

## Honesty and sincerity a must to bring change in the state: CM

**DIPR Imphal, Oct. 11:** Chief Minister N. Biren Singh stated that change should start within ourselves to bring positive change in the State and honesty, sincerity, transparency are the integral characteristics to bring change in society. This was stated by him at inauguration of the Police-Press Workshop held at 1<sup>st</sup> MR Banquet Hall, Imphal today. The workshop is being organised by Manipur Police Department in connection with the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary Celebrations of Manipur Police. Speaking as Chief Guest of the function, Chief Minister said that the government is giving priority to maintain good and healthy relationship with the people of the State. He maintained that in order to build a cordial relationship

with people, we should try to solve the small issues faced by the people of the State. People oriented schemes and projects are being introduced by the new Government and will try its level best to deliver better governance in the State, he added. He further stated that if the demands and aspirations of the people are met, the gap between the people and government would be lessened. Stating that media is the fourth pillar in a Democratic State, Shri N. Biren Singh said that the media invariably plays an important role to uphold the Rule of Law in the region. Professional ethics should be maintained by the journalists while reporting sensitive news so that police could control the crimes happening in the State, he continued. Mentioning that people have

faith in Police nowadays, Chief Minister said that people living both in hills and valley are requesting for police patrolling along the State and National Highways. This is a sign of healthy relationship between the people and Police in the State. N. Biren Singh said that the sole responsibility of the Police is to maintain and control the law and order situation of the State. If police don't know the ground realities such as complexities of social and political nature at grassroots level, then police cannot prevent from deteriorating law and order situation, he added. He stated that the cyber crime unit of the Police Department has solved many cases and thus preventing various crimes and mob justice in the State.

## Counting of Panchayat Election began; Police conducts liquor drive in the periphery of the counting area

**IT News**

**Imphal, Oct 11:** Counting of the fifth Panchayat election began today at each district head quarters where the election was held. At Thoubal district a team of police led by OC B. Rishikesh conducted drive against selling of illicit liquors in the surrounding of the Thoubal DC office where the counting took place. Seized liquors during the drive were set ablaze in the presence of media persons. Counting for Thoubal and Lillong blocked took place at Thoubal DC Office counting hall.

vehicular movement were diverted along Charangpat route during the counting. Panchayat election is held to elect new local body representatives including Zilla Parishad, Pradhan and ward members. In case of any election misconduct, re-polling will be held on October 9, 2017, a report claimed. A total of 7,16,813 voters including 3,68,691 females and 3,48,139 males will exercise their franchise in the election. Each voter has to cast his/her vote in secrecy in three ballot papers of three different colours. Ballot paper for Pradhan is in yellow, for Zilla Parishad in pink colour and Gram Panchayat member in white. Voting will take place in all six valley districts of Manipur – Imphal West, Imphal East, Bishnupur, Jiribam, Kakching and Thoubal – across 1,521 polling stations to elect 60 Zilla Parishad Members, 161 Pradhans and 1,513 ward members. 60 Zilla Parishad Members, 158 Gram Panchayat Pradhans and 1118 Gram Panchayat Ward Members will be elected in this election. Altogether 3180 candidates are in the fray for the rural body elections.

## CAF Minister appeals public not to worry for petrol and diesel

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**Imphal, Oct. 11:** The Department of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Government of Manipur, appeals to the public not to worry for petrol or diesel due to a One-Day General Strike by the Petrol Pump Dealers on October 13, 2017 in the entire country.

The stock in hand for petrol is for 32 days, for diesel 40 days, for SK Oil 34 days, for LPG 3 days and for Aviation Fuel is 14 days. In the meantime, fuel tankers are also bringing in petroleum products into the state. It also appeals the public not to stock petrol or diesel in excess worrying about the

unavailability of petroleum products due to this One-Day General Strike by the Pump Dealers. For use on October 13, the public can stock petrol or diesel well in advance. Petroleum products also will not be allowed to sell by Black marketers despite closing of petrol pumps.

## Students protest hurling of grenade

**IT News**

**Imphal, Oct 11:** Students of the DM College of Commerce staged a sit-in-protest in front of the college campus in protest against the hurling hand grenade inside the college campus yesterday. Placards which denounced the act of violence in education institution. "Don't turn the educational education into a battle ground", "Make education a free zone, let the students study freely, etc. were written in the placards. Mentioned may be made that at around 11 30 am yesterday a hand grenade probably hurled inside the college premises was found by the students. The bomb however did not explode. Police team rushed the site found a lever of the grenade at first and later recovered the unexploded hand grenade, as reported at local TV channel.

## CM inspects Khuman Lampak Sports complex

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**Imphal, Oct. 11:** Chief Minister N. Biren Singh along with Commissioner YAS Shri H. Deep Singh, Director YAS N. Praveen Singh and other officials of the department today inspected the ongoing repairing work being taken up at Khuman Lampak Sports Complex, Imphal. During the inspection, Chief Minister visited the temporary office of Sports University situated at the office building of Manipur Olympic Association, Khuman Lampak. Stating that he is satisfied with the ongoing work for the Sports University, he said that everything is almost ready for the inauguration of the first Sports University of the country. The State government is waiting for the confirmation of Prime Minister's schedule for the inauguration, he added.



Chief Minister said that the Main Stadium Ground is being developed into the football field of International Standard with natural grass turf fields and would be completed before the commencement of I-league tournament next

*Ready to inaugurate India's first sports university - N.Biren*

month. Mentioning that proper quality should be maintained for the repairing work, he also urged the media to act as a watchdog and monitor the ongoing repairing work taken up by the officials. Flood lighting system would be installed in the Main Stadium and Hockey Stadium soon, he added.

Chief Minister stated that as we all know Manipur is craze for football, so as per the wishes of the people the government is focussing on repairing and proper maintenance of the Khuman Lampak Sports Complex. He said that the State Government is planning to develop 2-3 playgrounds (one each in Imphal East, Imphal West and Thoubal district) by laying astro turf (artificial turf) in the State soon so that the players could play football all around the season. He further said that he has already directed the concerned officials to prepare a Detailed Project Report on the matter. He informed that under the Khelo India scheme (a National Programme for Development of Sports), every block of the State would have a playground to encourage the sporting culture among youths in the country.

**MLA Suchindro talk tough; says will take action to those misappropriating LADF**

**IT News**

**Imphal, Oct 11:** MLA of Khurai Assembly constituency, L. Suchindro, who is also Parliamentary Secy. Home today sent strong message to the people of his constituency who misutilised the MLA local area development fund in his constituency. Speaking to reporters, L. Suchindro said that if those works implemented were not maintained quality then those contractors will be forced to rebuild the construction again. The MLA appealed the people to coordinate while finding out those who misutilised public fund. Suchindro also lambasted the committee form by former MLA for utilisation of the local area development fund. He said the money which were meant to take up developmental works were lent to earn interest. Mention may be made that MLA Suchindro had open the Pong Lambi, which was closed down by the previous government in consultation with the JNIMS authority. Suchindro had also appealed the people of the area not to misused the road open for the convenient of the people of the area. He also warn strict action if the people started selling liquors in the area.

## "University & College Teachers set a program for movements in November"

**IT News**

**Imphal, Oct 11:** An important meeting of National Executive Committee (NEC) of All India Federation of University & College Teachers' Organisations (AIFUCTO) was held on 8th October 2017 in Hindi Bhawan, New Delhi. Teacher leaders of the Country form most of the States participated in the long deliberations throughout the day. Prof. KesabBattacharya, President, AIFUCTO presided over the meeting. Dr. Arun Kumar, General Secretary, AIFUCTO appraised the members of continuous agitational program under taken by AIFUCTO and also exposed bitterly the indifferent, undemocratic and anti teacher mind set of the Govt. In spite of the fact, that the University & College teachers were on continuous democratic agitation, it is

unfortunate, the Govt of India is remaining totally callous on the genuine demands to make public the recommendations of Prof. Chouhan committee report and its uniform and simultaneous implementation throughout the country. The teachers of the country are in utter confusion and dark as to the approach of the Central Govt on the above vital issues. News has been circulated clandestinely that the Govt is seriously reviewing the recommendations of the Chouhan Committee report detrimental to the vital interest of teachers. The Hon'ble Minister HRD Shri P. Jawadekar since the last six month repeatedly telling to the teachers' organisations that "Very soon seventh UGC Pay revision will be implemented across the country." But the HRD Minister has no answer that

what will be implemented and how much Central financial assistance will be provided to the States (?) NEC of AIFUCTO decided unanimously that:- 1. From 13th to 18th November 2017 will have non-cooperation in every College and University Unit with the administration and on 15th November, teachers of all the Colleges and Universities will hold a protest Dharma at their respective units and will have Chalk dawn/Pen dawn movement. During dharna teachers will discuss the crises in higher education along with their demands. 2. On 30th November 2017 the University & College teachers will have protest dharna/demonstration in all Universities Head Quarters throughout the country. 3. On 11th December, 2017 teachers of the Universities and Colleges will observe

"Cease Work" and have dharna/demonstration in the State capital. If by then our demands will not be fulfilled, then in the National Statutory Conference of AIFUCTO to be held in Shirdi, Maharashtra from 18th to 20th December 2017 the options of General Strike and other alternative modes of protest will be discussed and decided. AIFUCTO's important demands are :- 1. Publication of Prof Chauhan Committee report, uniform and simultaneous implementation throughout the country with 100% Central assistance. 2. Removal of anomalies of 6th pay scales. 3. Pay scale & service condition to Adhoc/Part time /Self finance /Block grant teachers. 4. Old Pension Scheme for all teachers. 5. Scrapping of API and extension of dates of RC/OC

up to 31st December 2017 etc. are included in the demands. Many teacher leaders from North East were also attended the meeting. Dr Khireswar Borah, President of Assam College Teachers' Association and its General Secretary Prof Tulshi Das represented Assam. Prof M. Lokendro Singh, President, All Manipur College Teachers' Association (AMCTA) who is also Zonal Secretary (NE) of AIFUCTO represented Manipur as well as North East Zone as he had already received reports on the stands, feedbacks and opinions from Meghalaya College Teachers' Association, Mizoram College Teachers' Association, All Nagaland Government Teachers' Association, Arunachal Pradesh College Teachers' Association & Gauhati University Teachers' Association.

## AR seizes WY Tablets

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**Imphal, Oct 11:** 12 Assam Rifles of 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of IGAR (South) apprehended one drug peddler at PVCPC K h u d e n g t h a b i, Tengenoupal district on 10 Oct. 2017. At around 4.30 pm, one silver color Maruti van registration No AS 01 W 8785 moving from Moreh to Imphal, was stopped. The driver was moving suspiciously at the checkpoint. On checking the vehicle 2040 WY tablets worth Rs.10.20 lakhs (approx.) were recovered. The apprehendee was identified as Mr Sidik Khan (36) s/o Haji Jushup Ali r/o S a n g a i y u m p h a m Chenappur, Thoubal district. The recovered drugs along with apprehendee was handed over to Moreh Police