

Khwaibamband Keithel vendor ladies sets July 15 as deadline to cancel order for allotment of office at the Keithel premises

Warns IMC Mayor to face dire consequences if fails to cancel

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A body of Khwaibamband Keithel vendor ladies called Khwaibamband Nupi Keithel, Singpham amadi Sakiam Kanba Lup, today warned the Mayor of Imphal Municipal Corporation of dire consequences if he fail to cancel the allotment order for opening of a office to a male organization at the first floor of the Khwaibamband Keithel by July 15.

Speaking to media persons, Thingjam Ongbi Rani Devi, Secretary, Khwaibamband Nupi Keithel, Singpham amadi Sakiam Kanba Lup, said that the present Mayor of IMC, Mr. Lokeshwor had issued an order for allotment of office for a male organization inside the Khwaibamband Nupi Keithel in 2018. Since then, the vendor ladies' organization had been urging the mayor to cancel the order, and then took the matter to MAHUD Minister.

MAHUD Minister himself had called him and conveyed the demand of the Keithel ladies to the Mayor.

Rani further said that, they had submitted a memorandum to the chief Minister over the allotment of male office at the Khwaibamband Keithel stating that the sanctity of the Khwaibamband Keithel, which is famous across the globe for being the only women market, is going to be sabotaged by Lokeshwor, the Mayor of the IMC. While submitting the memorandum the Chief Minister personally called to the Mayor asking him to cancel the order as it would sabotage the sanctity of the only women market in the world. However, till today the order has not been cancelled.

Since the last many years non-Manipuri porter have been

working in the Khwaibamband Keithel, but in the last few years the non-Manipuri labours have been replaced by the youth of the state. For this local labourers the vendor ladies have been providing their shelter at the sheds that they have been taking care. The Kheithel ladies have been providing all facilities, even a makeshift room at the first floor room for taking rest when Keithel lady starts their business. However, the Keithel lady would not accept opening of a separate office for them.

Since the last many years the three Khwaibamband Keithel has been recorded for women only. And if the male office is opened the sanctity and the unique identity of the women market will be lost, Rani said. She further questioned the IMC authority if anything for

the welfare of the three market shed had been done by them. "The IMC is the authority of the three Khwaibamband Keithel and so far since the construction of the new market building nothing has been done for the three market buildings" Rani added.

She added that the tax from the market has been collecting by them and it should be them that should be looking for the welfare of the Markets.

These Mayor or councilors of the Mayor had never taken up any works for the welfare of the three Khwaibamband Keithel except collecting money for their own pocket. Rani said that the women vendor appreciate all kind of developmental works taken up for the markets but that should be taken up in consultation with the vendor ladies of Khwaibamband Keithel, failing which the vendor ladies will left no choice but to rise against them.

SWA protest price hike of rice



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Socialist Women's Association (SWA) organized a protest demonstration at Singjamei Mayeng Leikai today against the rising price of rice.

SWA General Secretary Sarungbam(o) Bijenti Devi said that under the public distribution system BPL card holder receive three kilo grams of rice per person at the price rupees three for a month but it is not sufficient at all.

"In the market, superfine cost has risen up to thirty three rupees and the price of the local rice has increased to fifty rupees", Bijenti said and

urged the concern authorities to look into the matter and take measures to decrease the price of the rice available in the market.

The increasing cost of rice which is the staple of people living in Manipur has severely hit the workers who are living on their meager daily wages, she added.

SWA protesters urged the government that they should not invite a third Nupi Lal and reduce the price of the rice immediately. SWA demanded a CBI inquiry on the matter and urged that those

responsible for the rising cost of rice must be punished. It also demanded that the resignation of ministers involved in the missing of rice. The state is suffering from the rising price of rice since some years.

It may be mention that there is an ongoing row over missing rice in the state. MLA Susindro has accused the contractor Hemanta that he is responsible for creating the artificial scarcity of rice while the other side has blamed the MLA and his people for the failure in the distribution of rice.

AR apprehended with weapons in CCPur

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An individual has been reported apprehended with weapons in general area of Henglep, Churachandpur, Manipur.

According to source, he was apprehended by Assam Rifles on 9 July when they conducted search operation in connection with Lalbhoi Lungdim kidnapping case.

The individual has been identified as Mr. Nehemiah Haokip @ Wendy Kuki (28) S/o Lunmang Haokip of Leimatak Khengiang. One AK 56 with 29 live rounds, one MA3 MK 11 Rifle with 93 rounds, one 12mm Sniper Bore, one Double barrel Gun 12 rounds and four Wireless Set has been also recovered.

Clarification

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Proscribed group Revolutionary People's Front in a press clarification said that Mayanglembam Promila (52), wife of late M. Naobi of Kachi khul Mamang Leikai, Patsoi who was reportedly arrested by combined troop of Imphal East District Commando and 5 JK Rifles on July 11, 2019 is not related to RPF or its armed wing PLA.

Enquiry committee formed against plagiarism in MU

IT News
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A Four member enquiry committee of senior Professors was constituted on July 9 2019 to investigate plagiarism in PhD thesis of Hindi Department, Manipur

University.

The enquiry committee will submit its report within 15 days from the date of constitution. This was stated by Registrar in charge of MU W Chand Babu while speaking to few media persons.

The enquiry committee was

constituted as per the direction of the High Court on 22 June 2018 because of a PIL filed by one Khaidem Jacko Meitei regarding plagiarism allegedly done by some scholars under the supervision of Dr. H Subhadani.

DCs alerted of flood and landslide due to incessant rain

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Indian Meteorological Department has forecasted heavy rains at few places of the state and extremely heavy rain at few isolated

places of the state. The Relief and Disaster Management Department has sent a flood alert to the Deputy Commissioners of all district and the Chief Engineer of the Water resource to take up all

precautionary measures as there is a possibility of flood and landslide at prone area due to the incessant rain. As per the Indian Meteorological department the incessant rain may continue till July 13.

WBCC recovers bird traps



IT News
Thoubal, July 12,

Volunteers of the Wildlife and Biodiversity Conservation Committee (WBCC) Manipur recovered large number of bird traps while conducting routine drive for protection of wild birds at Khangabok, Sangaiyupham, Cherapur and Tentha Khunui in Thoubal district.

A statement by the WBCC

said that its volunteers rushed to the site after getting specific information of trapping wild bird. The volunteers recover 4 bird traps and around 50 dead birds. Besides, eight (8) birds were also rescued.

When the volunteers of the WBCC were giving awareness to the people of the areas to stop using bird trap and to love the wild birds and animals, large group of people from the area came protesting against the act of

the WBCC.

"It is unfortunate that people of the area are against the WBCC which has been working for the protection of the wild bird and animals", a statement said.

The statement added that it was the timely action of the ASI Abdul Basir of Poirang Pali Police Out Post and SI Shyam of Tentha Police Out Post and their team which prevented the scene from turning ugly.

UTLA condemn the diabolical act of 37 AR

Bya Correspondent
Imphal, July 12,

In a press note released by the Gims, Info. And Public Relation Secy, UTLA/KNO had expressed that the UTLA/KNO Condemn the diabolical act assume by the 37AR Kadamtala Jiribam. It said that Lama the then 2 IC of 37AR for his possession purpose of promotion he gave shelter to Paokhai Singson@Benjamin Singson claiming himself as the C-in-C of UTLA(J) who was the main accuse in extortion of money and kidnapping of railway workers. The UTLA(J) is neither SoO nor in any conditional understanding with the govt. Recently Paokhai Singson@Benjamin with the protection of Lama Zic with his troop collected a ransom of money from the local area chief which they had been compensate by the railway coy. for their belonging land affected the statement alleged. It further added that Nehkhohlen claimed as KNF self-style and Paokhai@ Benjamin demanded a percentage to the local chief to be submitted at the 37AR HQ, Kadamtala, Jiribam. If Paokhai@ Benjamin is captive for the surrender purposes then show them through media to the people and if it is not hand it over to the local SP of Police, the UTLA statement said.

The UTLA/KNO also appealed to the concern authority to look into the matter effectively and urged to bring a comprehensive solution.

UPF organises free health camp



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Thoubal District Committee of the United Peoples' Front (UPF), Manipur in collaboration with the Salungpham Ekop Ningthou Development Youth Club and CMO District health society Thoubal have conducted a free health camp at Salungpham Maning Leikai ground today under the supervision of the UPF head quarters. During the one day free health camp various form of diseases were treated. Ultra

sound and Blood test were also used during the camp. Diseases like Low Backache/ Joint problem, Hypertension, Skin Allergic Dermotoses, UTI, Gynaecology problem and anemia were treated to around 280 patients.

President of the UPF, while talking to media said that such camp are being organised to make Manipur a healthy nation and similar camp will be organised at various places of Thoubal district. Secy of the SEDYC, L. Jason while appreciating the UPF urged the UPF to organise more such camp in their village.

AKSU Kakching observes 27th Foundation day

IT News
Kakching, July.12,

All Kakching Students Union (AKSU) today observes its 27th Foundation Day at the auditorium of Library and Information Centre Kakching located at Kakching Phoushupat Leikai.

The observance was attended by Naorem Sanjitkumar Chairperson of Kakching Municipal Council, as the Chief Guest.

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Vice Chairperson Kshetrimayum Jhalajit Singh and Associate Professor, YK College Wangjing, Pukhrabam Somarendra Singh attended as Guests of Honour.

President of AKSU Kakching Shougaizam Ranan Khumancha highlighted the activities of the AKSU Kakching.

A quiz programme was also conducted in connection with the observance. Assistant Professor Kshetrimayum Joykumar Singh of Kha Manipur College Kakching was the quiz mater.