SEED Cell signs MoU with SBI and SBS

Gangtok, April 04: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang (Chief Patron, SEED Cell) chaired the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the SEED Cell with SBI and SBS at Samman Bhawan, today. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for loan agreement to facilitate the entrepreneurs of Sikkim was signed between the Chief Coordinator, SEED Cell, Mr. Raj Lama, and DGM SBI, Mr. Prabhakar Sahu, and the Managing Director SBS, Mr. Phurba Wangdi Bhutia. It was also informed that the SEED Cell has established the Women Wing Committee headed by Mrs. Shraddha Sharma to make significant contributions for the upliftment of women and provide committed assistance for urban and rural projects focusing on women entrepreneurship. As the onset, the Mission Director, SEED Cell, Mr. D.P. Pradhan presented a report of the SEED Cell to the Chief Minister. The Chief Minister congratulated the SEED Cell for working in coordination with the State Government to facilitate and support the entrepreneurs and assured help to provide all possible assistance to the SEED Cell to address the needs and necessities of the unemployed youth in the State. He also expressed his gratitude to the

Budget session 2022-23 of SLA concludes

Gangtok, April 02: The fifth and the concluding day of the Sixth Session of the Tenth Assembly (Budget session 2022-23) of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly began with question hour.

In reply to the question put forth by member Mr. D.R. Thapa regarding the migrant labourers in Sikkim, Minister for Labour Department, Mr. M.N. Sherpa, stated that the exact number of migrant labourers registered with the Labour Department under the India State Migrant Workmen Act, 1979 and the Sikkim Labour (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 2021 is 1,15,109 so far.

The Migrant labourers in Sikkim do not include the labourers from the neighbouring countries. However, for statistics purposes, the Department is maintaining data of Green Energy in Sikkim and the initiation of a high-value product industry like semiconductors, microchips, and TVs.

In terms of education, they deliberated on ways to impart the Japanese language and training in relation to various skills and professions, including health care and nursing to improve

Counselling-cum-allotment of seats for CMMSS 2022

Gangtok, April 04: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the counselling-cum-allotment of seats (2022) for the Chief Minister’s Merit Scholarship Scheme at Biraspati Parsai Government Senior Secondary School, Marchak, Ranipool, today. The event was organized by the Education Department. The Chief Minister’s Merit Scholarship Scheme is a unique educational scheme initiated to cater to Sikkimese students studying in Government schools. A total number of 1,047 students have benefitted from this scheme as of now. A total number of fifty-five students from thirteen schools (five belonging to the Scheduled Tribe community in Sikkim were selected for the allotment of seats. The names of the schools and the number of allotted seats are: Don Bosco School, Soreng (West)- 8, Manjusri Public School, Tarku (South)- 5, Namchi Public School, and nursing to improve

CM meets Ambassador of Japan to India

Gangtok, March 29: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang met with the Ambassador of Japan to India, Mr. Suzuki Satoshi, who was accompanied by senior officials from the Embassy of Japan in India, senior officials from JICA and F.I.C.C.I and the officials from the Government of India at a local hotel, today. During the meeting, they discussed various important matters including the production
Review meeting on inauguration of DAC (Soreng)

**Gyalshing, April 01** The District Child Protection Unit (West) and Chakung Constituency Mr. their role in response to issues of staff of RDD.

Director DESM&E (Mangan), ADC (Dev) Chungthang, BDOs Dzongu, Officers from line departments and workers and representatives from GREF.

In the weekly departmental inspection, management and mitigation, which started on March 25, in its second episode, the district administration team visited far-flung areas of Shipgyer and Ramom under Chungthang Sub-Division and Saffo and Pakhyel under Dzongu Sub-Division. The team inspected newly carpeted roads and culvert canals.

A huge landslide of Ramon Kyong (kholo), was assessed by the team, where DC and the line departments inspected and discussed preventive measures undertaken and also planned for future steps. After crossing the Ramon Kyong (khola), the team arrived at the Government Primary School Ramom and interacted with the ward Panchayat, headmaster, teachers and staff of the school and residence of Ramom. Ramom ward Panchayat, Ms. Dawa Doma Lepcha put forth the needs and requirements of the school, health facilities, and other immediate necessities of the village to the team. The inspection of the upper Shipgyer major landslide was conducted. Ward Panchayat, Mr. Veeshel Lepcha apprised the team about the essential needs of the ward.

An interactive session was also held at the Village Administrative Centre of Shipgyer-Ramom GPU, where the team had interactions with Panchayat and a plan of newly redressal was submitted to the DC. Thereafter, the team also visited nearby Shipgyer ICDS and Shipgyer PHSC and staff of the Shipgyer PHSC.

Minister L.N. Sharma inspected Ramam checkpoint

Minister L.N. Sharma carried out an inspection at the fire incident spot at the public ground of Baluwakhani/Legship, today.

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He was accompanied by the Chairman of Coordination Committee, Mr. Ramchandra Bhattacharya and few heads of the DC and the Line departments.

The DC also inaugurated the new ICDS Centre at Upper Saffo.

Thereafter, the team reached Pakhaly, where the DC said that the district administration team on their inspection and visit would like to tackle important issues related to disaster management and redressal of public grievances on the spot. The team inspected most vulnerable areas of Shipgyer, Ramom, Saffo and Pakhaly, which can give rise to problems to the residents of the area in the monsoon.

During the inspection, pre- monsoon preparedness, inspection and the spot decisions were taken by the team. Giving special emphasis on the connectivity of far-flung regions to the area, the team visited the district centre, and keeping in account most of the demands made by the residents on the connectivity issues, the DC called upon representatives of GREF to tackle the issues.

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Meeting-cum-sensitisation programme on SDG held

Mangan, March 28: A coordination meeting-cum-sensitisation programme on Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) by Rural Development Department (Mangan) and DESM&E in collaboration with BAC (Mangan) was organised at the Conference Hall of Mangan District Zilla Panchayat, today.

The meeting was chaired by Adhaksha North, Mrs. Namgyal Lepcha, in development post of DC Mangan, Dr. A.B. Karhi, ADC (Dev) Chungthang, ADC (Dev) Mangan, Director Rural DESM&E (Mangan), Joint Director DESM&E (Mangan), BDOs, Councillors Mangan NGO, and officials and staff of RDD.

Adhaksha North emphasized various roles and the responsibilities of Zilla and Gram Panchayats for the development of district and urged the line departments to work diligently in coordination with each other.

The DC gave a brief presentation on vision documents and stressed on various steps and resolutions taken by the State Government to make the District, the best in the country. The resolution passed in the district are Zero Food Waste Districts, Open Defecation Free District, Mission Clean North Sikkim and Dust and Chalk Free Schools.

He also touched upon various issues like better health facilities, quality education, quality mid-day meal, water treatment, road upgrades, and the Gram Panchayats to work diligently for the betterment of public and improvement of the district.

Earlier, ADC (Dev) Mangan, Mr. Ram Bahadur Bhargi gave a brief report on Rural Development Department (Mangan).

Director General DES&M&E (Mangan), Mr. Dev Sharma highlighted on Sustainable Development Goals, and showed various factors and elements to achieve sustainable goals and other ways and means in which the districts can improve.

An interactive session was also held with the ward representatives of Zilla Panchayats and Gram Panchayats presented their reports on development needs and plans for their GPs.

During the meeting, two minutes were given to the ward representatives of Zilla and Gram Panchayats to present their reports and plans on the following:

- Food and nutrition
- Health
- Education
- Water
- Energy
- Infrastructure
- Sustainable consumption and production
- Responsible consumption and production
- Life on land
- Peace and justice
- Partnerships for the goals

Minister L.N. Sharma said that the district administration team will work towards achieving these goals and will work for the betterment of public and improvement of the district.

Bhargi also expressed his satisfaction on the progress made in the district and urged the line departments to work diligently in coordination with each other.
NOTICE

Government of Sikkim
Power Department
No.05/PD/Rev/NODAL/2014-15/Part-II
Tariff approved by the Commission for FY 2022-23

Date: 29/03/2022

Sl No. | Category of Consumers | Energy Charges | Fixed Charges |
--- | --- | --- | --- |
1 | 1 Domestic | 1) Up to 50 units: 100 | 1 Phase: ₹50 | Nil |
2) 51 to 100 units: 200 | 3 Phase: ₹200 | \n3) 101 to 200 units: 300 | \n4) 201 to 400 units: 350 | \n5) 401 and above: 400 | \n2 | 2 Commercial | a) Up to 50 units: 300 | Total: 600 | \n| b) 51 to 100 units: 400 | \n| c) 101 to 200 units: 500 | 1 Phase: ₹200 | Rural: ₹60 |
| d) 201 to 400 units: 600 | 3 Phase: ₹500 | Urban: ₹100 |
| 3 | 3 Public Lighting | a) Rural Areas: 400 | \n| b) Urban Areas: 500 | Nil | Nil |
4 | 4 Industrial | \n| A HT | a) HT (AC) above 3,3 KVA | \n| b) Upto 100 KVA: 540 | \n| c) 100 to 250 KVA: 590 | \n| d) 250 to 500 KVA: 640 | \n| e) 500 KVA and above: 690 | \n| B LT (Rural) | a) Up to 500 units: 360 | \n| b) 501 to 1000 units: 440 | \n| c) 1001 and above: 580 | \n| 1) Contract Load 45 KW & Below: 500/month | \n| 2) Contract Load above 45 KW: ₹120/KVA/Month | \n| C LT (Urban) | a) Up to 500 units: 530 | \n| b) 501 to 1000 units: 620 | \n| c) 1001 and above: 715 | \n| 1) Contract Load 45 KW & Below: 7500/month | \n| 2) Contract Load above 45 KW: ₹100/KVA/Month | \n| 5 Bulk Supply | a) LT: 550 | \n| b) HT: 550 | \n| 1) Contract Load 45 KW & Below: ₹150/KVA/Month | \n| 2) Contract Load above 45 KW: ₹1000/KVA/Month | \n| Sd/-
PCE cum Secretary (Sl.No.1082)

Government of Sikkim
Cooperation Department, Namchi, South Sikkim.
No. ...GOS/COOP/JRCS/S
Dated: 01/03/2022

NOTICE

As per the power conferred upon and under the provision of Rule 71 and Sub Rule (1) & (2) of Sikkim Cooperative Societies Rule 1981, it is hereby informed to all concerned, that the liquidation proceedings is initiated against the following cooperative society:

- Namchi Nagar Parishad Regd. Contractor Cooperative Society Ltd.
- Lungchok Rolu Poultry/Livestock Growers Cooperative Society Ltd.

Hence, all the stakeholders including the members, debtors, creditors, nominees, heirs and legal representatives of the deceased members are hereby informed to submit their claims and objections, if any, in respect to the aforementioned cooperative society within one month (i.e. 30 days) of the publication of this notice to the liquidators at the Cooperation Department, Namchi, South Sikkim.

(Ajay Rai)
ARCS Cum Liquidator, Cooperation Department.
(Sl.No.1084)

NOTICE

Sikkim Public Service Commission
Old Tourism Complex, M.G. Marg, Gangtok, Sikkim - 737101
Fax: 03592-207572.

No: 14/SPSC/EXAM/2022
Dated: 31/03/2022

NOTICE

The written examination (Prelims) for filling up of 03 (three) posts of Sub Jailor (for male candidates only) on temporary regular basis in Level 12 of the Pay Matrix in the Sikkim State Jail under Home Department, Government of Sikkim through Direct Recruitment, as advertised vide advertisement No. 05/SPSC/EXAM/2021 DATED: 25/03/2021, is hereby scheduled as detailed below:

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List of eligible candidates on the basis of scrutiny of documents conducted is appended herewith at Annexure I.

Eligible candidates may download their admit cards from 29/03/2022 to 02/04/2022 (midnight) from the official website of Sikkim Public Service Commission i.e. www.spsscm.gov.in

Admission to all the stages of examination for which candidates are admitted by the Commission, shall be purely provisional, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. If, on verification at any point of time, before or after the Written Examination, it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions, their candidature for the examination/post will be summarily rejected by the Commission.

(Yangchen D. Tamang), SCS
Controller of Examinations
Sikkim Public Service Commission
(Sl.No.1083 A(i))

NOTICE

Sikkim Public Service Commission
Old Tourism Complex, M.G. Marg, Gangtok, Sikkim - 737101
Fax: 03592-207572.

No: 16/SPSC/EXAM/2022
Dated: 31/03/2022

NOTICE

On the basis of marks obtained in the written examination held on 19th February 2022, the Viva-voice/ Personality Test of eligible candidates for filling up of 01 (one) post of Scientific Officer (Chemistry) and 01 (one) post of Scientific Officer (Questioned Document) under Regional Forensic Science Laboratory (RFSL), CID, Sikkim Police, Government of Sikkim through direct recruitment, as advertised vide advertisement no. 02/SPSC/EXAM/2022 dated 15.02.2021, is hereby scheduled as under:

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Health Tips

* Eat a healthy diet: Eat a combination of different foods, including fruit, vegetables, legumes, nuts and whole grains. Adults should eat at least five portions (400g) of fruit and vegetables per day. By eating healthy, you will reduce your risk of malnutrition and noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) such as diabetes, heart disease, stroke and cancer.

* Costume less salt and sugar: Reduce your salt intake to 5g per day, equivalent to about one teaspoon. On the other hand, consuming excessive amounts of sugars increases the risk of tooth decay and unhealthy weight gain.

* Reduce intake of harmful fats: Fats consumed should be less than 30% of your total energy intake. This will help prevent unhealthy weight gain and NCDs. There are different types of fats, but unsaturated fats are preferable over saturated fats and trans-fats.

* Avoid harmful use of alcohol: There is no safe level for drinking alcohol. Consuming alcohol can lead to health problems such as mental and behavioural disorders.

* Don't smoke: Smoking tobacco causes NCDs such as lung disease, heart disease and stroke.

* Be active: Physical activity is defined as any bodily movement produced by skeletal muscles that requires energy expenditure. This includes exercise and activities undertaken while working, playing, carrying out household chores, travelling, and engaging in recreational pursuits.

* Cover your mouth when coughing or sneezing: Diseases such as influenza, pneumonia and tuberculosis are transmitted through the air. When an infected person coughs or sneezes, infectious agents may be passed on to others through airborne droplets. When you feel a cough or sneeze coming on, make sure you have covered your mouth with a face mask or use a tissue then dispose it carefully.

* Drink only safe water: Drinking unsafe water can lead to water-borne diseases such as cholera, diarrhea, hepatitis A, typhoid and polio. Globally, at least 2 billion people use a drinking water source contaminated with faeces.

* Clean your hands properly: Hand hygiene is critical not only for health workers but for everyone. Clean hands can prevent the spread of infectious illnesses. You should wash your hands with soap and water when your hands are visibly soiled or handwash using an alcohol-based product.
Budget session... on labourers of foreign nationalities. Mr. Aditya Golay (Tamang) was nominated as the Chairman of the Committee for the project.

The vote of thanks was also delivered by Members Mr. T.B. Lepcha, Mr. M.K. Sharma, Mr. Sonam Lama, Mr. Kunzang Namgyal, Mr. Tashi Dhungel and Mr. Namgyal Lepcha.

On the proposal for a combined recruitment examination on an annual basis for all entry-level Gazetted posts through the Sikkim Public Service Commission was under active consideration of the Government. The Cabinet also approved the proposal for a combined examination and prepared and at their final stage, he added.

In addition to the discussion made on the issue, Member Mr. D.R. Thapa suggested that capacity building be strengthened to achieve gender empowerment and developmental capability of unemployed persons of the State, to which the Chief Minister accorded a cordial welcome.

During the Legislative Business, the House passed four Bills namely the Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2022 (Bill No. 08 of 2022), the Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose University of Science and Technology Bill, 2022 (Bill No. 09 of 2022), the Capital University Bill, 2022 (Bill No. 10 of 2022) and the Sikkim Board of Indigenesque Language and Literature Bill, 2022 (Bill No. 11 of 2022) which, were introduced in the House by the concerned Ministers-in-Charge on 1st April 2022.

The Chief Minister was pleased to inform that the Sikkim State Electricity Corporation Limited would take up a project in the next financial year for the supply of electricity to the Oza-Rupchow and Kothok-Kewa-Changla areas.

The Minister in Charge of Social Justice Department, Dr. M.K. Sharma expressed that the chief novelty of the POBLA is the shift in the way in which the 'check' or the 'monitor' is exercised in the life of the child and the family. The POBLOW is a project of the State Government and it is open to the scrutiny of all members of the house and it is a project that is of great importance.

The Minister in Charge of Women and Child Development Department, Dr. M.K. Sharma expressed that the ‘check’ or the ‘monitor’ is exercised in the life of the child and the family through the POBLOW. The POBLOW is a project of the State Government and it is open to the scrutiny of all members of the house and it is a project of great importance.

Mr. B.P. Sharma, Minister for Social Justice and Crown Appointments was also known to have announced that the Government would allocate Rs. 2.00 crores for the project of POBLOW.

POSHAN Pakhwada 2022 concludes

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State Nodal Officer in her Power Point presentation demonstrated about, ‘Integration of Traditional and Modern Practices for Healthy India” and discussed various activities carried out during the ‘week’ and an initiative to revive the State’s nutrition, which is available throughout the year and such a successful event in the long run. The Minister said that the POSHAN Pakhwada is an initiative as an awareness campaign to influence people so that they can make informed choices and improve their ability to adopt a positive lifestyle and healthy living. He requested everyone to actively participate and hoped that the Government would continue to support all such areas that are under anaemic conditions.

A short documentary on the journey of POSHAN Pakhwada was presented highlighting all the activities and efforts of the departments in convergence. The Chief Minister was pleased to inform that the Women and Child Development Department Certificates and cash prizes were also handed out to various individuals for their participation and commendable efforts in the POSHAN Pakhwada events by the Ministers and the dignitaries.

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The Speaker also nominated members Mr. Sonam Venchugpa, Mr. G.T. Dhungel, Mr. Namgyal Lepcha and Mr. Kunzang Namgyal in the panel of Chairmen for the Financial Year 2022-23.

Likewise, the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, Mr. Aditya Golay (Tamang), presented the following Report on Public Accounts Committee:

The Speaker of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly nominated Mr. Tashi Dhungel, Mr. Em Prasad Sharma and Mrs. Raj Kumari Thapa as Members of the Committee for the next financial year.

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Last rites of former Chief Minister held

Gangtok, March 30: The last rites of veteran leader and former Chief Minister, Mr. B.B. Gooroong Lumsey, Gangtok. Mr. Gooroong passed away on March 28, at the age of 73 and was a respected leader who served the State in various capacities. Mr. Ganga Prasad, Governor, Mr. Ganga Prasad attended the funeral service, paid his homage to the former Chief Minister at his residence in Lusumey, Gangtok.

Cabinet approves and sanctions various proposals

Gangtok, April 04: A cabinet meeting was held at Tashiling Secretariat, today. After thorough discussions, the following decisions were approved by the Cabinet:

**Agriculture Department**

Approval of ₹27.83.3 lakhs for implementation of Sikkim Agricultural Resources Management System (ARMs) under the revised National e-Governance Plan-Agriculture (NeGP-A) and financial sanction of ₹62.62.425.

**Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Department**

Post facto approval and sanction of ₹30.30 lakhs as Grants-in-Aid to Sikkim Co-operative Milk Producer’s Union Ltd for construction of 6 milk collection centres.

**Forest and Environment Department**

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹98.34 lakhs for the repair and upgradation of Saramsa Garden, Roads and Bridges Department.

**Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹111.32 lakhs for the work upgradation and carpeting of road along approach Road to Tumlong Village from NH-31 A under Mangan District.**

**Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹181.58 Lakhs for the work upgradation, carpeting, protective and drainage works along Gor Taryang Road under Mangan District (1.57 Km).**

**Rural Development Department**

Post facto approval and sanction of ₹105.03.02 Lakhs (Central Share ₹56.68.02 Lakhs and State Share ₹48.36.00 Lakhs) as additional sanction for taking up activities as per guidelines of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA). Post facto approval and financial sanction of 4.48.74.000/- as Centre Share and 4.96.86.000/- as State Share under Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin).

**Skill Development Department**

Approval for implementation of Apprentices Act, 1961 both in Designated (Technical) and Optional (Non-Technical) through Apprenticeship Facilitation Centre and facilitation to job seekers through “Niyukti Kendra.”

**Social Welfare Department**

Administrative approval of the project for construction of 100 bedded District Hospital at Solukhumbu under Soreng District, sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Yarakram (PMJVK) at a cost of ₹23.61 crores and financial sanction of ₹25.29 crores for the year 2022-23.

**Tourism and Civil Aviation Department**

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹30.00.00.000/- as Grants-in-Aid to Indian Himalayan Centre for Adventure & Eco-Tourism (IHCAE), Chemchey for the financial year 2021-22.

**Sikkim records Viral Infectious Disease in pigs**

Gangtok, April 01: Sikkim recorded one more Viral Infectious Disease in pigs called African Swine Fever (ASF). Sikkim has recorded many cases of African Swine Fever (ASF) in various locations in Gyalshing, Pakyong, Mangan and Namchi Districts, according to tests conducted by Real Time PCR at National Institute of High Security Animal Disease (NIHSD) (NIHSD), Bhopal and informed vide letter no. F.No. 15-342.12.12.2020-LH Dated: 1 April 2022.

ASF is a highly contagious and fatal disease of domestic and feral pigs (including wild boar) transmitted through direct and indirect contacts, ingestion of contaminated feedstuff and by certain tick vector species. The disease does not infect humans (not Zoonotic) or other livestock species. However, no vaccine or drugs are available to prevent ASF infection at present. African swine fever (ASF) is a highly contagious economically devastating hemorrhagic viral disease of pigs, warthogs and wild boar with high rates of morbidity and mortality. Government of India has taken initiatives to take all necessary actions towards curbing the spread vide No: D.O No: K-11/22/2020-LH Dated: 1 April 22.

Consequently, a high-level technical meeting was held on April 01 with senior Veterinary Officials at Gangtok HQ under the chairmanship of Secretary, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Department. Dr. P. Senthil Kumar. Accordingly, the following measures are imposed for immediate actions:

1. The Notification No. 15/ AH&VS/Adm/2021 Dated: 7 March 2022 on Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) on PRRS shall be followed and Adopted by Field Veterinarians and Piggery Farm Managers for African Swine Fever (ASF) as well till further notice or till a special SOP for African Swine Fever is notified.

2. Gyalshing and Soreng Districts are free from Disease as on date, the Movement of the Pigs from affected Districts namely Gangtok, Mangan, Pakyong and Namchi for entry into Gyalshing and Soreng District is prohibited till further notice.

A detailed Standard Operating Procedure for African Swine Fever shall be issued by the Department soon after its finalization. Regulations are being imposed by Animal Husbandry Department to control the Disease.