

## CM reviews development works of Chandel dist.

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**Imphal, Sept. 18:** Chief Minister N. Biren Singh today minutely assessed the status and issues regarding the various development projects being taken up in Chandel district in a review meeting held at Cabinet Hall of Chief Minister's Secretariat. In the three hour long review meeting, Deputy Commissioner, Chandel Shri Krishnakumar made a detailed power point presentation and highlighted the issues faced by the District Administration such as shortage of staffs, shortage of official vehicles of various departments, issues regarding drinking water, health sector etc. Prior to the meeting Chief Minister instructed the DC to jot down the problems and shortages of various departments and to monitor all the developmental works being taken up in the district. He stressed that the District

Level Monitoring Committee should look after and monitor for each and every developmental projects for the progress and review of the developmental activities. N. Biren Singh said the concerned DCs of all the districts should ensure proper governance in their respective districts. He further maintained that we need to make sure that law and order is properly upheld and qualified officers should be posted to deliver good governance in the hill districts of the State. During the meeting, Shri N. Biren Singh said that road communication, power supply and drinking water supply should be given priority for the progress and development in the State. He cautioned that proper drainage system should be maintained before any construction of roads in hill areas. He directed the Administrative Secretaries

and DCs for time-bound completion of various ongoing developmental projects in the hill districts by 2018. Chief Minister mentioned that the government has directed the concerned departments to take up remedial measures on the issues and problems faced by the departments in the State and assured that it would be solved by 31st December 2017. Regarding the transfer and postings of government employees, Chief Minister maintained that streamlining and rationalization of the transfer and postings of government officials would be done soon. He stated that separate district cadres of each and every department would be created soon for better governance in the State. Postings in hill districts should be mandatory for 2 years and it should be done on rotation basis. Discussing the problems

faced by differently-able students/ persons, Chief Minister said that any talented special child/ person would be provided loans at subsidized rates and would be given a monthly stipend of Rs. 2000. He stated that the Ministry of HRD, Government of India has agreed for the construction of the Flood affected school buildings in the State soon. Preparations are underway for the inauguration of the 50 bedded District Hospital, Chandel District Sports Complex, Joupi Power Sub-Station in the month of October, he added. Minister for IPCD and MLA of Chandel AC Letpaq Haokip, MLA of Tengnoupal AC D. Korungthang, Chief Secretary R.R. Rashmi, DGP L.M. Khaute, Administrative Secretaries, DC and SP of Chandel and Tengnoupal District, head of departments and other officials concerned attended the meeting.

## “Black art” in Panchayat Poll erupt violence at Kakching district; 2 Police injured, 3 vehicles vandalised

**IT News**  
**Kakching, Sept 18:** Violence erupted at Sora in Kakching district after police team who were rescuing a woman held as captive by workers of one of the Zilla Parishad candidate for allegedly playing “black art” to sabotage the candidate. Report reaching here said that when the police team were taking out the woman from the custody, a large number of people gather and stopped them from taking the lady. At least 2 police personnel were injured as the mob turn

violent and attack the team and three police Gypsy vehicles were also vandalised. The incident happened at around 11 pm yesterday. Report reaching here said that yesterday evening large number of supporters of Zilla Parishad candidate for Pallel Constituency Najimudin organised a poll campaign at Sora area. Among the supporters a woman identified as Souda Bibi (38) W/o Jakir of Irong in Kakching District was notice in a suspicious way and the supporter held her as captive and started

questioning. As the report reached to police a team led by SDPO Kakching Th. Deshwarjit rushed the site and after convincing the owner of the house where she was held as captive brought her along with them. However, larger number of people gathered and tried to stop the police from taking her with them. The police tried to console them but the situation turn hostile as the people gathered turn violent. Later, police team fire tear gas shell and charge the mob to rescue the woman.

## Suspected Rohingya started infiltrating the state

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Sept 8:** A person who does not speak any of the Manipuri language and who appearance looks more like Rohingya was found loitering at Chairen area under Sugunu Police station. His body shows signs of injured due to tortured and the people of Chairen after taking him to the PHC and after providing first aid handed him over to the Sugunu Police station. Source said that he speaks a language whom no one around understands which make the people felt that he might be a Rohingya who escaped and illegally enter to the country due to the ongoing crisis at Rakhine state in Myanmar. Mentioned may be made that security has been beefed up in the Indo Myanmar border to prevent influx of Rohingya migrants in the state following directives from the state government.

## Assam Police crackdown on MP Jewellers robbery case Prime accused apprehended from Imphal

**(Courtesy: News18)**  
**Imphal, Sept 18:** The main accused on the MP Jewellers robbery case was nabbed by a special team from Crime Branch, Assam Police along with the personals of Imphal West District Police on Friday evening from Imphal. The accused has been identified as Lourembam Robinson Singh alias Benin of Yunnam Leikai Ngakraba Leirak under Imphal West District. Assam Police were on hunt for Robinson from the last four months related to this robbery case. Lourembam Robinson was arrested from his residence on Friday evening. He was produced before a Judicial Magistrate, Imphal West II(2) on the evening seeking for a requisition to produce before a court in Guwahati regard to the robbery case.

The team of Crime Branch, Assam Police took Robinson for Guwahati on Saturday afternoon from the custody of Imphal City Police Station where he was detained. On 9<sup>th</sup> of May this year, masked robbers looted 7 to 8 kg of gold jewellery worth crores of rupees from MP Jewellers in Guwahati. A gang of four robbers walked into the shop on busy Srimanta Sankar Dev Path shortly after 7 pm on May 9 and ordered employees and customers to move to one side. They fired in the air thrice from a pistol to scare the people inside the shop. The gang members broke the display counters with hammers, took out the jewellery and put them in bags before going out easily as the security guard was absent.

## Manipur Maoist calls on NE rebels to collectively fight for protection of Indigenous people and land

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Sept. 18:** Armed rebel group Maoist Communist Party of Manipur (MCPM) today calls on major rebel groups operating in the region to collectively fight for protection of the Indigenous people and land of the state. In a statement one Kyonghan Mangang, Coordinator of the outfit, said that the struggle for protection of the indigenous people and its land is not only for one community but for communities inhabiting in the state. It said various rebels group United National Liberation Front (UNLF), Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK), Peoples' Revolutionary Party

of Kangleipak- Progressive (PREPAK-Pro), Kanglei Yawol Kanna Lup (KYKL), Kangleipak Communist Party (Noyon) Zeliangrong United Front (ZUF) and Manipur Naga Peoples' Front (MNPF) have been struggling with sacrifices to make the revolutionary movement marching ahead. The Maoist said while it pays revolutionary salute for the sacrifices of these rebel groups, calls on the need for unification on the issue of protecting the indigenous people and its land of the state even though there are differences in the ideology or strategy in the long run of the revolutionary movement. The Manipur Maoist further said that the outfit felt that all

the revolutionary organization need to fight together for protection of the indigenous people and its land. It said that right at the moment the United National Liberation Front (UNLF), Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak- Progressive (PREPAK-Pro) are working together as Coordinating Committee (CoreCom) while KYKL and KCP (N) has been working together as Alliance of Socialist Unity (ASUK). The Maoist Manipur said that even though the groups works from different platform due to ideological differences, the differences need to be sorted out when it comes for the

protection of the indigenous people of the state. The Manipur Maoist believes in the ideology of the Marxism-Leninism-Maoism and believes that there is no larger political issue which is more than the peoples' admiration. “To link oneself with the masses, one must act in accordance with needs and wishes of the masses. If we advance when the masses demand advance, that would be right opportunism”, the statement said quoting Mao statement. The Maoist further said that it request all the rebel groups to stand together in the issue for protection of the indigenous people and its land of the state.

## Rally staged

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Sept. 18:** Youth's Forum for Protection of Human Rights also staged a protest rally from Uchiwa Wangma Awang Leikai to Sekmajin Thong demanding investigation to the suspicious death of Pravish in Noida, UP. A statement of the forum expressed suspicion about some gang smuggling body organs and said that the organs could have been removed with understanding between police and hospital authority as the dead body was disposed without circulating prior information. Meanwhile, a candle light protest on theme Justice for Pravish Chanam was held on September 15, 2017 at the Arts Faculty, University of Delhi. Relatives and friends of late Pravish, volunteers of Manipur Students' Association Delhi and others attended the protest.

## Police should treat people in distress with equality: Governor

**Imphal, Sept. 8:** Hon'ble Governor of Manipur Dr. Najma Heptulla addressing at the 2-days Workshop on Gender Sensitive Best Practices, Implementations and Capacity Building of Police Officials at Manipur Police Training College, Pangei, today, said that police should treat those people in distress with equality. The 2-day Workshop, 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September, was organised by Manipur Police Training College in collaboration with Centre for Social Research, New Delhi, a Non-Governmental Organization, working on gender issues for the police personnel. Governor Dr. Najma Heptulla applauding the work of the NGO, in sensitizing crime against women, said that gender division is actually in the mindset of the people. And Manipur is one of the few states in the country where women are highly respected, financially and economically independent, equal partners and sometimes more dominating compared to women in other parts of the country. Incidents of

atrocities on women are being reported in the past 2-3 months but the state is generally peaceful due to the police. Those in the police are quite sensitive of the issues not because of any training but because they are born in a society, where women are highly respected and such kind of training is perhaps unnecessary, she added. She further said that it would be a good step to send representatives from the State to other parts of the country to train and sensitize about gender sensitization. Apart from gender sensitization training, sensitization on the bad effects of drugs should also be taken to curb violence as there is rise in consumption of drugs among the youths. The police should also increase their vigilance on drugs smuggled from across the border. The Governor conveying her message to the young police officers said that there should be no discrimination based on caste, creed, religion or gender, as laid down in our Constitution. As a law-enforcing officer, police

personnel should abide by the Constitution, and discharge their duties by treating those people in distress with equal respect. Smt. R.K.Tutusana Devi, IPS, Director, Manipur Police Training College, said that like in other parts of the country crime against women in Manipur is definitely on the rise taking a toll on law and order situation in the State. But inhuman crime such as female foeticide, dowry killing among others are almost non-existent in the State. She added that it is the right time to sensitize the police forces specially the mid-level forces, as crime against women is on the rise in Manipur. The programme will certainly sensitize them on gender issues, not only male officers vis-à-vis female officers, they have to understand themselves, understand the needs of their counterparts male or female and change their behavioral attitude accordingly so that such type of crime are kept under control in the State. She also said that there are still areas in the country that

women are still apprehensive of approaching the police. In some cases, there are reports of police harassing the victims instead of helping them. She requested the CSR team to take up sensitization programmes for these police personnel, which will be very beneficial for the police forces. Smt. K. Sobita, Chairperson, Manipur State Commission for Women, said that the programme is a very pioneering work rendered for the officials in Police Department. In Manipur even though we are not having such serious crime that are happening in other parts of the country, of late there was an increasing trend in the crime against women. And in this regard a sensitization programme for the police personnel and surrounding communities is very much required. DGP L.M. Khaute, ADGP P. Doungel, Head of Gender Training Institute Juthika Bannerjee, Project Coordinator, Centre for Social Research Priyanka Londhe and Police personnel of the college attended the function

## One day awareness program on Gender and criminal Justice system in Manipur

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Sept 18:** One day awareness program on Gender and Criminal Justice System in Manipur was organized by Women Action for Development and Youth's Forum for Protection of Human Rights yesterday at Advanced Coaching Centre, Uchiwa. In the program resource persons like Mr. Moirangthem Kiran, Thoubal District's Covenor Youth's Forum for Protection of Human Rights presented a topic on Patriarchy and Reproductive Health, Ms. Babita Begum presented a topic on Gender, Ms. Nomita Takhenchagbam, Program Coordinator Women Action for Development presented a Topic on Gender Base Violence, Ms. Soibam Bidya Volunteer WAD presented a Topic on Gender Role Access and Division of Labour, Mr. L. Malemnganba, Presented a Topic on Women Empowerment and Mr. T. Shadishkanta, Secretary YFPHR presented a Topic on

Criminal Justice System in Manipur. The Program was aimed to spread mass awareness on the root cause of the violence against women and children in Manipur so as the community takes initiatives to mitigate the crime against women and children at the grass root level. Also to inspire the young energetic youths to take major role to bring a transformation at the grass root level on the practices of Gender differences and the social practices. The program was attended by students of Class IX - XII, meira paibis, local elders, etc.

## Panthoibi Housing Company opens branch at Kakching

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Sept 16:** Panthoibi Housing Finance Company today opened its Kakching branch. On the occasion the company extended monetary help to students and staffs of Mission Blind Schools Kourapokpi.