

Arms smugglers nabbed

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Combined team of CDO Imphal West and 6 AR rounded up two arms smugglers from Singjamei area along Imphal—Moreh route at around 8.30 pm yesterday evening. Police source said that the two arms smugglers were nabbed while they were on their way to deliver the arms and ammunitions in an Eca Van bearing registration No. No. AS12M 6067. The two arms smugglers nabbed the combined team have been identified as Seilenmang Haokip @ Ngamthang (26yrs) s/o Seingam Haokip of saitu village, kangpokpi Dist. and Deepak Kumar (24yrs) s/o Bhusan Prasad of Motbung Bazar. The two were on their way to hand over the arms and ammunition to two persons namely Suresh and Jiten at Churachandpur. Arms and ammunition recovered from their possession are One M4A1 Carbine with one fibre magazine, One M16 Rifle with one magazine and three mobile hand sets. The vehicle that they used were also detent in custody. The arrested persons along with seizures are now in Singjamei Police Station.

KKT fellowship distributed

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Khelen Thokchom Trust, Media Fellowship 2018-19 has been distributed to the two journalist Heigrujam Sadananda of Poknapham daily and ST Lelen Vaiphei of Imphal Free Press at a simple function held today at Manipur Press Club. President of KKT Robert Sapam, Vice President of Manipur Cricket Association MCA Ch. Chaoba Singh and General Secretary of All Manipur Working Journalists' Union (AMWJU) attended as dignitaries in the media fellowship distribution function of the KKT. The two Journalist will explore the world of Cricket in Manipur within a stipulated time and publish the story under the KTT fellowship. Each journalist will be entitled a sum of Rs. 15,000/- as financial assistance to their research work. KTT may increase the fellowship award from next year. For that the members of the KTT is sorting out to drive some fund for the KTT beside the monthly contribution by the members.

Uproar of street vendors: Tension grief Khwairambandh Keithel in Imphal



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Tension grief Khwairambandh Keithel of Imphal today morning, after large number of street vendors uproar against the police action to them. The street vendors alleged the leaders of the license vendor of the three Khwairambandh Keithel for instigating the police of driving the street vendors out from the place. "These leaders of the Khwairambandh Keithel are bribing the police to drive us out from selling our vegetable", an irate street vendors told media persons. She added on why the street vendors have to be blamed when the license vendors could not sell their goods. Today's uproar was rooted

from a police action to a street vendor at which her vegetables were allegedly vandalized by police today morning. The last couple of few days witness vendor license holder of the three Khwairambandh Keithel protesting against the inaction of the police and state authority in driving out the street vendors from the surroundings of the Khwairambandh Keithel. The license vendor women had staged a protest regarding the matter some few days back. Sunday morning scene at Kwairambandh Ima Keithel here in the heart of Imphal town turn ugly as the police team face hard time in controlling the roar of the street vendors. "We want Mangi and Rani

(both leader of the license vendor of Khwairambandh Keithel) to come out and settle the matter", another street vendors told media persons today. She blamed the two leaders of the Khwairambandh Keithel license street vendors for the access committed to the street vendors by the police. She said street vendors too are earning their day today bread from the sell they made at Khwairambandh keithel and driving them out is nothing but cutting their livelihood. She also appealed the government to settle the matter without hurting the sentiments of the street vendors at the earliest possible time and warn of unwanted consequences in failing to do so.

CPI (M) Manipur Condemn attacks on Tripura Opposition Leaders

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The Manipur State Secretariat of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) expressed strong condemnation to the unending attacks against the CPI(M) and its leaders in Tripura by goons owing allegiance to the BJP.

"In this continuing spiral of violence against the CPI(M), on December 28, Gautam Das, Secretary of the Party's Tripura State Committee along with Ratan Bhowmik, MLA were waylaid and attacked at Bishalgarh town, while they

were returning from Mirza, Udaipur. A few days earlier the same gang of miscreants had attacked former Minister and current Chairperson of the PAC of Tripura Legislative Assembly, Bhanulal Saha", a statement by Kshetrimayum Santa, Secretary, CPI(M), Manipur State Committee said.

The statement added, "That hoodlums of the ruling party can dare to physically attack top leaders of the main opposition party and its elected representatives in broad daylight speaks volumes of the impunity they

enjoy under the current dispensation in the state. Such attacks have become a common feature in Tripura ever since the BJP came to power in the state."

The statement also condemn the inaction of the DGP even after complaint by pin pointing the perpetrators.

The Manipur State Secretariat of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) demands the immediate arrest of the culprits and called upon the people to vociferously protest against these attacks on the Party and the opposition in Tripura.

Naorem Sanajaoba Public Library inaugurated

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In connection with the 73rd birth anniversary of Late Ojha Naorem Sanajaoba, Ojha Sanajaoba Memorial Trust (OSMT) along with National Research Centre (NRC) inaugurated Naorem Sanajaoba Public Library today at the Library building, NRC near Manipur University main gate. Dean of School of Mathematics and physical Sciences MU Prof N. Rajmuhon, Acting Chairperson of Manipur Human Rights Commission and senior advocate Khaidem Mani,

President of OSMT and Retd Librarian Manipur University Library and librarian of Manipur University of Culture Dr. Th. Khomdon and President of Manipur Library Association (MALA) attended the function as President, Chief Guest and Guest of Honors respectively. Managing trustee of Ojha Sanajaoba Memorial Trust S. Bhubon speaking to reporters said that the library is being inaugurated to make easy access of the people including the students as well as the research scholars to the works of Dr. Naorem Sanajaoba.

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Horticulture and Soil Conservation Minister Thounaojam Shyamkumar today inaugurated a rural market shed at Kongpal Kongkham Leikai, constructed under the central scheme Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) by the Horticulture and Soil Conservation Department Government of Manipur. Speaking at the inaugural function, Minister Th. Shyamkumar hoped that the rural market shed inaugurated

AIMS demands unconditional release of Kishorchand Wangkhem

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Apunba Ireipakki Maheiroi Sinpang Lup (AIMS), a student body of Manipur, today demanded unconditional release of Kishorchandra Wangkhemcha, who is detent under NSA by the government for his personal opinion regarding the celebration of Janshi Rani Day on November 19 this year. In a press statement, the students' body said that detention of Kishorchandra for 12 months under NSA in connection with his statement at social networking site regarding the celebration of Janshi Rani (Rani Luxmi Bai) is nothing but a direct violation of the Human Rights by committed by the so called largest democracy of the world. AIMS further stated that India is not a country of one community, but a country of

various community which have their own history, religions and which speaks different languages. It would be wrong to say that India is a land of Hindi speaking people who follow Hindu Religion, the AIMS added

Kishorchandra's statement regarding Nationalism of Manipur on Facebook doesn't talk about disintegration of India. There is nothing wrong for a Manipuri to love Manipur more than India. Detention of Kishorchandra under NSA is nothing but the reflection of the colonial mindset of the government which is likely an act to appease their colonial master.

Before 1947, when India was yet to form, there are 565 kingdoms in the region and Janshi of Rani Luxmi Bai is also a Kingdom among it. Rani Luxmi Bai of Janshi wage war against the British after her husband died in 1853. The war was against the

attempt by the then governor of British India Lord Dalhousi to recognized Ananda Rao as the King of Janshi. After the dead of Rani of Janshi the Kingdom became a colony of British. But Manipur become a part of India only after October 15, 1949, and neglecting the history of the erstwhile kingdom while building India will do no good to the people.

No one should restrict to the love for their motherland, but it is better that the celebration of the freedom fighter should be done to their respective region.

India should now look on why the people across the globe have been criticizing to the democracy of the country.

The AIMS further said that the student body strongly condemn the detention of Kishorchandra Wangkhemcha under NSA and demanded unconditional release of him.

CM inspects construction work of Civil Secretariat



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Chief Minister N. Biren Singh inspected the ongoing construction works of Civil Secretariat located at Mantripukhri in Imphal East District today.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by PWD Minister Th. Biswajit, MLA Ksh. Biren, Chief Secretary Dr. J. Suresh Babu, Chief Engineer PWD Shri Kh. Temba Singh and other officials.

Speaking to media persons, Chief Minister said that around 150

labourers are working at present and another 100 labourers would also be engaged within a week to speed up the construction work. He mentioned that the government is trying its best to complete the work at the end of the February 2019.

Replying to the questions regarding the Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the State, Chief Minister stated that preparations are on full swing for the Prime Minister's visit to the State. He highlighted that Prime Minister would be inaugurating around 10

projects and also be laying foundation stones for various projects in the State during his visit.

Clarifying on the media report regarding the allegations in the recruitment in Manipur Pollution Control Board, Chief Minister said that the government would look into the matter and if any discrepancies are found in the said recruitment then the government wouldn't be hesitate to cancel the appointment of various posts.

Regarding the declaration of recruitment results of Manipur Police constables recently, Chief Minister clarified that the government acted as per the directives of the Court to declare the results of the DPC of the Manipur Police Constables 2013 and there is no question of declaring the results of the DPC Manipur Police Constables 2016 which was quashed by the Court. He further mentioned that the State Cabinet would discuss and consider sympathetically for those candidates who had applied in the DPC Manipur Police Constables 2016 in the future recruitment.

Later the Chief Minister also inspected the preparation work at Hapta Kangjeibung, Imphal East where the Prime Minister would be addressing the public during his visit.