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Dr Lopsang Sangay calls on Chief Minister



Gangtok, February 22: The President of the Central Tibet Administration, Dharamsala Dr Lopsang Sangay called on the Chief Minister, Mr. Prem Singh Tamang at his official residence at Mintokgang, today.

In the meeting, they discussed the need to preserve and conserve traditional practices, knowledge and history. The Chief Minister recalled his visit to Dharamsala where he had mentioned the initiative to send the cultural team to learn Tibetan performing art and culture. He also emphasized the importance of documenting oral history for its preservation and also to educate

the younger generation.

Dr Lopsang Sangay informed the Chief Minister about the proposed Nalanda University at Bodh Gaya, Bihar. He added that the Government of Bihar has donated 60-acre land for the same purpose and will be based on the ancient University.

The Chief Minister thanked him for his visit and applauded the work done during his tenure which concludes in May 2021 and wished him success in his future endeavours. Likewise, Dr Lopsang also expressed his gratitude for the hospitality accorded to him and his entourage.

FPOs receive transportation vehicles for marketing purpose



Gangtok, February 18: The Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) of the State received transportation vehicles for marketing purpose of the agricultural produce on the occasion of the State Level Stakeholder Workshop on Farmers Producers Organization, held at Manan Kendra, today.

The Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang (handed over the Vehicle Keys to seven FPOs and flagged off the subsidised

transportation vehicles under Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region, Phase-1.

The vehicle keys were handed over to seven FPOs namely Ragdong Tintek Organic Farmers Producers Coop. Society Ltd. Tumin, East Sikkim, Khamdong Singtam Organic Farmers Producers Cooperative Society Ltd, Lingzey, East Sikkim, Ranikhola Farmers Producers

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National Conference on Sikkim North Bengal Buddhist Conclave

Gangtok February 22: National Conference on “Sikkim North Bengal Buddhist Conclave” was held at Manan Kendra, today.

The programme was organized by Indian Himalayan Council of Nalanda Buddhist Tradition (IHCNBT) in collaboration with International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi and supported by Ecclesiastical Department, Government of Sikkim.

The event was graced by Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang as the chief guest.

The Chief Minister, in his address, expressed his pleasure to be part of the august event. He said that Sikkim has always had the blessings of Guru Rimpoche in the form of his profound teachings. He said that Buddhism permeates compassion and it should be our effort to carry out enlightened activities in any way that will guide us ensuring benefit and well-being in both the short term and the long



term.

The Chief Minister further said that in the Himalayan Region, Buddhist heritage is undergoing a rapid transformation in its polity, culture and socio-economic changes leading to strategic challenges, which is one of the powerful factors for cultural mobilization and social stability in Himalayan region and will continue to play a key role in future

consolidation of the strategic area of the country.

In conclusion, he said that the government will work towards strengthening the traditional structures that will establish greater understanding and harmony among various Buddhist communities for larger good of humanity, peace and harmony.

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6th Meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog

Gangtok, February 20: The Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the 6th Meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog, 2021 via Video Conference, today.

The Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi, Union Ministers, Chief Ministers, Lt. Governors, CEO (NITI Aayog) and other officials were also present during the conference.

The Chief Minister in his address expressed his gratitude towards the Prime Minister, Union Cabinet members for the efficient handling of the pandemic and also thanked the health professionals and security personnel for their selfless dedication as well as the scientists, who were involved in the process of vaccine development. He applauded the fact that the country was able to develop the vaccine at a record time on such a large scale.

He added that Sikkim has been recovering from the onslaughts of the pandemic and has also been able to curb the number of positive cases in the state. While mentioning some of the achievements in the past year, he spoke about revamping the organic synergy of the State and deliberating ways to turn Sikkim into the Green capital of India and also contribute to the Prime Minister target of a 5 trillion



economy. Further, he also stated important points identified by the NITI Aayog and the concerns of the Government in this area.

He added that the farmers in the state have been using sustainable and eco-friendly organic fertilizers.

He stated that Sikkim has a single highway connecting it to the rest of the country and is frequently disrupted, owing to

geographical facts and other various reasons and stressed the need for proper highway and road connectivity.

Speaking about the New Education Policy 2020, the Chief Minister stated that Sikkim is all set to commence the policy as comprehensive as possible and requested for the communication

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Pearls of Wisdom

“Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.”

-Arthur Ashe

District Diary

Entrepreneurship Development Programme Training for South and West Districts held

Namchi, February 22: A three day-long Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) Training for beneficiaries under the Skilled Youth Start-Up Scheme (SYSS) commenced in the Conference Hall of Karfectar, today. The training organized by Positron Computer Education Institute, Gangtok in

collaboration with DIC (S/W) Jorethang had the participation of 27 beneficiaries under SYSS from both South and West Districts.

The inaugural session had the presence of General Manager, DIC (S/W) Jorethang Mrs. Sukmaya Subba as the chief guest.

The objective of the Entrepreneurship Development Programme training is to facilitate and develop entrepreneurial abilities among the beneficiaries under SYSS in order to aid them to conceive, plan, initiate and launch an economic activity or an

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Coordination meeting for implementation of Aatma Nirbhar Sikkim held

Gyalshing, February 22: A coordination meeting with regard to the implementation of Aatma Nirbhar Sikkim was held at the Conference Hall of the Zilla Panchayat Bhavan, Kyongsa, West Sikkim, today. Additional

District Collector, (West), Mr. Agawane Rohan Ramesh chaired the meeting.

It may be mentioned that Aatma Nirbhar Sikkim is a joint initiative of District Administration and Nehru Yuva Kendra, West Sikkim under the

flagship programme, 'Aatma Nirbhar Bharat' of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India to inculcate the entrepreneurship skills among the students and youth,

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1st Block Level Junior Olympic Games held at North Sikkim

Mangan, February 22: The 1st Block level Inter School Junior Olympic Games under "Sports for Peace and Development," Khelo India 2020-2021 was held in Naga Public Ground, today. It was organized by the Department of Sports and Youth Affairs (North) Government of Sikkim sponsored by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India. 14 schools participated in the event.

Chairman for Sikkim Welfare Commission Mr. N.T. Lepcha was the chief guest for the programme.

The event consisted of various sports activities such as Athletics, Archery, Boxing, Badminton, Football, Karate, Taekwondo and Table Tennis. Taekwondo and Boxing demonstration were also displayed.

The football final was played in the Under 14 and 17 boys categories. The winners were: Under 14 boys- Thingchim Secondary School, Under 17 boys- Mangan Senior Secondary School.

The winners were distributed prize and certificates. Mangshila Senior Secondary School took home the "team champion" trophy of GPUs.

Block level first inter school junior olympic games concludes

Gyalshing, February 22: The closing ceremony of five days long block level first inter school junior olympic games under "Sports for Peace and Development" 2020-2021 was held at the playground of Soreng Senior Secondary School, today. The event was organised by the Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, Soreng under the direction of Chief Minister in collaboration with Rural Development Department.

The Advisor for Sports and Youth Development Board (SYDB) Mr. Megnath Subba was

the chief guest.

Mr. Megnath Subba congratulated and appreciated the efforts of the participants. He further said that, winning and losing is a part of the game, participation matters the most.

The competition witnessed the participation of more than five hundred students from fifteen reputed schools under Soreng Block to showcase the talent in table tennis, athletic, football, karate and badminton.

The event saw the final match of football and badminton simultaneously. The four football

matches of under-14 and 17 boys and girls were played, where in Under-14 boys category Dodak Secondary School bagged the prize. While in Under-14 girls Bojek Junior High School was declared the winner and in under-17 boys Buriakhop Senior Secondary School won the match.

The event also witnessed the four final matches of badminton where Don Bosco Malbasay and Himalayan Academy were declared the winner.

TB forum meeting held in Mangan

Mangan, February 19: A TB Forum meeting under the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP) a public health initiative of Government of India was held at District Administrative Complex, Mangan, today. It was chaired by the District Collector (North), Mr. Tenzing. T. Kaleon.

The objective of the meeting was to discuss in detail the steps, procedures and SOPs to work towards eliminating tuberculosis by 2022 (in Sikkim). It may be mentioned that the Government of India aims for the same goal for the entire country by 2025.

DC (North) emphasized on the importance of awareness and the stigma that is associated with tuberculosis. He said that it is the priority of the committee to draft a systematic and practical SOP under the guidance of the Chief Medical Officer and DTO that covers all areas of need. He also

suggested that a pilot project for basic testing for tuberculosis, using a systematic and structured setup, with help from ASHA and Aganwadi workers could be planned and carried out to identify patients and recommended that patient profiling (mode of infection, area, age-group etc) would help immensely in combating TB. He stated that financial incentives would be provided to those health and Aganwadi workers who would help in the collection of samples, based on the number of samples they collect. He also said that it is important to corroborate reports and results before finalizing the data for record. He asked the DTO to render plan of action with help from other line departments and sectors. He also emphasized on the importance of dissemination of information, advising that one should take full advantage of technology for communication

and awareness. He maintained that documentation for every process has to be carried out efficiently. He urged the NGOs and Panchayats to work towards involving the community through awareness programmes and activities for better detection and prevention. He concluded his note by saying that the functions and responsibility of the committee has to be continuous and consistent for effective results.

TB Champions shared their personal experiences of living with tuberculosis and overcoming it while Panchayats and members of the NGOs shared their experiences of working for the community and what propels them to get involved in causes like this. SP(N) added that the measures to be taken should be practical and that as a community, it is the responsibility to be active and aware.

Chief Minister attends Losar celebration

Mangan, February 21: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended Losar celebration as the chief guest at Upper Rongong, North Sikkim, today. The event was organized by Rongong Youth Club, North Sikkim.

The Chief Minister expressed his joy and gratitude to the Rongong Youth Club and the people of North district for inviting him to be a part of the celebrations.

He stated that the state government has been working efficiently and would continue to do so for Sikkim, particularly in the rural areas. He highlighted various schemes and works of the government and urged the people to work together as a community. He assured that the government would create avenues and sincerely work towards propelling the state to newer heights.

Model Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Centre inaugurated

Gyalshing, February 17: A model Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Centre and kindergarten section constructed through NITI Aayog and Social Welfare Department Government of Sikkim under aspirational district programme was inaugurated today at Pelling, West Sikkim, today. Mrs. Sarda Tamang, attended the event as the chief guest.

The event also drew light on the technical report stating that the two storied ICDS Centre having kindergarten section was constructed at the cost of 28 lakhs.

Mrs. Sarda Tamang in her address said that the initiative taken by West District in regard to establishment of model ICDS

centre having kindergarten facilities will act as a stepping stone for other districts as well to delve into such productive effort.

DC (West) Mr. Karma R. Bonpo informed that ICDS centre having facility of kindergarten section was initiated to create convergence between ICDS and pre - schooling facilities such as lower and upper kindergarten.

Government Contractor Mr. Narayan Khatiwada who had executed ICDS centre's construction project, Mrs. Seema Subba AWW Dentam ICDS, Mrs. Phumden Subba AWW Pelling ICDS and Mr. Hom Bahadur Karki who donated his private residency for running ICDS, were felicitated on the occasion.

32nd National Road Safety month observed

Namchi, February 16: The 32nd National Road Safety month was observed at Central Park, Namchi, today. Organized by South District Administrative Centre and supported by National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited which is under Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India, had the presence of DC (South) Mr. M. Bharani Kumar, SP (South) Mr. Thakur Thapa, Police, Traffic personnels and other stakeholders.

As, a part of 32nd National

Road Safety a walkathon was also flagged off by DC (South) Mr. M. Bharani Kumar from Namchi Central Park.

It maybe mentioned that National Road Safety Month aims to create awareness about Road safety and reduce Road accidents in the country. Furthermore, awareness about the causes of road accidents and measures to prevent them will be highlighted as a part of this safety month. Additionally, awareness-creation activities like walkathons, seminars and many other ventures will also be taken up.

Meeting of District Skill Committee held

Gyalshing, 19 February: A meeting of District Skill Committee for upliftment of Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) was held at the Office of District Collector West, Gyalshing, today.

The main agenda of the meeting was to broaden the training space and improve the skill development efforts in India.

The meeting was attended by the ADC (West), Mr. Agawane Rohan Ramesh along with SDMs, BDOs of West district and concerned Officers.

ADC (West) in his briefing, highlighted the skill development scheme, and said that committee should work efficiently. He also suggested to identify the requirements of skills in and around the rural areas and to ensure quality jobs to the participants.

He mentioned that the NHPC and industries representatives play a vital role in identification of the skills. He asked the committee to come up with proposals that would create reciprocity between skilled individuals and the industries.

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**Government of Sikkim
Culture Department
Gangtok-737101, Sikkim**

Ref No:127/SA&M/CD

Dated: 16/02/2021

APPEAL

The State government is presently working to establish the first ever Sikkim State Museum at Gangtok. This prestigious project will celebrate and showcase the richness of our State's enduring history, distinct culture and heritage. Once established, this Museum will be a premiere destination for scholars and discerning members of society including the visiting tourists.

Therefore, the Culture Department would like to appeal to everyone to extend all possible support by donating old photographs, documents and objects of historical importance for displaying in the State Museum. Credit for such donations will be displayed along with the artifacts. Further, if desired, full ownership of the artifacts may be retained by the donors themselves.

This appeal is made to citizens at large to come forward positively and Join hands to help establish the State Museum as a collaborative effort to ensure continuity of our cultural uniqueness and importance.

Contact:
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98320-14600
83720-38127

**Additional Director
(State Archives)
Culture Department
Govt. of Sikkim.**

R.O. No.242/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:17/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Health and Family Welfare Department.
Namchi South Sikkim**

Memo No:389/ACCT/H&FW

DATED: 09/02/2021

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

1. Sealed rate quotation are invited from the interested registered local firms for the supply of miscellaneous items to District Hospital Namchi, Primary Health Sub Centers of South District for the period of FY 2021-22.

2. The supply order will be placed on as and when required basis. Firms should have outlet/ warehouse at Namchi Bazar, South Sikkim.

3. Rate should be quoted FOR DESTINATION i.e District Hospital Namchi.

4. Rate quoted should be exclusive of GST and CESS.

5. The quotation/Tender shall be opened on 10/03/2021 by the Tender Selection Committee on the presence of participating firms who may like to be present.

6. Security Deposit of ₹1.00.000/- (Rupees One lakh only) in the form of TDR(refundable) drawn in favour of Sr Accounts Officer District Hospital, Namchi should be attached along with the quotation.

7. Tender Form along with the list of items will be available in the office of Sr. Accounts Officer District Hospital, Namchi on production of challan for ₹5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) as the cost of the tender Form(non refundable) deposited in the State bank of Sikkim under Revenue head of Account - 0210-Medical & Public health -800- Other Receipts(Cost of Tender Form for supply of miscellaneous items)

8. Firm registration Certificate, valid Trade Licence for the sale of miscellaneous items, latest GST registration should be produced for obtaining Tender forms.

9. "QUOTATION FOR THE SUPPLY OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FOR DISTRICT HOSPITAL NAMCHI 2021-22" should be written in bold letters on the top of the envelope.

10. Incomplete quotation / lack of essential documents as required at 8 above shall be rejected.

11. Issue of Tender forms 01.03.2021 to 05.03.2021.

12. Submission of Tender forms / quotation - 08.03.2021 till 4 p.m.

13. Use of white ink on the tender form will lead to automatic cancellation of tender bid.

14. The department reserves the right to reject any or all the quotation without any reason thereof.

**Chief Medical Officer
Health & Family Welfare Deptt.
Namchi, South Sikkim**

R.O. No.235/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(A)(i), Dt:11/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Health and Family Welfare Department.
Namchi South Sikkim**

Sealed quotations are invited from interested registered firms with valid license for the supply of dietary materials Yangang, Ravongla Jorethang, Temi, Melli, Namthang & Bermiok PHCs for the period of 1st April, 2021 to 31st March 2022.

SL. NO	PARTICULARS	QTY	RATE	REMARKS
1	RICE	KG		
2	MUSTARD OIL	KG		
3	MUSURI DAL	KG		
4	SALT (IODISED)	KG		
5	SUGAR	KG		
6	MEAT (CHICKEN)	KG		
7	EGGS (BROILER)	DOZEN		
8	TEA LEAF	KG		
9	SEASONAL GREEN VEGETABLES	KG		
10	BREAD(LOAF)	KG		
11	SPICES	KG		
12	HALDI/TURMERIC	KG		
13	PATATOES	KG		
14	MILK	KG		
15	KEROSENE OIL	LTR.		

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. Security deposit in the form of TDR ₹5000/- (Rupees five thousand only) for the PHC in favour of Sr.Accounts Officer cum Drawing & Disbursing Officer, Health & F.W. Department, South Sikkim should be attached with the quotations.

2. The rate once quoted should not be varied once the rate is accepted.

3. The supply must not interrupt under any circumstances.

4. In the event of breach of any of the clause above by the successful supplier during his tenure of supply the security deposit shall be forfeited and declared as defaulter.

5. The sealed quotation should reach the office of the undersigned by 12 noon or before 8th March 2021. The quotation will be opened on the 10th March 2021 in presence of supplier who wishes to be present.

6. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject to any or all tender without assigning any reason thereof.

**Chief Medical Officer
Health & Family Welfare Deptt.
Namchi, South Sikkim**

R.O. No.235/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(B)(i), Dt:11/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Office of the District Collector
District Administrative Centre
Rabdentse, West Sikkim -737113**

No.68/DC(W)

Dated: 15/02/2021.

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Electronic bids are invited from qualified bidders by Office of the District Collector, (West Sikkim) on behalf of Governor of Sikkim for "Development Implementation of Education Monitoring & Management Information System for West District (Sikkim)".

For details and request of bids and subsequent communication, please visit the websites <https://sikkimtender.gov.in/nicgcp/app> and <https://sikkim.gov.in/home>.

(Karma R. Bonpo) IAS

**District Collector-cum-District Magistrate,
R.O. No.244/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:18/02/21**

**Government of Sikkim
Social Justice and Welfare Department
Samaj Kalyan Bhawan, Lumsey 5th Mile**

No.GOS/33/SJ&WD/WD/East

Date:05/02/2021

NOTICE

**EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL, PARKHA, EAST SIKKIM.
(Under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India)**

Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) Parkha situated at Thekabong, East Sikkim being run under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India is committed to cater relevant and quality education to the rural-tribal children ensuring all-round development for building their future bright and secure.

Application are invited from Tribal students belonging to East Sikkim only for Entrance Test in Class VI for the academic session 2021-2022 (60 seats, i.e. 30 Boys and 30 Girls) and to avail golden opportunity to join the school with residential facilities.

Candidate fulfilling the following Eligibility Criteria may submit application Forms from 09/02/2021 to 09.03.2021 during Office hours:-

· Applicants must belong to Tribal Community and should be born after 01.01.2009.

· Applicants must have passed Class V in 2020-2021 sessions from any recognized School or Government School.

· Applicants must qualify the Entrance Test (EMREST) in March 2021.

· 5% Seats reserved for persons with disability. However they have to secure minimum 40% in entrance test.

· 20% Seats reserved for students belonging to BPL family. They should possess Ration Card for PHH category. However, they have to secure minimum 40% in entrance test.

· 5% Seats reserved for orphans & single parented children, abandoned children and must secure minimum 40% in entrance test.

· 5% Seats reserved for students excelling in games/ sports & extra curriculum activities and they must secure minimum 40% in entrance test. Such candidates shall be tested in their fields too.

· Students belonging to transgender community shall be given reserved seats subject to securing 40% marks in the entrance test.

· Relevant documents to prove degree of disability and poor economic conditions should be submitted which shall be scrutinized by the concerned authorities.

PHOTOCOPIES OF FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED WHILE APPLYING.

1. CCE Card of Class V (2020)

2. Birth Certificate

3. Income Certificate of father

4. Tribal certificate of father

5. SSC/COI of father

6. Aadhaar Card

7. Recently taken two (2) Passport size photographs of the students.

· Application Forms will be available in the Office of the Joint Secretary/ Welfare Officer (East) at Bal Bhawan, Lumsey 5th Mile and Headmaster, Government Jr. High School Parkha on payment of ₹150/- in cash as entrance examination fee during office hours from 10.02.2021 to 09.03.2021.

· Date of Entrance Test: 15.03.2021

· Venue: **Government Jr. High School, Parkha, East Sikkim.**

· Contact Number:

Joint Secretary/Welfare Officer (East) - 89184-74021

Headmaster, Parkha Jr. High School - 73848-81678

Welfare Inspector (East) - 90021-36970 & 89722-76170

Joint Secretary/Welfare Officer (East)

Welfare Division

R.O. No.220/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(i), Dt:05/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Home Department, Tashiling Secretariat
Gangtok**

No.256/GEN/HOME

Dated:02/02/2021

NOTICE

Shri Bijay Tamang, Driver of Sikkim House, Guwahati under Home Department is absenting from his duty since 19.11.2020 without applying for leave and his whereabouts is not known. He, is therefore, directed to report to Home Department within 10 days of publication of this notice failing which disciplinary action will be initiated against him exparte. All his family members, friends and well wishers are requested to kindly convey the content of this notice to him.

Under Secretary (Adm.)

Home Department

R.O. No.219/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(i), Dt:04/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
State Pollution Control Board**

Ref. No. 1756/SPCB

Dated:19/02/2021

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Applications are invited from the eligible local candidates for filling up of following posts in the State Pollution Control Board, Government of Sikkim through **viva voce**, purely on contractual basis for a period of **01 (one) year**.

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Minimum Educational Qualification	No. of posts	Consolidated Pay per month
1.	Junior Scientific Assistant	MSc. in Botany/ Zoology/ Chemistry/ Bio-Chemistry/ Ecology & Environment	02	₹25,000/- per month

Desirable experience or qualifications:

- Field work experience in the field of environment/ pollution control related subjects.
- Good communication skill in Nepali and English.
- Physically fit for touring in mountainous region.
- Knowledge of Environmental Acts & Laws.

Candidates must submit the application in the format given along with the following documents:

- Copy of certificate of Identification/Sikkim Subject.
- Attested copies of educational qualification from Class X onwards.
- Work experience certificate, if any.
- Copy of valid employment card.
- All other relevant supporting documents.

Received applications will be scrutinized, and short listed candidates will be called to appear before the selection committee for viva voce which will be held in the last week of March 2021. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.

In order to maintain social distancing in the current pandemic situation, scanned copy of the filled in applications along with attested photocopies of all requisite documents should be sent by email to admsikkimpcb@gmail.com on or before **10th March 2021**.

Detailed advertisement and application form can be downloaded from the website: spcb.sikkim.gov.in, sikenvis.nic.in

For further details, please contact: **+91 8145896063**.

State Pollution Control Board
Government of Sikkim.

R.O. No.249/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:19/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Health and Family Welfare Department
Tashiling Secretariat, Gangtok**

No. 1919 / H & FW;

Dated: 4th Feb. 2021**WALK - IN - INTERVIEW**

I. Eligible candidates having following qualifications and possessing the pre-requisite documents may walk – in for interview for filling-up of 05 (five) posts of Staff Nurse and 04 (four) posts of Hemodialysis Technician on adhoc basis for an initial period of 02 (two) years in Dialysis Unit, STNM Hospital, Sochagang, East Sikkim.

II. The detail of the posts are furnished as under:

SL. No.	Name of Post	Number of Post	Age Limit	Eligibility condition	Monthly emolument
01	02	03	04	05	06
01	Staff Nurse	05	18-40 years	Class XII passed from a recognised board with Diploma in General Nurse and Midwifery Training with minimum period of 03 (three) years from any recognised institutes and registration with State Nursing Council	₹18,000/- per month
02	Hemodialysis Technician	04	18-40 years	Class XII Science from a recognized board with Diploma in Hemodialysis Technology with minimum period of 02 (two) years from any recognized institutes	₹ 18,000/- per month
03	Total	09	-	-	-

III. Required documents:

- Sikkim Subject Certificate / Certificate of Identification
- Community Certificate
- Valid Employment Card
- School Certificate/ School mark – sheet (Class X & XII)
- Certificate/ Diploma in relevant subject
- Registration Certificate from State Nursing Council (for Staff Nurse)

IV. Scheduled date for Walk – in – Interview:

- Date: 17th Feb. 2021, Wednesday (Hemodialysis Technician)
- Date: 18th Feb. 2021, Thursday (Staff Nurse)
- Venue : Conference Hall, Health Secretariat, Gangtok
- Timing : 10 : 30 A. M. onwards

[N. B.: The candidates should come with original documents alongwith one Xerox set at the time of interview]

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Under Secretary to the Government of Sikkim
Health & Family Welfare Department

R.O. No.221/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(i), Dt:05/02/21

**Government of Sikkim
Building & Housing Department**

No.01/405/B&H/North/20-21/190/SE/NE-bldgs-

Dated:22/02/2021

Corrigendum

The notice inviting tender no.:01/GOS/B&H/North/2020-21/185/SE/NE, dated:17.02.2021, that was published stands cancelled till further notice.

Superintending Engineer (N/E)
Building & Housing Department
Government of Sikkim

R.O. No.250/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:22/02/21

“Sikkim Utsav” celebrated

Kolkata, February 12: The Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre, Kolkata, Ministry of Culture, Government of India organized a three days festival “Sikkim Utsav” to celebrate the rich communal and cultural diversity of Sikkim. The festival was inaugurated by the chief guest, Padma Shree Dr. Sushovan Bandopadhyay on 12.02.2021 at Shilpagram Sangralaya, Shantiniketan, Kolkata, today. Mr. Sonam Sherpa, Chairman Sikkim Culture Heritage and Communal Harmony Board, was the guest of honour during the three day function.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Sushovan Bandopadhyay, during the inaugural function, said that Sikkim is a beautiful State endowed with a rich cultural heritage. The festival ‘Sikkim Utsav’ is organized to celebrate and showcase the rich cultural diversity of the State as well as to provide a platform to showcase the talents of the budding folk artists of Sikkim to the rest of the country.

Chairman, Mr. Sonam Sherpa in his address, apprised the

gathering on the various initiatives undertaken by the State Government for the preservation and propagation of the Culture and Heritage of the different ethnic communities of the State and handed over certificates and tokens to the participants during the closing ceremony on February 14.

The Sikkim contingent comprised of folk artistes of Culture Department and NGOs from various parts of the State. The cultural troupe was led by the Officer in Charge, Mr. Bhawani Pd. Ghimiray, Officer on Special Duty and Mrs. Chung Chung Chettri, Under Secretary. The cultural troupe from Sikkim enthralled the audience with a colourful display of traditional folk dances of different ethnic communities including Bhutia, Lepcha, and Nepali, and other items which was well received by the gathering. The programme also showcased traditional food items, paintings by local artistes, and display of handloom and handicraft items from the State.

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6th Meeting ...

issues to be resolved at the earliest. He reiterated the fact that the poor internet connectivities needs to be improved and enhanced from 10 MBPS to at least 1GBPS. He also requested for the speedy implementation of all the Eight Digital Thrust Areas identified by the ‘Digital North East Vision-2022.

The Chief Minister also suggested the concept of Mountain Ports with knowledge, nature, technology and green industries as the centre of attraction. This can act as an integrating factor across the mountain system and a hub for the

management of various issues like climate change impact, act as a global centre of research on biodiversity and naturopathy. Apart from these topics, he also reiterated that the North East Industrial Development Scheme of 2018 which has been beneficial for the region in numerous ways should be increased for another 10 years, so the states can further gain from it.

The Chief Minister requested the Prime Minister to consider the points raised by him during his address and also welcomed his suggestions and ideas regarding the same. He concluded by saying that India is capable of any achievement and has to lead the way for the greater global good.

**Office of Additional Director
Department of AH & VS
DAC, Rabdentse
Gyalshing, West Sikkim**

Memo No: 844/AH & VS(W)

Dated:22/02/2021

Quotation

Sealed quotations are hereby invited from the eligible supplier/ firm of west District for supply of the following subject to the term & condition below.

- Milch Cow (Jersey/Siri breed) 150 nos.

Terms & Conditions:-

- The suppliers/firms should be registered under West District with valid License issued by the competent authority & must be registered under GST.
- The quotations must be supported with TDR of ₹187,500/-
- The quotation must be supported by valid resident certificate issued by concerned Gram Panchayat.
- The quotation should reach to the office of the undersigned before 2. p.m of 4th march 2021.
- The sealed quotations shall be opened on 04-02-2021 at 4 p.m in presence of the committee constituted.
- The committee has reserved the right to accept or reject the quotations/bid without assigning any reasons thereof.

By Order.

Dr. N. M Cintury
Additional Director (w)

Deptt. of AH&VS, DAC, Rabdentse.

R.O. No.251/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:22/02/21

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**Government of Sikkim
Food & Civil Supplies Department**

N.I.T.No:01/F&CSD/W

DATED:15/02/2021

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

(Referred to in paragraph 9.7)

For and on behalf of the Governor of Sikkim, Assistant Engineer (West), Food & Civil Supplies Department, invites sealed tenders from the eligible contractors as per the Notification No. 515/R&B/PWD/Secy, Dated 12th June, 2018 for the work as listed below:

Sl. No	Name of work	Value put to tender (₹)	Completion Time	Amount of Bank receipt for cost of tender documents (₹)	Amount of Earnest Money @ 2.50% For issue of tender form (₹)
1	Construction of Meditation Centre a Rabdentse in West Sikkim.	₹18,21,057.00	1 month	1000	₹ 45,526.00

TIME SCHEDULE

- Date for submission of application with Bank Receipt 01/03/2021- 02/03/2021 upto 1500 hrs. for issue of Tender Documents (excluding the Tender Form)
- Date of issue of Tender Form:04/03/2021 upto 1500hrs.
- Date and Time for submission of Tender 05/03/2021 upto 1200hrs
- Date and Time of opening of Tender 05/03/2021, 1400hrs.

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT:

- The intending tenders/contractors should apply in writing for issue of tender documents. The application would invariably be signed by the contractor himself/herself. The tender document will not be issued to any person other than the intending tender. The application shall be submitted initially for each work listed above with all required documents.
- The application should be submitted to the Office of the Assistant Engineer (W), Food & Civil Supplies Department.
- The applicants should enclose attested copies of the Validated/Updated Contractor Enlistment Certificate, Professional Tax Clearance Certificates along with the application, Affidavit in Non-Judicial paper. It is mandatory to produce the Original validated/updated Enlistment Certificate during sale/issue of the Tender Document for verification.
- The prescribed Non-Transferable Tender Documents (excluding the Tender Form) can be obtained during the period specified in (From the Office of the District Civil Supplies Officer, Food & Civil Supplies Department, on production of requisite Bank receipt of the State of Sikkim towards the cost of Tender Document (non- refundable) under the receipt Head 0408-Food Storage and Warehousing-101-Food.
- The Tender Documents, including the Tender Form with quoted offer should be placed in a sealed cover with the name of the Tenderers and the name of the work superscripted on it. Supporting documents listed at SL 3 above should be enclosed with the offer.
- Sealed tenders may be deposited in the Tender Box in the office of the District Civil Supplies Officer, Food & Civil Supplies Department, on the date and within the time indicated above.
- Tenders will be opened by a Tender Opening Committee as prescribed by the Government in the presence of the tenderness on the date and time indicated above.
- The Tendered should sign on every page of the tender documents as Acceptance of the General Direction and Conditions of Contract and other laid down norms.
- In case of any discrepancy in rate(s) printed in the Schedule of Rates and Quantities issued with the tender document, rates as per approved Schedule of Rates will be taken as correct. For items outside the SOR, the rates shall be as per the technically checked estimate/analysis. Decision of the Principal Chief Engineer cum Secretary/ Head of the Department will be final in this regard.
- The Work value, scope and quantum of work are subject to change, the contractor shall execute the work as per the directives of the Department. No claim on this account shall be entertained whatsoever. If any extra claim is made, it shall be as per the agreement rates.
- Avoidable damages due to negligence of the contractor shall be at his own risk and cost. The Department shall not be liable for payment of such damages (if any), including accidents to labourer at site.
- The work should commence within 15 days from the date of issue of work Order.
- All the conditions as mentioned in the NIT shall be deemed to be a part of the agreement to be entered with the contractor. Security deposit shall be collected by deductions from the running bills of the contractor @5% of the value of work done.
- Damages to properties in and around the work site must be avoided at all cost. The contractor shall be held responsible for any acts of negligence and shall be made to make good the damages.

**Assistant Engineer (W)
Food & Civil Supplies Department
R.O. No.243/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:18/02/21**

**Government of Sikkim
Excise Department
M.G. Marg Gangtok-737 101
excise.dept@sikkim.gov.in.**

No.35/Excise

Date:15/02/2021

NOTICE

Shri. Pratap Sharma, S/o Bishnu Prasad Sharma, R/o Rowtey Rumtek, East Sikkim working as Head Constable under Excise Department in Head Office, Gangtok has been absenting from his official duty w.e.f. 03.12.2020 till date, without any information and leave application. His whereabouts are also not known thereof.

He is directed to report to the Office of the undersigned within 15 days of publication of this notice, failing which Disciplinary action shall be initiated against him in accordance with the provisions laid down in the Sikkim Government Servant's (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1985.

All his family members, relatives, friends and well wishers are requested to convey the contents of this notice to him and advise him to report to duty immediately.

**Joint Secretary
Excise Department
R.O. No.247/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21(ii), Dt:18/02/21**

Orientation programme on Block and District Level Development Planning conducted

Gangtok, February 18: A day-long orientation programme on Block and District Level Development Planning was conducted here at Janta Bhawan, Gangtok, today.

The programme was organized by State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Rural Development Department (RDD), Government of Sikkim in collaboration with Directorate of Panchayati Raj, RDD, Government of Sikkim.

Minister for RDD, Mr. Sonam Lama graced the occasion as the chief guest. The main objective of the programme was to orient the participants on the roles of all stakeholders in devising block and district development plan in consonance with the advisory of Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of Sikkim.

Minister Mr. Sonam Lama in his address said that the programme was vital for the department and the State as a whole. He stressed that the BDOs and officers at BAC were the crucial link between the rural people and the Government and, therefore, asked them to take their role seriously. He also requested the Panchayats to work in coordination with ADCs and BAC officers for strengthening the rural development process. Mr. Lama further emphasized on completion of all pending projects and timely completion of all ongoing projects like SGAY, CMRHM etc. for overall development of the State. In his concluding address, Mr. Lama requested the department to work as a cohesive unit covering one another's shortcomings.

Principal Secretary, RDD, Mr. C. S. Rao, in his address guided the house in the preparation of Block Development Plan and District Panchayat Development Plan. He also urged all officials to focus on improving their coordination with Panchayats as well as the coordination between the Zilla Panchayats and Gram Panchayats.

The inaugural programme also included cheque distribution of ₹3 lakhs for Child Empowering GPU and Child Empowerment Centre initiated by State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj and Directorate of Panchayati Raj, RDD, Government of Sikkim. A total number of Twenty Five GPUs from across the State were selected to undertake this initiative for Child protection and empowerment. The programme also included launching of Website of SIRD&PR, and Campaign for

World Water Day 2021 through the hands of Minister Mr. Sonam Lama.

Session on Panchayati Raj and Decentralization, Process and methodology for Block and District Development Planning, Jal Jeevan Mission, issues encompassing General Administration of MGNREGA, SGAY, CMGAY, PMAY, and Swaccha Bharat Mission, SRLM and Mission Antodaya were deliberated during the technical session of the programme.

The session started with the presentation of Principal Chief Engineer, Mr. K. P. Sharma who deliberated on operation and maintenance of all rural water supply schemes sanctioned under Jal Jeevan Mission. He urged all attendance on importance of preparation of village action plan, user charges and achievement of FHTC (Functional Household Tap Collection).

Special Secretary, Mr. Sarika Pradhan Rural Development Department, dwelt upon the Sikkim Garib Awas Yojana, MG-NREGA, Swacchh Bharat Mission and urged all participants to comply with the advisory issued by head office for effective implementation of schemes. Deputy Secretary, Rural Development Department Mr. Sisum Bhutia took session on Mission Antodhaya and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana and apprised the gathering on progress of the programme in the state.

Director (Panchayat), Mr. Prabhaker Rai discussed on the process and methodologies to be adopted for preparation of block and district level plan for overall development of all tiers of Panchayati Raj System in the state. He emphasized on coordination all elected representatives and functionaries to deliver the true essence of decentralization as envisaged on the constitution of India.

He also apprised the gathering on the time line for preparation of block and district development plan which are to be completed by 15th March 2021 and uploaded in egram Swaraj portal of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India.

Director, SIRD & PR, Mr. Bishal Mukhia who has been nominated as State Nodal Officer for preparation of District Development Plan urged participants to actively take part in every training programme organized by the institute

An interaction session among the members of the house also took place at the conclusion of the programme.

Kutse Shegu

The 49th day Kutse Shegu of late Chum Dr. Chimi Denma Pulger wife of Yapa Pempo T. Pulger of Dhallam Kothi, Daramdin, West Sikkim falls on 4th March, 2021.

We would also like to express our gratitude to all family members and well wishers for their healing prayers and compassionate support during our bereavement.

All family members, friends and well wishers are requested to join us in prayer at Dhallam kothi, Daramdin on 4th March, 2021.

**Pulger family Dhallam Kothi,
Daramdin, West Sikkim. Contact No: 9434030146**

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FPOs...

Cooperative Society Ltd. East Sikkim, Kitam Kamrang Wok Omchu Organic Growers Cooperative Society Ltd, South Sikkim, Assangthang Poklok Denchung Organic Growers Cooperative Society Ltd. Denchung, South Sikkim, Rinchenpong Organic Producers Cooperative Society Ltd., West Sikkim and Melli Dara Kateng Organic Growers Cooperative Society, South Sikkim. It may be mentioned here that the remaining Twenty-One FPOs out of total Twenty-Eight FPOs constituted in the state, will also be receiving the subsidised vehicles under MOVCD-NER.

The State Government also provided compensation from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund to the floriculturists and flower growers who had to bear losses during the lockdown period. A total of 282 flower growers were handed over cheques by the Chief Minister.

The Chief Minister in his address stressed on the importance of the programme as it helps raise the much-needed awareness about the multiple schemes under the central and state Government for the benefit of the farming community. He appealed to the members of the FPOs to gather all the required information about these schemes from this workshop. He added that time has come to keep agriculture as first priority to augment the income and to earn the livelihood. He urged the farming community to grab the unlimited opportunities and incentives created by the Government in dairy farming, agriculture, horticulture and animal husbandry sectors. The Chief

Minister stated that the Government will implement every scheme on public participation basis to ensure that the beneficiaries take ownership and preserve the project. He also highlighted on the Production Incentive scheme of the Government on five crops namely cardamom, ginger, buckwheat, orange and turmeric. He urged the members of the FPOs to ensure optimum utilisation of the transportation vehicles to connect the farmers of the area by transporting their products to the recognised marketing agencies. He assured every possible support to farmers from the Government provided they work sincerely. He appealed to the FPOs to make best use of the shops/outlets allotted by the Government in the capital. He called for the need to realise the vision of Atmanirbhar Sikkim in the agriculture sector. The Chief Minister also appealed to the farming community to avail of the benefits of schemes like PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, Ayushman Bharat and numerous other schemes.

He informed that the Government has enhanced the rate of Old Age Pension in various age categories. He informed that the Department of Social Welfare is verifying the anomalies in the distribution of the scheme and making immediate corrections. In conclusion, the Chief Minister stated that the success of any scheme depends on public participation. He urged the FPOs to take ownership of their respective areas and uplift the economy. He announced that the best performing FPOs will be provided annual incentives in cash or kind.

Minister, Agriculture Department, Mr. L.N. Sharma in his

address reiterated the emphasis laid by the State Government on the development of Agriculture sector in the State. He said that agriculture and horticulture continue to remain the focus area of the Government. He informed that the process for creating more FPOs in the State is underway for which he urged to the existing FPOs to provide their support and cooperation. He also called for the need to encourage the stagnant FPOs to revitalize themselves to work towards strengthening their economy. The Minister called for the need to increase productivity with the utilisation of barren land so that the state of Sikkim can realize the dream of making a self-reliant state through Agriculture, Horticulture and Livestock Farming Sector. He also urged FPOs to be more proactive to initiate cluster farming and cover maximum area to enhance farmers membership.

Earlier, Secretary, Agriculture Department, Mr. Rinzing Chewang Bhutia in his welcome address briefed about the objective of the programme and also highlighted the ongoing schemes and programmes under the Department for the benefit of farmers in the State. He informed that the programme was organized to honour the FPOs from throughout the State for their hard work and to provide them encouragement. He informed that the Government has been providing support to 25800 beneficiaries throughout the State in the form of inputs, technological support etc.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Secretary, Horticulture Department, Mr. M.T. Sherpa.

Krishi Vigyan Kendra Gyaba, West Sikkim

(An autonomous organization under the administrative control of Agriculture Dept. (Govt. of Sikkim))

Email:kvk.gyaba@gmail.com,Ph-03595-251111

Memo No:2064/KVK/2020-21/West

Date:18/02/2021

INVITATION FOR QUOTATION

Sealed quotations are invited from reputed firms/suppliers for supply of Bee Hives and other essential tools and equipments for promotion of Apiculture (Bee-Keeping) for development of organic farming at Tashiding-Chongrang, West Sikkim listed as under:-

SI No	PETICULARS	QUANTITY	UNIT
1.	Modern Bee hives, Newton B Type (Made up of Tuni)	205	Number
2	Bee-Viel	110	Number
3	Swarm-catcher bag	100	Number
4	Hive tools	101	Number
5	Gloves	111	Numbe
6	Hive cleaning brush (Hard)	100	Number
7	Hive cleaning brush (Soft)	100	Number
8	Queen gate	180	Number
9	Smoker	30	Number
10	Honey Extractor	15	Number
11	Hexo blade	100	Number
12	Sharp Knife	100	Number
13	Queen cage	100	Number
14	Comb Foundation sheet (Apis cerena)	13	Number

Terms & Conditions:

1. Sealed quotations should reach the office of Sr. Scientist & Head, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Gyaba, West Sikkim on or before 5th March 2021 latest by 1:00 pm and will be opened on same day at 3:00 pm.
2. The quoted rate shall be inclusive of all taxes.
3. The supply shall be made in F.O.R. Destination.
4. Any unforeseen expenses like import duties, insurance will not paid in extra.
5. The quotation should be accompanied by Valid Trade License, Firm registration, GST Registration Certificate and GST Clearance.
6. The tender selection committee reserve rights to accept or reject the quotation without assigning any reason thereof.

**Sr. Scientist & Head
KVK West Sikkim**

R.O. No.252/IPR/PUB/Classi/20-21, Dt:23/02/21

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Entrepreneurship...

enterprise successfully. It will primarily cover three major variables- location, target group and enterprise and therefore will prove to be one of the most effective tool for developing new entrepreneurs.

In the course of the three day training programme, various resource persons specialized in the field of sales and marketing, finance, planning, consultancy, book keeping of accounts and various other components required to develop and hone entrepreneurial traits will impart

an extensive course to the 27 beneficiaries which will equip the beneficiaries with the required skills and knowledge needed for starting and running their enterprise.

It may be mentioned here that Sikkim Skilled Youth Startup Scheme is a flagship programme which was launched on 20th September, 2020 by the Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang. The State Government through the Commerce and Industries Department will provide admissible financial assistance to unemployed youth for assisting the educated unemployed youth of the state for creating new livelihood options in order to make them self-reliant.

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Coordination...

with the aim to encourage them to achieve full potential and skills in a progressive manner.

A total of 18 Senior Secondary and Secondary Schools of the district would form a team respectively and shall put up stalls at their respective block's bazar from March 5 to March 7. Each team would comprise of 10 students and 2 nodal teachers, who would be responsible for the guidance of the students.

ADC West, highlighted

the guidelines of the scheme and had interactive session with the students and encouraged them on voluntary entrepreneurship efforts.

He urged the representing schools to work in collaboration with the concerned line departments. He assured on providing every assistance possible in favour of the cause.

ADC/West also requested all on adhering to COVID-19 norms with sincerity and encouraged all for providing proactive participation in regard to the centralised goal of uplifting entrepreneurial zest in the students.

Reduce your risk of coronavirus infection:

- Clean hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub
- Cover nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with tissue or flexed elbow
- Avoid close contact with anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms
- Thoroughly cook meat and eggs
- No unprotected contact with live wild or farm animals

If you seek help, you may call :
Toll free no. 104
District surveillance Officer
EAST : 7029372100 | WEST : 9593297809 | NORTH : 9641957468 | SOUTH : 7407691463
New STNM
AMS : 9434711402

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE
GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM**

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National...

Minister, Ecclesiastical Department, Mr. Sonam Lama in his address appreciated that a Conclave of such stature is being held in Sikkim. He urged the learned audience to continue to work towards preservation of Buddhist culture and tradition. The Minister further said that Buddhism always focused on wisdom-based education system which leads to right understanding of any subject. He further said that education system must be ingrained with knowledge and preservation of culture through development process. He further extended his gratitude to all the learned scholars who were present in the conclave.

General Secretary, International Buddhist Confederation, Venerable Dr. Dhammapiya, while expressing his pleasure on being part of the Conclave, informed that International Buddhist Confederation is a global umbrella for Buddhism with members drawn from 39 Countries working mainly on issues related to global nature, human existence, environment and harmony of co-existence. He stated that Buddhist teachings have reached different places and have become part of the culture of different countries and its people. He further said that in course of

time differences in terms of interpretation of teachings, practices, performing rites and rituals have developed. He attributed this to dynamism and said that there was nothing wrong in it. If something is static it will collapse but if something is dynamic it will survive in different form, he explained. He informed that International Buddhist Confederation is working with International Organisations where they have Dharma Councils on international aspects of Buddhist Society and humanity at large.

Chief Abbot of Gonjoang Monastery, Venerable Khenchen Chowang briefed about the Importance of Nalanda Buddhist Tradition. He said that Nalanda University gave us some of the greatest scholars who contributed towards Buddhism. He said that main idea behind this Conclave is to come together, know each other and to find out what is our strength and weakness and this platform has the potential to draw people from different places, religion following Buddhism in different ways to connect and discuss issues and challenges and to look forward for collaboration, cooperation and to sustain our own culture, heritage, language and faith.

Special Secretary Ecclesiastical Department, Mrs. Kincho Doma Lepcha presented a brief report of the activities of the

department. She informed that Sikkim has more than 1133 religious institutions of various faith and communities which exist harmoniously. She said that the co-existence of various faith influenced by the flavour of spiritualism is maintained by the State Government through Ecclesiastical Department which is the oldest and unique department that has its existence since the days of monarchy. She informed that the unique character of the department was carried out even after the State merged with Indian Union and became a part of India in 1975. She informed that there are 96 monastic schools and 11 Sanskrit Pathshalas under the supervision of the Department.

Earlier, the chief guest and dignitaries released the Conclave Brochure.

The Conclave opened with the welcome address by Indian Himalayan Council of Nalanda Buddhist Tradition (IHCNBT), Mr. Tseten Tashi Bhutia.

An Introductory note on the programme and briefing was delivered by General Secretary, International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), Mr. Maling Gompu.

The inaugural ceremony concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Additional Political Secretary (East) to Chief Minister, Mr. Tshering Wangchuk Lepcha.

Photo News



Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated ATM of Sikkim State Co-Operative Bank Ltd. at Tashiling Secretariat on February 18.

Secretary SJ & WD holds Press Conference

Gangtok, February 18: In a press briefing held at Samaj Kalyan Bhavan in Lumsey today, Secretary, Social Justice and Welfare Department, Mr. Tshewang Gyachho, elaborated on various deliberations undertaken by the department in order to resolve issues with regard to the delay and non-receipt of Old Age Pension and other pension benefits under National Social Assistance Programme.

Secretary, Mr. Tshewang Gyachho, informed that the department had held a co-ordination meeting with bankers, post masters and District Level Officials of the department from North and East districts earlier today wherein discussions were held to understand the complaints and grievances of the public regarding the distribution of various pensions.

He said that after much deliberation, it was learnt that the delay was mostly caused due to inactive and dormant accounts of some beneficiaries and issues regarding the IFSC

codes and variations in account number digits, all owing to the lack of information at the grassroots level.

To resolve these issues at the earliest, the department has assigned Guardian Inspectors and Guardian Officers to each GPU who will be scrutinizing the cases of pending pensions of the beneficiaries and resolve the issues in co-ordination with the Panchayats, BDOs, SDMs, DCs, ADCs and other concerned officials.

Stressing on the State government's consistent efforts in providing basic level of financial support to the beneficiaries, he emphasized that the department aims at achieving error-free distribution of social pension schemes in a period of 90 days.

Mr. Gyachho further urged the BDOs, Panchayats and the Guardian Inspectors and Officers to proactively participate in the process of resolving the issues of the beneficiaries.

Inter-Company Badminton and Table Tennis Championship held

Gangtok, February 19: The final match of Inter-Company Badminton and Table Tennis Championship was held at Sikkim Armed Police Camp Pangthang, today.

Minister Mr. L. N. Sharma graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Mr. L. N. Sharma in his address extended warm wishes and greetings for new development and strengthening of SAP Pangthang with new initiatives and sports activities.

He also threw light on the worth of honesty and sincerity in rendering services and said that these attributes would be instrumental in achieving all the set goals in life. He also recalled his days of police service and acknowledged the role of SAP camp for reshaping and reorganizing the foundation of his career and a disciplined life.

The Minister also

extended financial support of Rupees 1 Lakh for the Battalion Mess and additional amount of Rupees 61,000 to the players of the tournament from his personal level.

In exciting close matches, Veteran Doubles was won by H/C Pramod Bikram Gurung and H/C Ratna Kumar Rai while Veteran Single was won by Nk. Sishir Lamichaney. Similarly, Dy Commandant Mahendra Subba and H/C Ratna Kumar Rai won in the Open Double category and the Open Single was won by LNK Renu Rai against CT Passang Norbu Sherpa. In the Single Open Table Tennis final, SI Dilip Tamang defeated CT Passang Tamang to win the tournament.

Later, the Minister along with the departmental officials visited Green Houses which were recently established in the premises.

Government of Sikkim Home Department Tashiling, Gangtok - 737101

No.03/Home/2021

Dated:07/01/2021

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Article 316(2) of the Constitution of India, the Governor is pleased to appoint Shri Kul Bahadur Chettri (Pant) as Member, Sikkim Public Service Commission from the date he assumes charges of the Office, for a period of 06 (six) years or until he attains the age of 62 years, whichever is earlier.

BY ORDER.

Sd/-
(S.C. Gupta, IAS)
Chief Secretary
Government of Sikkim
File No. GOS/Sec-I/DOP/2020-21

Government of Sikkim Home Department Tashiling, Gangtok - 737101

No.04/Home/2021

Dated:07/01/2021

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Article 316(2) of the Constitution of India, the Governor is pleased to appoint Shri Sonam Yongden Lepcha, SCS (Retired) as Member, Sikkim Public Service Commission from the date he assumes charges of the Office, for a period of 06 (six) years or until he attains the age of 62 years, whichever is earlier.

BY ORDER.

Sd/-
(S.C. Gupta, IAS)
Chief Secretary
Government of Sikkim
File No. GOS/Sec-I/DOP/2020-21

Department of Information and Public Relations Government of Sikkim, Tadong, Gangtok ATTENTION

Instances of non-receipt of Sikkim Herald in various Departments have been reported even though the same are being delivered by the Department regularly.

In view of above, it is proposed to deliver the Sikkim Herald to a designated delivery point in different Departments through a designated contact person (Nodal Officers) which will facilitate in keeping track of regular delivery of Sikkim Herald to them.

Although some Departments have already complied, there are still few Departments who have still not designated a Nodal Officer for the same. Kindly intimate the name, designation and contact number (both landline & mobile) of the Nodal Officer who will be responsible for receipt of Sikkim Herald in their respective Departments at the earliest to the undersigned.

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Mob.No. 8016740789

Road Safety campaign concludes

Gangtok, February 17: The closing ceremony of the month-long Road Safety campaign titled "Sadak Suraksha Jeevan Raksha" was held at M.G. Marg today.

Organized by State Transport Department, Government of Sikkim, the event had the presence of Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) Mr. Indra Hang Subba as the chief guest and Hon'ble Minister Transport Department, Government of Sikkim Mr. Sanjit Kharel as the guest of honour.

Addressing the event, Mr. Indra Hang Subba appreciated the measures taken during the Campaign under the theme 'Sadak Suraksha Jeevan Raksha' to edify people about various aspects of road safety. He also lauded the Police Department for ensuring the success of the campaign. He urged the people to abide by traffic rules and road safety guidelines.

Minister Transport Department Mr. Sanjit Kharel said that the campaign was a nationwide initiative under the aegis of Government of India to raise public awareness about traffic rules and ultimately to reduce casualties due to road accidents. He stated that various events were organised where school students participated in numerous activities. He urged all the drivers to update their documents and said that road accidents can be prevented by following simple rules every day.

Special DGP Mr. Akshay Sachdeva said that several measures are being taken to bring down the rate of road fatalities. He urged all the drivers to continue to follow the simple rules such as following traffic rules, driving within speed limits, not using mobile phones while driving, and avoiding drunken driving. He further stated that real progress can only happen if all the stakeholders and the government determinedly unite in their efforts.

During the month-long campaign, the Transport Department conducted various educational programmes and activities on road safety throughout the State. The winners were awarded with certificates, mementoes along with cash prizes and consolation prizes as incentives.

On the occasion MP Mr. Indra Hang Subba also presented the prize to the painting, essay and Run for Road Safety. The winners of the painting competition are

1st - Rani Sharma, Deorali Girls Senior Secondary School
2nd - Aashmi Manager, Palzor Namgyal Senior Secondary School
3rd - Ronak Pradhan, Modern Senior Secondary School
Consolation prize of painting were awarded to:

1st - Phurmit Lepcha, Deorali Senior Secondary School
2nd - Mohammad Kasim, West Point Senior Secondary School
3rd - Sonam Gyatso Lepcha, Modern Senior Secondary School was awarded on Good Samaritan Theme.

The names of awardees for the Essay Competition:

1st - Hissey W. Lepcha, Bojoghari Senior Secondary School

2nd - Sneha Gupta, Modern Senior Secondary School

3rd - Swarnima Tirwa, Bojoghari Senior Secondary School

The winners of Run for Road safety, which was organised on February 13 are as follows:

1st - Sanjeev Tamang, Sikkim Motor Workers Association Singtam (SMTWA) won a cash prize of `12000/- 2nd - Yogen Tamang, Sikkim Motor Transport Workers Association, Singtam with a cash prize of `10000/- 3rd - Aita Bahadur Subba, Sikkim Motor Workers Association was presented with a cash prize of `8000/- 4th - Bivek Biswakarma, Rangpo Taxi Association won cash prize of `5000/- 5th - Sanjay Sundas, Sikkim Motor Workers Association Singtam won a cash prize of `5000/-

Federation of Auto Dealers of Sikkim, Prabal Rai, RJ Red FM, Dirty Angels Motor Cycle Club, Open Road Wanderers Motor Cycle Club, Bikers United Group of Sikkim were felicitated for their contributions on Road Safety Awareness campaign.

Similarly, an Award for Practising Safe Driving Habits were presented with a cash amount of 10000/- to Luxury Taxi Category – Mr. Sonam Tamang, Maxi Cabs (Taxi Jeeps) – Mr. Tseten Sherpa, Motor Cabs (local taxi) – Mr. Birkha Bdr. Gurung, Stage Carriage (bus) Category – Mr. Sonam Gyatso Bhutia, Heavy Goods Vehicle/ Goods Carriers – Mr. Bhanu Chettri and Bus Conductor – Ms. Namita Sharma

An Ex Gratia of `5 lakhs was also given to the family members of deceased drivers were given to Lt. Sanjay Chettri and Lt Chodup Lepcha.

Earlier, a Short Play on Road Safety was performed by Sikkim Assemble Theatre Group and a Road Safety Awareness presentation by Mr. Dilip Gurung (Sikkimey Hum Jayega) presented a road safety awareness.

Later, a brief closure report on National Road Safety Month was presented by Principal Chief Engineer cum Secretary, State Transport Authority, Mr. Karma Namgyal Bhutia.)

Similarly, in Namchi, on the concluding day of '32nd National Road Safety Month' a road sensitization programme was held at DAC, Conference Hall today. Organized by South District Administrative Centre and supported by National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited which is under Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Government of India, had the presence of DIG (Range) Mr. Prawin Gurung as the Chief Guest.

Addressing the gathering DIG (Range) Mr. Prawin Gurung spoke about the importance of this programme which is to create

awareness amongst the vehicle drivers to follow road safety rules. He also pointed out that due to negligence driving more than 1.50 lakhs people lose their lives in the country in road accidents resulting in different kinds of hardships to family, friends and many more. This road safety month is being observed so that the society at large can take cognizance of the issue and join hands to make road safety as a necessary social movement, headed. He updated that the aim of this programme is to give all the stakeholders and associations an opportunity to take part in this road safety action and improve the safety of road users and to take effective measures to save their lives. He further said that well-being of the passengers is when there is proper traffic management, smooth status of the road and sense of responsibility by the drivers.

SSP (South) Mr. Thakur Thapa updated that road Safety month is being observed throughout the country in order to emphasize the need for safe roads and cautious driving. He also said that the stakeholders need to contribute to the cause of safe driving.

Resource person ASI Traffic Branch Mr. Marcus Dhungel highlighted about the various aspects of traffic laws and regulations which laymen should follow. Similarly, from Moter Vehicle Department Mr. Smile Manger also med about the various Acts under the department that drivers should take care especially when it comes to Traffic Enforcement Rules, Helmet Use, Seat Belt Usage, Drunken Driving, Over Speed, Traffic Jumping etc.

Likewise, President Mainline Taxi Driver Association Mr. Arun Tamang spoke about the various characteristic that drivers need to stick on while driving.

During the course of the programme, the officials and the association felicitated the following:

Naik, Melli Police Station, Mr. Kedar Gurung, Woman Constable, Namchi Police Station, Mrs. Geeta Kumari Pradhan, Constable, Ravangla Police Station, Mrs. Madhu Pradhan, Head Constable, Jorethang Police Station, Mr. Dawcho Bhutia, Women Constable, Yangang Police Station, Mrs. Sulochana Kiawah, Head Constable, Temi Police Station, Mr. Bijay Chettri, Head Constable, Traffic Branch Mr. Mingma Namgyal Sherpa, Naik, Traffic Branch, Mr. Passang Tenzing Lepcha, Lance Naik, Traffic Branch, Mr. Bikash Rana, Home Guard, Mr. Som Bahadur Subba, Village Guard, Mrs. Bhim Kumari Sharma, Mainline Taxi Drivers Association, Mr. Purna Bahadur Limbo, South West Taxi Drivers Association, Mr. Karma Bhutia, Local Taxi Namchi, Mr. Dilip Rai, Local Taxi Association Assangthang, Mr. Milan Rai and Truck Driver Association (Namchi), Mr. Bijay Thapa

Orientation Programme for newly appointed VO & ADDO

Gangtok, February 22: Three Days Orientation Programme for newly appointed Veterinary Officers and Assistant Dairy Development Officers organised by Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Department commenced at the Training Hall of Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service, Training Centre, Sokaythang, today.

Minister for Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service, Mr. L. N. Sharma, graced the occasion as the chief guest.

The Minister in his brief address congratulated the newly appointed Veterinary Officers and Assistant Dairy Development Officers and urged them to perform

their duty with sincerity and dedication. He said - "We shall develop and improve Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services sector, with the contribution of your knowledge, hands on field work and proper management".

Earlier, the welcome address was delivered by Principal Director (AH), Dr. Sangay D. Bhutia

Introductory note on the programme and briefing was delivered by Additional Director (VS), Dr. Sanjay M. Gazmer.

It is to be mentioned that 31 Veterinary Officers and 3 Assistant Dairy Development Officer have been newly appointed for all the 4 districts in the State.

Ticket Counter, Display Unit and Sale Counter of Cymbidium Development Centre inaugurated



Gangtok, February 19: Minister for Agriculture and Horticulture Departments, Mr. L. N. Sharma inaugurated newly constructed Ticket Counter, Display Unit and Sale Counter of Cymbidium Development Centre (CDC), Rumtek, East Sikkim, today. With this, the Cymbidium Development Centre, Rumtek will generate farm revenue from the visitors besides other revenue generating activities through selling of tissue culture plants and cut flowers of Cymbidium.

Minister Mr. L. N. Sharma along with the dignitaries also visited Orchid Conservatory, Display Unit, Sales Counter, Tissue Culture and other infrastructures. Joint Director CDC Miss Pema Choden Bhutia thoroughly briefed on the technical aspects of every existing sections of Cymbidium cultivation and other components.

Minister Mr. L. N. Sharma in his address applauded the existing potential of CDC and congratulated the entire team for developing the centre extraordinarily to set an example. He also advised to establish branches of CDC at district level to attract farmers towards floriculture.

He also underlined various schemes and programmes like

Development Through Credit initiated by the State government to start up floriculture and other entrepreneurship. He also touched upon encouraging initiative of financial incentives initiated by the state government under the leadership of the Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang to increase production and benefit the farmers. He also informed that the farmers of piggery farming will also be provided incentives in near future.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Mr. Sonam Tshering Venchungpa congratulated the CDC for impressive output of the Cymbidium Development Centre. He also came out with several advises for marketing of the Cymbidium and other varieties of flowers. Mr. Venchungpa also assured to enhance marketing through Denzong Agriculture Cooperative Society.

Secretary Horticulture Mr. M. T. Sherpa highlighted on the objectives behind starting up ticketing and selling counter with Display Unit to generate revenue for the State government. He articulated on the efforts made to bring out impressive potential of the Centre and informed that the CDC has also imparted training to twelve hundred trainees so far

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