

IN BRIEF

ADC greetings on Good Friday

■ NEC Report
Khumulwng, Mar 28: The Chairman of Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council (TTAACDC) Jagadish Debbarma expressed his heartiest greetings to people belonging to Christian religious faith and to the people of the state in general on the auspicious occasion of Holy Good Friday on Thursday. He hoped through this greeting message that this sacrificial observance would strengthen the tie of brotherhood among the people of all sects. Besides, the Chief Executive Member of TTAADC Purna Chandra Jamtia and the Executive Member of Information and Cultural Department of TTAADC also extended greetings to the people on this occasion.

Secunderabad Spl extended

Malgaoan, Mar 28: To clear extra rush of passengers, it has been decided to continue the services of two pair of special trains with no. 07046/07047 (Secunderabad - Dibrugarh - Secunderabad) and train no. 07030/07029 (Secunderabad - Agartala-Secunderabad). These trains will run with the existing days of service, timings and stoppages.

2 Rohingyas held at Munda Colony

■ NEC Report
Amarpur, Mar 28: Officials of SST team, appointed in ongoing electoral works, detained two Rohingyas from Bangladesh including a human trafficker with a car from Munda Colony of Thakcherra from a naka point beside Amarpur-Udaipur road on Friday early morning. As the driver of the suspicious car (TR 03 R 0493) was proceeding towards Bangladesh the officials of SST team stopped the car at a naka point and detaining the vehicle raided it thoroughly and at the culmination 2 suspicious Rohingyas and the driver were nabbed.

BSNL counter open on holidays

■ NEC Report
Agartala, Mar 28: In the last month of the financial year, BSNL Tripura Asset decided to keep the cash counters open even during holidays and Sundays to facilitate their customers in making payment of their dues. BSNL customers can despite being a holiday and Sunday falls on March 29 and 31st, for the convenience of BSNL customers, the Cash Collection Centres (CCCs) also called CSC (Customer service Service) will remain open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. said Bikash Sarkar, DGM, BSNL Tripura Asset in a press note on March 28, 2024, Thursday. The DGM urged the customers to take advantage of the facilities extended to them.

Disabled voters urged for right

Guwahati, Mar 28 (PTI): Disability rights activist Arman Ali on Wednesday urged all disabled voters to exercise their right to vote. It is imperative to ensure that the facilities announced by the Election Commission for persons with disabilities in the upcoming elections are adhered to so that persons with disabilities (PWD) can cast their votes, Ali said. He was addressing a consultation of stakeholders for disability advocacy, organised by the NGO Shishu Sarothi, along with the country's leading disability rights body the National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People (NCPEDP).

SVM celebrates NCC best college award

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: Today, the 28th March, 2024, Celebration Ceremony of Best College Award for NCC from DG NCC was held at Swami Vivekananda Mahavidyalaya, Mohanpur. In the Award Celebration Ceremony, CO of 13 Tripura Bn NCC, Col. Vinay Rauthan was present as Chief Guest. Subhash Datta, SDM, Mohanpur was present as special guest. Beside this the ANO of the ICAFI University and ANO along with other teachers and NCC cadets of SVM, Mohanpur were present in the said program. The program was presided over by the Principal, Dr. Haradhan Saha.



The welcome address was given by the ANO Lt (Dr.) Prasanta Deb. In his welcome address he emphasized the importance of awareness of NCC among common people and how NCC helped to mould the character of the youth to become a responsible citizen of India. He also mentioned the role of media in creating mass awareness among the common people. In his welcome speech he expressed his heartfelt gratitude towards NER Directorate for recognizing and appreciating the activities of NCC Sub-unit of SVM, Mohanpur. He also expressed his sincere thanks to the Officiating CO, Col. Vinay Rauthan for his continuous encouragement and efforts towards the betterment of NCC cadets. In his speech he had also mentioned the motivation and support of the Principal of this institute for the growth of NCC. The program was followed by group song by existing NCC cadets and group dance by Ex-NCC and existing cadets. Col. Vinay

Rauthan in his speech had mentioned the importance of discipline in cadet's life. He motivated the cadets not only for NCC but also for doing hard work in their studies. He also encourages the cadets to apply for all the National camps that are going to be held outside the state. He also thanked the Principal, ANO and other teachers of the college. He congratulated and at the same time handed over a cheque of Rs. 6000/- as CWS scholarship to UO Babli Sarkar for achieving 81.6 % marks in aggregate in the second year of her graduation. She happens to be the first recipient of the scholarship at the college level in the entire state. Finally, Dr. Haradhan Saha, Principal had expressed his sincere thanks to 13 Tripura Bn NCC as well as the ANO of the institute for grooming the NCC cadets for a better future and also promised to support the NCC in all possible ways.

Stage set for Totell's model of the month

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: The Model of the month seems to have become a famous event in the last three months and this time Totell Fashion is back with "Model of the month-3" for the month of April. There are a large number of contestants who have already started to take part in the contest after the first three months. The Co-Founder of Totell Joysankar Bhattacharjee informed the same and added that there were a large number of people in the state who did show huge interest in the Fashion show hence this event is being rolled out by them. He added that the contestants need to register first and said that the number to register for the event is 9366139412. There are various stuffs like a Sash, Crown, Certificate, Gift hamper, expert sessions, fashion show participation, recognised beauty pageants, music videos, media coverages, exclusive interviews, portfolio shoot and various other work opportunities will be presented to the winners of the shows. Joysankar Bhattacharjee added in the past two years there are various fashion related events which have been organized by them and this is why this kind of events will give them the exposure to take part in other events outside the state as well. The Jury panel included Fashion, Entertainment and Social media experts like Subhrajit Ghosh and Hritika Majumder. There are various factors on the basis of which winners are chosen by them. Some of them include online personality, artistic skills, charity work and their positive role in the society.

AFSPA extended in Arunachal, Nagaland

■ Special Correspondent

Guwahati, Mar 28: In the wake of review in the internal security scenario in the Northeast region, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has extended the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) in certain districts of Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh for another six months with effect from April 1 next. An official, quoting the MHA notification, said that the AFSPA was extended in eight districts - Dimapur, Nuland, Chumoukedima, Mon, Kiphire, Noklak, Phek, and Peren - and 21 police station areas in five other districts of Nagaland, which has 16 districts. Most of these districts and police station areas are located close to the India-Myanmar border. Another MHA notification said that the AFSPA has been extended for another six months in Tirap, Changlang, and Longding districts in Arunachal Pradesh as well as areas under the jurisdiction of Namsai, Mahadevpur, and Chowkham police stations in Namsai district, bordering Assam. The official said that the Centre took the step following a review of the law and order situation in Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh. The AFSPA empowers the Army, para-military, and other security forces to arrest a person without a warrant, enter or search premises without a warrant, along with some other actions. With the improvement in the security situation in the northeastern states, the Centre, in April 2022, reduced the number of disturbed areas under AFSPA in many areas of Nagaland, Assam and Manipur. It was lifted from Tripura in 2015, Meghalaya in 2018 and Mizoram in the 1980s.

Tripureshwari Vidya Mandir, annual meeting

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: Varshik Yejana Baithak (Annual planning meeting) of Tripureshwari Vidya Mandir in South Kalam Chawra, Sepahijala, Tripura was graced by Subir Chakraborty, Joint Secretary of Vidya Bharati, and Nilmoni Chakraborty, State Co-ordinator, serving as Chief Guest and Special Guest respectively. Also in attendance were Sanjay Sarkar, SMC member and Boxanagar RD Block Chairperson, along with Tapash Roy, Assistant Secretary of SMC. Sajal Sarkar, SMC Vice President, chaired the meeting. Tapash Roy delivered the welcome speech followed by Pradhanacharya Ujjal Das detailing last year's activities. Nilmoni Chakraborty discussed plans for the upcoming session. Sanjay Sarkar sharing his insights for the planning. Subir Chakraborty emphasized the significance of Acharya Bharati (Teacher's Council) responsibilities. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the SMC President Sajal Sarkar.

Manipuri Sahitya Festival held

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: A vibrant celebration of Manipuri literature unfolded at the Sahitya Akademi Hall in Nazrul Kalakshetra, Agartala, as the Sahitya Thoupang Lup, Manipur, and the Manipuri Sahitya Parishad, Tripura (MSPT) jointly hosted the "Sahitya Festival" dedicated to the rich literary heritage Manipuri Sahitya. On 28 March, Thursday, the event was inaugurated by esteemed guest Ph. Chandrakumar Sharma from Myanmar, amidst the presence of notable personalities including R K Budhimanta and Sarat Chandra Thiyam, both from Manipur. Diving into the topic of Lai Harawba, speakers Dr. Nganbi Chanu from Manipur, engaged in insightful discussions during the symposium session. Along with her prominent writer and resource person of the Manipuri Sahitya W Birmangal Singha and Dr. Ch. Rajkanta from Tripura, and Dr. W Kumari Chanu also talked about various topics. Th. Nilkumar Singha, General Secretary of MSPT, delivered the welcoming address, with the event presided over by L. Bir Mangal, President of MSPT. The program featured two sessions, a symposium and a poets' meeting—chaired respectively by L Birmangal Singha and Thangam Rathindra Singha. Highlighting the poetic prowess of the region, 27 poets from Manipur and Tripura presented their verses, enriching the gathering with the lyrical essence of Manipuri literature. The Sahitya Festival served as a platform for literary enthusiasts to delve into the cultural tapestry of Manipur, fostering a spirit of camaraderie and appreciation for the diverse literary traditions of the region.



■ Deserting other parties voters joining Congress in presence of West Tripura LS candidate Aash Saha on Thursday at Congress Bhavan in Agartala. - NEC Photo

TMC to fight at Karimgunj

■ NEC Report

Silchar, Mar 28: The Trinamool Congress is gearing up to field a candidate for the Karimganj Lok Sabha seat, a move that is expected to shake up the political landscape in the region. The candidate list has been submitted to the party high command, and an announcement is likely within three days. The elections in the Karimganj Lok Sabha constituency are scheduled for April 26, and the BJP, Congress, and AIUDF candidates have already begun their campaigns. According to sources, the names of former Congress leaders Parimal Roy, Salman Choudhury, and Badrul Islam Barbhuiya have been included in the list sent by the Karimganj District Trinamool Congress Committee to the State Committee. If Parimal Roy is nominated, it could pose a significant challenge for the BJP, as he has experience contesting elections from the North Karimganj assembly constituency and reportedly has strong connections with the local population. The Trinamool Congress, under the leadership of Sushmita Dev, has been actively campaigning in order to expand its presence in Assam. If Parimal Roy is nominated, he is expected to garner support from both the Hindu and Muslim communities, potentially splitting the vote and causing concern for the BJP.

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17 women polling station in Gomati

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Udaipur, Mar 28: A total of 17(seventeen) all women polling stations will be set up in the Gomati district and those polling stations will be managed by women persons including Presiding Officer, 1st Polling, 2nd Pollin, 3rd Polling officer and Group 'D' employee said T K Chakma, DM & Collector, Gomati District on Thursday. A women polling personnel training program was held at the Conference Hall of the SDM Office to educate and apprise the polling officials in the presence of DM Gomati,SDM Udaipur, Addl SDM and other officials.

DM visits Mulberry farm at Gakulpur

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: Tarit Kanti Chakma, District Magistrate & Collector of Gomati District is particularly fond of silk and today visited the biggest sericulture (mulberry) farm in the district spreading across 52 acres (130 Kanj) in the Gakulpur area, under Udaipur subdivision to get to the bottom of the slow productivity and found it senile. Mulberry trees are struggling to survive due to wanting water. A good number of mulberry farmers are still involved in the silk cultivation industry despite generating a low income in comparison to other industries. The DM, Gomati District meticulously visualized the problems faced by the farmers in sustaining their livelihood and urged them not to desert this industry and assured them to take up the issue with the sericulture department to get redressed. Tripura has a reputation for producing good quality mulberry silk in the country. In terms of quality, it was said to be next only to

Bangalore. Many vendors used to come from outside the state to lift the mulberry silk of Tripura competing in a national bid tender at a very lucrative price as the silk industry by all terms did not flourish here. The local traders are not interested in merchandising this raw silk. The leaf of mulberry is solely used for feeding and rearing the silkworm. The only diet silkworms are completely fed and sustain their life-cycle are mulberry leaves. Tripura's climatic condition and soil are conducive for cultivation of mulberry trees. The quality of mulberry leaves of this soil are at par in Karnataka and other parts of the country. Tripura is perhaps the only state in the country where the entire gamut of silk industry including mulberry plant cultivation and raw silk trading is totally managed by the government. The production of mulberry silk is shown to be increasing every year, although the real picture is a different story, according to many mulberry farmers, rearers, and stakeholders of the industry.

Shubho Vivah Utsav of Shyam Sundar held



■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: Shyam Sundar Co. Jewellers concluded their much-anticipated 'Shubho Vivah Utsav' with a Mega Lucky Draw event at their Agartala showroom. The festival, which ran from 17th January to 14th February across all showrooms in Kolkata and Tripura, witnessed a surge of enthusiastic customers eager to partake in the special sales promotional offer lasting 29 days. The Mega Lucky Draw, held amidst fervent anticipation, saw Gopal Debnath, a resident of Dhauleswar, Agartala, emerge as the fortunate winner. The event was graced by the presence of Arshiya Das, a promising young chess player from Tripura, who attended as a special guest. Aprita Saha, representing the organization, expressed heartfelt gratitude to the customers and

the people of the state for their overwhelming support, proclaiming this year's 'Shubho Vivah Utsav' a resounding success. Gopal Debnath, visibly elated upon being declared the winner, extended his sincere congratulations to Shyam Sundar Co. Jewellers for orchestrating such a splendid event. The jubilant atmosphere was further accentuated by Rupak Saha's assurance on behalf of the company, reaffirming their commitment to delivering quality, service, and fair pricing to their esteemed clientele. The event culminated with an exchange of warm greetings and felicitations, marking the Vasanta Utsav on a high note. As the curtains drew on this year's celebration, Shyam Sundar Co. Jewellers continue to shine as a beacon of excellence in the realm of jewellery craftsmanship and customer satisfaction.

World Drama Day in Kailashahar held

■ NEC Report

Agartala, Mar 28: The World Theatre Day which is also known as World Drama Day was celebrated in the state on Wednesday. There were three theatre organizations in Kailashahar at Unakoti District which together celebrated the day. The history of the day, origin of the drama day, root and various other discussions regarding this day were done by them on this day. It was also added that Drama has played a huge role in historical changes in the society and it has created a revolt as well. It was in 1961 that World Theatre day was observed for the first time and it has been 63 years since this day is celebrated in this way. The three drama organizations are Nirghosh Nikkon, Renasa drama group and Sandipan drama group. The Chairperson of Kailashahar Municipal Council Chapala Deb Roy, Drama artist Ashim Chakraborty, owner of Sandipan drama group Arindam Chakraborty and many others were present in this program. A total of 5 poet and litterateur viz Biman Dam, Maitri Dam, Narayan Debnath, Narayan Das and Arindam Chakraborty were felicitated on this day.

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এতদ্বারা আগরতলা পুর নিগম এলাকায় কনসার্বেশারী সকল নাগরিকদের অবগতির জন্য জানানো যাচ্ছে যে, ২০২৩-২৪ অর্থ বছরে বার্ষিক ৫খন৬ সম্পত্তির (জমকর বাসে) তথ্য দেন নাই তারিখ আগামী ২৯/০৩/২৪ এবং ৩১/০৩/২০২৪ মার্চ সরকারী ডুটির দিনগুলিতে সকাল ১০টা থেকে বেলা ২টা পর্যন্ত হেড অফিস, জেলাস্ব অফিসসহ পুর নিগমের নির্দিষ্ট কিছু ভার্য অফিসে (যেমন ভার্য নং ০৪, ০৭, ১৩, ১৬, ১৭, ২৪, ৩২, ৩৪, ৪০ ও ৪৩) টায়ার কাটকিটার খোলা থাকবে। এই বিষয়ে নাগরিকদের যথাযথ সংযোগিতা করার জন্য অনুরোধ করা হচ্ছে।
উল্লেখ্য, নির্দিষ্ট সময়ের মধ্যে যে সকল নাগরিকগণ সম্পত্তির প্রদান করবেন না তাদের বিরুদ্ধে আগরতলা পুর নিগম কর্তৃপক্ষ, নিগমের নিয়ম অনুযায়ী অতিরিক্ত সহ প্রয়োজনীয় আইনগত পদক্ষেপ গ্রহণ করিতে বাধ্য থাকিবে।
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