

UKLF Terminates its Cadre

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The UKLF terminates its cadre Paolenkhup Haokip for misusing power and violating the Organisation's principles. In a termination orders dated 05th October 2019 issued by its Deputy Secretary (Home) T. Haokip, UKLF terminates Mr. Paolenkhup Haokip S/o (L) Sonkhopao Haokip of Lhalpi Village in Chandel District from the Organisation. According to the orders of UKLF, its cadre Mr. Paolenkhup Haokip misused his power and tortured a civilian causing grievous injuries on 03rd October 2019. For his unwise act and violating the principles & ideology of the Organisation, the UKLF terminated him from the Organisation with immediate effect (05th October 2019). And he is no longer related with the Organisation, added the UKLF.

2 including a Manipur Police arrested with gold bar in Meghalaya

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East Khasi Hill Police had arrested two individual from Manipur with Gold bar on November 1. One among them is said to be a police inspector posted in Chandel District Manipur. The two persons were identified as O. Dorendro Singh, and K. Sanjit Singh. Both of them are said to be from Imphal. According to a letter sent to ADGP Manipur police, the Meghalaya police, while conducting Naka Checking at Mawryngkneng, intercepted a Scorpio with two person at 10:00am of November 1. During checking and body search, 12 Gold bars biscuits were recovered from the possession of O. Dorendro Singh which were hidden in the jeans of said person. During interrogation, the duo could not provide any satisfactory reply and O. Dorendro Singh claimed that he is an inspector of Manipur Police presently posted in Chandel District. A Photo identity Card bearing No. 023678 issued by the Inspector General of Police (Intelligence) Govt. of Manipur was recovered from him. He along with his companion K. Sanjit Singh were arrested and taken into custody.

We have full faith in our leadership, Manipur will not be affected – CM assured again



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Chief Minister of Manipur N. Biren Singh once more appealed the people of the state to remain calm as the state government has full faith in the central leadership in connection to the final settlement of the Naga issue. "We trust our Union Home Minister as we honour our central leadership, he had assured us time and again that stakeholders of all neighbouring states will be consulted while bringing a final settlement to the Naga issue", N. Biren Singh today said in a press conference held at his office. "Our leaders have political commitment unlike other political party's leaders and as our leaders had assured us that the settlement of the

Naga issue will not affect the state of Manipur", the Chief Minister said while appealing the people to stay calm. "Give us some time as we are in the government, if we are helpless we will definitely come to the people for help", Biren said with full confidence to the assurance given by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. The Chief Minister appealed the people of the state particularly the COCOMI and the Meira Paibis which is spearheading agitation due to apprehension on the safety of the integrity of the state, to lift the ban on Sangai Festival and to remain calm as the picture of insecurity may create bad impression to the tourists from outside the country. He said that during the last 2 and half years, the law and order condition of

the state has been improved and relations between various communities of the state too have been strengthened restoring peace in the state. Postponed or rescheduling of the Sangai Festival will give unfriendly picture of the state to the tourists for things that is not going to happen. "After our meeting with the Home Minister for the second time, the Governor of Nagaland who is also the interlocutor of FA with the NSCN-IM and NNPGs had stated that there will be no separate flag or constitution or greater Nagalim accepted in the settlement, it clearly indicates that territory of Manipur is safe", N. Biren Singh attempting to clear the apprehension to the people of the state. He also said that the Union Home Minister had

assured the state government team to meet with the Civil Society bodies of the state particularly the COCOMI for consultation of the agreement before bringing a final settlement. He also said that in the next one or two days the state government will invite the COCOMI and other stakeholders to have a discussion before meeting the Union Home Minister. Deputy Chief Minister Y. Joykumar, Works Minister Th. Bishwajit, Education Minister Th. Radheshyam, Health Minister L. Jyantakumar, CAP & PD Minister Karam Shyam, Deputy Speaker of Manipur Legislative Assembly Robindro, MLA of Thanga AC Robendro, MLA Dingo, MLA Sapam Ranjan among others were present during the press conference.

Alert demonstration continues; protestor Gherao MLAs residence



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Alert demonstration demanding disclosure of the agreement signed between the Government of India and the NSCN-IM continues at different part of the state. People of the state under the aegis of the Coordinating Committee on Manipur Integrity (COCOMI) continue to gherao the residence of MLAs and more Congress MLAs joined the protest with the people. Amidst appealed by the government to remain calm assuring safety of the state, Coordinating Committee Wangoo and Development Committee Wangoo jointly organised as sit-in demonstration at Wangoo Tera Lupa Marup MDS Community Hall in Kakching district. In the protest, Congress MLA of Sugunu Assembly constituency K. Ranjit along with large number of people from across the area joined. Ranjit appealed people to remain alert as anything could be happened to the final

settlement of the Naga issue. In Thoubal district, Committee on People's Welfare Yairipok (JCPWY) organised the alert protest under the aegis of the COCOMI at Yairipok bazaar. All Manipur Sound Association also joined the protest by staging a sit-in demonstration at Moirangkhom in Imphal West. Similar protest were also staged at various part of Imphal West including at HVS Brick firm at Patsoi. In Imphal East Coordinating Body Khurai in association with Star Club and Moirangkampu Sajej Woman Welfare Association staged the alert demonstration at Khurai area. On the other hand large number of people from Khurai area thronged and gherao at the residence the Khurai Assembly Constituency MLA and Wangkhei Assembly Constituency's MLA at around 11.30 am today. Students of various schools also continue to form human chain and protest on the road. Slogans demanding disclosure of the agreement were shouted.

MU community staged sit-in-protest demanding not to disintegrate Manipur



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Echoing the demands of the COCOMI in connection with the Indo Naga peace talk, Manipur University community staged a sit-in-protest inside the varsity demanding restoration of communal harmony and integrity of Manipur. Speaking to media person executive member of Manipur University Teachers' Association (MUTA) Dr. N. Sanatomba said that the people felt apprehension that the Indo Naga peace talk will surely disintegrate the territorial, emotional, cultural and administrative integrity of Manipur. He stressed that the varsity community felt the same as similar to the people and COCOMI where the deployment of various paramilitary forces in the states and the closure of NSCN IM designated camps signifying that the integrity of Manipur is disintegrated in one way or other. He urged that the integrity of the land should not be compromised at any cost. The people of the land should unite and save the integrity

with the strong motive of 'Do or Die' or else such integrity cannot be replenished in the future, he added. Sanatomba further said that the government should never try to disturb the communal harmony among the communities and the integrity of the land. President of Manipur University Students' Union K. Lebanon said that even though several assurance were given by the government that the talk will not affect the integrity of Manipur, people of the land still fails to trust as the assurance were not given in written form. He further said that the union will follow the future course of action taken up by the COCOMI for a unified and integrated Manipur. Slogans such as 'Long Live Manipur', 'We want peace', 'integrity is our soul' and 'Don't Destroy Harmony' fills the air around the varsity campus. The protest was jointly organised by Manipur University Teachers' Association, Manipur University Students Union, Manipur University Staffs Association and Manipur University Women Association.

Arms seized at Lilong

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Combined team of Thoubal Police and 26 Assam Rifles while conducting a search operation at Lilong area recovered and seized

1 (one) Carbine with magazine and 1 (one) 9mm Pistol with magazine suspected to be country made and hidden in the river bank at Awal Masjid Lilong Yangbi Leikai Ward no.3 Part-II at around 1:30 pm.

'Achoubi in Love', 'Bloody Phanek' to be screened at Film Southasia

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The 12th edition of the Film Southasia in Kathmandu is scheduled to begin from 14 November, Thursday and this biennial fest of documentary films from the South Asia region has been made extra special with the selection of two films from Manipur. Dr. Meena Longjam's 'Achoubi in Love' is slated to be screened on 16 November and Sonia Nepram's 'Bloody Phanek' on 17 November.

According to the organisers, this edition recorded a submission of 2500 films out of which 63 from seven countries have been selected for the four-day fest. The screening will be held at the Yala Maya Kendra, which is spread over three halls in Patan, Lalitpur located 20 minutes away from the Tribhuvan International Airport. It will begin at 10am on 14 November with the specially curated students section. The fest will officially open with the screening of 'Indus Blues' at 5:00pm the same day.

At Film Southasia, selected films are judged by a three-member Southasian jury and the best film is awarded the 'Ram Bahadur Trophy' for Best Film along with a citation and a cash prize of USD 2,000. The second best film is awarded a citation and cash prize of USD 1,000. There is also a UNICEF Nepal Award for the film that best portrays social/children's issues, with a cash prize of USD 1,000. Past juries have been headed by well-known Southasian auteur filmmakers like Shyam Benegal, Gautam Ghose, Tareque Masud, Saeed Mirza and eminent journalist Mark Tully. Moreover, after each FSA fest,

about a dozen films are selected to travel across the subcontinent and the world as the Travelling Film Southasia (TFSA) package. This campaign to promote and popularise Southasian documentaries at more than 20 international venues between the parent FSA festivals that are held every two years in Kathmandu. Since the beginning, this was a festival backed and organised by print journalists of the Himal Southasian magazine. This time, the Southasia Trust has taken over the responsibility of organising the fest.

Amongst the two films from Manipur, Dr. Meena Longjam's 'Achoubi in Love' tells the story of Achoubi and her love for the threatened Manipuri ponies. Defying the odds of age, ill-health, financial challenges and strained familial relationships, she fights passionately to save these endangered beings from extinction. Previously Dr. Meena had won a National Award for the documentary 'Autodriver'. She is also the proprietor of Airameen Media. Sonia Nepram's 'Bloody Phanek' was first screened at a global premiere in South Korea. Then it has travelled to several countries including Greece, France, Serbia, Bangladesh as well as numerous domestic fests and special screenings in India. The second documentary from the filmmaker, 'Bloody Phanek' blends the personal and the political while exploring how Manipuri women use phanek as a medium of protest and this attire can challenge masculinity. Sonia also runs the Yelhoume Pictures production house and has started working on her third film.

Fashion Show cum Beauty Contest held in connection with Ningol Chakkouba at Shillong

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Ningol Chakkouba organizing committee Shillong organised Ningol Chakkouba festival on November 10 at State Central Library, IGP Point Shillong. As a part of Ningol Chakkouba festival, Ningol Chakkouba organizing committee in collaboration with Centre for Resource Development, Manipur also organised a Fashion show and beauty contest to promote the traditional attire of Manipur. The fashion period first title

was won by Nirupama Laishram, second title by Jena Shamurailatam, third title by Mayanglambar Mercy and Subtitle Best Cat Walk title by Nongthombam Ongbi Devarani. Moreover, on the Beauty Contest first title was won by Khanganbi Chanu, Second title by Waikhom Kalpana and Third title by Athokpam Helena. Subtitles, Best Cat Walk title by Athokpam Victoria, Best Adornment (Thougalon) title by Victoria Okram and best beautiful face (ninghibhi maithong) title by Yanglem Monisha Devi.