



Road blocked ; Tear gas shell fired ; 4 injured, 9 arrested at Yaithibi Loukol



IT News
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After staging series of protest against the government plan to establish Food Park at Yaithibi Loukol in Thoubal district which was acquired for construction of National Sports University, large number of people today came on the street and blocked National Highway for some hours.

Police team which rushed the spot fired several round of tear gas shells.

One house was damage and 4 women were injured in the police action. The police team also picked up 4 men and 5 women from the spot. District Magistrate had imposed prohibition under section 144 of the CrPc to prevent any untoward incident.

The locals of the area have been opposing establishment of any government project or scheme other than construction of the National Sports University on the ground that the land were acquired for construction of the National Sports University which is now

shifted at some other place. The 4 injured persons have been identified as Keisham Ibema (35) W/o. K.Ibungo, Haobijam Ibema (40) W/o. H. Raju, Kangujam Sundari (30) W/o. K. Ashakumar and Wangkheimayum Chenetou W/o. Bhorot. They were immediately rushed to District Hospital Thoubal for treatment. A house belonging to one Rajeshwar, wife of kumar was also damaged after apportion of it started burning after being hit by a tear gas shell. Police arrested 9 persons picked up by the police in connection with the incident have been identified as W. Ibema, K. Thaja, K. Bilashini, Y. Tombisana, Samu, Larji, Raghu, Dinesh and Ramsing. Locals of 44-Yaithibi Loukol and land donors association had been urging the State government for return of the land as they are not going to construct the national Sports University. The association also threatens dire consequences if any other project are taken up instead of the National Sport University.

A statement by Manihar, secretary of the association said that the then Chief Minister O.Ibobi government promised to construct National Sport University at Yaithibi Loukol in 2014, besides promising government jobs to unemployed youths. He added that they have no objection to the acquiring of the cultivation lands in view of the need of supports of the people in taking up welfare programme of the people.

The NSU has been shifted and start construction elsewhere but at Yaithibi Loukol, the government plans to construct 100 acre of mega food park, 150 acre of logistic park and 100 acre of Jewellers park.

He further said that locals of 44- Yaithibi loukol will not accept the plans. Meanwhile, before 2, 3 days Deputy Commissioner Thoubal, had already instructs and started demarcation at Langthabal Khunou. The locals also opposed the actions of DC Thoubal.

10 lakh saplings to be planted this year: Minister Shyamkumar Mahud dept organises tree plantation programme at lamdeng khunou

DIPR
Imphal, June 8,

Forest & Environment and MAHUD Minister Thounaojam Shyamkumar today said that the department has set a target to plant around 10 lakh saplings this year in collaboration with various stakeholders during the ongoing week-long observance of World Environment Day (June 6-11) and Van Mohatsav which will be observed in July.

Minister Shyamkumar was attending tree plantation programme held as part of the week-long observance of the World Environment Day 2019 at the complex of the Solid Waste Management Plant, Lamdeng Khunou, Lamsang A/C, Imphal West organised by the Manipur Urban Development Agency (MUDA).

Addressing the media persons after planting saplings, MAHUD Minister Thounaojam Shyamkumar said at present the people in



the State and across the world are reeling under the consequences of the global warming and climate change. He said deforestation among other factors which adds to the destruction of the environment is highly alarming.

He said as part of conserving and protecting the environment, plantation drives are held across various places in the State. Advising that merely planting a sapling will not help in the mission, he said one must focus on the maintenance of the plant that is nurturing the sapling till the maturity. Stating that the Forest Department will collaborate with the NGOs, clubs, local residents for

engaging them for the maintenance of the planted saplings, he said they will be given assistance for their service as done in earlier years from the time he took charge of the department.

Stating that the State Government and the officials are wholeheartedly committed in conserving and protecting the environment, he said that Chief Minister N. Biren Singh on June 5, 2019 during the World Environment Day 2019 observance had already announced that the State Government will soon launch a campaign known as 'Green Manipur, Clean Manipur' with an objective to protect environment and combat climate change.

Under the campaign, the State Government will encourage every village of the State, both in the hill and in the valley, to protect or develop forest land each having an area of at least 5 to 10 acres. The Government will install gym worth around Rs 5 lakh each at these greenery areas. Aturban and semi urban localities, which do not have such land for forest development, people will be encouraged to plant trees at their Umang Lai (Sylvan Deity) complexes.

Around 200 saplings were planted today during the tree plantation programme which was also attended by the officials including K. Gyaneshwar Singh, Secretary (PDA), M. Joy Singh, Commissioner (MAHUD), Th. Harikumar Singh, Director (MAHUD), officials of Imphal Municipal Corporation including K. Chandrakumar Singh, Municipal Commissioner (IMC), L. Lokeshwar Singh, Mayor (IMC), Aribam Thaja Devi, Chairperson, Lamsang Nagar Panchayat and local job holders of the Lamsang Khunou.

Man climbs tree, threatens suicide as salary delayed

Agency
Kolkata June 8,

In protest against the non-payment of his salary for the last 18 months, a contractual worker in West Bengal's Purulia Municipality climbed a tree and threatened to commit suicide by jumping down, police said on Saturday.

"Gajanan Sutradhar, who works on a contract basis,

climbed up the mango tree at the Municipality premises, threatened to commit suicide and demanded his salary," police said. Police and fire services personnel made him climb down the tree by promising to have his demand fulfilled, but only after a tiring effort.

"I climbed the tree to kill myself as I have no money for my family. I am not getting the

salary from the Municipality for the last 18 months," Sutradhar alleged.

Councillor Bibhasranjan Das said Sutradhar should have informed the administration at the Municipality in a proper way.

"We will look into the matter and take necessary steps so that his salary dues are cleared at the earliest," he added.

Will continue the dialogic process with all states and solve problems by taking policy decisions: Environment Minister

PIB
Mumbai, June 8,

The Union Minister for Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Shri Prakash Javadekar held discussions with the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis and State Government officials on environment and forest-related issues in Mumbai today. The Minister said that majority of pending issues majority of the demands and projects of the state of Maharashtra which were pending during the period 2004 - 2014 have been resolved during the last five years. He said that the Government is moving ahead fast to ensure environment protection as well as development of the nation. The dialogic process initiated today will be continued, to

solve problems through policy decisions, said the Minister.

Briefing the media after the meeting, the Union Minister said: "I have started a dialogue with all states; in the discussion with the Maharashtra CM and other officials, I discussed pending issues and proposals which must be addressed immediately, concerning environment, forests and climate change. I am very happy that majority of the demands and projects of the state of Maharashtra which were pending during the period 2004 - 2014 have been resolved during the last five years. This includes permission for the statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Nhavaseva bridge, Navi Mumbai airport; a number of different permissions for Mumbai Metro; Mumbai -

Goa Expressway, coastal roads and recycling plant in Malad. We also made changes in Coastal Regulation Zone Notification so that families leaving in those areas can avail of FSI regulations applicable for city areas. A lot of such pro-poor, pro-people and environment-friendly measures have been taken. A law has been framed that if one acre of mangrove is cut down, 10 acres of mangroves need to be grown.

We also want to ensure that the ecotourism potential of the nation is tapped adequately. We are moving ahead to protect environment as well as ensure rapid progress of our country. I will take up this dialogic process with all the states, and we will solve problems by taking policy decisions."

Speaking on the #SelfiewithSapling campaign,

the Minister said: "We have received thousands of selfies with saplings; people have participated in large numbers and we are seeking to ensure that more and more people participate. Many states too are taking up this drive. Planting of saplings will continue till around 5th August due to variability in the planting season. Like Swachh Bharat, we want to make Plant India a national movement of the people.

People are now beginning to understand that unless we correct our lifestyle, it will affect our lives adversely. Given the amount of oxygen we need to inhale in a lifetime, each person needs to plant and grow at least ten trees and ensure that they remain safe. This is the duty of every citizen; we want to inculcate that spirit in the people."

Aryans celebrates its 13th Foundation Day

From Correspondent
Imphal June 8,

Aryans Group of Colleges, Rajpura, Near Chandigarh in association with Archery Sports Federation of India today organized 1st National Archery & CRB Crossbow Championship-2019 at its Campus. DSP, Rajpura, S. Manpreet Singh was the Chief Guest on the occasion while Dr. Anshu Kataria, Chairman, Aryans Group presided over the function. The Championship was organized on the occasion of 13th Foundation Day of Aryans Group

The programme commenced with the formal Lamp lighting & Cake Cutting ceremony by the S. Manpreet Singh, Dr. Anshu Kataria, Director of Federation Ms Savita Joshi etc. Over 300 participants from Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Rajasthan etc participated on the 1st day with latest Archery, Crossbow & Traditional Archery. DSP, S. Manpreet Singh congratulated the participants and their parents. He appreciated the



efforts made by Aryans and sports federation to promote sports and the

qualities of sportsmanship among the youth to keep them focused from the very

beginning of their career. Dr. Anshu Kataria congratulated the

participants and thanked all the stakeholders, professionals, team members etc for their support in past 12 years. Kataria added that Aryans has constantly added values by incorporating the best technical practices and philosophies to bridge the gap between education through books and the practical realities. It is to be mentioned that Aryans was started with a MBA course in the year 2007 with one acre land and 100 students and presently the Group has 21 acre lush green campus and running

8 different colleges i.e Aryans College of Engineering, Aryans College of Law, Aryans Business Colleges, Aryans Institute of Management & Technology, Aryans Degree College, Aryans College of Education, Aryans Institute of Nursing, Aryans College of Pharmacy. The group is celebrating the birth date of its Co-founder Mrs Rajni Kataria, Former School teacher as its Foundation Day every year. Sh. Parvej Joshi, Harpreet Singh, Harmanpreet, Harjot Singh, Sudesh Kumar were the judges on the occasion