

CCPur martyrs laid to rest after 632 days

IT News
Imphal, May 24: The last rites of the remaining eight persons who lost their lives during the agitations against the 'anti-tribal Bills' in Churachandpur was performed today in the presence of Cabinet ministers and high ranking officials.

The Joint Action Committee of Anti-Tribal Bills organised the funeral programme at Peace Ground. The burial was made possible after the state government and the JAC-ATB struck an understanding to end a deadlock that lasted over 632 days.

Families, friends and supporters paid floral tributes to the mortal remains of the deceased who were given the title of martyrs by supporters of the movement against the Inner Line Permit related Bills. Works minister Th Bishwajit, social welfare minister Nemcha Kippen, agriculture minister V Hangkhalian, officials of Assam Rifles and representatives of civil society organizers were among those



who attend the funeral. The bodies were finally laid to rest at the Martyrs Park near Khuga Dam in Churachandpur.

Mention may be made that nine persons died during the protest against the passing of bills in the state Assembly meant for the protection of

indigenous people of the state on August 30, 2015. The last rites of one of them has already been performed by family members.

Top priority on health-care sector: Jayentakumar

IT News

Imphal, May 24: Health minister L Jayentakumar has assured that health-care is one of the main focus areas of the state government and it will work relentlessly to deliver the aspiration of the common people to have good health and longevity by making rapid improvement in state-run hospitals.

The minister made the statement today at Thoubal District Hospital while talking to local leaders and volunteers, representatives of clubs, officials of the district health department and staffs after taking a tour of the hospital.

Thanking the local people for inviting him to take a direct assessment of the state of affairs of the hospital, the minister made a pledge to install all basic requirements so that both the doctors and nurses and patients find the ambience of the hospital satisfactory.

However, the government single-handedly cannot enhance the functioning of the hospital and in this



endeavor both the medical staffs and local people need to assist by working with commitment and dedication believing that it is for a social cause.

He agreed to send engineers within the next couple of days to repair the toilets and some run down portions of the operation theatre expressing fear that the insanitary conditions at those places could put the patients at risk of more diseases instead of healing them.

As a representative of the government, I assure you that a new trauma centre will be added to the Thoubal District

Hospital to cope with accidents and emergencies, Jayentakumar said. He also promised to initiate actions against erring staffs who have been accused of taking money from families of patients before performing surgical operations, citing recent cases of suspension of staffs in the department for taking wrongful advantages of people who came to get medical treatment.

CMO of Thoubal Dr N Jayentakumar, DPM, NHM Ch Basanta and youths, leaders and club representatives from the localities accompanied the minister in the inspection.

Grenade threats

IT News

Kakching, May 24: Unknown miscreants today placed a hand grenade at the residence of one Thounaojam Ingocha Meitei (61) son of (late) Th. Lalajaoaba of Wabagai Lamkhai Super Market under Kakching Police Station to morning.

Family members found the grenade at around 5 am today morning. A team of Kakching Police which was informed removed the grenade safely.

No organizations or individuals has claimed responsibility of the grenade, however family source said that an armed group identified themselves as KCP had served monetary demand.

MP demand committee bandh partially effective

IT News

Kakching May 24: The 24-hour bandh imposed by Thoubal District MP Candidature Demand Committee today affected normal lives in the districts of Thoubal and Kakching.

The strike was called to highlight the demand for election of a representative from the eight Assembly constituencies in the outer Parliamentary seat who have not candidature rights for the lone Rajya Sabha MP from the state, the bye-election for which is being conducted tomorrow.

The seat became vacant after the death of the previous MP Haji Abdul Salam who hails from Wabagai AC, one of the eight ACs undone by the country's reservation policy

for Lok Sabha Parliamentary constituencies. The seven other ACs in this group are Heirok, Wangjing Tantha, Khangabok, Kakching, Hiyanglam, Sugnu and Jirban.

The committee is claiming that since Salam did not complete his term it is only fair that another representative from the 8 ACs should be allowed to complete the remaining period as a consolation settlement for the deprivation of candidature rights.

According to reports, the bandh supporters blocked roads by starting fires and piling tree trunks and branches in the middle at Wabagai Lamkhai, Wabagai Waikhom Leikai, Lai Pangalba, Hiyanglam Wabagai Terapishak Kachathol area,

Natekkhong and Sekmajin Thongkhong among other from early morning onwards. Most shops in Kakching remained closed and business at the main commercial centre was minimum. Vehicles remained off the road except for some private ones. However, the effect of the bandh was markedly reduced in Thoubal district even as police took up extra precautionary measures to prevent occurrence of unwanted incidents.

As a part of the protest, a public demonstration was staged at Hiyanglam Wabagai Terapishak Kachathol.

Mega Manipur School Celebrates 12th Foundation day

IT News

Imphal, May 24: Mega Manipur School located at Yairepat today celebrated its 12th foundation day. Education Minister Th. Radheshyam who attended the function as the chief guest expresses happiness at the performance of the school in promotion of education in the state and appeals the school authority to play a vital role in leading the society in the right path.

The Education Minister further said that Mega Manipur School is different from rest of the school in Manipur in many ways and appreciated the teachers, members of Mega Manipur Society and students of the school.

Leishangthem Sushindro, Parliamentary Secretary (Home), Dr R.K. Nimai, Chairpersons of Board of Governors of Mega Manipur School, Principles, Teachers,

Students of the school, Parents and members of Mega Manipur School attended the celebration.

The school not only provides academic courses but also offers co-curricular activities. Students of the schools who bag prizes at various national level competitions were felicitated and cultural items by the students of the school were also performed during the celebration.

Dy. Labour commissioner clarifies; says allegations against dept. officials are baseless

IT News

Imphal, May 24: Taking strong exception to the series of allegations levelled against two specific authorities of the State Labour Department, Govt. of Manipur by one Bokulei Devi in favour of her husband, deputy labour commissioner (i/c), Elangbam Tomba today term the allegations as baseless, malicious and attempt to malign the good image of the State Labour department authority.

Mrs. P (Ongbi) Bokulie, in a press meet had stated that her husband was transferred as the Deputy Commissioner Labour but was not allowed to take charge by two authorities of the labour department and the news item was carried at some newspaper as well as at a television cable news service on May 22, 2017.

Elangbam Tomba, Deputy Commissioner i/c of the state

Labour Department said that Mrs. Bokulei should consulted with her husband before making allegation to the authorities of the state labour department which could have maligned the good image of the department authorities. He said that Bokulei's husband transfer order as the deputy commissioner, Labour department was stayed by an interim order of the honourable court.

Elangbam Tomba has been appointed as in charge of the Deputy Labour Commissioner by a government order No. 3/12/2011-Lab/DP dated 16/11/2016. The govt. order stated that the vacant post of Deputy Labour Commissioner since November 16, 2010 will be look after by Elangbam Tomba until a regular deputy commissioner has been appointed.

Later, another government order dated 3/12/2001-Lab/DP dated 27/07/2016 had

appointed to field the vacant post. However, in the para 2 of the appointment order it has been stated that Elangbam Tomba Singh who is now holding the charge of Deputy Labour Commissioner on in-charge basis shall be reverted back to his substantive post with immediate effect. As this particular order fails to be complied as there was no provision made to reversion of Elangbam Tomba the order was treated null and void, said the present deputy labour commissioner (i/c) Elangbam Tomba.

On the other hand Elangbam Tomba said that Mrs. Bokulei should rather study on whether he had passed Matric exam completed in 1971 and graduated in 1975. Allegations without proper knowledge are an attempt to sabotage the image of a government officer which is intolerable, Tomba cautioned Bokulei.

NDTV

New Delhi, May 24: Two Bodo militants reported to have been killed in an encounter with security forces in Assam's Chirang district had been picked up earlier and shot in cold blood, a report by a top paramilitary officer has told the government. The officer has called for an independent probe into the "pre-planned murders".

Rajnish Rai, who sent the report, is a Central Reserve Police Force Inspector General, in-charge of the anti-insurgency force in Assam

and other parts of the Northeast.

According to the official version, the police had come under indiscriminate fire from a group of 4-5 persons during a joint operation on late on March 30. This, the police claim led to the death of two suspected militants of the National Democratic Front of Bodoland (Songbijit). Weapons and ammunition were also recovered.

But in his 13 -page report, reviewed by NDTV, Mr Rai finds many loopholes in this account.

His report, amongst other

evidence, is based on testimonies of witnesses who claimed to have seen the security forces pick up the 2 men from another village much earlier. The report said the security forces had only seized a Chinese-made grenade from them; the other weapons were "planted".

The CRPF's official report, writes Mr Rai, "present(s) a fictitious account of the joint operation by the security forces to conceal pre-planned murders of two persons in custody and present it as some brave act of professional achievement".

Calling custodial killing as "one of the cruelest forms of human rights abuse", Mr Rai said the antecedents of the persons in custody was immaterial as "even dastardliest criminals and hardcore insurgents/militants are required to be subjected to the due process of law". "Security forces do not have the right to kill them in cold blood under the cloak of larger societal good. Therefore, it is crucial to strike a balance between the individual human rights and societal interests while combating the insurgency," the report said.

Dead body found

IT News

Imphal, May 24: The body of a youth was found adjacent to canal along Employment Exchange-National Games Village road today. Reliable sources identified the deceased as Yumnam Palen Meitei of Takyel Kolom Leikai.

Office of the State Health Society, Manipur

Corrigendum

Imphal, 23rd May, 2017

No. 465/01/NHM-2017: The last date for submission of sealed tender inviting from transporters and private owners of BOLERO and Maruti Van for providing service to NHMoffice is extended till 13.00 hrs of 30th May, 2017.

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