

Students who shared hostel room with Babysana may require counseling – Experts

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The incident itself would have caused lot of trauma and disturbance to the children who were sharing the same room with Babysana, no matter whether they had seen or not seen what had actually happened that night, said a Child Psychologist, who did not want to reveal her identity. The Child Psychologist at first did not want to give any comment but after Imphal Times insisted her assuring that her identity will not be revealed she somehow shared her idea on what she had experienced. "See even a grown up was disturbed when such incident

like hanging happened inside his or her room", she said. There were incident that people use to perform rituals to clear the fear and trauma in the mind of the family member if any such thing happened. How could the mind of those children who were staying in the same hostel room where Babysana was found in suspicious manner could have stable undisturbed mind. Those children are in urgent need to attend proper counseling for their future career. Referring to State Police statement which said that all the 36 students who were sharing the same room with Babysana were interrogated one after another, Imphal

Times asked her whether they would get a satisfactory reply, the Child Psychologist replied that she is not sure as she felt that police of today are not only unfriendly to children but a terror for grown adult too. Before providing them proper counseling by experts in the field I don't think it's proper to interrogate the 36 children. On the other hand she continued by saying that the present uproar over this incident would even more disturb those children. Meanwhile, many people, while demanding justice for Babysana, also expressed strong concern for the other students of the school including the 36 students whom police had to question

them as per the procedure of their investigation. 12 days had gone and it is certain that not only the 36 students but also the remaining students would have had lot of anxiety that diverts them from their academic career. Either state government makes an alternative arrangement for these children while justice is being delivered or shifted them to another school to assure that the remaining students can continue their study. Having said so the best solution will be to arrest of the custodian of the school, that is the administrator and the principal until the investigation is completed, a professional social worker told Imphal Times.

Mao market to be opened at Keishampat Leimajam Leikai Community Hall

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Mao Market Open sale is set to begin from tomorrow at Keishampat Leimajam Leikai Community Hall. The sale was initiated by Mao-Imphal Market Coordination Committee. The sale will open twice in a week which will be on Thursday and Friday. Speaking to media persons, advisor of the Mao-Imphal Market Coordination Committee H. Ibombi Khuman appealed the people to come and experience the sale which was for the first time opened

at Keishampat. With the non completion of Mao Keithel the sellers finds it difficult to sell their products and also urged the state government to fasten the process of construction of the market. Concerning about benefits of the Mao market Ibombi Khuman stressed that the market will make Economic Integrity and interdependency among the people of the land which will also create a bond between the hills and the valley. He appealed the people to take part in it. Reminding the history he

highlighted that due to land disputes at Kojiri with Southern Angami People Organisation, Mao products which were sold on the neighbouring state of Nagaland were not allowed to be sold. Previously for the first time Mao market was opened at Khwai Nagamapal on July 3, 2015. He finally appealed the people of the land to come and visit the day sale of Mao Market. He further said that the clubs and organisation who wants to have Mao Keithel at their places can consult to the organisation.

Babysana is the guiding light for the movement of child rights- Pradip

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The mysterious death of Babysana is the guiding light for the movement of child rights. This was stated by the former member of Manipur Commission for Protection of Child Rights at Mass solidarity meet on Child Rights held today at Keishampat Lairembi Community hall. He said that such incident was not the first time in the state and added that from 2014 onwards many students died continuously at Hostels. Pradip further stressed that they have urge the government to make regulatory guidelines for hostel since 2014. He asserted that the

unfortunate incident of Babysana might not occur or can know the fault at the moment if the government heard their voice to have a regulatory guidelines. Questioning why the government took much time to notify a regulation he asked the state how much more time they will need to notify the regulation. Pradip said that the government has not taken seriously and are not committed in making such regulations and added that many law and acts were even made in an overnight. He also urged to make a holistic approach and a comprehensive mechanism which is an inclusive in making Child's policy. Addressing the function

the owners just now. Shital said that they have demanded to make a guideline for the hostels. The meet was chaired by Chairperson in charge of Manipur Human Rights Commission, Khaidem Mani. The mass solidarity meet on child rights was organised by Manipur Alliance for Child Rights and Child Rights and You demanding justice for Babysana, enforcing regulatory guidelines for hostel and Manipur Child Protection Policy.

IMA Protests March Against NMC bill 2019

Bya Correspondent
New Delhi, July 29,

Over 5000 doctors, medical students and healthcare professionals from across the nation today stood up against the National Commission Bill 2019. The entire medical fraternity protested against the bill outside AIIMS followed by a protest march from AIIMS to Niman Bhawan. "NMC is the worst bill ever introduced to medical education system and unfortunately a doctor health minister is adamant to destroy his own education system. We will not accept this atrocity at any cost.

The proposed bill is Anti-people, Anti Poor, Anti-Students, Anti-Democratic and draconian in nature. Medical students being the part of this pious education system have also joined hands to protect our education system and uproot this NMC bill," said Dr Santanu Sen, National President, IMA. Under the banner of 'Delhi Andolan', the march congregated at the chaatra sansad with over 7000 medical fraternity and medical students joining hands together against the NMC bill. "IMA has been opposing various clauses in the NMC bill since 2016, and believes that

the bill had only undergone cosmetic changes and the core concerns raised by IMA are still unaddressed. Further an addition of Section 32 in the bill, will only legalize quackery by empowering the community health providers to practice medicine, thereby endangering the lives of many people. There has been never been blatant pro rich bias of this intensity. The NMC bill is a pro-private management bill paving the way

for widespread corruption." said Dr Rajan Sharma, National President – Elect, IMA. IMA from time to time has been with the common public health for cutting down medicine prices, boost EWS reservation in hospitals and many more. The agitation against the NMC bill is also the latest example of how IMA is protecting the public health with no personal interest involved.

Rally staged against drug and alcohol abuse

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Coalition Against Drugs & Alcohol (CADA) in coordination with the Nongmeibug Ayangpalli Development Meira Paibi Unit 1 and then proceeded towards Porompat, Soibam Leikai, New Chekon, Konung Mamang and then returning back to the point where they started. The torch rally carry slogans for abolishing the use of intoxicants and punishment of drug smugglers to safe the future generation.

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Public meeting held regarding Thoubal River's current situation

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A public meeting was held in Thoubal Mela ground regarding the current situation of Thoubal River. Organised by Thoubal River Conservation Committee (TRCC) and All Thoubal Apunba Meira Paibi Lup

(ATPMLP), the meeting was attended by scholars, leaders of various Meira Paibi organizations, students, and residents of Thoubal River banks. The meeting decided that there is no need to regulate manual mining since the river has degraded due to 2

long years of machine mining. Therefore, various decisions were made in the meeting, including banning of any kind of sand and stone quarry even if regulations were made, and conservation of the degrading structure of Thoubal River.

Three days training program for peasants started at Thoubal

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A three days training program for peasants called "Integrated Farming System, Processing and Marketing Thereof" is going on at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Hall at Thoubal. The training program is organised by KVK Thoubal and Manipur Small Farmers' Agri-Business Consortium Imphal under that guidance of National Institute of Agricultural Marketing (NIAM). The program was inaugurated by M Joy Singh, IAS, Agriculture Department Commissioner, Dr. L Meghachandra Singh, Joint Director ICAR NEHR Manipur Centre Lamphelpat, M.S. Khaidem, project coordinator of Manipur Small Farmers' Agri-Business Consortium Imphal, Dr. S Zeshmarani DVI, Head and scientist of KVK Thoubal. On the second day of the

training program, Dr Zeshmarani, Dr.Ng.Joykumar Associate Professor CAU, K.Sonamani KVK Chandel gi SMS Engineering, Dr.A.Tarajit KVK Thoubal SMS Agri Extension and SMS-PBG S.Surmanjol will be the resource persons and on the third day farm manager of KVK Thoubal E.Jiten, KVK Imphal West SMS-PBG S.Gunamani, Agriculture Department's assistant engineer I. Akendra and NIAM Jaipur's Skill development and administration Deputy Director Dr.S.R.Singh will be the resource persons for the program. As a part of the training program, a Farm Innovators' Meet was also held so that peasants can grow vegetables and other grains after they cultivate paddy from their fields. Sapam Lukhloi who is a successful farmer from Wabagai Thungel Leikai talked about how farmers can profit from growing variety of crops at their fields in today's program.

Minister Jayantakumar Inaugurated AYUSH Hospital at Thoubal

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Health and Family Welfare Minister L.Jayantakumar today open a 10 bedded AYUSH Hospital at CMO Complex Thoubal Wangmatba. Speaking on the occasion, Jayantakumar said that AYUSH system of treatment is becoming popular now a days and days are gone that AYUSH doctors are treated as second class physicians after recognizing their service. Besides, AYUSH system is now a full-fledged independent unit and the subject is considering to include as a subject of the MBBS students. "AYUSH and Allopathy are

now like brothers as they go together taking help from each other", the health Minister said. He added that the once upon misconception about AYUSH and Homeopathy Doctors have been changed as their health care service is becoming excellent days after another in saving human life. He appealed the people to give similar respect to AYUSH doctors that people are giving to Allopathy doctors. The inaugural function was also attended by Dr.L.Promila Devi, Director, Directorate of AYUSH, Dr.N.Jayantakumar Singh, Chief Medical Officer (CMO) Thoubal and Dr.Y. Lukhloi Singh, Additional Director also Member Secy. EC of the State AYUSH Society Manipur as dignitaries.

HC should allow quarrying of sand and stones from river beds - Kakching Workers

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Protesting the Manipur High Court order to stop quarrying of sand and stones from the river beds a sit in demonstration of workers was held today at JNRUM Hall at Kakching Sumak Leikai. The decision of the court has affected the livelihood of the poor workers, according to the protesters. Kha Maikhei Apunba Shinmee Lup, which is formed by uniting the workers, has been protesting the order of the High Court and to save the livelihood of the workers whose sole earning comes from sand and stone quarries.

A worker who was in the sit in protest said that "it is because of the money they get from quarrying sand and stones from the river beds they are able to feed themselves and provide education to their children. Now due to this high court order that bans quarrying from river beds, it has affected our lives heavily. There is no work they can do and some families at the stage of starvation." The protesters are asking how long they are going to bear this suffering and they appeal the High court to withdraw this decision thinking about the poor workers.

KNF (N) clarifies

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Regarding a report appeared in Newspapers stating that combined team of Imphal East Commando and 26 Assam Rifle recovered some arms and ammunition of the KNF (N), the outfit said the report as rootless and baseless. A statement of the outfit said, "Actually it was just suspected not the fact, the KNF-N strongly condemn for wrong allegation and warn the social media to cross-checked with authentic sources and not to continued fake and frauds." KNF (N) also clarified that combat cadres and weapons are genuinely used in proper activities and have no utter destruction weapons. "After the killing of Hengjang Village Chief and his nephew, the KNF-N takes investigating for along time to find the culprits, and now identify the culprits who took parts in killing of the duo", it added.