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Chief Minister Meets Anal Tribe CSOs Over Spurious Liquor Tragedy, Assures Government Assistance



Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh today met representatives of various civil society organisations of the Anal Tribe to discuss the recent suspected spurious liquor tragedy in Chandel district. The incident has claimed 17 lives, with 16 deaths in Chandel District and one in Kakching District.

The representatives briefed the Chief Minister on the situation arising from the tragic incident and submitted a memorandum seeking immediate intervention by the State Government. The memorandum highlighted the need for compensation to the bereaved families, full medical assistance for all affected persons, strengthening of healthcare infrastructure in Chandel district, and rehabilitation support for the affected families. It also called for the constitution of a Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by an officer of the rank of Inspector General of Police (IGP) Manipur to ensure a thorough investigation into the incident and to bring those responsible to justice.

Responding to the demands raised by the representatives, the Chief Minister informed them that a High-Level Enquiry Committee has been constituted, headed by Principal Secretary R.K. Dinesh Singh, IAS, to conduct an enquiry into the tragedy. He also assured that possible assistance will be provided to the victims and their families. The Chief Minister expressed concern over the tragic loss of lives and assured the representatives that the Government would look into the issues raised in the memorandum.

Deputy Chief Minister Losii Dikho, MLA Dr. Thokchom Radheshyam Singh, MLA S. S. Olish, and representatives of various civil society organisations of the Anal Tribe attended the meeting. The representatives included Shri P.S. Monihring, President of Anal Naga Tangpi (ANTA); S.R. Khingam, President of Anal Sinnu Ruwl (ASR); Wngt. Lawrence, President of Anal Lelruwl Tangpi (ALT); and H.B. Heberson, Vice-President of Allon Chiefs' Association (ALCA), among others.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

State Journalists Award Recipient Gyanand Naorem Felicitated



Gyanand Naorem, Special Correspondent of the Hueiyen Lanpao daily and a resident of Kakching Wairi Senapati Leikai, received a warm reception after being conferred the State Journalists Award 2026 in Sports Reporting by the Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR), Government of Manipur.

At the felicitation programme organized by the Sena Athletes' Organisation (SAO) at its hall in Kakching Wairi Senapati Leikai, Yambem Chaoba, Advisory Board Member of SAO, attended as the Chief Guest. Dr. Naorem Subhaschandra, Advisory Board Member of SAO, and Moirangthem Rameshwar, President of SAO, attended as the Guest of Honour and President, respectively.

SAO honoured its former Assistant Secretary, Gyanand Naorem, who was among eight outstanding journalists selected across various categories by DIPR this year for the Sports Reporting Award 2026, by presenting him with a Lengyan, a memento, and simple gifts as tokens of respect and Guests present at the event praised Gyanand Naorem's dedication and efforts toward achieving success in journalism while extending their best wishes for his continued success in the future.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

State Level Pulse Polio Immunisation Programme 2026 Launched in Kakching, Manipur



The state-level Polio Sub-National Immunisation Day (SNID)/Pulse Polio Immunisation Programme 2026 was launched today at the Langmeidong Dramatic Union Hall in Kakching district, Manipur. The programme was organised by the Directorate of Family Welfare Services, Manipur, in collaboration with the State Health Society and the National Health Mission (NHM), Manipur.

The programme was graced by Dr. Yumnam Radheshyam, MLA of Hiyanglam Assembly Constituency, as the chief guest, and Dr. S. Gopal Singh, Additional Director, Family Welfare Services, Manipur, as President. Dr. Th. Rajen Singh, CMO/DMD, Kakching, and Dr. Ksh. Memcha Devi, State Immunisation Officer, Manipur, Two drops of Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) were administered to children below five years of age at immunisation booths across Kakching district as part of the Pulse Polio Immunisation Programme 2026.

The statewide campaign targets 2,13,432 children aged 0–5 years across 13 districts through 2,134 immunisation booths. A total of 8,536 vaccinators and 427 supervisors have been deployed for the campaign. In Kakching district, the campaign targets 10,702 children aged 0–5 years through 135 immunisation booths, with 540 vaccinators and 27 supervisors deployed.

Following the booth-based immunisation drive, house-to-house visits will be conducted on November 23 and 24 to ensure that children who missed vaccination on the launch day are also covered. A total of 32,459 houses are targeted to be covered in this phase.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

Thoubal Intensifies Awareness Campaign Against Illicit Liquor



The District Administration of Thoubal has issued a public alert following recent incidents of spurious liquor in the state. Helpline numbers – District Administration 9863885896, Thoubal Police Control Room 6009889112 and District Hospital Thoubal 8730056150 – have been provided for emergencies.

A day after Deputy Commissioner Yumnam Robita, IAS, issued advisories and directives, the administration intensified its awareness drive, warning residents against the production, sale, distribution and consumption of counterfeit, adulterated or illegally manufactured liquor, including illicit DIC liquor, in Thoubal district. The public is urged to avoid buying liquor from unauthorized vendors, not to manufacture, sell, distribute or transport illicit liquor, and to report any suspected activity to the administration or police. Anyone who suspects they have consumed spurious liquor and shows unusual symptoms should seek immediate medical attention. The administration has warned that violators will face strict action under applicable laws. Cooperation from the community is essential to safeguard lives and maintain safety in Thoubal. Officer-in-charge of the Thoubal Excise Station, S. Okendro Singh, appealed to the public to refrain from illegal brewing and sale of liquor. The Food Safety Administration (FSA) of Thoubal is conducting targeted inspections. The FSA team, led by Designated Officer Y. Satyajeet, collected suspected alcohol samples in Yairipok and surrounding areas for testing at the State Food Testing Laboratory, Directorate of Health Services, Government of Manipur. Local clubs are also disseminating the advisory, while district police are broadcasting it via public address systems and posting posters in markets and other public places.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

Special Summary Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls, 2027



A special campaign for the Special Summary Revision (SSR) of photo electoral rolls, with 1 January 2027 as the qualifying date, was conducted today at polling stations across all six assembly constituencies in Thoubal district, Manipur, under the supervision of the Deputy Commissioner/District Election Officer. Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and BLO supervisors closely monitored the revision process, assisting eligible citizens with new enrolment, submission of claims and objections, and other electoral-roll services. The campaign aimed to ensure that every eligible voter has the opportunity to enrol and to access electoral services. The initiative reflects the District Election Administration's commitment to an inclusive, accurate and error-free electoral roll and to greater public participation in the electoral process.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

Manipur Cherry Blossom cum Flower Festival Kicks off at Mao with Call for Peace, Unity



The Manipur Cherry Blossom cum Flower Festival, 2026, commenced at Motu Tubvii, Mao Gate, in Senapati district on Friday, with Deputy Chief Minister Losii Dikho inaugurating the four-day celebration under the theme 'Blossoms of Unity and Culture'.

The inaugural function was attended by Khuraijam Loken Singh, Minister of Art & Culture and Tourism, Government of Manipur, and Dr. Thokchom Radheshyam Singh, MLA and Spokesperson of the Government of Manipur, as Guests of Honour. Rajeev Singh Thakur, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur, attended as the Special Guest.

Other dignitaries present included Dr. Lorho S. Pfoze, President of NPP Manipur and former MP, Outer Manipur, and Yumnam Joybala Devi, wife of the Chief Minister of Manipur.

The programme was also attended by special invitees Lourembam Bikram, IAS, Director of Tourism; N. Kheda Varta Singh, IRS, Secretary of Tourism, Government of Manipur; Wilson Kayina, Officer on Special Duty (OSD) to the Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Minority Affairs, Government of India; and Kayio Kayina Th, IRS, Managing Director, NERCORMS/NEC, Shillong.

At the beginning of the programme, a moment of silence was observed in memory of Patsoi MLA Sapam Kunjakeshwor, popularly known as Keba, who passed away in New Delhi following an illness.

Pfoze highlighted the tourism potential of the Mao region and said the festival was initially envisioned by local people as an initiative to promote tourism, preserve the region's natural heritage and create livelihood opportunities. He acknowledged the contribution of local youths in promoting the initiative since 2015, which has gradually grown into an important annual celebration.

Addressing the gathering, Yumnam Joybala Devi said the festival was not merely a celebration of flowers but also a reflection of Manipur's rich diversity, shared natural heritage and collective aspiration for a peaceful and progressive future.

She highlighted that the festival provided a platform to showcase indigenous cuisine, handicrafts, traditional games and local talent, emphasising that true harmony could flourish only when every community was included and every voice was heard.

Appreciating the contribution of women in promoting organic agricultural products, particularly in Mao, she acknowledged their efforts in cultivation and marketing and called for greater recognition of women's contributions across different sectors.

She also appealed to the people to work collectively towards restoring normalcy and upholding dignity, mutual respect and peaceful coexistence.

Speaking as the Chief Guest, Deputy Chief Minister Losii Dikho highlighted the economic significance of the festival, particularly its contribution to women engaged in floriculture and flower marketing in the Mao region.

He said flower cultivation had become an important source of livelihood for women, with households across the region actively engaged in growing and marketing flowers. He credited local youths and women for sustaining the initiative, adding that the government's recognition of the flower competition had brought further benefits to the region.

Lauding the role of women, Dikho assured that the state government would extend assistance to Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in the region, particularly those engaged in vegetable vending and flower cultivation.

On the prevailing situation in Manipur, the Deputy Chief Minister appealed to all sections of society to pray and work collectively towards restoring peace and normalcy.

Acknowledging that forgiveness and reconciliation could be difficult during challenging times, he urged people to move forward through mutual understanding and work towards lasting peace.

Referring to Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh's leadership, Dikho said the Centre had entrusted him with the responsibility of leading efforts to restore peace in the state and appealed to the people to extend their support.

"Without peace, no development can come," he said, adding that the festival should also serve as a reminder of the importance of harmony and peaceful coexistence.

The dignitaries later visited exhibition stalls showcasing flowers, fruits, vegetables, organic food products, handicrafts, indigenous cuisines and other locally produced items displayed by Self-Help Groups and local entrepreneurs.

flower festival in 2015, later evolved into the Manipur Cherry Blossom cum Flower Festival and became part of the state's annual tourism calendar.

The four-day celebration will continue until November 23, featuring cherry blossom viewing and walks, flower and vegetable exhibitions, local handicrafts and art bazaars, indigenous food stalls, photography competitions, art exhibitions, traditional games and a guided trek to Mount Esii, the highest peak in Manipur.

The festival is open to the public, with visitors from across Manipur and neighbouring states invited to be part of the four-day celebration. Organisers have extended a warm invitation to everyone to visit Mao Gate, experience the beauty of the cherry blossoms, explore the region's rich cultural heritage and enjoy the various activities and exhibitions lined up until November 23.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

Jiri News Network Celebrates Its 22nd Foundation Day with Grandeur at Jiribam, Manipur



The 22nd Foundation Day Celebration of Jiri News Network (JNN) was successfully organised at the JNN office, located at Babupara, Jiribam District, Manipur, under the joint initiative of the Jiri News Network Committee (JNNC) and Hope to Bloom Foundation, Dargarbond, Dullabcherra, Sribhumi, Assam.

The programme was graced by Th. Brojen Singh, Advisor, Manipuri Youth Front Assam (MYFA), as the Chief Guest; Seram Herajit Singh, Chairman, JNNC, as the President; and Rev. Meitram Bijen Singh, Pastor-in-Charge, Lala Pastorate, Presbyterian Church of India, as the Guest of Honour.

The programme began with a keynote and welcome address delivered by Ng. Raghumani Singh, Executive Member of JNNC, who warmly welcomed the dignitaries and attendees.

During the programme, heartfelt tributes were paid to late JNN Anchor Mrs. Surmila and Sub-Editor Thoudam Momon Singh. As a mark of respect and remembrance, the gathering observed two minutes of silence in honour of their contributions and paid homage to the departed souls.

Addressing the gathering, Guest of Honour Rev. Meitram Bijen Singh highlighted the important role of the media in connecting people and bringing communities together. He expressed his hope that the region would continue to witness peace, development and progress through responsible media initiatives.

Chief Guest Th. Brojen Singh appreciated the continued service of Jiri News Network to the people. He stated that JNN had been serving the public and maintaining its presence in the region through its commitment to journalism. He also encouraged the network to continue its dedicated service for the welfare of society.

Herajit Singh recalled the journey of Jiri News Network and its contribution to the field of journalism across Jiribam and Cachar. He stated that JNN had consistently extended its support to the people in disseminating news and information. He further expressed happiness that people had increasingly recognised the importance of media in society and appealed to the public to continue supporting and encouraging JNN in its endeavours.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by former JNN Editor M. Romeo Singh, expressing gratitude to all the dignitaries, organisers, participants and well-wishers who contributed to the successful celebration. Following the formal programme, a community lunch was organised, bringing together the participants in a spirit of unity and fellowship.

As part of the foundation day celebration, the organisers also undertook a social welfare initiative by visiting women vendors at Jiri Ema Keithel and Lamkhai Keithel, where blankets were distributed as a gesture of goodwill and appreciation. The team also visited the Senior Citizen Home for Women at Lakhipur, Jiribam, and distributed blankets to the elderly residents as a humanitarian gesture.

The celebration concluded on a meaningful note, reflecting Jiri News Network's continued commitment not only to journalism and public service but also to social responsibility, community welfare and humanity.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

Special Campaign to Begin Tomorrow at Thoubal Polling Stations



A special campaign in connection with the Special Summary Revision of Photo Electoral Rolls, with January 1, 2027, as the qualifying date, will be organized at all polling stations in Thoubal district, Manipur. The campaign will be held at polling stations on November 21 and 22, 2026, and December 5 and 6, 2026.

The initiative aims to ensure that every eligible citizen has the opportunity to be enrolled in the electoral roll, particularly left-out electors, young prospective voters, and first-time electors who will attain the age of 18 on the qualifying date.

All concerned Booth Level Officers (BLOs) have been directed by their respective Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) to be present at their respective polling stations on the specified dates during office hours to organize the special campaign for receiving Forms 6, 7, and 8.

BLOs have been instructed to assist eligible citizens with enrollment, submission of claims and objections, and other electoral roll-related services. Meanwhile, all BLO Supervisors have been directed to visit their concerned polling stations and liaise with BLOs to ensure the successful conduct of the special campaign.

Electoral Registration Officers (EROs) of six Assembly Constituencies: M. Priyaroshini Devi (30-Lilong); Robert Meinam (31-Thoubal); H. Kiromani Singh (32-Wangkhem); Aribam Amarjit Sharma (33-Heirok); Seema Sanjenbam (34-Wangjing Tentha); and Surma Thiyam (35-Khangabok).

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

District Advisory Committee Meeting on PC&PNDT Held at Thoubal



A District Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting on the Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PC&PNDT) Act was held today at the DC Conference Hall in Thoubal District, Manipur.

The meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner Smt. Yumnam Robita (IAS), who also serves as the Chairperson of the District PC&PNDT Committee. The Vice-Chairman of the DAC and Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of Thoubal, Dr. K.C. Luwang, was present at the meeting.

Addressing the gathering, Deputy Commissioner Smt. Yumnam Robita reviewed the unauthorized use of diagnostic centers in the district and emphasized the need for strict monitoring and necessary measures to ensure compliance with the provisions of the PC&PNDT Act.

During the meeting, members and the Member Secretary of the PC&PNDT Committee, DHS Thoubal, held detailed discussions on updating PC&PNDT registrations, updating the list of Registered Medical Practitioners (RMPs) and specialists, submitting monthly Form 'F' reports, and other related matters.

Also in attendance were T. Sangeeta, Additional Commissioner to DC; Dr. A. Rajen Singh, DNO PC&PNDT; Dr. Kh. Robindro Singh, Medical Superintendent of District Hospital Thoubal; Dr. T. Naren Singh, Specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology; Dr. Kh. Sandeep Singh, Specialist in Pediatrics; along with officials and representatives, including the Legal Expert, District Information Office, and women's organizations (Meira Paibis), among others.

— Rabi Takhellambam, Imphal

DEFENCE

Assam Rifles Seizes Drugs Worth ₹720 Crore in Manipur, Arrests One Militant

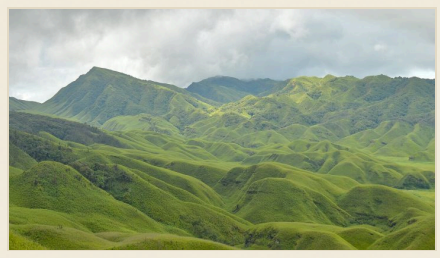


Assam Rifles forces have arrested a militant cadre in Manipur.

Additionally, the soldiers seized illegal drugs worth ₹720 crore.

This seizure reflects the military's efforts to curb both militant activity and drug trafficking in the northeast.

Manipur launches Digi SAPNE 3.0 digital platform on 20 November 2026



Manipur officially launched the Digi SAPNE 3.0 digital platform on 20 November 2026. The launch was reported by the regional news portal e-pao.net, which described the initiative as a step toward strengthening the state's digital infrastructure. Digi SAPNE 3.0 is presented as an upgraded version of earlier digital services, aimed at providing citizens and stakeholders with improved access. While detailed technical specifications were not disclosed in the initial report, the announcement underscores the government's technology-driven development agenda. State officials are expected to outline the implementation plan in the coming weeks, which may include integration with existing e-governance systems. The launch forms part of a broader national effort by Indian states to adopt modern digital solutions for public services.

POLITICS

Manipur Governor Emphasizes Preservation of Cultural Heritage, Promotes Research



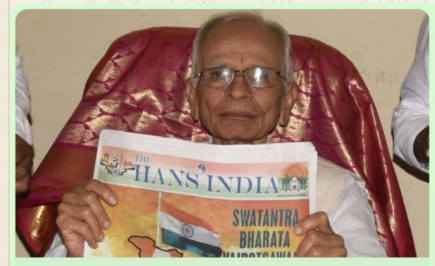
Addressing a cultural forum in Imphal, the Governor stressed the need to preserve the state's rich heritage. He noted that Manipur's diverse traditions, folk arts, and historical sites are under threat from rapid modernization and neglect.

In his speech, the Governor urged researchers, historians, and community leaders to systematically document intangible cultural assets such as music, dance, and oral history. He stated that preserving these elements is essential for maintaining the state's identity.

He also called on the state government to allocate resources for preservation projects and collaborate with educational institutions. He highlighted digital archives as a crucial tool for making cultural knowledge available to future generations.

By promoting research and documentation, the Governor aims to establish a balance between development and the preservation of Manipur's cultural heritage.

Suspected KCP Rebel Killed in Imphal West Encounter



Chandraprakash Rao joined fight as 'Bala Bhatudu'

An encounter took place between security forces and suspected militants of the Kuki National Kuki Democratic Front (KCP) in Imphal West, Manipur. One suspected KCP rebel was killed in the jungle during the clash. Security forces arrested eight other individuals during the operation, who are believed to be involved in militant activities. Further information about the incident, including the identity of the deceased rebel, is awaited.

POLITICS

KIM Accuses UNC of Selective Outrage Over Liangmai Killings, Demands Separate Administration



KIM has accused the UNC of selective outrage following the killings in Liangmai district. In a statement, KIM alleged that the UNC paid attention to this incident while ignoring violence in other parts of the state.

KIM also reiterated its demand for a separate administration for the region, arguing that local governance should align with the specific needs of the community. The group has called for immediate action to address security concerns and ensure adequate representation for local residents.

These accusations come amid rising ethnic tensions in Manipur, where several organisations have demanded clear policies to prevent future violence. KIM's demand for a separate administration reflects broader calls for greater autonomy within the state.

The UNC has not yet responded to the accusations, and no official statement has been issued by the council. The situation remains fluid, and local authorities are closely monitoring developments.

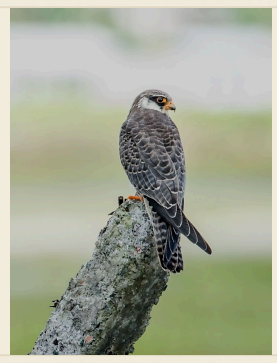
10 Dead, Over 100 Hospitalised in Manipur Following Consumption of Adulterated Alcohol



A tragic incident has occurred in Manipur, where at least 10 people have died and over 100 have been hospitalised after consuming adulterated alcohol. The incident has caused panic in the state, prompting immediate action by authorities. The Chief Minister of Manipur visited the hospital to meet the affected patients, express condolences, and pledge support to the victims' families. An investigation has been launched to identify the source of the adulterated alcohol and hold those responsible accountable.

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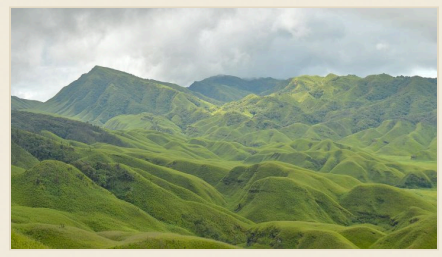
Amur Falcon Begins 3,000 km Non-Stop Flight from India to Africa



Bird enthusiasts in India witnessed the first flight of an Amur Falcon embarking on a 3,000 km non-stop journey to Africa, a distance far exceeding the species' typical migration range. The flight, which started from northern India, will cross the Indian Ocean, pass through the Sahara Desert, and eventually reach the Sahel region. Scientists believe this is the longest non-stop flight recorded for an Amur Falcon to date, demonstrating the bird's extraordinary endurance and adaptability. According to satellite tracking data released by ornithologists, the falcon is expected to reach West Africa by mid-March, enabling real-time study of long-distance migration patterns. The event has drawn attention from bird scientists and enthusiasts worldwide, who are keen to monitor the bird's progress and understand its navigation strategies.

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Manipur Dairy Wins 2026 IDF Dairy Innovation Award

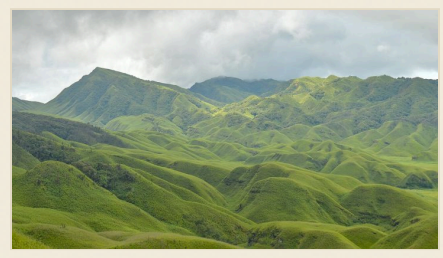


Manipur Dairy has been awarded the 2026 Dairy Innovation Award by the International Dairy Federation (IDF). The award, which promotes dairy science and technology globally, recognises the cooperative's latest achievements in milk processing and product development.

IDF representatives stated that the award reflects the cooperative's commitment to sustainable practices and consumer-focused innovation. Industry experts believe this recognition will attract additional investment and encourage other regional producers to adopt similar technologies, thereby strengthening the country's overall dairy ecosystem.

POLITICS

Potential Delay in Manipur Assembly Elections



Sangai Express reported that the scheduled Assembly elections in Manipur may not take place as per the original plan. Election officials have initiated a review of the schedule in light of various administrative and logistical reasons.

The exact reasons for the delay have not yet been made public, but senior officials are assessing the feasibility of the elections in coordination with political parties and security agencies.

This uncertainty has increased demands for clarity from both the ruling and opposition sides, as the election schedule directly impacts campaign strategies and voter mobilization. The State Election Commission is expected to make an official announcement soon, detailing the new dates and reasons.

All stakeholders have emphasized the need for transparency to maintain confidence in the democratic process and have urged the Commission to notify changes promptly.

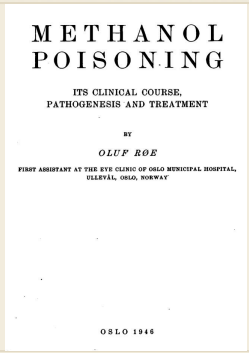
AGRICULTURE

Security Concerns Put Manipur's November Paddy Harvest Target at Risk



The state government had set a target to complete paddy harvesting by November. Recent heightened security concerns, linked to rebel activities in the region, now pose a risk of delaying this process. Farmers fear that delayed harvesting could lead to reduced yields and impact market prices. Officials are closely monitoring the situation to ensure that agricultural activities proceed safely.

15 Dead, 150 Hospitalized in Methanol Poisoning in Manipur


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Fifteen people have died and 150 have been hospitalized in a tragic methanol poisoning incident in Chandel district, Manipur. The potentially toxic alcohol was reportedly consumed by individuals who were unaware of its dangers. Authorities are working hard to identify the source of the toxic methanol and apprehend those responsible for its distribution. The affected individuals are receiving medical care at various hospitals in the district.

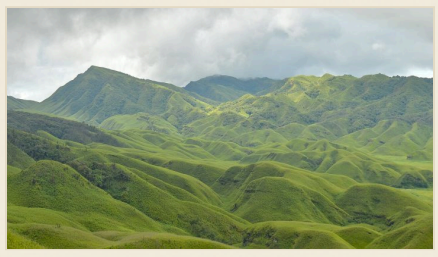
Manipur MLA Sapam Kunjakshwar Singh Passes Away; Body to Return to State Today



Earlier today, news emerged of the passing of Manipur MLA Sapam Kunjakshwar Singh. The MLA, who was serving in the state assembly, was found dead at his residence. Officials announced that his body would be brought back to Manipur later today to allow for state mourning ceremonies. The Assembly expressed its condolences and pledged to honor his service. No additional information regarding the cause of death has been released yet.

POLITICS

MCPCR Holds Consultation Meeting in Imphal on Child Marriage and Sexual Exploitation



The Manipur State Child Protection and Rights Committee (MCPCR) convened a consultation meeting in Imphal to discuss the ongoing issues of child marriage and sexual exploitation. NGOs, community leaders, and legal experts attended the session, with the aim of reviewing current policies and identifying gaps in enforcement.

The Committee's chairperson emphasized the need for strict monitoring of school enrollment and severe penalties for offenders, while NGOs urged for increased awareness programs in rural areas.

MCPCR announced that it would prepare a comprehensive action plan and request additional resources from the state government to strengthen the child protection mechanism.

LOCAL

IDPs Seek Moral Support for Proposed Rally



Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) have expressed the need for moral support for a proposed rally, which has not yet been scheduled. According to a report by The Sangai Express, the community is eager to raise its voice and gather support. While there is no clear information yet regarding the date, venue, or agenda of the rally, IDPs are emphasizing the importance of unity and public backing. This movement highlights the challenges faced by displaced communities in the region.

11 Dead from Adulterated Alcohol in Manipur



A tragic incident has occurred in Manipur, where 11 people have died from consuming adulterated alcohol over the past three days. The consumption of the tainted liquor has caused multiple deaths, prompting an investigation into the source of the suspected alcohol. The Chief Minister of Manipur visited hospitals to assess the situation and offer support to the victims' families. Authorities are working to identify and arrest those responsible for the production and distribution of the suspected alcohol.

Manipur Sets Goal to Become Child Marriage-Free State by 2030



The state government of Manipur has announced a clear target to completely eradicate child marriages by 2030. This declaration, reported by The Sangai Express, underscores the policy to protect minors from early marriage.

This step reflects ongoing concern over the social issue, as child marriages persist in some areas, negatively impacting children's health, education, and future prospects. Officials have emphasized the need for coordinated action to meet national legal standards and international commitments.

To achieve the 2030 target, the government has stated its intention to strengthen the enforcement of existing laws, expand awareness campaigns in schools and communities, and enhance monitoring in collaboration with civil society organizations. This initiative is presented as a long-term effort to create a safe environment for children in Manipur.