

Ex-pradhan hacks brother to death

IT News
Imphal, June 4: An IRB personnel was hacked to death by his own brother in a gruesome incident in Irong village in Thoubal district yesterday. The victim was identified as Feroz while the brother who savagely took his life was identified as Latif, a former pradhan. According to reliable sources, the siblings had a torrid relationship in the past and very often they were embroiled in violent confrontation. In fact, during one such fight, which originated from some differences in the family and happened some months back, Feroz was shot at by his brother. He was injured

seriously in the attack and though he survived due to good fortune he had not recovered fully yet and still was under treatment. The fatal attack happened when most people had gone away to offer namaj and as such there were no people to prevent the incident or be a witness. However, neighbours claimed they heard angry shouting originating from the place where the brothers lived. As such noisy altercations were common between them they took no heed of the heinous outcome. Feroz suffered multiple deep gashes in the left side of his neck and head possibly made by a machete and died on the

spot. He also suffered deep cuts on his left palm. Information gathered from the people in the area indicated that Latif left the scene of the crime immediately without giving a scent of the murder to anybody. He is still reported to be at large. On the other hand, community leaders from the locality met today to take stock of the situation and make resolutions to shape future actions. Neighbors acquainted with Feroz claimed he was not mentally stable and due to this landed in trouble many times. He was married but the couple is presently estranged apparently after he leveled false accusation against her.

Police inaction provokes mother of a deceased son plead for justice

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Imphal, June 4: State police inaction in finding out the cause of the mysterious death of a 23 years old youth on May 20 this year has provoked mother of the deceased son to bring out the issue to public platform seeking help to deliver justice to her departed son. The youth, identified as Thingbajam Ramananda, son of Th. Ingocha and Th (Ongbi) Sanatombi Devi) of Lamlongei Maning Leikai, under Lamshang Police station succumbed after he had allegedly consumed poison on May 19. The deceased Ramananda's father is a paralysis patient and mother Th (Ongbi) Sanatombi, is a daily wage earner by running a small vendor at Kwairambandh Keithel Temporary market shed. Speaking to Imphal Times, Th (Ongbi) Sanatombi said that she was informed by the girl friend of Ramananda about the incident and said that her son has been admitted at Raj

Medicity, North AOC, Imphal at around 4 pm. Sanatombi after informing her elder son Shantikumar and other relatives could only reach the hospital at around 5 pm on that day. The deceased's girl friend informed her that, her son Ramananda had consumed poison after having some argument with her and they immediately brought him at Raj Medicity. Hospital authorities of Raj Medicity said that condition of Ramananda was serious and need immediate treatment and asked them to deposit Rs. 17,000/-. One friend of the girl, who help them bringing to the hospital deposited the money as Ramananda's mother and other relatives were in no position to give the money. Ramananda's mother Sanatombi further said to this reporter that none of the relative including herself were not allowed to see their son. The following day, i.e., May 20, Sanatombi left for Kwairambandh Keithel to

collect some money from colleagues as she thought that she might need more money for her son's treatment by leaving her elder son Shantikumar. However, at around 11.20 am of May 20, hospital authority informed family members that Ramananda expired. At first they didn't suspect any foul play and were simply considering the death of her son could have been due to the poisoning. However, when she saw her son handed over to her by wrapping with band aids all over the body, her elder son and other family members smelt some fishy going around. "We took out the band aids just to see my son's face but I could not believe that there were mark at the right side of his head and some sharp object had struck hard near the private part", Sanatombi narrated. As the matter is a police case the police took some signature and deposited at RIMS morgue and the post mortem

was conducted on may 21. "We believe that the police will investigate into how my son was death and as we suspect our son to have been murdered, we waited for the police to find the truth.", Sanahanbi further said. "Shardha of my son is over and nothing has been done, I have no choice but to plead for justice for my son to the people of the state", Sanatombi said. Another lady who accompanied her said that if we formed a JAC and launched agitation the government could have done something. "But as now believed in police and as we are hopeful that they will find out the truth to punish those involved in the murders we waited, however, as the police is not taking up anything to find the truth, we are left with no choice but to put up this matter to the public sphere, so that justice is delivered to our departed son", said Sanatombi, mother of the deceased youth.

Bridge on the verge of collapsing

IT News
Imphal, June 4: The Bailey Bridge on the NH-102 in Tengnoupal District HQ which was built last year by the former Congress Government is on the verge of collapsing following a landslide due to the recent heavy rain. According to a source, the

bridge might collapse at any time of now. Cracks have appeared on both side of the bridge and have begun to sink slowly. One of the roads beside the bridge has also collapse causing trouble for the people passing through the road. Both the road and bridge might

collapse anytime soon due to the unpredictable rain if immediate measures are not taken up to repaired the damage, source said. The Bailey Bridge which is about 1km in distance was inaugurated on December of 2016 by Okram Ibobi Singh, Ex-Chief Minister of Manipur.

Dzuko expedition flagged off

IT News
Imphal, June 4: Th Shyamkumar, Forest and Environment Minister flagged off an expedition of Manipur Mountaineering and Tracking Association (MMTA) to Dzuko Valley and Mount Isho from MMTA office, Minuthong today morning. The expedition is organised as part of the World Environment Day Celebration under the theme "Connecting People to Nature". Altogether of 60 Men and Women tracks are taking part

in the three days tracking expedition. K Meghachandra, Director of DIPR, Y Laba, former president of MMTA were present during the flagged off. Speaking at the flagged off ceremony, N Ibongchoubi, President of MMTA said that the expedition is being organised jointly with MMTA

and Nagaland Adventures Association as part of the World Environment Day celebration. Not only visiting the Dzuko valley and having the glimpse of the Lily, the main aim behind the expedition is to give awareness of what is our responsibility to clean the nature and to take care of the lilies, he added.

RPF claims Monjhang attack

IT News
Imphal, June 4: The Revolutionary People's Front has claimed that a special warfare team of its military wing the People's Liberation Army was behind the attack on a road patrol party of 11th Assam Rifles in the afternoon of June 3 at Monjhang village while the paramilitary was travelling towards Khudengthabi.

A press release issued by assistant secretary publicity, RPF, stated that there were serious casualties on the side of the paramilitary. The release accused the Indian army of causing the death of 8983 individuals in

Manipur, out of which 1528 were in cases of fake encounters, committing rapes and masterminding forced disappearances under the ambit of AFSPA. However, the release said, India is now caught at a place where it cannot run away from its involvement in human rights violation owing to international pressures at the United Nations and SAARC. India faced more castigation for imposition of AFSPA at the UN Human Rights Council in early May where it was forced to respond to questions on the reasons for continuing with the special law, the RPF asserted.

Anti-corruption cell releases latest ATR

IT News
Imphal, June 4: The screening committee for disposal of complaints against government employees has issued its latest action taken report in which it was informed that 31 cases were entertained and three staffs were suspended for breaking rules in the line of duty. Regarding a complaint against wrongful regularisation of horticulture assistant officer, assistant agriculture officers and contract employees the committee ruled that the order was issued by administrative

department with approval of the state cabinet with exemption from consultation with MPSC. On the charges of non-functioning of a government high school in Kangpokpi, the ZEO concerned inspected the school and found three teachers absent without submitting any reason. On the other hand, the report mentioned that SDO Moirang in his reply denied the charges that staff of Moirang Settlement office were tardy in reporting for duty and leave early and refuse to prepare resident certificates and income certificates unless they are paid bribes ranging from Rs 200 to Rs 500. The panel closed the case against Jangkhohal Mate, a lecturer of Moreh Higher Secondary School, who was charged with siphoning money meant for construction of bio-tech laboratory of the school after the director of education in his testimony presented physical evidence in the form of a photograph of the building to prove the

charge wrong. Reacting to another complaint, the IT Department has written to all heads of department to update their respective websites and submit an action taken report along with the nomination of the nodal officer. The deputy secretary (RD and PR) while responding to a complaint about non-functioning of newly constructed panchayat ghar at Naoriy Pakhangba and three other office premises informed that the buildings have been handed over to the respective gram panchayats. The joint secretary MoBC clarified that distribution of tailoring machines and embroidery materials for the beneficiaries of 2014-15 are almost complete. The same for embroidery materials for 2015-16 will be conducted after the completion of that of the preceding phase while in the case of tailoring machines for the same phase the distribution is on halt due to a court case. Making a clarification on the

complaint that classes for computer training and tailoring courses were not conducted regularly and the stipends of the trainees have not been distributed, the deputy secretary of social welfare replied that attendance of instructors is 70% and 80% respectively for the two courses and 90% of stipends have been handed over. The deputy labour commissioner disagreed with the complaint that Rs 500/800 were taken for issuing labour card, asserting that labour inspectors registered eligible workers at Rs 50 per person only. Following successful complaints against them for wrong practices, a sub inspector of police GK Sharma was suspended for taking a bribe of Rs 6000 while attendant of JNIMS Hospital Radio Diagnosis Department N Ramesh was suspended for collecting unaccounted fees from patients. Head of the same department Dr O Heramot was also suspended for travelling abroad without permission.

Villagers evacuated

IT News
Imphal, June 4: Villagers of Kalikhola, situated about 10 kilometers from Kangpokpi, were evacuated after apprehension of a massive landslide happening there. According to sources, huge cracks appeared in the hillside and foothill prompting authorities to take up preemptive measures.

Mob throng to the residence of alleged murderer

IT News
Imphal, Jun 4: Large number of people today afternoon thronged to the residence of alleged murderer of mother and a pregnant daughter at around 3.30 pm today. Mentioned may be made that both mother Lakhripriari and her daughter Monica who was at the time pregnant, were murdered mercilessly by slitting their throats with a sharp weapon. Police are investigating on the case.

Murderers of workers must be given due punishment: Maoist

IT News
Imphal, June 4: Maoist Communist Party Manipur today said that those involved in the killing of the indigenous lady workers who are allegedly provided sanctuary at different camp of the Indian security forces. In a statement the outfit said that they welcome the initiative taken up by the Govt. of Manipur in forming an enquiry to investigate not only this particular incident, but also of the brazen attack on the worshippers of the indigenous celebration of "Umang Lai Haraboba" at Kwatha recently. The statement said that the MCPM strongly believes that these incidents are intertwined in bringing social disharmony to the fabrics of Manipur by certain vested persons/Groups. The MCPM however conveyed the authorities that though forming an 'enquiry committee' is a good initiative, it can also be hogwash if the accused individual(s) are not given a befitting punishment. "We also believed that forming an inquiry is only an initiative not a solution but a step toward solution. It is a well-known fact that Moreh has become notorious in many a sectarian

killings and it will be not wise for the authorities to turn a blind eye as these numerous acts are a blatant efforts by Myanmarese aliens conniving with the occupational Indian Army in suppressing the indigenous population of Manipur. Many natives have been murdered brazenly at Moreh in the past with the authorities turning a blind eye and mention may be made of the murder of an AMSU leader at Moreh. How can the people forget the days when the local natives of Manipur taking refuge in the No Man's Land on the Manipur Myanmar Border in the past, unable to bear the atrocities committed Indian Occupational Terrorist and their nexus gangs", the statement said. The MCPM further stated that the party will no more remain a mute spectator to all these atrocities even if the rest of Manipur remains to choose mum as we believe the riddling of an indigenous worker (that too, a woman) with bullets, an attack on the worshippers of indigenous beliefs etc. are the direct assault on the indigenous population and our integrity. The MCPM also request the people of Manipur in warding off these menaces. Various steps will now be taken up to counter and nip off the bud of these assaults on the indigenous population

including complete closure of the Moreh highway (though the MCPM had vowed not to support any closure of highways in the past) and will smoke out these Myanmarese Aliens from the Indian Army Camps. The Authorities if sincere in their resolve to solve this issue should in fact flush out these thugs from Indian Army camps and punish them accordingly. But if forming committees is only an effort to sooth sentiments, the MCPM will be forced to call for a one day General Strike and following the General strike there will be a complete blockade of the Highway from Pallel to Moreh for a month initially, the statement added and said that more appropriate actions will follow. However the MCPM said that they regret blocking of highways as we do not support any blockades or any measures to create hardship to the general population, but incidents happening at Moreh cannot be ignored anymore as it has posed a direct assault on the indigenous people. The MCPM urges all inhabitants of Manipur, to support the all-out effort of the MCPM to cleanse these unwanted elements off the soil of Manipur.