

Lamyamba Irabot remembered on 121st Birth Anniversary State Govt. to observe at state level from next year : Sushindro

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Imphal, Sept 30: Fitting tribute was paid to today to Lamyamba Hijam Irabot on the 121st Birth Anniversary.

Swachhata Hi Seva held at DIPR Head Office

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Imphal, Sept. 30: In connection to the Hon'ble Prime Minister's campaign, Swachhata Hi Seva, Cleanliness is Service, from 15th September 2017 to 2nd October 2017, Directorate of Information & Public Relations (DIPR) started campaigning for cleanliness around its office building from today till October 2, 2017. Headed by Deputy Director (Admin), Shri Chongtham Noyon Singh, staffs of the directorate cleaned the surrounding of its office complex at Moirangkhom Head Office and Keishampat.



Various organisation across the state and outside the state observed the day. At an onservice function organised jointly by Manipur Peoples' Proletariat Democratic Union, Socialist student Union Manipur and Struggle Committee Manipur at Keishampat Lairembi community Hall, Parliamentary Secy. Leishangthem Suchindro calls on people of the state to fulfill the dream of the pioneer leader. He said people of the state now started paying homage to the departed leader in recognition to his sacrifices for the people of the state. While appreciating the organisers Suchindro said that

from next year on wards the state government will observe the birth anniversary of the leader at state level. The district administration has provided a land for erecting a statue of Lamyamba Irabot. Earlier, floral tribute was paid to the portrait of the lamyamba. On the occasion 6 journalist including an editor were honoured in recognition to their service. Hemanta Ningombam of Huiyeen Lanpao was honoured as peoples' choice editor. Other journalist honoure are Gyanand Naorem, special correspondent of Huiyeen Lanpao was honoured as Peoples' Choice Special Award,

Chaoba (Paojel Chaoba) of Imphal Free Press was honoured as Investigative Journalist Award, Urikhinbam Indrajit of ISTV was honoured as Reporter Award, Heikrujam Sadananda of Poknapham was honoured as Sports Journalist Award and Sanailepak was honoured as Peoples' Choice News Paper Award.

The day is also organised at sagolband Sadokpham leikai by North East forum for international solidarity. Social activist Brinda Thoanoajam, k h u m k c h a m chingkhel, president IPSA and rinku khumukham graced as presidium members.

One cannot be above the law: Jayantakumar

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Imphal, Sept. 30: Law and Legislative Affairs Minister Shri L. Jayantakumar Singh has expressed that no one can be above the law. Speaking as Chief Guest at the Legal Awareness cum Fresher's Meet Programme, 2017 organised by Tribal Students' Union LMS Law College at the Amity Hall, Adimjati Complex, Chingmeirong, Imphal today, Law Minister asserted that young lawyers must know the reason why lawyers are addressed by the word Learned. A lawyer needs to learn and equip with knowledge of all fields, he added. Saying that going with legal profession is not an easy job, it is a challenge indeed. We are given authority by the law of the land. Good philosophy with good reasoning capacity is also necessary to become a good lawyer, he added. He also assured to address the grievances of the students and the staffs as well. Minister also wished the fresher of the college to



become successful in life in future in their professions. The programme was attended by RS Reishang, Sr. Govt. Advocate, High Court of Manipur, Md Salatur Rahman, Principal, LMS Law College, Golmei Gaiphulshillu, Chairman, I/E District Legal Services Authority, Smt. RK Memcha Devi, Member Secretary, Manipur State Legal Service Authority as Functional President and Guests of Honour respectively. Before attending the Legal

Awareness cum Fresher's Meet Programme, Minister Jayantakumar Singh along with Parliamentary Secretary Shri L. Susindro Meitei was attending the 121st Birth Anniversary of Lamyamba Hijam Irabot at the Library Hall of Manipur University. Floral tribute was paid to the statue of Lamyamba Irabot as a mark of the 121st Birthday of the Hero. The programme was organised by Irabot Celebration Committee, Manipur University, Canchipur.

One toilet for 327 Rohingya Refugees

Siam Sarower Jamil
Dhaka, Sep 30: Four-year-old Rohingya child Masum Ali was seen defecating under a tree near Thangkhal camp in Cox's Bazar. After a few minutes, he stood up and ran up to his mother without using a single drop of water to wash himself up. Later, his mother Afiya Begum, who was waiting nearby, plucked from some leaves and started to clean her son up with them. This has become a common scene at Rohingya refugee camps as the rapid influx of refugees from Myanmar and constrained sanitation options forced them to defecate in the open, increasing the risk of a disease outbreak there.

Afiya, who arrived in Cox's Bazar five days ago, said that in addition to a food shortage, they were suffering from a lack of sanitation facilities after arriving in Bangladesh. "There is no male member in our family to take care of us. I along with my three small children are staying beside a road and eating whatever we can collect from sources like relief distribution trucks and individual supporters," said Afiya. "We do not have access to any sanitation facilities as we are living in the open," she added. She also said: "I tried to get access to latrines at camps. But they always remain busy as many users queue up to

respond to the call of nature. And the toilets' odour is too bad to tolerate. "We have no choice but to defecate in the open. As defecation at open spaces at daytime is difficult for me, I have to go out and look for bushes." Describing his sufferings, Abdul, another refugee, said: "I live in a shack near a latrine at Balukhali Camp. The latrine smell is so awful that I cannot stay in the shack any longer. On top of that using the toilet is next to impossible as many people crowd into it. It becomes filthy and unusable during rain, he added. The IOM and other UN agencies are trying their utmost to provide improved

sanitation facilities to the refugees as there is a high risk of the outbreak of waterborne diseases at the camps. Dr Tahmeed Ahmed, senior director of Nutrition and Clinical Services Division at ICDDR,B, said the shortage of sanitation facilities might cause a disease outbreak, which might even turn epidemic. Meanwhile, the aid agencies and NGOs have put up banners to raise awareness among the refugees about the existing sanitation facilities and urged them not to defecate in the open. Most refugees, however, said they do not understand what has been written on the banners as they cannot read Bangla.

Minister Nemcha Kipgen felicitated Taekwondo Gold Medallist

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Imphal, Sept. 30: Miss Hathoikim alies Hoikim Chongloi, who bagged Gold Medal at The 10th Open National Taekwondo Championship 2017 held recently at Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir was today felicitated by Social Welfare and Cooperation Minister Smt Nemcha Kipgen on her arrival at Tulihal International Airport, Imphal. Addressing the media, Minister Nemcha congratulated Hoikim and expressed extreme happiness on her achievement. She asserted that Manipur is indeed the powerhouse of sports in India. Hoikim's achievement will set as an example for all the upcoming girls in the field of sports, especially those in the hilly and far flung areas, that hardwork and determination will surely bring laurels for the state.



Social Welfare Minister and also the Local MLA, Nemcha believes that like Olympic Bronze Medallist, Mary Kom who is also from the Tribal community, Hoikim will also shines internationally in the near future and assured all possible assistance from her

end. So far, Hathoikim alias Hoikim Chongloi have bagged two (2) Gold Medals, four (4) Silver Medals and Seven (7) Bronze Medals in 53/55 Kgs category in the National level. She hails from Haijang, Kangpokpi District.

Nita Ambani wishes India U17 team, launches RFYS football Ahmedabad leg

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Ahmedabad, Sept. 30: The Ahmedabad City leg of Reliance Foundation Youth Sports school and college football championship was launched here on Friday, with the foundation chairperson Mrs Nita Ambani extending her best wishes to the Indian team for the upcoming FIFA Under-17 World Cup to be held in India. "These are wonderful times for Indian football," said Mrs Ambani. "We have recently seen the Indian national team break into the Top 100 in world rankings after a gap of two decades. And now for the first time in the history of the game, India is not only participating in a FIFA World Cup competition but also hosting a full-fledged world football event. "I am sure our boys are proud of what they are about to achieve and so are we for them, as well as for the nation to be represented in the World Cup," she added. Mrs Ambani, who is steadfastly working towards making Indian football a major force with the Indian Super League initiative along with her football grassroots-level academy Reliance Foundation Young Champs, believed that the RFYS tournament will propel the growth of the beautiful game deep into the Indian

heartland and will lay the foundation for tomorrow's champions. "We have over 60,000 kids playing this beautiful game in 30 centres across the country right now. By December this year, we would have reached out to over 6 million children through our football initiatives. It's heartening to see so much wonderful talent at our disposal. I am sure the day is not far when we can start competing as equals with top teams in Asia and the world," she said. Mrs Ambani, a proud International Olympic Committee member and the recipient of the *Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puraskar* 2017, took the opportunity to commit the Reliance Foundation to transform India into a multi-sports nation in the not too distant future. The goal is to build a grassroots sports ecosystem in the country that will not only encourage youth to take up sport but will also provide every child a platform to nurture his or her talent. "Reliance Foundation Youth Sports has been conceived to reignite sports in schools and colleges," Mrs Ambani said. "We are aiming to create a unified sports structure through RFYS and have a holistic plan for all major Olympic sports. We would like to provide a viable sports career opportunities for

the youth of our country," she added. Cheered on by hundreds of kids at the SAL Education campus in Ahmedabad, Mrs Ambani ceremoniously launched the second season of RF Youth Sports just before the inaugural match between SAL Institute of Technology & Engineering and Silver Oak College of Engineering & Technology. For Ahmedabad leg – the prestigious football championship will have 220 teams vying for the top honours in four categories ie Junior Boys, Senior Boys, School Girls and College Boys. The RFYS football tournament has already become the largest football grassroots effort in the country, with over 4,500 educational institutes and more than 60,000 children competing over the next four months. The championship which was held in the eight cities in the inaugural year will see participation from Bengaluru, Ahmedabad, Chandigarh, Shillong, Aizwal, Imphal, Hyderabad and Jamshedpur as well this year. The competition is being played in four categories: Junior Boys, Senior Boys, Senior Girls and College Boys. City winner of each category will further compete at the Zonal Qualifiers followed by the National Finals to be held in January 2018.