

Imphal witnessed rise of air and noise pollution during Dwipabali Festival

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Imphal, Oct 20: Air and Noise Pollution level rises high went wild with blasting of crackers during Dwipabali festival yesterday amidst banned by district administrations.

Many people were seen blasting crackers even in the middle of the road at crowded Paona Bazar and Thangal Bazar and in many of the Imphal city even though the district administration Imphal West had issued banned on the playing crackers while celebrating the festival.

Some of the sensible Imphalites expressed shocked on seeing a post of the Advisor to the Chief Minister of Manipur, Rajat Sethi at which he stated that, "Thundering sound of crackers all around in Manipur tell me that cultural nationalism is here to stay for a long long time". More surprising is the comments by the Chief Minister N. Biren Singh at which he wrote "this is real Manipur".

Chairman of Manipur Pollution Control Board, L Radhakishore had admitted the air and noise pollution occurred yesterday evening. Imphal witnessed more sounds of crackers than the National Capital Delhi yesterday night. Supreme Court had already banned crackers in Delhi while celebrating Dwipabali festival. In Manipur too DCs of various districts including Imphal East, Imphal West, Thoubal

had issued banned of playing crackers while celebrating the festival.

But Chief Minister of Manipur and the advisor to him seems to care less about the order of the district administration.

Meanwhile in press conference held today at the office of Pollution Control Board, DC Complex Lamphel, L Radhakishore, the Chairman of the board said that according to sources from Manipur Pollution Control Board, huge differences have been seen in the report taken from four different places of Imphal before and after Diwali from 2pm to 10 pm.

Besides drastic difference were seen on the voltage of sound received at MG Avenue before and after Diwali. The habit of bursting crackers on Diwali has created noise

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pollution and has led to various diseases like cancer, he added.

L Radhakishore has appealed to all to stop bursting crackers and different steps will be taken up at the earliest after putting up the issue to the Chief Minister. Kh Premkanta, Environmental

Engineer said that the normal range of breathing in human being is PM 10, but the voltage of sound heard at MG Avenue on Diwali was more than 80 decibel. Such condition will often affect the respiratory system in human beings and lead to various other diseases, he added.

Guv, CM, Opposition leaders greets people on "Ningol Chakkouba"

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Imphal, Oct 20: Governor of Manipur Nazma Heptula, Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, Opposition leaders Okram Ibobi Singh today greets the people of the state on occasion of the Ningol Chakkouba Festival today.

In his message Chief Minister of Manipur N. Biren Singh stated Ningol Chakkouba, the biggest festival of Manipur is to celebrate the unbreakable bond of love between brothers and sisters. He said the festival reinforces the care and affection of the parents for their daughters binding and reviving family relations.

"Though the festival is originally observed by the Meitei community, the celebration now extends to other communities and tribes

in Manipur thereby reinforcing unity amidst diversity in the state. The festival promotes the feeling of peaceful co-existence and harmonious social life by reaffirming our faith in the traditional values of love and protection", N. Biren Singh stated in his message.

Social Welfare Minister Nemcha Kipgen also wishes the people of the state on occasion of the Ningol Chakkouba Festival "As I represent the womenfolk of the state, this festival is indeed special for me. It is a festival that binds and revives the family relations between married daughters/ sisters and the parental family", Nemcha Kipgen stated and wished the festival to embodied the

essence of love and herald an era of progress and prosperity in the region to promote unity, integrity and peaceful coexistence of all communities in the state.

Opposition leader, Okram Ibobi Singh also wishes the people on occasion of Ningol Chakkouba. The former chief minister expressing worried over the rise of the crime against women in the state wishes the people crime free state with the coming of this Ningol Chakkouba. He wish a prosperous Manipur with the coming of this festival. CAF and PD Minister Karam Shyam, MLA Th. Lokeshwar, MLA Kh. Joykishan MPCC President TN Haokip among others also greets the people on occasion of Ningol Chakkouba.

Chief Minister encourages self-employment, distributes loans

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Imphal, Oct. 20: Chief Minister N. Biren Singh handed over loans worth Rs. 46,50,000 to nine skilled self-employed persons of different districts at Chief Minister's Secretariat today.

The loan assistance ranging from Rs. 50,000 to Rs. 10 lakh was provided under Manipur State Co-operative Bank Ltd. It may be mentioned that the bank authority identified these enterprising persons for providing loan after they pleaded for assistance to the Chief Minister on different Meeyangi Numits.

Out of these nine persons, three are from Imphal West, two from Imphal East and one each from Ukhrul, Thoubal, Bishnupur and Tengnoupal districts.

National awardee in Pottery, Machihan Sasa of Longpi Kajui village, Ukhrul district and mobile phone mechanic Nongmeikapam Suvangko of Samurou Mayai Leikai, who is a differently-abled person, were also included among the beneficiaries.

Interacting with the beneficiaries, the Chief Minister expressed pleasure



that the Government has been able to identify the needs of the public and actual concerns through Meeyangi Numit and Hill Leaders' Day.

N. Biren said that he met all these persons, who received loan today, on different Meeyangi Numits.

He asked the loanees to repay loans regularly and maintain good relation with

the bank so that they may avail bigger loans in future. Stating that some of the banks deny loans to deserving persons, the Chief Minister said that the new Government has started withdrawing money from such banks.

He opined that banks should give loans to needy but deserving persons instead of helping the well-to-do section alone.

District Executives committee Meeting of BJP Thoubal District held

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Thoubal, Oct. 20: District Executives committee meeting of BJP Thoubal District was held at Thoubal Leitanthem Mandap today at 11 am. The meeting reviewed the organisational & election related works in connection with ensuing Parliament election 2019.

K. Saratkumar Singh, General Secretary (Adm) BJP Manipur Pradesh, L. Deven, President BJP Thoubal District,

Sh. Santikumar Sharma, Former President and enrolment incharge Thoubal, L. Tejkumar, State Secretary Thoubal District incharge, N. Nibus Singh General Secretary, BJP Manipur Pradesh, N. Sunitibala President BJP Manila Morcha and L. Basanta, Social worker Thoubal AC attended the Meeting.

BJP Thoubal District members and Presidium members Paid floral tribute to Dr. Syama

Prasad Mookerjee and Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay on District Executives committee meeting.

The meeting resolved to seek approval for extension of healthy co-operations to the development works to be carried out in the coming years by the Executive Members.

The meeting was also attended by Eight Councillor of Thoubal Municipal Council and Mandal Members of party.

IMSCO organised third Ningol Chakouba

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Imphal, Oct 20: The Indigenous Minority for Socio-Cultural Organisation (IMSCO) today organise their third ching-tam Ningol Chakouba thouram at its office at New-Checkon. Speaking at the event, N Rajendro, Former President of ECHAM expressed the importance history of different ethnic community of the state in the event.

There is a need to strengthen the bond between different communities in the state, he added.

Rajendro also said that people coming from different state are warmly welcome in our house but it is very unfortunate to say that people from different communities of our state have been attended in different views.

Caste system is also seen till today but one must know that there are no such things.

Without strengthening the bond between the different communities of our state, there will be no peace, unity and harmony in our state, he added.

Gifts were also presented to the women coming from different communities during the event.

60 stalls opens , nearly 85,000 Kg of fishes produced this year

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Imphal, Oct 20: There seems to be no dearth for the fishes this Ningol Chakkouba too as the state produced nearly 85,000 kg of fishes in the fish fair organised by the fishery department of the manipur

state Govt. at Hapta Kangjeibung, in Imphal East.

Earlier the government was worried about the possible shortage of fish as the state faced flash flood for five times in the last couple of months. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh had already announced cash award for the fish farmer who produced most in the fish fair

held today.

Dy. Chief Minister N. Joykumar open the fish fair cum fish crop competition. 60 stalls were open today at the fair cum competition.

On the other hand, Central Agricultural University also produced rare Pengba Fish for sales to the people on occasion of the Ningol Chakkouba.

Smart Security Services, Tera celebrated Ningol Chakouba

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Imphal, Oct 20: Smart Security Services, Tera celebrated Ningol Chakouba one day in advance today at Tera Keithel. Many women (Ningol) coming from various part of the state were presented gifts during the celebration which shows the beautiful bond between brothers and sisters.

17 members of Smart Security Services, Tera were also honored in recognition of their service during the celebration.

K. Meghachandra expresses doubt over state govt. concerns to sportspersons of the state

Imphal, Oct 20: MLA of Wangkhem assembly constituency, K Meghachandra has expressed doubt over the BJP led State Government regarding its concern over the well being of sports persons of the State.

He made this statement while addressing the gathering at the felicitation program for International Wusu player from the State, Keisham Arunpama. It is worth mentioning that K Arunpama of Yairipok Top Chingtha bagged bronze medal in the

14th World Wusu Championship held from September 26 to October 3 at Bazan in Russia, and bagged Gold medal in the 26th Senior National Wusu Championship held from October 10 to 15 in Shillong. Family of K Arunpama and people of Yairipok also came to the airport to welcome the international Wusu Champion. The MLA further said, Arunpama has bagged more than 20 medals in National and International levels. It is very unfortunate that the State

Government has still not awarded any suitable job to her. Even though she has requested the Government for a placement, nothing has been done for her. This is the clear indication that the State Government is careless when it comes to the well being of the sports person.

The MLA maintained, unfortunately, the Olympic qualified Arunpama lost her semi-final bout in Iran. She lost the bout as it was a bit difficult for her to match with the Iran Wusu player as she was well

Delhi HC raps Delhi govt over non-payment of MCD workers' dues

Source PTI

New Delhi, Oct 17: "There must be somebody with whom you are not at war," the Delhi High Court told the Delhi government while pulling it up over the pending salaries of sanitation employees of the city's municipal bodies.

A bench of Acting Chief Justice Gita Mittal and Justice C Hari Shankar also directed the

striking sanitation employees not to obstruct cleaning of garbage as they caused serious diseases like dengue.

"Don't bring such cases to us in courts. There must be somebody with whom you (Delhi government) are not at war. Be it the Union of India, MCDs or NDMC. If you have public interest in mind, then you will ensure that the MCDs do their job properly," the bench said.

To this, Delhi government standing counsel said the government was serious about the issue.

The bench was a hearing a plea seeking a direction to the authorities to ensure that the workers of East and North Delhi Municipal Corporations call off their strike, which started on October 11 and October 16 respectively, and resume work. It directed that no safai karamchari shall obstruct those workers who are willing to carry out their assigned duties.

"Safai karamchari shall ensure that they seriously carry out the assigned duties

of MCDs and no obstruction shall be caused," the bench said.

It said the failure to remove garbage and clean the dhalaos (dumps) have major repercussions like direct connection with breeding of disease-bearing mosquito larvae leading to serious diseases like dengue and chikungunya.

"Therefore, there can be no stoppage of essential work of cleaning and removal of garbage. Doing so imperils lives of public at large," the bench said.

The court listed the matter for further hearing on October 25.

During the hearing, central government standing counsel Monika Arora said there were some safai karamcharis who were creating problems and refusing to discharge their duties and also stopping others from doing work.

She said due to this, garbage was accumulating on roads having adverse impact on the health of the residents.