

## Model Residential Schools Soon In Seven Districts: CM

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Chief Minister N. Biren Singh has said that model residential schools will be set up in seven selected districts soon. He was speaking as the Chief Guest at the State Level Teachers' Day function held at the auditorium of Manipur State Film Development Society (MSFDS), Palace Compound, Imphal East today. Stating that the State Government has been focussing on human resource development, the Chief Minister said that the first session of Dhanamanjuri University would begin from this

year. Moreover, the Manipur Legislative Assembly had passed the Manipur International University Bill, 2018 recently, he said while adding that the number of students going outside the State to pursue higher studies would come down once these two varieties commence its sessions. He also informed the gathering that many school drop-out children had been re-admitted under State Government's Lairik Tamhansi scheme. 752 children had been re-admitted in Class I to VIII, and another 876 children in Class IX to XII under the scheme so far, he added. Apart from it, free text books had been provided to around 10,000 students, the Chief Minister informed. Maintaining that it is essential to provide lodging/quarter facilities for teachers and Government employees who are deputed in hill districts, Shri N. Biren Singh informed that Transit Accommodations for teachers/Government employees would be constructed at 21 identified places in hill districts soon.

Regarding alleged assault of AMSU volunteers by suspected NCSN (IM) cadres at Nungba on September 3, the Chief Minister said that necessary search operations to nab the culprits had already begun in the area. N. Biren Singh said that the State Government would never remain as a mute spectator when anybody indulges in anti-social activities or takes law into their own hands. Urging all concerned not to resort to any activity which may incite communal tension, the Chief Minister said that the culprits involved in the Nungba incident would be booked as per the law of the land. Regarding abduction of some people of Zeliangrong community as well, one person had

already been nabbed, he added. Regarding Manipur University issue, the Chief Minister said that people need not to worry about the recent development. The matter would be resolved in consultation with the Central Government soon, he added. As the varsity is a Central Government institute, the State Government has limited powers in its affairs. However, best possible efforts are being put in to resolve the crisis, he added. Stating that Teachers Day reminds the role played by teachers in shaping the future of children, the Chief Minister said that the day is observed to honour teachers' contribution to the society.

Speaking at the occasion as the functional president, Education Minister Shri Th. Radheshyam said that the main architects of the society are teachers, and they should be the catalyst of a positive change.

The Minister also observed that teachers' role had become so complex these days due to the fast changing scenario of technological advancement. Shri Radheshyam also said that the State Government is considering localised recruitment of elementary school teachers. He said that a big challenge being faced by the Education (S) Department is that around 400-500 teachers attain service superannuation every year, and no teacher had been recruited since 2011. Informing that the rate of enrolment in Government schools had witnessed a steep rise in the recent time, the Minister said that credit of this achievement goes to the Education (S) Department and teachers. **C o m m i s s i o n e r** (Education-S) and

Technical and Higher Education) Shri H. Deleep also attended the function as the Guest of Honour. Earlier at the function, the Chief Minister led the gathering in offering floral tribute to the photograph of Dr. Radha Krishnan. State Teachers' Awards were also presented to 10 outstanding teachers at the function. The award carries a shawl, a citation and cash prize of Rs. 10,000 each. Recipients of the award were Smt. O. Geetarani of Ibotonsana Higher Secondary School, Shri Kh. Keshokumar of Modern Primary School, Smt. W. Jyotsana of Eastern Ideal High School, Smt. I. Usharani of Ananda Singh Higher Secondary Academy, Shri W. Ibomcha of Ningthoukhong Higher Secondary School, Shri K. Pukeni of Oinam Hills High School, Shri S. Ibohal of Willong High School, Shri L. Paomang of Tuibong Govt. Junior High School, Shri KL. Warson Anal of Chakpikarong Higher Secondary School and Shri H. Premkumar of Toupokpi High School. It may be mentioned that Shri Khangembam Indrakumar of Kumbi Santhong Upper Primary School has been selected for National Teachers Award 2017. He has gone to New Delhi to receive the award.

A book entitled, 'Experimental Learning, Gandhiji's Nai Talim' was also released at the function. The book was published through the joint effort of SCERT and Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education. The function was jointly organised by Department of Education (S), Department of Education (U), Department of Language Planning and Implementation, SCERT, Adult Education, RUSA, RMSA, SSA, COHSEM and BOSEM.

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## Minister Nemcha Kipgen kicks off the 1<sup>st</sup> Wheelchair Basketball Camp

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Social Welfare and Cooperation Minister Nemcha Kipgen today kicks off the Wheelchair Basketball introductory camp held for the very first time in Manipur at Khuman Lampak indoor stadium. It is organized by Wheelchair Basketball Federation of India (WBFI) in collaboration with Department of Social Welfare, Government of Manipur and Department of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of Manipur and Shishu Sarothi.

Addressing the gatherings as Chief Guest, Minister Nemcha Kipgen expressed on the importance of sports in everyone's life and stresses that it is even more important in the life of a differently-abled person. Sport teaches independence, disciplined lifestyle and sense of competition, involvement in any form of sports will have rehabilitation not only on the physical body but also on rehabilitating and enhancing the willpower of the physically challenged person, she asserted. She further acknowledged that differently abled



people participates in high performance as well as in competitive and recreational sport. The efforts of a PWDs who overcomes the odds and participates in any paralympic games is commendable and something that should be encouraged and motivated by all. Smt. Nemcha said that as a nodal department, Social Welfare department has been earnestly working for improving the lives of differently-abled people by implementing various welfare schemes and programmes to support them for secure education, academic, skill development that will

enable them to earn a living and to become self-independent. It may be mentioned that this is the first time that Wheelchair Basketball is introduced in Manipur. The goal of the 3-day Workshop is to train the first set of players and coaches from Manipur state for the long term development of the sport amongst the disability sector in Manipur. It is hoped that the training will go a long way in contributing to increasing the number of qualified coaches and players for wheelchair basketball in India. 25 trainee players will be participating out of which 5 will be women

trainee players. Wheelchair basketball is a para sport played in Paralympics since 1960 and around 105 countries are playing this game. In India, this sport was introduced by WBFI in 2014. Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Smt. Jacintha Lazarus, Director, Youth Affairs & Sports, Armstrong Pame and Secretary General, WBFI, Smt. Kalyani Rajaraman graced the occasions as Guest of Honours and President respectively. Officials of both the Departments and students from special schools also participated on the inaugural function.

## Two civilians abducted by unidentified miscreants

**IT News**  
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Unknown miscreants reportedly abducted two civilians in between Gemol and Lhangjol village area at around midnight yesterday.

The two persons have been identified as Rajesh Singh (40) and Daniel Pamei of Silen Village in Chupra champur district. Source said that Rajesh Singh hails from Jharkhand and has been staying in Silen Village for the past ten years and is married to one Kuki girl identified as Nengneilam @ Lalam Haokip. An UG reported demanded a sum of Rs. Rs.50,00,000/-

The other person Daniel Pamei is also married to one Kuki girl and is a contractor at NHPC. He is presently living inside NHPC power project Leimatak Campus.

## Gun license Lost

I have lost my Gun license (License no - 121/DC/IE) on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2018 on the way from Nongmeibung to Konung Mamang. Finders are requested to handover the same to the undersigned.

Abdul Rajak  
S/O (L) Abdul Manam  
Porompat 2<sup>nd</sup> Road,  
Imphal East

## MHRD serious over new development at Manipur University; may reach out to President for longer leave of AP Pandey

**Source ET**  
Imphal, Sept. 5,

With tension flaring up at Manipur University again after vice-chancellor Adya Prasad Pandey returned to work this month and promptly banned student and staff associations, the Human Resource Development (HRD) ministry is seriously considering seeking President's approval to send Pandey on a longer compulsory leave. The ministry on Tuesday

held discussions to consider various options to defuse the situation on the campus, which has been shut since May 30. It opened only on August 22 when the V-C was on leave but his return this month has triggered a fresh crisis. Since the President is visitor to all the central universities his sanction would be necessary. The ministry is seriously considering sending the V-C on a longer leave till peace returns to the campus. The ministry

may even consider Pandey's removal if things remain unchanged.

Pandey, the former HoD of Economics at BHU, was appointed V-C of Manipur University in October 2016. While there would be rare precedents of V-Cs being compulsorily sent on leave or removed pending an inquiry, law and order concerns in the insurgency-hit state may warrant this action. ET has learnt that Manipur Chief Minister

Biren Singh has also conveyed that it is necessary to send the V-C on leave.

The V-C has also moved court. Pandey told ET that he had filed a petition in the court requesting all assistance to ensure smooth functioning of the university and safety of students and staff. He has also alleged that the state was not cooperating with him to restore peace on campus and that he was facing with dire threats and extortion.

## Bandh affects normalcy at Ningthoukhong area

**IT News**  
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Ningthoukhong Bazar Shop Keepers' Association today block Tiddim road in protest against the inaction of the state government over the demand for repairing of the road condition. All shops and business establishment at Ningthoukhong Bazar in Bishnupur Bazar were shuts since early morning today.

General Secretary of the Association Laishram Goura Gopal speaking to media persons said that even though they know that blocking road makes inconvenient to all the people they are left with no choice as the government had ever acted until and unless something effective has been taken up. He said that the association will also submit a memorandum to immediate repairing of the road stretch.

## Beauty of floating huts of Loktak to be highlighted through experimental theatre



**IT News**  
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For the first time in the country, Floating Hut Repertory (FHR), Thanga is all set to give a new taste to the rich theatrical culture of the state with its real experimental theatre. Announcing this to media persons today at the Conference Hall of Directorate of Information and Public Relation here, Budha Chingtham, theater director said that Manipur is representing the country in the field of theater. Human want to experience new experiences and always carve for it. Whereas, the experimental theater is the liveliest form of theater in the world. 'Meet the real sites and fictional spaces' - the new experimental venture of FHR is based on life and history of people and Loktak Lake area and is the

first experimental theater of the country. The endeavor of FHR is to experience what are the transformations related to combining aspects of a landscape and retell the real stories about Loktak while exploring the cultural aesthetics of Loktak and people inhabited around the lake. The text material of the plays is mainly of Loktak folk and contemporary stories describing the people and issues. The site is the resource for performance material. The project, 'Meet the real sites and fictional spaces' is planned for a series of performance for tourist interest starting from 17 September 2018 at Takmu, Loktak, said the director, while adding that he wants to re-define the relationship between real sites and performance spaces.

## Owl rescued



**IT News**  
Yairipok, Sept. 5,

A wild owl was rescued today by M Roshan, SDPO of Thoubal Police from his residence at Yairipok Kekru Makha Leikai. The owl has been handed over to people for Animals (PFA).