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# News Impact

#### FIR filed against Project Arunank

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Th All Arunachal Pradesh Border Students Union (AAPBSU) on Monday filed an FIR at the Kimin police station against the EE for the chief engineer, Project Arunank.

In the FIR, the union stated that the EE had on 12 June issued an erroneous circular to the Papum Pare deputy commission-er and the Kimin ADC, wherein the venue of the inauguration of the Kimin-Potin road was mentioned as RTC (ITBP)

Bilgarh, Assam. The union claimed that "the EE intentionally tried to create communal conflict between conflict between
Arunachal and Assam
(Contd. on P-3)

### Online 'Toycathon 2021' gets underway at NIT

YUPIA, 22 Jun: The NII here in Papum Pare district is hosting the three-day online 'Toycathon 2021' grand final event, which ot underway on Tues-

day.
The NIT has been se The NIT has been se-lected by the MIC/AICTE to host the grand final of Toycathon 2021', an event conducted by the gov-ernment of India to promote indigenous toy in-dustry. Around 21 teams from different parts of In-(Contd. on P-3)

#### WCD employees seek

## treasury mode of payment ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The employees of the women & child development (WCD) department, under the aegis of the WCD Employees Forum, has asked the department so "migrate to treasury mode of payment from the present PFMS mode before 10 August, 2021," adding that the forum would otherwise befored do resort to democratic protest.

"Disbursement of other funds such as committed liab-lines, may still be continued in the PFMS mode, except salaries and honorariums of anganwadi workers and helpers," the forum said in a representation to WCD Minister Alo Librago in Tuester Alour Librago in Tuester Alour

ter Alo Libang on T day. (Contd. on P-3)

### Most schools in ICR built in 70's now decrepit

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun ITANAGAR, 22 Just Most of the school buildings in the Itanagar capital region (ICR) which were constructed in the late "70's have become decrepit and need everybody's attention, said the authorities of various schools within the ICR. ICR Deputy Commissioner Talo Potom on Turesday held a meeting with the principals and headmasters of all the higher secondary and

higher secondary and secondary schools of the ICR and discussed various issues pertaining to the functioning and development of the schools. (Contd. on P-3)

# CM approves plan to overhauledn system in Arunachal

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Chief Minister Pema Khandu on Tuesday approved an ambi-tious plan of the state government to completely over-haul the education system in the state, right from the in-frastructure of schools to evaluation, pronotion, mo-tivation and transfer and posting of teachers through technological interventions. 'Mission Shiksa', which

is in the conceptual stage at the moment, is a roadm highlighting the lacunae that are eating into the edu-cation system and the needed government interven-. It also brings into pic ture psychological aspects of the teachers, students



good quality education to the students in an improved educational environment,

and uplifting the morale of teachers'. different ways.
Its vision is to 'provide

State reports one death on Tuesday, death toll at 160

As per the central gov emment's performance grad-ing index (PGI), Arunachal ranks amongst the lowest in the country, which the mis-sion aims to uplift.

Khandu suggested high enrollment in each as sembly constituency and completely overhauling it ital interventions. (Contd.

state reported one Covid-19 death on Tuesday morning, taking the death toll to 160.

A 42-year-old female from Namsai initially had symptoms of fever and cough and she tested posiive on 18 June at the district hospital's flu clinic. She de-veloped breathlessness on 22 June at around 8 am, and was shifted from home iso-

lation to the district Covid health centre (DCHC) in crit-ical condition at around 9:55 am. She passed away due to respiratory failure with Covid pneumonia at around 10:20 amat the DCHC.

As per the health depart-ment, she did not have any comorbidity and had not

On the day, the state also reported 289 fresh Cov-

id cases, of whom 125 are symptomatic.
The Itanagar capital re-gion recorded 88 cases, fol-

lowed by 25 in West Ka-meng and 24 cases in Upper Subansiri.
Dibang Valley reported the highest 22 percent pos-

itivity rate.
A total of 279 people were declared recovered or discharged on Tuesday.

A total of 5,648 samples ere collected from the en-

tire state on Tuesday (see full bulletin on P-5). Currently, the Chimpu and the Pasighat dedicated Covid hospitals have 36 and six patients, respective-ly. The Midpu DCHC has two patients, while other DCHCs across the state have 19 patients. The Lekhi SQF has 25 occupants.

# Man killed, sons severely injured by landslide in Tirap

LAZU, 22 Jun: A 50-year-old man was killed on the spot and his two sons were severely injured after a heavy landslide flattened the farm hut in which they were sleeping, in New Ku-tiong village here in Tirap district in the wee hours of Tuesday.

Tuesday.
Reportedly, victim
Ngowang Hangphuk had
gone fishing in the paddy
field along with two his
sors - Phujon Hangphuk
(17) and Chakto Hangphuk
(13) - and stayed the night



in the hut, locally known as jurop, informed DC Taro Mize.

On being informed about the accident by passersby in the morning, LazuEAC (in-charge) DK. Thongdok along with personnel of the SDRF, the police and the Assam Rifles rushed to the spot the police and the Assam Rifles rushed to the spot and conducted rescue operation. The people from Kultong and near-by villages also joined the rescue operation, the DC said, (Contd. on P-3)

shopkeepers and one male

shopkeeper. In this regard, cases

# Capital police arrest peddlers with heroin and cannabis

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The capital police have arrested five persons in connection with drug peddling, and seized suspected heroin and cannabis from their

On 21 June, a police team conducted raids at dif-ferent locations in Itanagar with the help of the Arunachal Pradesh Anti

RONO HILLS, 22 Jun:

Laptops were presented to representative members of the RGU community in a small 'online-blended' cer-

emony held at the smart

theatre of Rajiv Gandhi University's (RGU) com-

puter science & engineer-

ing (CSE) department on Tuesday.



Todo and Gohpur Tinali, the police team seized 90 packets (1.706 kg) of sus-

The university decided

The university decided to assist all its officers and faculty members by giving them laptops with adequate-ly high configuration in view of the major focus shaft

from traditional classroom

teaching and traditional ad-

ministrative paperwork to a

widely digitalized system, and (Contd. on P-3)

RGU provides laptops to teaching,

non-teaching staffs as technical aid

pected cannabis (ganja) from three shops, leading to the arrest of two female

In this regard, cases have been registered at the Itanagar police station un-der Section 20 (b) (A) (B) NDPS Act, and under Sec-tion 20 (b) (A) NDPS Act, and investigation is being and investigation is being taken up.

The police team includ-ed OC Inspector P Sirm and SI K Tacha, and was led by Itanagar SDPO Kamdam Sikom. (Contd. on P-3)

# Union condemns Kathan incident, appeals to GoAP for permanent solution

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The the indigenous people Adi Students' Union (AdiSU) has strongly con-demned the 16 June inci-dent in Kathan village in Lohit district, where a group of Chakma settlers crossed the traditional Mishmi boundary in Kathan village and fired guns in the air to frighten

The union in a press re-lease on Tuesday stated: "What Chakma settlers have done is detrimental and dangerous to the peace and tranquillity of the area and state as a whole

Stating that it stands firmly with the steps taken by (Contd. on P-3)

# CM assures to help facilitate fixed-wing air connectivity to all ALGs in state

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Chief ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Chef Minister Pema Khandu on Tuesday assured FlyBig airline thatthe state govern-ment would approach the Centre to facilitate fixed-wing air connectivity to all the advanced landing grounds (ALG) of the state in order to boost tourism and generate employment. Commending FlyBig chief commencial officer Gaurav Rathore and NE regional head Manima Baruak, who called on him at his office bere, Khandu said that the state government is commaited to improve air connectiv-ity in the state, and offered cooperation and ussistance to the airline operator. Commending FlyBig chief mmercial officer Gauray

Under the Centre's regional connectivity scheme UDAN, FlyBig started its opperation in the state on 24 May, with its first flight between Pasighat (Arunachal) and Giuwhahi (Assam). Rathore informed that heairline will soon begin operations from Tezu also.

"FlyBig endeavours to

# AAPSU serves ultimatum to BRO to apologize; union to file cases against illegal Chakma settlers

Staff Reporter
ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Stepping up its movement
against the Border Roads
Organization (BRO) over
the covering up of
Arunachal's name with
white paste ahead of the
defence manister's road inauguration ceremony at
Kimin on 17 June, the All
Arunachal Pradesh Students' Union (AAPSU) on
Tuesday gave 10 days' ultimaturin to the BRO, seeking
an unconditional apology
to the people of Arunachal.
The union said it would
otherwise resort to unprecedented agitations across
the state to remove the
BRO from the state.
The AAPSU lodged an
FIR against the BRO chief
engineer at the Ilanagar police station, seeking imme-

diate inquiryinto what com-pelled the BRO to hide Arunachal's name.
Briefing the media out-side the police station after filing the FIR, AAPSU pres-ident Hawa Bagang said,
"We have lodged an FIR against the BRO chief engi-neer for hiding Arunachal's name in the state itself. We suspect that the BRO came to Arunachal not to bring development but to work as China's agent," Bagang al-leged.

China's agent," Bagang al-leged.

"The BRO took 10 years to complete the Kiman-Potin road (just 20 kilometres), which was imaugurated by the defence minister, where-as the more-than-200-kilome-trea-long Seppa -ltnangar road (NH 13) was completed in four years by another con-struction agency," said

Bagang, and also highlighted the externely slow pace of work on the Bomdila-Tawang road under the BRO. The AAPSU president further stated that all central vigilance agencies and Arunachal's Special Investigation Cell should launch an investigation Cell should launch an investigation of the endemic corruption in the BROGGREE.

AAPSU general secretary Tobom Dat termed the Kimen episode "an intentional act to sabotage the state's territorial integrity.

nonal act to subotage the state's territorial integrity and breach of the state's sovereignty by the BRO." He said that the BRO's act was aimed at stoking mis-understanding between Assam and Arunachal, since both the states have a boundary dispute for so long. (Contd. on P-3)

# Orgs seek CBI inquiry into Tawang firing

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The HANAGAR, 22 Jun: The Save Mon Region Federa-tion and the 302 Action Committee have written to the chief minister, seeking handing over of the 2 May, 2016 Tawang firing incident case to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). of Investigation (CBI).

Two people, including a monk, were killed in firing by

monk, were killed in firing by the Tawangpolice while they were protesting against the arrest of anti-mega dam activist Lama Lobsung.

In a joint statement, the two organizations said that the case is heading nowhere, even after the passage of five years.

"Even after the passing of more than five years, the

of more than five years, the victims' families are yet to



21-year-old Lama Nyima Wangdi and 31-year-old Tsering Tempa, a resident of Jangda village, were killed in police firing in Tawang on 2 May, 2016

get justice because of the slow pace of investigation."

"Instead of getting justice, the victims were still roat chargesheeted and are now un P-3)

still bedridden," they said adding that "the culprits who ordered the firing are still rouming freely." (Contd.

# APPDSU demands public apology from BRO within a week, FIR lodged

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: The All Papum Pare District Students' Union (APPD-SU) has demanded a public apology from the Border Roads Organization (BRO) for showing Kimin in Arunachal as 'Bilgarh' in Assam during the road inauguration programme at Kimin on 17 June. Condemning the pro-

gramme organized by the BRO, givingwrong information about Kimin, he APPDSU said, "This act on the 
part of the BRO has hurt the 
sentiments of the denizers 
of Kimin, in Papum Pare district". "The APPDSU said that 
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democratic movement against the BRO."

The APPDSU said that the act of oristing Kimnis name before the inaugural programme showed "malatide intention of the BRO."

(Could no. 2, 4). Seeking apology from the BROofficials within several days, the APPDSU said, "If they fail to apologize, the "Contd. on P-3]

### NES, ANSU, ANYA laud Green Gold chairman

BANDERDEWA, 22 Jun: The Nyishi Elite Society (NES), the All Nyishi Stu-dents' Union (ANSU) and the All Nyishi Youth Asso-ciation (ANYA) have laudciation ((NYA)) have laud-ed progressive farmer and chairman of Green Gold in-tegrated furm, Likha Maj for motivating farmers to take up horticulture, agriculture and allied activities. The teamof the NES, led by its general secretary Heri

Maring, along with a team of the ANSU, led by its president Nabam Dodum, and a team of the ANYA, led by its general secretary Benga Tuda visited the Green Gold farm in Tarajuli in Banderdewa circle, and took partin distributing suplings of a special variety of falit guava and Thuland lemm to farmers.

Speaking to the press, NES GS Hern Maring said that the initiative taken up

# Tayeng hands over paragliders to 7 pilots

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Tour-ism Director Abu Tayeng on Tuesday distributed paragliders and adventure sets to seven pilots from the Paragliding Association of Arnauchal (PAA) under the Chief Minister's Paryatan Vikas Vojra (CMPVY). After handing over the paragliders and equipments to the pilots, Tayeng said that the tourism department would always support the PAA in its efforts to devel-op Arnauchal as a destina-



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#### CM approves plan....

(From P-1) "After the district administrations identify one school each in the 60 assembly constituencies, a technical team from the education department will physically visit and assess these schools and recommend what interventions are required," he said. Khandu also recommended that the entire state be divided into three zones - east, west and central - and that each zone be assigned to an independent agency to study and lay out parameters and evaluate the performance of teachers as well as students as per the PCI.

the PGI.

The chief minister directed the education department to "bring the concept of 'Mission Shiksha' to a practical mode and submit to the government in the next meeting what and how the department will implement the mission in a time-bound manner in detail. The roadmap focuses on early childhood care and education, live classes through a two-way system using VSATs, construction of teachers' quarters, closing down of zero rerollment schools (so far 372 such schools have been closed down), concentration on high enrollment schools, evaluation of performance of both teachers and students, one-to-one yearly training of teachers, strengthening of DiETs and the SCERT, etc.

It also envisages digital and transparent transfer and posting of teachers through a software-based system, which is in the making and is expected to be ready within the next few months.

Education Minister Taba Tedir, the chief secretary, the education secretary, and othe top officials of the education department were present at the meeting. (CM's PR Cell)

# AAPSU serves ultimatum...

(From P-1) Dai further informed about the recent visit by an AAPSU team, led by him, to Kathan village in Lohi district, following the alleged attack on the villagers there by illegal Chakma settlers.

Dai claimed that illegal Chakma settlers are encroaching on the traditional land of the Mishim community and reserve forest area by intimidating the indigenous people. "They are even creating hardles in the implementation of the MLALAD scheme in the area," he said.

said. He informed that the AAPSU will start filing cases againstillegal Chakma encroachers individually to protect the indigenous land, and that the union will discuss with the state opvernment how to tackle the issue. Chakma settlers have lodged an FIR against leaders of the AAPSU and the AJI Mishmis Students' Union. The AAPSU said the law would take its own course of action since the student community did not commit anything wrong.

# Man killed, sons...

(From P-1) The body of the victim has been retrieved and will be handed over to the family members after conducting postmortem, he said.

The two injured have been admitted to the Lazu PHC and are undergoing treatment. Mize offered condolence to the bereaved family.

ndslide also blocked the road, the DC said, adding that road restoration work

by the RWD was going on.

Meanwhile, the elders on of the deceased has filed an FIR at the Lazu police station, informing about the accident. (DIPRO)

#### Orgs seek CBI...

(From P-1) The organizations said that there has been delay in submission of the numittee report, which had been extended upto 4 September, 2017, but is yet to be submitted.

fying the demand for a CBI inquiry, the organizations said that the process of ation being carried out by the SIT is taking too long, and that there has been no

#### Capital police arrest...

(From P-1) On 19 June, acting on a tip-off, another team led by Sikom, Inspector Phassang Simi, SI N Nishant and SI SK Jha, along with the special magistrate (narcotics) conducted a raid in a house in BN Colony, Chimpu, and seized 8.93 grams of suspected heroin, 29 tubes, one mobile handset, one scooter and cash.

The apprehended persons have been identified as Takal Baring and Achung Pangtha. A case has been registered at the Itanagar police station under Section 21 (b)/27 NDPS Act.

Act.
They are now under police remand and investigation is underway to nab other culprits associated with illegal trade of drugs in the capital region.
The police teams worked under the supervision of RCR SP Jimmy Chiram.
"During the Covid-19 lockdown, there was a sudden rise in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances cases and rigorous raids were conducted to stop this social evil," the police informed in a release.
Ten cases under various sections of the NDPS Act have been registered in the last two months at the Itanagar police station.
A total of 16 persons have been arrested and 322.09 grams of suspected heroin/ brown sugar and 1.706 kg of cannabis, having a total market value of more than Rs 25 lakhs, were seized, the police informed.

# APPDSU demands public...

(From P-1) The union also lambasted the "lackadarsical attitude" of the Papuan Pare district administration, saying that the "district administration could have averted the district administration, suying that the district administration columnave averted the wrong information of the inaugural programme as it was conveyed to the DC. Yupia before the scheduled programme."

"The district administration should immediately resolve the matter as it has happened under its jurasdiction," the union said.

The All Arunachal Pradesh Abstani Students' Union (AAPATSU) has also veherable.

mently condemned the act of the BRO. Quoting the CM that he had briefed union MoS Kiren Rijiju about the matter, the

AAPATSU demanded that Rijjiju should clarify in public "how be intentionally allowed to commit such a blunder, that too in his presence."

Meanwhile, the Save Armachal Youth Association (SAYA) has filed an FIR at the Kimin police station against EE (Civil) for Chief Engineer Project Arunank, Pramod Kumar, for circulating the date and venue of the inauguration of the Kimin-Potin road by

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh "by naming Kimin as being in Bilghar, Assam."

The SAYA also claimed that the BRO officials had covered up the picture of ITBP Kimin's signboard with a white paste where "Arunachal Pradesh' was written.

The association requested the police to "take immediate and stringent action against

Kumar within 10 days for his mistake and for declaring Kimin as a part of Assam

#### NES, ANSU, ANYA...

(From P-1) The ANSU president and the ANYA GS also spoke

Maj on his part said that, in the last two years, he has distributed more than two lakh saplings of Lalit gawa and Thailand lemon free of cost to interested farmers.

"There is a requirement for a huge quantity of fruits products, for which I have launched an awareness campaign and am motivating the farmers to go for horticulture activities," he said.

On the occasion, 30,000 saplings of Lalit guava were distributed to 100 farmers.

#### CM assures to...

(From P-1) operating ATR 72 aircraft with a seating capacity for 72 persons at the moment, has got the approval to commence flights between Guwahati and Pasighat, Pasighat and Shillong, Guwahati and Teza, and Teza and Imphal.

The CM suggested extending the service to all the ALGs in the state to boost inter-

state and intra-state air connectivity.

Observing that the Dornier 228 aircraft, with a seating capacity for 15-16 passengers. would better suit the purpose, Khandu said he would pursue the union civil aviation

ministry to this end "Once the greenfield airport in Hollongi is made functional next year, it can also be used by FlyBig as its operating base and commence flights to all the ALGs," Khandu

He directed the state's civil aviation secretary to get in touch with the central ministry and Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd, manufacturers of the Domier aircraft, "to work out a

and Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd, manufacturers of the Domier aircraft, To work out a vision plan to achieve this."

Khandu also suggested that, besides passenger services, the option to operate cargo flights may also be included in the plan.

The FlyBig representatives assured of their cooperation, both technically and physically, in realizing the chief manister's suggestions. (CM's PR Cell)

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# Sona takes part in POs' virtual meeting

ITANAGAR, 22 Jun: Legislative Assembly Speaker Pasang D Sona on Tuesday participated in a virtual meet-ing of the presiding officers (PO) of the legislative bodies of the country

Sharing their experiences of the working of their legisla-tures, the POs resolved to work for the betterment of the legislatures. They also sought the Lok Sabha's constant support to their endeavours The members also dis-

sed the Covid situation The meeting was initiat-



ed by Lok Sabha Speaker parliament and the state leg-islatures in the last two Om Birla for sharing experi-ences on the working of the years. (Speaker's PR Cell)

#### RGU provides laptops...

(From P-1) to provide technical support to all teaching and non-teaching staffs.

Dr NT Rikam spoke about how the university is trying its best to create a "work-inducive atmosphere" in the university, and termed the decision to distribute laptops a

He also dwelt on other welfare measures that the university is carrying out from time to time, like providing a financial aid of Rs 1,000 to all its 800-plus employ

and non-teaching) for procuring masks and santizers during the pandemic period.

Adhering to the Covid standard operating procedures, the laptops were distributed to only a few selected members in the token ceremony by Vice Chancellor Prof Saket

The VC said that the university is "on the right path of progress and each member of

The VC said that the university is "on the right path of progress and each member of the university is an integral part of this growth."

He informed that, keeping in view the online academic activities due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a relief of Rs. 1,500 was disbursed to all flaculty members to cover the usage of data. He expressed hope that this additional support by the university would "inspire all to work harder to achieve higher academic pursuits."

A total of 200 laptops were distributed to all the faculty members and officers.

The programme was conducted by RGUs ICT Centre, under the supervision of Joint Director TD Meggi; and his team, Meggi also made a presentation on "the SOPs for ownership and use of the laptons."

ownership and use of the laptops."

Po-VC ProfAmitava Mitra, Social Science Dean Prof Tana Showren and Environmental Sciences Dean Prof Nandini Chakrabarry also spoke on the occasion.

#### Union condemns Kathan...

(From P-1) the All Arunachal Pradesh Students' Union and the All Mishmi Students' Union, the AdiSU appealed to the state government to "initiate a permanent solution regarding the refugee issue, considering the safety of the indigenous tribes of Kathan village in particular and the state as a whole."

### Tayeng hands over...

(From P-1) assists unemployed youths of the state with the objectives of self-employment generation and promotion of adventure tourism.

"So far, 20 unemployed youths of the state who have successfully completed paraging courses have been extended support under this scheme," informed Tourism Deputy Director (HRD) Bengia Manna Sonam. Tagit Sorang, who scaled Mount Everest recently, was also provided support under the scheme.

PAApresidentSonam, who was also present, said that Basar (Leparada), Anini (Dibang Wiley), Mechuka (Shi-Yom), Dambuk (Lower Dibang Valley) and Paya (West Siang) have been found to be feasible for paragliding activities. He requested the tourism department to include paragliding as one of the events in all the adventure festivals sponsored by the department.

Sonam informed that 40 nilos have been trained so far, out of which 20 nilots including the state of the state o

y the department. am informed that 40 pilots have been trained so far, out of which 20 pilots, includ-lady pilots, have availed benefit under the CMPVY. ing five lady pilots, have

# FIR filed against...

(From P-1) The AAPBSU on the same day also submitted a representation to the Kimin ADC, urging him to "issue an order directing authorities to ensure that all sign-boards of paramilitary forces like RTC\_BRO, 10th ITIBP have 'Kimin' along with 'Arunachal Pradesh' and 'Papum Pare district' inscribed on them."

It also demanded that the ADC create a "permanent address setup to solve the

permanent domicile for people of the concerned area." Online 'Toycathon...

(From P-1) North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach Director General Dr Arun Kumar Sarma, Automovill Tech Pvt Ltd CEO Mridu Mahandra Das, and NTT Director Prof Pinakeswar Mahanta shared their words of wisdom with the young and toy innovators during the inaugural function, while Dr Sahadev Roy present-introduction of Toycathon 2021'.

# WCD employees seek...

(From P-1) During a meeting with the minister, members of the forum informed that the state's WCD department introduced the PFMS mode of disbursement of salaries, honorariums and other liabilities of the employees in November 2017. They expressed regret that "in these three years of the implementation, the employees of this department have received their salaries on time in just eight instances out of 44 instances. This has created

received their salaries on time in just eight instances out of 44 instances. This has created a lot of problems for the employees under extreme distress."

The forum said that the uncertainty in disbursement of salaries is affecting all spheres of their lives. "Almost all employees, being regular government employees, have loans with banks, EMIs, which need to be paid on time. Insurance policies, education loans, school fees and monthly recurring bills of varied nature are some other areas in which the employees are being hit hard due to irregular disbursement of salaries," it said, adding that the "NPS/GPF contributions are also being delayed due to the present irregular system of salary disbursement."

The forum further informed the mainster that the angamwadi workers and helpers, who are also frontling workers, have also been severely affected by the irregularity in houser.

are also frontline workers, have also been severely affected by the irregularity in honorar-ium disbursement. The so-called frontline workers in the fight against Corona pandemic have been left without honorarium since March 2021. Their honorariums too are disbursed most irregularly and with periodical delays under the present mode of payment,"

it said.

The forum informed that the gram sevikas of the WCD department, who draw their salaries through the treasury mode, are getting their salaries on time, as they are not under the PFMS system.

#### Most schools in...

(From P-1) Issues like academic progress, infrastructure, provision of drinking water and electricity, shortage of subject teachers, especially for mathematics and science, shortage of peons and chowkidars, encroachment on school land and boundary issues were discussed in detail during the meeting. The participants urged the DC to look into the matter of appointing subject teachers as per the requirement.

the matter of appointing subject teachers as per the requirement. The school authorities further urged the capital administration to prohibit the sale of tobacco and tobacco products to minors within a radius of 100 yards of any educational institution by strictly implementing the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act. G Sector Government Secondary School Headmartsers Tarh Vakus at a society without proper education cannot flourish. She urged the DC to lead them from the front to achieve academic excellence and improve the schools' infrastructure.

Assuring to look into all the problems highlighted in the meeting. Potom said be would soon hold a meeting with the DDSE to find best solutions to the problems and other issues.

The DC also said that he will be visiting the schools to gather firsthand information about the functioning of the schools.

Present at the meeting, among others, were EAC (Education) Lod Takkar, DDSE Mallo Yam Gollo, and BEO Nabam Shelly. (DIPRO)

# L/Subansiri police distribute ration kits



ZIRO, 22 Jun: The Lower Subansiri district police dis-Subansiri district police dis-tributed dry ration kits to labourers, truck drivers/ helpers, sanitation workers. on burahs and gaor buris of Ziro and its adjoin-ing areas on 20 June as part of its community policing initiative, 'Ek Kadam'.

The district police, under the leadership of SP Harsh Indora, also made donations to the childcare institute and the one-stop centre for destitute women, orphans and victims of

Additionally, the police donated 100 pulse oxime-ters, along with digital thereters and medicines to DMO Dr Tage Kanno. The SP informed that

the 'Ek Kadam' initiative is not limited to helping people during the Covid times only, "but is an ongoing the distribution programmy

mission for the society and the district."

"Through these efforts we wish to help the people and at the same time seek their support in eradicating evils like drug menace. We wish to engage the youths in all our activities in the future and provide them with career guidance and disengage them from any antisocial activity. This inipass the welfare of police personnel," he said.

The SP informed that the police have received support from various secu-rity forces, NGOs and corporate houses in this endeavour.

Among others DIG (Western Range) Kime Aya, DSP (HQ) Tasi Darang and ICDS Deputy Director Dani Yami were present during

# MLA inspects schools

JOMLO BARI, 22 Jun: GUPS. Rumgong MLA Talem Taboh inspected the re-cently constructed class-room at the government

upper primary school (GUPS) here in Siang district under the CM Sa Shisksha Vojana

During his visit to the GUPS' in Mori and Peying and the GHSS in Pessing. the MLA assured that a new structure would be constructed alongside the exist-ing building of the Mori

The MLA commended the teachers who are extending their help in "solving critical gaps in education with the use of various technologies at this time of Covid-19 pandemic." Taboh also exhorted all

eligible persons to get vac-cinated at the earliest.

Besides the DDSE and the UD EE, ZPM Jomlo Mobuk accompanied the MLA during the visit.



Altogether 126 people participated in 'mass online and offline yoga sessions' across West Slang district on 21 June. Yoga was conducted offline at the government higher secondary school in Aalo, the ADC office in Liromoba

#### Correction

Apropos the news headlined 'Sports job quota for Ever-esters...', etc., which was published in the Tuesday edition of this daily, Everester Tagit Sorang Abraham has since clarified that the appeal was actually made on his behalf by former AAPSU president and Kreeda Bharati state unit president Takam Tatung.

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