

AICC launches National Talent Hunt in Arunachal; calls youth to lead democratic discourse

ITANAGAR, Feb 16: In a significant step towards empowering young leaders and strengthening democratic communication, the Media Department of the (AICC) today launched the National Talent Hunt Programme for Arunachal Pradesh at .

The programme was formally inaugurated by national spokesperson of the Indian National Congress and in-charge of the National Talent Hunt for Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland, in the presence of senior leaders and office bearers of the (APCC) along with representatives of frontal wings and youth leaders.

Addressing the gathering, Ms. Sharma underscored the crucial role of spokespersons, policy researchers, and publicity



coordinators in shaping public discourse and presenting factual, research-based narratives before the nation.

"The Congress Party is committed to nurturing young talent who can articulate the concerns of the people with clarity, courage, and constitutional values. This Talent Hunt is a platform for the youth of Arunachal Pradesh to rise,

lead, and represent," she stated.

She emphasized that the initiative is designed to identify and groom capable individuals who can serve both at the Pradesh Congress Committee (PCC) and AICC levels, providing them exposure at State and National platforms.

Sharma made a strong appeal to the dynamic youth of the State to come forward, register, and actively participate in nation-building through constructive political engagement.

The encouraged young aspirants to become the voice of the marginalized and unheard, defend democracy and uphold the Constitution of India, contribute research-based insights and impactful communication and represent Arunachal Pradesh

proudly at national forums.

Interested applicants can register by scanning the official QR code. They need to select their preferred field: spokesperson, researcher, or publicity coordinator. The initiative reflects the Congress party's commitment to inclusive leadership and structured capacity building for young political communicators.

Mama Natung releases children books in Tawra Mishmi at Tamla~Du festival

TEZU, Feb 16: The RIWATCH Centre for Mother Languages (RCML) released six children's pictorial glossary books in the Tawraon (Tawra~) Mishmi language aimed at promoting and preserving the community's native tongue.

The titles include Tathi Kara Ma Me~ho Weyi Pya (Animals & Birds), Taty Tsaiya (Numerals), Ji-Ba (Action Verbs), Tum/Atum Khalai Yu' Mla~ (Nature & Environment), Me~ Tyang Tho (Human Body), and Wrek Zo Tapawtari Mago Halya (Crafts and Artifacts).

Published under the theme "Tawraon (Tawra~) Tu'ku'bra Kasa Ringke" ("Let Us Learn Tawraon"), the books were launched by Mama Natung, Minister for Home and Inter-State Border Affairs, PHE & Water Supply, and the Department of Indigenous Affairs



during the 56th Central Tamla~Du Festival Celebration 2026 at Tezu.

These publications are the result of a close and well-coordinated collaboration between the RIWATCH Centre for Mother Languages (RCML), the Tawra~ Language Development Committee (TLDC) and the Cultural and Literary Society of Mishmi (CALSOM).

This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to safeguarding the Tawraon (Tawra~) Mishmi language and strengthening intergenerational transmission through culturally rooted educational re-

sources.

In his address, Natung appreciated the dedication and hard work of the RIWATCH team, acknowledging the commitment required for such an important initiative.

He expressed his gratitude for their efforts in preserving and promoting mother languages and assured continued government support for research, documentation, and awareness programs.

He also emphasized the need to develop more children's literature in indigenous languages to ensure their transmission to future generations.

APSAS raises health concerns over garbage dumping ground at Chimpu, submits complaint to IMC & urban dev. dept.

By Our Reporter

ITANAGAR, Feb 16: The Arunachal Pradesh Swachh Abhiyan Sangh (APSAS) on Monday addressing the media at the Arunachal Press Club (APC), Itanagar and spoke against the dumping and burial grounds located near Chimpu adjacent to the Itanagar city violating all the guidelines and norms of the projects.

Addressing reporters, APSAS General Secretary Tatung Taje said that a representation has been submitted to the Commissioner and Mayor of Itanagar Municipal Corporation (IMC) and even to the department of Urban Development Department with regards to the dumping ground and its effect to the human being and passerby using the NH-415 towards the Donyi Polo Airport and also towards the Itanagar city.

"Thousands of people are passing on a daily basis from the same place and the foul smell is creating several diseases due to



huge deposition of garbage is collected by IMC and others," he said.

"The main motto of our organisation is to create awareness among the citizens and how to stay garbage-free and maintain cleanliness and green environment for a healthy and long life. We have met several officers related to the garbage including the IMC people but no action has been seen on the ground level," he said.

Alleging that residents living near the existing garbage dumping ground and adjacent cremation/burial site in Chimpu are being exposed to hazardous waste due to alleged mismanagement and violation of prescribed health and safety norms.

"The locals have approached us and we are now taking up the issue

which is serious in nature and needs immediate attention of the Urban Development department, IMC, Capital administration, and state government. We have lodged a formal complaint submitted to the Urban Development Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, highlighting alleged health and environmental hazards caused by improper garbage disposal at Chimpu. We will not sit idle and have started the movement for shifting of the dumping ground to a safer place and also to the burial ground immediately," he added.

The APSAS Chairman Tanun Soki informed that despite repeated appeals and demands for the relocation of the dumping ground and shifting of the burial site, no concrete action has been taken by the

authorities concerned.

"Despite of proper disposal of garbage it has been seen that the garbage is allegedly being dumped outside the designated area and within the Chimpu locality. Several acts which have been done previously seem that they have been practices that are in violation of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for urban waste disposal and pose a serious threat to public health, sanitation, and environmental safety," she said.

Demanding immediate intervention, APSAS has urged the government to relocate the dumping site to the notified area within 30 days. The organization cautioned that if appropriate measures are not taken within the stipulated time frame, it may resort to democratic forms of protest to protect the interests and well-being of the local residents.

She also appealed to all people to think about this issue being faced by all the people of the capital complex.

HKWS observes 3rd foundation day in Itanagar, urges youths to shun drugs



By Our Reporter

ITANAGAR, Feb 16: The Higang Khu Welfare Society (HKWS) observed its 3rd foundation day with a day-long programme.

The meeting spoke out against drug addiction among youths, emphasized the youths to become the torch bearers of the society.

KHWS President Tam Taying Hagang while

speaking to media said, "Our celebration is not only a gathering but an awareness among the clan members about the ill-effects of drug among the youths, to educate children for competitive examination, maintain good health for long life, women empowerment, start to avoid plastic in daily life, protect environment & forest".

"We are working with a motto that our children become good human beings and also reach new heights to serve the society, state and country," he said.

"Today's celebration is not only a celebration but also a gathering of several executive members of three clans to plan its year-long activities and general conference. Apart from several activities we discussed many issues related to the well-be-

ing of people, communal harmony, brotherhood among other clans, tribe and change of mindset among the people of various clans, tribes of state," he added.

The celebration was organized near Hollongi in Papum Pare district with the presence of several senior leaders and executive members of the HKWS.

On the occasion, several achievers in service, local body poll and others were also felicitated on the occasion.

HKWS secretary Biki Langre Hagang, organising chairman Tam Kago Hagang, organising secretary Tam Tayok Hagang among others also addressed the function.

Fire destroys home near Daria Hills in Itanagar

By Our Reporter

ITANAGAR, Feb 16: A devastating fire accident occurred at Sinik Colony, near Daria hills in Itanagar on Monday morning that affected a family whose house was burnt along with household items, ornaments, documents, certi-



cates and a car.

The dwelling belongs to Gokia Tadh and the family lost everything as they

were not in the home when the mishap took place. The victim has urged the Itanagar Capital administra-

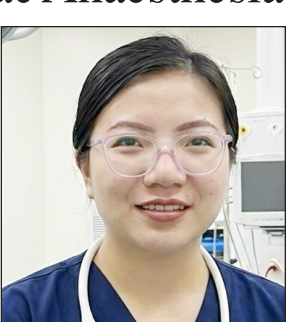
tion and the state government to provide relief and support to help the family to re-commence their daily life. The local leaders of the area have also urged the administration, like-minded people, leaders and well to do people to extend helping hands to the victim and the family.

Dr. Yasum Litin of Yingkiong becomes first super-specialist in Cardiac Anaesthesia from Arunachal Pradesh

NAHARLAGUN, Feb 16: Dr. Yasum Litin, daughter of Late Alum Litin and Late Tipeng Litin and belonging to the Adi community from Yingkiong in Upper Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh, has achieved a significant milestone by completing her DM (Doctorate of Medicine) in Cardiac Anaesthesia from Goa Medical College (GMC), Bambolim, Goa.

She is recognised as the first super-specialist in Cardiac Anaesthesia from Arunachal Pradesh and the first female from the North-eastern region of India.

Dr. Litin completed her early schooling at Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, Jirdin (Aalo), and her higher schooling at



Kingcup Public School, Itanagar.

She pursued her MBBS from the North Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health and Medical Sciences (NEIGRIHMS), Shillong.

She later obtained her MD in Anaesthesia, Critical Care Medicine (CCM), and Pain Management from Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Institute of Medical Sciences

(DRRMLIMS), Lucknow.

She subsequently completed her superspeciality DM training in Cardiac Anaesthesia at Goa Medical College, Bambolim.

Her training includes specialised expertise in anaesthetic management for cardiac surgery, perioperative cardiac care, cardiac critical care, and management of patients undergoing complex heart procedures. Her achievement holds particular importance for Arunachal Pradesh, where cardiologists and cardiac surgeons are present, but specialised cardiac anaesthesia services remain limited—a crucial requirement for initiating open-heart and advanced cardiac surgical services. Currently, many

patients from the state still need to travel outside for such specialised cardiac care. Dr. Litin has expressed her willingness to contribute her knowledge and skills toward strengthening cardiac anaesthesia, perioperative cardiac management, and cardiac critical care services, especially in underserved areas of the Northeast, with the larger aim of improving access to advanced cardiac healthcare for the region.

She has also acknowledged the unwavering support of her family, especially her uncle and close relatives, whose encouragement, care, and guidance played a crucial role in her journey, particularly during the absence of her parents.

Full ECI bench arrives on 3-day visit to poll bound Assam

GUWAHATI, Feb 16: The full bench of the ECI, led by CEC Gyanesh Kumar, arrived here on Monday on a three-day visit to review preparedness for the forthcoming assembly polls in

Assam, officials said.

The poll panel will meet leaders of political parties, election related central and state regulatory authorities, district election officers and superintendents of police on

Tuesday. The CEC, along with Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi, was received by Assam CEO Anurag Goel.

"ECI delegation led by #CEC Shri Gyanesh Kumar

and ECs Dr Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr Vivek Joshi arrives in # Guwahati today to review poll preparedness for #Assam Assembly Elections," the ECI posted on 'X'. (PTI)



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I, **Shri Allah Chege**, S/o Madu Chege, a resident of Village Chege, P.O. Pipu P.S. Chayang Tajo, District East Kameng, Arunachal Pradesh, do hereby declare that my father's name and date of birth has been wrongly recorded as **Shri Mdu Chege** and **28/10/2007** in my Aadhar card, instead of **Shri Madu Chege** and **26/10/2007** vide Affidavit Reg. 5465 dated 16/02/2026 sworn in the court of Executive Magistrate, ICC, Naharlagun, A.P. This affidavit is sworn for correction of my father's name and my date of birth as **Shri Madu Chege**, and **26/10/2007** in my Aadhar card and all other purposes.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Smti. Junmoni Devi**, W/o Kishor Luitel, a permanent resident of Village Baljan, PO Bhanga Mandir, PS Dhekiajuli, District Sonitpur, Assam, presently residing at Lekhi Village, PO/PS Naharlagun, Dist. Papum Pare, Arunachal Pradesh, do hereby declare that I am **Junmoni Devi**. Earlier, my name was **Junu Devi**. Henceforth, I shall be known as **Junmoni Devi** instead of **Junu Devi** in all my documents as per Affidavit Reg. No. 2048, Dated 10/02/2026 sworn before Executive Magistrate, Papum Pare District, Yupia. This affidavit is sworn for correction of my name as **Junmoni Devi**.

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