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CEO Manipur observes 12th National Voters's Dav Importance of voters and election in democracy - Dr. Rajesh Kumar

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The Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Manipur today observed the 12th National Voters' Day 2022 (NVD) as part of the nationwide observance under the theme 'Making Elections Inclusive, Accessible, and Participative'. The National Voters' Day,

2022 celebrated at City Con-vention Centre, Palace Compound was attended by Chief ecretary, Manipur Dr. Rajesh Kumar as Chief Guest with Director General of Police, Manipur P. Doungel, Additional Chief Secretaries, Government of Manipur, Letkhogin Haokip. Paulunthang Vaiphei and Vumlunmang Vualnam as the Guests of Honour of the programme and was presided by CEO, Manipur, Rajesh

Agrawal. While addressing the gathering, Chief Secretary, Dr. Rajesh Kumar stressed on the importance of voters and election in democracy. He said that it is the decision of the voters that will decide the kind of government for the next five years. In this con-text, it is our responsibility to take careful decisions in exercising our votes and select-ing the right candidate, Dr. Rajesh asserted.

Three more Omicron

cases were reported in Manipur, taking the state's

total Omicron cases to 42 so

far, official sources said on

cases have been discharged

However, all the three

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Tuesday.



He further expressed that the Election Commission of India has carried out many reforms for proper conduct of election. He added that as a responsible citizen it is our duty to inform the election machinery of any malpractices, inducement or violation of model code of conduct. He urged the electors to come out in large numbers and cast their valuable votes and to pledge for a free and fair election. To ensure a COVID safe election. he further appealed to the Voters to come forward for vaccination.

CEO, Manipur Shri Rajesh Agrawal speaking on the progress of the election process of the country since its

and get vaccinated for

Monday recorded 418 new COVID-19 positive cases,

Meanwhile, Manipur on

COVID-19.

inception, he said such concerted efforts have made the Electoral process truly Inclu-sive, Accessible and Participative. He expressed that the entire election machinery has unified and geared up to en-sure Free, Fair, Peaceful & Participative Elections in the ensuing State Assembly Elec-tion, 2022. As a part of the occasion,

a photo exhibition on the SVEEP Campaign was formally opened by the Chief Guest. Administering of National Voters' Day Pledge, presenta-tion of newly enrolled voters with badges and EPIC, felicitation of SVEEP State Icons launching of video on Ethical Voting, PwD & Video screen-

As per the release, 237

ing on SVEEP Campaigns and distribution of various awards were the main highlights of the event.

District Election Officer (DEO), Imphal West, Shri Th. Kirankumar, DEO, Chandel, Shri Mayanglambam Rajkumar and DEO, Churachandpur, Shri Pawan Yaday received the Star DEO Award. Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) 3-Khurai 19-Patsoi, 26-Bishenpur, 30-Lilong, 34-Wangjing Tentha 58-Churachandpu and bagged the Star ERO Award. BLOs of 58-Churachandpur, 52-Tamei, 5-Thongju, 53-Tamenglong, 47-Karong and 9-Thangmeiband received the Star BLO award. contd. on page 4

BJP's candidate list for Manipur **Election likely to announce today** List of remaining candidates for UP and Punjab Polls may also announce

IT News Imphal, Jan 25:

The Bharativa Janata Party (BJP) is likely to finalize and announce the names of the first list of candidates for the upcoming Manipur Legislative Assembly Election. Source said that the Central Election Committee (CEC) of the BJP has been conducting series of meeting to finalise the candidates for all the As-sembly election of the five

states including Manipur. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, State BJP President A. Sarda Devi and Minister Th Biswajit are in Delhi till the filling of this report to finalise the name of the BJP candidates ion Manipur Election. Some of the prominent figures of the state BJP are also reportedly stationing at New Delhi waiting for the announcement of the ticket. Source said that the CEC meeting is currently underway at the party headquarters in the national capital.

Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, BJP State president A. Sarda Devi and Minister Th. Biswajit are likely to return Imphal as the first list for candidates selected by the BJP to contest the Manipur Election has been finalized. A source said that the first list of BIP candidate may announce late

today evening. Another source added that a high-level BJP meeting was also held on Monday to discuss remaining candidates for the coming Uttar Pradesh Assembly elections, and as per sources, around 80 sitting MLAs are likely to be dropped and seats changed for almost a dozen overall. The core committee meeting was held in presence of Home Minister Amit Shah and Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath attending. The Central Election Committee (CEC) headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi will meet Tuesday to give the fi-nal approval to the list. So far, the BJP has an-

nounced 194 candidates for Uttar Pradesh and 34 candi-dates for Punjab, however, no list of candidates has been released for Manipur as of now Punjab, Uttar Pradesh Uttarakhand, Goa and Manipur will be completed in seven phases with UP being the first to go to the polls on February 10.

In Uttar Pradesh, the first phase polling will be held on February 10, the second phase on February 14, the third phase on February 20, the fourth phase on February 23, the fifth phase on February 27, the sixth phase on March 3 and the seventh phase on March 7.

Polling in Manipur will be held in two phases on Febru-ary 27 and March 3 whereas the voting will take place in Uttarakhand and Goa on February 14 and Punjab will go to polls on February 20. The counting of votes for all five poll-bound states will take place on March 10.

Medals conferred on 27

IT News Imphal, Jan 25:

Medals were conferred on 27 Manipur police person-nel in six different catagories today in connection with India's 73rd Republic Day celebration.

According to a release is-sued by the PRO of Manipur police, inspector (Vigilance and Anti-Corruption) W. Ashok Kumar Singh and Havildar Sambhulal Pardhan were conferred the President's Police Medal for Distinguished Ser-

It stated that the Police Medal for Meritorious Service were conferred on IGP (prison)

Manipur Police personnel Lunsich Kipgen, inspector (Vigilance and Anti-Corruption) Thokchom Mauihar Singh in spector of Kangpokpi NO thony Suresh, SL of CID (CB) L Debananada Singh, subedar of 1st IRB Khaikhojam Thahgen, jemadar Md Lal Mohammad and havildar Wangkheirakpam Robindro Singh.

Jamadar Laishram Chingkheinganba and rifleman

Thongram Ajit Singh were con-ferred the Union Home Minister's Medal for Excellence in Police Training, it mentioned It further mentioned that

The Police Antrik Suraksha Seva Padak for North East Re gion were conferred to IGP (cyber crime) H Thanghaulien Gangte, CO of 1st MR S

Ruivah was conferred the

Utkrisht Seva Padak.

Ibomcha Singh special AIG (le-gal) in-charge Luikham Lanmiyo, subedar M. Dimartan Singh, jemadars K. Ratan Kumar Singh, Kh Jibankumar Singh, SI of CID (security) Laiphrakpam Suranjoy Singh, havildars Md. Rasid Ali, N. Kiraniit Singh. Ramshang Horthing, Stephen Nekminlun, M. Chinlianmang and riflemen Shiningson Shinglai and W Thotmathing, it added. Woleng

ADGP (Trg) Clay Khongsai was conferred the Ati-Utkrisht Seva Padak and rifleman Rinakhao ZUF sets to celebrate the 107th Birth

Anniversary of Haipei Rani Gaidinliu

partment. The positivity rate currently is 18.1 per cent. The two COVID-19 fataliafter completing mandatory isolation, the state Directorate of Health Services said in ties recorded on Monday were from Kakching and a release. It stated that trac-

ing of close contacts and containment measures are al-Senapati. Both the deceased had co-morbidities and one The Directorate of Health was fully vaccinated, accord-Services advsied the general public to follow strictly COVID Appropriate Behavior ing to a release issued by State COVID-19 Common Control Room

15 from Churachandpur, 13 from Kakching, 12 from Senapati, 19 from Thoubal, pushing the state's confirmed tally to 1,30,490 while the death toll mounted to 2,027 with two new fatalities, ac-cording to the state health deseven from Chandel, six from Tengnoupal, five each from Jiribam and Ukhrul, four each from Tamenglong and Kakpokpi and one from Kamjong. The state also recorded 379 new recoveries, taking the cumulative number of recovered cases to 1,25,013. The recovery rate is 95.80 per cent. Manipur now has 3,450

COVID-19 active cases, as per

Meanwhile, a total of 374 new COVID-19 cases were re-ported from Imphal West, an-D-type Oxygen Cylinders and other 72 cases from Imphal East, 18 each from Bishnupur, 69 B-type Oxygen cylinders have been made available to different health institutions and health facilities of

the release

As per the latest update, the total number of people who have been administered

the vaccine has reached 24,36,837 (first dose: 13,88,623 second dose: 10,32,925 pre-cautionary dose: 15,289). The cumulative number of people who have been vacci-

vice.

nated in the state with the first dose is 57.99 per cent and for the second dose is 44.12 per cent, it mentioned.

Many condole the demise of Ima Sakhi

Three more Omicron cases detected in Manipur

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ready in place.

All Club Organisation, Association & Meira Paibi Lup (ACOAM – Lup, Lup, Kangleipal) has condoled the demise of Phanioubam Shakhi Leima , popularly known to the people as "Ima Shakhi". Ima Sakhi was the presi-

dent of the Apunba Manipur Kanba Ima Lup (AMKIL) till she breath her last on January 23, 2022. She was 86. As a women activist, Ima

Sakhi had played important role in the safeguarding of the state of Manipur and had always spearheaded at any movement – be it for the protection of the territorial integ-



rity of the state as well as to any form of human rights violation committed by the Armed forces under the shadow of the AFSPA.

ACOAM-Lup Kangleipak said that Ima Sakhi demise is a great lost for the region.

All Manipur Student Union (AMSU), Macha Leima,

People's Action for national Democratic Movement (PANDM), UPF, Manipur, NIPCO, TAMMI-CHINGMI, EECHAL, MAPI Council, CADA, Nupi Samaj, UPACO, EEVFAM, NIMPAL, ANUL, IPAK, All Manipur Progressive Farmer Association among oth-ers also condole the demise of Phanjaobam Sakhi (Ima Sakhi)

In a statement, AMSU and PANDM said that Ima Sakhi was a pioneer in bringing to gether women in the fight against drug abuse, alcohol and against the various cases of extra-judicial killings and exploitation conducted after the State was declared a disturbed area and AFSPA was

imposed. last rite of The

Phanjoubam Shakhi Leima was held yesterday at Wangkhei Lizard Library ground in Imphal west with full honour. Leaders and rep-resentatives of various CSOs and well wishers paid floral tribute to the departed soul.

Former rebel leaders RK Sanayaima who also attended the funeral service said that Ima Sakhi's demise is a great lost of the society and left a vacuum to the society.

"I worried in seeing Imas of Manipur who had fought for the cause of the people of the state one after another. Now I am worried if the next generation who are to replace the Imas will be able to take the role that our imas had taken", Sanayaima said.

IT News Imphal, Jan 25: The Zeliangrong United Front (ZUF) is celebrating the 107th Birth anniversary of Haipei Rani Gaidinliu on the 26th Jan. 2022 with the pride and joy over the birth of a freedom

fighter from our soil and of our blood. A statement by Jenchui Kamei, Chairman, Zeliangrong United Front said, "May this occasion remind Zeliangrong and kindred tribes to exemplify and reflect the spirit of true pa-triotism and valiant hearts as demonstrated by Haipei Rani

Gaidinliu. May The Day be even more remembered and glorified with the ever-growing impor-tance and brightening light of her contributions ultimately re-warded in fulfillment of the nation and the people's aspira-

The statement further said

that hundred and seven years have gone since the birth of our people to live in freedom being fulfilled or granted. Therefore, lone lady freedom fighter Rani Gaidinliu. Many luminary leaders and figures have left marks of struggle for freedom of the people and gone unrewarded.

"Our land remains as dark region of the world where the light of freedom has not been shone and felt. Notwithstand-ing the pain, the lost and the disappointment experienced by our people throughout many years of struggles and suffer ings, we have this hope that burns within our hearts that someday the dawn of freedom will break upon our people and the birth of our freedom fighter will even be remembered with greater homage and reverence. Quite many significant awards and substantial grants in terms of materials have been made in her name. However, not a tin of hope and aspiration of her

the struggle and the movement remain with the people to this day and will remain in the hearts of the people", the statement added. While considering the historical birth of India's Indepen-

dence and subsequent declara-tion of Republic Union of India on 26th of Jan. 1950, the birth of Rani Gaidinliu; 26th January may be coincidently taken or assumed as a mythical herald of hope and assurance of India's victory and freedom to become a sovereign nation of the world. It was not the birth that makes the history sweet but the struggle, sufferings and contribution that has made her birth and life honorable. Her story and name are common to all, yet her painful account of struggle has not been perceived as deserved, the statement added.

Manipur in the last 24 hours.

Why is Maruti against installing 6 airbags in cars?

Talking Points

Narvijay Yadav

The Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has decided to increase airbags in cars. According to Union Minister Nitin Gadkari, it is mandatory to have six airbags in a car with eight pas-

airbags in a car with eight passengers. The new rule is to come into effect from October 1, 2022. However, car companies are in a dilemma over this new development. The Covid pandemic has already broken the back of the auto industry. The car industry was already struggling with the shortage of raw materials and chips (or semiconductors), now with this new rule, it will have to make many physical changes in the vehicles and will also have to increase the prices of the cars significantly. The cost of one airbag ranges from five thousand to ten thousand rupees, so installing six airbags will increase the price of a car by at least 30 to 50 thousand rupees or more. This additional burden will be borne by the customers. Car companies will have to make some fundamental changes in their existing models, its cost will be extra.

The graph of the death toll due to road accidents in India is going up year by year and there is no sign of decrease in the numbers. The death toll in road accidents between 2005 and 2019 is above 20 lakh. According to Nitin Gadkari himself, in the year 2020, about 48 thousand people were killed on highways and expressways in different road accidents. Another fact is that in road accidents, two-wheeler riders account for more deaths (37 per cent) than travelling in four-wheelers. This figure is based on a report released by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways in the year 2020. The risk of road accidents for two wheeler riders in India is 20 times higher than that of four wheeler users. Side airbags that protect the head reduce the risk of a car driver's death in a driver side-crash by 37 per cent and an SUV driver's risk by 52 per cent, according to a research conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. According to the rules regarding airbags currently in effect, the rule of mandatory installation of two airbags is applicable to all cars manufactured after April 2021.

Many automakers have welcomed the new proposal of the ministry, but Maruti Suzuki Chairman RC Bhargava has criticised it saying that policy makers need to think in terms of the consumer, as more airbags will increase the cost of the vehicles. The public will have to suffer, because this will be a burden on them. The inclusion of side torso and curtain airbags will undoubtedly improve the safety ratings of the budget segment cars, but it will undoubtedly increase the purchase cost of the car. Entry-level carmakers like Maruti Suzuki, Nissan, Renault don'thave a single model with optional six airbags, while entry-level models like Hyundai Santro and 110 Grand also have only dual airbags. Proper use of airbags and seat belts can reduce the damage to the human body during an accident. Similarly, using a good helmet can reduce the mortality rate by 42 per cent. Currently, cars offering the option of six airbags cost over Rs 15 lakh. With the increase of reach and dependence on information technology in the present world, detailed descriptions and knowledge on any subject matter can be had at the touch of a button.

touch of a button. The virtual world has shrunk to such an extent that anyone can receive and relay information on someone or something as it happen, anywhere in the world. This has led to an unexpected broadening of one's views and opinions of other people, places, religions, beliefs and customs. A more tolerant temperament is the result of the ever shrinking virtual world today. The world as we know now is ever evolving and changing and it is upto us to adapt and make the best of it. But just as everything that is continually chang-ing, there emerges a breed of hardliners who are insisting on car-rying on with the traditional way of life, and even thinking. While the concept of preservation of culture and tradition for posterity and more importantly, for the preservation of one's own identity and those of the community is without doubt, a vital part of our responsibilities to the future generation, yet the insistence on keeping up and following the tra-ditional way of thinking, to restraint ourselves to the set dogmas and beliefs is nothing short of denying our-selves the freedom to grow-spiritually and intellectually, to think and use our rationality and to pursue our dreams

It is basically denying ourselves the freedom to life as we see fit, so long as our beliefs and practices does not infringe on that of others. Change is inevitable, and the sooner we accept and embrace it, the better will we be prepared to face the future, uncertain and unpredictable as it will be. Resisting change and at-tempting to cling on to the old ways of thinking would prove futile and even regressive. Our way of life changes with the changing times changes with the changing times What was once a necessity, like the caste system which was vital for preservation of communities and races, becoming more rigid to keep the increasing intruders and invaders from mingling and diluting a par-ticular race, has now become a maior roadblock in the effort to integrate the nation which is intrinsic to the progress of the nation. The time to walk the line without questioning the rationale behind the dictate is well and truly past. It is time to de-velop and encourage a scientific temperament which questions and provides a reason for the things we do and think. Tolerance and understanding other' point of view, while, at the same time, retaining the liberty to follow and practice one's beliefs and principles will pave the way for a more inclusive society bound by trust and understanding How one lead one's life should no be a subject of discussion, it should rather be an accepted personal judgement that needs to be re-

spected. There are more important and pertinent things to occupy our minds and collective concerns in these volatile times. Progress is not made by adjusting the changes to suit our needs and beliefs. It is through accepting facts and adjusting ourselves to the best we possibly can to these changes that we can prepare for a better future our true gift to mankind.

Technology to the rescue

Our state, though nestled on the far fringe of the country with unfriendly hilly terrain to welcome visitors, does not lag much behind in terms of awareness and utilization of available technological developments, and one thing which the people of the state has taken to with gusto, more out of necessity rather than convenience is the information technology or simply mut. IT

technology or, simply put- IT. The advent of this amazing technology has indeed changed the way the public view things. People can now understand a broader perspective of all issues and hence, can form their own informed judgement. The curiosity and inquisitiveness of the people has also been aroused, leading to a more scientific temper of mind that questions various beliefs. It has also undoubtedly brought

It has also undoubtedly brought the world closer, thereby easing the frustrations of having to deal with the difficulties of communication and transport, or that inextricable feeling of being sidelined. While IT is not the panacea to the shortcomings of the society, it is indeed a game-changing aspect, and can be utilized to even effect in our state.

Take for instance the protracted problem of distributing, and more importantly, that of collecting bills for various public facilities being provided by the Government. How many of us have really seen a water bill in the last decade or so? And who should we inquire about any matter relating to any Government Department in the state. The obvious solution in this time and age is to Google, which is possible only if and when the information and details are made available by the Government. And when online stores are successfully functioning despite the initial concerns regarding the safety of the payment methods, such fears

has been proven unfounded. The whole concept of imple-

menting IT in Governance, as envis-aged in the NeGP (National eGovernance Project) Vision, to "Make all Government services ac-cossible to the common monin bio cessible to the common man in his locality, through common service delivery outlets and ensure efficiency, transparency & reliability of such services at affordable costs to realize the basic needs of the common man" should be made func-tional, with additional services included as required to facilitate gen-eration of revenue for the state. A fully functional Common Service Centre (CSC) implemented under the NeGP formulated by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) are Information and Communication Technology enabled front end service delivery points at the village level for delivery of Government, Financial, Social and Private Sector services in the areas of Agriculture, health, education, entertainment, FMCG prod-ucts, banking, insurance, pension, utility payments etc. The big question is: are these cen-

The big question is: are these centers functioning as required, or are they just formalities to make up the numbers in the report sheet of the Government? What steps have the Government taken up to create awareness amongst the public so as to educate them, and ultimately enable them to access the services provided at these centers? It is clearly evident that there need a lot to be done before such supposedly beneficial services reach the public and make their lives that little more convenient.

A concerted proactive approach to create awareness and to educate the mass on the development activities and services should be carried out to ensure that such beneficial and positive steps are not wasted.

Adopting a modern lifestyle, youth are suffering from diseases e is also a law of nature and also causing the increase of diseases for health, such a diet

Change is also a law of nature and necessary for human life and development. But there are some changes which have either infiltrated our lives due to some compulsions or we have adopted them in the name of modern lifestyle. Such is the change in eating habits. This does not seem like a seri-ous matter, but if you look at some examples of today or look at your own life, then it will be understood that the light-hearted habits of everyday food have given place to many serious dis-eases in our life. has given. Some studies suggest that changing food habits are also affecting our age. People are aging prematurely and look older than their age. The reason for this is taking an unbalanced diet. Most of the people do not know what kind of diet they should take. What is the nature of the body and which nutrients their body needs more. Eating anything indis-criminately at any time is such a reason that it is a slow poison for the body and gradually becomes a victim of dis eases. At the same time, even under the pressure of rising inflation, unem-ployment, the body often does not get the nutrients which are needed. In such a situation, many types of pres sure, worries have also increased the problems related to heart and blood re somewhere.

Today, a large number of youth are suffering from diseases in India, the youngest country of the world. At an early age, they are vulnerable to diseases like heart diseases, arthritis, asthma. On the surface, it seems to be a common thing, but after many types of research and opinion of expects, it has been concluded that today's heetic lifestyle and unbalanced diet is a big reason in it. Apart from this, if we look at i, our unbalanced diet is responsible for many skin related problems in one way or the other. At the same time, the daily consumption of fast food is

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also causing the increase of diseases like obesity, eating disorder among the youth. A report by the World Health Organization draws attention to the fact that excessive consumption of fast food and soft drinks is becoming a significant cause of heart disease, bonerelated diseases, diabetes and obesity among young people. Often this diet is included in the habit in a hurry to save time and fill the stomach. This saves time, but many physical problems also get a chance to dominate. Experts attribute a large number of

young people suffering from heart attacks and cardiovascular diseases their irregular routine and the habit of eating spicy food and fried foods. Also, the habit of smoking further increases the severity of this disease. Some research suggests that the lifestyle of people today and the impact it is hav-ing on their lives, in the next decade or so, about 20 percent of the youth of India's population will suffer from cardiovascular diseases. According to the report of the World Health Organization, by 2020, the highest number of deaths in India will be due to cardiovascular diseases. It is not that only fast food or outside food is giving rise to health problems, but often the way and time of our eating also af-fect health. This is the reason why often even traditional home-cooked food gives rise to stomach related prob-lems. The high amount of sugar and fat in the home made diet makes the food harmful. Changing lifestyle has brought a big change in diet. Although some superficial benefits are visible from this, the truth is that these eating habits have affected health on many levels. Asthma disease is spreading rapidly among the youth today. Phy sicians are telling the main reason for this due to lack of nutrients in the diet and fried food, snacks and greasy food. Instead of proving to be better



As a result of changing eating habits and changing lifestyle, today most women go through difficult situations during pregnancy. It is the result of poor, unbalanced diet and lifestyle changes that today more than 15 percent of women suffer from the problem of infertility. However, the reason for this is also that now women are em-ployed and are choosing to marry late. At the same time, due to some health problems, they do not get the happiness of children. But in the meantime, this problem also cannot be ignored. Modern lifestyle has affected health as well as fertility. This has led to a decrease in fertility in men. Research suggests that along with the habit of intoxication, unbalanced diet has increased this problem in men. On the other hand, baldness in men and hair fall in women is also related to dietary habits somewhere. Often, overconsumption of a nutrient through a diet and sometimes a lack of any nutrient is a major reason for hair fall. This imbalance of protein, vitamin and mineral nutrients increases the risk of baldness

At the same time, due to negligence in the diet and lack of vitamin D and calcium and their lack in our diet today, there has been an increase in bone related problems. Due to the lack of protein, calcium, phosphorus, vitamin D in the diet for a long time, the risk of these diseases has increased manifold. Today depression is also emerging as a problem. Especially, in urban areas, it is believed to be the result of changing



from such foods. At the same time, the carlessness of the diet has made the situation so frightening that the youth are facing the risk of many diseases at once. Many such reports have been issued by the World Health Organization, which have clearly drawn attention to the increasing cases of blood pressure and diseases like diabetes in India and even said that if the situation remains the same, then in the coming years, India This disease will

take the form of an epidemic. Therefore, it is necessary to give preference to the old tradition of having food at least three times a day. Have a simple breakfast and diet and make it a habit to go to bed early and get up early. Apart from this, today, especially in cities, the trend of girls living on diet also harms their health. The problem of obesity often increases with fast food or unbalanced food, so attention should be paid to it. Today, the trend of Italian, Mexican, Thai and Chinese food has increased in India. People are eating them without understanding whether it is according to the nature of their body or not. At the same time, they also do not consider it necessary to know whether the foreign food that is being served to them contains nutrients or not and what kind of technology has been adopted in making them. In the case of cold drinks, shocking figures often come to the fore that some ingredients are being used in excess of the norm, which is injurious to health. Despite this, people ignore them and drink them fearlessly. In recent research, it has also been told that water kept in plastic bottles for a long time or heated by the sun becomes poisonous and drinking tea in plastic cups can cause cancer. Some Indian dishes are also mostly fried and rich in spices.

These include gram flour dumplings, bread dumplings and samosas Through these, not only do more chilispices reach the body than needed, but salt also reaches the body in large quantities and harms the body in many Salt is essential for health and ways digestion, but reaching the body in excess increases the risk of heart dis-ease. There is also the possibility of kidney stones due to excessive salt. Today, the trend of drinking tea in big cups has increased. Tea is often seen as a miraculous drink to bring agility in fatigue. In the morning empty stomach, frequent tea with fried things during the day, sugar and tannin, harmful substances like caffeine also go into the stomach. Caffeine also affects the heartbeat. This makes her faster. The result is an increase in heart problems On the other hand, not eating food after chewing, lying down after dinner are the reasons due to which food gets digested late or remains undigested in the stomach.

Before this, there are stomach related problems like gas, indigestion, burning etc. The main reason for the increase of diseases is drinking less water or drinking more water immediately after the meal. Nowadays, the kind of diet young people are choosing to take, due to which there is a lack of blood in the body. The result is that today women are getting many dis-eases due to lack of blood during pregnancy. Even this is becoming the reason for his death. In fact, in the modern lifestyle, the new custom of eating has gone on the one hand that when whatever is eaten, it may be filling the stomach, but it is increasing the disease like anemia. The essential nutrients from our diet. have disappeared. In developed countries like America as well as in India, obesity is taking the form of a disease and lifestyle diseases are spreading rap-idly here. On the other hand, malnourishment and diseases are increasing due to lack of nutrients in rural children as compared to urban children. Excessive consumption of red meat and processed substances and drugs has become common in the urban lifestyle. It is proving to be injurious to health. Like the western countries, the lifestyle of Indian youth like becoming addicted to smoking is not conducive to the Indian climate and environment.

The way in which the youth are being made accustomed to the exotic products, fast food from the teenage age in the tempting advertisements. This is also a major reason why premature babies are falling prey to diseases and youth are battling serious diseases. There is no doubt that the maris increasing due to this, but the health of the youth is constantly being neglected. At the same time, adulter-ated food items kept in adorable packages for days have also started makng a deep impact on health. It is a different matter that people do not take it so seriously, but somewhere it is a serious matter. In view of this seriousness, now a provision has been made for strict punishment for those who adulterate milk, so there is a need to think seriously about this. It has been reported many times that most of the packaged food items sold in the market have been prepared with carelessness and have been found to have cancer-promoting chemicals. Today, the trend of taking outside and packed food has increased, there are some compulsions behind it. People working in other states, cities, away from their families, get ready-made food outside at a low cost. This saves both time and money, but at the same time carelessness with health often takes a serious form. At the same time, there are some eating habits which do not allow even a good diet to be effective for health. Often we know from which foods we get nutrition, but we do not think it necessary to decide what is the right time to take them.

Accepting the reality

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BA.2 Omicron sub-variant gradually replacing BA.1: Experts

Agency New Delhi, Jan 25:

The BA.2 sub-variant of Omicron is gradually replacing

the BA.1. The Indian SARS-CoV-2 Genomics Consortium (Insacog), a consortium for genome sequencing in India, in its latest bulletin stated: "BA.2 lineage is a substantial fraction in India and S- gene dropout-based screening is, thus, likely to give high false negatives. Tests suitable for PCR-based screening applicable to all Omicron lineages have been approved for use.

"While most Omicron cases, so far, have been asymptomatic or mild, hospitalisations and ICU cases mild, have been increasing in the current wave," said Insacog. "This new sublineage BA.2 is called "stealth Omi-

cron" because it lacks the de-letion that allows it to be picked up by PCR tests. BA.2 appears to be the major Omicron lin-eage in India and the Philippines and there is evidence that it is growing faster as compared to BA.1 in Denmark, the UK and Germany," said Prof Sunit K Singh, Professor of Molecular Immunology and Virology, Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University.

"The BA.2 lineage lacks deletion. So, the S gene target



failure is not seen in BA.2 which was seen in BA.1 (original omicron). Most of the monoclonal antibodies are not effective against Omicron due to many mutations in their spike. Of course, there might be more infections as already being seen but I do not see any possibility of more severity. Things might be more or less the same as prevailing in today's scene, but people should get vaccinated and take

precautionary measures,' he added. "The new sub-lineage (BA.2) does not carry the spike:69/70del deletion and, thus, may not be detectable by SGTF (S-gene target failure). We need to have a specific kit,

like Omisure, to detect it. Initial management differs whether it's Omicron or Delta Monoclonal antibody REGN is useless in Omicron," said Dr Dhiren Gupta, who is a Paediatric Pulmonologist, at Sir

Gangaram Hospital, Delhi. Experts said that this could be more infectious. "This means that it will spread rapidly and also that it may end abruptly. In India, it's replacing the original Omicron in 80:30 ratio," he said. Could reinfection occur? If

a person who was previously infected by BA.1 be reinfected by BA.2? What is the effect of vaccination on BA2 and BA1? Answers to these questions are being explored by scientists.

Kangpokpi prepares for total Covid vaccination

Kangpokpi, Jan 25:

Commissioner (Works) T. Ranjit Singh yesterday chaired a meeting discussing on action plans to enhance the number of Covid vaccinated population. The meeting was held at the conference hall of the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District Headquarters. District Administration

Kangpokpi is planning to fully vaccinate all the remaining and eligible population of the district till 10th February, 2022. It may be mentioned that Commissioner Ranjit Singh and Additional Secretary Mercina Panmei have been assigned for Kangpokpi district to look after the Covid vaccination program.

Addressing the meeting, Deputy Commissioner Kengoo

Zuringla, IAS, sought the cooperation of Medical officials, various stakeholders, including church leaders, CSOs among others to help the administra tion in making the vaccination

program a success. The target population for vaccination of Kangpokpi dis-

trict as per 2011 Census is 95,223, out of which 48.5 per-cent population has been vaccinated so far. The remaining unvaccinated population will be vaccinated till February 10, 2022 The meeting was attended by officials of the Kangpokpi,

including Superintendent of Police Amrita Sinha, SDOs, Chief Medical Officer, Chief Executive Officer, Zonal Education Officer, Chairman Pastor Fellowship Kangpokpi, Chairman Kangpokpi Town Commit-tee and District Information Officer.

District Level Meeting on Vaccination, **Election and COVID 19 Situations**

IT News Senapati, Jan 25

The District Administration, Senapati organised a District Level Meeting on Vaccination, Election and Covid 19 situation yesterdayat DRDA

Speaking on the Meeting, Mahesh Chaudhari, IAS, Mahesn Chaudhail, 110, Deputy Commissioner, Senapati stated that every in-dividual must complete the process of vaccination to protect its own family and relatives. He said that vaccination

will he made available soon in a home delivery system. He also said that vaccination camp at anywhere will be encouraged and also provided with the incentives after ap-proaching the CMO. He appealed the DLO's to let all the employees get vaccinated at the earliest. He also appealed the Transport Office and Town Committee to actively check on covid appropriate behaviour while travelling. He also highlighted various ongoing development projects in the district such as Jal

Jeevan Mission, National Highway project- Maram-Peren Road & Tadubi- Ukhrul Road and Electric street lighting in the HQ.

N. Gojendro Singh, Direc-tor Agriculture, Government of Manipur suggested that the factor for low vaccination in the district should be figure out and check out the plan for more vaccination.

M. Joy Singh, Commis-sioner MAHUD, Government of Manipur said the district stakeholder and leader of various organisation should en-

couraged the public for vaccination so that more p.c. would be seen on or before 10th of February.

In today's meeting, S Lunguiba Thangal, SDO Senapati also briefed on the Broad Guidelines for conduct of General Election during Covid- 19. SP and ADSP's Senapati also appealed the member present to co-operate for ensuing free and fair election. election. The meeting was attended

by DLO's, NPO, SDSA, SDWA

Covid Vaccination advocacy held

IT News Cepur, Jan 25:

To evaluate the knowledge, attitude and practices of the masses towards Covid vac-cine, the district administration conducted one day Covid vaccination advocacy at DTC Hall, Tuibong yesterday.

Speaking as the chief guest at the event John Tlangtinkhuma, Secretary (PHED), stated that one of the major challenges with vaccina-tion has been the "Vaccine Hesi-tancy" and this can be solved only by way of spreading aware-ness about the vaccine. He urged the Church leaders, community leaders, chiefs and CSO leaders present to help the government in providing accurate scientific information about the vaccine and explain the villagers that why it is important in the fight against the pandemic.

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to Covid vaccination campaign, KhaikhopauNgaihte. Addl DC (Development) stated that the administration will focus now on 'vaccine hesitant areas' to improve vaccination percentage of the district. He also stated that out of the tar-geted 1.91 lakh vaccine doses, 60 percent has been completed. LalramsangInfimate, Addl.

ADC/CCP, Dr. VC Pau, CMO, Dr. PaulunmangVaiphei, DIO (Immunization) and DLOs, representatives from Churches and CSOs chiefs from different villages and officials from

health department participated in the event. An interaction session was also held wherein the partici-



NOTICE Imphal, the 24th January 2022

This is to gazette the general public that I, have noted an error made w.r.t. an official announcement (NOTICE) we made through a local daily newspaper Hueiyen Lanpao Vide HL-P/ 2573/17/1/13 of the date Thursday, the 17th January 2013 for the registration of the said Financial Institute under BMLAct, 1946 bearing License No. 81/M/BML/2013, issued dated 21.01.2013. The establishment's name is Lan Leima Financial Institution as opposed to Lan Leima Financial Institute.

Sd/-(L. Jihanlata Devi) General Manager Lan Leima Financial Institute

Lost Bank Pass Book

I, the undersigned do hereby declare that I have lost my Bank Pass Book issued by the State Bank of India (SBI) Singjamei Branch under Account No. 33705807180 on the way between Singjamei to Canchipur on January 10, 2022. Finders are requested to hand over it to the undersigned.

Sd/-**Oinam Romen Singh** Singjamei Oinam Thingel Imphal West District, Manipur Contact No. 8787745981

A penalty of Rs 63 crore on maritime transport companies indulging in cartelisation NYK Line, K-Line, MOL and of the provisions of Section 3 of the Competition Act, 2002,

NMCC with the objective of enforcement of "Respect

IT Correspondent Mumbai, Jan 25:

The Competition Commission of India ('CCI') on Monday passed a final order against four maritime transport companies for indulging in cartelisation in the provision of maritime motor vehicle transport services to automobile Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) for various trade routes and imposed a penalty

upon them. The companies included: Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Kaisha ('NYK Line'), Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd. ('K-Line'), Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. ('MOL) and Nissan Motor Car Carrier Company ('NMCC')-all headquartered in Japan), a CCI release stated.

The evaluation of available evidence revealed that there was an agreement between Rule", which implied avoiding competition with each other and protecting the business of incumbent carrier with the respective OEM. To achieve this objective, the maritime transport companies resorted to multi-lateral as well as bilateral contacts/ meetings/ e-mails with each other to share commercially sensitive information which, inter alia, included freight rates. They also aimed to preserve their position in the market and maintain or increase prices, including by resisting requests for price reduction from certain OEMs.

Accordingly, based on a cumulative assessment of the evidence, the Commission held all the four opposite parties-NYK Line, K-Line, MOL and NMCC, guilty of contravention

which prohibits anti-competitive agreements including car-tels, from 2009 to 2012. Further, 14 individuals of NYK Line, 10 individuals of K-Line, 6 individuals of MOL and 3 individu-als of NMCC, were also held liable for the anti-competitive conduct of their respective companies, in terms of the pro-

visions of Section 48 of the Act. As three companies filed lesser penalty applications, the Commission gave benefit of re-duction in penalty by 100% to NYK Line and its individuals, 50% to MOL and its individuals and 30% to NMCC and its individuals. Accordingly, the Commission directed K-Line, MOL and NMCC to pay penalties to the tune of approx. Rs.24.23 crore, Rs. 10.12 crore and Rs. 28.69 crore respectively, besides passing a cease-and-desist order.



Highlighting the achieve-ments of the district in relation



Assam announces fresh COVID curbs; no entry for non-vaccinated people at public places cases has been gradually inary." ASDMA said.

Agency Guwahati, Jan 25:

The Assam government on Monday banned the entry of non-vaccinated people to pub-lic places, except hospitals, in an attempt to contain spread of COVID-19 in the state. In a fresh order, the state

government asked citizens to carry proof of vaccination while going to public places.

"All people are required to carry proof of being fully vaccinated while visiting public places/spaces. The owners of public/private establishments shall be responsible for ensuring that only those entrants who are fully vaccinated are allowed inside and this has to be done scrupulously by checking their vaccination status," Officiating Chief Secretary P K Borthakur

said in the order. These restrictions will come into effect from 6 am of January 25 and will remain in force until further order, the order said.

"The status of COVID-19 in the state has again been reviewed and it has been observed that the number of COVID-19

creasing over the last few days thereby increasing the positivity rate," the government order said.

The new guidelines said that all government servants, including contractual workers, should be inoculated with both doses of vaccines to attend of-

fice. "Employees who are not fully vaccinated will not be allowed to attend office and they will have to avail leave, if available or extraordinary leave for

which they will not be paid sal-

A maximum of 200 people or 50 per cent of capacity of a venue, whichever is less, will be allowed in marriages and meetings. Not more than 20 people are allowed in funerals and last rites.

Cinema and theatre halls are allowed to operate at 50 per cent of the seating capacity of these facilities and only who have re-ceived both doses of COVID-19 vaccine will be allowed to enter

Up to 60 fully vaccinated people will be permitted to enter

places.

The government also directed authorities to shut schools for up to class 8 students

"Physical classes in all schools up to class 8 in all dis-tricts shall be suspended and all such educational institutions shall migrate to virtual options until further orders", it said.

Classes in schools have been allowed "on alternate days for class IX and above" in all districts

agement, KhaikhopauNgaihte





iconic religious places in an hour, and 40 for other such

India logs 2,55,874 fresh COVID-19 cases

National Voters' Day: PM Modi urges BJP

ment"

Agency New Delhi, Jan 25:

After being over three lakh for five consecutive days, the single day rise in COVID-19 infections was recorded at 2,55,874, taking India's total tally of cases to 3,97,99,202, according to Union health ministry data updated on Tuesday.

The death toll has climbed to 4,90,462 with 614 daily fatalities, the data updated at 8 am stated.

The ministry said that active cases have decreased to 22,36,842 and comprise 5.62 per cent of the total infections, while the national COVID-19

Agency New Delhi, Jan 25:

On National Voters' Day,

Prime Minister Narendra

Modi has urged his party

workers to see that the voter

turnout in their respective ar-eas is increased to 75% to

mark the 75th anniversary of

Mark the 75th anniversary of Independence. Virtually addressing the BJP's "panna pramukhs" (page in-charge) in Gujarat via

the NaMo app, Modi asked them to see that each one of

them is connected to every

voter in their list and to their families, and to get the details

of those who had worked and

sacrificed for the party since the Jana Sangh days on the

Kamal Pushp. Kamal Pushp is an initia-

tive by the BJP as part of the Azadi Ka Amrut Mahotsav

Parv to collate the stories of

BJP and Jana Sangh karyakartas. The Prime Min-

ister also asked them to get every member on the voter

recovery rate has decreased to 93.15 per cent. A reduction of 12,493 cases

has been recorded in active cases in a span of 24 hours. The daily positivity rate was recorded at 15.52 per cent while the weekly positivity rate was 17.17 per cent, according to the health ministry. The number of people who

have recovered from the dis-2020. ease increased to 3,70,71, 898, while the case fatality rate was recorded at 1.23 per cent, it

said. The cumulative COVID-19 vaccine doses administered in the country so far is over 162 92 crore

page to participate in the

party's micro donation cam-

paign to build the organisation and fight against

malnutrition from the booth

Modi reminded the party workers that January 25 is

National Voters' Day. Pointing

out that India's Election Com

mission, which was estab-lished in 1951 to ensure free and fair polls, has become a

model for other democratic

nations, he said the voter

turnout has over the years

gone up from 45% in the first election to just 67% (in 2019).

"All of you, in fact every party should think why the voter turnout is so low. Why

the urban people who are ac-

tive on social media do not

come out and vote. It should be changed," he said. "Can

we take a pledge that our

panna pramukhs will see that in this 75th year of Indepen-

dence, there is 75% voter turn-out in their booth."

In his opening remarks,

level

India's COVID-19 tally had crossed 20 lakh on August 7, 2020, 30 lakh on August 23, 40 lakh on September 5 and 50 lakh on September 15 and 50 lakh on September 16. It went past 60 lakh on Sep-tember 28, 70 lakh on October

11, crossed 80 lakh on Octo-ber 29, 90 lakh on November 20 and surpassed the one-crore mark on December 19,

India crossed two crore cases on Mav4 and three crore cases on June 23 last year. The 614 new fatalities in-

clude 171 from Kerala, 46 from Tamil Nadu and 45 from Punjab, the data stated. A total of 4,90,462 deaths

He, however, expressed

when voting takes

happiness that youths see the "inked finger" as a "cool statement or fashion state-

place in their localities. The Prime Minister also

called to keep alive the debate on One Nation, One Election

as well as One Nation, One Voter List. "The discourse

should continue, then only

some outcome would be there. We all know how frequent elections affect works." Modi

has been emphasising the

idea of a single election since

he came into power in 2014. He also sought feedback

on development works, organisation activities, vacci-

nation programme and the

party's outreach programme. Modi wanted them to en-

sure that the "contributions and sacrifice" of every person who has worked for the BJP

since the days of the Jana Sangh and those who had

fought against the Emergency, is acknowledged on the

have been reported so far in the country, including 1,42,151 from Maharashtra, 51,987 from Kerala, 38.614 from Karnataka 37,264 from Tamil Nadu, 25,650 from Delhi, 23,073 from Uttar Pradesh and 20,375 from West Bengal.

The health ministry said that more than 70 per cent of the deaths occurred due to comorbidities.

"Our figures are being reconciled with the Indian Council of Medical Research," the ministry said on its website, adding that state-wise distribution of figures is subject to further verification and reconciliation

see to it that those with names

on their pages take part in the

BJP's micro donation cam-

paign even if the contribution is just Rs 5, Rs 10 or Rs 15.

paign was launched on the

NaMo app on December 25 on

the occasion of the birth an-niversary of AB Vajpayee and

will go on till February 11, the

Pointing out that malnutri-tion among children is a chal-

lenge that the party and the nation has to fight against, the

Prime Minister sought partici-

pation from his party workers in the battle. "It's important

that everyone participates in this fight. If children are

healthy, our society will be

healthy. The panna pramukhs should see that there are

health fairs in each booth,

Modi added

anniversary of Deen

death

Dayal Upadhyay.

The micro donation cam-

939 police medals including 189 for gallantry awarded on **Republic Day eve**

Agency New Delhi, Jan 25:

A total of 939 service medals, including 189 for gallantry, was announced by the Union government on Tuesday for personnel of various central and state police forces on the eve of

Republic Day. The Union home ministry published a list containing names of personnel who have been decorated with the police medal for gallantry, president's police medal for distinguished service and police medal for meritori-

lantry awards, 134 person-

their gallant action in the Jammu and Kashmir region 47 for their bravery in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected areas and one personnel for similar conduct in the north-east region, a home ministry

spokesperson said. The highest number of bravery medals, 115, have been awarded to the Jammu and Kashmir Police. followed by 30 to the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), 10 to the Chhattisgarh Police, nine to the Odisha Police, seven to the Maharashtra Police, three each to the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) and the Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), and two to the Border Security

Force (BSF), among others. Eighty-eight personnel have been awarded the distinguished service medal while 662 have been given the meritorious service medal. President's Medal for

Gallantry, President's Medal for Distinguished Services, Gallantry Medal and Meritorious Services Medals are awarded to the personnel of fire services, civil defence and home guards every year on Republic Day and Indepen

dence Day. Republic Day celebra-tions started on January 23 with the 125th birth anniversary of iconic freedom fighter Subhas Chandra Bose.

workers to help raise voter turnout to 75% ous service. Among the 189 gal-Kamal Pushp so that "the coming generation can get inspired by them." He said every panna pramukh should

nel are being awarded for

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CEO Manipur observes 12th National...

Winners of State Level Ballot Battle Quiz Competition were also felicitated. The winners are Bishnupur District – Rajkumari Olivia Devi and Rajkumar Ishworchandra Singh of Loktak Christian Model High School, Moirang; Senapati District – Mashungam John Raikhan and Aiyush Katwal of Mt. Everrest Higher Secondary School and Imphal District -Md. Arash Ahmed and Mohd. Hibjur Rahaman E. K. Higher Secondary School respectively.

Additional CEO, Praveen Singh, Joint CEO, Ramananda Nongmeikapam, Joint CEO, Md. S. Daulat Khan and concerned officers and officials also attended the ob-

servance. At Thoubal District, the 12th National Voter's Day function was held at count-ing Hall ,DC ,DC ing Complex, Thoubal. The program was organised by Dis-trict Election Office, Thoubal. This year theme is "Making Elections Inclusive, Accessible &Participation".

Speaking at the function Deputy Commissioner, Thoubal A. Subhash, IAS, said National Voters Day is celebrated to commemorate the establishment of Election Commission of India. He said special emphasise were given to include PWD and transgenders in the electoral roll. He appealed the political parties, intending candidates

and voters to make the coming State Assembly Election free and fair in the District.

As part of the function EPICs were distribthe uted to the newly enrolled voters. Prize were also distributed to the winners of District level Ballot battle quiz competition. New Era Hr. Sec School, Thoubal, Khangabok Hr. Sec. School and Eastern Star Hr. Sec. School got 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize of the competition.

The programme was at tended by ADM Thoubal L o k e s h w o r Brahmacharimayum, AC to DC A. Ruhinikumar, DLOs, newly enrolled voters and school students coming from differ-ent part of the District.

Sports Gurjit's hattrick; Monika, Jyoti's brace hand India 9-1 win over Singapore, enter Asia Cup semis

Agency Muscat, Jan 25:

Guriit Kaur slammed a hattrick while Monika and Jyoti scored a brace each as defending champions India spanked lowly Singapore 9-1 to register their second win in Pool A and qualify for the semifinals of the women's Asia Cup hockey tournament here on Monday.

After drubbing Malaysia 9-0 in their opener, the Indians slumped to an unexpected 0-2 loss against pool toppers Japan

But the Indians put their last match defeat behind and dished out a much coordinated display on Monday to steamroll Singapore. Gurjit (8th, 37th, 48th) con-

verted two penalty corners, while Monika (6th, 17th) and Jyoti (43rd, 58th) scored two field goals apiece. The other goal getters for India were Vandana Katariya (8th) and

Mariana Kujur (10th). India will take on Pool B leaders Korea in the first semifinal on Wednesday, while Ja-pan, who beat Malaysia 8-0 in another Pool B match, will be up against China in the other last four match.

India took the lead in the

minute

through Monika.

India continued in the

eishamthong Elangbam Leika

same vein in the second quar-ter and added another goal

The final of the tournament will be played on Thurs day. The top four teams will automatically qualify for this year's FIH World Cup to be cohosted by Spain and Nether-As expected, a much supelater to extend their lead.

rior India completely domi-nated the match from the word go and pumped in four goals in the first quarter. India started on a bright

note and enjoyed possession with their brisk, fast-paced onetouch game.

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It was raining penalty cor-ners for India as they earned sixth minute through a field goal by Monika,. Two minutes later the Savita Punia-led side as many as 15 of them in the match but made use of just three, which would definitely doubled their lead through be a cause of concern for chief Mariana Kujur before Vandana Katariya deflected in seconds coach Janneke Schopman.

The play was mostly centred in Singapore half as the Indian defence was hardly Star dragflicket Gurjit Kaur made it 4-0 by converting a tested till the 43rd minute. penalty corner in the 10th Singapore managed just

one shot at the Indian goal when they secured their only penalty corner which was converted by Toh Li Min. i, Imphal and Printed by him at M/

ISL: Hyderabad FC thrash East Bengal 4-0

top spot in the 2021-22 Indian Super League (ISL) standings with a dominating 4-0 win over SC East Bengal at the Tilak Maidan Stadium on Monday. Bartholomew Ogbeche (21', 44', 74') scored a sensational hattrick to extend his lead in the goalscoring charts.

got on the scoresheet for the Nizams. The result takes them to the top of the table with 20 points, ahead of Kerala Blasters FC on goal difference. Joao Victor tested Arindam Bhattacharia from a free-kick early into the game following a strong start by the Nizams.

The goalkeeper was called into action a few more times later after having to make saves from Sauvik Chakrabarti and Aniket Jadhav. However, the custodian could not keep the ball out for long as Bartholomew Ogbeche's header escaped his grip and landed inside the net for the first goal.

SC East Bengal gave a bet-ter account of themselves after the drinks break in the first half They almost scored the equaliser but a save from Laxmikant Kattimani and a goalline clearance from Joao kept the

At the stroke of the 41st

defence allowed Ogbeche to weave past the goalkeeper and score with ease. Aniket Jadhav minutes.

Registration Certificate Lost

I, the undersigned, have lost my Registration Certificate for Class XII examination, bearing Registration No. 30316 of

2019, issued by the Council of Higher Education Manipur on the way between Keishampat to Kwakeithel on January 10, 2022 Finders are requested to hand over it to the undersigned. Sd/-

Potshangbam Nipamacha Singh Contact No. 8787673873

STATE HANDLOOM EXPO 2021-22 NOTICE

The 24th January, 2022

No. 15/AWAS/NOTICE/2010-11: Applications are invited from the Primary Weavers Cooperative Societies/Awardees Individual Weavers/SHGs/Handloom Entrepreneurs/Producer Company/NGOs who have already registered to Handloom Mark or India Handloom Brand or undergoing for registra-tion to either of the above that the Manipur Apex Handloom Weavers & Handicrafts Artisans C.S. Ltd. (AWAS), Governor's crossing, Paona Bazar, is organising a State Handloom Expo 2021-22 under the sponsorship of the office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India from 2nd February 2022 to 15th February 2022 at Urban Haat, Nilakuthi, Imphal East. Eligible and interested ones are informed to submit the filled in application forms on or before 31st January 2022 to the office of the undersigned during office hour. Forms are available at the AWAS office during office hour.

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Agency Vasco da Gama (Goa), Jan 25: Hyderabad FC reclaimed the

Aniket Jadhav (45+1') also

lead intact.

minute, HFC doubled the lead after a comedy of errors by SCEB

