

Congress slams BJP for playing communal politics Kuki card spreads in social networking site by Benjamin Mate – Joykishan

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Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC) today slammed the BJP for playing communal politics in their endeavour to win the upcoming Lok-Sabha election in outer Manipur Parliamentary Constituency. In a press meet held today at Congress Bhavan here in Imphal, spokesperson of the party Khumukcham Joykishan said the BJP candidate of the outer Manipur PC is spreading six point promises for the welfare of Kuki people using social networking site particularly in the WhatsApp.

"Many time the Chief Minister had stated that the BJP don't believe in communal politics, but the way the BJP is spreading promises showed that they have cheated the people of the state", Joykishan said while adding that if the promise stands true why not Benjamin Mate has been arrested.

"Journalist Kishorchand is detained under NSA for criticizing the government, why the person, Benjamin Mate should not be arrested for trying to distort the integrity of the state", Joykishan said and further alleged the government of running the governance under the dictate of the arm rebel group.

Supporting his allegation, Joykishan recalled what the Chief Minister had replied during question hour in state Assembly session at which



the CM stated that "Moreh Market complex couldn't be started due to pressure from some outlaw organization.

On the other hand, Joykishan also hits hard on Chief Minister's statement which he said that he will resign his post if anything he promised had not been done.

"The present BJP government had promised for lifting of AFSPA, and I move a private member resolution for lifting of AFSPA", Joykishan said and added that the Private member resolution was flatly denied to pass by the Chief Minister himself.

The Congress spokesperson further added that the BJP had also promised 7th Pay for the employees but till today the promise has not been converted into action.

Joykishan also question where is the promise for repairing of RIMS road at which the CM promise at the earliest possible time.

Mention may be made that the Chief Minister during an election campaign yesterday said that he will resign if anything promise by him and his party has not been converted into action.

The promise to Kuki community to vote for by Benjamin Mate spread through social media is being produced below.

1. 2012 there will be census and Manipur Assembly will have delimitation as such to increase the number of Kuki MLAs

2. Naga FA, whether big or small goi is going to sign the final agreement and Kukis also

need to have political solution bigger and better or equivalent to Nagas, for this purpose Kuki MP in centre is important 3. Since Kukis had got new district to request special financial assistance or spl. Dev. Packages Kuki MP is important

4. As India and Burma relationship is getting better, there is a need to set up Kuki border village need to create border hub/commercial hub Kamjong Tengnoupal Chandel and CCpur for this MP in centre is important

5. All weather road connecting all Kuki villages without touching Naga and Meitei district

6. Commercial hub like Jiribam and Moreh to be controlled by Kukis after the act east policy is in place.

No candidate withdraws Nominations on the last day for withdrawal in Inner Manipur PC

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All together 11 candidates are in the fray in the Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency as none of the candidate had withdraw their nomination on the last day for withdrawal of nomination for 2nd phase LS poll. The Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency election will be held in second phase. In the Outer Manipur PC 8 candidates are in the fray and the election will be held at First phase.

Ninety seven constituencies, spread over 13 States and Union Territories across the country, will go to polls in this phase on the 18th of next month.

Elections will be held in all 39 Parliamentary constituencies in Tamil Nadu. Other constituencies where voting will take place in this phase are 14 in Karnataka; 10 in Maharashtra; eight in Uttar Pradesh; five each in Assam, Bihar and Odisha; three each in Chhattisgarh and West Bengal; two in Jammu and

Kashmir; and one each in Manipur, Tripura and Puducherry.

In Jammu and Kashmir, nomination papers of all the 14 candidates for the Udhampur-Doda Lok Sabha constituency were found valid after scrutiny on Wednesday. In Bihar, 19 nomination papers were rejected and Seventy papers were found correct. In Odisha, 37 nominations for five Lok Sabha constituencies and 261 nominations for Assembly seats under them were found valid.

Observers assess poll preparedness

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Observers appointed by ECI today held meeting with concerned officers to review poll preparedness and take stock of the ground situation at the conference hall of DC Office, Thoubal.

The Observers namely P. David Pradhan and Nabru

Wangdi are General Observers and Pravin Kr. Padwar is Police Observer.

In the meeting, the observers stressed on the officers to work in close coordination with each other to ensure smooth conduct of the election process. They were also briefed by the nodal officers about the arrangements put in place for

the smooth conduct of the election.

DEO/DC, Thoubal Smt. Haobam Rosita, ADC, Thoubal L. Radhakanta, SPs of Thoubal and Kakching, COs of 6th Bn, AR/28, AR/39, Police Nodal Officer, Thoubal, AROs of Thoubal and Kakching and Nodal Officers of Thoubal and Kakching attended the review meeting.

Local liquor with label "Chakpa Kallei" found selling in dry state Manipur

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Volunteers of Coalition Against Drugs & Alcohol (CADA) seized labeled local brew being sold on open market at Lamphel area while conducting drive against illicit liquors.

A press statement by CADA said that at around 11 am while conducting drive against illicit liquors at Lamphel area near Shija Hospital Road close to the Home Guard Head Quarter, volunteers of the CADA found Distilled Indigenous country liquor from a person



Pack country liquor bottle with labeled "Chakpa Kallei" were seized from a vendor owned by one Konsam Panchamani, along with lose local brew.

The volunteers of the CADA destroyed the seized liquor by burning at the spot. The CADA statement further said that selling of labeled

country liquor with the name "Chakpa Kallei" (- A Traditional Indigenous Products, Originated from Chakpa Phayeng) is very unfortunate as the state is still a dry state after the enforcement of Liquor Prohibition Act 1991.

Today's evidence shows that there are people in the state

who set up factory for liquor. The statement also added that hands of those in the government cannot be denied as these people openly set up factory for liquor in a dry state. The CADA also lambasted the government for not taking action against those who violated the law of the land.

Workshop on Digital Security for Journalists covering Election held



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Committee to protect Journalists (CPJ) and Khelen Thokchom Trust (KTT) today organised an interaction cum

workshop on the Digital on Digital Security for Journalists covering Election at Manipur Press Club Imphal.

CPJ is an Independent nonprofit organization that promotes press freedom

worldwide, while KTT is a trust of the fans of late Journalist Khelen Thokchom which aims to promote quality journalism in the state.

Indi Correspondent of the CPJ spoke as resource person and elaborated the activities of the CPJ besides distributing the Journalists Safety Kit.

Members of the Hill Journalists Union including Ramkray Panmei, Sothing Samray, Jimmy Panmei among others and members of the KTT along with journalist from various media houses in the state attended the workshop.

Manjit Sarangthem is the new convenor of JSCC

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Former President of AMSU Manjit Sarangthem has today taken charge as the new convenor of Joint Students' Coordinating Committee (JSCC).

JSCC which was founded in 2011 was an apex student body comprising of four students organization of Manipur i.e. AMSU, MSF, KSA, SUK. Speaking in an oath taking cum charge handing ceremony held

at Press Club today Manjit Sarangthem said that student play a very important role in the society. Various roles have been taken by the students in different revolutions around the world he added. He further said that the responsibility of the youth and the students has been added even more in the era of Information Technology to bring social change in a place where various draconian laws has been imposed, many were killed by fake encounters and also even tried to eradicate

the people of the state through various tactics since 1949 by mainland.

Highlighting the importance of Information Technology Manjit said that with the use of it we can know what was happening in various parts of the world. He also brought up the issue to bring an independent economy highlighting the enormous resources that Manipur has and appealed the people to build up a work culture attitude.

He concluded that they should fight the oppressor who tried to snatch the survival of indigenous people and to bring a strong bonding between the hill and the valley for a united Manipur.

Manjit finally concluded that JSCC will fight collectively to bring a new independent society.

Outgoing convenor of JSCC Ng. Milan President of MSF handed the charge to Manjit Sarangthem.

AMSU elects new President, Office bearers

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45th General Assembly election of All Manipur Students' Union (AMSU) elects Peter Laishram as the New President of the student body.

An oath taking ceremony was held today at the Headquarters of the Union. Peter Laishram said that he

along with the newly executives of AMSU will primarily focus on the degrading education system of the state and the pending issues of the Citizenship Amendment Bill.

Huiroghbam Priyandana and Makakmayum Abdul Hakem were the Vice President and Bipinchandra Ahanthem was elected as the Secretary General of the Union.

Joint mock exercise on disaster management to be held

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Department of Relief and Disaster Management, Government of Manipur will organize a joint mock drill under the theme Earthquake at 11.00 am on March 30, 2019 at Khuman Lampak, Imphal. The joint mock exercise is organized with 12 BN, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh. The drill is being organized in compliance to the instruction from Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

According to a Press release issued by the Documentation-cum-Research Officer, Relief & Disaster Management, Government of Manipur all the print and electronic media may attend the mock drill and cover the same on time.