

Post-harvest training held, inputs distributed

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NONEY: The Noney district administration, in collaboration with the Department of Horticulture and Soil Conservation and the Central Horticulture Institute, organised a training programme on post-harvest management of horticultural crops to improve farmers' knowledge on handling, processing, storage and value addition, on Monday.

The programme was held at the Working Women's Hostel conference hall, Duibansui, Noney. More than 70 farmers participated in the programme.

Noney DC Vidyamari Sridhar distributed horticulture inputs and equipment to beneficiaries under various



government schemes. Bee boxes and horticulture tools and equipment were distributed under the Rashtriya Kishi Vikas Yojana to support livelihood opportunities and promote horticulture-based activities among farmers.

Inputs under the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture for 2026-27

management equipment were also distributed to encourage the adoption of improved technologies for processing, drying, storage and value addition.

Addressing the gathering, Vidyamari Sridhar urged beneficiaries to make productive use of the inputs and equipment provided under the schemes. He stressed the importance of adopting scientific horticultural practices, particularly in post-harvest management, to minimise wastage, improve product quality and increase farmers' returns.

Horticulture Development Officer for Tamenglong and Noney Dr Roshan Dangmei and other officials attended the programme.

During the technical ses-

sions, SBI, Noney branch manager Sylvester Makaam spoke on financial literacy, bank loans and crop insurance, as Modakai Panmei and Abel Newmei of the Hill Beekeepers Association, Tamen-glong, spoke on beekeeping as a livelihood opportunity and shared techniques on queen rearing and grafting. Anil Kumar of Humble Bee, Bengaluru, elaborated on bee predators and diseases and their management.

The programme is part of ongoing efforts by the district administration and the Department of Horticulture and Soil Conservation to promote sustainable horticulture, livelihood generation, value addition and income enhancement among farmers in Noney district.

DISTRICT ROUND-UP

Committee urges unity to protect state

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THOUBAL: The Justice Committee on Anglo-Manipuri War 1891, Martyrs and Freedom Fighters of Kangleipak (Manipur), on Monday organised Langban Chara Tamba programme at Tenggol Leikai community hall, Khongjom, to pay obeisance to martyrs of the Anglo-Manipuri War of 1891.

Speaking at the programme, Justice Committee chairman Joychandra Konthoujam urged civil society organisations, elected representatives and the public to be courageous, work conscientiously and act fearlessly to protect Manipur's territorial integrity and ensure peace and development.

He said the state's stability depended on those entrust-

ed with running its affairs, but the prevailing situation showed that the desired peace had not been achieved. Joychandra recalled the courage of the ancestors who defended Manipur's independence and resisted foreign domination, saying their sacrifices had helped preserve the identity and heritage of the land.

He maintained that Manipur had been built through the hardship and sacrifices of its ancestors and questioned whether the present generation is living up to their legacy, with the suffering and unrest continuing. He called upon people to "wake up" and work collectively to protect the homeland.

The committee chairman also stressed that the younger generation has a responsibility

to carry forward the ideals of their forefathers and work towards a peaceful society. He further called for an inclusive society without discrimination, saying human beings share the same blood regardless of their wealth or social standing or status.

The programme was attended by social activist Ningthoujam Oxford, Manipuri Bangladesh Youth Cultural Organisation secretary Konthoujam Ranjit, FPMC secretary Olen Sapam, Samaram GP former member Heigrujam Urirei, Tenggol Leikai Meira Paibi Lup secretary Laishram Tombiton, Major Heirakhongjaba's descendant Heirakhongjama Ahanjao Meitei and Huiem Gourachandra Meitei, among others.

14 personnel of 86 Bn CRPF donate blood

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IMPHAL: Under the aegis of IG M&N Sector CRPF and supervision of 86 Bn CRPF commandant Saurabh Kumar Choudhary, a blood donation camp was organised by the battalion in collaboration with Shija Hospitals at the hospital on Monday.

According to a press release issued by 86 Bn CRPF second in command Ravindra Kumar, the programme was supported by doctors, nurses and blood bank staff of Shija Hospitals along with the medical staff of the battalion who extended their assistance for the smooth and successful conduct of the camp.

A total of 14 officers/personnel donated blood, displaying solidarity with the local community by contributing generously towards this noble cause.

Doctors/other medical staff of Shija Hospitals appreciated the voluntary participation of the officers/personnel of 86 Bn CRPF and encouraged others to contribute to such humanitarian initiatives.

CAU floriculture training prog concludes

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IMPHAL: A three-month certificate training programme on "Floriculture, Propagation, Post-Harvest Management and Dry Flower Technology", organised by the College of Agriculture (CoA), Central Agricultural University (CAU), concluded on Monday at Iroisemba.

The valedictory function held at the CoA conference hall was attended by CAU, Imphal Director of Research Prof K Mamocha Singh as chief guest, MTTC and VTC coordinator Prof Th Robinro Singh and Department of Horticulture professor Ng Pillu as guests of honour, and CoA dean Prof K Nandini Devi as president.

Prof Mamocha said the country has an adequate workforce and stressed the need to equip people with skills in diverse fields to create a productive workforce capable of contributing to economic development and taking locally produced goods to wider



markets.

He suggested that after completing the floriculture course trainees apply their acquired knowledge according to their interests and undertake various livelihood activities, benefiting both the public and their own economic prospects.

In his address, Prof Robinro assured that CAU would continue organising skill-development programmes for educated unemployed youth in the state to create opportunities for self-employment. He disclosed that preparations are underway for future training on producing value-added products from plants available in the region.

AR conducts medical outreach progs

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IMPHAL: The Assam Rifles conducted medical outreach programmes at Phaikhoh village in Kamjong district and Sagolmang in Imphal East district on Monday, benefiting a total of 740 people.

At Phaikhoh, an Assam Rifles medical team provided health checkups, consultations and free essential medicines to 220 beneficiaries, including 120 adults and 100 children. The team also conducted awareness sessions on personal hygiene, preventive health-care and the importance of timely medical consultation.

At Sagolmang, specialist doctors from Kolhapur, Mumbai and Pune, in collaboration with the Indian Medical Association, Maharashtra, and Assam Rifles medical personnel, provided free consultations, diagnosis and treatment to 520 patients, including 165 men, 310 women and 45 children.

More than 75 Assam Rifles personnel, specialist doctors and civil society volunteers participated in the camp, supported by the Khewa base, Dolaitabi Village Authority and PHC Sagolmang.

Assam Rifles also arranged free transportation for internally displaced persons from surrounding villages to attend the camp, according to PRO IGAR (S).

RTI awareness, proactive disclosure stressed

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IMPHAL: Principal secretary (AR/Transport) RK Dinesh Singh stressed the need to increase public awareness of the Right to Information (RTI) Act and ensure its effective implementation, strengthen transparency, accountability and public participation.

Speaking at the opening of RTI Week 2026, organised by Manipur Information Commission at the auditorium of Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR), here, on Monday, Dinesh informed that the seven-day observance would conclude on October 12, marking the 21st anniversary of RTI Act, 2005 coming into force.

He said the Act was enacted to enable citizens access information, promote transparency and accountability, curb

corruption and strengthen democracy. While calling for increasing RTI applications in Manipur and regularly assessing their number and the effectiveness of implementation, Dinesh also stressed proactive disclosure by public authorities to reduce the burden on Public Information Officers and minimise misunderstandings between applicants and authorities.

State chief information commissioner Koijam Radhashyam, in his keynote address, described RTI Act as an important legislation empowering citizens and said the right to information was a fundamental right requiring an effective enforcement mechanism.

Referring to Section 4 of the Act, he stressed that public authorities should maintain and computerise records to facilitate access to information.

He highlighted the principle of maximum disclosure with minimum exceptions and urged greater understanding of Sections 8, 9, 10 and 11.

The CIC said greater openness and accountability in governance could help reduce corruption, mismanagement and misuse of public resources.

The programme featured workshops on strengthening RTI in Manipur and proactive disclosure under Section 4. Advocate Dr Ch Narendra Singh, and Manipur Information Commission joint secretary G Shantikumar Kabui were the resource persons.

State information commissioner Nunghshitombi Athokpam, officials and staff of the commission and the department of personnel and training attended the programme.

UNIKAS holds annual gathering

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IMPHAL: United Kakching Students (UNIKAS), Delhi held its Freshers' Meet-cum-Annual Gathering 2026 at Shankar Lal Concert Hall, Vishwavidyalaya Marg, University of Delhi, on Sunday.

Kakching MLA Mayanglambam Rameshwar and University of Delhi Economics Department professor Dr Nongmaithem Manichandra Singh were chief guest and president respectively of the event, while Lea Group of Companies, Canada chief financial officer Kshetrimayum Chaoba Singh; University of Delhi Physics and Astrophysics Department professor Dr S Somorendro Singh; and AIIMS New Delhi nurse Naorem Aruna Devi, attended as guests of honour.

Students who recently arrived in Delhi from Kakching for higher studies were welcomed during the programme, which also featured cultural and entertainment activities.

Private varsity holds discourse on 'Nungarei'

(CHRONICLE NEWS SERVICE)

IMPHAL: Manipur can turn its rich medicinal-plant resources into opportunities for better healthcare, employment and economic growth through scientific documentation, conservation, value addition and youth entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs and Sports director Dr Mayengbam Veto Singh said.

He was speaking as chief guest at Species Specific Campaign on Shatavari (Nungarei) titled "For Better Health", organised by Khongnangthaba University in association with the National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB), Ministry of AYUSH, at the university auditorium.

MANIPUR HOME TO AROUND 1,200 MEDICINAL PLANT SPECIES, WITH ABOUT 400 DOCUMENTED BY MASTEC: DR VETO

Dr Veto highlighted that Manipur is home to around 1,200 medicinal plant species, with about 400 documented by MASTEC. He stressed the need to preserve, document and scientifically study plants such as Nungarei and develop them into useful products.

He said the growing global interest in herbal and natural products presents an oppor-

tunity for Manipur to better utilise its medicinal-plant diversity and traditional knowledge. Nungarei has potential beyond traditional medicinal use and could be explored for pharmaceutical, nutraceutical and nutritional products, including health beverages and other value-added products, noted the chief guest.

Khongnangthaba University, department of AYUSH dean and director Dr Aribam Guneshwar Sharma delivered the keynote address, describing Nungarei as an important medicinal and nutritional plant and a "forgotten medicinal plant of Manipur". He highlighted its traditional association with women's health,

vitality, child development, memory and general wellbeing.

Dr Guneshwar also referred to its reported antioxidant, antimicrobial and nutraceutical potential, saying the campaign sought to increase public awareness about the plant. As Nungarei is comparatively easy to cultivate, its systematic cultivation, scientific utilisation and value addition could contribute to both public health and the state's economy, he stated.

The programme was presided over by Khongnangthaba University vice-chancellor Prof Naorem Joykumar Singh, with Prof RK Gambhir Singh of the department of Life Sciences as guest of honour.

MDA to press Gadkari for Mao-Kedima bypass repair

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IMPHAL: Manipur Drivers' Association (MDA) will approach Union Road Transport and Highways minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi, seeking urgent repair of the 27-kilometre Mao-Kedima bypass road, which is being used due to frequent landslides along the Phesama stretch of National Highway-2 in Nagaland.

MDA assistant secretary Khundrakpam San-

geetharan told reporters at the association's Kwakeithel office on Monday that NH-2, connecting Imphal and Dimapur, is a vital lifeline for Manipur, carrying trucks transporting essential commodities into the state.

He said frequent landslides at Phesama have created serious difficulties for truck drivers and forced vehicles to use the Mao-Kedima stretch as a bypass. The road has been maintained through

contributions and machinery provided by MDA and affiliated truck driver and owner associations.

However, Sangeetharan said the associations lack the resources to undertake adequate repairs of the bypass. MDA had repeatedly urged the state government to repair the road and had submitted written representations to the Governor and the Inner Manipur Lok Sabha member. "The association also plans to submit a repre-

sentation to chief minister Yumnam Khemchand," he said.

The secretary warned that if the bypass road is not repaired at the earliest, MDA representatives would travel to the national capital to meet Gadkari and seek intervention for its repair. He stressed that ensuring a reliable alternative route is essential to ease the difficulties faced by truck drivers and maintain the flow of essential commodities into Manipur.

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