

## Restored Academic normalcy in MU breached as PVC entered the complex to take charge Admission form counter closed; Students appearing exam mentally disturbed; MUSA shuts A block

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Normalcy of academic activities, which was resumed after around 85 days of impasse at Manipur University has been once more breached after the Pro VC Prof. Y Yugindro Singh, appointed by the VC AP Pandey when he was on leave on the approval of the Chancellor today entered the University complex to take charge of the VC today afternoon.

In Charge VC, who had taken casual leave had also accompanied him along with security personnel with arms inside the Manipur University complex.

Students appearing today's examination were mentally disturbed some failing to concentrate with the new development. Students who came to take admission form have to return have as the counter shuts down in protest to the new development.

Tension once more grip the University complex with men in khaki with arms and ammunition came escorting the PVC and the incharge VC. Later, a talk was held between the PVC and Prof. Shyamkesho on the other side and MU community on the other said.

What is more interesting is that even as the MHRD have every knowledge of the independent enquiry committee which is being



underway and also having knowledge that the Registrar in Charge Prof. Sh. Dorendrojit Singh is presently the nodal officer of the enquiry committee as per the MoA signed on August 16, the MHRD authority signed by one vijay Kumar, Under Secretary to the government of India addressed the letter to prof. M. Shyamkesho, whom by virtue of the University authority is on leave and stated that the Pro VC will hold the Charge of the VC as he had been suspended on Sept 17 till the completion of the enquiry. As per the "Statutes of the University" under the MU Act 2005, clause 4 states that "appointment of Pro Vice Chancellor ought to be BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

on the recommendation of the VC, meaning - VC can't unilaterally appoint someone as PVC". Thus, AP Pandey can't and doesn't have the legal authority to appoint a PVC while he was on official leave (without the acceptance of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL of MU on his nominee as PVC). So, there isn't a PVC at the moment and hence, MHRD's notification as well as prof Shyamkesho's notification informing someone as PVC as well as VC in charge is illegal and not permitted. This was argued by a scholar from the Manipur University to the recent recognition of Pro-VC by MHRD. The representative of the MU community further stated that the clause is "4. Pro-Vice-Chancellor.—(1) The Pro-Vice-

Chancellor shall be appointed by the Executive Council on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor: Provided that where the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor is not accepted by the Executive Council, the matter shall be referred to the Visitor who may either appoint the person recommended by the Vice-Chancellor or ask the Vice-Chancellor to

recommend another person to the Executive Council: Provided further that the Executive Council may, on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor, appoint a Professor to discharge the duties of a Pro-Vice-Chancellor in addition to his own duties as a Professor."

In the PVC appointment notification, AP Pandey had mentioned the term "In ANTICIPATION of the approval of Executive Council", which means.. "Executive Council hasn't hold a meeting on the topic of appointment of a PVC and neither such a nominee recommendation has been formally accepted by the Executive Council of the MU". Please let everyone know if otherwise on the Executive Council's meeting date/time and minutes of meeting note to substantiate the proof of acceptance of someone as PVC, he added.

Till the filing of this story, talks between the PVC and the MU authority are still underway.

## Court convicts life imprisonment to Khulem Jiten

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District Session Court Imphal West today convicted life imprisonment to Khulem Jiten Singh (41 yrs) son of Kh. Kendrajit of Naoremthong Khullem leikai, who was found guilty of murdering his uncle on the evening of June 30, 2015.

Manojkumar announced the verdict today saying that the guilty is punishable under section 302, 307 and 27 for life imprisonment. The Judge also directed the state social welfare department to compensate an amount of rs. 5 lakh to the next kin of the deceased Khullem Khrishnamohon and another Rs. 50, 000/- to the injured Khullem Priyobratta.

Khrishnamohon were uncle of the culprit. He fired the duo using his license gun on the evening of June 30, 2015. K r i s h n a m o h o n succumbed to his injury however Priyobratta managed to survived. The Session court found the culprit found guilty on September 18 and the verdict for punishment was announced today.

## State Government fetes governor on winning outstanding parliamentary award

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Governor Smt. Najma Heptulla has exhorted the people of Manipur especially youths to make Manipur famous in the world. She was speaking at the felicitation function organised in her honour by the State Government on her receiving the Outstanding Parliamentary Award at the auditorium of Manipur State Film Development Society (MSFDS), Palace Compound in Imphal East District today.

The Governor said, "I wish all the young people a very bright future. You have the most beautiful State which I call the God's Own Paradise, which is not discovered by the world yet. We have to make the world discover it." Dr. Heptulla said that she keeps on thinking about Manipur as the State has a huge potential in different fields, and there are lots of things to be done as well. Stating that Manipur is in the forefront in women empowerment in the entire country, the Governor



expressed pleasure that the new Government has been inaugurating women markets in different parts of State one after another which is a true example of empowering women further. Remembering the early parts of her career as a Parliamentarian, Smt. Najma Heptulla said that she chose to be appointed as the Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha when the then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi offered her the post of a State Minister. Stating that the position of

Deputy Chairman did not have any financial authority, and she insisted that all the Rajya Sabha files regarding the appointment, promotion and salaries should not come to her. All these files went to the Chairman's office, and she only chose to preside the Upper House as a Deputy Chairman, the Governor said. People's thinking and attitude have changed a lot in the past one and half years ever since the new Government was instated in the State. (Contd. on Page 4)

## Bishwajit credited talented sportspersons of the state for Natl. Sports University

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Government Spokesperson Thongam Biswajit Singh said that the approval for establishment of a sports university in the State is the Centre's acknowledgement of the State sportspersons' performances, talents and activities.

Biswajit was speaking today at the formal flagging off ceremony of the 20-member FC Imphal City team for the 16th Administrator's Challenge Cup All India Football Tournament U-17 (Boys) - 2018, Youth Affairs & Sports, Chandigarh. The tournament will be played from 21st September to 30th September. The flag off ceremony was held at Kangla western gate.

Addressing media persons after the flag-off ceremony, Shri Biswajit said that the present government at the Centre has acknowledged the performance of the sports persons of the State. The coming of the university in the State is the fruit of the sportspersons' hard-work. Sports and culture identify our State to the outside world, he said adding that



the present Shri Biren Singh led government in the State has been supporting and encouraging sportspersons and will continue to do so. Biswajit also wished the FC Imphal City team all the success.

Meanwhile, speaking on the sideline of the ceremony to media persons, the government spokesperson also said that the Manipur Mob Violence Control and Prohibition Bill will be implemented as an ordinance

and efforts will be put to pass it as an Act at the earliest. The ordinance will not only help in containing communal hatred and mob violence but will also show the existence of the law of land, he said.

## Editors of print and electronic media to be honoured as a mark of respect to Hijam Irabot

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As a mark of tribute to multifaceted pioneer leader of the state Hijam Irabot, in recognition to his contribution to the culmination of print journalism in the state, Manipur proletariat peoples' Democratic Union (MPPDU) and other like minded organizations - Socialist Students Union of Manipur (SSUM) Proletarian feminist Movement Manipur (PoFM) and Socialist Women Association (SWA), Manipur is honouring some journalists of the state serving as editors at different media houses from both print and Electronic medium.

A Joint body of the said organizations had formed a,

apex body called Lamyamba Irabot Ningsing Thouram Pangba Kanglup and has been organizing a month long observance by in commemoration to the Pioneer leader. Various events has been organized at various places in connection with the monthlong observance and the function for honoring of the editors will be held at heirok in Thoubal district on September 21 to mark the day when Irabot first went underground and rooted the revolutionary movement in the state.

A statement of the organizing committee said that Hijam Irabot was the first to implant journalism in the state of Manipur. The Pioneer leader overcome all obstacle and challenges to make sure that news article written in his

newspaper reached to almost all people of the state. Similar challenges faced by Hijam Irabot is still faced by today's editors and journalist s. Understanding the difficulties and courage of today's journalist the organizing committee have decided honouring the editors as the need of the hour.

Those editors who will be honoured includes Yumnam Rupachandra ( Chief Editor IMPACT-TV), Hemanta Kumar Ningomba ( Editor Huiyen Lanpao), Maibam Helendro (Editor ISTV News), Khrishnamohon (Editor Sanaleibak), Labango (Editor Kangla pao), Khogendro Khomdrum (Editor Sangai Express), Uttam Kumar Naorem (Editor - Image TV) and (Rinku Khumukcham (Editor Imphal Times )