

## Delhi Police detain MSAD volunteers for staging protest against slapping of NSA to Kishorchand

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Volunteers of Manipuri Students' Association Delhi (MSAD) were detained today at two different police stations of New Delhi while they were on their way to stage protest at Manipur Bhavan.



MSAD Volunteers at Tuglak Nagar Police station

Report reaching here said that around 15 MSAD volunteers including Veewon Thonchom, President of MSAD were detained at Chanakyapuri Police Station, New Delhi, when they were on their way at Manipur Bhavan. The report added that another 20 numbers of MSAD volunteers including the General Secretary and former General Secretary of MSAD were detained at Tuglak Nagar Police station. At the time of filling this story the MSAD volunteers were still detained by the police.

Talking to Imphal Times, A MSAD volunteers said that the Delhi police detained them as per directives from the Manipur government. Those detained at Chanakyapuri Police Station were not allowed to use their cell phone, the report added. MSAD had earlier staged a candle light demonstration at Manipur University on December 8. On the day the MSAD had announced that the organization will organised series of protest at New Delhi.

## Free diagnostic Center opened at Ukhrul district Hospital; 10 bedded AYUSH hospital inaugurated

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After inaugurating a 10 bedded AYUSH hospital at Kamphasom in Ukhrul district yesterday evening, Health Minister, L. Jayentakumar today opened a free diagnostic center at Ukhrul District Hospital today morning. Speaking on the occasion Jayentakumar said that the state health department putting all its labour to provide the best health care facilities in the state.

When it comes to health care service, Ukhrul district is not less than any other district, the Minister stated.

"The newly open free diagnostic center will be able to provide facilities to people of Ukhrul district and its surrounding to diagnose the disease at free of cost", the Health Minister said. Stating that the government is



trying to reach out all people of the state to provide the best health care service by opening health and wellness centre at interior villages of the state, Jayentakumar added that even as health care centers at many district still lacks doctors, the government is sorting out the difficulties of

the public by posting at least one require doctors.

The Health Minister also added that the government now have programme to open free health care service at Primary health Centers. On the occasion, the health Minister also handed over one Ultrasound Machine and X-

Ray Machine to the district hospital authority. While, inaugurating the 10 bedded AYUSH Hospital at Kamphasom, Health Minister Jayentakumar stated that the region has rich medicinal plants which are an alternative medicine. He appealed the farmers to research more for plantation of medicinal value plant to treatment of the people. The Minister also assured to sent all the require manpower for the hospital at the earliest possible time.

## Circuit court sitting to be held

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A Circuit Court sitting of the Central Administrative Tribunal, Guwahati Bench will be held at Imphal, Manipur on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.

Member (J), Mrs. Manjula Das and Member (A), Mr. N. Neishial of the Central Administrative Tribunal and the Circuit Court teams will be in Imphal to hold the Circuit Court sitting.

## Book released

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A book called "Ekhang Paklaba Atiya" written by Shamungou Lairenakpam and published by Manipur Literary Society was released today at Manipur Hindi Parishad. Prof. Polem Nabachandra Singh, Dr. Sagolshem Lanchenba Meetei, Samurailatpam Prahlah Sharma and Akojiam Shantibala Devi attended the book releasing function as dignitaries on the dais.

## CCSK condole the demise of Ima Memcha

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Committee of Civil Society Kangleipak (CCSK) has condoled the demise of Akojiam Ongbi Memcha Leima popularly known as Ima Memcha.

A Condolence function was held at the office of the CCSK yesterday at its office at Keishampat leimajam leikai. Jitendra Ningombam,

President of the CCSK recalled the courage and sacrifice of Ima Memcha. "Ima Memcha had taken active role many peoples' movement against atrocities committed to the common people under the shadow of the Armed Forces Special Power Act by the state actors. She also took active role in the movement for implementation of the Inner Line Permit System", Jitendra Ningombam said.

## PPFA appreciates President for honouring INA veterans

By Our Correspondent  
Guwahati, Dec 16,

Patriotic People's Front Assam (PPFA) appreciates President of India, Ram Nath Kovind for honouring personally a group of INA (Indian National Army/ Azad Hind Fauj) veterans during his recent visit to Myanmar and continues its old demand to preserve all historical ruins related to India's freedom struggles in the neighbouring country.

It may be noted that President Kovind in his 10-14 December Myanmar visit felicitated nine surviving INA veterans, now living in Yangon, oldest one among them was KA Perumal, who is around 90 years old. It is for the first time, Union

government in New Delhi has taken an initiative to honour those non-resident INA veterans.

The Assam based nationalist forum earlier appealed to the Head of the State for pursuing his counterpart U Win Myint in NayPyi Taw and State Counselor Aung San Suu Kyi to preserve all monuments relating to the glorious freedom movement including the INA headquarter in Yangon (formerly Rangoon) city.

"Myanmar (earlier Burma) played an important role in our freedom movement as many legendary Indian leaders either took shelter or imprisoned in the southeast Asian country by the British colonial administration," said

a PPFA statement adding that Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose later shifted the INA headquarter from Singapore to Rangoon and fought against the imperialist forces with his 40,000 valiant soldiers from the soil of Burma.

The PPFA however expressed apprehensions that the rampant construction activities in various parts of Myanmar might have destroyed most of the historical ruins including the INA building in Yangon. So it urges the Union government to continue pursuing with Nobel laureate Suu Kyi, whose father General Aung San was a close friend of Netaji Subhas, for her personal initiative to preserve those Indian heritages.

## Free Health Camp at Huishu Village

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A team of Royal Riders Manipur (RRM) organised a free health camp at Huishu village in Ukhrul district which is about 65 kilometer from the district head quarters.

A total of 130 villagers were attended in the health check-up camp. 4 persons from the neighbour country Myanmar were also attended in the free health camp.

Huishu village headman Ngazek A Shimary while welcoming the Samaritan service of the RRM team said that even though government had turned blind to the problem of the village they are blessed with the service of the RRM team.

Imphal Times - November 19, 2018 issue had reported that Health care service is a joke, and government run education institution like Primary school and secondary school are just for name sake in the village called Huishui Village of Ukhrul district.

## KNO demands non-inclusion of Kuki ancestral land in NSCN (IM) Framework Agreement

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The Kuki National Organisation has urged the Chief Minister of Manipur for non-inclusion of Kuki ancestral lands in the NSCN (IM) 'Framework Agreement'. The historical account of our ancestral lands with respect to Chassad (Kmjong), Laijang (Tamenglong), Mongkotjang (Noney) and Phoibung (Senapati) is being claimed by the KNO to be ancestral land of Kuki.

A memorandum submitted to the Chief Minister stated that the Kuki Land should not be covered under the Framework agreement of the NSCN IM.

Regarding Chassad (Kamjong), the KNO stated that in AD 33, two Kuki chiefs, Kuki Achouba and Kuki Ahongba were allies of

Pakhangba, the Meitei king. Khaba-Nangba, the younger twin brothers of NongbaLairan Pakhangba contested the right to ascend the throne. Having failed, the brothers fled to the Highlands, the abode of Kuki, known to Meitei as *Chingburoi*. The descendants of Khaba-Nganba settled at HundungKhullen and HundungKhonou and Ningthi, which is in Kamjong district.

In 1985, NSCN (IM) and PLA met at Hundung, where they feasted and exchanged gifts. For the record, our Meitei brothers must not confuse Tangkhul and the descendants of Khaba-Nganba. Tangkhul people are from Somra Tract in Myanmar (Burma) and are a different ethnic entity from Meitei and Kuki.

HundungKhullen, HundungKhonou and Ningthi constitute Kamjong, land of *Chingburoi*, where Khaba-Nganba settled. These areas must not be included in the NSCN (IM) and Government of India 'framework agreement' and become part of Nagalim.

Besides the New Kukis, the other kindred Old Kuki clans people of Chassad are Mongmi and Kharan (both ethnically Maring), Lairam (Lai people) and Kharam. The Tangkhul people from Somra Tract in present-day Myanmar (Burma) often raided Mongmi, Kharan, Kamo, Lairam (Lai people) and Kharam, who were then protected by the chief of Chassad and received tax and tributes.

Regarding Laijang (Tamenglong) and Mongkotjang (Noney) the

KNO stated that The Zeimi, Liangmei, Rongmei and Paomei people, who comprise Zaliengrong of present-day Tamenglong are of ethnic Kuki-Chin stock. In days gone by, the Sukte Poi and Lusei people of Chin Hills and present-day Mizoram drove them to Churachandpur, Tamenglong and Sinjol, Sailhem and Bombal villages of Peren District of Nagaland. The Kuki chiefs, prominently Pu JanchungnungSingson chief of Khongjiang and his son Pu NgullenSingson; chief of Jampi, and chief of Laijang fought back Sukte Poi and Lusei, and gave shelter to Zaliengrong people and settled them in Kuki ancestral land, and received tax and tributes. Pu Manga Singson narrated the bravery of his grandfather,

the Chief of Khongjiang, whose army consisted of 80 strong bachelors aged 50 years, plus hundreds of young men. They fought the Sukte Poi and Lusei people at GALKAPKOT, situated in south Churachandpur district of Manipur.

Over the years, however, generations of Zaliengrong that followed, not recalling the relations with Kukis resented the practice of tax and tributes, and were loyal to the British in the Anglo-Kuki War, 1917-1919. Later, they became instruments of NSCN (IM) against Kukis and demanded tax. Nevertheless, just as oil and water cannot mix, they soon realised that they are not secure under NSCN (IM) and to assert their independence formed the Zaliengrong United Front.

According to Pu Ngurdola,

in Tripura, the Langrong, Ranglong or ChoralKukis are known as Zaliengrong in Tamenglong and Noney districts of Manipur, Peren District of Nagaland and North Cachar Hills in Assam. The statement also said that the Zaliengrong people recall their origins and recite,

*SINLUNG SINLUNG  
NAP BIRU TIO TIO,  
CHINA BUSIANG GEN GEN  
APEH ALENG TE  
KOI JOU LIPADLO*  
Which literary meaning is "When kids got hungry they sang this song to their grandma asking for food, thinking the tiffin they brought from Singlung, China was still there".

Given the fact that Zaliengrong are ethnic Kuki-Chin group, Noney district and Tamenglong district must not be included in the NSCN (IM) framework

agreement. They must remain a part of Manipur.

Regarding the Paomei People of Phoibung (Senapati) the KNO stated that the Paomei people of Senapati (formerly Phoibu) are also part of the Kuki-Chin group, like Zaliengrong. The Sukte Poi and Lusei (Mizo) also forced them out, but the Kuki chiefs fought back them and settled the Paomei in Kuki ancestral land known as Phoibung, which was changed to Senapati. The people of village Yangkholen in Senapati district are Tuboi Kuki. The wave of Nagaisation led to forced assimilation of Paomei and Tuboi Kuki to Naga. Their lands are part of Kuki ancestral lands.

The memorandum submitted was signed by PS Haokip, President, Kuki National Organisation