

## Assam CM inaugurates proceeding of handing over land pattas to landless families

**AIR  
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Assam Chief Minister Sarbanand Sonowal today inaugurated the proceeding of handing over land pattas and allotment letters to

nearly 11,500 landless families at a function held in Sonitpur district. The distributing land pattas to landless people is part of Assam government's commitment to ensure land rights to the indigenous

people of the state. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister said, the State Government will give land pattas to all landless families of the state in phased manner.

He said, it is a matter of pain that large numbers of people of Assam living in the state for decades don't have ownership over their land. The land patta distribution programmes were held in 23 districts today.

## Tripura Cop suspended after 2 drug smugglers escape

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In a case of negligence, a police sub-inspector (SI) was suspended for negligence of duty on Saturday. The sub-inspector was posted at Tripura-Assam border check-post at Churabari in North Tripura district. A police official said that the team led by SI Sukramani Debbarma had stopped

a Guwahati-bound vehicle at Churabari on NH-8 but the driver and assistant managed to escape.

Police team seized around 500 kg cannabis, worth Rs 25 lakh from the vehicle which was registered in West Bengal. Debbarma said he brought the driver and assistant of the vehicle to the police station and interrogated them. He said, "I was called to another room for discussions

regarding another case. I forgot to inform the detention of the two persons to sentry and duty officer. Taking the advantage, both of them walked away from the police station leaving the vehicle." He added that when he came back after sometime he found them absconding and informed others.

"The incident narrated by Debbarma is a gross negligence on his part. The

angle has come whether he has paved the way for the departure of the accused persons because the story is a little unusual for policemen," said a senior police officer.

"Debbarma has been suspended for negligence of duty, but there is no proof of his involvement in the smuggling racket," SP (North) Bhanupada Chakraborty said.

## Meghalaya AMMSU refutes allegations by PDS dealers; claims corruption in goods distribution

**From Our Correspondent |  
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The All Meghalaya Minority Students' Union (AMMSU) on Sunday clarified on its position after being questioned by Fair Price Shop (FPS) dealers on a motive for their intervention in the matter.

AMMSU had made allegations of massive corruption in distribution of PDS commodities meant for the poor in the plain belt of West Garo Hills (WGH) claiming that it had never been distributed despite the same being retrieved by the dealers themselves. The allegations had been made against dealers of Shidakandi, Bowabari, Kandargaon, Morasuti, Phershakandi, New Bhaibari and Garodubi villages.

"The villagers had run from pillar to post (dealers and supply authorities) to get what is their rightful due but were not paid any heed to. It was they who brought the complaint to us after being fed up of being hassled. They requested us to try and get legal justice for them after which we moved authorities on the matter," said president Nur Islam.

The decision to take up the issue was taken in a meeting between the AMMSU and villagers on October 28 at New Bhaibari, something which the dealers have portrayed as fake.

"No dealers attended the meeting to set an amicable solution forcing us to go to authorities. We met the SDO (Civil) Dadenggre on Oct 31 on malpractices being carried out and a public hearing was fixed on Oct 6 by the SDO himself," he added.

"Their view that the allegations were fabricated as we wanted revenge and appointment as FPS dealers is totally baseless. Their guilt will be proved in front of all on Nov 6. We have never demanded for cancellation of licenses or to give it in our names. We demand justification," added AMMSU. The dealers had earlier also pointed to the meeting between AMMSU leaders and the beneficiaries as fake – an allegation that the AMMSU has vehemently

refuted. On the allegation that the toll free number (1967) should have been used, the NGO stated that it had called the number and they were instead asked to go to authorities.

"We also know that a Price Vigilance Committee is there in every FPS centre which is mainly made of the Nokma/Gaobura but they too are not made aware of when PDS distribution occurs," added AMMSU. The NGO further refuted claims that the delay in supply

from the wholesalers had been a major issue. The dealers had claimed that despite the delay they had distributed PDS items (rice and sugar) as and when they got it.

"It is a completely false statement made for their safety and gain. We know allotment is delayed but stock is all correct. Then why should we not get the balance food grains accordingly? Why can we not question their non supply of government goods due to beneficiaries," they asked.

## BSF constructed cycle shed in memory of Martyr



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Cycle shed constructed for students of Model High School, Kakching was handed over to the school in the presence of the students, teachers and the managing Committee by 54 Battalion BSF under the aegis of Sector headquarter Koirengri BSF. The cycle shed was constructed under Civic Action Programme in memory

of (Late) Constable Koichung Athang Aimol and inaugurated by Smt. Ringnu Aimol wife of Martyr (L) Koichung Athang Aimol. Koichung Athang Aimol joined BSF in 2002 and served in J&K, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh in ANO. On 26<sup>th</sup> June 2011 while on ROP duty at Koilbeda (Kanker Dist) Chhattisgarh the ops party was ambushed by about 150 naxals. In the encounter (L) Ct Koichung Athang Aimol

succumbed to his injuries and the supreme sacrifice has been recognised by the Govt. of India by awarding him Police Medal for Gallantry (Posthumous). Shri. M.K.T Simte 21C/ Officiating Commandant, 54 Battalion BSF under whose supervision the programme was held stated that the supreme sacrifice of Martyr Koichung Athang Aimol in the line of duty shall be always remembered by the nation.

## Act of Satan blessed a childless mother



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Rise of immoral activities, ruffle with the so call humanity, perhaps is considered a domination by Satan or evil spirit. But sometime the act of the Satan or Evil spirit help some specific human being who believe in destiny rather than violating the law of humanism.

A childless mother who has been praying for a child today found a just born girl infant wrapped in a plastic polythene. Usham Ongbi Lalita along with her morning walk team Moirangthem ongbi Thoi (w/o M. Santikumar) found the infant lying on

the roadside about 200 meters away from Tentha Police Outpost towards Tentha, Sangaiyupham and Khangabok Village in Thoubal district. It just born infant was a girl. If it was thrown by the parent just because the child was a girl than Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Beti Bachao beti padao is still yet to reach the mind of many people. And if the girl child is thrown due to illegitimate relations then, Manipur is still way to go in moral policing notwithstanding with the fact that thousands of money spent for spreading awareness are useless.

Both the lady without wasting time took the just

born bay at Thoubal district hospital and is presently undergoing treatment at Neonatal Ward. The matter has been reported to Thoubal Police and Child Welfare Committee. Usham Ongbi Lalita who have been longing for a child request the doctor, people and the police to allow her groom the girl child.

What does the law say on whether she can adopt or not is not a matter of concern but Lalita's love for infant and the co-incidence showed that the act of Satan turn as blessing. Lalita at least become a mother for a day taking care of the child whole day.

## Nagaland SC verdicts on homosexuality, adultery detestable: Church body

**Kohima, Nov 5,**

The apex church body in Nagaland has taken strong exception to the recent Supreme Court judgments decriminalising homosexuality between consenting adults as well as adultery, terming them "detestable" and "unacceptable" to Christians.

The Nagaland Baptist Church Council (NBCC) deliberated on the court rulings threadbare in its executive meeting held on October 30-31, it said in a

statement on Saturday. "Legalising of such acts (homosexuality and adultery) is extremely detestable and unacceptable to the Christians under any circumstances," the statement by NBCC said. "This interpretation that granting of liberty, empowering adulterers and unnatural relationship with the encouragement and support of law is terribly wrong for our society," the NBCC added. The NBCC warned Christians not to be swayed away by such laws as

reinterpreting the Bible, and the biblical morality and ethics.

The church body said "marriage is between a man and a woman only" and that it shall "never permit gay sex". "Though we are governed by the law of the land so as to be good citizens, however, when the laws are intentionally introduced and amended to liberalise or compromise morality and ethics of its citizens, we, the church must firmly stand guard against such move at all costs and always," it added.

## Mizoram Assembly speaker resigns, says he will join BJP

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Mizoram Speaker Hiphel said on Monday that he had resigned from his post, the House as well as the Congress and would join the BJP later in the day, just a little over three weeks ahead of the assembly elections. The seven-time Congress legislator said he submitted his resignation letter to Deputy Speaker R. Lalrinawma who accepted it. From there, he went to Congress Bhavan to resign from primary membership of the party.

He is the fifth Congress MLA to resign from the 40-member House since September.

Mizoram, the only state in the north-east under Congress rule, will go to the polls on November 28. In Guwahati, convenor of the North East Democratic Alliance (NEDA) and BJP leader Himanta Biswa Sarma said Hiphel, 81, will join the saffron party in his presence in the Mizoram capital Aizawl. "He is a very senior leader. His joining the saffron party will greatly strengthen the organisation," Sarma, who is also Assam finance minister, said.

The senior BJP leader, however, did not comment on whether the party will field Hiphel from any constituency in the forthcoming Assembly polls in the hill state.

The Congress had earlier named Hiphel as its candidate for the Palak constituency, but replaced him with party general secretary K T Rokhaw last week following reports that he might move to the BJP. Hiphel was elected to the Mizoram Assembly from Palak constituency in 2013. He won the state elections six times between 1972 and 1989 from Tuipang.