



Minister Hankhalian's daughter owned agency on multi-crore CGST fraud scam

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A multi-crore CGST fraud scam has come under scrutiny which may lead to eruption of the discrepancies in the financial dealings of state Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Department to an alleged CGST defaulting agency. The alleged defaulter is an agency owned by Carolyn Lamuanching daughter of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Minister V.Hangkhalian. How the huge amount of financial consideration went to the agency owned by the concerned Minister's daughter is not known in a BJP-led government which is known for its tirade against family intervention in the affairs of the government.

The Deputy Commissioner (Special Intelligence Unit), CGST Division, Imphal under the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance served a notice on October 29, 2019 to M/s Muanching Agency also quoting the name of Carolyn Lamuanching for intimating discrepancies in the return after scrutiny for tax period February, 2019 of Financial Year 2018-19.

The notice said, "on scrutiny of CSTR-7, it is found that you(the agency) have received consideration amounting to Rs. 12,96,83,125 from the Directorate of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Services, Imphal/Tax Deductor (14SHLD01893D1DE) in the

month of February, 2019. However, on further scrutiny of you(the agency's) GSTR-3/return of the corresponding month it was noticed that you have declared outward taxable supplies(other than zero rated, nil rated and exempted) as Rs. 55,66,795 only resulting difference of Rs. 12,41,46,330 between the TDS and GSTR". The agency was directed to explain the reasons for the aforesaid discrepancies by November 8 of this year failing which legal proceedings will be initiated without further reference to the agency.

Search result based on GSTIN/ UIN: 14AFPL8833K1Z4 gives the legal name of business as Carolyn Lamuanching and trade name as M/S Muanching Agency at Centre Jurisdiction Churachandpur Range and State Jurisdiction Zone-10, Churachandpur and Pherzawl Districts(Jurisdiction office). Meanwhile, a certification was issued by the State Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Directorate on November 6 of this year signed by Joint Director (Planning) Ch.Nandakishore Singh stating that a sum of Rs. 12,96,83,125 had never been transferred in favour of M/S Muanching Agency, Churachandpur by the Department of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry, Manipur during the tax period February, 2019.

More interestingly on what may open up the under-covered discrepancy in GSTR-7 in the month of February, 2019

the same Joint Director wrote a letter to the Deputy Commissioner (Special Intelligence Unit), Central Division, Imphal referring to that office letter of even No. dt. 13/11/2019 regarding the above subject and requested to extend the date of furnishing the required as desired by the Deputy Commissioner's office vide letter No. IV(10)07/O&A/CL/CGST/DIV-IMP/2019-20 dt. 8/11/2019 till December 10 of this year on the ground that the Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Department and officers concerned are fully engaged for review and evaluation study to be conducted by Centre for Good Governance, Hyderabad on NEC Schemes, NERSDS and NER Vision 2020 from November 28 to December 4 this year. However, the letter mentioned nothing about why the Department could not furnish the documents sought in the ample time gap after receiving the letter and before engagement of its officials for the review and evaluation study.

The concerns of the Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Department and its clarifications need to be authenticated through fully furnishing the details of all bank account statements given to the agency from the department and the CGST Division, Imphal also needs to thoroughly investigate into the discrepancies in the financial considerations in the interest of clean governance.

Not all hope is lost; Manipur's MPs can move amendment motion when CAB is tabled

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As MANPAC, the civil body intensifies its agitation against the passing of the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, the position of the state government is at critical juncture on dealing with the situation. Assurances by the chief Minister about having full faith to the central leadership have insertion of a clause turn out to be a joke and the only means seem to have left with the Government is living on the prayer for a blessing from the central Ministers with hopes of getting the Inner Line Permit System for the state, which has now failed to convince the MANPAC and the people of Manipur.

It seems like the state government headed by Chief Minister N. Biren Singh is now left with no other option than waiting center's blessing for the re-introduction of ILPS in the state, which may turn out to be waiting for Samuel Beckett's Godot. At this critical juncture, it is now MP Dr. Ranjan who is the only hope for rescue of the BJP led state government from the criticism of the Manipur people.

Imphal Times talks to some of the civil society leaders and legislators on the issue to find out if Manipur have lost every hope as the contents of the Bill mention nothing for protection of the state of Manipur and the answer from many of them is negative saying that a powerful uprising in the state in hands with other civil societies of the North Eastern States is the option left.

However, Octogenarian politician Okram Joy had a different view. He said, RK Ranjan, the MP from inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency have every right to move amendment motion when the CAB

Dr. Ranjan can move an amendment motion to the CAB when it is introduced in Lok Sabha – O. Joy

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Octogenarian politician, who was elected six times, as member of the Manipur Legislative Assembly Okram Joy said that Dr. Ranjan, as a member of the Parliament can move amendment motion to the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019 when it is tabled in the Parliament at all the three stages of passing the Bill.

Dr. Ranjan, the MP representing the Inner Manipur Parliamentary constituency, had urged the Lok Sabha to incorporate a special provision in the Citizenship Amendment Bill (CAB) so as to keep Manipur out of its ambit during zero hour on November 28. However, after the Union cabinet cleared for introduction of the CAB, 2019, followed by distribution of the Bill to the members of the Parliament, it is loud and clear that, there is no saving clause to the Bill component when it comes for the state of Manipur.

Talking exclusively to



Imphal Times today morning. O Joy said that in parliamentary affairs legislative business is one of the important functions. Now the Bill will be introduced in the Lok Sabha and following that in the Rajya Sabha, he said.

Elaborating on what can Dr. Ranjan do now as a member of the Parliament, O Joy said, "Every member of the house has the right to oppose a Bill or to move for amendment of the Bill".

"Dr. Ranjan, being a member of the House has the right to oppose the Bill during

introduction stage. He has every right to oppose the Bill on the ground that the Bill will affect the North East states of India", he said.

"He has the right to move an amendment for insertion of a saving clause like moving for amendment to the clause that stated that this Bill has been extended to the entire country by inserting a sentence like "except for North East States" or "Except Manipur". Whether his move for amendment will be effective or not, depends to the decision of the House. But as a responsible member of the House he may oppose the Bill. He has every right to move for an amendment to the proposed Bill", the Octogenarian politician said.

O Joy further said that the process of passing a Bill is going through 3 stages – that is the 1st reading, 2nd reading and Third reading. The First reading is introduction and the second reading is discussion of the principle and the third reading is consideration of the Bill on clause by clause.

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DESAM, AIIMS supports MANPAC's Shintha Leppa protest

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Two more students' bodies – Democratic Students' Alliance of Manipur (DESAM) and Apunba Ireipakki Maheiroi Sinpang Lup (AIHMS) has extended support to the intense agitation announced by the Manipur Peoples' Against CAB which is scheduled to start from 1 pm tomorrow.

In a press conference held today at his office premises, DESAM representative said that the students' bodies stand with those opposing the CAB that will be introducing in the Lok Sabha on December 9. It may be mentioned that large

number of womenfolk under the aegis of the MANPAC yesterday thronged to the residence of Lok Sabha MP Dr. Ranjan and Rajya Sabha MP Bhabananda urging them to oppose the Bill when it was tabled in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

Earlier, All Manipur Students' Union (AMSU) had also called 15 hours total shut down in the state showing solidarity to the North East Students' Organisation (NESO).

On the other hand protests were staged today at different places in the state under the aegis of MANPAC. At Nambol large number of people staged a sit-in protest

at Nambol Bazar in Bishnupur district showing strong opposition to any move for passing of the contentious CAB, 2019. Similar protest was held at Singamei, Moirang ect.

Thoubal River even more polluted than Nambul River; TRCC force 19 trucks to unload sand

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Manipur High Court directives to stop sand mining using excavators and other machineries has not been respected by the present government as sand mining in Thoubal River using big machineries including excavators are still continuing. A survey conducted by the Thoubal River Conservation Committee (TRCC) today find the pollution level of Thoubal River to have cross Chang Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) 1000 and the pollution level is very high when comparing to Nambul River. The Pollution level found in

Nambul River is NTU 25. Interestingly, amidst the directives of the Manipur High Court the Thoubal River Conservation Committee today come across 19 trucks loaded with sand and stones that were collected from Thoubal River near Maphao Dam. Those trucks were halted by the members of the Thoubal River Conservation Committee and handed over to the Forest department. Interestingly the Forest Department did not want to involve in the incident and turn down the request for accepting the trucks. Having left with no other choice the sands in the trucks were force to unload at YASTA Ground in Thoubal Wangmataba.

has gear up its agitation from today. As for the Government of Manipur, the only means that they are using for suppressing the peoples' oppositions and agitation to the passing of the Bill is that they have full confidence to their leader as they assured about re-introducing the Inner Line Permit System that are enforced in the neighbouring states of Nagaland and

Mizoram. This perhaps fails to convince the people as no visible action from the side of the

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In its revised form, the bill states the amendments will not be applicable to regions in the North East protected by the Inner Line Permit and Sixth Schedule provisions. This includes the whole of Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, most of Nagaland, Meghalaya and Tripura, and certain pockets of Assam. Manipur is the one state in the region which is not covered by the exemptions.

Campaign for promotion of "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" held

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A one day media campaign and promotion of the scheme "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" for newspapers and Local TV was held today at Manipur Press Club, here in Imphal. The one day campaign jointly organised by the Imphal East district Administration and the DPO/ ICDS cell Imphal East, Department of Social Welfare was attended by Dr. Rangitabali Waikhom, DC Imphal East, Bijoy Kakchingtabam, President AMWJU, K. Saroja, deputy Director, Children Programme, Social Welfare department and N. Indira Devi, DTO Imphal East as dignitaries. Speaking on the occasion Deputy Commissioner of Imphal East, Dr. Rangitabali



Waikhom stressed on the role of media on creating awareness among the masses. She appealed the people to make sure that all girls get proper educations. She said that education is the only means for empowering of the girl. Elaborating on the various scheme being initiated by the

Imphal East district administration in collaboration with various other stakeholders including the Social Welfare Department, Rangitabali said that the society at a large has every responsibility in making the Beti Bachao Beti Padao scheme to reality.

PM addresses top cops' conference

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday addressed the session of the "All-India conference of director generals/inspector generals" of police 2019 at Pashan in Pune, in Maharashtra and discussed issues related to internal security. Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Director of Intelligence Bureau

Arvind Kumar, National Security Advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval, Deputy National Security Advisor Datta Padalsgaikar, R&AW's chief Santant Goel and other chiefs of intelligence and paramilitary forces were present.

The theme of the three day conference this year is "scientific and forensics-based investigation as well as technology-enabled policing".