

Workshop for simplifying Aadhaar usage held 'Aadhaar is instrumental in delivery of social welfare schemes'- Chief Secretary

IT News
Imphal, Sept 7:

As part of effort to promote Aadhaar usage by states, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), Regional Office (RO) Guwahati has organized a State Level workshop on 'Recent Initiatives for Simplifying Aadhaar Usage' in Imphal, today.

Dr. Rajesh Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur was the Chief Guest at workshop. While addressing the participants/officials, "he has highlighted that Aadhaar is instrumental in delivery of social welfare schemes & urged the State Govt. Departments to notify

Section-7 in schemes for implementation of Direct Benefit Transfer.

Dr. Saurabh Garg, CEO, UIDAI, elaborated on the progress made by Aadhaar in the past decade. He has highlighted in his speech that Aadhaar authentication provides an instant mechanism to prove your identity through online authentication. He also emphasized that UIDAI will continue its efforts for improving the Ease of Living for residents & urged the State Govt. of Manipur to implement DBT in every service delivery schemes to bring transparency.

Vumlungmang Vualnam, IAS, Additional Chief Secre-

tary, Govt. of Manipur had also attended the workshop. Senior officials from the State Govt. of Manipur had attended the workshop & given detailed presentation on progress of Aadhaar enrolment & initiatives taken to implement DBT. In spite of difficult terrains, the Govt. of Manipur has undertaken rigorous efforts to cover more than 80% population. Best practices adopted by the state were also explained.

Speaking on the occasion Sh. Devajit Khound, DDG UIDAI, RO Guwahati explained how Aadhaar has become the core of India's digital public infrastructure. Aadhaar with its inherent features of Unique-

ness, Authentication, Financial Address and e-KYC has helped the government authorities to directly reach residents for delivery of various subsidies, benefits and services. He has emphasized that Aadhaar is verifiable anytime, anywhere both online as well as off-line in a cost-effective way.

In his speech, he has emphasized on use of Aadhaar in every social welfare schemes to bring transparency/visibility in the existing system & urged the State Govt. that benefits shall be provided to the beneficiaries through Aadhaar Enabled Payment System for last mile delivery.

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Minister Nemcha Kipgen calls on Union MoS Prahlad Singh Patel

IT News
New Delhi, Sept 7:

Textiles, Commerce & Industry and Cooperation Minister, Nemcha Kipgen today called on Union Minister of State for Food Processing Industries of India, Prahlad Singh Patel at his official residence at New Delhi.

While highlighting that fruits, vegetable, spices of Manipur are having high quality and exportable unique value in the international market today, State Industry Minister Nemcha apprised the Union



MoS for Food Processing for special consideration for the development of Food Processing

Industries in Manipur. The Minister also proposed for value addition Infrastructure to cover

all the Districts of State to meet the huge demand and market of these fruits and vegetables in various parts of the world.

During the visit, Minister Nemcha Kipgen also handed over a proposal to Prahlad Singh Patel initiated by the Chief Minister of Manipur, N. Biren Singh for development of infrastructure in the food processing industry.

Commissioner, Textiles, Commerce & Industry, Shri Pradeep Kumar Jha accompanied the Minister during the visit.

WAD condemn assault of 65 years old vendor lady by a Police officer

IT News
Imphal, Sept 7:

Women Action for Development (WAD) expressed strong condemnation to the physical assault and inhuman act inflicted on a 65 years old women Ningthoujam Mangolnganbi Devi who is a resident of Tera Khurajam Leirak. Mangolnganbi is seeking his fortune and livelihood by running a fish vendor at the roadside of Tera Luram Leirak Machin.

A statement of WAD said that - On September 4, 2022 at about 8.30 P.M. one drunken man identified as Haobijam Babuchouba Singh of Tera Sapam Leirak came to the place where Mangolnganbi was selling fishes at her vendor. Babuchouba Singh is serving as a sub Inspector of Telecom (Wireless) Department Government of Manipur.

Babuchouba Singh started abusing Mangolnganbi and

then physically assaulted her. The other vendors tried to stop the assault but in vain. The assault must have lasted about 15 minutes. Mangolnganbi sustained severe injuries due to physical assault inflicted on her. She was admitted at Hospital.

"It is very unfortunate that a man who is serving for the state Home Department has committed such kind of physical assault to an aged woman who is also a widow, earning for livelihood for her family by kicking in her shoulder which leads to severe injuries on her neck, chest and break the bone which leads her to hospitalized wad question to the government how could a person who are for the protection of the people could do such a horrific act to the senior citizen who come for her livelihood? Even the senior citizens are not spare then what will be the young women and girls future? This is the need of the hour that every citizens come together and fight against such horrific and

inhuman act committed by the police which to be protected its citizens from any incidents occur in the state", WAD statement added.

A team of WAD rushed to the spot, when enquired the family member of the victim lady said that the doctor advice Mangolnganbi to take rest and stop working for 3 months which is very unfortunate for the family where the victim is the bread earner of the family.

WAD also urges the Governor of Manipur and the Chief Minister of Manipur to direct the police to arrest the accused immediately.

In this connection, WAD filed a complaint with Manipur Human Rights Commission (MHRC) seeking for directing the Police to register an FIR and ensure prompt, thorough and impartial investigation. The MHRC acknowledged the receipt of the complaint by providing Case Diary No. 24/TN/2022.

MLA Achab Uddin inspects Jiribam Hospital, Expressed dissatisfaction on the deplorable condition

IT Correspondent
Jiribam, Sept 7:

The local MLA of Jiribam Assembly constituency Md. Achab Uddin visited Jiribam 50-bedded hospital today. On his surprise visit, Md.

Achab Uddin expressed sadness on the deplorable condition of the hospital in every sphere.

Interacting with the hospital staffs and management committee, he discussed about the needs and require-

ments of the hospital.

Speaking on the sidelines of his visit, MLA Md. Achab Uddin said that hospital is the life saving sector but the condition of the Jiri hospital is terrible.

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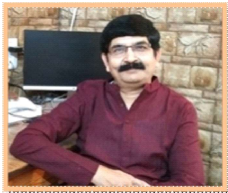
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Atal Bridge for pedestrians across Sabarmati river in Ahmedabad



By: Vinod Chandrashekhar Dixit

Prime Minister Narendra Modi made an impromptu visit to the Atal Bridge on the Sabarmati Riverfront in Ahmedabad after inaugurating it. Riverfront in Ahmedabad is one of the hot favourite spots for Amdavadis as it has a lot of fun filled and rejuvenating places and activities for all the ages. The steel bridge, named after former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, has a unique design, complete with LED lighting. Keeping the interest of tourists and visitors

in mind, another attraction has been added with the construction of a foot over bridge between Ellis Bridge and Sardar Bridge. The bridge which is unique in its design – both technically and visually – will also augment the status of the Riverfront as well as of the city and will become an engineering marvel. The design is inspired by kite festival organised in the city. The bridge is shaded by colourful fabric panels with colours inspired by kites. The Sabarmati Riverfront just got better as the authorities in Ahmedabad opened doors to the pedestrians-and-cyclists-only 'Atal Bridge' giving a visual treat to the people. The Atal bridge is designed in such a smart way that it is accessible from both upper and lower walkways, as well as the riverfront promenades.

This is a pedestrian-only 'Atal Bridge' is a foot-over bridge (FOB) on the Sabarmati river, constructed between Ellis Bridge and Sardar Bridge. This iconic bridge, with an eye-catching design and LED lighting, is nearly 300 meters long and 14 meters wide in the middle building using 2,600 metric tonnes of steel pipes. The roof of the bridge is made up of colourful fabric and the railing has been built with glass and stainless steel. Apart from pedestrians, cyclists can also use this bridge to cross the river while avoiding traffic. It is designed in such a way that people can approach it from both lower and upper walkways, or promenades of the riverfront.

The Atal Bridge has been designed by architect Urvi Sheth. She said that, "We wanted to carry forward the concept of bridge which is derived from the traditional kite festival. So, we composed a lightweight sculpture, with elements of kite in it, made of mild steel and is light in colour." This bridge will provide connectivity to Multi Level Car Parking and various public development on East and West Bank from plaza between Flower Park and Event Ground at West Bank to proposed Art / Cultural / Exhibition Centre on East Bank. Atal Bridge will link the future arts and culture centre on the river's eastern side with the event venue and floral park on its western bank. If one like to take a pause and admire the natural beauty around then the seating arrangements on the bridge helps to get that spectacular riverfront view. The "Atal Bridge" looks like a giant fish from an aerial view. There is no doubt that as the bridge is named after former Prime Minister late Atal Bihari Vajpayee it will be an instrumental in further beautifying the Sabarmati Riverfront.

Focus on the educators



By: Vijay GarG

Investing in education is critical to reach the world's agenda for sustainable development, as well as to recover from the COVID-19 crisis and foster citizens who can tackle future global challenges. It is time we put teachers at the center of education investments.

Around the world, education systems are facing massive challenges when it comes to teachers. In many low and lower-middle income countries there are not enough teachers, and large numbers of them have not received sufficient training and support. The Global Partnership for Education estimates that it costs, on average, US \$371 dollars to train a teacher in its partner countries. Its ambition is to train 3.5 million teachers, who could reach 140 million students. This will represent about 1 in every 6 dollars – about 16% - of the budget the partnership hopes to spend over the next five years. This will make an incredibly important contribution to meeting the trained teacher gap, which is one of the cornerstones of reaching the other education goals and the SDGs.

Teachers in India have built a powerful legacy of learning through the nation's crest and troughs—from Aryabhata and Savitri Bai Phule to Rabindranath Tagore and S. Radhakrishnan. Today, India is home to approximately 9.7 million teachers across 1.5 million schools. They continue to be a major marker of socio-economic development and are a critical piece in our quest to be a global powerhouse of learning. The pandemic offered a true reflection of this, as teachers around the country adapted to virtual mediums to ensure that learning did not stop. They emerged as critical catalysts of change by converting their homes into online classrooms, going beyond the call of duty to arrest learning loss, and focusing their energies on helping students navigate the new normal and become self-learners.

For India, however, the challenges of education go much deeper. Limitations such as lack of accessibility, poor quality of learning material, demographic differences and shortage of teachers in schools demand more profound interventions and critical action plans. A recent UNESCO report states that India has nearly 120,000 schools with just one teacher each and that 89% of these single-teacher schools are in rural areas. The report also estimates that India needs nearly 1.2 million additional teachers to meet the current shortfall. This calls for urgent measures and increased investment in the teaching community to bring more qualified and empowered educators into the Indian workforce. Accelerated government efforts such as the National Education Policy 2020 have been at the forefront of this need, having enshrined crucial tenets of ownership and autonomy to teachers, while also recognizing, documenting and sharing innovative pedagogies devised by them. With the policy outlining the need to build vibrant teacher communities for better networking, India is taking large strides in the education space.

In the journey of our life, to establish a society, we get married, whether it may be love one or arranged one. Many love marriage ended with fiasco and many arranged one led a very successful one. Due to misunderstanding or our possessiveness many interesting cases occurred among the husband and wife. Let's see a few interesting cases of her story and his story.

Her story: We had a love marriage and all was well until my younger sister came back from the US. I have often noticed how my husband keeps checking her out. There was some initial shame when I would catch him but now he doesn't bother. **I suspect my husband is attracted to my sister and she seems to be ok with it!** My sister is a young, 23-year-old! I am agast that my sister has never brought up this topic to me. Why isn't she complaining or uncomfortable with this? We women have a strong sixth sense. When I tried to indirectly confront my husband about it, he shoved it off saying it's just my insecurity talking. I don't know how to address this issue! It is spoiling two very important relationships of my life!

His story: My sister-in-law just returned after finishing her studies abroad. When she left, she was like a kid but she has returned as a grown, beautiful woman. My wife thinks I have feelings for her but she is totally wrong. She caught me staring at her when in reality I was just zoned out thinking about the new project I am working on. She indirectly called me a predator and I know that my wife's jealous side is making her think so. I cannot think about my sister-in-law in that manner—she is a kid! The situation is getting very ugly and I don't feel like coming home honestly. What a woman wants might be

Her Story & His Story

By: Sanjenbam Jugeshwor Singh

the biggest mystery but surely, what a man wants is 'lust' is the most common myth of mankind. It's very common for a man to think of how he will save the world during an apocalypse while watching a romantic movie with the crush of his dreams. Many of us think that women are the real admirers of beauty but in reality, men are no less even if their definition of beauty differs. That's why you will see 20 men leaving their own work to patiently sit and look at a man digging with JCB. In this, I am not defending every stare but telling the difference between looking and staring.

For Her: It's very normal to have this kind of feeling and this kicks in even more frequently when you are not happy about how you are vs how you used to be (unintentional and unconscious comparison of yourself with your sister). You are absolutely right that women do have a sixth sense but so does your sister; if there was anything wrong, she must have reacted (even if not telling you). Our surroundings have put a myth in our heads about "saali aadhiharvali" (your sister-in-law is like your half-wife) and that myth has put suspicion (in women) and lust (in men) in people's heads but as I said it's just wrong thinking and doesn't affect everyone. I will strongly recommend looking at this relationship with beauty and not suspicion.

For Him: Talk to your wife openly about it and win her trust and confidence. Open communication is the best possible medicine for suspicion. Also don't blame your wife for this because the more you will blame her, the more she will assume that you are hiding something. Think from her point of view too.

I think rather than focusing on the relationship between your husband and your sister, it's important that you

focus on the relationship with your husband; it's possible that deep-rooted insecurity and lack of steam in your relationship is making you mistrust him. If there were any issues then your sister would complain, I think the mistrust you have with your husband needs to be resolved as this can become a reason for losing the relationship. Sometimes we over think and project our insecurity and it's also possible that even if he's checked her out, it's completely harmless.

Her story: I love my husband but I feel guilty for fantasizing about my ex. I miss certain things he used to do to make me feel loved and wanted, not just sexually but in other small gestures too. I have all the comforts in my present life but there's no passion. I know my husband cares for me and I care for him too and I wouldn't want to do anything to wreck our relationship but I feel lonely and unloved deep within. I am sometimes so worried that instead of my husband's name I will take my ex's name. It is becoming a bit of a mess and I think my husband can feel that distance too. I don't want to ruin my marriage over this but I can't help it.

His story: I have caught my wife on two occasions when she was about to call me by another man's name but stopped mid-way. She tried to cover up with some other sentence or acted nonchalant. I too did not say anything but I feel something is going on... could she be cheating on me? I don't want to lose her, what can I do to bring my marriage back on track.

I think the both of you need to sit down and communicate. You both are operating on presumptions while desiring the same things. Unless we discuss and share our dissatisfaction we won't be able to ful-

fill each other's needs. Without fear and judgment, discuss your needs with your partner and ask them what they need to feel more fulfilled in this relationship. Once you both know what the other person desires, try to take action on it. Only when we love unconditionally are we able to feel loved. Be assured nobody is doing anything harmful; the distance can be bridged with communication.

In relationships, not every separation separates the two persons. Sometimes, even though we are technically separated and even attached to the new partner; a subtle thread stays connected to our past. Especially, when the end was 'situational' and not the fault of anyone.

For Her: Feelings follow the simple rule—“More effort you make to surpass them, the more it bounces”. The best way here will be to talk about it to your husband. Take simple small steps to check his reaction and focus on the timing of this discussion (when you both are very comfortable). Talk about what you will prefer in your relationship with your husband (don't take it up as comparison with your ex).

There's nothing wrong with reminiscing about the past, you are thinking about it because you are deeply connected to your relationship (even your past). If you try to cover it (and as you are unable to); this will create a lot of suspicion in the mind of your partner which is a very bad state for any relationship.

For Him: Suspicion is the world of uncountable possibilities which mostly end in disaster. Pick a beautiful evening, win the trust of your partner, make her comfortable and talk about it clearly. Don't assume, ask and understand her point of view.

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Padyatra politics to opposition unity - Bugle before the battle



By: M.R. Lahu

The Congress Party's padyatra is all set to evoke dust of political imbroglio well before the storm of the general elections 2024 begins. The yatra that the Congress leaders would kick-start from Kanyakumari would go through states and Union Territories and ultimately the tiresome revivex exercise of the party would culminate in Kashmir with the padyatris (participants) putting their swollen foot on the 'Paradise on Earth'. The Congress leadership, having had the severest of shocks from the recent exodus of Gulam Nabi Azad and his henchmen from the party in his home state, has planned to have the last rites of the padyatra be performed in Jammu and Kashmir. The leaders of the party, at present, are presumably unclear about the achievable outcome that the yatra would conclude with. And the name that the yatra got to be known as, is more conflicting, than the modus operandi itself. "Bharat Jodo Yatra" would at least have irritated Sardar Patel, who is known to have stage-managed the incorporation of rebellious principalities into the spectrum of Indian nationality. India, under its most controversially famous nationalist government led by Prime Minister Modi, would take the nomenclature of the revival yatra by the oldest party to be its rebellious adventurism loaded with insensitivity. The country at present does not need a clinical surgery for the incorporation of any slice of land into its mainstream administration. Except for the captured

landscape by our blatant and envious neighbours China and Pakistan, we are intact with no stitching of unification required.

The present political scenario in India probably quells all hopes of recovery that an aspirational Congress has been venturing about; giving its voters across the country which is roughly an estimated 20 percent, a sense of delusion on what the party is capable of except a foot march that the country's 'saint on earth' the Mahatma tried when India was under the colonial oppression. Instead of emboldening its cadre from the nuts and bolts, with adequate tightening and fixing, the party seems to have set out for a blindfolded exercise which is haphazardly engineered. Ambiguity that the party has been a master of and was capably articulating with all diligence and expertise in its previous ventures is once again thickly unfolding in its revival yatra too. With a large number of notable leaders deserting the party and the rest is brewing for unrest, the Gandhi family could successfully convince its devotees on a time taking and outdated event that it defines would expose the megalomania that the party frequently blames the Modi regime with. Social Media's fire fighting capabilities would expose the thick and thin of the padyatra. What could have been better for the party was to try methods of meaningful agitation against the government and a positive tutoring of the country's electorate on everything that it keeps accusing the regime of. Whatever, the primary knowledge that the Congress should have gained was to capture the depth of imprint and impact that the 'Modi initiatives' had on a large segment of the Indian voters. He could successfully cut across and carry his welfare schemes to all levels of the society and the event management that the Congress is busy in should gain strength and courage and be

genuinely appealing to a country that got 'Modified' since 2014.

Opposition parties confined to state politics have realised the need of arresting a Modi juggernaut, a plan that they have many-a-time silently cherished and now began to enact on, well before the 2024 national election. With no leader as popular and audacious as Modi in its casket to counter his field, the parties that are trying to corroborate alliances stitching new equations would have to take Congress on board. But the Congress, with its traditional belligerence should at least have learnt a lesson by now to not make a reason to part with the rest. The galaxy of political parties with their paranoia has ideally learnt to secretly hide their face under an elusive cohesion and they would further envisage their individual prospects, in case their dream of dethroning the Modi regime gets articulated. Without a common face to plant against the independent India's most popular Prime Minister with his consistently huge popularity mandate, the collective efforts of the warring titans should trim size their ambitions for personal prospects into a certain level of affordability and acceptance. With its decreasing charisma to lure the Indian voters, the Gandhi dynasty should come up with an open mind when the insiders of the party demand a democratic process electing a non-dynast. This definitely does not guarantee a complete revival of the Congress. But of course it can take a breath of relief by throwing its hat into the ring for a non-dynast. But Modi, on the other hand, has managed to convince the electorate of the country about his plans with genuine sensitivity and dream fulfilling examples such as the abrogation of Article 370 and many with respect to the strengthening of India as a military and economic power. The most recent example is India's Atmanirbhar initia-

tive INS Vikrant and the procurement of the Rafale fighter jets.

Modi as a statesman - is a consistently rooted iconoclastic belief. Aspiring to eradicate his image is impractical. Irrational attempts to tarnish his image have always bounced on the opposition. Irrespective of an opposition hotchpotch blowing the poll bugle together, what Modi could successfully build in the minds of a large section of India's electorate would remain untouched and unhampered. That is the depth into which he could engrave an essential feeling of being Indian with all that is nationalistic taking the center stage. The Congress party's attempt to attack Modi would always be seen as cynical. Decades of its activities and ideological perspectives hold proof of its alacrity and cynical behaviour in detail, contradictory to its ideological oratory whenever the country's national interest was put to test. October 17 would be a red letter day for the Congress if the loudly proclaimed yet bound by technical glitch election is going to happen to elect a full time President, probably one from outside the dynasty. Rahul Gandhi's propensity to take politics as a part time vocation would deepen the crises of his party and the exodus that the Congress is habituated today would mount further. To bring him out of the cocoon of a sulky, reluctant leader, the Gandhi family ought to have thought of a padyatra. If it doesn't help him to improve his status and relevance as a leader, Modi will definitely have the last laugh when the Congress culminates its journey in Kashmir. Ousted from the states, once its bastions, and descending to a gloom nationally, the party needs to discover methods to reinvent its importance. But a padyatra seems to be a small-space activity that the present political scenario in India can afford to wait.

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More than 29 thousand people from Myanmar taking refuge in Mizoram: Home Minister

Agency
Aizawl, Sept 7:

As many as 30,401 people from Myanmar have crossed the international border and taken refuge in different parts of Mizoram since the military seized power in the neighbouring country in February last year, home minister Lalchamliana informed the state legislature.

Of the 30,401 Myanmar nationals, 29,253 are currently taking shelter in the state according to reports submitted by deputy commissioners to the state home department on August 20, the home minister said in a written reply.

He said that the government has completed profiling of 30,401 Myanmar nationals and of these, identity cards, certifying the holder as refugees, have been issued to 30,177 people.

"Although profiling is more or less completed, it is a continual process and conducted in a phased manner as there are still new entrants and some people used to return to their villages on a regular basis," he said.

Lalchamliana said that the state disaster management and rehabilitation department has so far disbursed Rs 3 crore as



relief.

Meanwhile, an official said that there has been a fresh influx of Myanmar nationals in the state's southernmost Lawngtlai district in the wake of armed clashes between the Myanmar Army and the underground Arakan Army (AA) in Myanmar's Varang and surrounding villages near the Indian border. Lawngtlai sub-divisional officer (Sadar) TT Beikhaizi said that 589 more people from Myanmar entered Lawngtlai district in the last week following the armed clashes between the Myanmar Army and AA on August 31.

Of the 589 new entrants, 210 took shelter at Hmawngbuchhuah village, 115 at Zochachhuah, 127 at Laitlang and 137 others took shelter at Dumzautlang village in Lawngtlai district, she said. According to Beikhaizi, who is the district nodal officer of the task group on Myanmar refugees, as many as 5,909 Myanmar refugees have taken refuge in the Lawngtlai district so far.

Six Mizoram districts – Champhai, Siaka, Lawngtlai, Serchhip, Hnahthial and Saitual-share a 510 km long international border with

Myanmar's Chin state.

The influx of people from Myanmar mostly from Chin state commenced in late February last year. The Chin community shares ethnicity with the Mizos.

The Majority of the refugees live in relief camps, while others are accommodated by their local relatives and some others live in rented houses.

Apart from the government, the Myanmar nationals are provided with food and other relief by NGOs, churches, student bodies, village authorities and some of them have supported themselves.

India logs 5,379 COVID cases, active infections decline to 50,594

Agency
New Delhi, Sept 7:

India saw a single day rise of 5,379 coronavirus infections, taking the tally of COVID-19 cases to 4,44,72,241, according to the Union health ministry data updated on Wednesday.

Active Covid cases have declined to 50,594, while the death toll has climbed to 5,28,057 with 27 fatalities, including 11 deaths reconciled by Kerala, the data updated at 8 am showed.

The active cases comprises 0.11 per cent of the total infections, while the national COVID-19 recovery rate has increased to 98.70 per cent, the health ministry said.

A decline of 1,742 cases has been recorded in the active COVID-19 caseload in a span of 24 hours.

The daily positivity rate was recorded at 1.67 per cent and the weekly positivity rate was recorded at 2 per cent, according to the health ministry.

The number of people who have recuperated from the dis-

ease surged to 4,38,93,590, while the case fatality rate was recorded at 1.19 per cent.

According to the ministry, 213.91 crore doses of Covid vaccines have been administered in the country so far under the nationwide COVID-19 vaccination drive.

India's COVID-19 tally had crossed the 20-lakh mark on August 7, 2020, 30 lakh on August 23, 40 lakh on September 5 and 50 lakh on September 16.

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

India crossed the grim milestone of two crore on May 4, three crore on June 23 last year and four crore on January 25 this year.

The 16 new fatalities include two each from Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and West Bengal among others.

Maharashtra on Tuesday added 869 fresh cases of

COVID-19 and two new deaths linked to the infection, taking the overall tally to 81,06,272 and the toll to 1,48,269, said a state health department official.

Chhattisgarh on Tuesday reported 99 COVID-19 cases at a positivity rate of 1.62 per cent, taking the tally to 11,74,355, while the death toll increased by two to reach 14,116, an official said.

Gujarat on Tuesday registered 214 new cases and one death due to COVID-19, taking the overall tally to 12,71,392 and the toll to 11,017, said the state health department.

Tamil Nadu on Tuesday logged 449 new coronavirus infections including four returns from domestic and overseas locations, pushing the overall tally to 35,71,479, the Health department said.

Himachal Pradesh reported 72 fresh COVID-19 cases on Tuesday, pushing the state's infection count to 3,11,413, an official said. So far, the infection has claimed 4,182 lives in the state.

Centre to sign peace accord with Adivasi militants soon: Assam CM

Agency
Kokrajhar, Sept 7:

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa on Tuesday said that the Centre is likely to sign a peace accord with militant organisations from the state's Adivasi communities within September.

Addressing a press conference after a cabinet meeting here, he said that his government has found a gap of around 50 lakh beneficiaries after linking Aadhaar cards with ration cards across the state.

"The central government is likely to sign a peace accord with militant groups from the Adivasi communities of Assam within this month," Sarma said.

Without sharing any detail, he said that the entire process was being carried out under the initiative of Union Home Minister Amit Shah.

A senior official from the Assam Police headquarters told PTI that five militant groups are likely to sign the peace agreement.

These groups are All Adivasi National Liberation Army, Adivasi Cobra Militant of Assam, Birs Commando Force, Santhal Tiger Force and Adivasi People's Army.

"These groups have been in ceasefire for many years after announcing Suspension of Operations. Their cadres live at designated camps under police protection," the official said.

The central government in January 2020 signed an agreement Bodo Peace Accord with militant group National Democratic Front of Bodoland (NDFB).

On the gap in the number of beneficiaries found after the Aadhaar card and ration cards were linked, Sarma said, "We have found that around 50 lakh

beneficiaries have not come (for the service). Some people might have died and some might have moved to other places due to marriages. Unfortunately, there were some fake ones also."

Sarma said the government is going to save a good amount of money for these unaccounted beneficiaries and accordingly add genuine people to the list.

"We will bring in a set of new 50 lakh people under the ambit of the National Food Security Act (NFSA). Today's cabinet discussed all these points," he added.

Sarma also informed reporters that around 62,000 people

were found to be ineligible for its flagship 'Orunodoi' scheme, while around 2,000 have voluntarily given up the benefits of the programme.

The state government pro-

vides monthly monetary assistance of Rs 1,000, which will be enhanced to Rs 1,250 from October, to the beneficiaries under the scheme, covering nearly 20 lakh families.

Migration Certificate Lost

I, the undersigned, have lost my Migration Certificate for Higher Secondary Examination, bearing Registration No. 30454 of 2020, issued by the Council of Higher Education, Manipur on the way between Keishamthong Elangbam Leikai to Manipur College on August 27, 2022.

Finders are requested to hand over it to the undersigned. Sd/-

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IN THE COURT OF SPECIAL JUDGE (ND&PS) (FTC), MANIPUR AT CHEIRAP COURT COMPLEX

ANNEXURE – I

Schedule 1 VIII, Form No. 100
High Court Criminal Process No. 4

CASE NO. :- SPECIAL TRIAL NO. 31 of 2022
FIR No. 56(7)1998 Moreh PS
U/S 21 ND&PS Act.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF THE ACCUSED (Section 82 of the Code of Criminal Procedure)

1) Name, Description and address of the accused/witness:

Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi (35), W/o Leishangthem Santikumar Singh of Pangal Tabi Mayai Leikai a/p Moreh Prem Nagar Ward No. 4, P.S. Moreh, Tengenoupal district

2) Name of the accused/witness:

Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi

Dated this the 30th July, 2022

Whereas complaint has been made before me that **Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi** has committed the offence punishable Under Section 21 ND&PS Act (FIR No. 56(7)1998 Moreh-PS) and it has been returned to a Warrant of arrest thereupon stating that, **Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi**, cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that **Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi** has absconded to avoid the execution of the said warrant.

Proclamation is thereby made that the said **Tunglet Manu @ Thoibi Devi** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on the 7th September, 2022.

Sd/-
(Alek Muivah)
Special Judge (ND&PS) (FTC), Manipur

IT(Adv)-6,7

IN THE COURT OF SPECIAL JUDGE, ND&PS (FTC), MANIPUR AT CHEIRAP COURT COMPLEX

ANNEXURE – I

Schedule 1 VIII, Form No. 100
High Court Criminal Process No. 4

SPECIAL TRIAL NO. 57 of 2022
FIR No. 76(7)1990 MRH P.S.
U/S 22 ND&PS Act.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF THE ACCUSED (Section 82 of the Code of Criminal Procedure)

1) Name, Description and address of the accused/witness:

Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang (22), now aged about 53 years, S/o Lunkhojam of Moreh Ward No. 6, P.S. Moreh, TPL district, Manipur

2) Name of the accused/witness:

Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang

Dated this the 05th August, 2022

Whereas complaint has been made before me that **Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang** has committed the offence punishable Under Section 22 ND&PS Act (FIR No. 76(7)1990MRH P.S.) and it has been returned to a Warrant of arrest thereupon stating that, **Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang**, cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that **Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang** has absconded to avoid the execution of the said warrant.

Proclamation is thereby made that the said **Thenkholal Kuki @ Touthang** is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on the 06th September, 2022.

Sd/-
(Alek Muivah)
Special Judge (ND&PS) (FTC), Manipur

IT(Adv)-6,7

Rahul Gandhi to launch 'Bharat Jodo Yatra' rally; Fix your party first instead of India, says BJP

Agency
New Delhi, Sept 7:

The much-touted 3,570-km 'Bharat Jodo Yatra' by the Congress will be launched today, and the party has claimed it will be a "transformational moment" for Indian politics and a "decisive moment" for the Congress' rejuvenation. With the launch of the Yatra today, Congress is seeking to flag economic disparities, social polarisation, and political centralisation, while attempting to make gains in what is often described as a battle of ideologies.

Before the launch, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi will take part in a prayer meeting at the Rajiv Gandhi memorial in Sriperumbudur on Wednesday. He will then attend an event in Kanyakumari where Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin, Rajasthan's Ashok Gehlot, and Chhattisgarh's Bhupesh Baghel will also be present. Stalin will present a national flag made of khadi to Rahul Gandhi who will hand it over to Seva Dal workers who will manage the Yatra throughout. After the event at the Mahatma Gandhi Mandapam where Stalin will be present, Rahul Gandhi and other Congress leaders will walk to the seaside venue of the rally where the yatra will be formally launched.

Sources said a message from Congress president Sonia Gandhi could be read or a video message from her be shown at the event. Sonia Gandhi's mother passed away

recently in Italy. Both she and party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra are abroad. Rahul Gandhi arrived in Chennai Tuesday night.

Congress general secretary in-charge communications Jairam Ramesh said the Yatra is a "transformational moment for Indian politics and it is a decisive moment for the rejuvenation of the party".

A final check on the preparations at the venue near the 'Mahatma Gandhi Mandapam' was done by general secretaries K C Venugopal and Ramesh along with senior leader and Yatra organisation panel in-charge Digvijaya Singh.

"There is a lot of enthusiasm and excitement among the Congress workers across India. Even in states where the Yatra is not passing through, people are excited. In each state the Congress will organise similar Yatras on a smaller scale, may be of 50 km or 100 km on the main theme of uniting India, an India being torn apart by economic inequalities, social polarisation and over-centralisation," Ramesh told news agency PTI.

In an apparent dig at the government, Ramesh said it will not be a yatra of speeches where announcements are made. Rahul Gandhi, accompanied by 118 leaders, will interact with various groups, he said. "The party is focused on making Bharat Jodo Yatra successful because it is the largest mass mobilisation programme it has undertaken in Independent India."

"It is the longest yatra un-

dertaken by the party. It's a turning point for India's political history. Padyatras have a significance of their own and this is transformational politics. This is what politics is about, not of abuse, vendetta and vilification," he said.

Tagging a report on a meeting of top BJP leaders in Delhi on Tuesday, Ramesh tweeted, "The launch of the Congress' Bharat Jodo Yatra tomorrow from Kanyakumari has clearly sent a powerful message to the ruling establishment. When they can't meet deadlines, they resort to managing headlines!"

In a video message, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra urged people to join the Yatra wherever possible. She asserted the Yatra was needed as "negative politics was being practised in the country and real issues were not being discussed". It aims to put focus on people's issues such as price rise and unemployment, she said.

Though the march, covering 12 states and two Union Territories in about five months, will be formally launched at the rally, it will actually begin at 7 am on Thursday when Rahul Gandhi and other Congress leaders will embark on the march.

Before the launch, Rahul Gandhi will visit Vivekananda Rock Memorial, Thiruvalluvar statue and Kamaraj Memorial in Kanyakumari. He has said with all paths blocked, the Congress now has to go to the people and tell them the truth which is why the party is undertaking the Yatra.

"The government has

blocked all paths for us... Congress leaders, opposition and people cannot make speeches in Parliament. Our mic is put off. We want to talk about China's attack but can't. We want to talk about unemployment and inflation but can't," Gandhi said at the 'Mehngai Par Halla Bol Rally' on Sunday.

"There is attack on our institutions, whether it is media, Election Commission or judiciary. There is pressure. All roads are closed for us. Only one way left, to go to the people. The country's truth has to be told to the people, that's why the party is undertaking the Yatra," he said.

The march will move in two batches from 7 am to 10:30 am and from 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm. While the morning session will include fewer participants, the evening session will see mass mobilisation. The participants plan to walk around 22 to 23 km daily. The Congress has asserted its Yatra is not a 'Mann Ki Baat', but to ensure people's concerns reach Delhi.

It has classified 119 leaders, including Rahul Gandhi, as 'Bharat Yatri' who will walk the entire route. About 30 per cent of 'Bharat Yatri' are women. The average age of Bharat Yatri is 38. About 50,000 citizens have also registered to participate in the Yatra. To coincide with the launch of the Yatra on Wednesday, 'Prarthana Sabhas' will be held by the Congress' state units at 5 pm, a leader said. At 7 am Thursday, 10 km foot marches will be held at block level.

Assam Rifles organised Career Counseling



IT News
Imphal, Sept 7:

Phundrei Battalion under the aegis of IGAR (South) organised Career Counseling for local youths of Maringbal village, Kakching District,

Manipur on 07 Sep 2022.

The lecture was focused to assist, guide and motivate youths to make appropriate choice of career as per their interest and potential. Youths were also informed about career opportunities available for

them in Armed Forces and Para Military.

The initiative of Assam Rifles was highly appreciated by the youths who expressed their gratitude for giving them a thorough insight to choose a suitable career.

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Aadhaar is instrumental....

All the sessions of the workshop deliberated on Aadhaar features, Key Developments on Usage of Aadhaar, Data Privacy & Information Security.

Saurabh Tiwari, Jt. Secretary, DBT Mission discussed on the various fea-

tures on DBT & its implementation procedures for the State Govt.

Officials from UIDAI had discussed and highlighted the importance of DBT and the issuance of Section-7Gazetted notifications for the schemes and benefits

disbursed from the State Consolidated Fund. Discussions pertaining to Section 4(4)(b)(ii) was also held for issuance of notification under Good Governance.

The workshop ended with a positive note & vote of thanks.

MLA Achab Uddin inspects....

Expressing his dissatisfaction, he added that O.T. Laboratory, X-ray machine is not functional due to which the people of Jiribam is suffering lots in the health sectors.

He said, to solve the problems of hospital as earliest, he will discuss the matter with the Chief Minister and concern Minister.

On the query of the media persons, he said that some officials posted at Jiribam of every department are not willing to stay at Jiribam. He added, Jiribam District is also part of Manipur. "Without the development of Jiribam, we can't say that Manipur is developed", He added.



He appealed to all the officials to stay at Jiribam on their posting and to serve the people of Jiribam.

He assured that regarding

the transfer and posting of the officials he will discuss with the Chief Minister and concern Minister and try to solve the problems of hospital.

Sports

16-year-old Linthoi Chanambam creates history that can change the course for Judo in India

Courtesy: News18
New Delhi, Sept 7:

Linthoi Chanambam may not be a household figure in India yet but the 16-year-old Manipuri from the outskirts of Imphal etched her name in the history books. She became the first Indian to win the gold medal at the World Cadet Judo Championship in Sarajevo, Bosnia in late August.

Linthoi raced to the final in dominating fashion, beating a Georgian, a Bosnian and then a Polish and finally a French judoka - all bouts she won with back-to-back ippons.

In the final, she was up against a Brazilian but Chanambam managed to get an early lead with a waza-ari and finally held on despite getting a shido in the final moments.

Ippon is a move in which a competitor throws their opponent onto the mat with force and speed so that they land on their backs. An ippon is also awarded when a competitor immobilizes their opponent by holding the wrestle for 20 seconds or when the opponent gives up. Waza-ari is awarded after an action in which the opponent is thrown with control and precision,



but not at Ippon's height or held on their back for 15 to 20 seconds on the mat.

Following her win, Linthoi admitted that Judo is something close to her heart, even though she first started playing football when she was younger.

"I started Judo from 2014 and I came to Inspire Institute of Sports (IIS) in Bellary in October 2017. Over the last five years, with so much support from everyone, my life has really changed. The academy where I was previously part of before joining IIS was at a stone's throw distance from my home. So, my father always accompanied me during my practice sessions," she had said during an interaction with the media.

"I always wanted to take up a sport like Judo from a very young age. In fact, I love boxing and football as well. But there were quite a few Judo academies near my home town. That's what attracted me most about this sport and my family supported me from the very beginning," she added.

With her win, her coach Mamuka Kizilashvili was rati- fied in his assessment of when he saw Linthoi in Telangana during a scouting event.

"I first saw her in Telangana. I was part of the talent identification development programme that unearthed talented judokas from all over India. When I visited Imphal, I was surprised to see the passion people have for

the sport there. The first time I saw her, I instantly knew that she has something in her to become a world-class athlete, although she was very young then," Mamuka recalled.

"When as a coach, you start training an athlete from such a young athlete, it is very easy to mould them. It really worked for her too. She also proved it big time," Mamuka said.

Mamuka believes that Linthoi's gold-winning feat is not only a historic achievement but could be a sign of things to come for the sport of Judo in India.

"Both the Indian government and the Sports Authority of India are doing the right things to support the athletes. For instance, Linthoi was only 13 when we recommended her to SAI. And, they funded her from that very moment," he said.

When Linthoi was asked about her favourite judoka, she named Kosovo's first Olympic judo champion, Majlinda Kelmendi, adding that she wants to be the same and win India's first at the 2024 Paris Olympics.

"I will try my best to win a gold medal in Paris. But, if not in Paris, I am sure I can do it at the 2028 Olympics (in Los Angeles)," Linthoi said.

IN THE COURT OF THE JUDICIAL MAGISTRATE FIRST CLASS; JIRIBAM, MANIPUR
Crl. (P) case No. 4 of 2020
Ref:- F.I.R. No. 51 (11) 2018 JBM-P.S.
U/s. 14A(b) Foreigners Act

The State of Manipur

-Vs-

Kushida Begum aged about (19) yrs., D/o Md. Jolo Uddin of Buthidang, Rakhine State Mayanmar and another

..... Accused Persons

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED (Under section 82 Cr.P.C)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that **Khalida Begum (20) yrs., D/o Rashid Ahmed of Buthidang, Rakhine State, Mayanmar** has committed that offence of Crl. (P) case No.4 of 2020,

Ref: F.I.R. No. 51(11) 2018 of JBM-P.S. under section 14A(b) Foreigners Act, and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issue that the same warrantee **Khalida Begum (20) yrs., D/o Rashid Ahmed of Buthidang, Rakhine State, Mayanmar** cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Khalida Begum (20) yrs., D/o Rashid Ahmed of Buthidang, Rakhine State, Mayanmar** has been absconded or concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant.

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Khalida Begum (20) yrs., D/o Rashid Ahmed of Buthidang, Rakhine State, Mayanmar** is required to appear at Jiribam before this court to answer the said complaint on this the 9th day of September, 2022.

Dated, this the 11th day of August, 2022.

Sd/-
Bonny Laishram
Judicial Magistrate First Class
Jiribam, Manipur