

54th Hunger Marchers' Day observed AMSU readies for another Hunger March movement

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All Manipur Students Union (AMSU) today reiterated its stand to fight against the price hike of rice in the state.

"We stand for another Hunger March movement", President of AMSU Peter Laishram said while talking at the 54th Hunger Marchers' Day observance.

From early morning students, activist and volunteers of AMSU today gathered at Pishum Chingamacha paying floral tributes to photos of the departed four student martyrs at martyrs students' memorial site where the martyrs namely Oinam Nabakumar, Laishram Chaobal, Nongmeikapam Pramodini and Waikhom Nilamani sacrificed their lives on this day of 1965 during the mass uprising against artificial food scarcity in the state.

Later thousands of students marched a rally from Pishum Chingamacha in connection with the observance of Hunger Marchers' Day popularly known as Chaklam Khongchat to Thangmeiband DM college of Arts ground where the main function was held.

Speaking as the President of the function Peter Laishram said that the students' movement regarding artificial famine in 1965 popularly known as Hunger Marchers day is still relevant in today's society as the price of rice and other essential commodities has skyrocketed.

The farmers still fear for a famine like situation in next year because of insufficient rainfall. So the government should declare the state as being hit by drought, he added.

Pointing out the act of the government for not declaring the state as being hit by drought as unfortunate he urged the government to give necessary solutions and remedial solutions for the farmers and added that AMSU is ready for another movement similar to Chaklam Khongchat. Regarding the peace talk between NSCN IM and Government of India where the framework agreement is near for an end but was kept secret to all other important stakeholders he stressed that the talks and agreement should not have any provisions regarding any administrative arrangement based in community lines. He further said that the agreement should not make any political arrangement which will disregard and disrespect Manipur and its legislative assembly.

In order to help the NSCN IM and the GOI in their peace talk Peter urged to disclose the points agreed between the two in the framework agreement on 2015.

Peter affirmed that AMSU will stand firm and will fight if the framework agreement violates and touched the integrity of Manipur. Questioning on why the state government became a silent



and mute spectator when the flag of NSCN IM was hoisted in the Independence day celebration on 14 August where the same government declared as an outlaw organisation Peter said that he felt surprised by such act of the government and strongly condemned against it. He appealed the people of the

state to stay alert and be ready to fight for the cause of Manipur.

Highlighting the works of AMSU General Secretary Bipinchandra Ahanthem said that AMSU has been spearheading various important issues and movements. He added that Foreigners issue has been

fighting by AMSU since the 80's and still continuing as ILP movement.

Questioning about price rise of rice he urged whether the government is preparing for another artificial famine.

He concluded that the younger generation should learn from the sacrifice the martyrs have done for the people of Manipur.

Meira Paibi condemns the interference of some organisations in the transfer of police personnel

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Meira Paibi of Jiribam condemned the interference of some organisations in the works of Manipur Government and organising of a press meet in the conference hall of Jiri News Network (JNN) in Babupara, Jiribam, expressing in media to stop the transfer of some police personnel. The Meira Paibi leaders asked if there was any play from BJP behind such act

from someone who recently joined BJP. In the press meet, H. Mema Devi, President Jiri Ima Meira Paibi Apunba Lup (JIMPAL), Jiribam, said that they were not involved in and did not agree with what was stated in the media by 4 organisations regarding the transfer and posting of Jiribam police personnel, mentioning some Jiribam CSOs. N. Nivaran Devi, President, Women Association for Socio Economic Development (WASED) said that

transferring or posting was government's duty and they highly condemned someone, who just joined BJP, speaking on this matter by dragging them. Therefore, they claimed that they were suspicious of any play within BJP and demanded for clarification. The press meet was also attended by N. Kumalei Devi, General Secretary Jiri Keithel Chaokhat Thourang Ema Marup (JIKCTL), Jiribam, and K. Inaboi Devi, Vice President All Jiribam Meira Paibi (AJMP).

Assistant professor mugged, MUCTA condemns

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Manipur University of Culture Teachers' Association (MUCTA) condemned the mugging of Yengkhom Sanjiktumar, Assistant Professor of Thang-Ta s/o Yengkhom Deben, Waiton Mamang Leikai, yesterday August 26, 2019,

Monday, on his way back home by some unknown persons. In a press release signed by Dr. Irom Robindro, Secretary MUCTA, they said that in this very unfortunate event, the unknown persons robbed his bag containing his papers, books, and a mobile handset. The incident happened on the way from Sawombung Tejpur to

Waiton in the evening at around 7:30 pm. What is more unfortunate is that those who robbed his belongings turned and fired when chased, they added. University Community is fortunate on his return to University without any injury, but MUCTA questioned what had bothered these people to conduct such insensitive acts

8th monsoon session of the 11th Manipur Legislative Assembly Session concludes

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8th monsoon session of the 11 Manipur Legislative Assembly Session which begins yesterday concluded today. Members of the three Financial Committee of the State Legislative Assembly were elected on the last day. During calling attention motion moved by MLA Khumukcham Joykishan and MLA Okram Surjakumar, Health Minister L. Jayentakumar said that the state health department is taking up all measures to prevent the spread of Japanese Encephalitis. Minister

Jayentakumar said that Mosquito is the carrier of the JE virus. The Mosquito carried the virus after it bite pigs or migratory birds. The most dangerous one is the virus which were carried from pigs. In order to prevent the JE the state health department, Veterinary department and the Malaria department have been jointly taking up various measures. Fogging and providing of Velodona tablet and vaccination of JE have been carrying out various places. Taking velodona Tablet twice a day for children and 4 tablet a day for aged people will prevent infection of JE for a week. As the medicine has

been provided by the AYUSH there is no side effect. The state has stock to provide the medicine for one month, the Health Minister said. The Minister said that in 2015 6 people were infected by JE, in 2016 the number of JE patient is 47, in 2017 the number reached 195 and in 2018 reported case of JE is 85. For the current year as of now number of JE cases reported have reached 232 and among these 5 patients have been died. Those patients died are from poor family and low immune system were the cause of the death. He appealed people to keep the surrounding clean to prevent spread of JE.

KSA urges the state government to provide EWS certificate

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Kangleipak Student' Association (KSA) urged the state government to extent any recruitment and admission process until the state issue certificate of Economically Weaker Section (EWS).

Speaking to the media at KSA, conference hall, today, President, KSA, Chetan said that the India government published Economically Weaker Section (EWS) one of its reservation policy on January 12th, 2019 under the constitution provision of One Hundred and Third Amendment Act, 2019. He added that the Ministry of Human Resource

Development (MHRD, New Delhi, published on its office memorandum on January 17th that EWS will get 10% reservation from earlier reservation i.e., Schedule Caste (SC), Schedule Tribe (ST) and Other backward Classes (OBC). On January 18th, MHRD published that the EWS admission and faculty

recruitment will implement on 40 Central Universities across India, he added. He further draw the attention of the state government that the state is not providing Economically Weaker Section (EWS) certificate till now and the students are also disqualified when they apply the recruitment of EWS.

'Be Educated; Be Empowered'

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"Be Educated; Be Empowered 0.02 Edition" was successfully held at Beacon IAS, Model Town Metro Station, New Delhi on Sunday August 25, 2019. It is a one day Students Orientation cum Career Counselling Programme organized by United Living Trust (Manipur House), Delhi in association with Beacon IAS.

The main objective of this programme is to make positive impact to the young generation in shaping their future. Through this initiative, we facilitate to provide a platform to interact between young students and aspirants with achievers.

The success story of these achievers will inspire our aspiring students in making important decisions of life and in planning strategies to materialize those decisions. A total of around 150 students and aspirants attended the programme. Distinguish persons from various works live namely Prof. Dr. Bimol Akoijam from JNU, Advocate Daksha Sharma, Mr. Dinesh Gautam, Executive Editor India News, and Mr. Neeraj Kumar (IAS) delivered speech on

various aspects of career goals and career options.

Prof. Dr. Bimol Akoijam emphasises on the importance of pursuing one's interest in order to maintain a balance between work and life. He said that the never imagine teaching as his profession. However, he still pursues his interest by writing scripts, acting, directing, and producing films and songs to fulfil his eternal satisfaction. Mr. Dinesh Gautam, Executive Editor India News mentioned that failure makes a person stronger and brings everlasting success in life while answering to a question from a student.

It may be mentioned here that Delhi Police North East Cell not only provides Bus to ferry students from their college to the event venue but also provides full cooperation in smooth organizing of the function by providing security arrangements. Also, leaflets containing important information such as Delhi Police contact detail etc. were distributed to the students. The organizing committee convey its gratitude to Joint Commissioner/SPUNER Mr. David Lalrinsanga, IPS and Additional Commissioner/SPUNER Mr. Hibu Tamang, IPS for the kind support.

Why Manipuri students come to Bangladesh?

Siam Sarower Jamil,
Dhaka, Aug 25

Many students from the Manipur come to Bangladesh medical schools because Bangladesh is increasingly standing out as an attractive option for medical aspirants when prices for medical colleges are going up in India, Asia, Europe and North America.

Not only Manipur, Bangladesh attracts large numbers of Indian students from West Bengal, Jammu and Kashmir, Kerala, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Punjab, Karnataka & Tripura as well. They enroll in both public and private medical colleges in

Bangladesh, which offer high yet affordable standards of education.

There are more than 75 seats for international students in various government-run medical colleges in Bangladesh, while 20-25% of seats in private medical colleges are reserved for them, according to sources.

"Foreign students are increasingly interested in studying in Bangladeshi medical colleges because of the quality education and low costs," said Dr Abul Kalam Azad, principal of Dhaka Medical College.

Speaking to the *Imphal Times*, several foreign students said the quality of medical studies in Bangladesh is similar to that

of India, both in terms of syllabus, books, teaching methods, and duration of study.

Priya sen, a medical student from Kolkata in West Bengal who has been attending the Sikder Medical College and Hospital since 2017, said: "Indian students can get admitted easily because of the availability of seats. Bangladesh is geographically close to West Bengal, which is another advantage."

Haobam Tombi, a student from Imphal in Manipur said, "Medical studies cost \$100,000 in India, which is too expensive. But we can get the same quality of education in Bangladesh with only \$30,000-\$45,000."

"Given these advantages,

more than thousand Indian students come to Bangladesh for medical studies", She added.

"Bangladeshi culture is quite familiar to Kashmiri students because of its Islamic traditions. The quality of education is also pretty good, and the cost is affordable for middle-class families," said Fatema Tuj Jahra to Imphal Times, a student from Jammu and Kashmir who goes to Dhaka Community Medical College.

Rafiqul islam, a student from Tripura told, "India may be wealthier than us, but it cannot meet the demands of its vast population, which is why many Indian students come to Bangladesh for higher education."

Name Change

I the undersigned Moirangthem Thoibi ,W/O Moirangthem Leibakmacha of Thangal Bazar Imphal West District, Manipur, do hereby declare that I have abandoned, renounced and relinquished the use of my old name Pukhrambam Thoibi Devi as I have assumed my new name Moirangthem Thoibi.

Sd/-
Moirangthem Thoibi