

One arrested for robbing PM Modi's niece

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One person was arrested on Sunday for robbing Prime Minister Narendra Modi's niece Damyanti Ben Modi, the police said. The Civil Lines police managed to nab Gaurav alias Nonu from Haryana's Sonapat on Sunday, who along with another accused robbed Damyanti Ben Modi when she arrived here from Amritsar on Saturday morning. "We have arrested Nonu from Sonapat and recovered cash, ATM card and other documents belonging to Damyanti Ben," the police said. Police also recovered the scooter which was used to target the victim. According to the police, the second accused in from Delhi's Sultanpuri area. He is yet to be arrested. Police said that they got clues from the CCTV footage of nearby areas about the two accused persons.

Nemcha Kipgen Signs MOI with Government of Bangladesh

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Cooperation Minister Nemcha Kipgen today signed Memorandum of Intent (MOI) with Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh represented by its Secretary, Md. Gyas Uddin Ahmed at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi on the Valedictory occasion of India International Cooperatives Trade Fair

(IICTF), 2019. The MOI is intended to build mutual business cooperation mainly in cooperative sectors between Manipur and Bangladesh so as to learn, assimilate and develop further on the strengths, experiences and objectives of the respective parties in the interest of trade and business. Minister Nemcha expressed that the MOI signed will

definitely expand and open wide scopes for the Manipur Cooperatives to spread its trade to the other neighbouring countries in future as well. Manipur's handloom and handicrafts products are widely known in the world for its fine and unique quality, she asserted. Amongst the North Eastern states of India, Manipur and Mizoram have already signed this MOI.

National indigenous seeds festival underway

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The 3-day National indigenous seeds festival 2019 is underway at Central Agricultural University (CAU) campus at Iroishemba in the outskirts of Imphal. The festival which will continue till Oct 14 was attended by farmers and NGO leaders from 15 states of the country besides many renowned cultivators both from hills and valley. Vice Chancellor Dr M Premjit Singh of CAU and RK Nimai, a retired IAS officer besides President Jacob Nellithanam of Bharat Beej Swaraj Manch attended the formal inauguration programme which was attended by many faces who worked directly or indirectly in different agricultural sectors on Saturday. Addressing the inaugural function held at the auditorium of the CAU, Vice Chancellor Dr Premjit of the agricultural varsity which is the largest Agricultural University in the country having 13 colleges and 6 Krishi Vigyan Kendras

across the seven North Eastern states excluding Assam besides having its headquarters in Imphal, expressed the need to have a proper government policy to address the issue of conserving indigenous and traditional seeds for future food and nutritional security. He said CAU had collected and evaluated 279 traditional rice varieties in Manipur. But it is very difficult to maintain all the traditional rice varieties. So we need to have a proper government policy so that the poor farmers who had been conserving such traditional seed varieties could be incentivized or addressed their grievances, he added. VC Dr Premjit also informed the gathering that his university would develop twenty model fruit villages in the entire north eastern states to enhance the economy of the under privileged farmers. Northeast being a biodiversity hotspot, contributes 7000 species out of India's total flora of 17,000 species besides having more

than 9650 rice varieties. In his speech, Dr RK Nimai urged the common people particularly the farming community particularly in the region to look for sustainable agriculture considering the public demand in this era of climate change, which he termed as a 'national phenomenon' and global warming, an anthropogenic pressure. He also highlighted the challenges faced by farming community in undergoing the organic or natural farming due to sudden pest invasions and expressed the need to have a proper documentation of the agricultural activities. President Jacob Nellithanam of Bharat Beej Swaraj Manch, a partner organiser of the festival speaking to this reporter on the sideline of the day's event also expressed the need to conserve native indigenous seeds of different types of crops which were earlier used before the modernization of agriculture, so that the gene can be used as an instrument to combat or to mitigate the failure of crops by climate change.

MLA Sharat appeals to withdraw Bandh, says road construction soon

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MLA P. Sharatchandra appealed to all concerned CSOs and individuals (MAMPIL and KEMKAL) to withdraw the proposed indefinite blockade of Moirang from 14th of October 2019 in larger public interest - the blockade will bring nothing but more miseries to the daily wage earners, farmers, small vendors and business establishments, patients, students and

common people at large. A statement said that the upgradation of Moirang Lamkhai to Moirang Bazar, Moirang Bazar to Sendra, and Sendra road to Keina Bazar Keibul, via Omba road will start soon under NESIDS scheme, funded by NEC. The tender process is on and shall be completed by 16th of October, 2019. Under this scheme Moirang Lamkhai to Moirang Bazar will have a 10 mts (33 ft) wide road, Moirang Bazar will have a 12 mts (36 ft)

wide road and Sendra Road will have a 14 mts (42 ft) wide road. Given these major developmental works in the pipeline by the end of this year, no major works can be taken up on the same road. However, in larger interest of public convenience and safety, PWD Manipur shall start road repairing works and mending of potholes of Moirang Lamkhai to Sendra road from 16th of this month, if weather condition permits.

Man arrested with 2 Kg of Opium

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Yesterday evening at around 6 pm, a team of Bishnupur district Police Commando arrested at Khausbung one person namely Paotinthang Haokip (43) S/O (L) Lhunjumang Haokip of Gotoh Village along with 4 Packets of Opium locally known as Kani packed in Everyday packet weighing 2 kgs. The item has been seized from his possession following due formalities and a case has been registered in MRG-PS for further necessary action, police source said.

Imphal to get four foot overbridges



IT News Imphal, Oct 13

The Manipur Government has already started construction of four foot overbridges in and around Imphal town for the convenience of pedestrians. These will be the first foot overbridges in the State. The footbridges have been constructed in front of the Kangla Fort, on the Bir

Tikendrajit Road, and near the Keishampat junction and the Imphal College.

A source said the Government is planning to construct more foot overbridges at other traffic congested area. The construction of the first foot overbridge is nearing completion under the supervision of the State PWD in front of the Kangla Fort here.


The project is funded by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and the State PWD is the implementing agency. These foot bridges will ensure safety of pedestrians who will no longer have to cross busy roads by negotiating vehicular traffic.

ACOAM-Lup Kangleipak celebrates its 19th Mera Hou Chongba festival 2019

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ACOAM-Lup, Kangleipak celebrated the 19th Mera Hou Chongba festival 2019, (Malyipham Palcha Kumsing 3417) at Laishram Khulem Leikai Community Hall, D.C. Road, Imphal West, today on the theme - "Laininglonda Chingmi Tammi Manei Ching-Tam punna chaminaramliba asi Thakta Ipa- Ipu Tinanarambadagini". The occasion was attended by President In-Charge, ACOAM-Lup, Sanjit Soraisam, International and National Awardee, H.Ihotombi Khuman, Public Leader Hoomi Tangkhul, Manipur, K.Dharmasing Kashung, Reid, Asst.Registrar, Co-operative, Manipur, Mao Union, Imphal, Manipur, M.Neli, Fomer Secy., General, ACOAM-Lup, Kangleipak, Tourangbam Indrajit Meitei, President, Aimol Tribe Union, Manipur, RT.Akhel Aimol, Advisor, Kabui Mother Assn., Manipur, Alu

Kamei as presidium members. Various women's organization leaders and Civil Society organizations leaders were also attended the function. Opening of the occasion a ritual programme was showcased and gift exchanges were also done in the occasion. Speaking to the media as keynote address by Secy. General, ACOAM-Lup, Kangleipak, L.Telheiba Mangang said that people living in both hill and plain areas of Manipur are blood brothers. He added that no one can separate the love and bond of the two brothers. He further said that Manipur was an independent Kingdom until the Indian Union annexed it in 1949. He added that the organizations celebrated Mera Hou Chongba since 2001 in various area of the State. He further said that the festival is important for both the people of hill and plain to safeguard our integrity.



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Mera Houchongba

13th October, 2019

"Mera Houchongba"

is the one and only festival which shows the strength of the unity between the people of the hills and valley in the State.

May the coming of this joyous festival strengthen the bond of brotherhood in between the people residing in the Hills and Valley of Manipur helping in making a peaceful, harmonious, lively & prosperous state.



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Aged people and meritorious students felicitated

IT News Thoubal, Oct. 13,

Naoba Trust Thoubal Okram today honoured around 600 aged people and felicitated meritorious students as a part of its annual programme at Thoubal Okram Lampak Community Hall. This is the fifth year that the trust has been felicitating the aged people as well as the meritorious students. Councilor of Thoubal Municipal Council O. Inaotombi Devi, Ward Member N. Nanda, Member N. Anita and O. Nishthou attended as dignitaries.