

News from neighbouring states

Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council (RHAC) to Close all Illegal Sand-Mining Sites

COURTESY - THE SENTINEL BOKO, July 28,

Seven executive members of the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council (RHAC) visited two illegal sand mining and stock sites at Boko and Singra under Singra Forest Range on Saturday. Executive Member Phanindra Rabha said that due to sand mining, river erosion was going on in the villages and every year many big has of paddy fields go underwater. On the other hand, the village roads had been totally

damaged due to sand mining. He urged all the villagers to protest against illegal sand mining and said that the RHAC had also decided to close all the illegal sand mining sites under RHAC area.

The seven members were Kanta Rabha and executive members Phanindra Rabha, Sumit Rabha, Nagarmal Swargiary, Sonaram Rabha, Frylin R Marak, and Aditya Rabha. Executive Member Sumit Rabha said that people were mining sand from the rivers in Kamrup district but

this was illegal as they did not have government permission to do so.

Executive Member Nagarmal Swargiary said that people used machines for mining which was also illegal and during the visit to Pakharpara village of Boko and Roumari village in Singra, people were found mining sand from the rivers using by machines. After the visits, RHAC executive member Sumit Rabha spoke to the Singra Forest Ranger to take necessary action against illegal mining.

Nagaland Speaker to convene consultative meeting on Naga political issue

Agency Kohima, July 28,

The Speaker of Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Vikho Yohshu will convene a consultative meeting of all the members of the State Assembly along with the two members of Parliament to

discuss about the Naga Political issue on August 9. Yohshu, who is also the Convener of the Joint Legislators' Forum on Naga Political Issue, also informed that another meeting of all the MLAs and MPs will be held for formation of the Parliamentarians and Ex-

Parliamentarians Association on the same day. The meeting will be held at 10:00 AM in the Conference Hall of Assembly Secretariat. "All the MLAs and MPs of Nagaland have been requested to attend the meeting positively," read the press statement.

North-East students of Aryans Group shine in 9th Convocation



By a Correspondent Imphal, July 28,

Aryans Group of Colleges, Rajpura, Near Chandigarh today held its 9th Convocation (Part-A). Vice Chancellor, Punjabi University, Patiala, Prof. (Dr.) BS Ghuman was the Chief Guest on the occasion while Dr. Anshu Kataria, Chairman, Aryans Group presided over the function. Around 250 Engineering, Management, B.Ed etc students of Aryans were conferred degrees. The convocation ceremony started with the Lamp Lighting ceremony followed by a welcome prayer by the North East students. Dr. BS Ghuman while giving the convocation address congratulated the students. Ghuman said that Aryans is among the top Colleges of Punjabi University which is doing good job in overall development of its students. He congratulated the management of Aryans which was started with just 100 students and 1 College and now is imparting quality education to over 3500 students in 7 Colleges including Engineering, Law, Management, Nursing, Pharmacy, Degree & Education.

While motivating the students Ghuman further said

that it is not merely convocation but a new beginning for another challenging life. "Students of today are the Founders of tomorrow's Nation" he added. He advised the students to become good citizen and work day and night to earn Fame for themselves and entire Country. Ghuman advised the graduates and post graduates to register themselves at their employment exchange offices at their respective districts so that they can be contacted for the various job openings in their state as well as across the Country. Dr. Anshu Kataria, Chairman, Aryans Group while congratulating the students said that it's a proud moment for Aryans to add these young

talents for the progress of the Society. Kataria said that we don't need Funds from our alumni, but we want these students to Earn Name and Fame for themselves, Society and their Nation in the coming years. Principal, Dr. Raman Rani Gupta presented the report about the college and the various academic and other achievements of the college. She mentioned that apart from academics, the college students are active in sports, cultural, innovations and other extracurricular activities. Director, Prof. B.S Sidhu; Principal, Dr. Raman Rani Gupta; Registrar, Mr. Steven Jawinda; Prof. Krishan Singla, Mr. Kapil Dev etc were also present on the occasion.

NAME CORRECTION

I, the undersigned, Esther Laldinmawi, w/o KarowngHaopua resident of 5th Avenue, Near Mao Church, Deulahlad, P.O./P.S Porompat, Imphal East, Manipur do hereby declared that my name has been wrongly entered as K. Esther in my driving license bearing license number MN-0119900026612 issued by the Government of Manipur.

I do hereby declare that my name should be Esther Laldinmawi and not K. Esther as written in the driving license.

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Sports News

Mary Kom, Gaurav Bidhuri stave off tough challenge to reach finals of Indonesia President's Cup

Ankush, Neeraj, Ananta, Jamuna among 9 Indians to reach the summit clash

IT News New Delhi, July 28,

Six-time World Championships gold medalist Mary Kom (51kg) and former World Championships bronze medalist Gaurav Bidhuri (56kg) had to stave off tough challenges in the semi-finals as a total of nine boxers made it to the finals at the 23rd President's Cup in Labuan Bajo in Indonesia on Saturday. Fresh from winning the gold at the India Open two months ago, Indian boxing queen Mary Kom participated in this prestigious tournament with the aim of testing herself and getting some much-needed bouts under the belt ahead of the World Championships in October. Mary was made to sweat it out by Vietnam's Anh Vo Thi Kim with the Indian eventually registering a 3-2 win. Mary will be continuing her gold quest against Australia's Franks April on Sunday. India's other star pugilist Gaurav Bidhuri also laboured to a tough 3-2 win over Philippines' Ogayre Junmilardo while 2017 Ulaanbaatar Cup



Simon Prestige Memorial tournament bronze medalist Neeraj Swami showed his resolve to ek out a gritty 3-2 win over Indonesia's Langu Kornelis K. Among the men, only Ananta Pralhad Chopade (52kg) had a breezy win as he outpunched Sri Lanka's Dharmasena Piyal 5-0 to progress into the final. India Open gold medalist Jamuna Boro (54kg) will take on Italy's veteran boxer, Giulia Lamagna after a commanding 5-0 win over Kase Serlin Alin Liwati of Indonesia.

Earlier, World Championships bronze medalist Simranjit Kaur (60kg) and GeeBee Boxing silver medalist Dinesh Dagar (69kg) had already confirmed their places in the final of this event. Asian Boxing Championships silver medalist Simranjit was flawless in her first bout of this prestigious tournament and outpunched Italy's Francesca Martusciello 5-0 in a commanding performance to enter the final against Indonesia's Asian Games bronze medalist Hasanah Huswaton. Dagar, a silver medalist at the 2018 India Open, had a convincing 5-0 victory over Indonesian Naumeo Defri for a meeting with Samada Saputra in the title clash.

In 48kg, Monika ended the challenge of Indonesia's gold medalist Ankush Dahiya too notched up a victory by an identical scoreline over Korea's Giheon You in 64kg. 2017 Niis Angelina 5-0 to book her place in the final against Endang of Indonesia.

Archana, Amalraj demolish RP-SG Mavericks

By a Correspondent New Delhi, July 28,

India's star player Manika Batra suffered a twin blow on Day 3 of Ultimate Table Tennis, featuring in two crushing defeats and handing Goa Challengers a massive 11-4 victory over RP-SG Mavericks Kolkata here on Saturday.

Manika first capitulated 0-3 in the opening Women's Singles encounter to compatriot Archana Kamath, giving the 19-year-old her biggest victory in her blossoming career. Manika then lost 1-2 in the Mixed Doubles too, pairing up with World No.55 Benedikt Duda, to see her team RP-SG Mavericks Kolkata slide to a huge loss.

The rechristened Goan team rode on Archana's early coup to demolish a seemingly strong RP-SG in each of the first four clashes, with Spain's Alvaro Robles and Amalraj Anthony/Cheng I-Ching scoring 2-1 wins in the Men's Singles and Mixed Doubles. India's Amalraj followed up his good show with another upset, beating Germany's Benedikt in the Second Men's Singles.

Earlier, Archana started the victory march for the Challengers as she picked up a stunning victory over Indian TT's golden girl Manika in the opening Women's Singles match of the tie.

Archana, India's only women paddler to have qualified for the semifinals of the Youth Olympics, got off to a fiery start racing to a 5-2 lead. Manika launched a strong comeback and leveled the score 7-7 with an exotic forehand smash. But Archana was in no mood to squander her chance and she raced to the gamepoint with powerful forehand return. Manika managed to save one game point but Archana eventually won the game 11-9. The Challengers' player was on a roll in the second game,

cruising to a 7-4 lead. Manika did try to cut down the lead but Archana was all over her and pocketed the game 11-7 in a rather easy manner. Having already lost the match, RP-SG would have wanted their star player to salvage at least a point but Archana looked like a player possessed and sealed the game 11-3 to clinch all three points on offer. RP-SG's strategy to field Sanil Shetty against Alvaro Robles did not pay off as the Spaniard came from behind to deliver two points for his team. The opening game of the match lived up to the expectations with both the players involved in exquisite stroke-making and exciting long rallies.

Sanil won the opening game 11-10 and logged in the first point of the evening for the last year's runners-up. But the World No.56 Spaniard came out a different player in the second game and was all over his opponent. Sanil had no answers for the towering Challengers' player and went down 4-11. The script did not change much in the final game as Alvaro cantered to a comfortable 11-5 victory to seal the match.

With a healthy lead of 5-1 after two matches, Challengers' skipper Amalraj Anthony paired up with the highest ranked player of the league this season Cheng I-Ching in the Mixed Doubles encounter against the team of Manika Batra and debutant Benedikt



Duda. RP-SG won the opening game 11-8 and it looked like things could turn around for them. But the Goan pair got their act together to win the next two games 11-4 and 11-9 to swell the lead to 7-2 in their team's favour. With just a point away from sealing the tie, Amalraj made no mistake and despite starting on the backfoot in his Men's Singles clash against Duda, won the opening game 11-7 to all but wrap up the contest. Duda won the next game 11-10 but the Indian came back strong to win the final game 11-4.

World No. 8, Cheng then stepped up to the table in the last rubber of the tie against

World No. 25 Matilda Ekholm and completed the rout as she picked up a rather comfortable 2-1 victory.

Results

- Goa Challengers bt RP-SG Mavericks Kolkata 11-4**
 1) Women's Singles - Archana Kamath bt Manika Batra 3-0 (11-9, 11-7, 11-3)
 2) Men's Singles - Alvaro Robles bt Sanil Shetty 2-1 (10-11, 11-4, 11-5)
 3) Mixed Doubles - Amalraj Anthony/Cheng I-Ching bt Benedikt Duda/Manika Batra 2-1 (8-11, 11-4, 11-9)
 4) Men's Singles - Amalraj Anthony vs Benedikt Duda - 2-1 (11-7, 10-11, 11-4)
 5) Women's Singles - Cheng I-Cheng vs Matilda Ekholm - 2-1 (11-8, 9-11, 11-5)

Nilamani English School to represent National Subroto Mukherjee Football Tournament

IT News Imphal, July 28,

Nilamani English School, Imphal West beat Poiroukhongjil High School, Imphal East by 4-3 goals to emerge winner of the U-17 Girls in the State Subroto Mukherjee Football Tournament 2019 played at Khuman Lampak Main Stadium. By virtue of the win, Nilamani English School will represent

Manipur in the U-17 Girls category in National Subroto Mukherjee Football Tournament at New Delhi.

As for the Boys categories, Springfield School, Thoubal in U-17 and Uniques Academy, Imphal East in U-15 Boys will represent Manipur in the National meet. In the final match, Poiroukhongjil School looked positive with Ng.Pinku getting the opening goal for her team. However

Nilamani English School came back strongly with Lynda Kom fetching the equaliser in the 24 minute and later Shilky consolidates in the 30 minute to make it 2-1 goals.

As competition heats up, Poiroukhongjil player Kimmungsang rattles up Nilamani defence striking two quick goals in 47 and 50 minute to shown their strength to post 3-2 goals.