

Manipur Helicopter Service turns Flop show, Flight cancellation peeves Several passengers in Jiribam

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The first Helicopter Service recently launched by Manipur Chief minister N Biren Singh with high spirit of boosting air connectivity between Imphal-Jiribam has now turned a flop show and people no longer trust with the service. On Tuesday, several passengers who turned up at Jiribam Harinagar Helipad to take their Helicopter flight were left disappointed when the men at Helipad ticket booking counter informed them that the flight service had been cancelled due to bad weather. Several Imphal bound passengers booked their tickets at Jiribam Harinagar Helipad to take their first flight at 9.50 am and second flight at 2.55 pm. Despite long wait for hours, the Helicopter did not come. When enquired, officials of the Helipad counter informed the passengers that flights has been cancelled for the day citing heavy downpour and bad weather condition in Imphal which infuriated the



passengers. Later on, the angry passengers had the counter officials refunded their money. Ironically, despite the Counter officials citing bad weather condition and heavy raining in Imphal as reason for cancellation of flight service, relatives in Imphal telephonically informed that weather condition in Imphal was good with no rain on the day, said a passenger to

Imphal Times. The passenger alleged that cancellation of flight service due to bad weather was just a lame excuse, but due to unavailability of passengers in Imphal. Cancellation of flight service due to unavailability of passengers in Imphal has badly hurt the sentiments of passengers in Jiribam. Such incidents should not be repeated in future, otherwise the newly

launched Manipur Helicopter service will lose public trust. Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh on September 19 officially launched the Manipur Heli Service between Imphal and Jiribam at the Harinagar helipad in Jiribam district to boost air connectivity. It is said that the helicopter service will be operating on a daily basis except on Sundays and public holidays and fare for a one-way travel is Rs 3,000 per person. Noida-based state-run Pawan Hans is the service provider; it will fly an eight-seater chopper. According to a report received by the press, since launching of the flight service, People has not seen any Helicopter flight in Jiribam so far except the flight on September 20 last. The Jiribam Harinagar Helipad is located around 7 km away from Proper Jiribam town. The approach road to Helipad is in a deplorable condition and passengers

are facing problems in terms of transport. The Union government is giving wings to its Act East policy to improve air connectivity in the northeastern region and also eyeing to build ties with Southeast Asian countries. The Union government has identified 16 new destinations in the northeastern region under its Ude Desh ka Aam Nagarik (UDAN) scheme. With the helicopter service in place a major connectivity issue will be taken care of. Manipur being partly hilly, communication and transportation were big hurdles, especially during emergencies. The funding for the helicopter service will be jointly borne by the Ministry of Home Affairs and the state government at the ratio of 75:25. It is said that passenger helicopter service will be introduced on the Imphal-Moreh sector on a daily basis and Tamenglong-Jiribam-Tamenglong-Imphal sectors thrice a week in the first phase of the service," Chief Minister said during launching ceremony of Helicopter service.

Meghalaya KHADC pushes for ILP in the state



Courtesy
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The Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council (KHADC) has made a decision to move a resolution seeking the implementation of inner line permit (ILP) in the state. KHADC CEM HS Shylla stated that the executive committee will hold a special session to move the resolution asking the governor to notify the implementation of the Bengal Eastern Frontier (Regulation), 1873. Speaking to reporters, Shylla said, "The main demand of the HYC was the inner line permit (ILP). The file was kept aside and the

previous CEM did not do anything about it." "The Acts notified have been kept under the jurisdiction of the KHADC which was then the United Khasi and Jaintia Hills. The Bengal Eastern Frontier (Regulation), 1873 is one among the Acts," Shylla said. "Since it falls within the purview of the notified act of the KHADC, the EC has decided to pass a resolution in the House for which a special session will be called to urge the governor to notify implementation of Bengal Eastern Frontier (Regulation), 1873. Once it is implemented, the ILP will also get implemented," he added.

Triple Talaq ordinance political interference in Muslim religious affairs: Popular Front

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Popular Front of India General Secretary M Muhammed Ali Jinnah has stated that the cabinet approval of Triple Talaq Ordinance was not driven by any genuine concern for the well-being of Muslim women; rather, it was a politically motivated move and part of the undemocratic interferences in the religious affairs of Muslim community in the country. While the ordinance is being celebrated as a historic step in ensuring justice to Muslim women, neither their organizations nor their legitimate representatives

were in any way consulted before the hasty move. It is to be noted that Muslim organizations and community leaders did not oppose the Supreme Court order that struck down Triple Talaq or instant divorce. But making it a non-bailable criminal offence punishable with jail terms would be illogical and only make things worse for the affected women. In fact Indian women face grave injustice within and outside family, and remain in a pathetic state according to all development indices. The harassments against them including rape, murder, feticide etc. are alarmingly on the rise. The communal and

casteist forces target Muslim women in particular during communal violence. With women facing so many problems in the country, Muslims women being no exception, by going for an ordinance turning a deaf ear to other concerns women, prompts us to think that government has ulterior motives. With this kind of increasing interference in the religious affairs of Muslim community, BJP government's only intention is consolidation of Hindu communal votes in its favour. Mohammed Ali Jinnah has demanded the central government to withdraw the controversial ordinance.

India, Pakistan must start talks to find solution to Kashmir problem, says NC

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Termining the calling off meeting between the foreign ministers of India and Pakistan as "extremely unfortunate", the National Conference's (NC) Central Working Committee (CWC) on Tuesday that India and Pakistan must restart a "sustained and uninterrupted dialogue process" to find a solution to all "disputes including the Kashmir problem". On Tuesday, National Conference President Dr Farooq Abdullah, for the second consecutive day,

chaired a two-day-long meeting of the party's CWC in Srinagar. Former chief minister and party vice-president Omar Abdullah was also present. A statement issued by party in the evening said that at the end of the two-day meeting, CWC of party unanimously passed five resolutions. The party statement said that NC stands for the "unity, integrity and the special" status of Jammu and Kashmir and shall continue to strive to defend its secular character. On calling off the meeting between the foreign ministers of India and Pakistan, the party CWC said, "We are of the firm opinion that continuation of

the dialogue between two countries is the only way available to settle all disputes between two countries and is also in the larger interest of people of the sub-continent." According to the statement, the working committee of the party reiterated its stand and commitment to defend and protect Article 370 and 35A of the Constitution of India. "We believe this is the right time for the government of India to consider the autonomy resolution passed by the state legislature...." the CWC has said. In another resolution, the party said that Central government and the governor

should immediately take steps to restore a sense of security in the state. The party's CWC further said that the "root cause of the alienation and anger that has been visible since 2014 is the opportunistic alliance of the PDP with the BJP". "...the way in which excessive use of force and human rights violations are being condoned coupled with mass arrest of youngsters, night raids across the state exposes the tall claims of the state and the central government. In such an atmosphere civilians, police personnel are being targeted in most gruesome ways...." the statement added.

Mizoram Deadline for Bru refugee repatriation ends, only 31 families return in latest effort

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Of the 5,407 Bru refugee families, only 31 have returned from their camps in Tripura to Mizoram during the stipulated one month of repatriation, which ended on Tuesday, Mizoram home department officials said. Now, those who remained in the six relief camps face an uncertain future as the Centre had earlier warned that assistance doled out to them would be stopped from October 1. "Only 31 Bru refugee families have reached Mizoram since August 25. We have unofficial information that 16 more are willing to return and they will reach Mizoram by today or tomorrow," the officials said. Noticing the tardy response of the refugees to the process, the Mizoram government had termed the

final repatriation process a "futile exercise" earlier this month. "It is to be seen whether the Centre stops assistance for the inmates of the six Bru relief camps by October 1 as was warned earlier," a state home department official said. The Bru refugees in the Tripura relief camps used to receive free ration and subsistence allowance of Rs 5 per day per person from the Centre. In a November-2016 survey, 32,876 Brus belonging to 5,407 families were identified as bona fide residents of Mizoram, who could be repatriated. However, a study conducted later found that just 2,753 people belonging to 423 families expressed their willingness to return. Meanwhile, Bru leaders in the relief camps alleged that a group of Brus objected to the repatriation process and asked the people not to

return to Mizoram. They even obstructed those willing to return to Mizoram and threatened Mizoram Bru Displaced People's Forum (MBDPF) leaders through social media for which a police complaint was lodged, they said. The Centre was earlier optimistic about Bru families returning to Mizoram during the repatriation process after an agreement was inked on July 3 between Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh, chief ministers of Mizoram and Tripura and MBDPF chief A Sawibunga in Delhi. The agreement stipulated that Rs 4 lakh for each repatriated Bru family be deposited to the bank account of the head of the family which would mature after three years and payment of Rs 1.5 lakh would be made for housing assistance. Each repatriated Bru family would be given Rs 5,000

through Direct Benefit Transfer every month and free ration for two years. Thousands of Brus had been lodged in the Tripura relief camps since late 1997 in the wake of communal tension triggered by the brutal killing of Lalzawmliana, a forest guard, in the Dampa Tiger Reserve on October 21, 1997 by Bru National Liberation Front (BNLF) militants. The first attempt to repatriate them in November 2009 not only failed but triggered another exodus after Bru militants gunned down a youth at Bughuntham village, three days before the commencement of the repatriation process. Though some Bru families had returned to Mizoram during a number of repatriation processes and on their own will, many of them continued to refuse to leave Tripura despite many attempts by the government.

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, KANGPOKPI

NOTICE

Kangpokpi, the 24th September, 2018

No. DC(KPI)2/12/87/Vol-III : It is hereby notified for general information that Shri. Thangjamang Haokip S/o Shri Paolet Haokip of G.Songlung Village, PO Motbung & P.S. Gannom Sapornaina, under Gamphazol Sub-Division, Kangpokpi District, Manipur has applied for registration of Gift Deed of Revenue village No.355-S. Mumpi Villagewich is unsurvey land of hill area measuring anarea of 650 acres between ShriNgamlen Haokip age about 38 yrs S/O Late Shri Seikhai (Seikhokhai) of S.Munpi Village, Sub -Division Saitu Gamphazol, P.O. Nambol & P.S New Keithelmanbi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur as Donor and that Shri Thangjamang Haokip S/O Shri Paolet Haokip of G.Songlung village, p.o. Motbung & p.s. Gannom Sapornaina, Saitu Gamphazol Sub -Division, Kangpokpi District aas Donne. The boundary of the said prescribed hereunder:

Schedule of the land:

- North : with Loithokotgen Vakom (Stream)
- South : with tatphuung (Thngna-si-vokom)
- East : with Ateng lok (stream)
- West : with Moulting-noui (PMGSY Road).

Objection is hereby invited from any interested persons(s) to file objection if any within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice in Newspaper. If objection is not received within the stipulated period, it will be presume that there is no objection.

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