

## Mobile Bio Toilet shifted to southern side of Kanglapat road

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**Imphal, Feb 12:** MAHUD Minister Th. Shyamkumar today said that the Mobile Bio Toilet installed at various places along the Kanglapat has been shifted to the southern side of the road due to the desire of the people including the State Archeology department. Kanglapat is considered a

**House passed over Rs. 781 thousand crore for 5 department**

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**Imphal, Feb 12:** The ongoing state Assembly session today passed a total amount of Rs. 7816385300 for six departments as supplementary grant after thorough discussion. The supplementary grant of demand for Animals and Husbandry including dairy farming passed today is Rs.1408,9,42,000/-, for Community and rural development the amount passed is Rs. 1787775300, for Planning the amount passed is Rs. 442985400/-, for State Academy of Training the amount passed is Rs. 6,83,80,000/- and Minorities and Other Backward Classes, ST and SC the amount passed is Rs. 121,43,4000.

sacred lake and installation of Mobile bio-toilet is criticized by many. A probable leakage of fluid notice by reporter of a local daily makes headline questioning the needs for preservation of the Kanglapat as the fluid might pollute the sacred Kangla lake. Considering the seriousness of the news report, Congress MLA Khumukcham Joykishan drew the attention of the MAHUD Minister regarding the matter during the ongoing state assembly session as calling attention motion. Joykishan said that the leaked human waste notice in the mobile toilet is likely to ruin the sanctity of the sacred lake. He questioned if the mobile toilet were not properly maintained or even expressed suspicion about quality of the toilet which is being installed for the convenience of the general public. Replying to the calling attention motion, MAHUD Minister Th. Shyamkumar said

that the department installed 9 Mobile Bio Toilet along the Kanglapat road stretch where Imphal evening is open every weekend. The Mobile toilet were installed as the authority had been noticing many people littering human waste like urination beside the trees where the government had planted for beautification of the Imphal city particularly the Kanglapat stretch. "There is no question of leakage to the newly installed Mobile bio toilet. It has a water storage on the top but sometime the water overflow due to excess usage by people", Shyamkumar said. Shyamkumar further said that everything that is being taken up is for the convenience and welfare of the people and due to the desire of the people the Mobile toilet has been shifted to the opposite side - that is on the side where government quarters are located.

## Interlocutor's letter ended Nagaland poll impasse

**Source The Hindu Kohima, Feb 12:** A letter written by the Centre's interlocutor R.N. Ravi to the Naga groups, including the NSCN (Isak-Muivah), on February 3 helped to end the impasse over the Nagaland Assembly elections. Civil society groups and the NSCN (I-M) had called a boycott of the elections till a political solution was reached. In the letter seen by *The Hindu*, Mr. Ravi assured the groups that the new Assembly would not come in the way of the final agreement. Following this, they withdrew the call. The Election Commission announced the poll schedule on January 19. The poll process started on January 31. February 7 was the last date for nominations. No nomination was filed till February 5. Minister of State for Home Affairs Kiren Rijiju, who is also the BJP's in charge for the Nagaland elections, said the election process could be set

in motion by "extensive lobbying and manoeuvring." "Home Minister Rajnath Singh and Mr. Ravi played a key role in bringing the parties concerned on board," he said. A top source told *The Hindu* that the Union government and the NSCN (I-M) had almost sealed the final agreement a day before the Election Commission announced the schedule, but the outfit pulled out at the last moment. "Since a compromise on the territorial integrity is out of the question, the outfit was offered a socio-political body like the Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee. After agreeing to the terms, the outfit refused to sign the final agreement, leading to the impasse," a senior official said. The Centre has assured the groups that the Assembly will be dissolved as and when the agreement is signed. "They had apprehensions that the elections would delay the final

peace agreement because a newly elected Assembly cannot be dissolved. We assured them that if a deal was signed in the next two-three months, the elections would be held afresh," the official said. The NSCN (IM) has been fighting for creation of 'Greater Nagaland' or Nagalim by extending the State's borders to cover the Naga-dominated areas in Assam, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh, uniting 1.2 million Nagas. Assam, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh, all under the BJP, have refused to part with any land. The Centre is yet to spell out the details of the agreement. An official said the talks were delayed by the death last year of Isak Swu, one of the leaders of the NSCN (IM). The other leader, T. Muivah, has been carrying on the negotiations on behalf of the group. The official said the final accord was ready and the

Centre proposed an auxiliary battalion for the NSCN (IM) cadre living in a camp at Hebron. They would also be asked to lay down their weapons. On August 3, 2015, Mr. Ravi signed a "framework agreement" on behalf of the Union government with the NSCN (IM) to end the decades-old insurgency. It was signed at the residence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Since then, the Opposition has attacked the government for misleading the nation as the final agreement is yet to be signed. On February 4, Congress president Rahul Gandhi wrote on Twitter: "August 2015, Mr. Modi claims to create history by signing the Naga accord. Feb 2018, Naga Accord is still nowhere to be found. Modiji is the first ever Indian PM whose words don't mean a n y t h i n g #CantFindTheAccord."

## NAFSA items allotted for each constitution not made public

**IT News**  
**Imphal, Feb 12:** The items provided under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) to make sure that people of the state who are under the poverty line do not remain hungry still is not make public by easy assessable measures however, the details of how much items had been allotted to respective assembly constituencies can be obtained from the district authority responsible for the disbursement. This was what the CAF and PD Minister Karam Shyam

today answer during a question asked by Congress MLA Joykishan during question hour of the ongoing assembly session today. Joykishan said that last assembly session the CAF & PD Minister had assured that all details of the NFSA will be uploaded to website for easy access to the general public. However till now nothing of such kind has been made public. Karam Shyam in his answer had stated that the CAF and PD had open a website pdsmanipur.nic.in, however

MLA Joykishan stated that the website only uploads about the structures of the office and not the items and its allocations. Karam Shyam said that if anybody want to know about the allocation anybody can contact the officials related with the office or the district administration officials. "No official staffs ready to pick up call by even me who represent the people of Thangmeiband Assembly constituency, and it is for sure that the common people will never be able to find out regarding it".

## WEMSA Sports Meet-2018 Begins

**IT News**  
**Thoubal, Feb.12:** The 3rd Biennial Sports Meet of The Western Maring Sports Association (WEMSA) kick-started involving 15 teams today at Kwarok Maring village playground, Tengnoupal district in the presence of Ph. Heramani Member Charangpat Zilla Parishad as Chief Guest, Kh. Sanakhomba Nominee Pradhan Lourembam Gram Panchayat as functional president and K. Boby Social Worker as guests of honour. In the also presence of Ch. Meshil ADC Member and Kh. Morung EM ADC Chandel and a hundreds



strong audience comprising of clubs, sports officials, sports lovers and residents of the neighbourhood. Men and women of maring community residing in the Western maring area will take part in this sporting event which includes football

tournament, Sepak Takraw and volleyball tournaments during day time. The sports meet began with a football match between KKYC Koijam and LKUWYC Kangsang village. A part of the sports meet which will carry Rs 40,000 cash for the champions and Rs 30,000 for the runners up team of Football event, Rs. 20,000 and Rs. 15,000 of Volleyball and Rs. 10,000 each for the champions and Rs. 7,000 for runners up team of the Sepak Takraw event. The sports meet which also witness cultural programmes and religious rituals during night time. The sports meet will culminate on February 17.

## No essential service can be denied for want of Aadhaar,

**Imphal, Feb 11:** Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has asked the government departments, Ministries and State governments to ensure that no essential service or benefit should be denied to a genuine beneficiary for want of Aadhaar. In a statement, the

authority said, it has taken a serious note of some of the cases reported in media about the denial of essential services like hospitalisation or medical help. It said, such claims of denial are being investigated by the concerned agencies and strict action will be taken in case

denial has occurred. It said, Aadhaar is meant to bring transparency and accountability in public service deliveries through effective use of technology and it should not be misused and made an excuse to any denial in the services. The authority said, it will again

write a letter to the Chief Secretaries of all the States and Union territories to ensure that Aadhaar Act is implemented for all the schemes at the ground level in service deliveries to beneficiaries so that no denial happens due to want of Aadhaar.

### By Our Correspondent

**Guwahati, Feb 12:** Journalists' Forum Assam (JFA) expresses shock and grief at the untimely demise of a young photo journalist and urged the government to sanction financial assistances for the bereaved family. The scribe's forum also asked the media persons to take care of their health against the

silent killers (heart & brain stroke). It may be noted that city based photo journalist Pranab Kalita, 35, who used to work for UB Photos, died of a massive heart-attack on 5 February 2018. He was reportedly suffering from hypertension for some months. Recently married, Pranab left behind his wife, a minor baby with other relatives

and well-wishers. "The media fraternity should take the advantage of OPD clinics run by Guwahati Press Club (GPC) every week. If they miss the media clinics at the press club premises for any reason, they should ensure similar healthcare consultations in other comfortable space," said a statement issued by JFA president Rupam Barua and secretary Nava Thakuria.

## Floral Tribute paid to the Guerilla General of allied force WW-II

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**Imphal, Feb 12:** A commemoration program with wreath laying activity was performed at the plane crash site of General Orde Charles Wingate on February 10, 2018. The site is located near village Thuilon in Tousem sub-division, Tamenglong District. The commemoration was participated by representatives of "The Chindit Society, United Kingdom" represented by Yumnam Rajeshwar Singh and his team, ADC members of the concern area, Micah Pannet, The village Chairman Rampsinang Kahmei and the villagers. They all maintain one minute silence and followed by condolence prayer, offered by the Village Pastor. The Chindit Society's membership includes the families of Chindits, together with those who have an interest in the Far East theatre of war, the campaigns in Burma and the remarkable contribution made by the Chindit Long Range Penetration Groups. The Society has Holly Wingate (Orde Wingate's daughter-in-law) as President and Alice Wingate (Wingate's grand-daughter) as Vice-President.

General Orde Charles Wingate was a British General who started the Chindits who made Long range penetration behind the Japanese lines during the defeat of British in Burma during 1943. He was born in India in 1903 at Nainital in the then United



Provinces. He went back to England with his family and lived at Godalming in Surrey, and he himself was eventually educated at Charterhouse. Wingate's idea was to put soldiers behind the Japanese lines to sow confusion amongst their lines of communication and also to strike back at them at a time when they were carrying all before them. His "Chindits," or "Wingate's Raiders," a brigade of British, Gurkha, and Burmese

guerrillas, harassed much stronger Japanese forces in the jungles of northern Burma (now Myanmar) during World War II. He died in a plane crash on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1944 near the village of Thuilon in Tamenglong District. On 24<sup>th</sup> March 1944 Wingate flew into Broadway in a B-25 Mitchell bomber from 1st Air Commandos. From there he visited the White City and Aberdeen Strongholds. After returning to Broadway he flew on to Imphal to meet Air Marshall Baldwin and from there he set off back to Lalaghat. Wingate's plane crashed on the return journey in the hills around Tamenglong. All on board were killed including a number of war correspondents. Wingate's death was a serious blow to the Chindits and changed the course of the rest of the Chindit campaign.

The villagers of Thuilon have agreed to commemorate 24<sup>th</sup> March every year as the death anniversary of General Charles Orde Wingate. The road from Tamenglong HQ to Thuilon is hardly 40 km, but due to the bad road condition it took 4 hours to reach the village from Tamenglong HQ. At present there is no electricity in the village as the only transformer is not functional since last year. The village produces lots of oranges, yongchak, vegetables and U- Morok. But due to high transportation cost, not much benefit is received by the villagers.

The JFA also expressed sorrow over the demise of senior journalist Dharani Kalita, who used to work for The Assam Tribune. Retired in 2005, Kalita died at the age of 74 after a brief illness at his Jotia residence in the city on the night of 9 February. A former office bearer of GPC, Kalita left behind his wife, two sons & a daughter with a host of relatives. Mentionable is that Kalita was one of the beneficiaries of the journalist pension scheme launched by the Assam government. He was not keeping well to receive the relevant official letter recently from the authority. The JFA expressed hope that his wife would be authorized to receive the pension benefits here after without any delay.