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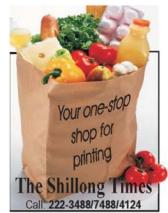
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CM rules out Manipur

effect in Meghalaya

#### State assures security to **NHIDCL** staff

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: The state government has apprised the Centre on the security measures being adopted for the safety of staff of National Highways and Infrastructure **Development Corporation** Limited (NHIDCL).

The recent assault on an engineer from the NHIDCL in South West Khasi Hills has prompted the government to provide security to personnel engaging in construction work in Megha-

There are several projects worth crores of rupees being undertaken by NHIDCL and lack of adequate security may delay completion of the schemes.

When asked, Deputy Chief Minister in- charge PWD (roads), Prestone Tynsong said the state government has already assured safety to the NHIDCL staff. (Contd on P-10)

#### India elected to **UN Security** Council

**UNITED NATIONS:** India has been overwhelmingly elected as a non-permanent member of the powerful UN Security Council for a twoyear term, in an unprecedented election where envoys from the 192 member states voted wearing masks and in adherence to the strict social distancing norms due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

India, the endorsed candidate from the Asia-Pacific region, won 184 votes out of the 192 ballots cast for the five non-permanent seats of the Security Council, the world organisation's most powerful organ.

India's two-year term term as the non-permanent member of the UNSC would begin from January 1, 2021.

Along with India, Ireland, Mexico and Norway also won the UNSC elections.

The General Assembly separately voted to elect veteran Turkish diplomat and parliamentarian Volkan Bozkir as the President of the next session of the UN General Assembly. (PTI) ■ Related reports on P-5

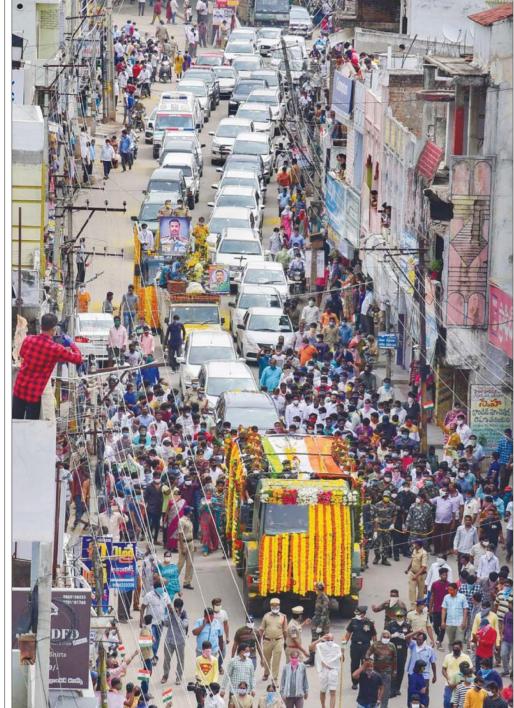


Question: Do you think hawkers and street vendors should be allowed to resume their business in lewduh?

(Poll closes at Midnight) Yesterday's Result

Question: Do you think the political rumblings in Manipur will have any impact

on Meghalaya politics? YES 49% NO 51%



People join the funeral procession of martyr Colonel Santosh Babu who was killed in a clash with Chinese troops in Galwan valley, in Survapet on Thursday. (PTI)

## New features to mark Rajya Sabha poll today

**State Chief Electoral** 

Officer Frederick Roy

Kharkongor speaks

about the RS poll to

be held on Friday. (ST)

cross marks, such ballot pa-

per will be rejected.

If there are tick marks or

Kharkongor said that in

previous Rajya Sabha polls,

the legislators were permit-

ted to use personal pens or

were made in Haryana on

clarity of marking respective

preferences on ballot paper

and hence the ECI decided

to arrange for centrally pro-

sketch pen which is unique

and specific only for elec-

tions to the Upper House.

However, objections

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: Besides the health protocols over COV-ID-19, the Rajya Sabha election in Meghalaya to be held on Friday will have many new features.

60 legislators will elect a new member to the Upper House and the choice is between WR Kharlukhi (NPP) and Kennedy Khyriem (Congress).

The election will be held from 9 am to 4 pm at the temporary Assembly at Rilbong and counting of votes will be taken up at 5 pm.

Violet pen

The state Chief Electoral Officer, Frederick Kharkongor said on Thursday that among the features for the purpose of voting, only violet sketch pen supplied by the returning officer will have to be used by the legislators

Use of any other pen will invalidate the ballot paper.

The voters cannot put tick marks or cross marks but should mention figure 1 or 2 in order of preference.

As per the provision of Representation of People | been finalised with MSTC Act, the election is by open

Kharkongor said an elector, who is a member of a political party, should show the ballot paper after voting to the authorised agent of the political party for verifi-

If the legislator refuses to show the ballot paper after voting, the vote will be cancelled by the returning officer. Besides, an MLA belonging to one political party cannot show the ballot paper to the authorised agent of any other political

However, this is not applicable to Independent MLAs but if they show the ballot paper to the agent of any political party, it would be violation of voting procedure.

Kharkongor said the purpose of open ballot is to previded integrated violet vent cross voting, wipe out corruption and maintain integrity of the democratic system.

**By Our Reporter** 

#### By Our Reporter **UDP** reaffirms support to MDA

SHILLONG: Meghalaya Chief Minister and NPP national president, Conrad K Sangma has ruled out any ripple effect of Manipur political crisis in Meghalaya, claiming that the ruling MDA coalition was in-

tact. A day after his own party MLAs defected from the BJP-led coalition plunging Manipur into a serious political crisis, an embarrassed Sangma had to swing into quick action to make sure that his flock remains intact.

Apparently, he was hard pressed to explain how his own party MLA crossed over to the Congress-led opposition.

Speaking to newsmen here on Thursday, Sangma said that the prevailing po-

litical situation in Manipur he had reassured all the had a lot to do with the partners of the MDA here leadership and it is more an that there was no possibilindividual centric decision. ity of similar drama in the In his judgment, the state. Every member has main factor that contrib- assured to continue to work

uted to the political topsytogether. turvy in Manipur was the leadership of the Chief Min-(UDP), a major partner in ister as many were unhappy the NPP-led MDA governover the way the portfolios ment, has reaffirmed its were snatched away from commitment to continue to support the MDA coalition the Ministers. for ensuring political stabil-According to him, the ity in the state.

resignation of three BJP MLAs triggered the present political landslide in Manipur. Sangma said that they had earlier raised the issue of simmering dissension among the BJP MLAs with the party's central leadership.

The NPP president said far been able to hold themership said.

selves together, although differences had cropped up from time to time.

Mawthoh said that with the COVID-19 pandemic situation, maintaining political stability was critical petty squabbles and should not impair the government.

#### BJP seeks

reciprocal gesture Meanwhile, BJP Meghalaya unit on Thursday shot off a letter to Conrad Sangma urging him to support their candidate in Rajya Sabha elections in Manipur and not to withdraw the support from the government. "We are supporting NPP candidate for Rajya Sabha elections in Meghalaya and as we are a coalition partner here, we According to Mawthoh, expect reciprocation from the MDA partners had so your side," the BJP state lead-

#### Coal auction in state within a week

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: The state government is optimistic that the actual auctioning process of the 2 lakh metric tonnes of extracted coal out of the 32 lakh metric tonnes will begin within a week or ten days'

Chief Minister Conrad Sangma on Thursday told reporters that the government had already held a meeting with the MSTC Limited (formerly Metal Scrap Trade Corporation Limited) and the entire procedure of auctioning has sters representing these and the Centre.

MSTC Limited is a stateowned e-commerce company based in Kolkata, West

The MSTC renders services to various e-commerce sectors, including e-auc-

Sangma informed that the MSTC has cleared the entire process of how the auctioning will be done.

The break-up of the auction from different districts of the state are: East Jaintia Hills - 75,000 MT, West Khasi Hills - 50,000 MT, South West Khasi Hills 25,000 MT and South Garo Hills - 50,000 MT. MSTC will carry out the e-auctioning.

Earlier, the chief minister had informed that the NGT committee had approved the auction of 2 lakh metric tonnes of coal out of the 32 lakh metric tonnes.

Last year, the Supreme Court had paved way for operationalising coal min-(Contd on P-10)

## Conrad steers clear of cabinet berth-sharing row

for each of the political party

United Democratic Party

Speaking to The Shil-

long Times, party general

secretary, Jemino Mawthoh

said that the turn of events

in Manipur would have no

impact in the state.

By Our Reporter

**SHILLONG:** As the ruling MDA enters the halfway point, there are fresh moves in the three junior partners, BJP, HSPDP and PDF, for accommodating those who are waiting in the wings for a cabinet berth.

The issue figured at the press briefing of Chief Minister Conrad Sangma on Thursday, who refused to versy over selection of mingroups.

He made it clear that it

supporting the alliance and based on the quota, it will be decision of the respective political to whom their nominee would be. There seems to be some

of the coalition parties BJP and HSPDP. Currently AL Hek is the

Cabinet Minister out of BJPs quota of one berth. Last year, it may be rebe drawn into any contro- called, the two BJP MLAs

Hek — had a war of words over the cabinet berth. Shullai claimed that there

was not for him to interfere was an internal arrangement in the selection of ministers. in the party that both the Sangma has conveyed to MLAs would be the minisall the partners that there ters for a period of two and was allotted quota of berth half years each which was

Informed sources said the Assam Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma who was the architect of the coalition, had also affirmed

rubbished upfront by Hek.

that there was no such internal rumblings in at least commitment from BJP. However, now both the MLAs and even the party leadership in Meghalaya are of the view that central lead-

ership of the party should take a final call. Similarly, HSPDP MLA khar is known to be a min-

- Sanbor Shullai and AL Renikton Lyngdoh Tongisterial aspirant and he would be hoping that at the half-way mark of the MDA Government he would be replacing Sohiong MLA, Samlin Malngiang as a min-

## State govt to open up more economic activities

By Our Reporter

**SHILLONG:** The state government is not going to wait till the end of lockdown to give more relaxations and open up more economic activities in the state.

Informing this here after a review meet-Sangma said the state government is opening up different sectors every day and it is not going to waiting for the end of lock-

"We have started opening a lot of different sectors and we are looking at hotel and tourism sectors and consultations are taking place with different stakeholders. Whenever we feel that the public is ready,

we will slowly start opening more sectors," the chief minister said.

The state government had last week ordered for reopening of Iewduh, salons, restaurants, beauty parlours and even traditional weekly markets in the state. Earlier, Prime Minister Narendra Modi

ing on Thursday, Chief Minister Conrad had made it clear to the state chief ministers that there will be no lockdown 5 or 6 and the unlock phase has already begun.

The state government during its daily review meeting discussed about other sectors which could be opened aimed at mov-

ing towards normalcy. "There was no specific decision but we discussed on how to move forward,'

Sangma added.

## Nidamon's frequent public appearance irks assault victims

### We are not safe when accused roams around: Activists

**By Our Reporter** 

**SHILLONG:** The frequent public appearance by NPP leader Nidamon Chullet, who is getting closer to many party leaders in the state, has irked activists Agnes Kharshiing and Amita Sangma.

The women were assaulted by coal baron Chullet and 25 others two years

After he recently donated money to Chief Minister's Relief Fund, he met Cabinet Minister Sniawbhalang Dhar on Thursday to discuss about coal issue.

According to Amita, she does not feel safe after see-

ing the accused roaming around. "It is sad that powerful persons like him are going scot-free", she said. Amita also criticised the government for the delay in

delivering justice. "I do not feel safe. NPP

is supporting him as he donated Rs 2 lakh to the government. Nidamon is a member of NPP and the government knows who assaulted us. There was no progress with regard to the independent inquiry also. We are angry, I remember he had brutally assaulted us", she said.

Agnes said the government should speed up the November 2018 assault case and transfer it to Shillong

She also demanded that the CBI should probe illegal rat-hole mining which is still continuing.

from Khliehriat.

Agnes and co-activist Amita, who were probing illegal mining in the state, were brutally assaulted by a group of truck drivers and coal traders led by Chullet at Tuber Shohshrieh, East Jaintia Hills

Agnes said "If the government is concerned about the safety of women, it should transfer the case to Shillong from Khliehriat as it is risky for us to go there".

She said the case pending in Khliehriat is not good for the witnesses.

Plea for allowing hawking in Iewduh

SHILLONG: The government's failure to spare a thought for the hundreds of street hawkers who have been reduced to penury since the March lockdown,

for lifting the virtual ban on hawking in the streets. A delegation of Meghalaya & Greater Shillong Progressive Hawkers and Street Vendors Association, Workers' Power and Thma U Rangli Juki met Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong to make strong case for per-

duh on a rotation basis. TUR member Angela Rangad later told reporters that as shops are re-opening in Iewduh, some hawk-



Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong in the city on Thursday. (ST)

economy.

mitting the hawking at Iewers should also be allowed to operate on some days, adding that like the numbering of shops, hawkers can also be classified to earn a

Stating that informal workers are the worst hit the by the lockdown, she added that informal workers would help revive the local

Earlier, the groups expressed unhappiness that the issue of the hawkers and street vendors of Meghalaya had not been addressed by the government and vending spaces.

and Iewduh were allowed to reopen conditionally, the administration has remained silent on hawkers. "The problem with hawk-

so far. While Khyndailad

ing and street vending in Meghalaya has been the non-implementation of the Central Street Vending Act which would have ensured that we would have got licenses and vending spaces," the groups said. The groups also said that

as per their surveys, although the government had announced cash support to the workers of unorganised sector, many of them had not received any support.

The groups want the government to immediately notify the Central Act on Street vending and ensure that they are given license