

Around 135 personnel of the BSF including women personnel attended the mini marathon organised by 182 Bn BSF Koirengei



Governor appreciates State government initiative to motivate skill development venture among the Manipuri Youths

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Governor of Manipur Dr. Nazma Heptulla has suggested to establish more intense workshop in Manipur to further motivate the educated young men and women of SC & ST in the field of skill development and entrepreneurship. Dr. Heptulla, was speaking at the Manipur State Conclave of National SC-ST Hub today at Raj Bhavan, today. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh and other council of Ministers were attended in the conclave. Manipur State Conclave of National SC & ST Hub is being organised under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India in collaboration with the Forum of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Legislators & Parliamentarians. "I am also indeed impressed to know that the Forum is organizing such Conclave in

various States of North Eastern States to promote entrepreneurship for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes communities", Dr. Heptulla said. She said that the North Eastern States of India have their unique requirements for skill-based training depending on the natural resources, industry and native trades. The region is industrially backward and all the States perhaps with the exception of Assam are

topographically disadvantaged to support big industries. The Governments of these States have embarked on skill development missions to meet the aspirations of SC and ST youth through training under Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and enhance employability and employment. Several training partners, academic institutions and vocational training centers are actively involved in a range of

programmes that enable livelihoods, increase productivity and income levels of SC and ST in these States particularly Manipur. "Unemployment is one of the biggest challenges our young population is facing, more true in respect of the economically backward SCs & STs", she said and added that the objective of such skill development should not only be to make the youth eligible for employment but also equip them with the

entrepreneurial competence so that they can open new avenues and become job givers instead of being preoccupied as job-seekers. The Governor also appreciated the Government of Manipur for creating various committees and sectors to create a stimulus in enabling the youth belonging to ST and SC to undergo skill education and training. "Skill Development today is one of the thrust areas of the Government. A major task of

the Government and the Forum is to establish a structured mechanism to provide a connect between education, skill development, training institutes and the employment opportunities in potential sectors at both Central and State levels. This is important and we must try to match the supply with demand while continuously creating further demand", Dr. Heptulla said.

The governor also recounted the talents of the Manipuri youths in the field of IT sector. "Thousands of young persons from the North East are working in these sectors and earning a good name for themselves and their organizations not only in the region but also in other parts

of the country. In Manipur, for example, hospitality comes naturally to the younger people and their IT skills are par excellence. In my view, organisations in the country should have special focus on the North East with the aim of training them in these sectors and giving them good employment and entrepreneurship ideas and in the process also help their assimilation in the national mainstream. In this connection, I am fully confident that the Forum of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Legislators & Parliamentarians will lend their unstinted support and mentor the SC and ST members of the region particularly Manipur to become successful entrepreneurs.", she added.

Forest Minister Shyamkumar reaches out to interior villages in Senapati district

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Forest and Environment Minister Thounaojam Shyamkumar on Friday visited the Tobumai village under Mao assembly constituency in Senapati district. He was given a rousing welcome by the villagers last night.

It may be mentioned that Forest and Environment Minister along with Shri Losii Dikho, Minister of PHED and Printing & Stationery visited the village after attending the Cabinet meeting and other functions at Kangpokpi district. Dikho is also the local MLA of the area.

Addressing the villagers of Tobumai at St Peter's Catholic Church Minister Shyamkumar highlighted the



importance of environmental conservation. He called upon the villagers to come forward and contribute in combating global warming by conserving and protecting the environment and wildlife. He stressed on the importance of environmental protection and stated that the

conservation is correlated to human survival. He said if the environment is destroyed in the hills than its adverse effect will be felt not only in the hills but also in the valley. Speaking on the schemes and projects provided by the State and Central Government, he urged the villagers to come

forward and seek the benefits provided by the various departments under him. He handed to the villagers a cheque of Rs 10 lakhs provided by the Environment Directorate for making a water body for water conservation in the area. He also assured that the Forest Department will provide saplings including Yongchak for plantation at the hills. The Minister concluded his speech by stating that public support is needed for success of any project/programme. Minister Shri Losii Dikho interacted with the villagers in local dialect and address their grievances. Later on, the villagers arranged reception for the visiting dignitaries.

Social service conducted

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A social service camp was conducted from 6 am at the Khuman Lampak sports complex in connection with the first NE Olympic Games which is scheduled to begin from October 24 to 28, 2018. President of the Manipur Olympic Association (MOA) Th. Radheshyam Singh who is also the education Minister and Sunil Elangbam, Secretary (MOA) led the social service camp.

SEACO warns of serious consequences if Kangla is polluted

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South East Asian Cultural organization (SEACO) while rejection construction of hall to perform Ras leela inside Kangla today warn that any attempt to pollute the culture of the Kangleipak will be strongly resisted. In a press statement, SEACO

stated that the unique culture and religion of the indigenous Meitei nation which has been existed since time immemorial have been confused after the coming of the Hindu religion. It said since 1709, August 23 during the reign of King Pamheiba a severe affect has been given to the traditional indigenous religion. Because of the adoption of the Hindu

religion the indigenous religion and culture are in the verse of extinction. Amidst this apprehension any attempt to tarnish the sanctity of Kangla will be strongly rejected, the SEACO statement said. It further added that no other performance which is not related to the indigenous Meitei religion will be allowed inside the secret Kangla.

Maize based cropping system for improving livelihood

From a Correspondent
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In a move to make public the potentialities of Rabi maize cropping system in Manipur and awareness of improved technologies for its popularization, a two day training programme on "Maize based cropping system for improving livelihood and nutritional security of small and marginal farmers" comes to an end at Indian council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)-Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Monsangpantha, Chandel district headquarters, 70 km south of Imphal in Manipur on Friday. The training programme was organized by ICAR for North

Eastern Hill Region, Manipur Centre and KVK, Chandel in collaboration with ICAR-Indian Institute of Maize Research, Ludhiana. Experts of the ICAR including its Joint Director Dr I Meghachandra Singh of ICAR Research Complex for NEH region, Scientist Dr MA Ansari of ICAR Manipur Centre and PI of NEH maize programme, Dr KI Levis Chongloi, Dr N Johnson Singh, Boumit and Ms Prabeena Devi made technical inputs and presentations apart from sharing their findings and observation on maize cultivation package and practices, significance of maize in feed for livestock and poultry, soil management for



high production, insect and disease management etc during the technical session of the training sessions. The critical inputs like maize seed (High Quality Protein Maize or HQPM-1) and

biofertilizers were also distributed along with other seeds for intercropping with maize like Garden pea (Arkel), Frenchbean, Rapeseed and mustard (M-27) to all the farmers during the sessions.

Farmers from Lambung, Lamphoupsana, Panchai, Riverline, Chandanpokpi, Ziontlang numbering around 110 participated in the training programme.

It may be recalled that the Deputy Commissioner Krishna Kumar of Chandel district, Joint Director Dr I Meghachandra of ICAR Research Complex for NEH region, Manipur centre, Imphal, Senior Scientist and head, KVK, Chandel Dr Deepak Singh and Scientist Dr MA Ansari inaugurated the training on October 18. During the occasion, the DC Krishna Kumar led dignitaries stressed upon the need to undertake concerted efforts to increase the cropping

intensity in the state by inclusion of suitable varieties under suitable farming systems.

They also highlighted the importance of maize as essential feed ingredient for poultry, piggy and fisheries in addition to the normal human consumption and as a sustainable crop in the upland hills of Manipur. It may be worth mentioning that Manipur imports feed from other states for livestock and fishery. They have also highlighted the importance of conservation of water resources and tapping the irrigation potential so that cropping system intensify with more than two crops in a year.

BSF organises mini marathon

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As a part of paying homage to the martyrs of BSF, 182 Bn BSF Koirengei today organised a mini marathon for BSF personnel including women personnel. The mini marathon was organised under the aegis of SHQ CI(Ops) BSF Manipur. The marathon was flagged off by Bala Devi, wife of M. Lekhendro Singh, commandant (ADM) Sector headquarter from Khuman lampak stadium today morning. AH. Hidad Shubol Singh, Commandant (Ops) Offg DIG Sector head Quarter Manipur grace the prize distribution function of the mini marathon as Chief Guest. Cultural events for martyrs, presentation of gifts mark the occasion.

Smart Card lost

I, the undersigned, have lost my Smart Card for my 2 wheeler vehicle Dio (5G), blue colour, Adhaar Card and Pan Card along with my purse on the way between Yairipok bazaar to Nongpok Sekmai on October 18, 2018. Finders are requested to handover it to the undersigned.

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Nongpok Sekmai Awang
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4th Shabu Hong Rien 2018 Celebrated



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The 4th Shabu Hong Rien 2018, a pre-harvest festival of the Chothe tribe was celebrated today at Purum Khullen (Chothe Hupi) Community hall. The opening event was graced by James Keishwing, Managing Director North East Region Fin. Service Ltd. & Finance Officer Directorate UNIV as chief guest, President of Chothe LIM Abom Manipur (CLAM), Mingthing Thao as Functional President and Member of ADC Chandel, Th. Hopeson Chothe as guest

of honour. Purum Khullen village chief Mk. Wangreng Chothe, Assistant chief Th. Ansai Chothe, CNPO General Secretary Th. Malsawn Chothe, Chothe Chiefs Association chairman Rk. Thaningjao Chothe and other Village Chiefs, Pastors also attended the festival. Organising Committee Member Th. Jackop said Shabu Hong Rien is one of the nine important festivals of the Chothe tribe.

The festival dates back to the time before Chothe tribes embraced Christianity. Hopeson Chothe also spoke on the occasion.