

More donates to CM relief fund

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Four different groups donated a total of Rs. 3,15,000 to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund to help flood affected people today.

Representatives of Manipur Police Service and Kairang Pungal Group donated Rs. 1 lakh each while All Manipur Gorkha Students' Union and Six Emoinu Multipurpose Financial Co-operation contributed Rs. 65,000 and Rs. 50,000 respectively.

These amounts were personally handed over to Chief Minister N. Biren Singh in Chief Minister's office.

N. Biren expressed gratitude to all the groups for generously donating to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund to rehabilitate flood affected people

Central Library to open upto 8 pm

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An order of the Director, Art and Culture of the Government of Manipur, A Sivadas said that the state Central Library located at keishampal shall remain open till 8 pm daily with effect from June 22. Interested students and academicians may avail extra two and half hours in addition to the normal working hours, a statement said. It further added that 6 staffs each are detailed for duty on rotation basis for assistance to the readers.

Weekly media OPD clinic concludes

From our Correspondent
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City based Down Town Hospital today (21 June) conducted the weekly media OPD clinic at Guwahati Press Club, where Dr Subendu M Buzarbaruah (Gynecology) offered free consultations to the participants.

Organized for the benefit of lady press club members along with the spouses of other scribes, the camp also facilitated the participants to check their height, weight and blood pressure. Dr Megha Rajpurohit, nurses Chaniya Sonowal & Pinki Deuri assisted in the camp, where the pioneer hospital's marketing officer Sajal Sinha and public relation officer Mayuri Bora were also present.

Till date, the press club initiative titled 'Evening with a Doctor' has been supported by GNRC Hospitals, Apollo Hospitals, SIMS Hospital, Medanta Hospital, Manipal Hospital, Fortis Hospital, Dispur Hospital, GATE Hospital, Hayat Hospital, Excelcare Hospital, Health City Hospital, Ayursundra Hospital, Narayana Hospitals, Wintrobe Hospital, Barthakur Clinic, Sun Valley Hospital, Rahman Hospital etc.



Donation to CM's relief fund by the Representatives of MPS

15,000 foreigners to be stuck off NRC

Courtesy – The Sentinel
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At a time when the deadline for the publication of the complete draft NRC is approaching, and despite reports that the NRC may not be published on June 30, the authorities coordinating the draft finalization work of the NRC have decided to be rather strict with reference to the inclusion of names of 15,000 individuals.

This applies to those foreigners who came to Assam during the period from 1966 to March 24, 1971 but did not get themselves registered as per rules with the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO).

The FRRO is the primary agency, functioning under the aegis of the Ministry of Home Affairs, which regulates the registration, movement, stay, departure, and also for recommending the extension of stay of foreigners in India. As per rules, such immigrants should have themselves registered within three months after detection, but this period was subsequently extended to six months. Moreover, the names of such people would not be included in the electoral rolls for the next 10 years. In other words, such people would not enjoy any voting rights during that decade. Nevertheless, their names would automatically be included in the electoral rolls following the expiry of the

mandatory 10-year period. However, they could very well reside within the State during this phase.

These provisions are also mentioned in the relevant sections of the Assam Accord. According to sources, the fact remains that altogether 29,000 Bangladeshis who had entered Assam during the period from 1966 to March 24, 1971 were detected. Of them, 15,000 detected or declared foreigners did not register themselves with the FRRO. Sources said many among them have now applied for inclusion of their names in the NRC.

Talking to The Sentinel, State Coordinator of NRC Prateek Hajela said, "As per rules, we'll have to leave out the names of the individuals not registered with the Foreigners Regional Registration Office." Adding that if any among them have applied for inclusion of their names in the NRC, Hajela pointed out: "They are not eligible as they have violated the relevant portions of the Citizenship Act related to the State of Assam. Our main aim is to ensure a foreigners-free NRC, and there would not be any compromise on this regard."

The Citizenship (Registration of Citizens and Issue of National Identity Cards) Rules, 2003, mentions that the names of persons who came to the State after 1966 and before March 25, 1971 and got registered themselves with the

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FRRO, and who have not been declared as illegal migrants by the competent authority, will be eligible to be included in the consolidated list.

Himanta Bishwa files Rs 100 cr defamation suit against ABP News

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Assam's Finance Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Thursday said that he has filed a Rs 100 crore defamation suit against a Hindi news channel that accused him of being part of "Operation Dalal" controversy.

"I am outraged by a @abpnewstv news report linking me to a person whom I have never met or known in my life," said Sarma. "[The] @abpnewstv news report has defamed me in public light. I have filed a Rs 100 crore defamation suit against ABP News before the civil judge, Sr division, Kamrup district, Guwahati."

The news channel recently aired a report saying Sarma had close ties with Delhi-based Anuj Poddar who reportedly calls himself a "power broker". It cited evidence that income tax officials had reportedly found during a raid at Poddar's Defence Colony home for alleged tax evasion. The report claimed the officials had also found confidential papers on foreign affairs and defence at Poddar's house.

ABP News aired a report that said the state's finance minister had close ties with middleman Delhi 'power broker' Anuj Poddar.

The income tax officials sealed Poddar's house after the raid on May 27. The department has reportedly sent the case to the National Investigation Agency. After the report was aired, former Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi of the Congress dared Sarma to file a case against ABP News. "A high-level inquiry should be initiated against Himanta for his close proximity with a 'shady person' like Anuj Poddar," said Gogoi. "If he has the guts, let him file a case against the news channel. When I had dragged his name into the Louis Berger and

Saradha scam cases, then, Himanta had filed two cases against me. Now, I dare him to take on ABP News." Krishak Mukti Sangram Samiti leader and right to information activist Akhil Gogoi said the allegations were serious. "Everyone in Assam knows that Sarma is a corrupt man," he told *Northeast Now*. "He is the most corrupt person in Assam's politics. Sarma is the main man behind mafiarisation of politics." Akhil Gogoi demanded an inquiry by the Central Bureau of Investigation. "We have been pointing out the corruptions by Sarma in details with proper proofs since long," he said. "But the BJP has covered up his corrupt character by welcoming him in the party." Assam Pradesh Congress Committee Vice President Pradyut Bordoloi, however, was diplomatic. "I have received this news, however, I can't say to what extent it is true," he said. "But if the past of Sarma is observed then it can be said that his name had surfaced in cases like Luis Berger and Dima Hasao corruption cases. So, Sarma's involvement in this case also cannot be ruled out."

109 Bn CRPF observes Intl Yoga Day



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On 21st June, 109 Bn CRPF observed International Yoga Day at Bn Hq, Mongsangei. The function was presided over by Shri Vinod Kumar, Commandant and attended by officers and more than 100 personnel of 109 Bn CRPF. Shri Vinod Kumar, Commandant

stated that on 21st June 'International Yoga Day' is being celebrated all over the world. A proposal was made by the current Prime Minister of India Sh. Narendra Modi to the United Nations in this regard and UNO decided to celebrate International Yoga day on 21st June every year. Yoga is known for its amazing health benefits. Yoga enables

the unity of mind, body and soul. Different forms of Yoga benefit our physical, mental and spiritual health in different ways. International Yoga Day is celebrated to rejoice this unique earth. Inculcating Yoga in our daily lives can bring about a positive change in our life. It offers a great relief to our otherwise stressful lives.

Will work towards keeping Miss World crown home — Miss India winner Anukreethy Vas

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New Delhi, June 22,

Overjoyed over being crowned as the fbb Colors Femina Miss India 2018, Anukreethy Vas has already set her eyes on Miss World competition and says she will try her best to keep the title home.

Anukreethy, a 19-year-old college student from Tamil Nadu, was crowned Miss India in a ceremony here last evening.

"I still can't believe that it happened. I've been dreaming for it since so long. There were never any bad days for me because I didn't think about losing or winning. I just wanted to live in the moment. I've waited everyday to touch this crown and now it's with me," Anukreethy told PTI.

The winner says there is no time to sit back and relax as she had already set her eyes on the next goal- to keep the Miss World crown in country, which was won by Manushi Chhillar last year.

"After 17 years, Manushi has brought the crown to India and I would never want that to go away. I am looking forward to keeping it in India."

Meenakshi Chaudhary, 21, from Harayana was declared the first runner-up while Andhra Pradesh's Shrey Rao Kamvarapu, 23, stood as the second runner-up in the beauty competition. Anukreethy says she decided to participate in a beauty pageant competition after she saw Aishwarya Rai Bachchan on TV as the Miss World winner.

"When I saw Aishwarya Rai on TV (getting crowned), I started thinking about how one gets to be there. That's how it started. I always wanted a platform to share my views and be a great influence on

life." Post her win, she is looking forward to going back home, as "it's a proud moment for me because it's the first time Tamil Nadu has won Miss India." "I give 100 per cent credit to my mom for pushing me. I am a confident woman today because she has the strongest personality and she has brought me up like that," she said.

The ceremony was hosted by filmmaker Karan Johar and Bollywood actor Ayushmann Khurrana and saw performances by Bollywood stars like Kareena Kapoor Khan, Jacqueline Fernandez and Madhuri Dixit, and also by Miss World 2017 Manushi Chhillar.

The judges panel included names of cricketers — K L Rahul and Irfan Pathan — actors Bobby Deol, Malaika Arora and Kunal Kapoor.

