

State sets to frame road safety policy

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Imphal, July 23: State government is all set to frame a state road safety policy at the earliest possible time. The decision to frame the policy was adopted during the meeting of the State Level Road Safety Council (SLRC) held yesterday with the Chief Minister of Manipur in the chair.

The meeting attended by M. Lakshmikumhar Singh, Commissioner (transport), Govt. of Manipur and other top ranking government officials also discussed various other issues concerning Road safety measures being taken up by the state.

After deliberation the state government had decided to utilise the fund collected from traffic offenders for road safety measures. For that the Finance department will release fund deposited or collected as compound fees/penalties levied from the traffic offenders. A system will be worked out by Finance dept. so that fund so collected is readily diverted at source to Transport Deptt, whereby steady flow of fund is ensured for taking up Road Safety activities, a press statement said.

It added that a pool of officials from line department, to be created under the Director Transport by transfer/deputation to function as the Secretariat of the State Level Road Safety Council. Besides, a monitoring Cell will be created as Chief Minister Secretariat to monitor and regulate action being taken up by various line department. SP CID have also been instructed to submit interim report on fake driving licence investigation.

The meeting also discussed in depth on the issue of stray ponies on the road which pose menace to the traffic. The meeting authorise the Commissioner YAS to find a suitable place for the loitering ponies at Heingang.

Thabal Leinam

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Imphal, July 23: Chief Minister N. Biren Singh today released "Thabal Leinam" - which literary mean smell of the lotus at Classic grande today during the executive meeting of the BJP. The Journal contents achievements of the BJP in the state of Manipur. Former president of BJP Manipur Pradesh M Bhorot, who is also the man behind the making of the journal while speaking on the occasion said that works of the BJP and its progress will be highlighted in the journal.

Billboard of BJP with MPCC president goes viral on social media; TN Haokip looks forward for legal action, says one cannot be forgiven by his 'sorry' after raping a woman

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Imphal, July 23: A billboard advt. for BJP's executive committee meeting which was held today at Classic Grande conference Hall, which have Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee(MPCC) President, TN Haokip's photo has gone viral in social media spreading rumours about his joining to the BJP.

In a hurriedly convened press conference held today at Congress Bhavan today afternoon, the MPCC President, TN Haokip said that his party will initiate legal action against the action which had maligned his and his party's image.

"My personal integrity is not for sale" the MPCC president sent strong message to BJP during the press conference. In a Face Book post, Media co-ordinator to the Chief Minister of Manipur L. Bashanta Sharma had tender apology saying that the Billboard with TN Haokip's photo was a mistake and the proprietor of Sharma Enterprises which installed



the billboard had issued an apology letter. However, the matter doesn't end there. TN Haokip said how can a person be forgiven for raping a woman for he said sorry.

"One can't say he is sorry after raping a woman", TN Haokip said.

He further said that the act not only tarnished his image but also that of the party and the matter will not be taken lightly. The matter will be taken to the

court of law and a case will be registered at cybercrime department of the state.

After the photo went viral on social media, TN Haokip had earlier tweeted the spread of the photo is the political propaganda of BJP.

TN Haokip alleged that during his time as Speaker in the year 2002, he was offered huge sum of money by the BJP. He further said that the propaganda now going viral is very unfortunate and is an

act directed not only against him but against the MPCC, Congress all over India and its people. He further stated that MPCC is a cohesive force and is very much alive unlike BJP.

He promised that he will remain as a member of the MPCC for all his political life and career he said.

Meanwhile there has been news of a Sharma Enterprises, Wangkhei Pukhrabam Leirak clarifying and taking

responsibilities of the poster that is going viral, stating that it was a grave mistake from their side.

When asked by Imphal Times whether they will file suit against BJP or Sharma Enterprises, TN Haokip said that MPCC will have a meeting later to decide the matter. It may be noted that TN Haokip doesn't rule out involvement of BJP Manipur saying there may be a conspiracy.



"The longer BJP stay the more damage to Indian society and to the Manipuri fabric society" he alleged further saying BJP's are expert in creating confusion for political gain.

The press conference was attended by N. Loken Singh, MLA Nambol, VP MPCC and K. Ranjit Singh, MLA Sugnu, Treasurer MPCC, Former Speaker Th. Lokeshwar among other officials of the MPCC.

Tension grips Moreh town after a teenage girl found shot dead

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Imphal, July 23: Indo-Myanmar border town, Moreh in Chandel district of Manipur is once more in trouble after a teenage girl was found shot dead by her boyfriend. Report said, the deceased girl identified as Nengneingah Khongsai (18 years), daughter of LetthangKhongsai of Chingphai village in Ukhrul district was shot dead by her boyfriend identified as Sasat Haokip (21 years) son of Thanglet Haokip of

Chavangphai Village, Moreh, while she was staying at her uncle residence at Gilgang Veng of Thingphai Village in Moreh town near border gate No. 1. The incident reportedly happened at around 4.30 am today morning.

Moreh police team immediately arrested the accused and collected the dead body of the girl for post mortem.

Following the news of the shooting of the teenage girl large number of people today

thronged to the Moreh Police Station demanding handing over of the arrested accused. The Seikhsot Haokip is said to be a cadre belonging to KNA/KNO. He is a bodyguard of KNO deputy commissioner Sonkholum Haokip, based at Moreh. One 9 mm country made pistol with 3 live rounds was also recovered from his possession.

The deceased Nengneingah Khongsai was a student of Mount High School, Moreh studying in Class 10.

6 missing in Bangladesh landslide again; 15 injured

By: Siam Sarower Jamil

Dhaka, July 23: 6 people went missing and 15 others were injured in landslide at Bagan Para in Bandarban hill tracts, a southern districts of Bangladesh on Sunday. Police said, passengers of a Bandarban-bound bus got down from the vehicle as the Bandarban-Ruma road was broken.

Suddenly, a piece of mud fell on the passengers when they cross the broken road, leaving 15 injured. 6 passengers also

went missing. Rescue operation, led by Badarban Fire Service assistant director Iqbal Hossain and army personnel, is going on. Police Super Sanjit Kumra Roy said to the Imphal Times, 'I didn't know actually how many people in danger. May be its 5 or 6. We are searching them. Injured people already rescued & admitted in the hospital.'

Earlier on June 13, devastating landslides in

Chittagong, Rangamati and Bandarban took away more than 150 lives.

Meanwhile, heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely to occur at places over Dhaka, Barisal, Khulna and Chittagong divisions during next 24 hours commencing at 8:00 am Sunday due to active monsoon.

Due to heavy to very heavy rainfall, landslide may occur at places over the hilly regions of Chittagong, said a Met office bulletin issued morning.

Legal awareness camp for persons with disabilities held

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Imphal, July 23: Relief Centre for the Welfare of Differently Aabled Persons, Northern Disabilities Institute, and Disabled Development Association, Manipur under the supervision of Manipur State Legal Services Authority today organised a "Legal Awareness Programme on Rights of Persons with Disabilities" at

Singjamei Hao Ground. Th.Premalata Devi Advocate, Asst. Director Human Rights Laws Network, Keisham Dhane Singh Legal Aid Counsel Imphal West District, Manipur and L. Amarendra Sharma attended as Resource Person.

Keisham Dhane Singh Legal Aid Counsel Imphal West District, while speaking on the occasion stressed on the

need for understanding of legal provisions for the Deaf and Mute, Blind, Mental Retardation by the parents. Advocate Th. Premalata spoke about violence against women with disabilities and labourers.

Laimayum Amarendra Sharma stressed on the PWD Act 2016 and Rights to Free Education to persons with disabilities.

About Rs 72,000 cr undisclosed income detected by IT department

New Delhi, July 23: Massive searches, seizures and surveys by the Income Tax department over the last three years have led to the detection of around 71,941 crore rupees of undisclosed income in the country.

In an affidavit filed before Supreme Court, Finance Ministry said, during the period of demonetisation from November 9 last year to January 10 this year, the total

undisclosed income admitted was more than 5,400 crore rupees and the total quantity of gold seized stood at 303.367 kilograms.

It gave the details of the unaccounted income for three years from 1st April 1, 2014 to 28th February this year, including the demonetisation period.

The affidavit said that during the three year period, searches were undertaken by the IT

department in over 2,027 groups which led to the admission of undisclosed income of more than 36,051 crore rupees. It said, this is in addition to the seizure of undisclosed assets worth 2,890 crore rupees.

Similarly in the mentioned period, the IT department conducted more than 15,000 surveys which led to "the detection of undisclosed income of more than 33,000 crore rupees.

NPFs Sham Tirade against BJP-RSS

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Imphal, July 23: The sudden discovery by NPF that BJP is communal party, Governor PB Acharya is RSS Pracharak and Chief Minister TR Zeliang is Heraka Boy is a belated but welcome sign that vindicates the assertion of the NPCC all through the years. However, the NPF cannot absolve itself for being the comfort party of BJP, its springboard and to put it in their own words- "natural ally", a statement of Nagaland Pradesh Congress Committee said today.

The NPF argument about the sinister agenda of the BJP-RSS exposes its own double standards arising out of being kicked badly by its natural ally BJP. The BJP has lot to thank the NPF for allowing it to take roots and nurturing its growth. The spurt of RSS activities in the state has been flourishing under the patronage of NPF who had deliberately turned a blind eye for the love of

power and money. Since May 2014 when BJP came to power, the communal temperatures in the country has been heated up by the BJP-RSS to consolidate its holding on power and the nation remains divided more than ever. When other states were vociferously protesting against BJP-RSS divisive politics on a host of issues like Christmas Day being declared Good Governance Day, Good Friday as Digital India Day, Beef Ban and so on, the deadly silence of the NPF and its stout defending of the BJP-RSS agenda cannot be easily forgotten by the people.

Till some weeks back, NPF had never failed to repeatedly proclaim BJP as their natural ally since 1977 forgetting that BJP was formed only on 06 April 1980. Leaving aside their ignorance, realizing after 37 years the true colors of the BJP-RSS will not undo the damage caused to the state

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and its people by allowing the communal forces to take root.

NPCC appeals to all secular minded people who believe in the principles of secularism, socialism and democracy to come together and save the state from impending dangers of communal forces. NPCC has been and will always continue to be the voice of the people in defending our rights and will go an extra mile to defeat the communal forces whose polarizing agenda spells doom for our people.

In the next assembly elections, the people will have a choice to either vote for secular front or communal forces. Unless the communal forces are defeated, posterity will never forgive us for succumbing to the lure of instant gains that will destroy our identity and our way of life forever.