

Manipur's 1st Lokayukta Chairperson sworn in retired justice T. Nandakumar Singh sworn in as Chairperson

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Justice (Retd) T. Nandakumar Singh was today sworn-in as the first Chairperson of the Manipur Lokayukta along with Justice (Retd) Basu Deo Agarwal and Ameising Luikham, IAS (Retd) as Judicial Member and Non Judicial Member respectively. Governor of Manipur Dr. Najma Heptulla administered the oath of office and secrecy to the newly appointed Chairperson and members at the swearing-in-ceremony held at the Darbar hall of Raj Bhavan, Imphal.

The ceremony was attended by Council of Ministers led by Th. Biswajit Singh, L. Jayantakumar Singh, Karam Shyam, Th. Shyamkumar Singh, V. Hangkhanlian, and MLA Khasim Vashum. Chief Information Commissioner Dr. Soibam Ibocha Singh, State Information Commissioner Onam Sunil, Acting



Chairperson, Manipur State Human Rights Commission, Khaidem Mani were in attendance. Chief Secretary Dr. J. Suresh Babu, Director General of Police L.M. Khaute and other senior officials of civil and police of the state government were also present during the ceremony. Speaking to media persons, after the swearing-in

ceremony, newly appointed Chairperson Justice (Retd) T. Nandakumar Singh said that Lokayukta will take up complaints filed against ministers and senior IAS officers. Every complaint will not be entertained and only those genuine complaints will be taken into consideration after preliminary enquiry. Lokayukta is a quasi judiciary

authority for transparent administration of the State Government. Lokayukta is for the people and it will work for the interest of the public, he added.

Mentioned may be made that appointment of Manipur Lokayukta Chairperson and members was published in Manipur Gazette notification dated, 13th May, 2019.

Doner Approves 176.43 Crores for different schemes in the state

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The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) has approved a total amount of Rs.176.43 crores for different schemes to be undertaken in the State. The said amount was approved by the Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) in its meeting held at New Delhi on June 18, 2019. The IMC meeting was chaired by Secretary DoNER Dr. Inderjit Singh. Chief Secretary Dr. J. Suresh Babu, Addl. Chief Secretary Dr. Suhel Akhtar and other senior officers of

the State Government participated in the meeting. Out of the approved sanctioned amount, Rs. 59.06 crores has been approved for the three projects under North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS), a total of Rs. 90 crores for 38 projects under Hill Area Development Programme (HADP) and Rs. 27.37 crores for 16 projects under Flood Relief Works in the State.

The three projects under the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) are upgradation of Moirang Sendra Road upto Sendra Hillock, Moirang Sendra

Road to Omba Hillock and Keina Bazaar to Thanga Keibul Road for promoting tourism, augmentation of Moreh Water Supply Scheme and provision of paid/Private ward in JNIMS. Some of the projects under Hill Area Development Programme (HADP) include construction of Water Supply Scheme at Tamei, Nungba, Haochong etc., construction of transit quarter/hostel for doctors, teachers and government employees at Nungba, Noney, Haochung and Sub-Divisional HQ in Tameng District, development and promotion of eco-tourism centre at Zeliad lake and Tharon cave etc.

Few hours rains flooded Imphal; Water logged on the street at many places

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Few Hours rains flooded most part of Imphal areas today afternoon. Most streets including national Highway today witness rain water running on it as most drains constructed on the road sides fails to drain the rain water. As usual the Manipur Secretariat Office (both New & Old) Complex were also flooded in the few hours rain as there are no proper drainage system till today.

A video uploaded by a police officer while on duty show water filling some portion of the National Highway. As per his views it was the due to the encroachers by many people which created a stumbling block to the drainage system. At Yaikul area of Imphal the few hours rain flooded the locality.

Traffic at Keishampat was disturbed as water remain logged on the road after the few hour rain.

Drainage constructed at the cost of huge amount seems no help in solving the problem.



Export promotion conference cum international buyer seller meet on North East region held

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Export promotion conference cum international buyer seller meet on North East region Product export is being organised at City Convention Centre today.

The conference cum buyer sellers meet was organised by Agricultural and processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) in association with North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation limited (NERAMAC). The conference was attended by Chief Secretary of Government of Manipur Dr. J. Suresh Babu and Commerce Secretary Department of Commerce Government of India Dr. Anup Wadhawan as

Special Guest and Chief Guest of the function.

The main objective of the meet is to promotes export of agricultural and processed products from North East regions and to facilitate market linkages of the exporters with international buyers.

It will also provide support to exporters to set up infrastructure like pack houses, cold storage etc. The event aims at bringing the North Eastern States of India on the export map of India.

It can be mentioned that around 21 international buyers from South East Asia, Gulf countries and neighbouring countries are participating the event.

Various speakers from Manipur, Tripura, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Assam, Nagaland were also spoke on the occasion.

Seminar on Cane and Bamboo products

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Under the sponsorship of National Co-operative Union of India, NCUI-New Delhi, The Oriental Women's Co-operative Society Limited in collaboration with NCUI-Cooperative Education Field Project and CEFP, Thoubal, organizes one day seminar on Cane and Bamboo products for schedule tribe and schedule cast at Kshetri Shanglein, Thoubal, today.

District Cooperative Officer, Thoubal, T. Khongnem Singh, Project Coordination, Manipur, Chairperson, vice-president, State Cooperative Union, Imphal (valley), Jeena Potshangbam, Manipur Government Cooperative Societies, Retired, Deputy Registrar, Kh. Tomba Singh, NCUI-CEFP, Thoubal, Project Officer, Th. Pahari Singh and Farm Guidance Instructor, Pulchhand Moirangthem attended as dignitaries.

Resource persons, Manipur Government Cooperative Societies, Retired, Deputy Registrar, Kh. Tomba and NCUI-CEFP, Thoubal, Farm Guidance Instructor, Pulchhand Moirangthem expressed their views on how to gain profit on cane and bamboo products at markets and elaborated various program taken up by the state government for the welfare of the people.

Chief Minister N. Biren Singh returns; leaves airport without facing reporters

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The air is still thick in the N. Biren Singh led government, as the political crisis remain unsolved even after meeting various leaders of the BJP Central leadership. Suspicious over deepening of the crisis was suspected as Chief Minister N. Biren Singh who arrived here in Imphal today afternoon refused to meet reporters who have been waiting for him at Imphal airport.

As per Imphal Times reporters, the flight where CM came landed around 1.55 pm today. Several media persons waited for him at the Tuliha airport

and unfortunately he neither came out from the main exit where everyone came out nor meets the media persons. Instead he came out from another gate where his vehicle got inside the air field and take him straight away leaving behind all the media persons and their queries.

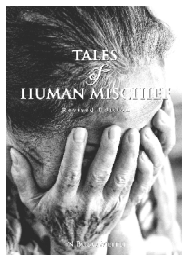
It is hard to understand on why the Chief Minister didn't talk to reporters who have been waiting for him at airports for hours curious to know the political development at this crucial hours. The battle between Minister N. Biswajit and CM N. Biren is now crystal clear and in addition to source with Imphal Times, Minister Bishwajit had

Ajay Jamwal arrives

Meanwhile, North East Zonal General Secretary Organisation of the BJP, Ajay Jamwal also arrived at Imphal today. He arrived at Imphal airport at 11.45 am. The BJP leader also refuse to give any comment regarding the political crisis in Manipur.

yesterday stated that it is the central leadership that will decide and settle the issue. As the ball is now in the court of the central leadership CM Biren might thought talking to reporters may deepen the crisis more.

Revised Edition of 'Tales of Human Mischief' is now Available



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The ongoing armed conflict and civil unrest in Manipur has drawn a lot of attention. But it has hardly received deserving elaborate attention, the victims in particular. They have always remained as mere

names and counted numbers whose stories have never been told.

Nameirakpam Bobo Meitei's Tales of Human Mischief is their stories, the stories of the significant many told with great significance in rich prose. Set in Manipur, also known as Kangleipak, the elaborate tales are the laments of a mother for her child who she will never see; the unheard voice of a young soul shaped by violence that surrounds him; the unspoken agony and humiliation of dishonoured victims; of those who have been gnawed by

avarice and no longer bound even by basic moral code; the prolonged and widespread fear of those who live with the wish to be salvaged; and the extremity of terror and human brutality, to underscore some.

Written between 2010 and 2011, the book was first published in 2012 only to be withdrawn soon, owing to the publisher's lack of competence.

"There was no regret when the book was permanently pulled out along with the second book, which also suffered the similar fate. It apparently caused an end to an erratic relation, but it nevertheless gave one sufficient time to reflect on how to repair the damage and, most importantly, the editorial touch the book deserved," explains the author.

Tales of Human Mischief is Bobo Meitei's first book. The author is also planning to launch his second book, A Cursed Land, after a few months. The book is already available

on www.amazon.in both in paperback and kindle format.

About the author:



Born in Manipur, also known as Kangleipak, Nameirakpam Bobo Meitei grew up in Kyamei, Imphal, the capital of the state. He studied Economics at Pune University. He started his career as a language teacher in South-East Asia. Since 2011, he has been working in New Delhi, handling range of editorial profiles.