

Reports on the present impasse at MU submitted as per directives of the Union HRD Ministry

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Union HRD Ministry of the government of India is likely to act soon to find an amicable solution to the month long impasse at Manipur University as 3 individuals who were once associates to the affairs of the Manipur University had submitted a report about the roots of the present crisis. Source with the Imphal Times said that the three individuals includes a retired Registrar of the University, a professor and a politician who had actively participated in almost students' related affairs of the Manipur University. Details of the report could not be made but source said that the genesis of the present uprising was due to the non-existence of proper administration in the Manipur University affairs. The report

however, didn't mention any recommendation on what or what not to be taken up to restore the academic affairs of the University. Its now 35 days plus that the Administrative Block and the examination block has been shut down following protest by the students' body of the University. Following the non-responsive attitude of the Vice Chancellor whom the students' body had been demanding for resignation, teachers' and non staffs

community of the University too joined the protest which is being underway giving impact to not only the academic atmosphere of the University but also to other colleges which are being affiliated to it. 6 deans have resigned almost all Head of departments have been resigned. The latest who tendered resignation against the VC Prof. Adya Prasad Pandey were Prof. Jibon Singh, Director, Electronic Multi Media research centre

and Dr. Caroline, Head of Department Education. Both submitted their resignation late yesterday evening. Source further added that the Union HRD Ministry have been receiving report from the VC side as well as allegations to the present VC from the MUTA, MUSU and the MUSA however, as the situation could not be decided an independent body comprising of three persons who had been associated with the University had been instated and directed them to sent the report at the earliest possible time. As per the directives the report had been submitted. However as the report didn't mention any recommendation it is not sure whether the HRD Ministry will replace the Prof. AP Pandey or will advice to proceed as per the desire of the students, teachers and the staffs.

MUSU locks all departments of the MU

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Failure to take up immediate action to the Vice Chancellor Prof. Adya Prasad Pandey and following the resignation of all the head of departments, the Manipur University Students' Union has locked all the departments of the University today. The students' body is likely to intensify the agitation if the demand are not fulfilled at the earliest possible time.

WhatsApp warned for abuse of their platform

New Delhi, July 4.

Instances of lynching of innocent people have been noticed recently because of large number of irresponsible and explosive messages filled with rumours and provocation are being circulated on WhatsApp. The unfortunate killing in many states such as Assam, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tripura and west Bengalis are deeply painful and regrettable. While the Law and order machinery is taking steps to apprehend the culprits, the abuse of platform like WhatsApp for repeated circulation of such provocative content are equally a matter of deep concern. (Contd. on Page 4)

Tribal students call state wide bandh on July 6 over failure to recruit Tribal Language teacher in Sec. Schools

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Thadou Students' Association, General Headquarters (TSA-GHQ), Siamsinawpwi, General Head Quarter (SSPP-GHQ) Rongmei Naga Syudents' Organisation, North East India (RSO-NEI) and Liangmei Naga Katimai Ruangdi (LNKR-AMN) has called a state wide bandh on July 6, starting from 6 am over failure of the state government in recruiting Tribal Language (MIL) Lecturers at Higher Secondary Schools in the state.

A press statement signed by the representatives of the three tribal students' body said that they are compelled to call the band as the state government fails to fulfil its promises regarding the

appointment of the MIL tribal language lecturers in Higher Secondary Schools of the state. The statement further added that the Joint Student bodies have served an ultimatum to the state government on June 26 through press communiqué and also submitted the copy to both the Chief Minister and the Education minister demanding immediate action by issuing notification for recruitment of the MIL teacher on or before June 30. The statement slammed the state government for turning deaf ear to the demand.

The statement also stated that the recruitment of the language teacher should be strictly compliance with the regulations of the NCTE, 2014 norms and that the government should not

deprived the rights and privilege of the train candidate. As per the National Council for teacher Education (NCTE) minimum qualifications for the persons to be recruited as Education Teachers in Senior Secondary School should mandatorily be post graduate (Laster) degree and B.ED degree from a recognised institution. The Joint students body also appealed the state government to immediately look into the affairs of the Manipur University and urged to restore normalcy in the larger interest of the students Community. During the Bandh Medical, media, Water Supply, Electricity, religious Activities and airport will be exempted the statement said.

Army clarifies Lt Col Dharamvir 's wife allegations

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The Indian army officer Lt Col Dharamvir Singh whose whereabouts were not known after he left Imphal on his way to Dimapur in Imphal where he had recently been posted after being relieved from the higher Headquarters in Manipur where he was on a temporary assignment, has been located at his place of posting at Rangapahar, Dimapur. The Lt Col had been provided an official vehicle and a protection party to move out of the state on July 1, on a non-road opening day on which the movement of service personnel is protected by an escort party. The officer reached Rangapahar at 9 pm on July 1 and since then is discharging his bonafide military duties as per his official charter. His wife Ranju Singh

reportedly reached the place of his temporary assignment on June 30 without the officer having taken prior permission from concerned military authorities to bring the family to the military station. The place being an insurgency affected area precludes stay of family members of service personnel outside the military station for security reasons, in this case being Leimakhong and Mantripukhri in Imphal. The contents of the media interaction by the military officer's wife on July 3 and an FIR lodged with the police in Imphal are inconsistent and aimed at maligning the image of the Army, official sources from the Army have said. The movements and whereabouts of Lt Col Dharamvir Singh have already been officially intimated to the Imphal (West) Police consequent to the lady lodging an FIR containing false allegations

that her husband had been taken into custody. The lady has herself admitted to have spoken to her husband on July 3 and said that he is doing fine at his place of duty. It is not understood as to why Ranju Singh and her children did not accompany Lt Col Dharamvir Singh when he moved to his original place of posting at Dimapur for which an independent staff car with security was provided by the Army and instead she chose to stay back in the place which she herself claimed to be unfamiliar with. The Army is not aware of her present whereabouts and has requested the police to locate her. It is not known with whom she is staying in a civilian area and why, army sources said mentioning that it was not aware what could be the motive behind her unusual behaviour or if there is a possibility that a family feud had occurred.

Minister Karam Shyam inaugurates Langei Ro Water Supply Project



DIRP
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Just 6 months after launching free range poultry, duck projects and their production house and loin loom weaving project, CAF & PD, Revenue Minister Karam Shyam inaugurates RO (Reverse Osmosis) Water Supply project today at Langei Village, Nongpok Sanjenbam under Lamlai A/C intended with the purpose to provide hygienic water to the community. Langei international website created by Digital Manipur was also launched at the function. The ceremony was attended by Shri Ksh. Biren Singh, Hon'ble MLA, Lamlai A/C; Telem Arunkumar, Managing Director, Langei & Sanasam Jacky, Chairman, Lamjingba Group as the Guests of Honour and T Mangi Singh, Secy, Sanjenbam Khunou Village Committee as the President. Appreciating Telem Arunkumar who is the brainchild behind the various projects at Langei Model Village, Minister Karam Shyam lauded him for his remarkable activities and unending efforts in serving the society at the

grassroots level. He also said that Arunkumar is the real son of the soil of Manipur whose works are of immense economic value and humanitarian service to the community. The people of Nongpok Sanjenbam community should feel a sense of pride in the socio-economic activities taken up by him that shows his motive, innovative & educative mindset and moral, honest task of real value needed in cultivating human civilization, he also said. "The country will fully develop only when the villages will prosper. There are around 2050 villages out of which 664 are located in the valleys and 1386 in the hills as per Manipur Gazette", he stated. Recalling his struggle days when he won election by just a mere Rs. 5000-6000, Minister Karam Shyam said that strong will, hard work and ability to convince the public pushed him to reach the stage that he is today and he can strongly feel the odds that Arun must have faced and overcome to achieve the present status of Langei model village. A top Government official who fails to render human service and welfare for the society is not accountable to

the post he is holding, he expressed. He also encouraged Sanasam Jacky's ongoing project of supplying raw water to the village and his vision and plan to construct eco-toilets and houses in future. Langei is a leading village of Manipur and financial assistance will be provided from the Government's side, the Minister assured. MLA Ksh. Biren said that there is scope in future for Langei village becoming a tourism spot taking into consideration the developmental activities and projects undertaken to provide employment to women and the youths. There is also prospect for entrepreneurial ventures and sports in future, he also said. Telem Arunkumar said that there is CCTV camera & public address system to control crime within the Langei village campus and a culture for cleanliness apart from providing a source of income and daily livelihood sustenance to the community. Sports Academy, Security CCTV, Dark Free Village & Electrification, Social Hygiene & Village Beautification are some of the ongoing projects at Langei Village

MLA Suchindro @ Yaima along with police team conducted spot enquiry over the death of MSF Vice president

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MLA Y. Shuchindro @ Yaima along with the team of state police led by the Imphal West district SP today conducted spot enquiry where the MSF Vice President, N. Jugeshwar had an accident on June 22 and succumbed to injury on June 25 at Chingmeirong ISBT road. A JAC formed against the death of the MSF VP said that it was not an accident but a murder case. The JAC has been demanding punishment of those involved in the murder of the MSF Vice President and a memorandum regarding the matter has been submitted to the government. The MSF VP hailed from Khurai Thongam Leirak. During the enquiry all footage

of the CCTV installed at the road side of the site where the accident occurred has been collected. MLA Suchindro said that the government had already announced Rs. 50,000 cash award to anybody who can provide information about the incident. Talking to media person Suchindro said that if the video footage collected today could not find the exact happening the government will announce Rs. 2,00,000 cash award to whoever provide information about the incident. "Please feel free and don't be afraid to come out to tell the exact happening, it will help delivering justice to some



innocents" the MLA appeals. Members of the Manipuri Students' federation (MSF) also accompanied the MLA during the spot enquiry.