

Union Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar visits Chandel, reviews Aspirational District Programme



IT News
Chandel, August 29:

Union minister of Social Justice & Empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar today visited Chandel district of Manipur and inspected programmes being taken up under the Aspirational Districts

Programme. Later, the Minister attended a review meeting of the programs at the Conference Hall of Chandel district Deputy Commissioner.

Deputy Commissioner of Chandel district Mayanglangbam Rajkumar elaborated about the works being taken up under the

Aspirational District Programme at Chandel district. Slides of the development programs taken up were also shown.

After the review meeting, the Union Minister visited Chandel district Hospital and various villagers where he interacted with the Doctors and

other health care workers and villagers.

Union Minister Virendra Kumar said that Government of India under the Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been taking up various developmental programs for the people of North East India. He said that under the NITI Aayog, Prime Minister Modi had been giving top priority to develop Education and Health sector.

"Before 2014 no Ministers had visited remote places of the country however post 2014 Union Ministers started visiting remote areas of the country and has been taking up various developmental works under NITI Aayog.

The Minister further added that central minister will continue to visit remote places of the country and will take up more development program through the district administrations.

Anand Mahindra who had helped Manipur boy in 2021 has now shared an update

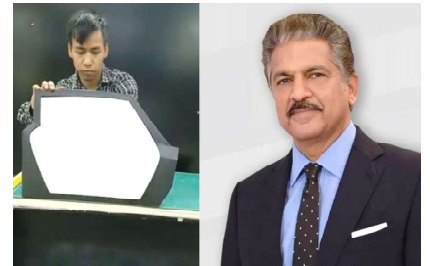
Courtesy: Mint
New Delhi, August 29:

A boy from Manipur, Ningombam Prem, who had rose to fame in 2021 on social media with his extraordinary talent of designing robots made out of electric waste and cardboards. Mahindra Group Chairperson Anand Mahindra was so awestruck by his talent that he had decided to support him. Now after a year, the chairman has shared an update on Prem.

Sharing a proud update on his official social media platform Twitter, Mahindra wrote, "Many of you may remember Prem's story. We were delighted when he accepted our offer of joining Mahindra University where he is now an engineering student. And this past summer he interned at Mahindra's Auto Design Studio under the tutelage of Pratap Bose."

In another tweet, he wrote, "I was very pleased when Pratap told me that Prem's had a very successful summer internship—working specifically on advanced car door opening mechanisms. Most important Pratap praised Prem's inclination to 'learn by making things.' We need more of that mode of education!"

The young boy from Imphal had used scrap material to build an 'Iron Man' suit.



Mahindra had also said that he was inspired by Prem's 'ambition skills' that's why he decided to support the boy's talent.

Prem hailed from Thoubal district's Heirok town, situated about 33 km from Manipur, Imphal. He was studying in Fine Arts at Imphal Art College. He also has a YouTube channel Kanglei Tech in which he shares his phenomenal creativity. Prem had made many versions of the Iron Man helmet, a mini can refrigerator robot, and a replica of the Real Steel robot.

On 20 September 2021, Mahindra had tweeted, "Move over Tony Stark. Make way for the REAL Iron Man. And it would be a privilege to assist him & his siblings in their education. If someone can connect me to him, it will be a privilege for me."

Before arriving in Hyderabad, the Prem had posted photos of his journey thanking the airline IndiGo for a "warm welcome" and arranging a "special seat" for him.

"Good news everyone respected Sir Anand Mahindra giving me sponsorship for studying mechanical engineering at the Mahindra University, Hyderabad. Many thanks to sir Anand Mahindra for your support and kindness and also his Mahindra Foundation group Sheetal Mehta. Their foundation provide me everything what I need and take care of me as well. Thank you everyone for supporting me, share my story and also thanks to digital media partners for sharing my story to reach many people. They are also sending me a Driver to pick me up on the airport , Hyderabad."

Rs 50 crore worth ice drug seized; AR foils narcotics smuggling

IT News
Imphal, August 29:

A team led by Commandant of 2nd MR Victoria Yengkhom today seized ice drug worth Rs. 50 Crore in international market from

Yaikul Janmasthan area. Source said that the team of 2nd Manipur Rifles led by its commandant raided some places at Yaikul Janmasthan area here in Imphal since yesterday night. The team then recovered huge number of ice

drugs (Narcotic) from a shop.

On the other hand Keithelmanbi Battalion of Assam Rifles and Thoubal Police apprehended two persons along with 11 soap cases of Brown Sugar weighing around 335 gms worth around

Rs. 45 Lakhs in International market along Imphal Moreh route in Thoubal district yesterday. The recovered items along with the two drug peddlers were handed over to Lilong Police Station for further investigation.

Pakhangba Dubbing and Distribution Corporation launched

IT News
Imphal, August 29:

Dr Lorho S. Pfoze, Lok Sabha MP, Outer Manipur Constituency, launched Pakhangba Dubbing and Distribution Corporation (PDCC) under the aegis of Film Forum Manipur (FFM) and Cloud Entertainment Network Pvt Ltd during the 18th Film Forum Foundation Day Celebration 2022 at Auditorium, Manipur

State Film Development Society (MSFDS), today, August 29, 2022. As the program's Chief Guest, he was present and as guests of honour and the event's president, respectively, were Sanju Bachaspatimayum, Secretary, Manipur State Film Development Society (MSFDS), Mayanglangbam Khelendro, Adviser, Pakhangba Dubbing and Distribution Corporation, and Laimayum Surjakanta Sharma, Chairman,

Film Forum Manipur.

Everyone is aware of the state of Manipur's film industry that Manipur's film market is declining, and movie theatres have reduced drastically. The primary goal of the PDCC is to increase the market for Manipuri films by dubbing them into other regional languages of India and international languages. The PDCC will provide opportunities for dubbed movies to earn more as an alternative source of income

from their film. For filmmakers looking to increase their market, dubbing is a fantastic opportunity. Dubbing boosts their audiences in the market. By drawing in more viewers from domestic and international markets, dubbing Manipuri films can increase their demand. The primary focus of PDCC will be on dubbing tribal languages into Manipuri, into other regional languages of India and into foreign languages.

SKYO observed 91st Martyrdom Anniversary of Haipou Jadonang

IT News
Imphal, August 29:

Sangaiprou Kabui Youth Organisation (SKYO) observed the 91st Martyrdom Anniversary of Haipou Jadonang today. In remembrance of his great contribution for freedom from the clutches of the British Colo-

nialed and laid down his life for it.

During this programme held at SKYO campus a holy wine offering was first made to Almighty God by village elder followed by the floral tribute to Haipou Jadonang to show respect and honour of him. After the tribute was made a patriotic song was pre-

sented the Sangaiprou Women Society, TRC.

In connection with this anniversary a Free Eye Medical check-up was also organized by Medilane. In the evening there will also be a household candle tribute in order to show respect and remembrance of Haipou Jadonang Freedom Fighter of Manipur.

ZUF observed 91st Jadonang Martyr's Day Haipou Jadonang revolt for Makaam mei – the people of this land - Jenchui Kamei

IT News
Imphal, August 29:

Zeliangrong United Front (ZUF) today observed the 91st Jadonang Martyr's Day today. In connection with the observance Chairman of ZUF, Jenchui Kamei, in his message said that Haipou Jadonang as a patriot with an indomitable spirit, who stood up to confront and defy, when the land was in turmoil and engrossed in deep and dark battle with the foreigners, 91 years ago.

He stated that Haipou Jadonang was recognised by the British as a potential rebel leader of the people. His rebellion was termed as Naga revolt or also known as Naga Raj. However, his revolt was for

Makaam mei; people of the land. The consciousness of Zeliangrong or any other tribe or even India was not perceived by Jadonang except the people of the region he often called Makaam mei. Therefore, concluded that the people of the region were not only Zeliangrong but other people whose culture and tradition are identical to the people of Jadonang. The term Zeliangrong was later inferred to Zeliangrong movement by some writers and scholars as Zeliangrong movement. The fact is, Jadonang's rebellion was a mass movement of the people irrespective of tribes. He proclaimed that Makaam people will rule over the land and region. The reign of the Foreigners; the



British will soon come to an end. This proclamation was a direct threat to British supremacy. It was with this reason that

Jadonang was hunted, captured and executed by the British. The British policy has it that the real cause of his death was

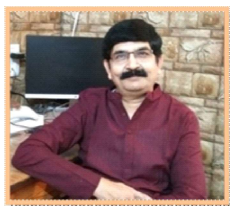
to conceal and implicate him of a murder case. But the truth cannot be left under-covered. The real caused of his death is not

justified by act of implication, therefore the case is criminal offence committed by the British. So, Government of India is morally obliged to deliver justice to the deprived and the deserving people of the land. It was on the dark day of 29th August 1931 that his martyrdom took place and the light of revolution was shown upon the people which later permeate beyond the Makaam region and influence the rest of the Nagas.

"The Day is remembered as the martyr's Day and not just a day of death anniversary. We observe this day in deep resentment and sorrow over the killing of our patriot under wrong implication and to prove that his death was the death of a freedom fighter and of mar-

tyrdom. His martyrdom was not the end of the movement but succeeded with greater influence by Haipou Rani Gaidinliu. Who later develop the movement into full-fledged Zeliangrong Political Movement," the ZUF chairman said adding that "our freedom in our land is our birth right for which we set behind us, all comforts, pleasures and loved ones at homes that we may gain it by the price of our sacrifices. Our freedom is the greatest price for which we dare to risk our lives to sacrifice. May our people be awakened and rise up to strive to attain our homeland. May this Day ring the bell of freedom for all to hear and act in time when the call for final countdown comes".

Nuclear weapons are weapons of great destruction



By: Vinod Chandrashekhar Dixit

29th August is an *International Day against Nuclear Tests*. In order to respect the victims of the past and to remind the world of the persisting threat Nuclear tests pose to the environment and international stability. More than 2,000 nuclear tests have been conducted over the past seven decades – from the South Pacific to North America, from Central Asia to North Africa. They have harmed some of the world's most vulnerable peoples and pristine ecosystems. Nuclear Weapons started around the

1830's in countries like the United States, United Kingdom, and Canada in the World War II. For the past 20 years Nuclear Weapons have been in our lives, they were the weapons we used to fight our enemies and also protect our homeland. Nuclear weapons are a form of mass destruction that has explosive power that comes from a nuclear action.

The first nuclear test was conducted by the United States, on July 16th, 1945, three weeks before the Hiroshima bombing on the 6th of August 1945. The nuclear test was given the codename "Trinity", tested on the "Trinity Site". The largest nuclear bomb ever tested was the "Tsar Bomba" by the Soviet Union at Novaya Zemlya, with an estimated yield of 50 megatons. It was so powerful it was said that the shockwave produced went around the world three times.

Nuclear weapons continue to present a real threat to humanity and other life on Earth. Scholars of international relations and policymakers share in the belief that the sheer power and destructiveness of nuclear weapons prevent them from being used by friends and foes alike. Nuclear weapons are not needed, and have not been, for years. While nuclear weapons have influenced politics, public opinion and defense budget, they have not had a significant impact on world affairs since World War II. Nuclear weapons are weapons of great destruction. Our government wastes over thirty-three billion dollars a year of our tax money. Also, nuclear weapons pose serious health risks to those around them.

India had conducted its first nuclear test at the same site in 1974. India's nuclear programme began in 1948 and since then it has covered a very long and significant ground. India's security concern and nuclear environment compelled it to make these tests after a lapse of about a quarter century.

Two nuclear bombs were dropped on Japan which eventually ended the Pacific War. After this attack the Soviet Union started to develop their own atomic bomb project. Both Germany and the Soviet Union had more powerful weapons known as the hydrogen bomb. Hydrogen bombs are bombs that have destructive power that comes from the rapid release of energy and uses an atomic bomb as its trigger.

Our history have shown us the terrifying and tragic effects of nuclear weapons testing, especially when controlled conditions go awry, and in light of the far more powerful and destructive nuclear weapons that exist today. There is no other weapon that causes such harm to the environment and humanity as nuclear weapon. The nuclear path will lead us to a point of no return from the nuclear night and nuclear winter lasting a thousand years. We may be divided. But peace and friendship are the only alternative for the survival of the civilisation. A famous saying goes might is always right. This is what exactly so called developed nations want rest of the world to do. Every country has the right and should defend its territory by hook or by crook. The obstacles to disarmament are formidable. Concerns over nuclear weapons' costs and inherent dangers have led to a global outpouring of ideas to breathe new life into nuclear disarmament. Among the negative sides of nuclear weapons is their maintenance and construction cost. Unlike other kinds of weapon, ownership of nuclear weapons can have a negative impact on the national budget. The question of whether countries should be allowed to have nuclear weapons is still under discussion and requires a solution to be found as soon as possible.

National Sport Day and our Environment



By: N. Munal Meitei

Winners don't wait for chances but take them. Sports play a very significant role in our present world. A person who engages himself in sports on a regular basis sustains a healthy and wealthy lifestyle. It not only fosters health but keeps your mind fit. Outstanding achievements knock on your door when one is healthy enough to pass all the hurdles in life.

Sport can be considered as a global phenomenon with its physical, spiritual, social, cultural and economic effects in individual and social terms. Today, there is almost no one who does not have sports experience at any stage of his/her life. It can be said that everyone participates in sports actively or passively and has a sportive experience. Sport is one of the rapidly growing sectors in the economic and commercial climate of the modern world. Providing on the best service quality and customer satisfaction is the primary goal of the sports industry. Today, building healthy individuals and strong societies can be associated with the sports industry. Sports inspire patriotism and it do not have the boundaries between the caste, creed, religions and nations. Sports will be the strongest driving force for war against the drugs among the youths. In the process, the economic volume of sports has grown up with the public and private sector representatives providing sports services has increased.

We celebrate National Sports Day on the 29th August starting since 2012 on the birth day of Major Dhyana Chand, the hockey legend who embraced sportsmanship and brotherhood that comers with sports. The objective of celebrating National Sports day is to highlight the importance of sports in our lives and staying fit and healthy for everyone in the country. This day marks the journey of every sportsman who has made the country proud by representing commendable work, achieved through many hours of sweat and hard work.

One of the important event on this day is the President of India distributes awards to the outstanding sports persons of the year with the highly prestigious awards such as Khel Ratna, Arjuna Awards, Dronacharya Awards, Dhyan Chand Award, among others.

On such an auspicious day, my discussion will be on the meeting point of the sports with our environment. Sport occupies a special place in modern life, with millions of people around the world participating and watching in their favorite games. But ironically, despite its ability to entertain and promote health, sport can also degrade the environment. To remedy this, people across the world are trying, sports to bring a positive force for environmental protection by adopting sustainable practices.

SC Freiburg, a German football club, is working on car idling to reduce the negative impacts of air pollution by setting up a system where each game ticket allows attendees only to take the train for the day to and from the games. The Club is also giving awareness and knowledge to educate sports audiences on environmentally friendly things during the events. Other strategies include water filtration fountains to reduce water bottle use, compostable straws, a bike-share program, recycling program and more. All of the team's operations are also solar and wind-powered.

Soccer, as the world's most popular sport, has the highest emissions. Football grounds, with their massive water use and high energy floodlights, are the site of origin for many environmental impacts. The FIFA World Cup's 'Green Goal' and Olympic Games' 'Green Games' programs are examples of an attempt to draw attention to environmental aspects that are likely to be unique to specific collapse.

Sports for safeguarding environment, the air and water, education for sustainability are the need of the hour. Apart from the environmental impact on major sporting events, the link between sport and ecology is not always obvious. However, sports can be part of the solution, whether it is grassroots or professional sport. Like any human activity, sport takes place in a physical environment. This means climate change doesn't only affect society but also sport itself. So, it is essential to think about the relationship that plays out between sport and the environment.

As per the International Olympic Committee, the Environment fully deserves to be considered the third pillar of Olympism, after Sport and Culture. The IOC intends to be climate positive and has committed to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 30% in 2024 and 45% by 2030. In addition to these reductions, more than 100% of the remaining carbon emissions will be offset through the Olympic Forest, a project to plant 3,55,000 trees over an area of 2,120 hectares in Mali and Senegal. This will be part of the 'Great Green Wall', a pan-African initiative to combat the effects of desertification in the Sahel.

The UN's Sustainable Development Goals has three main title groups; Economic development, Environmental sustainability and Improvement of social well-being. One of the most important actors in this process is sports. Mass facility establishment and increase in organizations in sports accelerate environmental and natural destruction. The sustainability of sports is directly proportional to environmental sustainability. In this way, it will be possible to transfer both the natural environment and sports to future generations.

Increasing environmental concerns have also been linked to sports over time. That is because the negative environmental effects caused by sports have become evident and it has become an area where precautions should be taken for. The relationship between sports and environmental awareness emerged in 1994 when the United Nations Environment Program and the International Olympic Committee began working together to reduce the environmental impacts of the Olympic and Paralympic games. Today, interest in the environment is now at the center of management debates in large sports organizations to draw attention to the strengthening of the relationship between sports and the environment.

The main factor that causes climate change by disrupting the natural balance is human behaviors. At the center of sport is the human whose behaviors disturb the natural balance. When any sports facility is on implementation, we must keep the criteria such as conservation of biodiversity, conservation of the ecosystem, correct land use and landscape studies, prevention of pollution

(soil, air, water), resource and waste management and health and safety measures.

The International Olympic Committee has gathered the adverse effects of sports on the environment under two main headings as being the sports organizations and building facilities. It is necessary to detail the environmental effects of sports. While the greenhouse gas emission caused by FIFA held at Russia in 2018 was 1.8 MM tons which is same as emission of 50 lakh families annual electricity. Again, it was reported that nearly 70 thousand tons of waste was generated due to a sports organization and only 1% of these were recyclable. These reported numerical data are considered to be high compared to the UN environmental sustainability criteria.

The sport industry has a tremendous impact on the natural environment just like any other industry. The sports industry is one of the most important actors in global environmental pollution. To take this dangerous process under control, strategic management skills and new policies must be developed in sports, because environmental threats are increasing due to the intense interest in sports worldwide.

The global interest and demand for sports increase these environmental effects day by day, reaching a level that will disrupt the natural balance. Sport clubs should invest to green electricity or solar cells which not only reduce costs in the long-term, but might also encourage to behave more environmentally friendly. Lastly, sporting events should promote the usage of public transportation or car sharing opportunities. In the end, it is important to note that all aspects of sport have a link with the natural environment. Sport is a social institution that will reach future generations with its social, cultural and economic existence. Thus, we can't set aside sports and also the environment for the human survival. Therefore, reduction of the sports-induced negative environmental impacts will make great contributions to environmental sustainability. In this way, with the coming of National Sports Day 2022, it will be possible to transfer both the natural environment and sports together to the future generations with a beautiful mother earth.

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Persistence of Life



By: Nitish Keisham

Life isn't fair, is it? Sometimes we get what we don't want in life, something we never asked or sought for. So, we should learn to appreciate what we get and what we have right now. We should take care of it until it is time to let go.

The most important thing to appreciate in our life is our closed and loved ones. It wouldn't take millions worth of property to say 'I love you' to mom and appreciate

her for giving birth to you. It wouldn't take millions of cash to say thank you to your brother for standing beside you, having your back and helping you whenever you get into trouble. It wouldn't waste thousands of hours to thank your sister for taking care of you and your health. It's funny but she is the second mom of the house. Why should we only celebrate mother's day with our mother? We could celebrate mother's day every single day. Just like this we should learn to appreciate other people also such as uncle, aunt, grandma, grandpa, cousin etc.

But there are also people who need to say goodbye as we go by. I still remember the days when I was in kindergarten. The mixed feeling of being scared and excited of meeting new people. The anger of having homework to be done. Homesick by just being at the school for 2 hours. It feels pretty awesome, sad and old, remembering all those sweet non

vanishing memories.

One of those lovely memories starts with the first person whom we get close to, apart from our family members. Yes, our one and only BESTFRIEND. Everyone in this world has a special place in our heart for this one specific person. The time where we share our lunch, where we fight as a whole and apologize the next day with our arms on our shoulder and with a smile on our faces. The lovely moments where we both got punished and stood outside of the classroom for not doing homework. The precious moments where we discussed our future or what we would become without knowing anything about the future was like over the moon.

As we grow a little bit older. We get to know some things about love. We started looking and observing the opposite gender. The excitement of having conversations with our secret crush. I don't know about this generation but I guarantee that they will never know how exciting it was to send letters and receive them. It was like a dog with two tails when the letter

got replied and the hunger of reading it flourished. But today, kids have their own Android phones and they just text each other on WhatsApp, Facebook, Instagram.

After we grew a little older, we got into fashion. We wanted expensive wrist watches, bikes, phones, trending shoes, shirts, trousers etc. And not doing homeworks at school and standing outside was a trend. The sad part is the time where we start to separate person by person after 10th standard. At 11th standard we get to meet a lot of new people where we get to be with them upto 12th standard. Not many memories are made at 11th and 12th standard but this is the stage where our minds get a bit matured. The time where we start thinking of small things in life. We started deciding what to do and what not to do. We get to know financial problems. Real life starts from here. We say goodbye to each other by making a feast where all the people whom we got close to from childhood gathered there. Not everyone has the same path. So, we just start

peeling away and focus more on our future. Some of us might not even get a proper goodbye and some of us might never be seen again. Who knows?

After giving farewell, we concentrate on our goals. We started working hard with patience for days, months, years. But when we kick back after getting tired and stressed. We get flashbacks looking at the photos of the times when we enjoyed our life without worrying about nothing. The time where we only cared about foods, friends and games.

Fun fact, one of the symptoms of getting matured is the moment where we started feeling shy at asking money to our parents. And I think all of us felt that. This is where the real struggle begins. Where we wanted to be an independent person. Where we want to start earning money on our own.

The anxiety we had when family responsibilities are handed. The time where we knew what both physical and mental stress were. The moment where we think we don't fit in this society by underestimating ourselves. Some of us

even get lost not knowing what to do, asking ourselves if we should do further studies or search for a job by looking at the financial status of the family. The time where we can't make decisions easily. Overthinking starts when this kind of situation comes. But trust me, overthinking only leads to depression with mixed emotions. It's not a good thing and we need to stop it. Also it is scientifically proven that 90% of the things that we overthink doesn't happen. So, all we need to do is chill, take help from the experienced ones, learn little by little, slowly and slowly get the hang of it.

And at the end of the day. It's just ourselves. So, we need to pray to God to be guided whenever we try to go down the wrong path. And hope for the better of ourselves and also for the loved one. One thing - Learn to rest when you're tired, not quit. It's life, it just goes on.

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Forced to leave my home; Rahul Gandhi not interested in becoming a successful leader: Ghulam Nabi Azad

Agency
New Delhi, August 29:

Ghulam Nabi Azad on Monday spoke to the media for the first time since quitting the Congress last week and said he has been forced to leave his home.

"I have been forced to leave my home," Azad said, while also taking a fresh swipe at the Congress party.

Referring to the discussion around PM Modi's speech in Parliament that was delivered in early 2021 when Azad had retired as a Rajya Sabha member, the former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister said the Congress party has had an issue with him ever since he joined the G23 group of party leaders who had called for organisational reforms.

"Modi is an excuse, they have had an issue with me since the G23 letter was written. They never wanted anyone to write to them, question them... Several (Congress) meetings happened, but not even a single suggestion was taken," Azad told reporters.

"I didn't sleep for 6 days before and after writing the letter (G23) because we gave blood for the party. People there today are useless... It's saddening that Congress has such spokesmen who don't even know about us..." he



added.

Azad, who hit out at Rahul Gandhi in his resignation letter, today also took a jibe at the former Congress president over his hug to PM Modi in Parliament and said: "It's not me who is entangled with Modi, it's him."

Azad also sought to deny speculation that he would align with the BJP in J&K after launching a new party.

"Congress mein anpadhon ki jamaat hai, especially those sitting for clerical work... Those who know J&K, I can't increase even one vote in BJP's constituencies, they can't do it in mine..." said Azad.

Azad further again questioned the leadership capabilities of Rahul Gandhi and said he himself is not interested in becoming a successful leader.

"My respect for Sonia Gandhi is same as 30 years back, respect for Rahul Gandhi is same as that befitting Indira Gandhi's family, Rajiv-Sonia Gandhi's son. Personally, I pray for his long life. We tried to make him a successful leader but he's not interested..." he stated further.

The former J&K CM also had words of praise for PM Modi. "I thought PM Modi to be a crude man but he showed humanity," said Azad, referring

to the speech which Modi had given in the Rajya Sabha.

Azad had announced his resignation from the Congress party on Friday, largely blaming Rahul Gandhi in his 5-page letter for the downfall of Congress.

In the hard-hitting letter, Azad alleged that Rahul Gandhi had demolished the consultative mechanism in the party. He further said in the letter to Congress interim president Sonia Gandhi that a coterie runs the party while she is just a nominal head.

All the major decisions are taken by "Shri Rahul Gandhi or rather worse his security guards and PAs."

India reports 7,591 new COVID-19 infections, active cases decline to 84,931

Agency
New Delhi, August 29:

With 7,591 new coronavirus infections being reported in a day, India's total tally of COVID-19 cases rose to 4,44,15,723, while the active cases declined to 84,931, according to the Union Health Ministry data updated on Monday.

The death toll climbed to 5,27,799 with 30 new fatalities. Besides 15 deaths have been reconciled by Kerala, the data updated at 8 am stated.

The active cases comprise 0.19 per cent of the total infections, while the national COVID-19 recovery rate was recorded at 98.62 per cent, the

ministry said.

The daily positivity rate was recorded at 4.58 per cent and the weekly positivity rate at 2.69 per cent, according to the ministry.

The number of people who have recuperated from the disease surged to 4,38,02,993, while the case fatality rate was recorded at 1.19 per cent.

According to the ministry, 211.91 crore doses of Covid vaccine have been administered in the country so far under the nationwide vaccination drive.

India's COVID-19 tally had crossed the 20-lakh mark on August 7, 2020, 30 lakh on August 23, 40 lakh on September 5 and 50 lakh on September

16. It went past 60 lakh on September 28, 70 lakh on October 11, crossed 80 lakh on October 29, 90 lakh on November 20 and surpassed the one-crore mark on December 19.

The country crossed the grim milestone of two crore on May 4 and three crore on June 23 last year. It crossed the four-crore mark on January 25 this year.

The 30 new fatalities include five each from Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra, three each from Mizoram and West Bengal, two from Kerala and one each from Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Odisha, Manipur, Haryana, Gujarat and Goa.

80% judges, 90% bureaucrats, and 95% journalists consume liquor: JAP chief Pappu Yadav slams Nitish Kumar over liquor ban

Agency
Patna, August 29:

After Janata Dal United JD(U) president Rajiv Ranjan Singh, Jan Adhikar Party (JAP) chief Pappu Yadav, on Sunday claimed that media, judges, and bureaucrats were among people who consume alcohol. Speaking to reporters, Pappu Yadav said that deaths are reported in the 'dry state' of Gujarat, while Delhi has reported a boost to the economy through liquor sales.

"80 per cent judges, 90 per cent bureaucrats, and 95 per cent journalists consume liquor," he was seen saying in a video recording.

Yadav's statements are similar to the ones made by



JD(U) president Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan, who had last week claimed that journalists were upset with Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar over alcohol ban in the state. Addressing a gathering in Lakhisarai, Singh had said that the liquor ban was imposed following demands by women from the state.

Many mediapersons upset with CM Nitish Kumar

"Many mediapersons are angry with the chief minister because of prohibition. The liquor ban followed demands by the state's women. Would the CM think of his people or

worry about journalists not being able to enjoy themselves?" he had said, news agency PTI had quoted.

Singh's remark drew flak from the BJP, which said that the JD(U) is often accused of a nexus with liquor mafia. Singh was speaking on the issue of price rise and also criticized the centre over Ujjwala Yojana targeting the BJP over the price of LPG cylinders.

"It's a petty remark by Lalan Singh who has a lot to answer since his party is often accused of a nexus with liquor mafia," BJP Bihar spokesperson Nikhil Anand said.

ENPO threatens to boycott Nagaland assembly elections if 'separate state' demand not fulfilled

Agency
Kohima, August 29:

The Eastern Nagaland People's Organisation (ENPO) has threatened to boycott the Nagaland Assembly elections 2023 if its demand for a "separate state" is not fulfilled.

The ENPO, since long, has been demanding carving out a separate state from the state of Nagaland.

ENPO represents Naga tribes residing in six districts of Nagaland.

The six districts are: Kiphire, Longleng, Mon,

Noklak, Shamator and Tuensang.

These six district accounts for 20 out of the total 60 assembly seats in Nagaland.

The ruling NDPP has 15 out of the 20 seats, while its ally - the BJP has four and one MLA is independent.

The ENPO has been demanding creation of Frontier Nagaland state to be free from "decades of neglect".

The ENPO said the decision to boycott the polls was taken after a consultative meeting with selected leaders from "Eastern Nagaland".

Career Guidance

Most Profitable and Popular Career Options



By: Vijay GarG

When it comes to the most profitable careers, there is a slight change in the past and present. The conventional careers i.e. Doctor, Engineer, Teacher and Lawyers, still hold their ground but the IT sector is growing at an enormous pace. Present and future careers require computerisation as the new technology is superior to its conventional counterpart. For this reason, Information Technology based careers are here to stay. The conventional careers are still the most pursued as they are 'Need-Based'. However, it is not necessary that the most profitable careers will be the most pursued, for example not everyone prefers to join politics or be a government contractor. People at large, are dependent on conventional professionals as they have become an essential part of their lives. Society at large requires diseases to be cured, children to be educated, construction to be done and legal hassles to deal with. At some point of time or the other and in some cases even more often, we require the services of these professionals. So whether the economy is down or up, these careers continue to remain unaffected as they are essential for the effective functioning of any authority at any level.

Health Care: Healthcare careers have always been the most pursued and why not? the first and foremost reason being that these are highly paid and esteemed. A variety of healthcare professions are emerging while some have been established themselves as specialised ones. Doctors and other related professionals will never run out of the job as health is one thing which is going to get affected one day or another courtesy sedentary lifestyles and environmental damage.

Energy: All the businesses and other activities require energy and who can imagine a life without electricity. With the rising need for energy and alter-

nate sources of energy, there is ample scope for engineers and other specialists who deal with energy. That is why this technological field is counted amongst the most profitable.

Education: Careers are themselves based on education and if you don't have the proper qualifications you will end up unemployed or underpaid. Education empowers us in many ways and the only way to get empowered is through schools. Apart from the children, there are adults who want to pursue their left-over studies or those who seek higher education. Teachers, lecturers, trainers etc. will thus be always required to educate the public.

Information Technology: Information Technology is the new 'Buzz Word' amongst those who are career wary. Computing at all levels is being done to produce efficiency and effectiveness. A lot of business and communication is conducted on the Internet as it is fast and convenient. People today shop sitting at their homes and organise virtual meetings using IT resources. Today Information Technology is encompassing all aspects of our lives. Its functioning and

maintenance are thus essential, making the IT careers profitable and popular ones.

Pharmaceuticals: Medicines and other related products will always be used as long as doctors prescribe them. Even if one is not taking prescribed medicine, one still takes off-the-shelf medicines. Every day tonnes of medicines are produced and those involved in its manufacturing, packaging, distribution etc. will also never run out of business as once again this a need-based career.

Law: Every organisation small or big have legal advisor's to deal with various legal matters. Then there are disputes, criminal activities, offences and a host of other activities for which legal skills are required to resolve them.

Food: Food is a basic necessity for the proper functioning of the body. Recession or no recession, we need those calories to 'Make it through the day'. We cannot ignore hunger for long and snacks have become a part of our daily lives. The food industry will also remain amongst the most profitable and pursued careers.

Accounting: There are something's in life which cannot be avoided - death and taxes are the two most inevitable things which will catch up with you, sooner or later. And who keeps an account of these and their consequent activities, the answer is obvious. Rising costs and recession makes companies desperate for more cost-saving measures and checks expenses. Government Contracting: Not everyone is aware of this career and even those who are aware find it too boring. But like it or not Government Contractors earn a lot and a single project is enough to make their years financially, easy. All the civic amenities are always needed and so is its maintenance. Bridges, roads, construction etc. have to be done and contracting your work out for government functions is a very secure career.

IN THE COURT OF SUB-DEPUTY COLLECTOR IRONG CHESABA, THOUBAL DISTRICT

NOTICE

Ref. Mutation Case No. 23/SCD/I.Ch. Dt. 23/8/2022

Applicant: Syed Ahamed, S/o (Late) Abdul Salam of Heibong Makhong

-Vs-
O.P. Co-pattadar No. 1 (Late) Abdul Salam, S/o (L) Moulana Muffiyuddin of Heibong Makhong

According to M.L.R. & L.R. Act, 1960 (3) that the land under Patta No. 606, Dag No. 1101, area .3037 (point three zero three seven) Ingkhoh Class Village No. 4-Maibam Konjil was expired.

Whereas, the son of the deceased pattadar Syed Ahamed was filed an application for mutation of the said pattadar, therefore notice as issued to all the concerned who are willing to argue should be submit written application within seven days notice was issued. Further any objection will not be entertained. Case will be continued.

Sd/-
Sub-Deputy Collector,
Irong Chesaba

B.C. to SDC
Irong Chesaba

Arvind Kejriwal brings 'confidence motion'; BJP MLAs asked to leave assembly

Agency
New Delhi, August 29:

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Monday claimed inflation will come down in the country if the central government lifts "unnecessary" taxes imposed even on essential edible items and stops buying MLAs.

Kejriwal, who brought a confidence motion in Delhi assembly to prove all Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLAs are with the council of ministers led by him, said the inflation was very high in the country because the central government uses the money generated through taxes to buy MLAs to topple the opposition governments and waive off bad loans of its billionaire friends.

"The central government has given a statement in the Parliament that it has waived off the bad loans of 10 lakh crore of billionaires while the middle class loses the house, vehicle if they fail to pay instalments," said Kejriwal.

"They put taxes on curd to waive of loans of one friend, on butter milk to waive of bad loans of others. If the central government recovers the waived off bad loans from its friends, the inflation will come down," said Kejriwal, comparing the central government with British rulers before independence.

The move comes amid AAP's claims that the Bharatiya Janta Party (BJP) is trying to topple its government, a charge denied by the BJP.

The motion moved by the CM stated, "This House expresses its confidence in the Council of Ministers."

Meanwhile, all BJP MLAs marshalled out of the assembly for the day after they jumped into the well of the house lodging a protest and seeking a discussion on different issues.

Kejriwal stated that it is sad that the opposition members showed irresponsible behaviour. They wanted to disrupt and did not want a discussion.

The AAP chief said the 'confidence motion' was required to show that each and every MLA and worker of AAP is a hardcore honest.

"Recently, they tried to buy our MLAs with Rs 20 crore each. 12 MLAs approached me saying that they were offered

the money. They (BJP) had Rs 800 crore earmarked for buying 40 AAP MLAs. No AAP MLA could be poached because all AAP MLAs are honest. They toppled the government in Goa, Maharashtra, Assam... in some days they are going to topple Jharkhand MLAs," said Kejriwal.

Kejriwal claimed the central government has so far bought 277 MLAs from other parties and at Rs 20 crore each they have spent 1 5,540 crore on it.

"If the prices of petrol and diesel becomes costlier, understand that they are going to topple some government. It is the most corrupt government in post-independent India," said Kejriwal, adding that the central government will face the curse of the poor.

Anti Human Trafficking Awareness Programme held at Moreh



IT News
Imphal, August 29:

Manipur State Commission for Women today organized Anti Human Trafficking Awareness Programme at Kondong Lairembe Hall of Moreh. The programme was organized under the supervision of the National Commission for Women.

Chairperson-Manipur State Commission for Women Ulka Salam presided the inaugural session while Senior Co-ordinator, National Com-

mission for Women Lilabati graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Members of the MSCW - Thumlip Tiningpham Monsang, Lourembam Dayabati Devi & T. Chuongsin Koreng also attended the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion Ulka Salam said that Moreh being similar to mini India with almost all communities living together much be aware of the Human trafficking which is being taking place. She said that women of all communities should try

to understand how the human trafficking has been taking place in the area and should remain vigilant to fight the challenges.

Binobala Nongmekapam, Dy. Director (WP) Social Welfare Dept., O. Sukumar (Addl. SP Moreh), Dr. L. Pishak Singh (Secretary-New Life Foundation Manipur & Director Child Line, Bishnupur) & Maj. Ranbir Shergill (5 AR-Moreh) attended as resource persons during the technical session.

CWC endorses schedule; Congress to elect its president on October 17

Agency
New Delhi, August 29:

The Congress will hold the election to the post of its president on October 17, the party announced here on Sunday after the election schedule was endorsed by the Congress Working Committee (CWC).

This was the first meeting of the CWC after the exit of the party's longest-serving general secretary, Ghulam Nabi Azad. But in the brief virtual meeting, none of the members raised his exit or expressed solidarity with the Gandhi family, which was at the centre of Mr. Azad's attack in his resignation letter. There were also no fresh appeals from CWC members to Mr. Gandhi to return as party president.

Chairing the meeting, Ms. Gandhi said it was only to discuss the schedule and no other issue would be taken up. Mr. Gandhi and party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra were seen on one screen, but did not speak during the brief meeting. The entire CWC, including former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, attended the meeting that lasted for less than 30 minutes.

The president's post has been with the Gandhi family for over two decades now. As reported by The Hindu, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot is the front runner for the post, after the Gandhi family's decision not to contest. The election process will begin on

September 24 and culminate on October 17, where in case of a contest, votes will be cast. The electoral college has over 9,000 delegates.

During the meeting, according to sources, senior party leader Anand Sharma, who is one of the prominent members of G-23 group, questioned the sanctity of the electoral rolls. He said he had received many complaints from colleagues from different States that they were in the dark about the meetings of primary members at the block- and district-committee levels who elected the delegates for the elections.

He said the list of delegates should be published and pasted at the block, district and Pradesh Congress

Committee (PCC) offices. When Ms. Gandhi asked the chairman of the Central Election Authority (CEA), Madhusudan Mistry, to clarify, he said that these lists had been verified, sources said. The list would be made available to the PCCs and to any candidate who wishes to contest, he added.

At the press conference held after the CWC meeting, when reporters raised questions about Mr. Sharma's intervention, party's general secretary (communication) Jairam Ramesh asserted that no questions were asked.

But Mr. Mistry said, "Those who have raised this question have gone through this very process. So I don't want to comment on it."

Assam Rifles organises a mass Tree Plantation Drive

Agency
New Delhi, August 29:

Phundrei Battalion of Assam Rifles under the aegis of IGAR (South) organised a Mass Tree Plantation Drive at Village Tekham in Thoubal District, Manipur to promote

Go Green Initiative.

The Tree Plantation was conducted under the joint efforts of 37 Assam Rifles, Thoubal Forest Division and locals with an aim to promote afforestation creating clean and green environment thereby to reduce impacts of

global warming.

A total of 1567 saplings were planted at various locations of the village. The event was conducted taking due care of COVID safety precautions. The efforts of Assam Rifles was highly appreciated by locals.

Sports

Durand Cup:

TRAU FC register thrilling 2-1 win over Army Red; ATK Mohun Bagan edges 1-0 win against Emami East Bengal

Agency
Imphal/Kolkata, August 29:

Tiddim Road Athletic Union (TRAU) FC notched up their first win of the season in Durand Cup, with a thrilling 2-1 victory over Army Red Football Team (ARFT) in a Group C clash at the Khuman Lampak stadium on Sunday.

The Army Team looked the better one in the first half and went into the break with a 1-0 lead, courtesy of a Liton Shil strike, but goals from Boirangdao Bodo and L. Milan in the final nine minutes of regulation time completed a fine comeback performance by TRAU in the second half.

The result makes it tougher for both teams, however, to make it through to the knockouts. The Army Red team looked the better side in the first half, creating better and more chances at goal.

The first good chance came to TRAU when Khanngam got the ball at the edge of the 6-yard box but his lack of proper control saw him miss a brilliant opportunity to take the lead.

In the 20th minute, it was the Reds' chance to miss going ahead as Deepak Singh, who had a great game on the right

flank, delivered a quality cross but Shubham Rana's header was just off target. Four minutes later, Khongsai missed from close as the Reds pressed on.

They finally broke through in the 35th minute of the game, thanks to some fantastic individual enterprise shown by their lone striker Liton Shil.

He was played on about 30 yards out from goal by Deepak from the right flank. Thereafter he beat his marker for pace, to burst inside the box and take a first-time right-footer on the run. Jedidi Haokip in the TRAU goal brought off a save, but Liton was at hand again to pounce on the rebound and slot it into the back of the goal. It was his second of the tournament.

Army Red finished the half with the lead as well as the larger share of possession. In the second half, TRAU continued to attack with pace but were lacking in creativity in the final third. The Army Red team seemed to be wanting to defend the one-goal advantage and were not creating as much as they were in the first. TRAU's tireless running, however, finally got them the purchase they were looking for as late as the 81st minute of the game.



Kamardeep's attempted clearance from deep inside the Reds defence struck a TRAU attacker and rebounded inside the box kindly for the forever trying Boirangdao Bodo. The home-side forward drove inside with a good first touch and powered a shot in between the legs of Army keeper Bhabindra Thakuri, who had not much to do till then in the game.

In another match, ATK Mohun Bagan continued to hold sway over its traditional rival Emami East Bengal as it prevailed over the latter by a soli-

tary goal in a Group B match of the 131st Durand Cup at the Salt Lake Stadium here on Sunday.

ATK Mohun Bagan's win was tragically realised by an own goal coming from East Bengal forward Sumet Passi in the injury-time of the first half.

This was the sixth straight win for ATK Mohun Bagan which has been winning every meeting against East Bengal since January 2020.

Watched by a capacity crowd of around 65,000, the match failed to reach the desired height as the classical oppo-

nents struggled to find form in the attacking third. ATK Mohun Bagan enjoyed a slight edge in the creative part as it started assailing East Bengal with greater frequency. But the goal remained elusive as the East Bengal defence stood up to the challenge and kept its box sealed from ATK Bagan's attackers for the most part of the game.

ATK Mohun Bagan had the first good opportunity off Ashique Kuruniyan but the winger could not keep his attempt on target despite showing quick feet to elude the East Bengal defence.

The goal finally happened in injury time when a corner taken by Liston Colaco was missed by the first line of East Bengal defence and the ball sneaked through to hit Passi and deflect inside the goal.

Mohun Bagan had more chances after the break but missed the presence of a positive striker after having released the Fijian forward Roy Krishna the previous season. East Bengal, which adopted a counter-attacking approach, had some chances but none of them was sharp enough to beat the ATKMB goalkeeper Vishal Kaith.

SAFF Women's Championship: Coach Suren Chettri names list of 26 probables

Agency
Kolkata, August 29:

The Indian Senior Women's National Team for the SAFF Women's Championship 2022 will be having a preparatory camp in Pune starting tomorrow (August 29 till September 2, 2022). The Championship is scheduled to take place in Nepal from 6-19 September, and the Blue Tresses will depart for Nepal on September 3.

The Indian women, the defending champions, have been drawn in Group A along with Maldives, Pakistan and Bangladesh, and will open their campaign against Pakistan on September 7, 2022. The top two teams from the group will advance to the semifinals.

The list of 26 probables for the preparatory camp in Pune is as follows:

GOALKEEPERS: Aditi Chauhan, Maibam Linthoingambi Devi, Shreya Hooda, Sowmya Narayanasamy

DEFENDERS: Sweeti Devi, Ritu Rani, Ashalata Devi, Ranjana Chanu, Manisa Panna, Arifa Sayed, Michel Castanha, Juli Kishan, Santosh

MIDFIELDERS: Anju Tamang, Karthika Angamuthu, Priyangka Devi, Martina Thokchom, Sandhya Ranganathan, Kaviya Pakkirisamy, Kashmina, Ratanbala Devi

FORWARDS: Dular Marandi, Apurna Narzary, Soumya Guguloth, Renu, Kiran Pista.

Admit Card Lost

I, the undersigned, have lost my Admit Card of my Class X examination issued by the Board of Secondary Education Manipur bearing Roll Number 25 of 2015 on the way between Khongman to Singjamei on August 13, 2022.

Finders are requested to hand over it to the undersigned. Sd/- Kshetrimayum Maheshkanta S/O Late Ksh. Joychand Singh