



News Impact

J.P. Rajkhowa appointed as new Arunachal Governor

ITANAGAR, May 12: In the latest appointments of Governors, J.P. Rajkhowa has been appointed as the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh.

Governor incumbent, Lt. General (Retd.) Nirbhay Sharma is transferred and appointed as Governor of Mizoram for the remainder of his term, stated an official communique.

A former bureaucrat, Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa (born in 1944) is the former Chief Secretary of Assam. He is a retired Indian Administrative Service (I.A.S) officer from 1968 batch. He did M.A in Economics from the Delhi School of Economics.

Meanwhile, Shrimati Droupadi Murmu has been appointed as the Governor of Jharkhand, Tathagata Roy as the Governor of Tripura, V. Shanmuganthan as the Governor of Meghalaya and Dr. Syed Ahmed, Governor of Jharkhand is transferred and appointed as Governor of Manipur for the remainder of his term. The appointments will take effect from the dates the incumbents assume charge of their respective offices, stated the release.

Political leaders top corruption list in RGU report

Police, Govt Servants and Panchayat leaders makes it to the dubious list

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ITANAGAR, May 12: According to a survey conducted by the Political Science department, Rajiv Gandhi University, an overwhelming 91% people participating in the survey think that political leaders are corrupt in the state while 97.36% believe that political leaders earn more wealth after getting elected while 95.39% says political leaders favour their kith and kins.

While majority of respondents declared politicians as the most corrupt, the survey put up some intriguing data. On the question, which section of society is the most corrupt, 20% thought police is extremely corrupt followed by Panchayat leaders-16%, civil servants-21.33 %, media 8 %, govt. servants - 30.33 % (including engineers, babus, etc) and private sector 6.66 %.

The interesting facts and figures came after two researches were carried out by Dr. Nabam Nakha Hina, HoD, Political Science department, Rajiv Gandhi University and Jobe Riba, Ph.D scholar RGU on corruption issue for a national seminar.

As per the public opinion taken from research scholars and MA students of RGU by Dr. Nakha, an overwhelming 91% think that political leaders are corrupt. 97.36% believe that political leaders earn more wealth after getting elected while 95.39% says political leader favour their kith and kins.

In Arunachal, it is generally believed that elections are won by money and not necessarily by the popular mandate. The survey conducted by Dr Nakha has further firmed this belief.

On being asked whether money and wealth is required for contesting election, 65.78% of respondents said yes while 34.21%-no. A major chunk of 73.68% thinks that voter is happy with those who give them money during election time.

As per the another survey which was conducted by Jobe Riba, Ph.D scholar, RGU in Papum Pare District (Capital Complex, Itanagar) and West Siang District, 80% of the people reported that corruption was a serious problem in the state. The interviewees were youths ranging between 15 to 35 years. The study started with a basic question on whether corruption was a serious problem in Arunachal Pradesh.

However, 16 % respondents think that corruption was not a serious problem. On queried whether corruption had increased or decreased over the last five years, 63% of the respondents reported that corruption had increased a lot in the last five years.

Exposing the corrupt system prevalent in the state, a whopping 54% respondent stated that they have given bribe for acquiring basic services from the government service providers (government servants). What is worrisome is that 17% respondents claim to be frequently paying bribe to the government service providers. 46.66% paid bribe to speed up

SAI selection trial

ITANAGAR, May 12: Sports Authority of India, Special Area Game (SAI SAG) Centre, Naharlagun, will conduct selection trial to fill up few vacant seats in the sports centre.

Selection trial would be held for both boy and girls in four sport disciplines- Boxing, Karate, Taekwondo and Weightlifting-- on May 23 and 24 at SAI SAG Centre, Naharlagun 10 am onward.

3 policemen arrested for drug peddling

Staff Reporter

ITANAGAR, May 12: Exposing the dark side of Arunachal police, three police constables were yesterday arrested for drug peddling by Itanagar police. Arrested persons are constable (Ct) Jopha Wangsu 1st IRBn, Ct K Wangsu APP and Ct Jawan Kamba 1st AAPBn. Acting on a tiff off, the city police lead by SDPO Techi Hanyir alongwith officer in charge of Itanagar PS T Bage arrested Jopha Wangsu from Itanagar. Brown Sugar was recovered from him. Wangsu is currently lodged in police custody.

A case under NDPS act has been initiated against the three accused. Meanwhile City police SP Deepankar Mishra warned that they will intensify the fight against drug peddling in coming days and will not tolerate such illegal activities.

NSUI flays BJP, other Orgs

ITANAGAR, May 12: The National Student's Union of India (NSUI), Arunachal Pradesh and the city unit today denounced the demand of the BJP state unit and AYO, YOMA and SAYA for resignation of the Chief Minister. Condemning the demand as baseless, the NSUI city unit also played the state BJP for its decision to call bandh on May 15.

BJP should put pressure on the Centre for solution of border problem and stapled visa issue with China instead of misguiding the people of the state, the city NSUI unit said. BJP's "Achhe Din" remains a dream despite completion of one year in office, it further said.

Claiming that many development programmes have been implemented in the state, the NSUI unit alleged that only few politically motivated people are raising voice against state Govt.

ANSU appeals BJP to defer bandh call

ITANAGAR, May 12: All Nyishi Students' Union (ANSU) has appealed the Bhartiya Janta Party (BJP), Arunachal Pradesh unit to defer its proposed 12-hour Capital bandh call on May 15 as the bandh date coincides with the examinations of colleges, Rajiv Gandhi University and Institute of Distance Education.

While showing respect to the demands of the party, ANSU appealed BJP to re-schedule its proposed bandh call in the greater interest of the student community so that they do not face any problem during their examination.

ANSU informed that it has suspended the proposed second phase 24-hour Capital bandh on prepaid metering system temporarily due to the hectic schedule of colleges and university examination.

Army recruitment rally in Tirap

ITANAGAR, May 12: The result of the recently held mega Pan-Northeast Army Recruitment Rally at Khonsa during February 2015 brought a soothing and pleasant news for the people of undergorund infested Tirap, Changlang and Longding district.

The rally, in spite of the resources and infrastructure

Ridiculing the Arunachal Pradesh Congress Seva Dal (APCSD) for trying to defend Congress led state government, Phassang said, "By seeking the help of Seva Dal, it is seen that the government is trying its last resort to defend itself".

On being questioned if the party is not concerned with the Arunachal Pradesh Unlawful Activity (Prevention) Act, he said that if any of their members are arrested during bandh call they will go ahead with Jail Bharo Andolan.

"If any of our members are arrested, we will ensure that all jails are full", he declared.

The committee, meanwhile, has exempted students appearing for their undergraduate examinations on the day and staffs of the examination centre from the purview of bandh.

Martyrs Memorial at Itanagar soon

ITANAGAR, May 11: The state is all set to establish a state-of-the-art Arunachal Pradesh Martyrs Memorial at Itanagar in memory of those soldiers killed while fighting the invading Chinese army in 1962. While the blueprints of the proposed Martyrs Memorial have been prepared by experts like retired Army Generals from Indian Army and is ready for execution, the construction part would start soon.

The monument would take almost one year for completion and would be one of the most attractive places to visit in the state capital.

Chief Minister Tuki had announced to construct Martyrs Memorial at the state capital on Nov 25 2013 last while attending the 'Sarhad ko Swaranjali' programme organised by North East unit of Sansakar Bharati as a mark of respect to those fiercely patriot soldiers and villagers who sacrificed their lives in guarding the nation in the Sino-India war of 1962.

Major General K.V.S. Lalotra, AVSM, YSM, SM (Retd.) Project consultant, Major General H K Singh (retd.) the Project Director of Arunachal Pradesh Martyrs Memorial and Architect Abhimanyu Dalal, entrusted to prepare the blueprint for the world class Martyrs Memorial – apparently one of the best in India as claimed by them, explained in detail how the Martyrs memorial would look like after completion to CM in their meeting here yesterday. General Singh is doing the research work in Arunachal Pradesh on finding out the details of the martyrs. After closely going through the presentation, Chief Minister suggested for giving a traditional touch to the memorial by depicting various communities of the state besides keeping space for inscription of more martyrs who have laid down their lives in line of their duties after 1962. He also suggested for constituting a core team who would look after the construction part as well as the management and periodical maintenance of the Martyrs memorial. The team agreed to submit a proposal in this direction.

While saluting the bravery and patriotism shown by our valiant soldiers, CM said, "sitting on the lap of the Himalayas, we are the first to resist any force against India. If any enemy eyes India through North East, Arunachal Pradesh will stand against it first, like in the 1962 Sino-India war".

"Arunachal owes its respect to the Martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the sovereignty of the country and territorial integrity of Arunachal Pradesh", the CM emphatically said. He called for taking utmost care and sincerity in construction of the Martyrs Memorial and asked not to compromise with the quality of work.

Mentally challenged girl found dead at Hospital

Karda Natam

ITANAGAR, May 12: A girl was found dead mysteriously at the Daporijo district hospital here today.

The girl, aged around 14 years was found at the corridor of childrens' ward of the hospital this morning.

The police after being informed are investigating the death. Postmortem was not performed as the family members didn't want it done. Eventually the cause of the death remains unexplained.

Medical Superintendent, Dr.P.Kadu, informed that the girl was lying in the hospital since many days and was mentally challenged. No one had come for her when she was lying abandoned in the hospital.

The Medical Superintendent also informed that the normal conduct of duties and management in the district hospital is becoming a great hurdle due to unregistered mentally challenged persons sheltering in the hospital without any guardians. The numbers of mentally challenged people are increasing day by day in the hospital. Staffs are afraid to deal with them and have not been effectively discharging their duties. These unknown and untended people are not only creating fear psychosis in the hospital premises but are also damaging the medical property, Dr. Kadu added.

It is high time that the authorities initiate immediate action to curtail this problem by shifting these abandoned people to a proper place where they can be sheltered and treated.

Nurses urged to serve humanity on World Nurses Day

ITANAGAR, May 12: World Nurses Day was celebrated in different parts of the state today with an urge to the nurses' community to follow the path of Florence Nightingale in serving the humanity.

Addressing the first batch General Nursing Midwifery (GNM) of Govt. School of Nursing here today, MLA Kaling Moyong said, "From today

demanding for stipend.

AACS for shifting of planetarium

ITANAGAR, May 12: The Arunachal Anti Corruption Sena (AACS) today met the Chief Secretary and demanded immediate shifting and stopping of the ongoing construction of the Innovation Hub and Digital Space Exposition Theatre at I G Park. It submitted an ultimatum to the CS in this regard and demanded that the project be shifted within 20 days failing which it will take its own course of action.

Youth assoc opposes Planetarium at IG Park

ITANAGAR, May 12: The youths of E-Sector Indira Gandhi Park Youth Association (ESIGPYA) have strongly opposed the construction of Innovation Hub and Digital Space Exposition Theatre (Planetarium) under the Department of Science and Technology at IG Park near Science Centre here.

The association, who claimed to have lodged complaint against construction of the Planetarium earlier, met various positions of higher authorities, including the Chief Secretary recently and demanded their intervention to stop the construction. But, discouragingly, none of them has shown any positive response to our demands, lamented the association in a release.

IG Park is the lone recreational park in Itanagar where people from all ages and strata of the society love to visit. However, rampant encroachment and infrastructure development activities continue to reduce park area leaving almost no open place for the visitors, stated the association.

TES demands immediate arrest of all accused in SE attack case

ITANAGAR, May 12: The Tamin Elite Society (TES), Daporijo in a representation to the Chief Minister today requested for immediate arrest of all the accused persons involved in the attack on Tanu Loriak, SE RWD, Rupa.

Loriak was attacked by a group of miscreants while discharging duty on May 5 at Rupa.

Expressing concern over frequent attack on senior officers like T K Tagin, SE RWD (HQ) in recent past and now Loriak, the Society said frequent attack on senior officers is a dangerous trend in a democratic society and it is also violation of fundamental and legal rights of the individuals enshrined in the Constitution of India.

While condemning the attack, the TES further demanded immediate arrest of the absconding accused and punishment to all the accused persons. Other demands include handing over the case to one senior competent officer not below the rank of Deputy SP to expedite investigation and submission of chargesheet as per law.

Save IG Park

ITANAGAR, May 12: The Save IG Park Youth Welfare Association has extended support to the District Administration's initiative to save the lone park of Itanagar. The Association stated that IG Park is the only park in the twin city, where many mega events are organized every year. If the Innovation Hub and Digital Space Exposition Theatre is constructed then it will take away major portion of the park, they added.

Association also claimed that in case of any natural calamity, state will need open space for relief camp just like IG park. They have requested state govt to stop the construction work of theatre and shift it to another area.

Official teams inspect schools in Lower Subansiri

ZIRO, May 12: Deputed by the Lower Subansiri district Deputy Director of School Education, Yumlam Tana, two Govt official teams have inspected the residential schools located at Raga and Ziro-II blocks of Lower Subansiri district respectively.

While the first team consisting of Takam Changdeep, DPC under SSA and Likha Vidha, DPC under RMSA visited Govt. Residential Schools at Radhpu, Seya, Peni and Kebi, the second team lead by SSA coordinators Bei Taal and Kabak Tara visited schools located at Kemliko, Boa simla-II and Ter Rijo to take necessary steps to make these residential schools functional.

During the visits, the teams interacted with the members of the School Management Committees, parents and the school staffs to make these schools functional. They also distributed admission forms in these schools and instructed the wardens and head master/teacher-in-charges to enroll students to the full capacity in order to make the schools functional from the coming session of 2015-16.

They further informed the staffs that government was taking serious view of non-functioning residential schools

onwards you have stepped into world of responsibility and human service. Your behaviour and dedication will make a difference in the treatment of patients, mentally and physically”.

“Nurses have a great role in the health services so they have to take up the challenges with utmost sincerity”, said the MLA. The MLA assured to take up the stipend issue of the GNM students at the appropriate level. Moyong was very optimistic that good number of development packages will come in the near future.

Regarding establishment of institution like AIIMS or medical college in the area, the MLA informed that the issue is being taken up with the concern authority and all have shown positive responses.

ZPC Kaling Dai while appreciating the unity and dedication of the staff of General Hospital and the nursing institutions exhorted the GNMs to be faithful to their chosen profession and serve the people selflessly.

Chief councilor Denong Tamuk informed that a parking lot with proper dustbin will be developed in the General Hospital, Pasighat.

Dr. Kabang Lego, Jt.DHS, highlighted the achievements and challenges of the institution. He hoped that bringing AIIMs like institution will solve many of the challenges in health services. He said that the birthday of Florence Nightingale should be made an opportunity to retrospect and plan for the future. Doctors serve with responsibility by updating themselves, so the nurses should complement them by improving themselves continuously.

Dr. Lego hoped that the first batch will create a niche for themselves and set example for others to follow.

Dr. D.Bagra, DMO said that the GNMs have a bright future. There are lots of avenues for them. The state govt. has also created sufficient posts but there is shortage of qualified and trained nurses, he said. He wanted the first batch to earn good name for themselves and raise the reputation of the institution. He informed that there are lots to improve the infrastructure of the institution. He appealed to all to lend co-operation so that the institution becomes one of the best nursing institutes.

Dr. Yater Darang, Medical Superintendent, Dr.LC Darung ,Psychiatrist , Dr. T Tali, Medicine Specialist advised the GNMs to follow precautionary measures, serve but be safe.

Natel Jamoh, Principal GNM, Bamin Yaje, Principal ANM explained in detail about the noble profession of nursing where knowledge, skill, love and compassion, purity of heart, selflessness etc are the requisite qualities for shouldering responsibilities of profession.

Life history of Florence Nightingale was narrated by Yaram Talom, Sister tutor, ANM school of nursing.

Earlier, the first batch nurses of the Nursing school took pledged coinciding with the celebration today.

Nightingale pledge was administered by Osor Gao, Ward Sister, General Hospital, Pasighat.

The School of Nursing, Ziro under Indira Gandhi Technological and Medical Sciences University (IGTAMSU) celebrated the Day by organizing health education, hygiene, general health check-up and physiotherapy camp at Hong Village in Ziro.

The nursing staffs of District Hospital, Ziro and IGTAMSU were felicitated on the occasion for their strong commitment and service in their profession.

Deputy Commissioner Kanki Darang, who inaugurated the programme, expressed his support for improvement of health care in the entire district.

The programme was attended by Arvind Kumar Das, Pro-Chancellor, Dr. Alka Lal, Director, Dept. of Nursing & Paramedical Sciences, Diana Hephzibah, Principal, IGTAMSU School of Nursing, Binodini, vice principal. They inspired the people to adopt healthy lifestyle for disease free life.

The Nursing Unit of General Hospital Ziro also celebrated World Nurses Day in befitting manner today afternoon.

Attending the celebration, DMO in-charge Dr. Kime Horming, medical superintendent acknowledged the vital role played by Nurses in delivery of health services. Doctors are handicapped without nurses, he opined

While appreciating nurses for their dedication in rendering services, he however suggested them to follow the path of Florence Nightangle to serve the humanity.

Sr. Taiyang Oniya highlighted the life history of Florence Nightangle while Sr. Bamin Mary explained the theme of the World Nurses Day “Nurses: A force for change”.

NUGHZ's president Sr. Anima Deori, Asst. Matron, Sr. Nenker Nakang and Sr. Koj Ampu among others also spoke on the occasion.

Doctors from the general hospital, nurses from PHC Old Ziro, Sub-Centers of Ziro valley and faculty members from Indira Gandhi Technological & Medical Sciences University also joined in the celebration.

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Make 'Siang' a model district: Taloh

PANGIN, May 12: Education Minister Tapang Taloh has called upon the people to cooperate with the administration to make 'Siang district' a model district of the state. No development process is possible without the support of the people, he added. Taloh was addressing the people at a public meeting here at the village Dere (community hall) during his visit to Riew village.

“Siang District” was created to address the administrative bottleneck of the people who had to go to Pasighat, every now and then for all

and put the onus on them to take adequate steps to improve the dismal scenario or else, no salary or grants would be released to these schools in the near future. A written undertaking was also obtained by the Govt officials from the SMC and staffs of the schools stating that the district and higher authorities will not be responsible for the closure or shifting of these school elsewhere, if the need be, to fulfill the gap in delivery of educational service to the poor and more deserving sections of the societies of the state, according to an official release.

RSS camp at Tamla-du held

ITANAGAR, May 12: The 20 days Sangh Siksha Varg (teaching camp) organized by Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) concluded at Tamla-du ground, Tezu today.

The camp aimed at developing mental and physical fitness of the youth activists and inculcating in them the values of civic sense, community service, sense of patriotism, and importance of discipline in one's life.

Sessions on Yoga, lecture, group discussion, games and sports were also held during the camp for overall development of the trainees, informed Suraj Tayang, Varg Karyavah.

Highlighting the aims and objective of RSS, which is working for the preservation of age old culture and traditions of people of the country, Tayang opined that the ideology of the RSS has become more relevant today and the youth of Arunachal must strive to build a strong society to make the state prosperous.

“Indian culture believes on the philosophy of peace and prosperity of the entire universe and India is a country where people from different religions enjoy immense freedom and liberty to follow their own way of worship, which is unthinkable in many countries”, said Sunil Kulkarni, Kshetra Pracharak (North East). He also said that RSS gives top priority to those activities that are in country's interest.

APCA Sunday celebrated

ITANAGAR, May 12: The Catholic community of Arunachal Pradesh observed APCA Sunday on 10th May in all the Catholic churches with Solemn Eucharistic celebration and prayers. In both the Dioceses of Itanagar and Miao, the respective Bishops organised a Mass and explained to them the uniqueness of APCA and the way it can contribute to the well-being of the people. The youth were exhorted to take positive roles in society and shun all violence and idleness. They were also called upon to lead upright lives and avoid all addictive habits, including addiction to technology.

In another event at Dirgo village under Boasimla, Tok Butum, All India Catholic Union Secretary for North East exhorted the large gathering from 11 churches of the area to work for a corruption free society and to protect the ecological balance of the area.

5 point demand

ITANAGAR, May 12: The All Arunachal Pradesh Youth Welfare Association (AAPYWA) has written to Chief Secretary placing their five point demands. The demands include invoking of financial emergency and Governor's recommendation for President Rule, constitution of Lokayukta, repealing of Arunachal Pradesh unlawful activities prevention Act-2014 (APUAPA), stop practice of advance work system under SPA/TFC and other centrally sponsor schemes.

They have also demanded for immediate investigation into mismanagement of Rs 6911.55 Crore under Central Sponsored (CSS) Scheme viz. NDRF, SDRF, PMGSY, SCA in the year 2012 to 2015.

Social service conducted

ITANAGAR, May 12: A mass social service was conducted at Ganga Police Colony link road on May 5 last. It was attended by the womenfolk, youths and police personnel of the colony. The social service was carried out under the aegis of Police Colony Women Welfare Association (PCWWA).

Death mourned

ITANAGAR, May 12: One Tabang Jerang, dresser with Arunachal State Hospital Naharlagun passed away on 10th May. Informing this Chief Medical Superintendent, ASH added that, two minute silence was observed by officers and staff as mark of respect to the departed soul.