

Repeal act of Parliamentary secretary passed by voice vote, opposition walk out

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Imphal, Feb 23: State Assembly today passed the The Manipur Parliamentary Secretary (Salary and Allowances) Repeal Act, 2018 was passed today by voice vote as opposition congress strongly opposed the passing of the bill as it would amount to violation of the constitution. Veteran Congress leader G. Gaikhangam who had never spoken in the session was heard for the first time in this session telling that discussing or passing introduction of the act to the assembly itself is unconstitutional and passing it would defame the sanctity of the assembly. MLA Joykishan, K. Meghachandra, DD THaisii among others strongly opposed the passing of the Act. With the treasury and the opposition benches member started arguing over the matter the speaker was left with no choice but to follow the rules of procedure. Later he took voice vote and passed the act. The state assembly session was later concluded today and adjourned sine die.

AR seizes smuggled lucky stones

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Imphal, Feb 23: Troops of 12 Assam Rifles seized lucky weight around 1.5 Kg while checking a vehicle at Khudengthabi check post along Imphal Moreh route from 2 persons. A statement of the PRO Assam Rifles said that lucky stones were seized from 2 person coming towards Imphal from Moreh in a blue colour Maruti Van bearing registration No. MN04A 9154 at around 10 am on Wednesday. The seized lucky stone includes Red Spinel, weigh around 1.5 kgs and 120 pieces of off Blue Sapphire weighing approximately 100 gms. The two person smuggling the lucky stones are identified as Mohon Bhandari, age 30 years, s/o Mr Bishnu Bhandari Rao, of Moreh Ward No 6, PO- Moreh and District- Tengnoupal, Manipur and A Raju, age 55 years, s/o Mr Annamalai, of Moreh Ward No 2, PO- Moreh and District- Tengnoupal, Manipur. The seized items alongwith apprehended persons have been handed over to Custom Preventive Force, Moreh, the PRO IGAR(S) statement added.

House passed The Manipur Appropriation Bill 2018 passed

CM says center agrees establishment of 2 IRB batallion, will increase strength of police personnel in Hill districts

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Imphal, Feb 23: The Manipur Appropriation Bill 2018, was passed today - the last day of the state assembly session today. Opposition Congress MLAs sought clarifications to certain matters regarding various discrepancies to the function of the department. Showing concern to the problem of the ADCs MLA Alfred Arthur urged the government authority for devolution of power to the ADCs. The DK Karungthang drew the attention of the house over failure to released fund for KGBD and residential school in time. He urged the government to released the fund on time by diverting fund from other fund as the fund can be adjusted from other fund.

MLA Joykishan, drew the attention of the house over failure to initiate action against some officials of the Imphal Urban Co-operative Bank for forgery committed by them. He question on why its takes time in recovering the misappropriated fund of the bank. Joykishan also urged to clarify on whether there is a policy on transport or if the TRPC which regulate traffic system is still working or not. In his reply, the leader of the house N. Biren Singh said that the state have Transport Policy adopted in 2015. However he did not mention on whether the TRPC still exist or not but said that the traffic regulation is being look upon by the Home department. Parking allotment and other matters have not been clarified. N. Biren Singh further said that investigation is on regarding the fraudulence committed by some officials of the Imphal Urban Co-operative Bank. An FIR is lodged and those involved will be punished after the investigating agency charge sheeted against them. Regarding a question about the auctioning of 8 vehicles of

the IMC the Minister said that as per the complaint by the MAHUD the police had find out that the mode of auction was conducted illegally using unfair means. So one employee have been suspended. Regarding the arrest of other the police is yet to get a complaint from the department. But police have every details on the whereabouts of the vehicles auction wrongly and are all set to recover the vehicle. N. Biren Singh, also said that the government is trying to deployed appropriate number of police personnel to all the districts of the state. But due to lack of man power exact

number required could not be sent. he however said that after recruitment is conducted and after setting of the 2 IRB Company which has been approved by the center then some more additional security personnel will be sent as per requirement. On aquesry over alleged partiality to the deployment of security escort to MLAs, Biren said that his government treated both opposition and rulling MLA equally. However, he said that security escort are deployed as per needs and threat perception from the reports accumulated by CID and other investigating agencies.

Speaker lose patients; stands, shouts over members demand

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Imphal, Feb 23: Speaker of the Manipur Legislative Assembly Yumnam Khemchand almost lost his patience after opposition MLA Khumukcham Joykishan demanded clarification over his queries which he felt that the leader of the house failed to clarified while discussion on the passing of the Manipur Appropriation Bill 2018. Eyes of not only the 60 members turned toward the angry speaker but the people was surprised after the Speaker of the House Yumnam Khemchand stood up from his sit and ordered the complaining MLA to sit down and even order the Marshal to pull out the MLA. However, the Speaker quickly cools down after the member Joykishan went to his sit. MLA Joykishan was urging the leader of the house to clarify on the whereabouts of the shops allotted for selling of the wheat procured under

National Food Security Act. He also said that the leader of the house had left out to left out the total wheat allocated monthly for the state as well as the provisions which the wheat were allocated to four agents. Joykishan also stated that the leader of the house did not answer what he sought regarding the failure to pay salary/honorarium to labourers working at Mao Potato Farm. A heated argument took place between the speaker of the house and MLA Joykishan took place after the member stated if the speaker misunderstood to what he had sought from the concern leader of the house. Another dramatic turned out occurred after the CAF and PD Minister stated that he had already provided answer. The speaker nearly turned his eyes to the CAF&PD but the Minister reply as per the directives of the speaker.

Nagaland Election:

Narendra Modi campaign at Tuensang; says Nagaland need a stable government to bring a solution to the vex Naga issues

Kohima, Feb 23: Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, Nagaland needs a stable Government to bring in development and peace. Addressing an election rally for BJP-NDPP alliance in Tuensang district yesterday, Modi said his government is working sincerely to bring a solution to the vexed Naga political problem, and is open to consultations with all stakeholders.

Modi said the priority areas for development will include infrastructure, water, electricity, connectivity and tourism. The Prime Minister said special focus will be given to Eastern Nagaland in terms of infrastructure development and welfare schemes. On the Centre's plan to connect all State Capitals by Rail, the Prime Minister said 3,000 crore rupees have been sanctioned for Dimapur-Kohima rail connectivity. For Kohima Smart City project, he informed that Centre has already sanctioned 1,800 crore rupees. On the Centre's Project on Housing for all, he said the Centre will spend about 1,600 crore rupees on housing for Nagaland. Mr Modi also said the Centre is giving priority to make agriculture products in the Northeast region hundred percent organic.

One killed in poll related incident in Nagaland

Kohima, Feb 23: In an election related violence, a clash between supporters of two opposing parties allegedly cause of the death of a youth at Tuli town in Mokokchung district yesterday. As per the FIR, the victim identified as Longshak Konyak, succumbed to head injury on the way to a hospital in Jorhat. The incident is reported to have taken place when a group of youth travelling in a gypsy, were pelted with stones by some youth who were by the roadside. According to Mokokchung police, a complaint was also filed at Tuli PS by the party of the deceased subsequent to the incident which alleged that the rival party supporters had attacked their youth. Later, the affected party also submitted a four-chapter of demands to ADC Tuli. Mokokchung police have launched a manhunt to nab the culprits and assured that an impartial investigation would be carried out. Meanwhile, ACAUT Nagaland has expressed

concern at poll related violence, assassination attempts and mal-practices which are in direct contravention to the NBCC's Call for clean election and the democratic process of the country. In a release, ACAUT said the organization was shocked and greatly saddened at the loss of a life at Tuli in an election related incident. ACAUT also condemned village councils that have declared village candidates and the alleged involvement of certain NNPGs in forcefully dictating village councils to declare village candidates. It asked the Naga national political groups to ensure that no rank and file violates their standing Azha. ACAUT further urged the administration and ECI to reinforce security in those villages that have declared Village candidates. ACAUT Nagaland also appealed to all voters to heed to their good conscience during this election.

Manipuri Mumbai Assn extended monetary support to 2 talented kids from Manipur

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Imphal, Feb 23: Members of the Manipuri Mumbai Association handed over a cash amount of Rs.15000/- to the two talented kids Baby Alina Hidangmayum, Nambol Awang Leikai and Master Chongkhonba Hijam, Singjamiei Waikhom Leikai from Manipur who are taking part in the reality show Dance India Dance, Little Champ as a small help. The monetary assistant were provided in a small function held at Mumbai.



MOs training on Population Based Screening of common Non Communicable Diseases

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Thoubal, Feb.23: Training of Medical Officers on Population Based Screening of common Non Communicable Diseases under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer Diabetes Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS) of NHM was started in District Hospital, Thoubal from today. The inaugural function was attended by Dr. Jayantakumar Singh, Chief

Medical Officer, Thoubal as Chief Guest, Dr. N. Hemantakumar Singh, Medical Superintendent, District Hospital Thoubal as President, Dr. Homeshwar Singh, Nodal Officer, NCD Cell District Health Society Thoubal and Dr. H. Nirenndra Singh, Asst. Prof. Community Medicine, JNIMS were also attended as Guest of Honour of the function. In his keynote address Dr. Homeshwar Singh, Nodal Officer NCD Cell Thoubal

highlighted the importance of organising the training programme. He said that PBS will roll out in Thoubal and IW districts of Manipur in the 1st phase. PBS will be done for 30 yrs and above of population including pregnant women of every house hold. Training of ANM, ASHA on PBS has already completed. PBS will start rolling out in Thoubal and IW as soon as the 1st batch training of MO and SN is completed. COM Thoubal explained

about the prevailing scenario of non communicable diseases in the state. He appealed all the medical officers to attend actively all the sessions during the training programme. 30 Medical Officers are attending in the training programme. Altogether 18 training of trainers will the Medical Officers in four days. There will be both theory and practical sessions with PowerPoint presentation and handbooks.

Handloom fair begins at Chandel

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Chandel, Feb.23: Two day Handloom fair organized by the Autonomous District Council (ADC) Chandel begins today at Japhou Keithel Chandel. The inaugural function was attended by Lukhosei Zou, Chairman ADC Chandel, Vice Chairman Joy Lamkang, Kalun Anal Executive member ADC Chandel, Ts. Kothar, CEO ADC Chandel and other executive members of the ADC as dignitaries on the dais. Speaking on the occasion Lukhosei Zou, Chairman ADC Chandel said that the two day

fair is being organized to encourage the weavers of the district under the sponsorship of the Handloom and Industries Department Government of Manipur. "This kind of fair (Mela) will give opportunity to the weavers of the district to showcase their products and generate income to help their family", Zou said. Handloom products of various communities of Chandel district were showcase in the stall open for the exhibition. The ADC also extended some monetary assistance to the stall owners.