

Detained MU teachers brought for medical check up with hand-cuff; MU Community condemn in the strongest term

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The hopes about restoration of normalcy in the Manipur University after the intervention of the Manipur High Court is likely to be sabotaged again as the law enforcers seems to have no respect for the law in how to treat professor when brought for medical check up. The 6 MU teachers and some students were arrested based on false report by self proclaimed PRO VC prof. Yugindro on the midnight of September 20. This was stated by the first citizen of the state -her Excellency the Governor of Manipur. When questions about how could police detained any individual on false report by another individual were asked from various corner, the 6 prof. and the students were still detained in judicial custody. No action has been so far proceeded against Prof. VC for misleading the police force as well as for defaming the professors and the students

of the state, yet the police continue to treat them as criminal.

A joint meeting of the MUSU, MUTA and MUSA held today morning to expressed extreme shock and anguish on the way that the police are treating to the 6 professors while bringing them to the hospital for health check up.

"While the veracity of the grounds of the FIR are under active social criticism in addition to the Admission of prof. Y Yugindro Singh himself of his complaints as false charges, the member

expressed criticism of humanity with which the University faculty were being taken to hospital for medical treatment with their hands locked with hand-cuff", the MU community said in a statement.

The meeting held today meeting condemn in the strongest terms the inhuman and insulting treatment of members of the University Community currently lodged in jail on false charges and even taking them to hospital with their hands cuffed as if they are hard core criminals

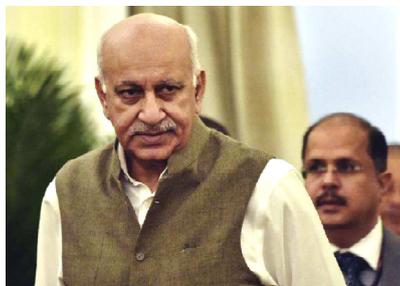
MJ Akbar back in India, to issue statement on sexual harassment allegations

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Union minister MJ Akbar arrived in Delhi Sunday morning amid calls for his resignation over allegations of sexual misconduct by several women over the last few days but refrained from speaking on the claims.

"There will be a statement later on," Akbar told reporters as he came out of Delhi airport, news agency reported.

The opposition Congress has demanded his resignation after he was accused of sexual harassment by many women journalists who had worked with him when he was an editor.



Bharatiya Janata Party President Amit Shah said that he was not in a position to comment on Akbar as the claims against the Union minister needed to be "looked

into". "It's difficult to comment on something that comes on a website. One can put anything on a website. So, this needs to be checked. If

that is true or false, whether such an incident happened or not," Shah said in an interview to ETV on Friday.

Several union ministers have expressed solidarity with victims of sexual harassment, without mentioning Akbar, but minister for women and child development Maneka Gandhi has asked for an investigation against him.

The minister of state for external affairs was in Nigeria when his name came up in a #MeToo thread on social media earlier this week.

Government sources say a final call will be taken by the Narendra Modi government on whether to retain him as minister or concede to the demand for his removal.

Locals unhappy on government negligence to the Khongjom-Tekcham IVR Road

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As no government authority including those elected by the people thinking that something worthy would be done, have left the Khongjom to Tekcham IVR Road, the condition of the road stressed angered the people as it is now neither motorable nor walkable. Students who ride cycle to attend classes have to return back many times as their cycle slipped to the muddy road many a time spoiling their uniform. Passenger service small vehicles like diesel auto and tata magic often landed in trouble as their vehicle slips on the mud many times, besides, passengers sometime have to take risked if anything happy while travelling in the passenger vehicle in the



bumpy road filled with potholes and mud. If the situation continues there is likely that the state government face another strong uncontrolled agitation in the area. Well the IVR road from Tekcham to Wanjing is located under Wangjing Tentha

Assembly Constituency. Compliant after complaints have been made through the concern MLAs or district administration but nothing have been taken up till now. The IVR road now could have been included in the Genius record if there is any to competition for having the

highest number of potholes. Two days rain, that too a drizzling type has now turned the road nor like a field and people are facing extreme hardship. The worst is faced by locals of Tekcham.

Taking to our reporter this morning, locals of Tekcham said that the IVR road which the government has left unnoticed for quite long is the only lifeline of the people. It is through this road that the people depend for visiting different villages including Khongjom Bazar, Kakching, Wabagai etc. Villagers of Tekcham also depend on this IVR road while going for work to Kharung and Ekop Lake. As the road condition is in the most delapidated condition even the fishermen from the village sometime have to face hardship as they cannot even ride cycle on the road.

Over 40 people watched as guard shot judge's wife and son in Gurugram, no one helped

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The shooting of the wife and son of an additional sessions judge by the judge's personal security officer, in one of the busiest markets in the city in broad daylight, has raised several questions on public apathy. Eyewitness accounts and videos shared on social media showed that passersby were mere spectators to the shooting incident, which left 38-year-old Ritu Garg and her 18-year-old son, Dhruv, lying in a pool of blood. While Ritu succumbed to her injuries late Saturday night, her son remained critically injured. As per the videos of the

incident, at least 40 people stood by as the head constable attempted to put the unconscious boy into the car. Raj Kumar, an auto driver, said, "I was standing across the road from the spot of the shooting. I was scared because the police officer was pacing back and forth holding a gun." One of the eyewitnesses said people were confused and assumed that the police officer had responded to a theft incident.

"I was waiting after parking my car on the other side when I noticed some commotion. I turned around and saw a policeman shooting at a woman who came from the inside. She was screaming. I thought the police officer, in uniform,

was chasing a snatcher," Nisha Singh, a resident of Malibu Town, Sector 47, said. "He (the accused) left the spot for a few minutes before returning to put the boy in the car but people were too shocked to react," added Singh.

Harish Singh, a service boy of a nearby fast food eatery, said he was smoking at the spot when he saw the policeman take out his revolver and shoot the boy and a woman. "People were scared to intervene because he looked angry and returned after appearing to flee. He had a gun and had fired multiple shots. No one wanted to take a chance on their own lives. The bystanders were waiting for him to leave before helping the victims," he said.

Sweta Sharma, who works at an MNC, said it seemed that the policeman was looking for another person to shoot at. "He stayed there for a few minutes and was staring at people. Everyone was maintaining a safe distance, scared that he might go rogue," said Sharma.

CEC OP Rawat says proactive steps have been taken to counter bogus voting

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Chief Election Commissioner of India, OP Rawat has said the Election Commission has taken proactive steps to counter bogus voting and purify the electoral roll.

As reported in All India Radio News, Rawat said, to stop misuse of social media during elections, the poll body will ensure that nothing adverse goes out on any of the social media platforms. During the last 48 hours before polling, it will be ensured that no campaign material is left out on any platform of social media.

Mr. Rawat said, all the voting machines are full proof and can not be tampered with in any way. He said, the upcoming elections in five states will have the Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail or VVPAT machines.

At least four killed in Landslides at Bangladesh

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At least four people were killed in two separate of landslides in Chittagong city of Bangladesh triggered by heavy rain influenced by cyclone Tili.

Chittagong Fire Service and Civil Defence deputy assistant director Jashim Uddin told **Imphal Times** three members of a family died after a landslide in the Akbar Shah area near Foy's Lake. Two makeshift houses at Akbar Shah area's Firoz Shah Colony were buried after rain loosened the soil and resulted in a landslide around 2:00am on Saturday. The victims were identified as Nurjahan, 45, her daughter Fazrunessa, 2, and mother Bibi Zohra, 65.

After the incident fire service began rescue operation with the help of locals. On Sunday morning they recovered three dead bodies.

Nurjahan's husband, Noor Mohammad said that they had felt the danger from the heavy rain and was in the process of moving their belongings from the home. He said that her mother mother-in-law Bibi Zohra came to Chittagong from her home in Lakshimpur to visit her daughter.

Earlier, around 1:00am, another person was killed in a landslide in Panchlaish's Rahman Nagar area.

The deceased was Nurunnabi Nantu, 45, of Gaibandha. He lived at the Hill View residential area of Rahman Nagar, at a rented house. A landslide uprooted a nearby tree, which fell atop the border wall of Nantu's home and caused it to collapse.

Soon after the incident locals rescued Nantu and sent him to Chittagong Medical College Hospital in critical condition.

CMCH outpost assistant inspector Shilabrata Barua



said that later, duty doctor declared him dead. Chittagong has been experience heavy rainfall under the influence of cyclone Tili from October 10.

Fearing landslide following the daylong rainfall caused by cyclone Tili, Chittagong district administration had asked families living at foot of the hills risking their lives

to relocate. Bangladesh meteorological department on Saturday also forecasted that heavy rainfall might trigger landslides in Chittagong division.