize winners from this Imphal Centre are: 1st - Laishram Yashmine Devi of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Khumbong; 2nd - Khundrakpan Rahul Singh of K.M. Blooming Hr. Sec. School, Thoubal and 3rd -



Sorajjam Krishnakumar Singh of L.C.M. High School, Moirang. The three winners were felicitated and given attractive prizes with certificates. Professor Arun Kumar, Dean, School of

Human and Environmental Sciences, Manipur University felicitated the winners and congratulated the winners and also interacted with them about the importance of Earth Sciences.

India Post Gets Payments Bank Licence To Start Services

PTI

New Delhi, Jan. 28: India Post has received payments bank licence from the Reserve Bank of India to start rollout of banking operations commercially under the permit. "India Post has received payments bank licence. The service will be launched as per schedule," a Department of Posts official said.

India Post Payments Bank is the third entity to receive payments bank permit after Bharti Airtel and Paytm. Payments banks can accept deposits up to Rs. 1 lakh per account from individuals and small businesses.

The new model of banking allows mobile firms, supermarket chains and others to cater to banking requirements of individuals and small businesses. It will be set up as a differentiated

bank and will confine its activities to acceptance of demand deposits, remittance services, Internet banking and other specified services. In 2015, RBI had granted 'in-principle' approval to 11 entities, including Department of Posts, to set up payments banks and proposed to give such licences 'on tap' basis in future.

However, Tech Mahindra, a consortium of Sun Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd promoter Dilip Shangvi, IDFC Bank Ltd and Telenor Financial Services and Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Co. backed have dropped their plan to roll out payments bank.

Out of eight companies in fray — Airtel has launched its commercial operation across India with an

investment of Rs. 3,000 crore offering interest rate of 7.25 per cent on deposits, free money transfer from Airtel to Airtel numbers within Airtel Bank, money transfer to any bank account in the country.

Paytm, promoted by Vijay Shekhar Sharma and backed by Chinese e-commerce major Alibaba, plans to roll out payments bank within initial investment of about Rs. 400 crore.

Others are — Aditya Birla Nuvo, Fino PayTech, National Securities Depository, Reliance Industries Ltd nd Vodafone m-pesa.

AP Singh has been appointed as interim MD and CEO of the India Post Payment Bank. He was Joint Secretary in the Department of Disinvestment and one of the member of founding team that launched Aadhaar.