

Advisory Committee to formulate LTPP formed

IT News
Imphal, June 1:

An 11 member Expert Advisory Committee(EAC) to formulate a Long Term Perspective Plan (LTPP) for Loktak lake and its associated wetlands for conservation and management and to address the issues related to fast changing ecological situation and their impact on social/economic condition of the communities dependent on them, has been formed.

The committee shall deliberate on these issues taking into account all the relevant perspectives and shall submit its suggestions/recommendations in the form of a detailed report to the Loktak Development Authority(LDA) within three months from the date of issue of the order.

Informing about the formation of the EAC, newly appointed Chairman M Asnikumar of LDA said that this will "certainly" work once the report is submitted.

The members of EAC which was formed by the LDA on May 27, are Dr AK Patnaik (IFS Retd.), a renowned Wetland Management and Governance Expert, Prof (Dr) Rajeev Sinha, Dept of Earth Sciences, IIT Kanpur, SS Chhabra, Additional PCCF forest department, Prof (Dr) Ksh Lal Bihari Singha of Manipur University, Prof (Dr) Thingbajam Binoy Singh, Department of Life Sciences (Zoology), Manipur University, Dr SA Hussain, Senior Scientist, Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun, Dr BK Das, Director CIFRI, Barrackpore, Dr Ritesh Kumar, Director, Wetland International South Asia (WISA), New Delhi, Prof (Dr) Surabhi Mehrotra, MANIT, Bhopal, Dr Goldin Quadros, Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology, Mumbai, LDA's Ng Sanajaoba Meitei will be Member Secretary of EAC.

Man beaten to death at drug de-addiction centre



IT News
Imphal, June 3:

A 32-year-old man was fatally stabbed at Revive Drug De-addiction Centre, which is located at Utlou Chanura Heibi Makhong under Nambol Police Station. Sanjoy@ Ningthou s/o

Lukram Raghmani, an Phojing Awang resident, has been identified as the deceased.

The incident was also condemned by the Harm Reduction Network, Manipur (HRNM). According to a press release issued by the President, this

is not the first time this type of incident has occurred in Manipur, and no one has been arrested as of yet. HRNM also urged the government to take the necessary legal action to ensure that such incidents do not occur again in the state.

IO attempting to mislead case, submitted false report to court: JAC of P Johnson

IT News
Imphal, June 3:

The Joint Action Committee Against the Brutal Assault and Life Attempt of P Johnson Singh has condemned the inaction by the relevant authorities against the accused and submitting bogus report to the court. The unfortunate incident which happened on April 2, 2018 in which one Irom Rakesh Singh aged about 28 years of Lamboikhongnangkhang Mamang Leikai had sexually assaulted the minor daughter of Pukhrabam Johnson Singh of Sagolband Amudon Akham Leikai. A case was taken up in this

connection by concerned authorities and on the night of final hearing of the case on May 21, 2022 at around 8:30 pm, a group of 6 persons led by Irom Rakesh picked up Johnson while he was on his way to supply water. Johnson was abducted and taken to a secluded place in and around the foothills of Iroisemba and violently assaulted him. Following this incident, a complaint was made and an FIR, No.10(5) 2022 LSG-P.S, U/S. 307/326/34 of IPC was lodged at Lamshang Police station on 22nd May 2022 with SI Rakesh Singh as the Investigation Officer of the case.

The convenor of the JAC

while speaking to the media persons at the Manipur Press Club alleged that the IO of the case, Sub Inspector Rakesh Singh has not taken up any satisfactory action so far, has not arrested 2 other accused and has went to the extent of submitting false report to the court, thereby enabling 3 accused to get bail.

The JAC expressed its dissatisfaction the way in which the Investigation Officer Rakesh Singh is performing his duty and feels that justice will not be served at all.

The JAC urged CSOs and Student's organizations to help in getting justice to the victims.

JCILPS, Jiribam branch detains 16 non-locals with invalid ILP pass

IT Correspondent
Jiribam, July 03:

The Joint Committee of Inner Line Permit (JCILPS), Jiribam branch detained 16 non-locals who were returning from Tamenglong District without valid Inner Line Permits.

Yesterday at around 5 p.m., the JCILPS volunteers stop a passenger cruiser which is coming from Tamenglong District with non-local passengers. While checking their ILP pass, it was found all the ILP pass were expired/invalid permit.

Talking with media person, the President of Jiri Development Organisation (JDO) N. Sadananda Meitei said the non-local workers entered through Jiribam District with ILP pass, whereas after entering to Manipur their is no proper mechanism to check the pass for renewal.

He added, once the non-local entered to the other



districts of Manipur through Jiribam gateway with ILP pass. The agents of non-local or the district administration of other districts of Manipur are not taking steps for renewing the ILP pass in timely.

"Which seems to be that the permit remains only for namesake", He added.

Sadananda also appealed to the government to take appropriate measures for such loopholes and make the ILP pass effective in Manipur.

Later the non-locals with invalid ILP pass are handed over to police to initiate legal action against them by JCILPS, Jiribam branch.

MLA Sheikh Noorul Hassan flags off Youth Bicycle Rally 2022

IT News
Imphal, June 3:

On the eve of World Bicycle Day 2022, MLA Sheikh Noorul Hassan flags off a youth bicycle rally from Top Awang Leikai Ema Emino Community Hall. The event was organised by Nehru Kendra Yuva Sangathan as part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, which commemorated the 75th anniversary of India's independence.

Speaking at the function as a Chief Guest, Kshetrigao AC, MLA Sheikh Noorul Hassan stated that by riding a bicycle, you can reduce pollution, stay fit, and promote the clean India campaign because there will be less or no pollution.



Riding a bicycle on a daily basis can help you lose weight, prevent disease, and mitigate the negative effects of air and noise pollution. So, on this World Bicycle Day, let us begin pedaling in order to protect our own lives and make the world a better place for future generations," he

further added. Kshetri Tama Devi, Up-Adhakshya of Imphal East, Pradhan of Top Dusra GP Pradhan M. Surbala Devi, and President of NMC, Top Awang Leikai L. Ibotombi Singh also attend the function as President and Guest of Honours.

RIMS now have machines that will help in Cancer Surgery

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The two equipments are Cryostat (frozen section) and Automatic immunohistochemistry Stainer (ventana) installed and inaugurated at RIMS, Imphal is giving hopes to both medical practitioners as well as the patients in needs. The world class equipments will enhance the proper diagnosis facilities at the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), premier medical institute in Imphal, said Director Prof A Santa Singh of RIMS while talking to this journalist.

According to the officials of Pathology department, Cryostat machine will immensely help surgeon during oncology (cancer surgery). This machine will enable us to give intraoperative report for clearance of cancer margin within a few minutes.

Also it will help the Nephrology and Dermatology departments for immunofluorescence study during full work up of the patients.

On the other hand Automatic immunohistochemistry Stainer (ventana) is a state of art instrument at par with



RIMS Director Prof A Santa Singh inaugurating Cryostat & ventana) on June 1

highest oncology centres of our country for molecular diagnosis of cancer. This instrument has

standardised immunohistochemistry will help in diagnosis and subtyping of many

malignancies. "This instrument was procured under DIAMONDS project under

national centre for disease informatics and research-Indian council of Medical research (NCDIR-ICMR) and we are providing free molecular test for breast and lung cancer," says Prof Sushma Kh of pathology department. "Our test will immensely help in cancer care for targeted therapy."

The project will also be expanded by adding molecular testing of two more cancers namely colorectal cancer and endometrial carcinoma very shortly, she added.

Breast, lung and cervix uteri cancer are the first three common cancers

among the females while lung, stomach and colon among the males in Manipur, as per the latest population based cancer registry programme (2018) under NCDIR.

Many new types of equipment have been added to RIMS which is the only medical college in entire Northeast and West Bengal to figure amongst the top 40 medical Institutions & Universities of India under the leadership of its dynamic director Prof A Santa. Preparation are also on for the opening of world class modular operation theatres in the institute.

During eight years of his rule, narendra modi has encouraged divisive forces India's cultural ethos and diversities are facing the biggest challenge

By Binoy Viswam

The Modi government under the control of RSS has completed eight years. The Prime Minister and his companions have mobilised every propaganda means to boast about their 'tremendous' achievements. The sufferings and sorrows of the masses are cunningly drowned with the flood of propaganda gimmicks. During the last eight years when the promises of prosperity were thrown to the wind, the 'Atmanirbhar' government was keen to serve the greed of the domestic and foreign capital. While the bottom 50 per cent of the population has only 13 per cent of the country's wealth, the top 10 per cent has acquired 57 per cent of the national assets.

This is the socio-economic essence of the Modi rule of eight years. But the RSS-BJP regime was ever on vigil to implement their ideological agenda, dedicated to Hindu Rashtra. For them, Hindu Rashtra is the political version of Chaturvarnya under Brahminical hegemony. The Dalit, Adivasis and other backward sections would never come under its purview. For the BJP, every ministry is supposed to undertake specific activities supportive of the RSS concept of Hindu Rashtra. The secular fabric of India is constantly threatened by the communal fascist game plan of the RSS.

Now the Union ministry of culture has come to the fore to fulfill its share of work in the grand design of the Sangh Parivar. 'Cultural nationalism' was considered as one of the cornerstones of RSS teachings. Based on that lesson, the cultural ministry has initiated a project for establishing the genetic history of India. It intends to trace the purity of races in the country. The government was eager to acquire DNA profiling kits and state-of-the-art machinery.

Certain 'scholars' associated with this purity search drive say that their attempt is to see how mutation and mixing of genes in the Indian population took place in the last 10,000 years. Genetic mutation happens on the intensity of contacts among populations during their long history of coexistence. To link it up with the purity of races is a diabolic move akin to the fascist understanding of racial supremacy. Unmasking itself, the RSS-BJP government is following the footprints of Nazi government and they call it as an act of patriotism!

It was Hitler, in modern history, who eulogised purity of races. As part of his fascist onslaught, he propagated the theory that Aryans stand at the top of racial hierarchy and he called them as master race, destined to lead the world. He believed that the Jews, Christians, and all others bring impurity to the master race. Hence, he called them as internal threat to the country. In his autobiographical book 'Mein Kampf' Adolf Hitler even numbered them starting from Jews and Communists. RSS, which was founded in India in the spiritual and physical mold of the Italian Nazi party organised by Mussolini, was always proud of German fascism.

What was common to them was the basic concept of racial supremacy. Under its influence, they nurtured the ideal of racial purity and cultivated the ideology of hatred to the 'others'. In his book, 'Bunch of thoughts' the RSS ideologue M S Golwalkar depicted Hitler's Germany as a role model, because racial pride was elevated to its zenith by Hitler. Following his path, Golwalkar termed Muslims, Christians and Communists as internal threats to the nation. The theory of racial purity stands at the bottom of their world view. Racial pride and hatred to other religions are the corner stone of Hindutva, the ideological foundation of RSS. It has nothing in common with Hindu religion, other than the resemblance in name.

While the government was initiating Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) and National Register of Citizens (NRC), the theory of racial purity was their motivating spirit. Their idea was to bring in religion as the cardinal condition for citizenship. It is alien to a secular democratic country that cherish unity in diversity as its unchangeable foundation. When the ministry of culture goes for DNA profiling machines to establish the genetic history and trace the purity of races, it will amount to a disastrous move undermining the integrity of the country.

India that is Bharat is the house of various cultures that evolved through the intermingling of various races through thousands of years. Any step to weaken the cultural heritage of India will amount to weaken the unity of India. India can remain and grow strong only with its unity in diversity. The cultural ministry is bent to misinterpret the cultural heritage of India. Their attempt is to divide the nation based on the fascist theory of racial purity. This should be resisted with the united fight of all secular forces. (IPA Service)

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Gyanvapi Row : The Political Heat Is Difficult To Douse



By - M.R. LALIT

As a nation, India is at the crossroads of its past karmas and their inevitable consequences. The wrong of the past which remained fossilized for centuries is being pulled out of the cave of memory. It is indeed a reality that the truth of the 'past', however deep it is deliberately hidden, would come out and pass a cynically irritable grin on the 'present', seeking reasons for its incapability to address the ruthlessness with which it was buried. Something like the same is evidently visible in the case of Gyanvapi. Today, the gyan (knowledge), emanating from the Gyanvapi of the ancient city of Banaras, is truly exhilarating to some people in the political spectrum. They don't have to dawdle in search of issues that they can put fuel on for electoral gains. Issues of their taste are plenty and waiting for the apt moment to surface in bubbles and turn into whirlpools. Of course, for the BJP, the political climate in India gives it a free package of benefits. And it knows to which direction the mat of the mast would turn. But for the Congress, bad times never end. With Kapil Sibal making his exit, stretching the line of dissenters escaping the sinking ship, the party once again got entangled in a hotchpotch of issues making the intellectual churning that went on to dehydrate it at Udaipur, futile. And BJP for all the reasons has the last laugh. The discovery of the Linga (phallic symbol) in the controversial mosque complex would probably give the party a nudge to what it aims for the 2024 general

elections. The Ram temple in Ayodhya would also be ready by then, and the opposition parties must be aware of the blessings that the BJP is destined to tap from the 'divinity'. It is sure that the issue is catching heat and the Hindus for no reason would be in a mood to sit silent but interestingly, except BJP, no political party seems to be gaining a coin out of it.

It is disturbing for a believer of Lord Shiva to have him concealed in a well, probably in an ablation tank. This indeed has the power to rake up anger despite the opposite side justifying, calling it a fountain. It is sure that the beginning of a judicial process, which may as usual, go for decades, before the judiciary spells out its final word. Starting from Somnath to Ayodhya, the resurrection of ancient Hindu monuments has often taken the political climate in the country into an unpredictable turn. Babri, for that matter, was the one that the BJP gained little political relevance and the name of Lord Ram did the magic consequently, making the party rise to become the ruling brigade in the country. The medieval history of India is a wholesome approval for the unapologetically horrendous brutality with which the cultural mansions in the country were pulled down. Numerous worship places of the Hindus were toppled and buried and the sentiments are high when someone sees his deity being thrown in an ablation tank. This is potentially capable of raking anger among the non-political elite in the country too. To identify the structure found in the well is the job of the court as part of its judicial process and to pacify the volatility in the air. But we need to appreciate the silence and contentment with which the entire issue is so far being debated and brought under judicial surveillance. The Gyanvapi seems to have the energy to fly beyond the Places of Worship Act of 1991, which demands the preservation of all shrines as inherited by independent India. It

seems this issue needs no force from any political party to catch fire. The common man, with much of his spiritual inclination, gets pained to see the discovery of the debris of the cultural monuments, from under the worship places occupied by a different religion and it gives enough reason for him to dig out the truth. A person, with an ardent respect for his ancestors and their cultural architectural eloquence would raise his eyebrows on what he calls a remnant of brutality.

Now, it is not only a subject of politics that it would be criticized as, but also an issue that a huge lot of people would be genuinely seeking to solve. The demolition of the temple of Gyanvapi by Aurangzeb in 1669 and the remnants of it including the shivling and the remorseful Nandi, the bull, would impact the course of Indian politics. This should indeed be seen along with the arrogance with which the temples are captured by governments across the country while worship places of minorities are free to run by those communities. Temples administered by local devotees in various parts of Kerala were forcefully captured by the state government recently with an evil intent to seize the revenue that such temples make. Despite the opposition ranging from all sections of the believers, the state government was audacious to break into selected temples and forcefully bring them under its control. But most of the national media remained silent on what they think is genuine with the majority in a secular democratic republic. The historical wrong by the invaders is deliberately painted to be excusable by the liberals at the present context, but nobody, not even the intellectuals, did raise their voice against the arrogant administrative invasion of Hindu temples by the governments. Imagine an attempt of the same type being carried out on any minority community in India. The

discontent and unrest and the secular liberal hubbub would be heard beyond the boundaries of the country.

India, which is a 5000 year old civilization, is measuring its own elements of culture by the tools of constitution that it has framed hastily, to douse questions on the destruction of its civilisational identity. Those who try to justify their stand against the demand made by the Hindus are gleefully hiding behind the Places of Worship Act today, while forcing the government to enact the efficacy of the act. They were bad-mouthing against the government when it acted on the triple talaq and many other issues that haunted societies. They praise the law of the land when it suits them and denounce it when it does not. The Hindus had to fight a long legal battle to get their holiest worship place Ayodhya back which they believe is the birthplace of Lord Ram. I think cries for other disputed sites couldn't have been louder as it is today, if the Muslim community was generous enough to let the Ayodhya dispute settle outside the court, amicably permitting the Hindu side to build a temple on their holy site. Lengthy is the judicial process in the country but the confidence it gives to the parties to take the disputes to the judiciary is remarkable. And Muslims, with no intention to stop their claim on important spiritual places dedicated to the major deities of Hindus in Ayodhya, Mathura and Kashi; are determined to keep the political heat at its flashpoint. They should have been altruistic, allowing the Hindus to worship in these disputed places, which they believe are sacred to them. In such a situation, animosity between both the communities is sure to decrease and a good signal for India as it aspires to be a global power. If not, the 'truth' of the past would be thrown out of the dungeons of notoriety by the power of time and it would keep shrieking at the world for deliverance again and again.

Large part of the population is compelled to search for food even from the garbage heap



By - Vijay Garg

This is Ukraine, which is called the bread basket of Europe because of its food production capabilities. In Russia, wheat has grown well in the last season, while natural disasters have reduced food grains in the countries of America and Europe. This situation has increased the world's dependence on Russia. On the other hand, due to the ban on the export of wheat by India, the faces of those countries who had expected additional help from India in such a situation are disappointed.

However, India has its own reasons for banning wheat exports. The first duty of the democratic government of any country is to protect the interests of its citizens. In view of the food crisis arising in neighboring Sri Lanka and the increasing shortage of food grains in the world, the Government of India felt it necessary to first ensure the food security of the country. In such a situation, banning the export of wheat was the only option. The example of Sri Lanka, where food shortages led to violent demonstrations, was a testament to how a food crisis can plague and

plague any society.

In the world, when a large part of the population spends life worrying about food, then in such a situation the wastage of food becomes a matter of concern. According to a United Nations report, a third of the total food produced in the world still goes to waste. This wastage can either be due to the leftovers in the plate, or due to the discarded food being thrown away or spoiled. Experts estimate that the amount of food that is spoiled in this way can fill the stomachs of two billion people. Waste of food or grains is not considered auspicious in Indian society, but the study has revealed that every year in India such a large quantity of grains, vegetables and other food items are wasted that the population of a state like Bihar is wasted in that quantity. The requirement can be met throughout the year.

According to the report of the Central Institute of Post Harvest Engineering (CIFAT), the Crop Research Unit of the Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India, about six million tons of food items are wasted every year in India. The cost of this wasted food is fifty-two thousand crore rupees. What is important is that as much food is wasted in India, so is Britain's total production capacity. This is the reason that despite being the second largest food producing country in the world after China, the situation of food distribution in India does not seem very pleasant at times. The main reason behind the wastage of fruits, vegetables and food grains apart from the left over food items is the lack of

proper and adequate system of storing them. Twenty-two percent of fruits and vegetables are thrown away every year due to lack of cold storages. Pictures of rotting wheat filled in godowns are often published in the newspapers.

Certainly the Russo-Ukraine war has crippled food supplies in the West, but the truth is that this war has only shown a glimpse of the horrors that the world may face in the years to come. In fact, due to the rapidly increasing population in the world, the need for residential houses and other constructions is increasing. Usually, every development plan throttles a significant portion of the agricultural land in the area concerned.

Whether the plan is for the construction of new highways or the establishment of an industrial unit outside the city or any new housing scheme. The result is that while the number of eaters is increasing continuously, the area under cultivable land is continuously decreasing. According to a rough estimate, by the year 2050, the world's population will exceed one thousand crores. That is, compared with the figures of the year 2017, seventy percent more food will be required in the year 2050. Whereas every year seven hundred and fifty million tonnes of fertile soil is being lost from the earth. Obviously, if meaningful alternatives are not discovered soon, there will be a big crisis of producing food grains in sufficient quantity for the entire population.

When a large part of the population

is compelled to search for food even from the garbage heap, then the wastage of even a grain of food appears to be a great crime against the entire humanity. But knowingly or unknowingly we are all committing this crime. Studies have found that the most wasted food in the world is not made in restaurants or hotels, but in homes. Domestic food accounts for sixty-one percent of the total food wasted in the world. Not only this, up to six million glasses of milk are wasted every year. It is a matter of concern that in the next four decades, 400 million people in the world will be facing the crisis of starvation.

The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization says that there is a continuous shortage of food and other food grains in the world. One, the cultivable land is decreasing due to population pressure, not only the changed methods of farming and chemical fertilizers, the climate crisis has also started adversely affecting the yield of agricultural land. That is why now scientists are warning that if water, life and agricultural possibilities are not discovered on other planets in time, then the time to come will be a time of many troubles, because if the population will increase then the demand for food will increase and if people from the earth. If the food could not be produced as per the demand of food grains, mutual conflicts will increase due to food grains and these conflicts will disturb the harmony and peace in life everywhere. In such a situation, it is very important that we understand the importance of every grain of food.

Price of EU Durram wheat in the international Market is 39.5% higher than Indian wheat

PIB

New Delhi, June 3:

The Centre's timely intervention in regulating the mounting export of Wheat and Sugar through export regulations has insulated the prices of these commodities from increase in contrast to the prices prevailing in the global market.

The Government's priority is to ensure sufficient availability of sugar at reasonable rates. The prices of sugar in the domestic market in the last twelve months are under control. The wholesale prices of sugar in India are in the range of Rs. 3150 to 3500 per quintal while the retail prices are in the range of Rs. 40-43 per Kg in the country. Due to lower production in Brazil, there may be shortage of sugar globally and therefore to safeguard the domestic availability and interest of Indian consumers, Government took timely measure to regulate sugar exports with effect from 01st June 2022 till further orders, with a maximum export of 100 LMT during the year.

The price of EU Durram wheat in the international market is around Rs. 43/kg whereas Indian wheat is selling at an average price of Rs. 26/kg in wholesale. There is a price difference of Rs. 17/

kg i.e. about 39.5% discount to the international market. All other countries except India are selling wheat at around 450 to 480 USD/ton. This has resulted in a rush of export contracts and as a consequence the domestic retail prices rose by 16.08 % year on year. In order to protect the consumers from the rising prices, wheat export has been regulated with effect from 13th May 2022. It has been done to manage the overall food security of the country and to support the needs of neighbouring and vulnerable countries.

The price situation of the above commodities is being

closely monitored on day to day basis so that appropriate timely measures may be taken to keep a check on their prices. The Inter-Ministerial Committee on Agriculture chaired by Secretary (Food) which is in place closely monitors the prices and availability of agricultural commodities keeping in view the interest of the farmer, industry and consumers. The committee reviews price situation on weekly basis, consider relevant measures in relation to edible oils and other food items depending on the domestic production, demand, domestic and international

prices and international trade volumes.

It may be recalled that in a bid to control the continuous rise in the cooking oil prices since past one year, the Central Government has cut the basic duty on Crude Palm Oil, Crude Soyabean Oil and Crude Sunflower Oil from 2.5% to Nil. The Agri-cess on these Oils has been brought to 5%. The basic duty on Refined Soyabean oil and Refined Sunflower Oil has been slashed to 17.5% from the current 32.5% and the basic duty on Refined Palm Oils has been reduced from 17.5% to 12.5%. The Government has extended the free import of

Refined Palm Oils for a period upto 31.12.2022. To control prices of edible oils, futures trading in mustard oil on NCDEX has been suspended and stock limits have been imposed.

The Government has imposed stock limits on Edible Oils and Oilseeds for a period upto 31st December 2022. This Order has been issued to ensure the smooth availability of edible oils and oil-seeds in the country. In order to ensure strict enforcement of the control order, Central teams from the Department of Food & Public Distribution are conducting surprise inspections of the stocks of edible oils & oilseeds held by Retailers, Wholesalers, Big Chain Retailers and Processors in major oilseed producing/consuming States to prevent hoarding and profiteering.

In its latest initiative to ease the prices of Edible Oils and provide relief to the consumers, the Government

has issued Notification for allocation of Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) for import of 20 LMT of Crude Soyabean Oil and 20 LMT of Crude Sunflower Oil for the financial year 2022-23 and 2023-24 at zero import duty and zero AIDC. This has been done keeping in view the rising domestic prices of Edible Oils, average increase in domestic demand and uncertainty/decline in Global Palm Oil availability.

In case of edible oils, the prices of Soyabean Oil (FOB Brazil) has increased by 35.50% whereas in the domestic market, the increase has been only 13% over the year. The international prices of Sunflower Oil (FOB Rotterdam) has increased by 35.86% while Sunflower Oil in the domestic market has increased by 12.12% over the year. RBD Palmolein internationally is hovering around 56.88% increase over the year whereas in India, the increase has been to the extent of 13.98% only. The increase

in domestic production of Groundnut, Mustard and Soyabean crops during the crop year 2020-21 have contributed to lowering the prices of Soyabean, Sunflower and Palm Oil.

The above steps taken by the Government has resulted in keeping the prices of edible oils under tight check. The recent decision of the Government to reduce the excise duty levied on petrol and diesel has further helped in cooling down the prices of all commodities.

Throughout the world, food prices have increased sharply due to in crude oil prices, high transport costs due to container shortage and trade disruptions due to the current geo-political scenario. Indian consumers have got relief in their food basket due to these pre-emptive steps taken by the Government to control the sharp increase in the prices of essential items such as edible oils, wheat, rice, atta and sugar.

One Day Workshop on "Yoga for personality development" organized



IT News
Imphal, June 3:

In connection with the observance of the 8th International day of Yoga, the department of yoga, Manipur University and NSS cell, Manipur University organised a one day workshop on "Yoga for personality development" at the department of yoga Manipur University on Thursday. In the workshop, Prof. W. Chandbabu Singh, Registrar, Manipur University, graced the occasion as chief guest, Rajaque Rahman who is a

senior faculty, Art of Living, Manipur was present as guest of honour and Dr. M. Nodiyachand Singh, HOD Department of Yoga, NSS Cell Coordinator presided the workshop. The resource persons were Mr. Laishram Dixon Singh and Rajaque Rahman, both senior faculty, Art of Living. Manipur deliberated on the benefits of yoga practice in personality development.

Chief Guest, Prof. W. Chandbabu Singh, Registrar, Manipur University, expressed about the importance of personality and relation to Yoga. In the presidential Address

Dr. Maibam Nodiyachand Singh, HOD Department of Yoga, NSS Cell Coordinator spoke about the workshop. He said, this workshop was organised as part of 8th International day of Yoga. Department offering Yoga practice of IDY Common Yoga Protocol from 2nd June to 20th June 2022 at Department of Yoga from 6: am to 7:20 am every Monday to Friday. Every interested can join the training. The workshop was attended about 60 participants via faculties (teaching and non-teaching) of the department of yoga, PEES, students, scholars etc.

IN THE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE (SR. DIVISION), IMPHAL WEST, MANIPUR

ORIGINAL (MONEY) SUIT NO. 1 OF 2021 UNDER ORDER XXXVII OF THE CODE OF CPC

Chabungbam Bebe Devi, aged about year, W/o, K. Dorendro Singh of Mayang Langjing, P.O./P.S. Lamshang, Imphal West District, Manipur.

..... Plaintiff

-Versus-

Laishram Menan Singh, age about 55 years, H/o, Laishram Ongbi Menaka Devi of Kwakeithel Thokchom Leikai, Imphal West District, Manipur.

..... Defendant

To,

Laishram Menan Singh, aged about 55 years, H/o, Laishram Ongbi Menaka Devi of Kwakeithel Thokchom Leikai, Imphal West District, Manipur.

Whereas, the Plaintiff, has instituted a suit against you under order XXXVII of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1980, for recovery a sum of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees Twentyfive Lakhs) only, you are hereby summoned to cause an appearance to be entered for you, within 10 days from the service hereof, in default whereof the plaintiff will be entitled, after the expiration of the said period of 10 days to obtain a decree for any sum not exceeding the sum of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees Twentyfive lakhs) only, as the court may order.

If you cause an appearance to be entered for you, the plaintiff will thereafter serve upon you a summons for judgement at the herein of which you will be entitled to move the court for leave to defend the suit.

Leave to defend may be obtained if you satisfy the court for by affidavit or otherwise that there is a defence to suit on the merits or that it is reasonable that you should be allowed to defend.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, on this 28th day April, 2022.

Seal:

Sd/-
Civil Judge (Sr. Division)
Imphal West, Manipur

By:

Advocate



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New Delhi, June 3:

Referring to the concept of Lifestyle for Environment (LIFE), The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has shared a picture of Mahatma Gandhi riding a bicycle. Today is World Bicycle Day.

The Prime Minister tweeted;

"Lifestyle for Environment (LIFE).

It is World Bicycle Day today and who better than Mahatma Gandhi to take inspiration from to lead a sustainable and healthy lifestyle."



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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Imphal, Dated the 2nd June, 2022

No. 2/211(DP-87 Bn. CRPF)/2022-MSPDCL – TECH/ 362-70 : Manipur State Power Distribution Company Limited (MSPDCL), a Government of Manipur enterprise, invites Seal Tender for the work: "Supply, Erection & Stringing of 11 kV line (7.8 km), Supply, Installation, Testig & Commissioning of 1x63 kVA Distribution Sub-Station and Supply, Erection & Stringing of LT line using AB Cables (3x50+1x35)/(1x16+1x25) Sq. mm for power supply of Company Operating Base of F/87 Bn. CRPF camp at Shanti Khunou, Tousem Block of Tamenglong District" on turn-key basis under deposit work.

The tender details and documents shall be available from 08/06/2022 to 17/06/2022 on payment of cost of tender of **Rs. 500/- (non-refundable)** at the office of the **General Manager (Purchase), MSPDCL, Secure Office Complex, 3rd Floor, North AOC, Imphal West.**

Tender Specification No. : 221/2/2022

Last date of Submission of Tender: 20/06/2022 (upto 11.00 A.M)

Date of Opening: 20/06/2022 at 02.00 P.M.)

Venue: MSPDCL Conference Hall

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Imphal, Dated the 2nd June, 2022

No. 2/210(DP-UNACCO)/2022-MSPDCL – TECH/ 371-79 : Manipur State Power Distribution Company Limited (MSPDCL), a Government of Manipur enterprise, invites Seal Tender from electric license contractor/Firms for the works of Supply, Erection and Stringing of 11KV Line (0.1 Km), Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 1x100 KVA Distribution Transformers and Supply, Erection and Stringing of LT Line (0.5 Km) using AB Cable (3x50+1x35) sq.mm for power supply of UNACCO School, Mamangpat, Laishram Leirak, Khongman Zone –III on turn-key basis.

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Last date of Submission of Tender: 20/06/2022 (upto 11.00 A.M)

Date of Opening: 20/06/2022 (Time: 1.00 P.M.)

Venue: MSPDCL Conference Hall

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Nationwide programs on World Bicycle Day launched

New Delhi, June 3:

Union Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports Anurag Thakur flagged off Nationwide programmes on the occasion of World Bicycle Day, from Major Dhyani Chand Stadium, New Delhi in the presence of Union Minister for Law and Justice Kiren Rijiju, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Mansukh Mandaviya and MoS for External Affairs and Culture, Meenakshi Lekhi. Former health Minister and MP Dr. Harshvardhan, MP Manoj Tiwari, MP Ramesh Bidhuri,

Secretary Department of Youth Affairs Sanjay Kumar, Secretary Sports, Sujata Chaturvedi and other officers of the Ministry were also present at the event.

Anurag Singh Thakur led the cycle rally organized in Delhi, which set off from Dhyani Chand Stadium. He was joined by the Ministers and MP's who graced the occasion. More than 1500 people participated in the 7.5 kms rally in Delhi. Further, NYKS organised Cycle Rallies at more than 100 locations in 35 States/UTs capital including at 75 iconic places

across the country during which 75 participants in each rally covered the distance of 7.5 km.

Before the flag off, Anurag Singh Thakur addressed the gathering and said that as India is celebrating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has taken the unique step to organise bicycle rallies throughout the country with the determination to promote a 'healthy India' as we enter the 75th year of Independence. The aim of this programme is to motivate people to take up and adopt cycling in their daily lives for

physical fitness.

Thakur said, "The Prime Minister Narendra Modi believes that the people of the country should join the fitness campaign. Cycling can play the biggest role in the Fit India campaign. On World Bicycle Day, we are giving a clear message that everyone should make cycling a part of their daily life. Cycling will keep you healthy and help build a clean India."

Thakur further added that Fit India Movement, Khelo India movement, Clean India movement & Healthy India movement all can be accomplished by riding a bicycle.

India still among top 20 Clean Energy Access-Deficit Countries

By Dr. Gyan Pathak

World is not yet on track to achieve the clean energy access for all by 2030, and at the current rate of progress, 670 million people will remain without electricity by 2030 – 10 million more than projected last year. Currently, 733 million people worldwide still do not have access to electricity, and 2.4 billion people still cook using fuels detrimental to their health and the environment. This household pollution caused 3.2 million deaths globally in 2019.

The 2022 edition of "Tracking SDG 7: The Energy Progress Report," which monitors global efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG7) of ensuring affordable modern energy supply for everyone by 2030 has found that advances in this direction have been impeded not only by the COVID-19 pandemic towards universal access to electricity and clean cooking fuels and technology but also as a fallout from the war in Ukraine which could result in further setbacks.

The report is a product of close collaboration among the five SDG 7 custodian agencies in the form of a specially constituted in a Steering Group: International Energy Agency (IEA), International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), World Bank, and, World Health Organization (WHO).

This edition was prepared as the COVID-19 pandemic and its broad social and economic disruptions entered their third year. Some degree of economic recovery has taken place, but the pace of progress on the SDG 7 targets expected to slow down because of new challenges from evolving COVID variants and an energy crisis provoked by the Russian invasion of Ukraine, it says.

Recent progress in access to electricity was mixed, as is the outlook for 2030. The global electricity access rate rose markedly between 2010 and 2020, from 83 percent to 91 percent. The number of unserved people fell from 1.2 billion in 2010 to 733 billion in 2020. The pace of annual access growth was faster than in previous years, as access infrastructure projects were finalized, but the annual rate of growth in access slowed from 0.8 percentage points in 2010-18 to 0.5 percentage points in 2018-20, because of the complexity of reaching the remaining unserved populations and the potential impacts of COVID-19. Meeting the 2030 target requires increasing the number of new connections to 100 million a year. At current rates of progress, the world will reach only 92 percent electrification by 2030. As for India, it is still among the top 20 electricity access-deficit countries in the

world where 14 million people still lack access though the fastest advances in electrification (about 2 percentage points) were gained between 2000 and 2020 in the Central and Southern Asia region along with Bangladesh. India showed the largest annual drop in the access deficit about 28 million. Bangladesh exited the list of top 20 access deficit country, but India's rank fell from third in 2018 to 17th in 2020.

On a global scale, the number of people gaining access to clean cooking increased significantly. More than 65 countries have already included household energy or clean cooking related goals in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) in the lead-up to the 2021 UN Climate Change Summit, COP26 (Clean Cooking Alliance 2021). However, as in previous years, population growth outpaced these improvements, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa. As a result, the total number of people lacking access to clean cooking—referred to here as the "access deficit" in some regions—has stagnated for decades. The report has estimated that 2.1 billion people will lack access to clean cooking energy in 2030.

From 2010 to 2020, global access to clean cooking fuels and technologies increased by 1 percentage point (0.5-1.8) a year. The increase was primarily driven by advances in large, populous countries in Asia. From 2016 to 2020, the top 20 countries with the largest populations lacking access to clean cooking fuels and technologies accounted for more than 80 percent of the global population without access. India is among these 20 countries, which accounted for the largest share of the access deficit of about 548 million people followed by China with about 352 million.

Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all implies an accelerated deployment of renewable energy sources in electricity, heat, and transport. Although there is no quantitative milestone, custodian agencies assess that the current pace of renewable energy uptake needs to rise significantly, to increase the share of renewable energy in total final energy consumption (TFEC).

Despite continued disruptions in economic activity and supply chains, renewable energy consumption grew through the pandemic, in contrast with other energy sources.

Electricity saw record shares of renewables in new capacity additions in 2021. However, rising commodity, energy and shipping prices, as well as restrictive trade measures, have increased the cost of producing and transporting solar photovoltaic (PV) modules, wind turbines, and biofuels worldwide, adding uncertainties for future renewable energy projects. Renewable shares would need to reach well over 30 percent of TFEC by 2030 to be on track for reaching net-zero energy emissions by 2050. Achieving this milestone would require strengthening policy support in all sectors and implementing effective tools to further mobilize private capital.

As for Energy efficiency, the aim was to double the annual global rate of improvement in primary energy intensity in 2010-30 versus 1990-2010 to 2.6 percent. However, in 2010-19, global annual improvements in energy intensity averaged around 1.9 percent, well below the levels needed. To make up for lost ground, the average annual rate of improvement now has to reach 3.2 percent to reach the target. This rate would need to be even higher—consistently over 4 percent for the rest of this decade—if the world is to reach net-zero emissions from the energy sector by 2050, as envisioned in the IEA's Net Zero Emissions by 2050 Scenario.

Indicators show that international public financial flows to developing countries in support of clean energy decreased for the second year in a row, falling to USD 10.9 billion in 2019. This level represents a 23 percent decrease from the USD 14.0 billion provided in 2018, a 25 percent decline from the 2010-19 average, and a more than 50 percent drop from the peak of USD 24.7 billion in 2017. In 2019, 24 countries received 80 per cent of all commitments and India was among the top three recipients along with Nigeria and Guinea.

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Ministry of Tourism holds a Consultative Meeting on Draft National Tourism Policy

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New Delhi, June 3:

Ministry of Tourism organized a Consultative Meeting on Draft National Tourism Policy at Hotel Ashok, Chanakyaपुरi, New Delhi day before yesterday.

To have a holistic discussion on the Draft National Tourism Policy,

Union Minister of Tourism G. Kishan Reddy invited the Union Ministers from different Ministries. The meeting was attended by Nitin Jairam Gadkari, Minister of Road Transport & Highways, Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of Health & Family Welfare, Ajay Bhatt, Minister

of State for Tourism & Defence and Shripad Yesso Naik, Minister of State for Tourism & Shipping were also present in the meeting.

Secretaries and other senior officers of different Central Ministries also attended the meeting.

The draft National Tourism Policy was deliberated in detail. Further, various

valuable suggestions were given during the consultative meeting by the invitees.

G. Kishan Reddy, Minister of Tourism, appreciated the valuable suggestions and it was decided that the draft National Tourism Policy may be finalized after suitably incorporating the various suggestions received during the meeting.

Sports

2022 Commonwealth Games: Thapa, Panghal and six others secure place in Indian boxing contingent

Trials for the women's category to be held next week



Agney Patiala, June 3:

Five-time Asian Championships medallist Shiva Thapa and Amit Panghal secured their places in the Indian men's boxing team for the 2022 Commonwealth Games alongside six other pugilists after registering victories in the finals of the trials at the Netaji Subhas National Institute of Sports in Patiala on Thursday.

While the seasoned boxer Thapa outpunched 2018 CWG silver medallist Manish Kaushik 5-0 to clinch his spot in the 63.5kg category, 2019 world championship silver medallist, reigning Services boxer Deepak by a split 4-1 decision in the 51kg division to secure himself a spot in the quadrilateral event.

Other six Indian pugilists who also emerged victorious on the final day of the trials to secure their places in the Indian contingent for the Birmingham event were: 2018 bronze medallist Mohammad Hussamuddin (57kg), Rohit Tokas (67kg), reigning national champion Sumit (75kg), Ashish Kumar (80kg), Sanjeet (92kg) and Sagar (+92kg).

A three-day event saw boxers fighting it out in eight

categories for a place in the 2022 CWG, scheduled to take place in Birmingham from July 28 to August 8.

The 2015 World Championships bronze medallist Thapa put pressure on the Manish right from the beginning before completing a comfortable win while on the other hand, Panghal and

medallist Kavinder Singh Bisht, while Railways boxer Rohit got the better of Uttar Pradesh's Aditya Pratap Yadav by a narrow 3-2 win in a closely-fought welterweight contest.

Another highlight of the day was Sagar, who pulled off a gutsy show against the reigning national champion

throughout the bout before securing a commanding 5-0 win.

Meanwhile, Sanjeet notched up a 4-1 win against Naveen Kumar in the 92kg category.

It was a one-way show in rest of the bouts as Sumit and Ashish both produced dominating performances in



Deepak fought fiercely throughout the bout, exchanging blows from close range but the former prevailed in the end utilising his experience.

In the 57kg category, Hussamuddin exhibited brilliant display of clean and technical boxing to claim a 4-1 win against the 2019 Asian Championship silver

Narender in the +92kg final. Sagar had an impressive run in the event which also included him stunning the Tokyo Olympics quarter-finalist Satish Kumar in the Last-4 stage.

Starting the bout confidently, Sagar employed an aggressive instinct from the start and kept piling up pressure on his opponent

the respective finals to win by identical 5-0 margins.

Indian boxers had finished second in the 2018 CWG, securing nine medals, including three gold and as many silver and bronze medals.

The women's trials for the Birmingham Games will be held next week at the Indira Gandhi Stadium in New Delhi.

RC Book Lost

I, the undersigned, Salam Samuel Singh, have lost the Registration Book for my two wheeler vehicle bearing registration number MN 5B 9581, on the way between Moirang to Bishnupur on May 1, 2022.

Finders are requested to hand over the same to the undersigned.

Sd/-
Salam Samuel Singh
Contact - 985692584

Name Change

I, the undersigned, do hereby declared that I have renounced, relinquished and abandoned to use my old name Kshetrimayum Subadani as I have assumed my new name Kshetrimayum Subadani Devi

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