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## Released UNLF Organisation Secretary Moirangthem Joy @ Nongyai reached Imphal Appeals people not to lead the issue with sentiments



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Former Organisation Screentary of the armed rebel group United National Liberation Front (UNLF) Moirangthem Joy @ Nongyai, who has been released from Gwashati Central jail on November 14 after completing jail term, arrived at Imphal today.

He was received by a large group of people by hugging him with garland as he walk out of the Bir Tikendrajit International Airport here in Imphal today afternoon. Talking to reporters who have been waiting for his arrival, Nongyai said that Manipur is facing a complex issue and dealing the issue with sentiment or emotion will bring no good. He appealed people to settle this matter putting the sentiment under control.

"The present issue is very complex, it should be settled putting the mind under control. Any move with emotion or sentiment to deal with this issue may lead to catastrophe affecting

politics of the state in the coming Days", Nongyai said. On a question by reporters on what will be his next stand, Nongyai said that as of now he don't want to give any comment.

About his days in the Guwahati Central Jail, Nongyai said that they were given all facilities that a human being should have. He said almost all the jail authority treated them like brothers. They were provided bed, table and chair for reading and besides under his initiative a Gym has also been

opened in the jail, perhaps the Gym is the first of its kind in all jails across the country. He said the Guwahati Central Jail is much better place than the one here in Imphal.

Moirangthem Joy Singh @ Joyjao @ Nongyai hails from Wabagai Kadagit under Kakching Police Station of Kakching district. He was convicted by NIA Special Court for a term of 10 years imprisonment. He was charge sheeted by the Special NIA under Section 121 A IPCand Section 18/20 UA(P) Act. Mention may be made that former Chairman of the UNLF RK Meghen @ Sanayaima has been released from the

tormer Chairman of the UNLT-RK Meghen @ Sanayaima has been released from the same prison on November 9. But for reason best known to the authority, Meghen was not allowed to return back here in the state. The MHA official took him to New Delhi on November 12 and his whereabouts is still not made public even as the MHA authority had assured full security for him.

On being asked about Meghen, Nongyai said that people should not take him negatively. He said that Meghen cannot be rearrested as he had not committed any crime neither he had committed sedition act.

## Police Inspector who went viral on social media post for pulling girl's hair suspended on drug case

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The police Inspector, whose photo went viral in social media after he pulled the air of a student protestors in front of the Secretariat office in August first week of 2015 during a protest for introduction of ILPS in the state, has been suspended on November 14 not for the act but for smuggling drugs, a reliable source informed Imphal Times.

Inspector Letkhohao Vaiphei, who is posted as the Officer in Charge of Moreh Police Station along with 3 other police personnel, were arrested in connection with the seizure of huge consignment of psychotropic drugs hidden inside his Moreh resident on November 12.

Under the order of Director

General of Police, officer incharge, Moreh Police station, Letkhohao Vaiphei, along with three other policemen, has been arrested and produced before the court for grave misconduct and dereliction of duty

The order released on Thursday last signed by DGP, L M Khaute states that OC, Moreh police station, Letkhohao Vaiphei, was suspended in exercise of power under Rule 66 Assam Police Manual part-III.

Information intercepted by Imphal Times said that a team of Tengnoupal district police comprising of Addl.SP/Tengnoupal, SDPO/ Moreh and Moreh Police Station Team under the supervision of Shri Th. Vikramijit Singh, SP/Tengnoupal along with executive magistrate, SDO/Moreh rushed to the particular house and made a house

search in presence of the owner of the house and the executive magistrate on November 12 at around 10 pm after getting specific information. The house is located at New Moreh, Ward

On being raided, 34 (thirty four) carton boxes were found in a room. In opening one of the carton box, it was found containing Ketamine Injection P labelled as KETAMAX\*50. All the 34 (thirty four) carton boxes containing 10755 (Ten thousand seven hundred fifty five) bottles of suspected to be Ketamine Injection IP labelled as 30 ML Ketamine Injection IP (50 mg/ml) labelled as KETAMAX\* 50 were seized at around 09:00 PM in presence of executive magistrate.

Inspector Letkhohao Vaiphei along with the three have been today produced before court.

#### DC Kamjong inaugurates One Stop Centre

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Deputy Commissioner, Kamjong District Smt. Kengoo Zuringla today inaugurated the One Stop Centre, Kamjong. The Centre is temporarily located within the complex of Community Health Centre (CHC), Kamjong. The Deputy Commissioner stated that the purpose of OSC is to provide a shelter to women in distress, affected by violence, whether in a family, community or in public. She further stated that women in distress can take shelter at the OSC up-to five days, whethein they would be given integrated help- legal, medical and psychological counseling, apart from free food and lodging.

#### Addl. SP KT donates to players if Blind assn.

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Additional Superintendent of Police Krishnatombi (KT) Singh and the TBSFA Veteran football Team also today donated a sum of Rs. 10,000 to the Cricket players of Manipur Welfare Association of the Blind that will be participating the 2nd Edition of Nagesh Trophy Cricket Tournament For the Blind 2019 at Ludhiana and Pondichery organised by Cricket Association for the Blind 2019 at Ludhiana and Pondichery organised by Cricket Association for the Blind India (CABI). On Nov. 22 and 23, 2019 the match will be held at Ludhiana. and from Dec. 18 to 20 2019 the match will be played at Pondichery, Tabitha, District

#### Sekmai bandh

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People of Sekmai area today staged a protest rally and called indefinite bandh along the National Highways in protest against the allotment of 100 acres of land to the army. The protest appealed the government to respect the court order.

# Manipur State Journalist Awards, 2019 conferred to 8 journalists on National Press Day

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Media gives voice to the voiceless, said Information and Public Relations Minister Thongam Biswajit Singh today during the National Press Day 2019 observation. The National Press Day, 2019 cum Workshop on the theme of this year - "Reporting Interpretation - A journey" was observed at the Auditorium, DIPR New

Complex, Nityaipat Chuthek, Imphal. As part of the observation, eight journalists of the State were awarded with the Manipur State Journalist Awards. 2019.

Speaking at the observation, Shri Biswajit said journalists act as information providers and messengers. They give voice to the voiceless and help people know the truth. Journalism is all about dynamism and responsibility, he said explaining further that

#### Naga talks: Need to restore ties between people of hill & valley, says RN Ravi

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Nagaland Governor RN Ravi, who is also the interlocutor for the talks with Naga insurgent group NSCN-IM, on Friday expressed concern over deterioration of "traditional brotherly relations" between the hill and the valley people in Manipur, saying the vexed issue cannot reach its logical conclusion without taking all neighbors into confidence.

In a statement, he said as desired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for a comprehensive resolution of the Naga issue with due regards to the sensitivities of all the stakeholders, including the neighbors, he met the leaders of the United Naga Council (UNC) Manipur, the apex body of Naga tribes of Manipur, at Kohima.

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"The government of India interlocutor expressed concern over deterioration in the traditional brotherly relations between the hill and the valley people of Manipur in recent decades due to the politics of vested interests."

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"The reality that the Naga political issue cannot be resolved in isolation or reach its logical conclusion without taking all stakeholders, including the neighbors, into confidence was re-emphasized," the statement said.

Ravi said the imperatives of restoring the traditional harmonious relation among the hill and the valley people of Manipur were adequately emphasized. a reporter's dynamism is characterised by his activities and progress

and progress.

He further asserted that it is also important for the journalists to understand the responsibility they have to take to bring development in the society.

the society.

He also talked on the importance of a balanced and unbiased reporting. He said a balanced reporting will only increase the credibility of the media house and the reporter. While stating that media reports sometimes initiate discussions on the floor of the House, Biswajit explained that it is important for a news report to be balanced and accurate so that the House or the people are not misled by wrong and factually incorrect reporting. Vision brings achievement, he said, explaining that vision or planning is required to start performing and bring achievement.

Biswajit also congratulated the recipients of the Manipur State Journalist Awards, 2019.

Director (IPR) H. Balkrisna Singh said the DIPR and private media are two sides of the same coin.

He said the DIPR also plays the role of regulating and monitoring quality contents or irresponsible reporting and as such sometimes some sort of conflicts arises between the DIPR and local media persons. The department is also committed towards bringing more transparency in its administration and bringing more welfare of the media persons, he added. He also spoke on the role of media in a democracy and further appealed for responsible reporting.

chairman, MANITRON & MANIDCO Yumnam Radheshyam presided over the observation.

The recipients of the Manipur State Journalist Awards, 2019 are Nepram Krishnamohon Singh, Joint Editor Sanaleibak for Best Editor Award on National Integration & Communal Harmony, Km.

Ashem Babycha Devi, Staff Reporter Hueiyen Lanpao (Science & Technology Reporting), Shri Taorem Bishwajit Singh, Sub-Editor Sanaleibak (Parliamentary Reporting), Shri Sagolsem Bigyan, Reporter The People's Chronicle (Reporting with special reference to Women & Children), Shri R. K. Bullu Singh, Staff Reporter, Poknapham (Reporting on Art & Culture ), Nomita Khongbantabam, Reporter, Hueiyen Lanpao (Rural Reporting), Shri Heigrujam

& Culture ), Nomita Khongbantabam, Reporter, Hueiyen Lanpao (Rural Reporting), Shri Heigrujam Sadananda Singh, Staff Reporter Poknapham (Sports Reporting) and Shri Khwairakpam Naoba, Video Journalist, ISTV News (Reporting on Public Health & Hygiene).

day, Shri Pradip Phanjoubam, Senior Journalist moderated a workshop on the theme "Reporting-Interpretation: A Journey". Sobhaphati Samom, Member All Manipur Working Journalists' Union, Yumnam Rupachandra, Secretary General Editors Guild Manipur and Sothing Shimray, Member Manipur Hill Journalists' Union presented papers as resource persons which was followed by an interaction & discussion session

session.

The session was attended by members of the journalist fraternity of the State and officers and staffs of the department.

department. It may be mentioned that the National Press Day is being observed on 16th November every year on different themes. It is symbolic of free and responsible press in India. This was the day on which the Press Council of India (PCI) started functioning as a moral watchdog to ensure that not only did the press maintain the high standards expected from this powerful medium but also that it was not fettered by the influence or threats of any extraneous factors. November 16 personifies a responsible and free press in the country.

