

# IBSD takes the lead to develop action plan for Natural Resource Management and Rural Bio-entrepreneurship

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In a brainstorming session on Natural Resource Management and Rural Bio-entrepreneurship, organised by Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD), a National Institute of Department of Biotechnology, Govt of India, various experts and local stakeholders held open discussions on identifying the challenges and opportunities in Natural Resource Management and Rural Bio-entrepreneurship. While inaugurating the workshop that was held at the Imphal Campus of IBSD, Y. Khemchand Singh, Speaker of Manipur Legislative Assembly, lauded the initiative of IBSD and promised his support for bringing together all stakeholders for convergence of actions and implementation. Prof Dinabandhu Sahoo,



Director IBSD, expressed the urgent need to reverse urban migration through such interventions aimed at promoting Rural Bio-entrepreneurship by developing bio-based industries in rural areas that would not only double farmers' income but also

generate jobs and livelihoods for the unemployed youth. The action plan document is being developed under the chairmanship of Dr A.K. Singh, Secretary, National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS), said Sahoo. Other experts who also participated in the

deliberations include Dr Ajay Parida, Director ILS; Dr U.K. Behera, Dean CAU; Dr Umesh Kohli, Director IHT; Dr DD Haokip, APCCF, Govt of Manipur; Shri Th. Mohendra Pratap Singh, CCF Govt of Manipur; Dr Syed Kazi, Hon. Director NEDF and several representatives of civil society.

# Derogatory Remarks against Kerala: Popular Front complaints to NSBA against Arnab Goswami

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Popular Front Kerala state general secretary, CP Muhammed Basheer filed a complaint to News Broadcasting Standard Authority against the derogatory remark made by Republic TV Editor in Chief, Arnab Goswami, against people of Kerala. CP Basheer, in his complaint, alleged that Arnab racially insulted

Malayalis and violated journalistic ethics. He said that according to NSBA rules, the first complaint had to be made to Channel Broadcaster and that had done accordingly. If action is not taken within a week, he would file the second complaint. Arnab made the derogatory remark against Kerala in Republic TV prime time discussion on August 25 with the hashtag "Flood Aid Lie". "Most shameless bunch of

Indians I have ever seen", said Goswami referring to Malayalis during the discussion. It was clear that Arnab Goswami who serves as the mega phone of the Central government held the discussion with the sole intention of establishing that 700 crore aid offer of UAE was bogus. He tried to create the impression that people who disagreed with him received foreign fund to work against the country.

# Petrol, diesel prices reach new high

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New Delhi, Sept 7,

State-owned oil marketing companies (OMCs) have again increased the price of sensitive petroleum products such as petrol and diesel in the country on Friday.

The prices of petrol and diesel touched a new high on Friday with Mumbai paying the maximum among the four metros. While petrol costs Rs.87.39 a litre, diesel is

priced at Rs. 76.51 a litre, an increase of 48 paise and 55 paise respectively over Thursday's price.

In Delhi, the petrol price rose to a record Rs.79.99 a litre, while diesel price has been increased to Rs.72.07 a litre, according to the daily price notification issued by OMCs.

In Kolkata, the price of petrol has been increased to Rs.82.88 per litre while the diesel price has gone up to Rs.74.92 per litre. Similarly,

petrol is being sold for Rs.83.14 per litre in Chennai and the diesel retail price is Rs.76.18 per litre.

The fuel prices are likely to go up further as the rupee hit yet another all-time low of Rs.72.12 against the U.S. dollar on Thursday, while price of Brent oil was hovering around \$78 a barrel. India imports about 80% of its crude oil, and the falling Indian rupee will make the imports costlier and lead to a rise in fuel prices.

# Judges rule ICC has jurisdiction over Rohingya deportations

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The Hague, Sept 7,

Judges at the International Criminal Court ruled Thursday that the court has jurisdiction to investigate widespread allegations that Myanmar forces have driven hundreds of thousands of Rohingya Muslims from their homes. The decision opens up the possibility of crimes against Rohingya people being prosecuted at the Hague-based court, even though Myanmar is not a member of the court.

The court said in a statement that Prosecutor Fatou Bensouda must take the jurisdiction ruling into account "as she continues with her preliminary examination concerning the crimes allegedly committed against the Rohingya people."

It said the probe, which aims to establish whether there is sufficient evidence to launch a full-blown investigation, "must be concluded within a reasonable time." Bensouda has not formally announced a preliminary examination, but the judges in their ruling said that prosecutors' work so far studying the Rohingya issue serves that purpose.

Richard Dicker, international justice director for Human Rights Watch, told the AP: "This is a crucial step for accountability for crimes against the Rohingya and will rock a lot of boats." Bensouda asked earlier this

year for a ruling on jurisdiction, arguing that while the Rohingya were forced from their homes in Myanmar, part of the crime involved them being driven across the border into neighboring Bangladesh, which is a member of the court. There have been widespread reports of atrocities committed against the Rohingya minority in Myanmar. Last week, investigators working for the U.N.'s top human rights body said that Myanmar military leaders should be prosecuted for genocide against Rohingya Muslims, taking the unusual step of identifying by name six of those it says were behind systematic crimes targeting the ethnic minority. The call amounted to some of the strongest language yet from U.N. officials who have denounced alleged human rights violations in Myanmar since a bloody crackdown began last August.

The three-member "fact-finding mission" and their team, working under a mandate from the U.N.-backed Human Rights Council, meticulously assembled hundreds of accounts from expatriate Rohingya, as well as satellite footage and other information for the report. Such reports will likely be closely studied now by prosecutors at the ICC.

Thursday's ruling said that the court also can exercise jurisdiction over other crimes, "such as the crimes against humanity of persecution and/or other inhumane acts." Myanmar declined to file a formal response to the court as it considered the jurisdiction issue. The Rohingya have long been treated as outsiders in Buddhist-majority Myanmar, even though their families have lived in the country for generations. Nearly all have been denied citizenship since 1982, effectively rendering them stateless, and they are also denied freedom of movement and other basic rights. The latest crisis began with attacks by an underground Rohingya insurgent group on Myanmar security personnel last August in northern Rakhine State. Myanmar's military responded with counterinsurgency sweeps and has been accused of widespread rights violations, including rape, murder, torture and the burning of Rohingya homes and villages — leading

to about 700,000 Rohingya to flee to neighboring Bangladesh. "The judges' decision offers a glimmer of hope for justice for the thousands of Rohingya victims who were deported to Bangladesh from Myanmar and continue to suffer in Bangladesh as a result of this serious crime," said Adilur Raman Khan, a vice-president of the International Federation for Human Rights. He urged prosecutors to swiftly open an investigation.

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# 86 Bn CRPF established facilitation centre in Tupul & Noney

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A facilitation centre to register aspirants for the post of Constable / GD in CAPF has been established in Tupul & Noney by 86 Bn CRPF, under the aegis of Manipur & Nagaland sector, CRPF to assist the local youths. Local youths are submitting online application for the post of Constable / GD in CAPF and Rifleman in Assam Rifle for which Staff Selection Commission will conduct online written examination and thereafter Physical Standard / Physical Efficiency test will be conducted at various places in Manipur. As per the advertisement by SSC total vacancies are 54953 and last date for submission of online application is 17/09/2018. Boys and girls who are 18 years to 23 years can apply for the post and 05 Years age



relaxation is available for schedule tribes and schedule caste candidates. Sh. Kalyan Singha, Commandant 86 Bn CRPF briefed aspirants during his

visit to the Tupul / Noney area and assured them that he will extend full Co-operation to local youths in online submission of application for the post of constable / GD.

# The Impact and Import of Cartooning and Caricature as a medium...

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An opinion poll of Palestinians living in the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and Jerusalem about Denmark in between February 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> conducted by Near East Consulting (NEC) through 702 telephonic talks found that out of those surveyed, 24 percent believe that Denmark is a friend of the Palestinians, 42 percent believe that Denmark holds a neutral position, while 34 percent view Denmark as an enemy of the Palestinians and 59 percent view Denmark as an enemy of Islam. Only 4 percent believe that the Danish government has been acting appropriately regarding the

cartoon crisis. Gallup and other nationwide surveys of Americans 18 years and older on the subject of religion and with reference to the cartoon crisis found that while 61 percent believe the European newspapers that printed the cartoons acted irresponsibly, the same percentage find that the controversy is due more to Muslims' intolerance of different points of view, 57 percent think that the U.S. news media have an obligation to show controversial items that are newsworthy even if they may offend the religious view of some people. Manipur Scene: Cartoon is a regular feature in the local

newspapers of Manipur. Mention may be made of Onthokpanida in the Sangai Express, Bhalohe in Poknapham, Ash Loirehe in Hueiyen Lanpao, Hawado Leirangdo in Naharolgi Thoudang, Loiredana in Saneleibak and Neirehe in Ichel Express. Caricature and editorial page political cartoons are however hardly seen in local newspapers. Even in these local newspapers the impact given by the cartoons are tremendous. Not only thousand words are expressed by a single cartoon but many things which cannot be published as news items or articles so originally are expressed by the cartoons.

# Assam rifles conducts lecture on health and Awareness camp



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A lecture on health awareness was conducted by Thoubal Battalion of 9 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of HQ IGAR (South) by Chandrakhong Company Operating Base at Children Training School, Souraland on September 6. Approximately 78 students and 7 Teachers, to include school principal attended the

interactive session. The company Nursing Assistant briefed the students and teachers about the common practices to maintain good health and hygiene, importance and contents of a basic First Aid box and handling of snake bite cases. The locals were extremely grateful to the unit for this earnest endeavor and requested for more such camps in near future for the benefit of local populace.

# Obituary

My beloved husband, Shri Nongthombam Sanajaoba Singh of Oinam Mamang Leikai Uchehon, Ward No. 6, Tangleipung Maning, Bihnpur district left us all for heavenly abode on Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> September, 2018.

I, request all friends, relatives and friends of my husband whom I did not know to attend the Ashti Sanchei of my late husband on Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 and also at the Shardha on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to join us in offering to the almighty for the departed soul.

With regard

**Shrimati Nongthombam Pramodini Devi (Wife)**  
Oinam Mamang Leikai Uchehon, Ward No. 6, Tangleipung Maning, Bihnpur district.