

'No evil force able to sever the ties between Bangladesh & India'



By: Siam Sarower Jamil, Dhaka, May 29,

Journalists' leaders at a discussion here in Dhaka on Monday laid emphasis on media's playing a positive role alongside the political leadership in improving Bangladesh-India relations. They also urged the media to remain cautious about publishing negative news that

might harm friendly relations between the two countries. The leaders hoped that the two countries will soon reach a solution over Teesta water sharing deal through discussion. Indian Media Correspondents Association, Bangladesh (IMCAB) arranged the discussion titled 'Bangladesh-India Relations: Role of Media' at Jatiya Press Club (JPC) with

its President Bashudev Dhar in the chair. Prime Minister's Media Advisor and Daily Observer Editor Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury attended the meeting as the chief guest. Bangladesh Federal Union of Journalists (BFUJ) President and Ekushey TV Chief Editor Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul, acting president of National Press Club and

acting editor of Daily Jugantor Saiful Alam, general secretary Farida Yasmin attended it as special guests. Chief Adviser of IMCAB and The Hindu Bangladesh representative Haroon Habib presented a concept paper while IMCAB general secretary Dip Azad delivered welcome address. Iqbal Sobhan Chowdhury said no evil force will be able to sever the ties between Bangladesh and India that was established through blood. He said the two countries need to enhance mutual cooperation for their own interest and the role of media to that end is very important. Monjurul Ahsan Bulbul said the Indian political leadership has to support the main force behind Bangladesh's Liberation War. He also added that it is needed for their (India's) stability too. Farida Yasmin said the relations between Bangladesh and India would be strengthened if pro-liberation forces remain in power in Bangladesh.

AR conducts Nipah virus awareness drive

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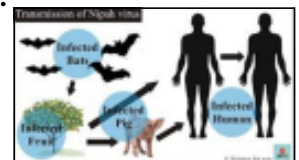
To support the government initiative to contain the fast spreading threat of Nipah virus as also to promote good health and well being among the local populace, a health awareness program was organised by 26 Assam Rifles of 9 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) yesterday. The program was organised at Kiyam Wangmataba Youth Welfare Club, Tangjeng in Thoubal District, Manipur with an aim to make the locals aware of Nipah Virus, including its symptoms, incubation period, diagnosis and prevention. The villagers were also educated about the adherence to common practices to maintain good



health. About 100 villagers and 30 personnel of Assam Rifles were present during the event. The village authorities expressed their gratitude towards the efforts made by the Assam Rifles to organise the awareness capsule.

What is Nipah Virus? How does it spread to Human?

As per the World Health Organisation (WHO), **Nipah Virus** is a newly emerging zoonosis that causes a severe disease in both animals and humans. This virus was first identified in Malaysia and Singapore in 1998. At that time, it was primarily caused in pigs and through them got transferred to humans. Nipah Virus infected as many as 265 people then, out of which 40 per cent were taken under intensive care due to the infection having spread severely. As quoted by the WHO, the natural host of the virus are fruit bats of the Pteropodidae Family, Pteropus genus. The virus can be transferred through infected bats, pigs or humans who have been infected. In 2004, humans who consumed the date palm sap infected by fruit bats, caught the virus as well. Humans who were infected by other humans were reported in Bangladesh and India.



illness during the early stages is also a must. The symptoms may take from four to 14 days to appear after a person gets infected. The early symptoms are not very clear and can easily be confused with that of viral fever and common cold. The virus can kill between 40 per cent to 100 per cent of those infected by it. And you will be surprised to know more than 60 per cent of this infection in humans comes from animals.

Prevention and cure

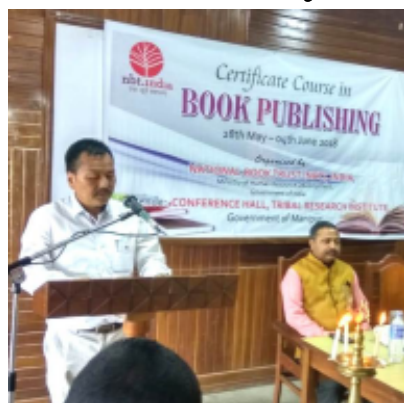
As of now, there is no particular vaccine available purely for the treatment of Nipah Virus. The only way to treat this virus is through intensive supportive care. Since drinking raw date palm sap bitten by a bat can also cause NiV, it is safe to say that you should stay from consuming date palm for some time. Hospitals also need to raise awareness about symptoms and transmission to avoid human-to-human infections in such settings. Detection is another issue with NiV and anyone who feels the symptoms should get tested thoroughly from a recognized facility. Avoiding direct contact with infected pigs, bats and humans in endemic regions should be practiced. Health professionals attending to such patients should take precautionary measures, such as wearing masks and gloves. If you feel uneasiness when in and around an infected region, get yourself tested immediately!

Signs and symptoms
Experts say that Nipah Virus is an airborne transmission infection and can affect those who come in direct contact with contaminated bodies. Nipah Virus is usually associated with inflammation of the brain due to which severe days of fever can often lead to a state of confusion, disorientation and even persistent drowsiness. If not taken care of, these symptoms can even cause a coma in a span of 24-48 hours. There are many patients who show neurological, respiratory and pulmonary signs as well. Therefore, do not ignore any such signs. Some common signs and symptoms of NiV are headache, fever, nausea, dizziness, drowsiness and mental issues such as confusion. These symptoms can last up to 7-10 days. Watching out for respiratory

7 Days Certificate Course in Book Publishing commences True development has to come from within: N. Kayisii

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Minister N. Kayisii said that no amount of false gift or endowment can truly bring about development. "A person or society can realize true development when it comes from within", he said. He was expressing this while inaugurating a 7 Day certificate course in Book Publishing at Tribal Research Institute, Chingmeirong today, organized by National Book Trust-India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. Speaking at the inaugural function as the Chief Guest, Tribal Affairs & Hills and Fisheries Minister lauded the National Book Trust, Ministry of HRD, Government of India for such initiative. He said that books play an important role in the continuous search for realizing human potential even



in the present era. He applauded the penchant and contributions of scholars and writers of diverse genres. Kayisii also opined that the participation of local

communities can greatly help to understand and resolve any issue better, rather than an outsider performing the task. He urged the local community; particularly the tribal and

other backward communities to imbibe this value and shed the backwardness mentality tag. Referring to the on-going impasse at the IGNTU, Kayisii expressed hope and aspirations for a lasting remedy at the earliest. He opined that agitations may not bring about amicable solutions thereby appealed to both the parties to come together and resolve issues amicably in the larger interest of the student community. he inaugural function was also attended by Narender Kumar, Training Officer, National Book Trust, India and Prof. Ramjeevan Singh Thakur, Director Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Regional Campus, Manipur as the Functional President and Guest of Honour respectively. The certificate course which begins today will conclude on 4th June, 2018.

Health Minister launched intensified diarrhoea control fortnight 2018

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Health & Family Welfare Minister L. Jayantakumar Singh launched the Intensified Diarrhoea Control Fortnight, 2018 at the Conference Hall of Jawahar Lal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences (JNIMS), Porompat, Imphal East yesterday. Speaking at the occasion as the Chief Guest, Minister Jayantakumar said that collective effort is quite necessary to control diarrhoea. He said that mass awareness is also required for successful implementation of the intensified diarrhoea control fortnight. Diarrhoea is a disease which everyone has heard about from the past many years but fighting this deadly disease needs proper attention and effective measures. He said that departments like PHED, Health, Social Welfare and Education need to join hands

together so that mass awareness about control of the disease can be given to the public to enable curbing the disease. For a healthy society, we need the children to stay healthy. For a healthy child, a healthy mother is a must, he added. Minister asserted that educated people can easily understand about the pros and cons of the disease and its solution but it is very hard for those who are illiterate especially the people residing at remote places of the state. So, it is required for the various departments to make a joint effort to give awareness to the people at the remote places about the disease, its cause and cure. Minister also appealed the public that it is necessary for the people to know the traditional method of oral rehydration like the salt-sugar solution for immediate supplementation in absence



of ORS and Zinc solution. The minister also opined to make avail the Zinc and Oral Rehydration Solution in the schools. He also instructed the concern HoDs to join in the campaign by instructing their subordinate staffs to make the campaign a grand success. Demonstration for proper hand washing to be followed before any meal was also exhibited by the doctors as a part of the campaign. Selected

children were also given ORS and Zinc supplements by the Chief Guest and the dignitaries on the dais. Speaking as the functional president, Director, National Health Mission, Smt. N. Bandana Devi, IAS said that the objective of organising the fortnight is to reduce the death rate resulting from diarrhoea to zero. She also informed that mothers need to take a major role in teaching their children on how to lead

hygienic life. Th. Kirankumar Singh, IAS, Director Edn.(S), Dr. K. Rajo Singh, Director, Health Services, Dr. Th. Bhimo Singh, Director, JNIMS and Dr. H Ranjit Singh, Addl. Director, Health Services Manipur also attended the function as the Guests of Honour. Officials and staffs from Health, PHED, Education, National Health Mission, doctors and nurses were also present at the inaugural function.

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