

Arrest of Erendro sparks protest; Locals of Thangmeiband stage sit-in-protest, RSF demands unconditional release

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Locals and Meira Paibi of Thangmeiband Khomdram Selungba Leikai and Hijam Dewan Leikai today stage sit-in-protest at Thangmeiband demanding immediate release of People's Resurgence and Justice Alliance Convenor Erendro Leichombam without any condition.

Speaking to media persons, one of the protestor meira paibi said that arrest of Erendro Leichombam by Manipur police is an act of dictatorship governance by the ruling party.

Erendro Leichombam has not committed or involve in any crime so far.

What he had posted in social media was practicing his right to speech to take the attention of the concerns to book the

culprits who have openly threats the indigenous people on a video that have emerged in social media and reward befitting punishment by the law of the land, she added.

The protestor meira paibi also said that the protestors strongly condemn the arrest of Erendro Leichombam on the ground of his post in the social media and appeals the concern to release him immediately without any condition.

The protestors along with various clubs and civil society will come up with different form of agitation if the concern fails to release Erendro Leichombam at the earliest, she added.

The protestors hold pla cards demanding immediate arrest

of Erendro Leichombam.

Mention may be that Erendro Leichombam was arrested from his Thangmeiband office by a joint team of officials from the cyber crime unit and Imphal Police Station on Saturday noon for refusing to take down a video which contains inflammatory speeches from his Facebook profile despite the warning instead question the police over failing to arrest those who had created the video.

He was booked under sections of IPC and IT Act for allegedly promoting enmity between different groups and criminal intimidation.

Another six persons was also detained for allegedly circulating the video after it triggered panic among public

and warned internet users from circulating the video.

On the other hand, Reformist Students' Front (RSF) in a press release demands immediate release of the arrested six persons and convenor of PRJA Erendro Leichombam without any condition.

Thoiba Khumancha, General Secretary RSF in the press release expressed disappointment over the arrest of innocent six persons and the convenor of PRJA instead of arresting those main culprits who have openly threats and challenged the indigenous people of Manipur through a video which circulated in social media.

RSF appeals the people of Manipur not to shelter or lease

any non-locals or non-Manipuris at their residence or plots just for some amount of money and also appeals those Ninglols who have marital life with the non-indigenous people to maintain their own indigenous identity.

Doing this will safeguard the culture of the indigenous people of Manipur, Thoiba Khumancha maintain in the press release.

Thoiba Khumancha in the press release also maintain that until and unless a proper bill or Act is pass to safeguard the indigenous people of Manipur, various form of protest and agitation will resume from May 28, 2018 and also appeals the people of Manipur to join hands in demanding the bill to pass the ILPS in the state.

Manipuri boy secures 2nd position in class XII in Uttarkhand

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Panthoiba Akoijam once more prove the country that Manipuris are not only excellent in the field of sports and Arts and Culture but are also excellent in the field of education.

Panthoiba Akoijam, who hail from Thoubal Mela Ground and studied his higher secondary at Parvati Prema J.S Vihar Veerbat School located at Nainital, Uttarkhand secure the overall second position for Uttarkhand state in class XII examination conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).

Panthoiba Akoijam from is



the son of AK Panes, a farmer and AK ongbi Subadani, a housewife. Panthoiba secured 97 in English, 95 in Physics, 95 in Chemistry, 98 in Maths and 99 in Physical Education. Panthoiba who wants to become an IAS officer in the future, has given the credit for his success to his parents, and the principal and teachers of the school.

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What is Nipah virus?

Nipah virus (NiV) infection is a newly emerging zoonosis that causes severe disease in both humans and animals. Zoonosis means a disease that can be transmitted to humans from animals.

The natural host of the virus is fruit bats of the Pteropodidae Family, Pteropus genus (fruit-eating species), according to WHO.

How does it spread?

Transmission of Nipah virus takes place through direct contact with infected bats, pigs, or from other NiV-infected people.

What are the symptoms of Nipah virus infection?

According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, infection with Nipah virus is associated with encephalitis (inflammation of the brain). An infected person shows symptoms of fever and headache within three-14 days of exposure and an incubation period of five to 14 days. The clinical signs are fever, headache, dizziness and vomiting, followed by drowsiness, disorientation and mental confusion. More than 50 per cent of the patients faced a reduced level of consciousness and prominent brain-stem dysfunction. Some patients have a respiratory illness during the early part of their infections, and half of the patients showing severe neurological signs showed also pulmonary signs.

Arunachal Mountaineers unfurled Manipur's Salai Taret flag at Mount Everest showing respect to their mentor Dr. K Romeo

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Two Mountaineers from Arunachal Pradesh who scale Mt. Everest (29028) feet, the highest mountain peak in the World without the spoon feed from their Sherpas unfurled the 'Salai Taret' Flag of Manipur as a mark of Respect to their mentor Dr. K. Romeo, who happen to be from Manipur. Besides the 'Salai Taret' flag, the two Mountaineers also unfurled the Indian Tri-colour flag. Logos of their state and the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

Kishon Tekseng from Yingkiang Upper Siang District and Taka Tamut from Jomlo Mongku, Siang District summit the Mt Everest on May 24 at 9 am after gruelling 13 hours nonstop climbed from the last camp IV, south Col the DEATH ZONE without any support staffs i.e. sherpas as unfortunately one of their Sherpa got head injury during the climb at Camp -III due to shooting rocks and gone to unconscious and finally rescued by rescue helicopter, now he had done head surgery at Katmandu in a critical condition.



Both the mountaineers were tap and trained by the Directorate of Youth Affairs, under the guidance of Dr. K. Romeo Meetei, (ace mountaineers) In charge adventure Cell, they were trained for the last 4 years in different National institutes and locations. Before the Mt. Everest expedition both Taka Tamut & Kishon Tekseng scaled Mt. Stok Kangri, at Ladhak Himalayas as pre Everest Expedition under the leadership of Dr. Meetei. This year 2018, the Department of

Youth Affairs, sponsored three mountaineers from the state including Mrs Muri Linggi for Mt Everest expedition and comes out 100 % success.

As the other sustain injury, the two climber managed with one Sherpa in reaching up to camp IV, the last camp.

"Luck was not favoured the team again, another Sherpa got high altitude sickness (HAS) and unable to proceed with them for the final summit assault. The 99.9 mountaineers took the support of Sherpas to climbed Mt. Everest summit

but the two mountaineers were helpless and decided themselves to go at their own to the summit at any cost. The decision was very risky and challenging one but it comes out fruitful to the poor mountaineers and they created history". Ramesh Linggi, Joint Director of YAS, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh said in a statement. The another exemplary record of team was Kishon Tekseng was not using supplementary oxygen till Camp IV (26000)ft. Ramesh added.

SSUM, POFM appeal to deliver justice to rape victims

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A rapist, involved in Thanga gang rape case, who had been kept protected by influential politician, had surrendered to police as they can't concealed their crime under the pressure of the Socialist Students' Union, Manipur (SSUM) and Proletarian Feminist Movement (POFM) with the people of the state.

This is a one step success of SSUM and POFM, said Tonaranjan, convenor of the SSUM while talking to media persons today afternoon. He further said that both the organization will continue to fight all form of crime against women and minor girl until justice is delivered to the

victim. He added that SSUM and POFM will continue to fight until Rape victims of both Thanga and Thangmeiband were delivered justice.

On the other hand Tonaranjan condemn attempt to arrest those protesting for arrest of the rapists, he appealed the state government to take the matter seriously as it has the tendency to spark series of intensified agitation.

On the other hand, the member of SSUM and POFM had visited the family member of minor rape victim of Thoubal Leishangthem.

He said the two organization will extend all possible help to get justice of the victim family by punishing the rapist Thochom Sanjoy of Thoubal Khékman.

Tension high at Heingang over police threats to club members

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Large number of people today throng to the police station of Heingang and protested against threat by a police personnel to the club members of the area who had stopped an individual from

constructing a structure at paddy field today afternoon. The club members had resisted the individual from constructing structures at the paddy field as there has been already a legislation which prevent construction of structures at agricultural land.

Central Government's move to alter UPSC cadre allocation system is a threat to the inclusive and democratic values: Popular Front of India

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Popular Front of India Chairman E Abubacker in a statement has condemned the central government's proposal to change the present UPSC cadre allocation system and make it on the basis of performance in the Foundation Course. A statement of the Popular Front of India, Manipur state said that the Department of

Personnel and Training (DoPT) has sent a communication to concerned departments to examine the feasibility of cadre allocation based on the performance in the Foundation Course, instead of the existing process of allocating cadre immediately after clearing the UPSC civil service examination.

Candidates who successfully cleared the three stages of UPSC civil services exam - Preliminary, main and interview

- have to go through a 15-week long Foundation Course at the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) in Mussoorie. Currently, services like IAS, IPS, IFS and other central services are allotted by the UPSC, based on the marks secured in the written test and interview, before the Foundation Course. The existing system has proved transparent and credible since its formation.

Under the Modi government, when many of the institutions have lost its credibility, the UPSC is the one among the few, the integrity and impartiality of which has never been doubted. If the selections to the services are to be done after the foundation course, then the UPSC examination would be reduced to just a qualifying examination.

Article 320 of the constitution clearly entrusts the UPSC with

the duty to conduct examinations to the services of the union. Allotment of cadre is a logical extension of the conduct of examinations. Any move to dilute the role of such prestigious institution should be resisted.

The proposed change will encourage corruption, malpractices, favoritism and give chances to politicians and bureaucrats to influence selection. It will, in turn, bring down the quality of the public

administration over time. It is very essential for the public administration to remain non-political for India to be truly democratic. Also, it will pave way for discrimination on the basis of caste, community, religion and region, which is a threat to inclusiveness and will favour majoritarianism. E Abubacker called upon all those believes in democracy to raise their voice against this undemocratic move by the government.