

Assam Rifles Conducts Free Health Awareness Campaign



IGAR (South) Imphal June 15,

Keithelambi Battalion of 9 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of IGAR (South) observed "World Blood Donor Day" by organising a free health awareness campaign at Thongju village of Imphal East on 14 June 2019. As part of the awareness campaign, various activities were undertaken by the Canchipur Company Operating Base (COB) at

Thongju Village Community Hall with an aim to reach out to the needy and socially deprived section of the society and as a contribution towards ensuring well being of one and all. The campaign commenced with an informative lecture giving out the importance of blood donation and health by the Regimental Medical Officer. The lecture was followed by an interactive session during which various queries raised by the

attendees were clarified. A dedicated medical team under the Regimental Medical Officer provided medical assistance to the locals of the area. In addition to the medical checkup, consultation on various diseases and health related issues as well as free medicines were distributed to the needy patients. The Battalion in a joint venture with Kangla Diagnostics, Imphal, also carried out various free of

cost tests for the locals including Complete Blood Count, Liver function test, Kidney function test, Lipid profile, Blood sugar test, Thyroid test, Urine routine examination etc. In addition, a mobile Dental clinic was also established for carrying out dental checkup of the attendees. A medical team under the Dental Officer from 12 Dental Unit Assam Rifles (DUAR) provided free dental treatment and medicines to the attendees.

The series of activities undertaken by the battalion as part of the awareness campaign received an overwhelming response from the local populace and benefitted over 250 locals including women and children from the areas in and around Thongju village. All the attendees conveyed their heartfelt gratitude to the Assam Rifles for facilitating the medical facilities and requested for more such camps in the near future.

Seminar Cum Awareness Programme On Tds Held



(DIO/Cd) Chandel, 14th June,

Yesterday Income Tax officer (TDS) Imphal, under the Joint Commissioner of tax (TDS), Shillong organised a seminar cum awareness programme on TDS provisions under the Income tax Act-1961 for the DDOs and treasury Officers of Chandel District at DRDA hall, DC complex, Chandel. In his opening speech Deputy Commissioner, Chandel, Krishna Kumar said that the income tax return filings are very low specially in the hill districts. He said that today's programme is

specially designed for the DDOs and the Treasury Officers of the district. He further asked all the participants present to take full advantage of today's awareness program. S. Sachidananda Singh, Income tax officer (TDS), Imphal and Shri. V. Baikshang, Inspector of income tax (TDS), Imphal were present in today's function as resource persons. Today's functions were attended by ADC Chandel, Dr. A. Chinglenkhomba Meetei, MCS, DDOs and Treasury Officers of different departments of the District.

Assam Rifles Prompt Action Saves Life Of Civilian

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Maruti Van driver Joten Singh of village Mentom (Imphal) and his family were driving a Van from Moreh to Imphal when their van skidded from the road due to slush and was about to topple in the drain at Sukmai River. The

individuals were taken out from the van and the van itself was pulled out from the drain via recovery vehicle of Assam Rifles.

Prompt action by Chandel Battalion of 26 Sector Assam Rifles under the aegis of IGAR (S) saved the lives of Joten Singh and his family from the road accident.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is being observed today

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World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is being observed today. This day is observed on the 15th of June every year to voice opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted on elderly people. It was officially recognized by the United Nations General Assembly in December 2011 following a request by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. AIR correspondent reports that elder abuse can take various forms such as physical, psychological or emotional, and financial abuse.

According to the UN, around 1 in 6 older people experience some form of abuse. It is predicted to rise as populations age worldwide. Elder abuse can lead to serious physical injuries and long-term psychological consequences. It is a global social issue which affects the health and human rights of millions of older persons around the world. It is predicted to increase as many countries are experiencing rapidly ageing populations. The global population of people aged 60 years and older will more than double, from 900 million in 2015 to about 2 billion in 2050.

PM Modi says nations supporting, promoting & funding terrorism should be made accountable for their actions

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has called for united efforts from the global community to eliminate the terrorism from its root. Addressing the Plenary Session of SCO Summit at Bishkek in Kyrgyzstan Mr. Modi said, all humanitarian forces will have to unite to counter terrorism. Prime Minister also called for International Conference Against Terrorism. He said that nations supporting, promoting and funding terrorism should be held responsible and made

accountable for their actions. In the meeting, the Member states of SCO stressed that there can be no justification for any act of terrorism and extremism. They also reiterated their intention to focus on expanding and deepening cooperation in trade, finance, investment, transport, energy, agriculture, innovation and cutting-edge technology. In the Bishkek Declaration released after the meeting yesterday, the member States urged the international community to strengthen global cooperation in efforts

against terrorism without politicization and double standards. Prime Minister Modi and Kyrgyz President Jeenbekov also held a restricted meeting to boost bilateral engagement to the next level. The two countries exchanged 15 documents in various sectors. Prime Minister held bilateral meetings with Presidents of Iran, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Mongolia and Belarus on the sidelines of the summit. After the completion of his two day visit to Kyrgyzstan Prime Minister returned home this morning.

5th meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog to be held this afternoon; PM to chair meeting

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will chair the fifth meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog at Rashtrapati Bhawan this afternoon. This will be the first meeting of governing council after new government took over. The agenda before the Fifth Council Meeting include rain-water harvesting, drought situation and relief measures,

aspirational districts programme, transforming agriculture, and security related issues with special focus on Left Wing Extremism districts. The Governing Council will review the action taken on the agenda items of the previous meeting and deliberate upon the future developmental priorities. The Governing Council of NITI Aayog comprises the Prime Minister, Chief Ministers of all the States,

Lt. Governors of Union Territories, and other special in-charge ministers. Union Ministers of Defence, Home, Finance and Agriculture will attend the meeting as ex-officio members. The Governing Council presents a platform to discuss inter-sectoral, inter-departmental and federal issues in order to accelerate the implementation of the national development agenda, in the spirit of Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat.

Defence Minister calls upon DRDO scientists to focus their energies on flagship programmes of national importance

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh reviewed the progress of research and development activities in the area of defence technologies at DRDO headquarters in New Delhi yesterday. Mr. Singh appreciated the commitment and dedication of DRDO scientists. He directed

them to focus their energies on flagship programmes of national importance. Chairman DRDO Dr G Satheesh Reddy and other senior scientists gave a detailed presentation to Mr Singh. The Defence Minister also met the Army Chief General Bipin Rawat in New Delhi yesterday. Mr Singh complimented Army for

ensuring the highest level of professionalism, the continuous readiness against external and internal challenges and their role in nation building. The Minister said, it is matter of great pride that Army is ready for full spectrum of challenges and it will be ensured that their capabilities keep getting continuously enhanced.

Crime Capital: Four shootings, Five murders over Fifteen hours in Delhi

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A 17-year-old boy, a man out on bail and a former call centre employee who lost both his parents in the last eight months were among five people who were shot dead in four separate attacks that took place within a 15-hour period in the Capital on Friday, the police said. Nearly 20 bullets were fired in these incidents, the last of which was a double murder carried out at a busy traffic junction near the Nand Nagri police station in north-east Delhi on Friday morning.

were previously known to their victims and are already arrested in some cases. Overall, heinous crime in 2019 is down by 10.5%. Crime by use of fire arms is down by 5.65%," the official Delhi Police account tweeted. The five murders come in the wake of a spate of recent killings involving guns in New Delhi, including a gang war in west Delhi's Dwarka Mor on May 19 where traffic was stopped as three men pumped bullets into their target who was in a car. The attack at Nand Nagri was identical to the May

19 incident; three-four men followed their targets who were in a car before opening fire at a busy traffic junction. This took place at 11:30am. At 10:30pm on Thursday in west Delhi's Vikaspuri, a 35-year-old man, Amit Kochar, was taken by three unidentified men into his car and shot dead outside his house. The same night, two other people were gunned down within a kilometre of each other in outer Delhi's Bhalaswa Dairy over a 90-minute period. The first was death was around 9:30pm of a 42-year-old property dealer.

ISRO for 1st time opens its laboratories for Indian school students

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The Indian Space Research Organization ISRO has, for the first time, opened its laboratories for Indian school students to undergo two-week training from this year. The first batch of 108 students drawn from all

states and Union Territories recently completed their exposure in its laboratories in Bengaluru, Sriharikota, Thiruvananthapuram and other places. The training module has been devised as part of its new Young Scientists Programme, or Yuva Vignik Karyakram, YUVIKA.

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Switzerland and France raised the issue. In the third review Switzerland and Pakistan raised the issue of review and/or repeal of the AFSPA. Thus, the Working Group on Universal Periodic Review that directs all the recommended the State under Review, here Government of India, has recommended the repeal/review of AFSPA in all the three cycles. Unfortunately the Government of India has not accepted the recommendation persistently. CONCLUSION In his last days Arambam Somorendra was very keen to know how to raise the human rights issues of Manipur to the UN. He might be pleased that so much progress has

been made toward that direction in the last twenty years or so. But these are only baby steps and a lot still needs to be done. UN is a huge and complex system and one needs a great deal of patience and perseverance to see results. Even a lifetime's work may not be sufficient. There are also inherent limitations of what the UN can do to push the influential and powerful government like India on human rights issues. And there are many geo-political factors well beyond the control of small actors like us. But we are happy today is that we are at least able to engage with the UN human rights mechanisms - sometime effectively and

sometime not so effectively. This engagement needs to continue. We need to prepare our next generation to take on the baton. Some day, if they are persistent enough, they might find the answer to the issues we are throwing up today. In conclusion let me read out a Manipuri poem, whose author I cannot recollect, but have read somewhere: Taramdai numitna laorakkhi "Eidi chatalni; malemsi mamhourant kanana thut shihougani?" Pikelaba kegam gi dosina khumakakhi "Eina ngalhangani malem!" Korouhanbana noknaraklabada,

dosi machana hairakhi "Hayen inung ngallaga, nangna amuk thoklaklaga Malem se nouhounga ngallani. Adub, ugani eibudi tanggoi oina, Adub, chaothokehei eidi, Eigi ithoudang pangthoklanme!", haina. (Footnotes) 1 Para 83, Report of Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defender, Margaret Sekaggya, Addendum, Mission to India, A/HRC/19/55/Add.1 dated 6 February, 2012. 2 Writ Petition (Criminal) number 129 of 2012. 3 Writ Petition (Criminal) number 201 of 2018. 4 See also A/HRC/23/4/Add.1, para. 101. (CONCLUDED)