

1 AR killed, 3 injured in IED blasts

IT News
Imphal, June 15: At least 1 personnel of the 17 Assam Rifles was killed another 3 sustained serious injury after rebel triggered an IED at Chasad area in Ukhrul district at around noon today. Report reaching here said that the 17 AR team were on road patrol when the blast was triggered. Identities of the AR personnel are yet to be known. All the injured were evacuated to Leimakhong by helicopter. So far no one has claimed responsibility of the attack.

RIMS lab gets NABL accreditation

IT News
Imphal, June 15: The HIV laboratory (NRL & ICTC) at the department of microbiology of RIMS has been granted NABL accreditation by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories in the field of medical testing. According to a press release issued by the media advisor of the institute, the HIV laboratory is one of 12 national reference laboratories and RIMS became the only government institute to be granted such accreditation. On the other hand NABL is a third party organization which checks the quality of testing, competence of staff, proper infrastructure etc for overall correctness of the test reports for the benefit of the patients as well as the doctors.

Blood donation camp

IT News
Imphal, June 15: RIMS Blood Donors' Community has organised a blood donation camp on the occasion of World Blood Donors' Day at Blood Transfusion Department on June 14 last. The camp was carried out under the theme "What Can You Do? Give Blood, Give Now Give Often." Altogether 155 individuals including 40 females donated blood on the occasion. Medical Superintendent of RIMS, Dr Ch Arunkumar and head of department of blood transfusion Professor A Barindra were the chief guest and president respectively at the gathering while Dr L Trinity was the convener of the dias. Eleven persons, who include staffs of RIMS were presented mementos and certificates for their feat of giving blood more than 10 times.

Lok Sabha Speaker inaugurates 16th NERCPA Conference at Imphal

IT News
Imphal, June 15: Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan today inaugurated the two-day 16th North East Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (NERCPA) Conference at the Manipur Legislative Assembly in Imphal this morning. The theme of the conference is North East and Look East Policy. Manipur Governor Dr Najma Heptulla, Deputy Chief Minister Yumnam Joykumar Singh, Presiding Officers and members of the legislatures of North East States are participating in this conference. Speaking on the occasion, the Lok Sabha Speaker said, North-Eastern India is gateway to Asia and the region has full of potential, both natural and human resources to contribute

significantly in the development trajectory of the country. The Lok Sabha Speaker said, Legislators have the power to change; they are the bridge between the government and the public. She also said, they should keep their eyes open to how their people think about them. She said, the legislators, therefore, should work to fulfill the aspirations of their people. She further appealed the legislators to engage in creative discussions to formulate the best possible modus operandi of implementing the welfare schemes and development projects of the region. The Lok Sabha Speaker said, the problems of North-East like lack of infrastructure, connectivity, militancy etc. need close attention to address properly as development of the country is

impossible without the development of this region. She said, North-East states are considered to be powerful as well as energetic and if peace prevails in the region, national progress will be accelerated. She said, government job is not possible for every educated youth. She also appealed them to synergize their productive potentialities and creative innovations to grow India as world guru. Manipur Assembly Speaker Yumnam Khemchand Singh delivered the welcome address at the opening function where the keynote address was given by Meghalaya Assembly Speaker and NERCPA Chairman Abu Taher Mondal. The conference will continue till June 18. The conference will deliberate on North East and Look East

Policy, special plan for development of railways, airways, surface road and inland waterways connectivity for speedy economic development of North East Region and setting up of a chapter of Speaker's Research Initiative in the North Eastern Region for capacity building of the legislators of the region and generating research for the North Eastern legislatures.

Civilian beaten to death

IT News
Imphal, June 15: Suspected NSCN(IM) WTR, Ukhrul had beaten to death one Mr Romeo, r/o Khamasom khullen, PS Ukhrul yesterday (14/06/17) at around 2300h at WTR office. According to report the incident happened when the deceased was having a party with some ladies. He is an employee at Transport office Ukhrul. No police complain yet from his family. More details is being ascertained.

IED found along NH-37

IT News
Imphal, June 15: An IED was detected at Kuraopokpi along the Kakching Lamkahi-Pallel section of Imphal-Moreh road by security force this morning. According to report, a road opening patrol of 39 Assam Rifles stationed at Kakching Lamkahi came across the IED on the side of the national highway. After being alerted about the presence of the device, a team of Kakching police and officers of Assam Rifles rushed to the spot and the bomb was later defused there itself.

Turnover in People's Day doubled

DCs should make all central schemes reach out to the people – CM

IT News
Imphal, June 15: Chief Minister N. Biren Singh initiative to directly contact with the citizens of Manipur has successfully clean the tears of many frustrated mothers and youths who visited him today. This is the 2nd time that the Chief Minister is organising 'MEEYAMGI NUMIT' or Peoples' Day to directly communicate with the citizen of the State. The first was on May 15 visitor on the 2nd Peoples' Day held today is nearly double from the first one. Taking a break for media persons during the meeting for about one minutes, Chief Minister N. Biren Singh said that many citizen of the state

who are living below poverty line had been deprived of their rights from the various government schemes. "All concerns District Administrators should make sure that central government schemes for the people should reach them without any delay" CM said. A lady from Ningthoukhong in Bishnupur district who met the Chief Minister today said she is not in position to continue her son's education. Without questioning much, the Chief Minister handed over a written letter addressing the DC of Bishnupur to look into the matter and provide be any possible scheme so that her son continues his study.

Flood situation improves

NENA
Imphal, June 15: The overall flood situation is improving in Manipur as the water level in most major rivers started to recede as rain stopped yesterday. Most of the Manipur rivers were flowing close to danger level till yesterday after heavy rains continued to lash the state since the last couple of days. But the flood situation in the state is fast improving now, official sources informed today. The situation in Manipur, Assam and Mizoram is fast returning to normalcy as rainfall stopped, easing the fear of more flood in the Northeast states. In Mizoram, eight persons were killed and other six were reported missing after flash floods. A least 250 houses were washed away by flash floods in the border village of Tlabung in Lungeli district of

southern Mizoram bordering Bangladesh on Tuesday. A media report said search was continuing for three persons who were washed away by flash flood at Tlabung village. In Assam, the situation in the Northeast's premier city Guwahati was fast improving after rainfall stopped in the past 24 hours. Three persons were killed in the city following waterloggings caused by heavy rainfall. Imphal river section at Imphal East's Keirang Panggal Umang Konjin breached nearly 50 ft wide on Wednesday around 1 am after the flooding from the river broke through the embankment flooding several homes, paddy fields and firm land. The Imphal river bank also breached nearly 100 ft wide at Mayang Imphal Chabung Company inundating a number of houses and a vast area of paddy fields and fish firm land

around noon on Wednesday. Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh and IFCD Minister Letpao Haokip assured relief for affected families after they took stock of the flood situation yesterday. Saying that artificial floods are taking place every time in Manipur when there is rainfall, CM Biren asked all people to remove houses, schools, community halls, clubs and other structures built along the Imphal river bank to facilitate free flow of the river water. "The state government will initiate steps to remove all structures on the river bank between Koirengai and Lilong in the first phase," Biren said yesterday while attending a function here. It is the third time the state is witnessing flood after April and May which also witnessed the same situation this year.

Sumitra Mahajan attended cultural programme at Raj Bhavan

DIPR
Imphal, June 15: A cultural programme by the artistes of Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy, Imphal was performed at Darbar Hall, Raj Bhavan yesterday evening. Hon'ble Speaker Lok Sabha Smt. Sumitra Mahajan; Hon'ble Governor Manipur Dr. Najma Heptulla; Hon'ble Speaker, Manipur Legislative Assembly & President, CPA Manipur Branch, Shri Yumnam Khemchand Singh along with other high ranking officials attended the event. A variety of dances of the State namely: Lai Haraboba, Khamba Thoiibi, Kabui Dance, Mao Dance, Pung Cholom and Basanta Ras were exhibited in front of the audience that show the versatility, unity and diversity symbol of Manipur. Highlighting the importance of organising the 16th Annual Conference of North East



Region Commonwealth Parliamentary Association at Imphal, the Governor said, "I am very happy that my association with Commonwealth Parliamentary Association is very long, it is something very nice that in

Commonwealth Association in London." Sharing her similar association with Smt. Sumitra Mahajan, she continued, "I have known Sumitrajai for a very, very long time because I have three relations to share with her. First, I am from Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. She is also from Madhya Pradesh. The other relation is I was married in Maharashtra, so I speak Marathi. I am Maharashtra's bahu, daughter-in-law. The third one is that we both share presiding the House, she presides now in the Lok Sabha. As I have also presided the Rajya Sabha for 17 years, we have lots of common interests, common experience and common tortures which are associated with presiding officers. So we both share all those agonies"

Principal sent to jail for molesting minor student

IT News
Imphal, June 15: The principal of a private school at Charangpat Mamang Leikai in Thoubal district was sent to judicial remand today on charges of molestation and coercive activities towards a minor who is a student of the same school. According to reports, the accused identified as Samjetsabam Sanjit Singh was produced before the court of the Thoubal district session judge in connection with a complaint lodged against him for sexual harassment, physical abuse and making threats by using a gun on a Class VIII student who was staying at the hostel of the school - Sacrifice and

True Education Mission (SATEM). The accused appeared at the court on June 13 for the first time and he was awarded a three-day remand. Today is the second hearing of the case. The minor victim was rescued from the hostel by a team of Thoubal Women Police Station led by officer-in-charge Sheitabati based on an official complaint filed by Women in Governance, Wanging whose staffs along with those of Child Line Thoubal accompanied the police. She is in the care of Child Welfare Committee, Thoubal since June 7 last, according to reports.

SC issues notice to Centre on pleas against cattle trade restrictions

PTI
New Delhi, June 15: The Supreme Court today sought response from the Centre on pleas challenging its controversial notification banning the sale and purchase of cattle at animal markets for slaughter. A vacation bench comprising Justices R K Agrawal and S K Kaul issued notice to the Centre and asked it to file response within two weeks on two separate petitions challenging the notification. The apex court fixed the matter for hearing on July 11. Additional Solicitor General P S Narasimha, appearing for the Centre, told the bench that intention behind bringing the notification was to have a regulatory regime on cattle trade across the country.

He also told the apex court that the Madras High Court has recently granted interim stay on the notification. One of the petitioners, who has approached the apex court challenging the notification, has claimed in his plea that the provisions in the notification were unconstitutional as they violated the fundamental rights including freedom of conscience and religion and right to livelihood. The Centre had on May 26 banned the sale and purchase of cattle from animal markets for slaughter through an Environment Ministry notification — 'Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Regulation of Livestock Markets) Rules, 2017' under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act.