

Governor message on Vegetarian Day

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Manipur Governor Dr. Najma Heptulla extends her heartiest and best wishes to the people of the State, especially our Jain brethren on the occasion of Anant Chaturdasi which is observed as 'Vegetarian Day' on 12th September, 2019. In her message said that 'Ahimsa' or Non Violence/non injury is a fundamental tenet of Jainism and it believes that one must abandon all violent activity and without such a commitment to non-violence all religious behaviour is worthless.

Observance of the 'Vegetarian Day' has followed this ethos and with an objective to promote and disseminate message among the masses about the merits of leading a vegetarian life. In the highly advanced society of today, more and more people are showing preference for a vegetarian food habit as it has been proven to have less health issues. People are getting converted into vegetarians as vegetarians diets are amongst the healthiest diets for human being's physical mental and spiritual development.

Khongjom Tarpan 2019

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Khongjom War Memorial Trust will observe its 26th year Khongjom Tarpan Langban Heiso 2019 at Khongjom War Memorial Complex on Sunday, 15th September. A statement by President, KWMT, M. Hemanta said that remembering the freedom fighters and martyrs who laid down their lives to safeguard our land from the British. He added that on this day a floral tribute will be paid to the martyrs. He further said that as the Month of September is known to be Langban and Tarpan which means offering fruits to the departed soul which they are not with us. He requested all the people and VIPs of the State to attend the programme.

New office bearers of JCILPS elected

We feel the need for a more intensified agitation to get our demand - says newly elected Convener YK Dhiren

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After remaining silence for quite some times, the Joint Committee on Inner Line Permit System (JCILPS) is likely to begin an intense democratic agitation to get its long pending demand with the election of the new office bearer today. YK Dhiren, a social activist who have been associated with the United Committee Manipur at the capacity of General Secretary and a prominent social activist who had been spearheading at almost all movement for the cause of the state and the common people had been elected as the new Convener. Former Convener

Yumnamcha Dilip handed over the charge today at its office today. Along with Kh Chingkhel, Laishram Shyam Khuman, Brojendro Naorem, haopu Kom and Kheiruddin Shah Mongingmayum were also elected as the co-convenor of the new JCILPS committee.

Soon after taking over the charge of Convener of the JCILPS, YK Dhiren thank the components of the civil society bodies of the JCILPS for having trust in him and assured that he will work wholeheartedly to achieve the goal of the JCILPS.

"Keeping the Manipur Peoples' Bill" which was passed by the Manipur State Assembly in July 23, 2018 without giving assent by the



President of India even as it is now a year is a clear indication of the central government towards the sentiment of the people of the state", Dhiren

said. "At this circumstances the JCILPS now felt that people need a more intensified democratic movement to make

sure that the President of India give assent to the 'Manipur peoples' Bill". Dhiren said. He added that the JCILPS will start organizing various

awareness campaign on the impact of migrants/outside to the indigenous people of the state. He also stated that until the The Manipur Peoples' Bill is converted into Act, the JCILPS will formed 'task force' and will check influx of migrants without proper document at both the National Highways and start checking the influx of migrants after taking help from the state police.

YK Dhiren also appealed the government of Manipur to act as per the sentiment of the people by exercising their political commitment. He was referring to the promises made by the Chief Minister for introduction of the NRC, commissioning of a population commission etc.

Babysana's case

Governor tells JAC to give 164 statement of Victim's family at CBI

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9 members of the JAC formed in connection with the death of Babysana meet the Governor Najma Heptulla today morning and submitted a memorandum to her. Speaking to media persons in a press meet held today at Thangmeiband Meisnam Leikai Convener of the JAC L. Gyaneshwori said that during the meeting, the Governor told them that it will better if 164

statement of the Victim's family is given to the CBI.

The governor further told them that the state had already send a letter to the CBI to takeover the case of Babysana by them but still there was no response from them till now.

Concerning about the handling the case of Babysana to CBI, Gyaneshwori added that The Governor assured them that she will send another proposal to the CBI again. During the meeting with the governor the JAC members

talked deeply about the chain of events that took place since the death of Babysana, Gyaneshwori highlighted.

The Chief Minister on September 5 after giving assurance to fulfill the demand within 10 days, though even after the completion of 6 days only the demand of releasing the arrested persons of the JAC was fulfilled, Gyaneshwori contented. She further urged the governor to put more pressure to handover the case to CBI.

We also need to do it like the incident in Bihar where the public fined the police for not fastening seat belt - CM Biren

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Highlighting the needs of the public to be aware like the people in Bihar CM Biren said that the people of the land should also do like the people of Bihar where they tried to fine a police for not fastening seat belt.

Speaking to media persons in a press meet held today at BJP head-office situated at Canchipur appreciating the 100 days work for the 2nd term of PM he said that strict measures of road safety has been taken up during the 100 days. Biren further stressed that powerful and dynamic steps were taken up during the 100 days where Anti Indian feeling were mainstream by removing

Article 370 and 35 A from Kashmir.

Among other works done by PM he highlighted the structural reform in the agriculture sector and also 58 redundant laws were repealed during the 100 days.

Questioning about the CAB issue he said that CAB will not supersede any existing laws and acts which will harm the indigenous population and added that those who didn't have protection will initiate to form laws.

Gun battle reported

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Heavy gun battle was reported between armed groups of LIT and UTIA at around 1:00 am today at Saikulphai Suangphumun village, under Parbung Pherzawl district in Manipur. Source said that two cadres of UTIA namely (1) Seilenmon @

Marcus (32) s/o Henkam Singson of Khuongiang village, PS- Thanlon, PZL Dist. (2) Lunminthang @ Mineo s/o not known of same village were on the spot. Two persons were seriously injured. One among the two has been identified as Lalboi (36) s/o Thangkhojang of Noney District the other is yet to be identified.

PWD, PHED discuss ways to minimise public inconveniences



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A joint meeting of the Public Works Department and the Public Health and Engineering Department was held today at the conference hall of the New Secretariat office of Public Works Minister Thangam Biswajit Singh.

Along with Biswajit, the meeting was also attended by PHE Minister Losii Dikho. During the meeting, engineers and officials of both departments highlighted their grievances. The main issue highlighted during the meeting was the

inconveniences caused to the public due to road excavations works for water pipeline laying along the roads especially in the valley districts of Imphal East, West, Bishnupur and Thoubal. PWD officials highlighted that during monsoon season covering of the road portions by mud after laying of pipelines create potholes leading to inconveniences for the public.

The Ministers along with the concerned officials and engineers of the two departments discussed ways and means to control such inconveniences.

Biswajit said both departments provide essential services to the public and further expressed the need for both departments to communicate and coordinate with one another. He said the departments should also inform the public through different media platforms about any ongoing project beforehand. Dikho also expressed the need for the departments to communicate and coordinate.

Today's meeting was also attended by Additional Chief Secretary Suhel Akhtar among other officials of both departments.

ATRPFM questions STDCM

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All Tribal Rights Protection Forum Manipur (ATRPFM) had questioned the logic behind STDCM's demand for ST status.

"Do they really wanted to go back to the status of 128 years ago with same educational and economic condition of 1891? But no community would like to roll back in that condition. It is upto the wisdom of Parliament to decide but as per our own opinion, Meitei is a forward caste that do not need ST status. Although Constitution does not defined Scheduled Tribe, there is a clear criterion for specification as a Scheduled Tribe. They are: (i) indications of primitive traits, (ii) distinctive culture, (iii) geographical isolation, (iv) shyness of contact with the community at

large, and (v) backwardness. The Meitei community does not fulfilled the above-mentioned criterion and thus does not qualified for specification as ST. So, on what ground STDCM demands ST status", a statement asked the STDCM. Economically, socially and ethnically, Meitei is the most advanced community in the entire North East region. When we see the percentage of representations in public employment of all Departments, representation of Meiteis are already high. As per rules, reservation for reserved categories shall be in proportion with their respective population. ST's population of Manipur as per Census 2011 is 34%, however, representation of STs in public employment is nowhere near 31%. Representation of STs in public employment for all grades of

posts taken together was only 23% and has not improved till date. ST status is given for such weaker segments of the society, the statement added. The statement further stated that in the legislature, Meitei has 40 MLAs, both Judiciary and Executive is dominated by Meiteis. For protection of indigenous people, there is already ILP or Manipur Peoples' Bill. For protection of land, there is already land protection law known as the Manipur Conservation of Paddy Land and Wetland Act, 2014. For reservation purpose, there is already 10% reservation quota for the weaker upper caste. What's more STDCM wants? There is no reasonable purpose at all. ATRPFM urged the State Government not to recommended and justified the illegitimate demand.