

## Chandel District Launched Campaign of "Fight Against Drug"



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**Chandel, June 25,**

Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM), Chandel organised a Launching Programme of Fight Against Drug in Chandel District under Autonomous District Council (ADC) Chandel at Behlung Memorial Hall, Chakpikarong today. Th.Joy Lamkang Vice-chairman

ADC Chandel, Miss Daryal July Anal CEO Autonomous District Council Chandel and Wangam Nula Member ADC Chandel/ Chakpikarong DCC graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and Special Guests respectively. Rd.Thumtang, President BJP Mandal 41-Chandel AC graced the program as Moderator respectively. The

program commenced after Rev. Js.Anglen Secretary ACM pronounced the Opening prayer. Ps.Monihring President BJYM Chandel delivered the welcome and Introduction address. During the Launching Programme, Resource Persons Dr.Kesho Moirang, District AIDS Officer, Chandel spoke on the topic "Social Impacts of Drug Addiction" and Dr.Kh. Nabakeshore Singh, Medical Officer ADC, Chandel deliberated on "Mechanism and Clinical Aspects of Drugs Addiction".

Village Authority members, Pastors, women society executives and students, Members of BJP and BJYM Chandel also attended the Launching Programme. As Part of the Launching Programme a Free Medical Health Camp was held. Facilities like Gyne, Medicine, B.P., Weight, Sugar Test etc. were made available at the spot. 3 Medical Officers and 5 other para medical staffs joined in the free medical camp, drugs/medics were distributed to patients. Around 150 patients were delivered services. Staffs of PHC Chakpikarong, MO and Medical staffs of Chandel Autonomous District Council and took active part in the successful organisation of the camp.

## Monsoon Session of Parliament to be held from 18th July to 10th August

**New Delhi, June 25,**

Monsoon session of Parliament will be held from 18th July till 10th August. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ananth Kumar said it will have eighteen working days. Government is expected to push for Constitutional status for National Commission for OBC. Other important bills including Triple Talaq, Trans gender Bill, will also be brought in Parliament for passing them. Mr Ananth Kumar said the Government expects constructive cooperation from all political parties to make the monsoon session productive.

## 5 buried alive at construction site of AP

**Itanagar, June 25,**

At least five people were buried alive when a retaining wall of an RCC building, which is under construction, collapsed on a labour barrack at Donyi Colony between the Ganga-Jully Road on Sunday. All five were labourers at the construction site. "The retaining wall collapsed around 6am on Sunday morning because of incessant rainfall over the past two days," deputy commissioner Prince Dhawan said. All labourers hail from Biswanath Chariali in Assam's Biswanath district. State police personnel, along with a State Disaster Response Force team at Chumpu and the C Company of the Itanagar-based National Disaster Response Force, undertook a rescue operation since 7.30am and were able to retrieve the bodies in the evening, the deputy commissioner said.

## CM hands over loan amount differently-abled girl



**DIPR**  
**Imphal, June 25,**

In another kind gesture, Chief Minister N. Biren Singh handed over a loan amount of Rs. 50,000 under Manipur State Co-operative Bank (MSCB) Ltd. to a 21-year-old differently-abled girl belonging to interior Toitung village of Chandel district at Chief Minister's Secretariat today. The girl namely, Hoineithem

Haokip has expertise in making handmade flowers and bamboo stools. She was introduced to the Chief Minister by the officers of 19 Assam Rifles during an interaction of Village Authority leaders of Khenjoi Sub-Division and the Chief Minister on June 7, 2018 at Chief Minister's Secretariat, Imphal. Despite both limbs are paralysed since childhood due to Polio infection, Km.

Hoineithem is said to have been running a small scale arts and crafts enterprise at her village, located around 165 km from Imphal. Shri N. Biren Singh directed the officials of MSCBL to arrange a soft loan for the girl on that day. MSCBL Managing Director A. Subhash Singh, officers of 19 Assam Rifles and Km. Hoineithem's guardians were also present when the Chief Minister handed over the loan amount to the girl today.

## CADA organises drug awareness campaign on occasion of the Intl. Day Against Drug abuse and Illicit Trafficking

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**Imphal, June 25,**

Coalition Against Drugs and Alcohol (CADA) has kick start street corner meeting and poster campaign since June 24 as a part of the International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking which is scheduled on June 26. Street corner meeting and poster campaign were organised at various places of Kamjong District, Imphal West District,

Kakching District and Bishnupur District, a statement said. The statement thank the law enforcing agency for giving support to the campaign launched by the CADA. CADA said the government should make a strong commitment to fight against all sort of drug abuse and should take up measure to make sure that the area no more become a drug trafficking route.

## MLA Lokeshwar provides assistance to Ajit and his family



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Former speaker of the Manipur Legislative Assembly and the present MLA of Khundrakpam Assembly constituency have provided all sort of assistance

to the family of Ajit, who has been left disabled after meeting an accident. Ajit hailed from Isingthabi and until a local TV reported the condition of his family no one knows the miseries of the Family. His only sister who used to work outside the state

had to return back to help in household work to help her parents. Both the mother and father live on hand to mouth and they didn't even have a proper house and almost all their money had been spent while treating Ajit. MLA Lokeshwar after hearing the report rushed and assured all possible assistance from his side and in three days he had constructed the house of the family. Speaking to the family member, MLA Lokeshwar said that he was elected by the people to help and serve the people. The sorrow of the family was never heard and if in case he had been reported he would have not let the family suffer for such a long time. The story of the family was broadcasted by ISTV News Programme by the sub Editor

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## MANIPUR AS SEEN BY MEITEIS, NAGAS, AND ZO PEOPLES

Further, the state government of Manipur wanted to upgrade Moreh, the town located along the India-Myanmar border, into a municipality in order to accelerate infrastructure development there. The town has been a major trading center between India and Myanmar. The proposal was seen by the Zo peoples as a "meticulous game plan" to suppress their rights. They wanted the town to be governed by district council, not by the state government of Manipur. Interestingly, the Meiteis overwhelmingly wanted Moreh to become a municipality. Nonetheless, the Nagalim and the Kukiland or Autonomous Hills state are opposed to each other because of their overlapping territorial claims. If the proposed Nagalim is unacceptable to the Zo people, the proposed Zoland is also unacceptable to the Nagas. Both sides accused each other of claiming more territories as integral parts of their ancestral homeland. Both sides claimed to

be the first settlers in the disputed territories. The claims and counter-claims have reenergized the conflict since not much is available about the history of Nagas or Kukis. To my mind, they are resorting to what Anthony Cohen (2000: 153) calls inventing history for themselves. The Nagas claimed that the Zo peoples were recent immigrants who came from Myanmar, an allegation refuted by the Zo peoples. A Naga scholar states "Kuki community is found scattered in all hill districts of Manipur, but a larger population is concentrated Churachandpur. District like Senapati, Chandel, Ukhrul and Tamenglong belong to the Nagas" (Shimray 2001: 3675). Th. Muivah, the NSCN-IM leader, also claims "We Nagas are not living in anybody's territory; we are in our own territories. It is a fact, so the question of claiming

[any territory] does not arise." By contrast, a Kuki scholar states "Even though written records of the history of the Kukis started primarily with the advent of the British, Cheitharol Kumbaba, the court chronicle of the kings of Manipur, and the Pooyas, the traditional records of the Meitei people, include some accounts of Zo people which date back to 33 AD. This means that the Zo people has been living in Manipur and other north-eastern states since prehistoric times" (Haokip 2013: 254). However, Lucy Zehol, an anthropologist at North Eastern Hill University, Shillong states, the Nagas and Zos are recent arrivals, nearly two hundred years ago compared to Meiteis, who are the old inhabitant (Zehol 1998: 40). Ethnic violence between them occurred in the 1990s. It was a major violent conflict based on ethnic lines which have greatly changed the social equations of Manipur. It has

resulted in the loss of hundreds of lives and damage to private and public properties. Several thousands have been either temporarily or permanently displaced. It started over establishing and perpetuating control over Moreh town (see, Oinam 2003). In the aftermath of this incident new insurgent groups were formed to safeguard the interest of the Zo people. Both Meiteis and Thadou-Kukis accuse the central government of giving undue favor to the Nagas. They said that the government did not take action against the Naga insurgents despite knowing that they indulged in illegal acts. The Kukis allege that their interests are not been heard. Take, for example, despite the Zo people insurgent groups and the government decided to temporarily suspend military operations against each other since 2008, the political talks had not taken place.

## AR conducts medical camp and motivational lecture



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Tengnoupal Battalion of 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) conducted a Medical Camp at Shaibol, Tengnoupal District on 24 Jun 2018. A total of 100 villagers including 35 males, 40 females and 25 children of Shaibol and nearby villages were provided with the necessary treatment by para medical staff. During the camp there was a

healthy interaction between the villagers and the Assam Rifles troops and the villagers thanked them for carrying out such a service. On the same day, a 'Motivational Lecture to Join Assam Rifles/Army/CAPFs' was organized by Company Operating Base Kwatha for the youth. A total of 25 villagers including 08 students and 17 guardians attended the lecture. They were given information about the process of getting enrolled

in Defence Forces and Para Military Forces. They were briefed about the documents which are required to be provided at the time of enrolment, details regarding medical examination and physical requirements. They were also guided with the benefits of pay and allowances which the defence personnel are getting as per 7th CPC. The villagers showed keen interest in the lecture and cleared their queries during the lecture.