

BJP MP seeks disqualification of MPs spreading lies about CAA

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BJP MP from Mumbai North constituency Gopal Shetty has sought disqualification of members of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, who are indulging in misinformation campaign about the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA), NRC and NPR, in breach of the oath taken by them in front of the Speaker.

In a letter dated December 30, 2019 written to the Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, Shetty has pointed out that every

member of Parliament takes an oath of true faith and allegiance to the Constitution of India, under Article 99 and Third schedule of the Constitution. They are expected to uphold the integrity and sovereignty of the country. Despite this different elected representatives, through street protests, media interviews are spreading a false canard that the CAA is "anti-Muslims".

The Article 99 (Oath or affirmation by members) stipulates that every member of either House of Parliament shall, before taking his seat, make and subscribe before the President, or some person appointed in that behalf by him, an oath or affirmation according to the form set out

for the purpose in the Third Schedule. This article deals with "conduct of business". They are spreading the lies that "CAA is against Muslim community, it is against Dalits and SC/STs, the act seeks to divide the people based on religion, because of the CAA the constitution is in danger and the Muslims will be thrown out of India and their citizenship will be taken away. This is a bundle of lies and shows irresponsible behavior of the some of the members of the Parliament.

In reply to the members queries Union Home Minister Amit Shah has given a detailed reply in the Parliament. Yet the misinformation campaign continues. Such lies are affecting integrity and

sovereignty of India, Shetty, who is also a member of the Textile/finance committees of Lok Sabha, stated and deplored the behavior of certain members.

The CAA includes the Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis and Christians, whereas it omits Muslims and Srilankan Tamils. The CAA 2019 passed by the Parliament of India on 11 December 2019 seeks to give citizenships to migrants who had entered India by 31 December 2014, and had suffered "religious persecution or fear of religious persecution" in their country of origin. Nowhere the act mentions about the people, regardless of their religion, already residing in India, for the years together.

Govt. hospitals directed not to accept reports of 28 private diagnostic private laboratories

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Medical directorate of the Government of Manipur has directed the Directors of both RIMS and JNIMS not to accept reports of 28 private diagnostic laboratories which are functioning in the state of Manipur without valid registration.

The 28 (twenty eight) private diagnostic laboratories are - Lamphel X-Ray (RIMS road), Public X-Ray (RIMS road), Global Diagnostics (RIMS road), Leima Diagnosis (Porompat), Radical Diagnostics (Porompat), A.M Diagnostic Centre (Porompat Kongkhams leikai), Sangai Clinic (Khurai Chingabam leikai), Siroi Diagnostic Centre, Soibam Leikai Ayangpalli Road, Public X-Ray & Clinical Lab. (RIMS RD), Lifeline Diagnostic Centre (Thangmeiband Poley Leikai), Dudu Diagnostic Centre (RIMS Road0, Toto Diagnostic Centre (Singamei Parking ,

of Manipur, has directed both the directors of RIMS and JNIMS to inform all concern departments not to accept any reports of laboratory investigations by the private diagnostic laboratories without valid registration.

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Chinga Diagnostic Centre (Singamei Chinga Mathak), Supriya Diagnostic Centre (Clinic) (Thoubal Achouba), Sanasam X-Ray and Laboratory (Thoubal, near District Hospital), Seba X-Ray) (Thoubal near district hospital), Public Health Clinic & Diagnostic (Near Bishnupur District Hospital), Tombimacha Diagnostic Centre (Nambol Chingmang), Shine Laboratory Clinic (Moirang, Kumbi Parking), Community Care Centre of Smart (Lab) (Moreh Bazar), Excel Diagnostic Centre (Churachandpur), New Clinic (Churachandpur), Eden Clinic (Churachandpur), Omega Diagnostic Centre (Churachandpur IB Road), Royal Diagnostic Centre (Churachandpur), Jerusalem Clinic (Salemving Lamka , CCP), Unique Diagnostic Centre (I.B. Road near DH, CCP) and Advance Diagnostics (I.B. Road, near CCP Govt. H/S).

Vehicles stranded

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Large numbers of vehicles have been stranded in Imphal - Moreh road due to mudslides and slippery slope following rainfall during the past couple of days, a report from the site said.

According to report vehicles stranded at near Bongyang village along Imphal - Moreh road after the road turn slippery due to mudslide following rainfall in the past few days.

Contraband drugs worth around Rs. 3.75 crore seized

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A team of Moreh battalion Assam Rifles have recovered contraband drugs near border pillar 78 on Jan 2.

According to report troops of Chavangphai outpost Assam Rifles was round the clock for area domination along the border on the eve of New year. Around 9pm the team spotted an unknown individual suspected to be Myanmar national, trying to sneak into Indian side. When the AR team challenged him on suspicious the person retreated back and immediately fled towards Myanmar side. The individual dropped a bag while fleeing towards Myanmar side. On thorough checking the bag, the AR team recovers 05 packets of suspected Methamphetamine (Ice drug) weighing approx 5 kg and valued around Rs. 3.75 crore.

The recovered drugs were handed over to Moreh police station for necessary legal action.

BJP to begin 10-day mass contact drive from January 5 to mobilise support for CAA

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BJP will begin a 10-day mass contact drive from Sunday to mobilise support for the Citizenship (Amendment) Act. Briefing media at BJP headquarters in New Delhi today, party general secretary Dr Anil Jain said, BJP president and Home Minister Amit Shah will join the drive in Delhi.

He said, working President JP Nadda will start the drive

in Ghaziabad. Rajnath Singh will join the drive in Lucknow and Nitin Gadkari in Nagpur. Mr Jain said, all leading faces of the party, ranging from Union ministers to organisational leaders will travel to various parts of the country during the drive. He said, during the campaign party leaders and workers will contact, three crore families to rally support for the CAA.

As part of its programme, the BJP has launched a toll-

free number 8866288662 for people to give missed calls to register their endorsement of the law.

Jain said, people will be urged to take to social media to voice their support for the law during the campaign. He said, party leaders have already been holding public meetings and press conferences over the issue as they work to counter the opposition's campaign against the amended citizenship law.

ACOAM-Lup Kangleipak appeals to solve the issue of FCI labourers

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Civil body ACOAM-Lup Kangleipak has appealed the government authority to solve the issue of the FCI labourers by holding a dialogue with the agitating labourers. A statement of the civil body said that the solution should be amicable and should not hurt the

sentiment of the labourers who are engaging in peaceful democratic agitation.

The statement also urged both the Food Cooperation of India (PCI) and the Union Ministry of CAF & PD to abide by the agreement (MoU) signed between the two in 2010-11 and 2012-13. As per the MoU the National Productivity Council had submitted a report regarding

the condition of the labourers. Another independent study on the Man Power Planning, Induction policy among others was conducted by Delloitte Touche Tomhatsu India Pvt. Ltd. after the signing of the 2012-13 MoU. The recommendation is being under observation by a Board level Sub-Committee of the FCI, the statement added.

The ACOAM Lup Kangleipak said that the recommendation should be properly look into by the authority and should take immediate action to solve the issue of the FCI workers who are presently facing taught time.

The organization appealed the authority to abide by the agreement in solving the issues of the labourers of the FCI Manipur.

India first time ranks among top ten in Climate Change Performance Index

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India for the first time ranks among the top ten in the Climate Change Performance Index, CCPI, which goes further to prove that all efforts and activities being currently undertaken by the government are setting a tone of vast improvements. Government aims to increase the share of non-fossil fuels to 175 GigaWatt by 2022 and further take it to 450 GW. AIR correspondent takes a look at the major initiatives taken by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Air pollution is one of the biggest global environmental challenges of today. A time bound national level strategy for pan India implementation to tackle the increasing air pollution problem in a

comprehensive manner in the form of National Clean Air Programme was launched last year. India is among few countries in the world where forest cover is consistently increasing. The total forest and tree cover rises to over 24 percent of the total geographical area of the Country.

Government is taking all possible steps to protect the tiger. According to the latest tiger census data -2018, the total tigers in India has risen to around three thousand. In a major boost towards promoting afforestation and achieving green objectives of the country, government handed over 47 thousand crore rupees of Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, CAMPA funds to various states in August last year.

Women in Keirenphabi village opted carpentry for earning income

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Should women be confined to household chores or are they limited with only some work like weaving as their only means to earn livelihood as the patriarchal Manipuri society classified works that are supposed to be done by women and men? The predominated mindsets of women that suppress them from picking up of jobs of their choice have been social lacunae since the past many years. But not everything remains the same in some part of the state. Womenfolk of Kairembikhok village in

Thoubal district dares classification of jobs between male and female and chose carpentry jobs as a means of livelihood.

Women of this village now become a role model of the state by earning awesome income which is more than enough to support their respective family. It is not that the women of this village set up carpentry that are exclusively for women but these women joined their male family members and equally contributed even much better from the male counterpart when it comes to elegance and aestheticism of the carpentry products.



While picking the carpentry works these women of Kairembikhok village never

left out their household chores that are traditionally followed in Manipuri society since time

immemorial. Interestingly what provoked the women folk from joining the carpentry work is that almost all families of the village lives on carpentry job. Seleibam Ibecha Devi a lady carpenter, while talking to the women Times said that the women first entered to this profession as helper. What we women did was helping in burnishing or painting and the amount they earn for the kind of service was from Rs. 300 to 400. However, as some started learning the skill of carpentry job they are able to help in decorative furniture items like table, bed, almirah etc. Ibecha added.

Keirenikhok Village is located at a foothill which is about 9 Km east from Thoubal district head quarter. It has a total household of around 100 and the total voter in this village is around 1500. The village has a government primary school where a student can study upto class 5. After completion of the primary school students of this village have to go either at Wangjing , Khangabok or Thoubal for further study. A Primary Health Sub Centre set up in this village some 30 years back survives with no staffs, building and without even a signboard.