

CADA continues anti drug campaign; organises awareness campaign

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Imphal, March 28,

As a part of its drive against illicit liquor and intoxicants, Coalition Against Drugs & Alcohol (CADA) today organised an awareness programme on the impact of the illicit drugs to student community at Master Sankey English School in Irilbung Bazar, Imphal East at 11.30 am. Angom Konjenbam Soma-Administrator Master Sankey English School;

Ningthoujam Doren – Vice-President CADA and Ningthoujam Memchoubi-President CADA IE District Committee attended as dignitaries. Secretary General of the CADA Ningthoujam Memchoubi spoke as resource person. Geetchandra Mangang, while speaking on the occasion stressed on the various causes that force the students and youths in taking the illicit drugs. Misconception like using intoxicant as a manly character, considering

smoking as a fashion is the root of encouraging youth in using intoxicants, Geetchandra said. The influence of users to the youths in using drugs was also elaborated by the resource persons. Peer pressure which is a pressure from users to non users friends were also categorically explained by the resource person. Compulsion of beer and drinks in Birthday party which is an alien phenomenon but the alien

concept has become a factor for spoiling the students and youths of the state. Presidium member Ningthoujam Doren-Vice-President, CADA while speaking on the occasion said that students and youth are the future of the nation and it is a must that the students and the youth remain healthy to push forward the nation to a developed nation. If these future of the nation are damage with the intoxicant then the future is at stake.

PEACE CRAFTS EXHIBITION

Date : 27th March to 5th April, 2019
Venue Nambol Bazar, Bishnupur

Items : Hand Embroidery, Woolen Shoes, Artistic Textile, Cane & Bamboo

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Buyer Seller Meet held at Yurembam

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Imphal, March 28,

The National Small Industries Corporation Limited, Uripok Achom Leikai in association with Power Gird Corporation of India Limited, Yurembam, Langjing Achouba today organised a one day Vendor Development Programme cum Buyer Seller Meet at the Community Hall of Power Gird Corporation of India



Limited, at Yurembam, Imphal West District. The inaugural function of the meet was attended

by MSK Singh, General Manager, Power Gird Corporation of India Limited, ABK Singh

Senior Deputy General Manager, Power Gird Corporation of India Limited, LY Khongsai, Senior Deputy General Manager, Power Gird Corporation of India Limited, L Panmei, Junior Officer, Power Gird Corporation of India Limited etc. attended as dignitaries on the dais. L. Ibetombi Devi Manager NSIC delivered the key note address. Over 40 display their product in the meet.

Farmers' awareness Programme held at Wagjing

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Bayer Crop Science Pvt. Ltd. Imphal in association with the Farmers Welfare Association Wangjing organised a one day awareness programme for farmers at Wangkhei Laikhuram leirak today. Maisnam Anand, in charge of Bayer Crop Science Pvt. Ltd., who had specialized in Soil Science and Agriculture Chemistry attended as resource persons. Around 50 farmers from Wangjing area participated in the programme.



He spoke about the need for checking of the soil before cultivating paddy

and also about the use of pesticide and others etc. the programme was

followed by an interaction program with the farmers and the resource person.

3 Terrorists Killed In Encounter In Jammu And Kashmir's Shopian

ANI
Srinagar, March 28,

Three terrorists have been killed in an encounter with security forces in Shopian district in Jammu and Kashmir, officials said. The encounter in Kellar area in the south Kashmir district started

early this morning after a joint team of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), Army and the Jammu and Kashmir police was attacked by terrorists during a search operation in the area. The identities of the terrorists killed in the encounter are yet to be ascertained. Weapons

were also recovered from the encounter site. "Hiding terrorists opened fire at the security forces in Yarwan village of Kellar area during a cordon and search operation. Three terrorists were killed in the resulting encounter," a police officer told news agency

ANS. Meanwhile, another encounter is taking place at Handwara in Kupwara district. The gunfight is taking place at Yaroo area in Handwara, informed Jammu and Kashmir police. The entire area is under cordon, reported news agency ANI.

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Scientific knowledge as reflected in the Manipuri Manuscript

The study of astrology flourished in Manipur in a well founded basis during the reign of king

Bheigyachandra. Khumbong Maniram the renowned astrologer was appointed as the head of

king astrological department of the kingdom by the order of the king. He was directed to write an astrological book to the effect of Manipur as to

take measure and appointed salt officers of the State.¹⁴ The salt was evaporated traditionally and over and above the domestic, therapeutic, uses the cake of the salt were used as a reward given by the king to the people who were champions in any activities, including sports. In this regard mention may be made "Thumbon nama" (100 Cakes of Salt) as the name of a prize or reward awarded to the best winner in any of the various fields.

HS Prannoy, Riya Mookerjee cause upsets at Yonex-Sunrise India Open 2019

Ratchanok Intanon, Sameer Verma make a winning start

From a correspondent
New Delhi, March 28,

HS Prannoy announced his return to form with a gritty 14-21, 21-18, 21-14 win over the eighth seed and World No. 17 Kantaphon Wangcharoen in 68 minutes to enter the second round of the Yonex-Sunrise India Open 2019, an HSBC BWF World Tour Super 500 tournament, here on Wednesday. This was Prannoy's third consecutive three-game duel with the 2018 BWF World Tour Finals qualifier and was a proof that the former national champion is very much on his way back after his recent health troubles. The Keralaite had been suffering from gastro-oesophageal reflux disease in the last few months, which he is currently recovering from. "I have been consulting doctors in the United States," said Prannoy after the match. "I can say it has helped me stand

in the court right now. Probably 80% of the things have fallen in place. There are areas I have to focus on like the diet plan that has been given to me. I should be much better comparatively in the next 4-5 months," he hoped. World No. 15 Sameer Verma overcame an early resistance from the 29th ranked Rasmus Gemke of Denmark before recording a 21-18, 21-12 win. The fifth seed trailed 16-18 from where he rediscovered his rhythm and ran away with the match in 49 minutes. Verma stressed on the change of pace that helped him win the match. "In terms of change in my strategy, I brought about a change of pace and changed my strokes too," explained Sameer. Swiss Open runner-up Sai Praneeth stormed back from a game down to edge Kartikey Gulshan Kumar 22-24, 21-13, 21-8 in 59 minutes. However, former Commonwealth Games

bronze medallist RMV Gurusaidutt succumbed to an 18-21, 11-21 defeat to Thailand's World No. 36 Sittthikom Thammasin. Kartik Jindal's brave run came to an end at the hands of the seventh seed Khosit Phetpradab 17-21, 8-21. **Riya Mookerjee impresses** World No. 92 Riya Mookerjee recorded her first win over Phittayaporn Chaiwan in three meetings. Continuing her good form from last week's Swiss Open, where she had made it to the quarters, the 20-year-old accounted for the 86th ranked Thai 21-17, 21-15 in a mini-upset. Having learned from her previous experience of playing Chaiwan, the youngster was ready this time for the Thai's drop shots. **Intanon eyeing the third crown** Former champions Ratchanok Intanon and Li Xuerui made a good start to their respective campaigns. The fourth-

seeded Intanon, who is eyeing a third title at this prestigious event, comfortably beat India's Sai Uttejitha Rao Chukka 21-9, 21-6. London Olympic gold medallist Xuerui, the winner of this tournament in 2012, overcame a tough opponent in Nitchaon Jindapol with a 21-17, 21-11 scoreline. Third seed He Bingjiao needed 30 minutes to dismiss India's Prashi Joshi 21-12, 21-15 and was joined by her compatriot Chen Xiaoxin following her 21-15, 21-11 victory over Yulia Yosephin Susanto. In doubles, sixth seeds Manu Attri and Sumeeth Reddy blew away younger

countrymen Ravi and Lakshay Saroha 21-14, 21-7. Pranaav Jerry Chopra and Shivam Sharma, who qualified for the main draw, made short work of Senthil Vel Govindarasu and Vembarasan

Venkatachalam 21-13, 21-13. In women's doubles, the pairs of Pooja Dandu-Sanjana Santosh and Venkata Ramya Tulasi Bailupudi-Shivani Santosh Singh made it through Round 2.



Key results:

HS Prannoy (IND) bt Kantaphon Wangcharoen (THA) (8) 14-21, 21-18, 21-14
Sameer Verma (IND) (5) bt Rasmus Gemke (DEN) 21-18, 21-12
Sai Praneeth (IND) bt Kartikey Gulshan Kumar (IND) 22-24, 21-13, 21-8
Khosit Phetpradab (THA) (7) bt Kartik Jindal (IND) 21-17, 21-8
Han Yue (CHN) (7) bt Vaidehi Choudhary (IND) 21-12, 21-6
Ratchanok Intanon (THA) (4) bt Sai Uttejitha Rao Chukka (IND) 21-9, 21-6
Li Xuerui (CHN) bt Nitchaon Jindapol (THA) 21-17, 21-11
He Bingjiao (CHN) (3) bt Prashi Joshi (IND) 21-12, 21-15
Attri/Reddy (IND) (6) bt Ravi/Saroha (IND) 21-14, 21-7
Chopra/Sharma (IND) bt Govindarasu/Venkatachalam (IND) 21-13, 21-13

king astrological department of the kingdom by the order of the king. He was directed to write an astrological book to the effect of Manipur as to introduce a new era named "Meitei Kangleipakki Shok" in "Chandrabda" fashion Khumbong Maniram had compiled an astrological book titled "Jyotish Chandrika", the provisions of which were rendered to enforce in the Manipuri astrological sphere since then by the order of the monarch on Thursday, the 12th day of 'Hyangei'¹¹ in 1760 A.D. The difference between Chandrabda and Sakabda is 710 and between Christian era is 788. This Chandrabda was found on the gold coin issued by the king Gambhir Singh i.e. Chandrabda 1043 on four corner square shape coin.¹² One Khumbong Debakishore who was also an eminent astrologer during the period of King Gambhir Singh (1825-1834 A.D.). He wrote a book named "Laghu Jotish Chandrika" and the book was released on Wednesday the 1st day of 'Sajphu'¹³ in 1831 A.D. by the king Gambhir Singh. **THUMKHONGLON** The word Thumkhonglon means the science of the salt-spring/well and the salt-brine/well known by the State and people of the past days. In Manipur, there were many salt wells and were taken with great importance. So the kings

used the cake of the salt given by the king to the people who were champions in any activities, including sports. In this regard mention may be made "Thumbon nama" (100 Cakes of Salt) as the name of a prize or reward awarded to the best winner in any of the various fields. The process of extraction/manufacturing of the salt was in a traditional way which taken up by the village, it may also be accounted as a scientific process in the modern context. Even in the village of Ningel is still continuing the process of salt in traditional way. The manuscripts of Manipur reflect the scientific knowledge's as shown above. The past names of Manipur may not know whether it was a subject of science or art, but in the present context it may easily identify as a scientific process. The above mentioned manuscripts are discussed as an exemplification, but it will be better when the interested person in this topic have analyze more about this and it will bring many benefits in the archival library.