

Rapist of minor girl convicted 12 years rigorous imprisonment

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Special Judge POCSO Imphal East, Maibam Manojkumar today sentence 12 year rigorous imprisonment with Rs. 10,000 fine in default of the payment of fine another 6 month imprisonment Yumnam Naocha for committing rape crime to a minor victim. The special POCSO court also directed the concern government authority to compensate a sum of Rs. 5 lakh to the minor victim. In case of default of the payment of fine the convict has to undergo another 6



month simple imprisonment. Earlier the same court has convicted Yumnam Naocha 24 s/o Ranjit of Pukhao Khabam after the trial in connection with the rape case of Minor Victim on November 26, 2016 afternoon under section 6 of POCSO Act for committing aggravated penetrative sexual assault upon minor victim on November 26, 2016

and fixed November 29 (today) for the sentence hearing to announced quantum of punishment for committing heinous crime against minor.

The judgment order was announced today after it was kept on reserved from October 11 after the final hearing of the POCSO trial case against the convict Yumnam Naocha 24 s/o Y Ranjit of Pukhao Khabam.

Forest Dept. begins drive to rescue illegally rare wild animals

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Authorities of the Forest department today began drive to rescue wild birds and animals which has been held captive in the pretext of establishing mini zoo at various gardens, Hospitals and private residences which falls under the jurisdiction of Thoubal Forest Division. 8 tortoises were found raring in the premises of Jeevan Hospital Kakching during the drive conducted by a team of the Thoubal Forest Division led by Md. Sallaaddin of Kakching beat office. The team however left the tortoises as it is after summoning the authority of the hospital to take over the matter with the DFO.

Chandel ADC Vice Chairman extends help to Khudei Khullen fire victim

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Chandel, Nov. 29:

Vice Chairman of the Autonomous District Council, Chandel Tongpao Mate visited Khudei Khullen fire victims on Nov 28.

The vice chairman provided visited Mr. DK. Angdun Maring of Khudei Khullen Village whose house had been gutted down by the fire around 8:30am of Nov 27 and provided 5-bundles of Cl-Shit, Two bags / quintals rice, 3-Blankets and floor Mat, 3-bags of Clothes and some Utensils and Rs.5'000 cash.

Tongpao Mate extended these aids from his own pockets.

No Adulteration in Milk – Milk producers clarify

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Terming the news report appeared in a Imphal based newspaper about the adulteration of milk apparently committed by some farmer members of the state as misleading, the Manipur Milk Producers Co-operative Union Ltd. Porompat today clarified that there is hardly any case of milk adulteration by the farmers of the Milk Union so far. "The quality assurance of milk is to be checked by the Food Safety Department, Manipur and this news clip may be

wrongly perceived by the stakeholders and general public which may cause panic and apprehension", the clarification said. It further said that the Manipur Milk Producers' Co-operative Union Ltd. has been undertaking Quality Milk Programme under the nationwide launch of the Programme since July 26, 2019. The central Dairy plant, Porompat, which is being managed by the Manipur Milk Union is all set to detect any adulteration and common antibiotics residue in milk with installation of sophisticated electronic instrument

LPG loaded truck meet accident; three injured

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One LPG loaded truck bearing registration number NL 01 G 6436 carrying 306 LPG Gas Cylinder today met an accident at 09:56 p.m., near Old Vongti in Nagaland at

Tuthezu Junction. Three occupants identified as Lato Son of late Kiutsumong forest ward Pungro, Lakiumong, Son of Mr. Shohoto PWD Colony and Atsumong of Salomi Village sustained serious injury in the accident and were admitted at Pungro CHC.

Leader should give proper information to general public regarding any issues



By our correspondent
Jiribam, Nov. 29

The Kuki leaders meet cum opinion sharing programme was held today at Leishangphai village of Tousem Sub Division, Tamenglong District. During the programme, it was mainly discussed about the misunderstanding among the

Kuki communities regarding the Naga peace Talk or Citizenship Amendment Bill as well as also other present issues which is facing by the people of Manipur. Speaking with the media person, the Chairman of UTLA SK Thadou expressed that the Kuki leaders meet cum opinion sharing programme was conducted in

CAB issue in Zero Hour at Lok Sabha: 'It will have no impact' - Experts

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Secretary of CPI (M) Manipur State Committee, Kshetrimayum Santa, today questioned the commitment of Inner Manipur Parliamentary Constituency MP Dr. RK Ranjan over his sincerity on the putting up of issues pertaining to the Contentious Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, which has been listed for introduction to the ongoing Parliamentary session during "Zero Hour".

"Raising the issue during zero hour will have no impact as it can be listened or can be

skipped as per the desire of the concern Minister even if the Parliamentary Affairs Minister sent it to them", Kshetrimayum Santa said. He further said that he had learned from various source about the invitation of stakeholders from state like Nagaland, Mizoram, Meghalaya and Itanagar including political parties for having consultative meeting to discuss on CAB by the Union Home Ministry. However, it is unfortunate that MANPAC that has been spearheading campaign against CAB in the state has not been invited. "This perhaps is because the

central Ministry would have considered MANPAC as an organization that can be deal by the state government", Kshetrimayum Santa added. Dr. Noni Arambam, Assistant Prof. of DM College of Arts, while giving his opinion said that anything raise during zero hour could not give influence to any political decision as it is not a discussion to listed business. "Zero hour is provided to MPs as a mark of respect to their sentiment and for making awareness to the public over some issue of urgent public importance" Dr. Noni Arambam said.

He further added that after all there will be no official debate and the concern Minister may not be serious to any issue put up during zero hour. Further issues raise during zero hour could not influence to a decision making process, Dr. Noni added. "It is also considered to be "an Informal discussion" Dr. Noni said. If he is serious about the issue he should have put up through either question hours or short discussion hour by listing it in the business. Saying so, Dr. Noni however said that Dr. Ranjan's initiative is a good beginning.

MPCC have also been not invited to discuss on CAB by the Union Home Minister

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Even as the Congress legislatures of the Manipur state Assembly has been campaigning against the passing of the contentious Citizenship Amendment Bill 2019, the Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee has not been invited to the consultative meet called by the Home Minister to discuss the issue of the CAB. Civil body of the Manipur, MANPAC yesterday said that the organization has not been invited even though other civil organization of the North East state has been invited. The meeting is scheduled today.

President of the MPCC, confirmed to Imphal Times that they have not received any communication in connection with the proposed consultative meeting convene by the Home Minister to discuss CAB. Meanwhile, report reaching here said that Assam Congress leaders have decided not to attend the meeting called by Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday to discuss the proposed amendment in the Citizenship Amendment Bill (CAB). Earlier Congress MP's from the Northeast and the Naga People's Front (NPF) protested

in Parliament against the CAB. Home Minister's office had invited all the political parties, ethnic groups of the Northeastern states and civil society groups except those from the state of Manipur. The CAB intends to make it easier for the non-Muslim immigrants from India's three Muslim-majority neighbours — Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan to become citizens of India. Though the Bill does not spell it out clearly, but the fact is that it entitles the Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians facing religious persecution in the three countries to seek

Indian citizenship, and highlights the exclusion of Muslims. This amendment is to The Citizenship Act, 1955 which requires the applicant to have resided in India for 11 of the previous 14 years. The amendment seeks to relax this requirement of 11 years to 6 years for the Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians from the three nations. It is not only the opposition parties which are opposing the CAB, but many Northeastern states fear that the Bangladeshi immigrants will be settled in their areas, which

they think are a threat to their ethnic identity. In the run up to the 2019 General Elections, almost the entire Northeast, mostly ruled by the BJP or the NDA, had registered their protest. As a revamped bill is all set to be reintroduced by the Modi government, the provisions for "protecting" the indigenous people of the Northeast are said to have been included. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh had said during a media interaction in October, "We trust and have confidence that Central leaders will be there to protect the indigenous people of the Northeastern region."

NNC (Parent Body) reiterates stand for Naga nation unity

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Wokha, Nov. 29

Naga National Council (NNC) (Parent Body) today held a general meeting at Lotha Tribal Council Hall, Wokha to discuss on the Naga political settlement. The NNC journey was deliberated in detail of the struggle for the Naga political settlement.

Abenbungh Kikon in a press release stated three agendas were discussed at the top priority meeting which focused on the Naga national unity, Naga peoples as a whole and the political solution where three resolutions were passed with all members accepting it.

As per the resolution, the NNC once again resolved to stand for Naga nation unity for the

best interest of Naga people as a whole. It resolved "to stand for all the Naga groups to sit around the table to work out the best possible unity in the interest of Naga national workers in particular."

The meet also resolved to stand for political solution "in the interest of Naga people as one people and one homeland." During the meet, Vizosielhou Nagi, NNC general secretary informed that the resolution need to be polished as it was collectively scribed on the discussion. The meeting further witnessed an open wide discussion among the young and the old. The NNC (Parent Body) called upon the Nagas from all section, "without any division which is classified

and suppressed by political interest of the GoI without the consent of the Nagas... But together the Naga struggle for the rights will always be taken forward till the demand is fulfilled." All region presidents took part, where Yimchunger women region spoke on Naga unity without differences. Earlier, the council held a mass prayer for Naga peace and unity without division. The meeting was attended by regions from Angami, Yimchunger, Sumi, Ao, Rengma, while Zeliang, Phom and Konyak could not make it due to travel inconvenience, the release said. The regions sent their greetings and assured to sand on common interest. More than 200 NNC members attended the event.



Chief Minister of Manipur N. Biren Singh today inaugurated Hand Looms and Handicrafts Mall unveiled Crafts Pillar at Wangkhei Imphal East District today.