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Governor attends meeting on adoption of model GPU village



Namchi, May 04: Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad attended a meeting for the adoption of model GPU at Namthang Maneydara Gram Panchayat Unit, today. The meeting was held at the training hall of Village Administrative Centre.

Also present were DC (Namchi) Mr. M. Bharani Kumar, SSP (Namchi), ADC (Namchi), BDO (Namthang), Panchayat President and officials from various line departments, Panchayat members and public.

Governor in his address

spoke about adopting Namthang Maneydara GPU into a model GPU.

The adoption will focus on the economic development and transforming the GPU through participatory planning and also by boosting various local resources and institutions available in the vicinity. He further announced various support from his side towards the upliftment of the GPU which includes a grant of ₹7 lakh and

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Cultural Talent show on 125th year of Sikkim Police



Gangtok, May 09: A Cultural Talent show as a part of the celebrations of 125 years of Sikkim Police was held at Manan Kendra, today. The programme was organised by Police Department, Gangtok.

Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the event as the chief guest. Also present were Minister for Education Department Mr. Kunga Nima, Minister for Rural Development Mr. Sonam Lama, Gangtok, MLA Mr. Y.T. Lepcha, Political Secretary to CM, Mayor and Deputy Mayor (GMC), DGP, Secretary to CM, SDGP Law and Order, senior government officials and family

members of the Police force.

DIGP Special Branch Mr. Praveen Gurung briefed about various programmes and events that have been carried out from November 27, 2021 till November 27, 2022. Various artistes from Sikkim Police presented their talents in the Cultural Talent Show.

Earlier, Chief Minister also flagged off two Highway Patrol vehicles with a toll-free helpline number 112 and later laid the Foundation Stone of Sikkim Police Memorial in the presence of DGP Mr. Sudhakar Rao on the occasion of the Quasiquicentennial Year of Sikkim Police.

CM inaugurates marketing vehicles and re-launches ice cream of SMU

Gangtok, May 09: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated four marketing vehicles of Sikkim Milk Union under National Programme Dairy Development 2022 at a function organised at Manan Kendra, today.

The programme was attended by Secretary Animal Husbandary and Veterinary Services-cum-Managing Director Dr. P. Senthil Kumar, Addl. General Manager Ms. K.D. Barfungpa, other senior officials Sikkim Milk Union.

The Chief Minister appreciated the progress made by Sikkim Milk Union and expressed satisfaction over its functioning and assured all support to Sikkim Co-operative Milk Producers Union Ltd. He also re-launched the ice cream products to enhance marketing options for milk procured by the Sikkim Milk Union.

MD Dr. Senthil also stated that the Sikkim Milk Union has all necessary infrastructures to support milk production in the State and urged the farmers to enhance their milk production as



the situation is favorable for the dairy farmers in the State.

It may be mentioned that the introduction of the Dairy Incentive Scheme of State Government ₹8 per litre resulted in enhanced attraction towards dairy farming among the unemployed youths resulting in increased of milk production in the State. These 4 new marketing vehicles will be deployed in Gangtok, Jorethang, and other towns to explore new marketing areas to meet the market requirement of enhanced milk

production in the State.

The Sikkim Milk Union is also diversifying its milk products by adding new products in its production. It has recently revamped its ice cream plant and started producing 40ml Icecream Stick to capture the markets for tourists and children in the State. It is being produced in vanilla, strawberry, and mango flavors to start with for the reintroduction of ice cream of Sikkim milk into the market.

Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare GoI embarks tour to Sikkim

Gangtok, May 09: Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, Ms. Shobha Karandlaje arrived in the State capital, today. The Minister is on a three-day visit to Sikkim.

On her arrival, the Union Minister of State attended a programme at the College of Agricultural Engineering and Post Harvest Technology, Ranipool, under Central Agricultural University, Imphal (CAEPHT). The Union Minister of State was accorded a warm welcome at the (CAEPHT) campus by Vice Chancellor, Central Agricultural University, Imphal, Dr. Anupam Mishra and Dean, CAEPHT, Dr. P.P. Dabral in the presence of DDG (Agricultural Extension), ICAR, New Delhi, Dr. A.K. Singh and senior officers of ICAR, New Delhi.

At the outset, the Union Minister inaugurated multiple facilities, which included the Multi Technology Testing Centre and Vocational Training Centre and Hostel in the campus, an animal shed, and pre-fabricated academic block, boys' hostel and girls hostel in the College of Horticulture,



Bermiok, Sikkim, under Central Agriculture University, Imphal. Union Minister planted a sapling and interacted with the faculty and students. After the welcome ceremony, students of the College performed a folk dance and the popular Bamboo Dance of

Mizoram.

The Minister of State urged the students and faculty of the College to ensure that their research is beneficial to the last farmer. She called for all the

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Pearls of Wisdom

"To live is the rarest thing in the world. Most people exist, that is all."

- Oscar Wilde

ICAR-ATARI team visits KVK Namthang farm

Namchi, May 09: Deputy Director General (Agricultural Extension) Dr. A.K. Singh along with ADG (Agricultural Extension) Dr. V.P. Chahal, Assistant Director General (Agricultural Extension), Directors from ICAR-ATARI (Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute) Zone I to Zone XI, Scientists from various Institutes of ICAR, Senior Scientist and Head of KVK East, South and West and line department officials of Government of Sikkim visited KVK Namthang farm, today.

While interacting with KVK Scientists, Dr. A.K. Singh applauded the efforts being taken by the Scientific and Technical staff of the KVK for establishing various demonstration units for the benefits of farmers. He also stressed on increase in soil testing activities before conducting trials in the farmer's field.

The team of Scientist also visited recently inaugurated Chuba Weavers Off Farm Producer Cooperative Ltd. located in South Sikkim and interacted with the

OFPO members.

All scientist present witnessed the activities being carried out by the KVK Namthang and visited all the demonstration unit of KVK namely, Protected Cultivation, German Angora Rabbit Farm, Farm Machinery Bank, Duckery Unit, Vertical Farming Structure, Incubation Unit, Solar based sprinkler irrigation system, Soil Testing Lab, and Spawn Production Unit of KVK South Sikkim.

Inspection and assessment of Mangan slide

Mangan, May 06: The inspection and assessment of Mangan slide for disaster mitigation was carried out by Minister for Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Mr. Kunga Nima Lepcha along with Minister, Roads and Bridges Department, Mr. Samdup Lepcha, Area MLA (Dzongu) Mr. Pintso Namgyal Lepcha, Chairman Social Welfare Board, Councillors (MNP), Relief Commissioner, Ms. Sarala Rai, DC (Mangan), Dr. A.B. Karki, Sp. Secretary (UDD), team of National Disaster Management

Authority, Sikkim State Disaster Management Authority and project managing committee.

During the inspection, issues regarding the drainage system and the vulnerability of the site and the area surrounding it were discussed in details. The need for surface capping and installation of SG anchors before monsoon was put forward. The importance of supervising proper guidelines of building bye-laws for public was also mentioned.

After the survey, the team

visited Mangan District Administrative Centre (DAC), where a Power Point presentation on the Mangan Landslide Mitigation Project was demonstrated. The presentation outlined the background, changes and expansion in the landslide of Mangan since 2017.

DC in his address briefly talked about various vulnerable and landslide prone areas in Mangan and requested that a thorough research and study for mitigation of such disaster be conducted.

Coordination meeting for celebration of North East Festival held

Gyalshing, May 02: A coordination meeting with regard to the celebration of North East Festival under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', celebrating 75th years of Independence, organised by District Administrative Centre, Gyalshing was held at the Conference Hall of DAC, Rabdentse, today.

The meeting was chaired by DC Gyalshing cum chairman District Level Committee, Mr. Karma R. Bonpo along with SDM (HQ) Mr. Gopal K. Chettri, officers from the concerned

departments and representatives from Piramal Foundation, Gyalshing Municipal Council, Associations and NGOs.

DC Gyalshing cum Chairman DLC discussed upon various aspects of the celebration and provided required suggestions and directives. He directed all concerned for collaboration and informed that the events are being conducted for showcasing the cultural values through availed platform, which promotes entrepreneurship values and

entertainment for plying tourists.

SDM(HQ) briefed on the celebration through Power Point presentation and informed about the involved rules and regulation pertaining to the events of competition. He stressed on the importance of the documentation of the cultural references and its benefits.

The weeklong celebration is set to commence from May 05- May 10 with an array of competition being conducted throughout celebration.

Namchi hosts programme under the theme Smart City Revolution in North East

Namchi, May 02: To commemorate 75th years of India's Independence under the banner 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', a dance and drama was held at the Indoor Stadium, Namchi, today.

The programme is being conducted with the theme of

'The Smart City Revolution in North East' under the banner 'Celebration of North East festival'.

ADC (Namchi) along with SSP (Namchi), Joint Director (Education Dept.) were present during the programme.

Paintings made during the

painting competition on April 29 were also displayed and among those, top 3 paintings were selected by SSP. The winners will be awarded Prizes, Certificates and Mementos in the closing ceremony.

Three-day North East Festival 2022 observed

Gyalshing, May 06: A three day long North East Festival 2022, a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' organised by District Administration Gyalshing in collaboration with Pelling Tourism Development Association (PTDA) and Tourism Society Darap commenced at the playground of Government Senior Secondary School, Pelling, today.

To mark the beginning of the festival, a Bike Rally was flagged off by the Chairman Transport Department, Mr. Basant Tamang in the presence of District Collector (Gyalshing) Mr. Karma R. Bonpo. The bike rally took off from Pelling through Dentam, Kaluk, Mangalbaria, Reshi, Legship culminated at Pelling. The Bike Rally was

organised in co-ordination with Khangchendzonga Motorcycle Club, Yuksom, where a total of 36 riders participated in the rally.

Also present in the event were SDM (Hq), Deputy Regional Transport Officer (Gyalshing), PTDA President and other Executive members of the Association, Officials and locals.

District Irrigation Plan under PMKSY held

Soreng, May 02: The meeting of District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC) on District Irrigation Plan under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) was held at the Conference Hall of DAC Soreng, today.

The meeting was chaired by the DC (Soreng)-cum-Chairperson (DLIC) Mr. Bhim

Thatal in the presence of ADC (Dev) Soreng and other dignitaries from respective departments.

DC Soreng in his address said that an awareness programme in rural areas for cultivation and their benefits should be done on a regular basis. He also added that the District Administration may be

allowed to collect their harvested products and supply direct to the market without the involvement of any middle man.

A five year cluster recommended for selection under Soreng district of Per Drop, More Crop was also discussed.

Scientific Dairy Management & Production-cum-Infertility Camp

Namchi, May 09: A daylong awareness programme on 'Scientific Dairy Management and Production cum Infertility camp' was held in the Auditorium of Government Senior Secondary School at Lingee, today.

Present during the awareness programme were President, Secretary and members Milk Producers' Co-operative society, namely, Sokpay-Maidan Society, Green Village Society and Lingee Society. Along with them, a total number of 53 dairy farmers participated in the programme.

The programme was attended by Principal Government Senior Secondary School, Panchayat President Lingee- Payong GPU, officials from Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Director (AH), JD(Dairy) from Krishi

Bhawan and Addl. Dir(S), Dy. Director (S), VO Yangang and VO Tarku and other dignitaries.

During the programme various ongoing schemes of the department, information on SEED cell, NLM loans and Development through Credit and many more were highlighted. The programme also included technical session wherein an awareness on clean milk production and new dairy incentives were discussed. Also housing, feeding, breeding, AI and management of dairy cows and new born calves were also emphasised. During the course of the programme, felicitation and distribution of inputs to members of various Milk Cooperative Societies was also conducted. Mineral mixtures and dewormers were also distributed among the dairy farmers.

File to the Field initiative-cum-Departmental inspection continues in Mangan

Mangan, May 06: File to the Field initiative cum Departmental inspection for assessing, managing and mitigating disaster during the monsoon was conducted at Mangan Nagar Panchayat, today.

The field visit cum inspection was attended by Minister for Roads and Bridges Department, Mr. Samdup Lepcha, MLA Dzongu, Mr. Pintso Namgyal Lepcha, Chairman Social Welfare Board, Councillors, DC Mangan, Sp. Secretary(UDD) and line department officials.

The visit started from the Government Girl's Senior Secondary School Mangan, where the team inspected the damages faced by the school and immediate action plans were proposed for the problem. Discussing various development plans and options for the areas under Mangan Nagar Panchayat, the team also visited the under construction PMGSY road in Pentok, wherein reports of the roads and issues of concern were presented to the team. At DAC road in Pentok, the team assessed the drainage system of the area and later stopped at Mangan Nagar Panchayat for a meeting.

Minister Roads and Bridges Department, Mr.

Samdup Lepcha lauded the effort of the district administration and also asked the line departments to be vigilant during monsoon. Talking about the beautification of Mangan bazar, he said that various developmental initiatives will be carried out including the ongoing repair of heavy-duty roads in the bazaar, and prospects for the Smart City of Mangan Bazar. He also asked the representative of BSNL to properly arrange the wire clusters in the bazar area.

He also talked about new garbage dumping sites in Mangan and surroundings and asked the line department's officers to prepare a five years work profile of the respective departments and present it at the upcoming DISHA meeting.

MLA Dzongu in his address also expressed his satisfaction on the work of the DAC team for the ease of administration. He expressed his vision to keep working for the betterment of the district.

An interactive session was also conducted wherein various issues and solutions related to parking areas, street lights, traffic congestion and Mangan bazar beautification were discussed. The team concluded their visit to the landfill area near Chandey.

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**State Pollution Control Board
Forest and Environment Department
Government of Sikkim
Deorali, Gangtok**

Ref. no. 384/SPCB

dated 04.05.2022

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 following subjects: (Chemistry, Zoology, Environmental Chemistry, Environmental Science (should compulsorily include study of Ecology and Pollution control), Environmental Toxicology, Microbiology, Bio-chemistry, Bio-technology, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Chemistry, Botany, and Environment and Ecology)	02	₹ 18000
2.	Project Assistant	BSc. in following subjects: (Chemistry, Zoology, Environmental Chemistry, Environmental Science (should compulsorily include study of Ecology and Pollution control), Environmental Toxicology, Microbiology, Bio-chemistry, Bio-technology, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Chemistry, Botany, and Environment and Ecology)	03	₹14,000
3.	Laboratory Assistant	BSc. in following subjects: (Chemistry, Zoology, Environmental Chemistry, Environmental Science (should compulsorily include study of Ecology and Pollution control), Environmental Toxicology, Microbiology, Bio-chemistry, Bio-technology, Analytical Chemistry, Applied Chemistry, Botany, and Environment and Ecology)	01	₹ 12000
4.	Field Assistant	XII Science	11	₹ 10000

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

1. Copy of certificate of Identification/Sikkim Subject.
2. Attested copies of educational qualification from Class X onwards.
3. Work experience certificate, if any.
4. Copy of valid employment card.
5. 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 within one month from the employment notice date. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.

The applications complete in all respect (with all supporting documents) should reach the office of Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board, Forest and Environment Department, Deorali on or before 3rd June 2022. No applications will be entertained after 4:00 pm of 03/06/2022. Incomplete applications will not be accepted in any manner.

Applications of candidates with the relevant qualification as mentioned above only will be strictly allowed to appear.

Those who have applied against notice no.1756/SPCB dated 19/02/2021 needs to reapply in response to this notice for consideration of their candidature.

Detailed advertisement can be downloaded from the website: spcb.sikkim.gov.in, sikenvis.nic.in
For further details, please contact: **+91 8145896063**.

**Sd/-
Joint Director
State Pollution Control Board
Forest and Environment Department
Government of Sikkim
(Sl. No.1107)**

**Department of Information and Public Relations
Government of Sikkim
Soochna Bhawan, Tadong, Gangtok**

No. 59/IPR/22-23

Dated: 09/5/2022

NOTICE

Shri Pokhraj Rai, Photographer Assistant, IPR Department has been absents himself from duty continuously since December, 2021. A Show Cause Notice was issued vide letter No.467/IPR/21-22 dated 24/2/2022 and posted to his home address mentioned in the initial appointment order through registered A/D bearing No.R W958460288IN dated 28/2/2022. However, he did not respond to this nor did the Office received back its acknowledgment slip till date.

In view of above, the same notice was delivered to him through WhatsApp on 01/04/2022 which was received and seen by him as per the blue tick appended with the post. But he has not responded to the notice till date even though he was given a week's time to respond to the notice. He is not taking any calls from the Office nor responding to any WhatsApp messages leading to serious questions on his whereabouts.

Therefore, this notice is published calling him to report to duty within 30 (thirty) days from the date of publication of this notice failing which procedures for termination of temporary service will be initiated without any further notice.

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

**Deputy Secretary
IPR Department
R.O. No.26/IPR/PUB/Classi/22-23(iii), Dt:09/05/22 (1104)**

**Women & Child Development Department
Child Protection Scheme
Government of Sikkim**

No. 27/W&CDD/CPS/2022

Dated: 02/05/2022

Walk -In- Interview

**NOTICE FOR FILLING UP VACANT POSITION OF MEMBER OF
JUVENILE JUSTICE BOARD (JJB)**

Applications are invited from eligible local candidates for filling up the post of Member, JJB on contractual basis for a period of three years under Child Protection Scheme in the Women and Child Development Department sponsored by the Ministry of Women & Child Development. The details of post and eligibility criteria are as under:

Sl. No	Name of the post	No. of post	Educational Qualifications	Sitting Allowance
3	Member, Juvenile Justice Board (01 post)	North-01	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should have atleast 07 (seven) years of experience of working with children 111 the field of education, health, or welfare activities OR • Should be a practicing professional with a degree in Child psychology or Psychiatry or Sociology or in the field of Law 	1500/- per sitting.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. These posts do not carry any pay scale or salary.
2. The tenure of the post is for a period of 03 years.
3. The appointment shall not confer any rights for regularization in the future.
4. The member shall be selected through walk-in-interview of the eligible applicants.
5. Only candidates fulfilling the above eligibility criteria as prescribed against the post shall apply.
6. Candidates must be in good health and physically fit to discharge his/her duties.
7. Applicants for the post of Member of JJB should not be less than 27 (twenty seven) years of age at the time of submission of application or on the last date of submission of application(s).
8. Preference will be given to retired Government Officers having the required qualification(s).
9. As prescribed by the Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015/Rules. The JJB Members are required to sit on all working days unless the case pendency is less.
10. No members shall be selected if he/she
 - (i) is associated with any Child Care Institution, directly or indirectly, during his tenure as a member of the board or committee or have any conflict of interest.
 - (ii) has been involved in any immoral act or in act of child abuse. NOC from concerned thana required.

Applicants along with the resume addressed to the Special Secretary-cum-Director, CPS, W&CDD, with the following valid documents, email id and contact number must be submitted to the office of Deputy Secretary, CPS, Women and Child Development Department, Lumsey, East Sikkim on or before 31/05/2022 latest by 4.00 pm. Only those applicants with prescribed and properly attested documents received within the stipulated date and time shall be entertained.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED:

1. Attested copy of requisite qualification from a recognized Board/ University.
2. Attested copy of Sikkim Subject Certificate/Certificate of Identification from the Concerned Authority.
3. Attested copy of valid Local Employment Card.
4. No Objection Certificate from the Secretary, Head of Department in the case of any temporary employee serving in Government Departments.
5. Experience Certificate duly certified by the relevant Issuing Authority.

Women & Child Development reserves the right to reject any application not found fulfilling the above terms and conditions. No TA/DA shall be admissible for attending the interview.

Date of interview will be intimated later on.

This notice is also available in the Sikkim Government website www.sikkim.gov.in

**Sd/-
(Ganga D. Pradhan, IAS)
Secretary
Women & Child Development Department
(Sl. No.1103, ii)**

Sikkim State Teachers' Recruitment Board**Government of Sikkim**

(Constituted Vide Notification No. 933/HRDD, 2015)

Upper Syari, Gangtok, East Sikkim

Memo No.: 442/SSTRB/ADM

Date: 02/05/2022

NOTICE

I. Applications are invited from in-service eligible candidates serving in the Government Schools of Sikkim for filling up the following posts through Screening-Cum-Interview as per Notification No. 151/ADM/EDN dated 20.04.2022 and 162 & 163/ADM/EDN 21.04.2022 respectively.

Sl. No.	Name of the post	Eligible Category	No. of Post	Post Ratio	Pay scale
1.	Headmaster/Headmistress, Junior High School	1) Graduate Teacher 2) HM, Primary School	109	a) 50% by promotion of Graduate Teachers b) 50% by promotion of HM, Primary School	Level 15
2	Headmaster/Headmistress, Primary School	1) Primary Teacher 2) Pre-Primary Teacher	135	100% by promotion of Primary and Primary and Pre-primary Teachers	Level 13

Note: i) In the case of Sl. No. 1, in the event of non-availability of candidates from category (b) the post of HM, JHS shall be filled from among the eligible candidates of category (a) and vice versa in order of merit including a panel list of 17 names to be maintained for a period of 11 months from the date of declaration of the result in order to meet up the subsequent vacancies likely to arise because of promotion, retirement or falling vacant by any other means.

ii) In the case of Sl. No. 2, a panel list of 39 names on merit basis will be maintained for a period of 11 months from the date of declaration of the result in order to meet up the subsequent vacancies likely to arise because of promotion, retirement or falling vacant by any other means.

II. Eligibility Criteria, Educational and Professional Qualifications and Teaching Experience required for the the post of Headmaster/Headmistress, Junior High School and Headmaster/Headmistress Primary Schools are given below:

Sl. No. and post	Eligible Category	Qualification		Teaching Experience
		Academic	Professional	
1. HM, JHS	Graduate Teachers	Graduate degree in any subject from a Recognized University	B.Ed. from NCTE Recognized Institute	Minimum 08 (eight) years of uninterrupted regular service as Graduate Teacher as on 31.03.2022
	HM, PS	Graduate degree in any subject from a Recognized University	B.Ed. from NCTE Recognized Institute	Minimum 06 (six) years of uninterrupted regular service as HM, PS as on 31.03.2022.
2. HM, PS	Primary Teachers	Class XII from a Recognized Board	D.El.Ed. or one year TTI course from NCTE Recognized Institute.	Minimum 08 (eight) years of uninterrupted regular service as Primary Teacher as on 31.03.2022
	Pre-Primary Teachers	Class XII from a Recognized Board	D.El.Ed. from NCTE Recognized Institute.	Minimum 12 (twelve) years of uninterrupted regular service as Pre Primary Teacher as on 31.03.2022

III. Candidates fulfilling the above criteria may submit their applications in the prescribed form available in the SSTRB Office after submitting a Bank Receipt of ₹200/- (Rupees Two Hundred only) payable in the State Bank of Sikkim under the Revenue Head 0202-102-03-Edn.

IV. Application forms will be issued from May 09, 2022 wherein, the submission of the forms along with the following documents starts from May 17, 2022 and the last date of submission of form is May 27, 2022 (within office hours). No application shall be accepted after 3:30 PM on May 27, 2022:

- Mark sheet and Pass certificate of **Class X and XII** or equivalent issued by Recognized Board.
 - Mark sheet and Pass certificate of **Graduation** issued by Recognized University. (For HM, JHS candidates)
 - Mark sheet and Pass certificate of **B.Ed.** issued by NCTE Recognized Institute. (For HM, JHS candidates).
 - Mark sheet and Pass certificate of **D.El.Ed.** or one-year **TTI** course from NCTE recognized institution. (For HM, PS Candidates)
 - Appointment order of Graduate Teacher/Primary Teacher/Pre-Primary Teacher/Promotion order of Headmaster/Headmistress, Primary School.
 - Joining Report of first appointment as Graduate Teacher/Primary Teacher/Pre-Primary Teacher.
 - Promotion Order and Joining Report as HM, Primary School.
 - Last Increment Order.
 - Bank receipt.
 - Two passport size photographs.
 - Departmental NOC from the concerned District heads mentioning present post and the length of service in the present post of the candidate.
- If on deputation to:
 - Education Department:** Deputation Order and Joining Report (within Education Department) along with NOC from Education Department mentioning the present post and the length of service in the present post of the candidate.
 - The other Department:** Deputation Order, Joining Report, Clearance from the Concerned Department and NOC from Education Department mentioning the post and the length of service of the candidate prior to deputation to other department.
 - Vigilance Clearance.

V. No TA DA shall be permissible for attending the interview.

VI. Date and venue of the Interview shall be intimated later.

VII. Admit card shall be issued in due course of time.

VIII. Syllabus for the Screening-Cum-Interview of HM, JHS and HM, PS comprises of the following:

- General Awareness.
- Education Policies.
- Government rules and orders pertaining to school administration.
- Duties and responsibilities of School Heads.
- Sikkim Government Servants' Conduct Rule, 1981, Sikkim Government Servants' (Discipline Appeal) Rules, 1985, Sikkim Government Service (Leave) Rules, 1986, Sikkim Government Service Rules, 1974 and such other rules as applicable while discharging the duty as HM, JHS and HM, PS.

Note: Incomplete application shall be rejected summarily, if found on verification that candidates do not fulfill the prescribed criteria, candidature for the post will be cancelled by the Board without specifying any further reason.

For any assistance, please contact or e-mail to:

Mr. M K Pradhan, Exam Officer, SSTRB

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Secretary
Sikkim State Teachers' Recruitment Board
Upper Syari, Gangtok
(Sl. No.1102)

**Education Department
Government of Sikkim
Gangtok**

NIT NO:334/1/EDN/GYL/W/1

DATED: 4/05/2022

SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Sealed tenders in percentage basis are invited on behalf of the Government of Sikkim for the works mention below from the appropriate class (III Grade) of registered Contractor enlisted under Sikkim Public Works Department, vide **Notification No. 556/R&B/PWD/Secy. Dated: 28.08.2018**, through competitive bidding within the jurisdiction 23-Sankhu-Radhu Khandu GPU under **Maneybong Dentam Constituency, West Sikkim where the work is to be executed to reach the Office of the Divisional Engineer (West), Education Department, Gyalshing, West Sikkim.** The work details are tabulated below:

Sl. No	Name of Work	Constituency	Value put to tender (in ₹)	Earnest money @2.5% on Tender value	Bank Receipt for cost of tender document	Completion time
1.	Const.of rooms/ Auditorium at Khandu School, in West Sikkim.	Maneybong Dentam	1. Civil work= ₹1,52,09,507/- 2. Electrification = ₹18,25,141.00 Total amount = ₹1,70,34,648.00/- Note in sl.no.02 rate quoted above on tender will not be accepted.	₹4,25,866/-	₹30,000.00	18 months

TIME SCHEDULE

i)	Date of submission of application with Bank Receipt for issue of Tender documents	23/05/2022 (Time between 10.00 hrs to 16.00 hrs)
ii)	Date of issue of Tender form/Tender documents	24/05/2022 (Time between 10.00 hrs to 16.00 hrs)
iii)	Date and time of submission of Tender.	25/05/2022 (Time between 10.00 hrs to 12.30 hrs)
IV)	Date and time of opening of Tender	25/05/2022 (Timing 13.30 hrs)

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT:-

- Tender is open only to the eligible contractors of appropriate class/Area.
- (a) The intending tenderer/contractor should apply in writing for issue of tender form for/tender documents. The applicant should invariably be signed by the contractor himself/herself. Tender documents will not be issued to any person other than the intending tenderer. The application shall be submitted for the work listed above with all the required documents. (b) For cost of tender Form Challan may be collected from the Senior Accounts officer Education Department, Gyalshing, West Sikkim, through which the requisite cost of form may be deposited in State Bank of Sikkim.
- The applicants should enclose attested copies of the (a) GST Registration certificate (b) Income tax clearance certificate (c) Professional tax certificate (d) PAN Card Number (e) Validated/Updated Contractor Enlistment Certificate along with the application during sale/issue of Tender Documents for verification.
- Earnest Money (EM) 2.5% duly deposited in the State Bank of Sikkim shall be in the form of T.D.R. in favor of Sr. Accounts Officer, Education Department, Government of Sikkim Gyalshing, West Sikkim, Tender form shall be issued only on production of T.D.R., as prescribed to those contractor or firms who have obtained the Tender Documents. Women contractors are exempted from depositing 2.5% TDR as per Notification No.104/R&B dated 08.10.2020. As per the Notification, in case of such tender being accepted, the lowest bidder within (enlisted women contractor) has to deposit earnest money at the rate 2.5% of the estimated cost put to tender before issue of work order.
- The prescribed Non-Transferable Tender Documents (Excluding the Tender Form) can be obtained during the period specified in as above from the office of the Divisional Engineer (W), Engineering cell Education Department, Gyalshing, West Sikkim on the production of requisite Bank receipt/challan of the State Bank of Sikkim towards the tender document (Non-refundable) under the receipt head: 0202-01-101-03 other receipts.
- The Tender Documents, including the tender form with quoted offer should be placed in a sealed cover with the name of tenderer and the name of work superscripted on it. Supporting documents listed at Sl. No. :- 3(a) (b) (c), (d), (e) and (4) should be enclosed with the offer.
- Sealed tender may be deposited in the Tender Box in the office of the Divisional Engineer (W), Engineering Cell, Education Department Gyalshing in his/her presence, on the date and within the time indicated above.
- Tender will be opened by a tender opening committee as prescribed by the Government in the presence of the tenderers on the date and time indicated above.
- The Tenderer should sign on every page of the tender documents as Acceptance of the General Direction and condition of Contract and other laid down norms. The rate quoted should be both in figures and words and should be inclusive of GST and all other levied taxes. Incomplete/Conditional tender shall be rejected forth with.
- In case of any discrepancy in rate(s) printed in the Schedule of Rates and Quantities issued with the tender documents, rate as per approved schedule of rate will be taken as correct. For items outside of SOR the rate shall be as per the technically checked estimate/analysis.
- The work value scope and quantum of work are subject to change, the contractor shall execute the work as per the directive of the Department.
- The Department reserves the right to hold payments to the contractor unless material/quality test certificates are not produced by the contractor when call upon to do so.
- Avoidable damages due to the 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) i/c accidents to labour at site, damage to any structural components due to negligence of workmanship.
- The work should commence within 15 days from the date of issue of work order. If the contractor fails to take up the work within a period of 3 months the contract will be rescinded and the TDR shall be forfeited by the Department.
- All the conditions as mentioned in the NIT shall be deemed to be a part of the Agreement to be entered with the contractor.
- The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
- The recoveries of Goods and Service Tax and Royalties on the forest product shall be as per the rates notified by Government from time to time and applicable on the date of payment.
- Subletting of contractor work is against the norms and if it comes to the notice the original contract shall be cancelled and appropriate action shall be initiated as per the rules.
- In case the man powers employed by the contractor are from outside the State or neighboring countries, it shall be the responsibility of the contractor to get them registered with the Labour Department, Government of Sikkim as per the relevant labour laws.

**Divisional Engineer
Education Department**

R.O. No.23/IPR/PUB/Classi/22-23, Dt:04/05/22(1105)

**Before the LD. Oath Commissioner, West
Sikkim at Gyalshing**

AFFIDAVIT

I, Raju Gurung, S/o Devi Prasad Gurung, aged about 40 years, resident of Tadong, Kaluk, District- Gyalshing, West Sikkim, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:-

- That the correct name of my son is 'Prashant Gurung' which is reflected in his Birth Certificate bearing Reg.no.138(D)10 and my correct name is 'Raju Gurung' which is reflected in my Voter's Card bearing no.GKP0050112 and the correct name of my wife is 'Budha Moti Subba' which is reflected in her Certificate of Identification bearing Sl.no.6125/DC(W)/2020.
- That inadvertently, in my son's Admit Card of Central Board of Secondary Education bearing Roll no.16155843, his name has been mentioned as 'Prashant Limboo', my name has been mentioned as 'Raju Limboo' and my wife's name has been mentioned as 'Budha Moti Limboo'.
- That this affidavit is made to affirm on oath that my son's correct name is 'Prashant Gurung', my correct name is 'Raju Gurung' and the correct name of my wife is 'Budha Moti Subba'.
- That this affidavit is made bonafide.

VERIFICATION

That the statements made herein above paragraphs 1 to 4 are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed therein.

I have signed this affidavit on this the 06th day of April, 2022 in my chamber at Gyalshing, West Sikkim at around 6 p.m.

IDENTIFIED BY:**DEPONENT****Raju Gurung****BR.NO.2223N-11005-748**

**Rural Development Department
Government of Sikkim
Gangtok.**

No:284/MGNREGA/RDD**Dated:05.05.2022****Extension of last date for Advertisement No:****249/MGNREGA/RDD Dated: 11.04.2022**

Vide Advertisement No: 249/MGNREGA/RDD Dated: 11.04.2022 application was invited for 5 posts of Ombudsman. The last date for the submission of same to the office of the Joint Secretary-MGNREGA is hereby extended to 20th May, 2022.

**Special Secretary-cum-PD/MGNREGA
RDD, Gangtok
(Sl.No.1106)**

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

No.356/GEN/HOME**Dated 21/04/2022****FINAL NOTICE**

Shri Rahul, Safaikarmachari of Home Department is absenting from his duty continuously since 13/10/2018 without any prior information or approval and his whereabouts is not known. He is, therefore, directed to report to Home Department within 15 days of publication of this notice and provide in writing the reason for such long unauthorized absenteeism failing which your government service will automatically cease in accordance to rule 14 sub rule (1) & (2) of Sikkim Government Service Rules, 1974.

By Order.

(Abinash Rai), SCS

**Joint Secretary to the Government of Sikkim
Home Department
(Sl. No.1098, i)**



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Agriculture deptt. delegates visit Dairy Land of USA Wisconsin

Wisconsin, May 05: Minister Mr. L.N. Sharma and his team visited the Dairy Land of USA Wisconsin, wherein the team had a series of meetings with the organic farmers who shared their success stories and also visited various dairy farms, vegetable farms and organic fields, today.

The delegation led by the Minister, comprising of CEO SOFDA Dr S. Anbalagan, CEO-SSOCA Mr. Sudhir Giri visited the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Madison where the team was welcomed by Mr. Mark, Bureau Director of Export and Business Development Bureau, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. The meeting was also attended by

the Ms. Kara Kasten Olson and Mr. Andrew Bernhardt- Organic Specialist of Wisconsin Department of Agriculture.

The Minister gave an overall picture of the organic sector in Sikkim and discussed about opportunities of possible tie-up between Wisconsin and Sikkim Government. He shared the ideas of investment in agro tourism in Sikkim and its future prospective for the socio-economic development of the state in detail.

Organic Research Expert, Mr. Andrew informed about the sustainable organic farming and its benefits and value addition to the farmers in the long run. He talked about the farmers support centre wherein all the

financial as well as motivational support is provided by the team on 24/7 basis to encourage and help farmers in the time of need.

Bureau Director appreciated the initiatives taken by the State Government in the agriculture, education, tourism and health sector. He further added that the processed food has a wider scope to strengthen the business strategy of Sikkim in US market.

The delegation also visited the University of Agriculture, Wisconsin, wherein meeting was scheduled with Dr. Erin Silva. The pest and disease problem in large cardamom being faced by the farmers cultivating large cardamom was also discussed with Ms. Erin.

Namchi BAC starts Help Desk-cum-Single Window

Namchi, May 02: Block Administrative Centre (BAC), Namchi started 'Help Desk'-cum-'Single Window' in its office premises from May 02.

The Help Desk was inaugurated by Mr. Garjaman

Gurung, Group D staff in the presence of the BDO, Namchi and staff of the BAC.

An initiative of the BDO, Namchi Mr. Tenzing Bhutia, the Help Desk primary aims to strengthen the service delivery

system of the BAC.

BAC, Namchi has also started the practice of providing sanitary napkins for the female visitors to address cases of emergency.

AKAM programmes set off in Namchi

Namchi, May 03: To commemorate 75 years of India's independence as a part 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', 'Know your City walk' was held from DAC Namchi to Namchi Helipad, today. The programme was organised under the banner 'Celebration of North East festival'.

Retd. Director SIRD Jorethang, Mr. D.T. Bhutia

attended the event as Resource Person. Participants started from DAC Centre and walked through various historic points.

ADM Namchi, Joint Director Education Namchi District along with school students, local residents and NYK Volunteers participated in the walk. Similarly, a flash mob was held at Central Park Namchi.

DIO (Namchi) IPR

Department, highlighted the synopsis of the event and informed in detail about the events conducted in Namchi District during the celebration of North East Festival. Students of Namchi Girls Senior Secondary School performed a dance presenting different cultures of Sikkim during the Flash Mob.

North East festival celebrated

Pakyong, May 03: As a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the North East festival was celebrated under Pakyong Subdivision level by District Administration Pakyong, today.

The programme was graced by DC Pakyong Mr. Tashi Chopel as the chief guest. Also present were ADC Pakyong District, SDM (Hq), SDM (Pakyong), RO/AD, Joint Director, Deputy Director and other officers and staff from the Education Department, Principals, HMs, teachers from various participating schools,

officers and staff from DAC, amongst other attendees.

The programme started with a quiz contest, wherein three Secondary Schools participated. Padamchey Secondary School stood 1st while Rorathang SS stood 2nd.

Both teams will participate in the district level quiz competition. The students from Machong Secondary School emerged as the winner in the Group flock/traditional dance competition amongst five participating schools and is representing the sub division in

the district level. The programme concluded with a debate competition between Dikling Secondary School and Rorathang Secondary School, wherein Dikling Secondary School was declared winners and is participating in the district level. All participants were awarded with the certificates.

The programme also had a Pickle ball tournament under two categories (Open and Under 14). Various schools and individuals participated in the tournament.

locals, SRLM Block Development Society, Ward Development Society and members of Self Help Groups at Block level at Sudunglakha GPU. The members were accompanied by Principal Secretary RDD, District Collector Pakyong, HoDs and concerned government officials during the visit.

The members also interacted with Panchayats,

Gangtok DAC organises 'Heritage and Cultural Walk'

Gangtok, May 03: The four-day 'Heritage and Cultural Walk' organised as a part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', under the aegis of District Administration, Gangtok, concluded at the premises of Raj Bhavan, today.

ADC, Headquarter (DAC Gangtok) Mr. Hemant Rai said that as a part of the celebrations of AKAM, the concept of heritage and cultural walks presents an opportunity to reorient oneself with the State's identity and to inculcate a sense of cultural harmony in society. He also stated that walks encourages people to support projects like conservation and preservation of historical monuments and to collect authentic information about them.

Resource Person, Ms. Yangchen Donker Bhutia led the heritage walk from Tsuklakhang Royal Chapel and the Monastery. She informed the students about the monuments that were preserved and conserved for the next generation. She also informed the students about the spring water at the surrounding of the Royal Palace, a natural place with religious sentiment attached to it, which helps conserve the area with lush greenery. The

group walked towards the Ridge Park Rest Stop where she highlighted the Gazebo (Hawa Ghar) in typical Sikkimese style, the only one of the kind left in the State with historical and cultural values that needs to be protected and conserved. They also stopped by the Flower Exhibition where she briefed about the indigenous orchid flower and the tree fern known as a living fossil. She spoke about the digitalis (foxgloves) particularly found in the North region of the State and sunakhari flower. The students were also briefed about the White Hall. The group also visited the Directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms and then proceeded towards Raj Bhavan.

The event also had the presence of SDM (Gangtok), Joint Director State Archives, District Nodal Officer, Principal Rongyek School, Head Superintendent PNGSSS, officials from District Administrative Centre, and Culture Department.

Students of Paljor Namgyal Girls Senior Secondary School and Rongyek Secondary School participated in the heritage walk.

Chairman convenes Parliamentary Standing Committee meeting

Gangtok, May 02: The Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Mr. Prataprao Jadhav and members of the Committee convened separate meetings with officials of various departments of the Government of Sikkim and Banking officials, today.

The meetings were held to take stock of the implementation of various programmes and schemes of the Ministry of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj in the State.

It may be mentioned here, that the Parliamentary Standing Committee led by the Chairman is on an official study visit to Sikkim from April 30-May 02.

Two-day programme on Good Governance

Pakyong, May 03: A two-day programme for trainers on Good Governance for Cooperative Societies, SHGs, students of Sikkim University, Panchayats, Local bodies and NGOs was held at Sikkim State Cooperative Union (SICUN), Assam Lingzey on April 29th-30th. The training sponsored by Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu was jointly organised by SICUN and Department of Political Science, School of Social Science, Sikkim University.

Secretary, Cooperation

Department, Mr. Jigme Dorjee Bhutia inaugurated the programme on April 29 in the presence of Director, (RGNIYD), Professor Sibnath Deb, Chairman, SICUN, Head of Department, Professor, local Governance, Professor of Calcutta University and Professor of Sikkim University.

The resource persons of the training were the Professors of Sikkim University, Calcutta University, Tripura University, RGNIYD, District Collector, Mangan, Joint Registrar Cooperation Department and CEO, SICUN. More than 50 participants had participated in the training.

SGAY houses inaugurated

Namchi, May 02: A total of 11 SGAY houses were inaugurated by Minister for Rural Development Department, Mr. Sonam Lama at Lamting- Tingmoo GPU under Sikkip BAC, today.

The Minister was accompanied by Area MLA, Barfung Constituency Mr. T.T. Bhutia, Officials and other dignitaries.

SISCO Bank disburses KCC to Luing Perbing MPCs Ltd

Gangtok, May 5: SISCO Bank disbursed Kisan Credit Card (KCC) amounting to ₹58 lakhs to 116 members of Luing Perbing MPCs Ltd for ginger cultivation, today.

The sanction letter was handed over to the President of the MPCs in the presence of Manager and MPCs Members by officials from SISCO Bank. It may be

mentioned that Luing Perbing MPCs is one of the best performing and award winning MPCs of the State. Over the years, the MPCs has been doing Credit business of over ₹3crores annually and have been successful in providing subsidy related schemes to their members in various agriculture and allied

activities. With the support of NABARD and SISCO Bank, 'Cash Kendra' has been functioning successfully in the MPCs, where people can withdraw money through ATM cards of all the Banks. SISCO Bank account holders can avail the facility of both cash and deposits.

Soreng celebrated North East Festival

Soreng, 04 May: As a part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', North East Festival was also celebrated in all the six Block Administrative Centres under Soreng district, today.

DC Soreng Mr. Bhim Thatal attended the event as the chief guest along with Block Panchayat President, Panchayat Members, BDO Soreng, teachers and students.

The daylong celebration

included cultural dance performances, inter-school painting and quiz competitions and an exhibition of traditional dresses, ornaments and folk musical instruments.

DC in his address said that the main objective of the celebration is to promote and educate about the nation's different cultures, customs, rituals, geographical and other diversities. He also spoke about the

implementation of 'Aaganma Prashasan' or doorstep governance and how the community can benefit from it. The BACs of Chumbong, Daramdin, Baiguney, Mangalbarey and Kaluk also joined in the celebration with cultural and literary programme at their respective blocks.

The organising committee also felicitated the winners of best ANM, ASHA, AWW and AWH awardees of the district.

Pakyong District conducts various programmes under AKAM

Pakyong, May 04: Pakyong District celebrated the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' by conducting a host of activities and competitions at the Community hall, today. The programme was organised under the banner 'Celebration of North East Festival'.

The event was attended by MLA Namcheybong, Mr. Em Prasad Sharma as the chief guest

along with Advisor Food and Civil Supplies, Zilla Adhyaksha, DC Pakyong, ADC Pakyong, ADC Development, SDMs, BDOs, and officers of the DAC.

In the programme, Marathon, Quiz, Debate and Dance competitions were held. The winners were rewarded with cash prizes and certificates. The main attraction of the event was

'Oral folklore narration', where senior citizens from different communities participated and enlightened the gathering with their tales. Self Help Groups also joined the event to showcase self reliance and progressive citizen with Jan Bhagidari as the agenda of AKAM.

SMIT celebrates 25th Annual Day

Gangtok, May 03: Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology (SMIT), a constituent college under Sikkim Manipal University (SMU) observed its Founder's Day and 25th Annual Day at SMIT campus in Majhitar, today.

Governor Mr. Ganga Prasad and also the Chancellor, SMU attended the programme as the chief guest. The Governor inaugurated a blood donation and health camp organised by CRH at SMIT campus. He also inaugurated the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan of SMIT in which five villages have been adopted by the institute under the initiative.

Governor applauded the progress made by SMU in the last 25 years and the significant milestones achieved by SMIT in its Silver Jubilee year. He said that the institute is steadfast in its goal of becoming one of the best engineering institutes in the country. SMIT offers scholarships to students from within the state, he added. The Governor congratulated everyone associated with SMIT for working towards building the institution with the devotion and relentless dedication. He encouraged the students to work towards nation building and achieve the goal of

'Atma Nirbhar Bharat' and also apprised the students on the ongoing 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

Vice Chancellor, SMU Gen. Rajan S. Grewal spoke about the life of Late Dr. TMA Pai and his contributions towards nation building. 'Today, at SMU, we are dedicated to upholds the vision and dream of Dr. Pai,' he said.

'The year 2020 was the year we collectively faced the brunt of the global pandemic. When the world was facing the biggest pandemic, with our tireless efforts we were able to bring the situation under control. Our aim was not only to help as well as provide education and guidance to the students but also to provide them holistic development and nurturing which includes their safety. Today, the SMU is scaling high in the university rankings is one of the top ranked universities not only in Sikkim but in the entire North-East region,' he added.

Director, SMIT Dr. G.L. Sharma presented the Annual Report of SMIT. During the programme, the Report of Atal Incubation Centre Sikkim Manipal University Technology Business Incubation Foundation (AIC-SMUTBI) was also presented. The disbursement of Start-up India

Seed Fund through AIC-SMUTBI, supported by DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry Government of India was also held through the hands of Governor. An amount of ₹55,00,000/- was disbursed to 4 start-ups from Sikkim and North East region. Two of the Start-ups-AIS Bilingual and CAS Collective are from Sikkim.

The Annual Report of SMU, SMU Atma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan Report and SMITSONIAN, the SMIT magazine was also released by the Governor. A cultural show and prize distribution was also a part of the Annual Day celebrations.

It may be mentioned here that April 30 marks 124th birth anniversary of Dr. Tonse Madhava Ananth (TMA) Pai, the founding father of the Manipal Group. To commemorate the birth anniversary of the visionary educationist, banker and philanthropist, Dr. TMA Pai, a week-long academic and cultural events were organised in all constituent colleges and units of SMU throughout the week. These festivities were also part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' celebrations.

Rangpo Sub Division organises various activities under AKAM

Pakyong, May 03: Rangpo Sub Division organised various activities under 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav 2022' in collaboration with Rangpo Municipality, Duga BAC, Education Department and Schools with inter school Quiz,

Debate and Dance Competitions at Rangpo Chanatar SDL Hall on May 02.

The programme was attended by Chairperson RDD Mrs. Sunita Gautam, Chairperson Housing Board, Municipal Vice

President, Councillors, SDM Rangpo, Joint Director and Deputy Director Education Deptt., MEO Rangpo, BDO Duga BAC, Heads of Schools, other Government officials, Teachers, Students and public.

Chief Secretary chairs State Day Celebration meeting

Gangtok, May 06: Chief Secretary Mr. S.C. Gupta chaired a meeting at Tashiling Secretariat to discuss the State Day Celebrations, today. The meeting was attended by Heads of various Departments and senior government officials.

The meeting discussed in detail the activities outlined for the occasion where various department was assigned specific roles to make the event a success.

The Chief Secretary urged all the departments to

coordinate with each other for the celebration. The Chief Secretary also convened a meeting for the Civil Services Day Celebration to be held on the May 14. The meeting was also joined virtually by District Collectors of all the districts.

It was informed that the event will be organised by the Department of Personnel in coordination with line Departments. During the meeting, the proposed programme was discussed in detail and finalised.

Mock exercise on Common Alert Protocol organised

Gangtok, May 05: A mock exercise on Common Alert Protocol (CAP) was organised by Sikkim State Disaster Management Authority (SSDMA) in collaboration with C-DOT at the State Emergency Operation Centre, Conference hall of SSDMA, today.

The mock exercise was convened under the chairmanship of Commissioner cum Secretary, Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department Ms. Sarala Rai under the supervision of Project Manager NDMA, Ms. Diksha Nagpal and representatives from CDOT, IMD, Telephone service providers of the State.

Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department applauded the initiative of the TSPs diligent work towards making

the project successful and affirmed that the technology would certainly make a difference in the preparedness of SSDMA in reducing the impact of disaster in the State.

Director (SSDMA) Mr. Prabhakar Rai gave a general overview of the mock exercise.

Representatives of C-DOT gave an overview of the project, which will be based on the dissemination of early warning pre, during, and post-disaster through SMS to the public. The hands-on training was conducted involving all the stakeholders present with the dissemination of short SMS on COVID-19 safety measures with the Telephone subscribers falling within the area selected through geo-fencing of the Tashiling Secretariat.

7th Session on National Livestock Mission organised

Gangtok, May 05: State Level Executive Committee on National Livestock Mission organised its 7th Session at the Conference Hall of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services at Krishi Bhawan, today.

The programme was organised under the chairmanship of Secretary, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Deptt. Dr. P. Senthil Kumar and was attended by Pr. Director, B.M. Chettri, Directors, Addl. Directors and Deputy Directors and other scheme implementing officers of the Deptt.

Secretary AHVS suggested all the sections of the department to explore projects under innovation category for all species under NLM for funding in the current financial year. He suggested all scheme heads to prepare and submit the proposal as per discussion held in the SLEC and follow it up with the ministry

for seeking funds for its implementation.

Addl Director, AHVS also SLEC Convenor Dr. Saharman Rai, made a presentation on the progress made under NLM and current status of implementation of NLM in Sikkim.

The objective of the 7th SLEC was to explore new projects in innovation category under NLM for development of piggery, sheep, goat, poultry and other species in Sikkim. The project such as genetic improvement of pigs breed and establishment of Semen lab at Assam Lingzey, expanding the cattle insurance, capacity building, training and extension on various livestock development in the State were discussed and accepted by the SLEC for submission of the projects to Government of India for seeking funding under National Livestock Mission.

Painting competition held

Namchi, April 29: To commemorate 75 years of India's Independence 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' painting competition was held in all Government Secondary and School under Namchi District on the theme of 'The Smart City Revolution in North East' under the banner of 'Celebration of North East festival', today.

All 22 Senior Secondary Schools and 33 Secondary Schools

under Namchi District participated in the competition. Schools are further instructed to submit top 3 paintings at school level to the office of Chief Education Officer Namchi by April 30.

Top three paintings at each school level will be displayed in an exhibition at Central Park Namchi and the winner from the exhibition will be awarded Prizes, Certificates and Mementos in the closing ceremony.

Sikkim History and Heritage Fiesta under AKAM held

Gangtok, May 04: District Administration Gangtok organised 'Sikkim History and Heritage Fiesta' celebrating the North East festival under the banner 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' commemorating 75 years of India's Independence at Manan Kendra, today.

Minister for Education Mr. Kunga Nima Lepcha graced the programme as the chief guest, along with Chief Secretary Mr. S.C. Gupta, Secretary, Information and Public Relations Department Mrs. Siphorah Targain, Secretary, Land Revenue Department, Mrs. Sarala Rai, Secretary, IT Department Mr. Yogendra Sharma, Secretary, Buildings and Housing Department Mr. Kuldip Chettri, DC Gangtok Mr. Ragul K and officials from various line departments.

The programme commenced with a visit to the exhibition hall to witness old photos of Sikkim, postal stamps and old coins. The exhibition was represented by the Information and Public Relations Department in collaboration with Sikkim Philatelic and Numismatic Society and Gangtok Head Post Office.

The Vintage Photography which included the heritage of Sikkim, flora and fauna and landscape were exhibited by IPR Department under the guidance of Secretary IPR, Mrs. Siphorah Targain. The philatelic exhibition was conducted by members of the Sikkim Philatelic and Numismatic Society. A veteran collector of stamps and coins, Mr. Ganesh Pradhan exhibited his collection related to themes of pre-independence stamps and personality series of post-independence. Mr. Shital Pradhan, collector of stamps and other historical artifacts exhibited his collection of Philately and Special Covers of Sikkim.

The Post Office representative, Mr. Sameer Pradhan apprised that Philatelic stamps are available in the Post office and invited all Philately enthusiasts to come and explore. special covers, miniature sheets and personalised stamps were displayed in the exhibition.

Mr. Yogesh Gurung, a numismatist displayed coins of the Mughal Dynasty, the Indian Princely States, Republic of India, Error Coins, Punched Mark Coins and Sikkim Vintage coins such as Cheptay and Dheba.

Minister in his address said that Sikkim has a rich culture and biodiversity which should be well preserved. He encouraged the students to learn about the history of Sikkim and stressed that the development of the State is important and we should also treasure and preserve the rich heritage of Sikkim, the flora and fauna and the rich culture. He expressed his gratitude to the Philatelic society for exhibiting their collections.

DC highlighted that the event is the culmination of a one week programme organised under the aegis of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' commemorating the 75th year of India's Independence. He briefed about different activities undertaken which included a painting competition for school students, Heritage and Cultural Walk, programmes related to Rural Tourism and Organic Farming, theme-based programmes on Environment and Climate Change, Sports Events, Bike Rally and exhibition of Photography, Rare Coins and Vintage Stamps.

Mrs. Venu Pant gave a brief about the History of Sikkim, the old Sikkim route and the Geopolitical importance of Sikkim. She apprised about some glorious aspects related to Sikkim and highlighted the recognition of the struggle endured by freedom fighters of Sikkim and other unsung Sikkim Heroes.

The event included cultural function and prize distributions for painting, poster designing competition, felicitation to the members of Bike Rally and Philatelic society and representatives from various line Departments for their support in organising the week-long celebration.

The programme also had the presence of HODs from various Departments, ADCs and students from various schools and colleges.

Union Minister Prahlaad Singh Patel chairs meeting in Gyalshing

Gyalshing, May 06: Union Minister of State, Jal Shakti and Food Processing Industries, Government of India, Mr. Prahlaad Singh Patel chaired an interactive programme with officers, NGOs and SHGs of the district at Conference Hall of Zilla Panchayat Bhawan, Kyongsha, today.

The meeting had the presence of Deputy Speaker, SLA, Mr. Sangay Lepcha, Minister, Rural Development Department, Mr. Sonam Lama, MLA Gangtok, Mr. Y.T. Lepcha, Principal Secretary RDD Mr. C. S. Rao, DC Gyalshing and many others.

Union Minister threw light on various people centric schemes of the Central Government and commended the State Government under the leadership of Chief

Minister Prem Singh Tamang for uplifting the living standard of general public of the State. Speaking upon Jal Jeevan Mission, he praised DC Gyalshing for his efforts and interventions and also motivated youths of the society for voluntary efforts for conservation of water sources.

Minister RDD stated that under the leadership of Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang, the State is striving for development.

Principal Secretary Mr. C.S. Rao through Powerpoint presentation discussed on present and future action plans of Jal Jeevan Mission.

DC Gyalshing spoke on various sectors under Aspirational District.

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NMCG Organises Webinar On Waste Water Management

New Delhi, May 09 (PIB): The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) in association with APAC News Network virtually organised the 6th Edition of the monthly 'Webinar with Universities' series on 'Igniting Young Minds, Rejuvenating Rivers' today. The theme for the webinar was 'Waste Water Management.' The session was presided over by Shri G. Asok Kumar, Director General, NMCG. Delivering his keynote address, Mr. G. Asok Kumar began by shedding some light on various issues emerging across the country jeopardizing the water security and increasingly being manifested in the form of climate change which is now evident. He emphasized on the urgent need to find solutions to the issues pertaining to water sector so that the next generation would not have to face such problems.

The DG NMCG said "In 2014, Prime Minister launched the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan which became a huge success. In 2019, various departments dealing with water issues were merged to form the Jal Shakti Ministry to holistically deal with the challenges. This was followed by the launch and execution of Jal Shakti Abhiyan-1 and Jal Shakti Abhiyan-2: Catch the Rain, Where it Falls, When it Falls, focusing on asset creation and awareness generation and rainwater harvesting respectively. Under the leadership of Prime Minister, water in India is being viewed as a key natural resource."

Emphasizing on the importance of wastewater management, Mr. Kumar quoted examples of countries like Israel and Singapore, who are doing some outstanding work in the field of recycling and reuse of water. "The technologies are

available; all we need to do is work around them according to our specific needs," he said, adding, "One of the most important areas is agriculture which consume more than 80% of our water resources. The reuse of treated water for non-potable purposes like agriculture is the need-of-the-hour to ensure that the next generation gets water."

DG, NMCG further added that monetization of sludge and treated water is one of the focus areas of Namami Gange Programme under the banner of 'Arth Ganga', which means linking people with Ganga through a 'Bridge of Economics'. He said that under Namami Gange Programme, around 164 Sewage Treatment Plants are being constructed worth ₹25000 crores that will help to treat around 5000 MLD of wastewater, resulting in major saving of freshwater resources. Mr. Kumar exhorted the younger generation to adhere to the 5R Concept of Circular Economy that includes Reducing Wastage, Recycling Water, Reusing Water, Rejuvenating Rivers and most importantly, Respecting Water.

The leading educators who participated in the session included Mr. Aditya Berlia, Co-Promoter, Apeejay Education, New Delhi, Prof. Shrihari Prakash Honwad, President, Sir Padampat Singhanian University, Udaipur, Dr. Sujata Shahi, Vice Chancellor, IILM University, Gurugram and Prof. Naveen Singhal, Dean and Coordinator, Center of Excellence "LAW" Land, Air and Water, DIT University, Dehradun. Mr. S.R. Meena, Deputy Director General, NMCG, also graced the occasion. Students from Chitkara School of Business and Apeejay also joined the webinar and interacted with NMCG on issues of wastewater management.

Among the leading

Yoga programme of Ministry of Fisheries, Animal husbandry and Dairying

New Delhi, May 08 (PIB): The Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying is organising Yoga Countdown Programme on 9th May 2022 as precursor to the International Day of Yoga (IDY) 2022, on June 21st 2022. Towards commemorating the 75 glorious years of India's Independence, this is one of the efforts by the Department of Fisheries to celebrate 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

The first from a series of inaugural events is to be inaugurated by Mr. Parshottam Rupala, Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying on 9th May at

Porbandar, Gujarat. A team of officers from the Department and field offices led by Fisheries Secretary Mr. J.N. Swain shall accompany the Minister at the event. Parallel to this, Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan, Minister of State, Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying and Dr. L. Murugan, Minister of State (Fisheries) will inaugurate the countdown events at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh and Mahabalipuram, Tamil Nadu, respectively.

More than 1000 people including Fish Farmers, Fishers, fisheries allied industries, and civil society organizations and other stakeholders in the Fisheries ecosystem,

educators, Mr. Aditya Berlia and Dr. Sujata Shahi emphasized on the enormity of the task and the role younger generation will have to play in keeping the water resources of the country clean. Mr. Berlia said that awareness generation and community-led efforts are the key. "In addition to the cultural and spiritual significance of River Ganga, we must also focus on the economic benefits of the river as well," he added.

Dr. Shahi pointed out that it is the social and behavioral change in the young generation that is a requisite for a programme like Namami Gange and that could be brought about by proper communication. She said that from story-telling to sensitization on the issues of River Rejuvenation to face-to-face communication, a targeted dissemination of information must be done to bring about the desired change. She said that one should have an "entrepreneur approach" when dealing with such issues. Prof. Naveen Singhal also laid emphasis on the responsibility young leaders have to take to make Namami Gange a people's movement.

Prof. Shrihari Prakash Honwad cited examples of some international rivers and campaigns with respect to environmental issues including river rejuvenation and said that there is a need to create a "generation with cleanliness conscious" and everything else will automatically fall into place. "We must go to schools and we must build this consciousness. We must tell the younger generation that we couldn't do enough, help us correct it so that we can return the resources (natural) back to you," Mr. Honwad added.

Government officials and local people including youth and women will physically participate in the countdown YOGA events at all the locations while many other people will join virtually. Ahead of the International Day of Yoga (IDY) scheduled on 21st June 2022, this countdown programme aims to create wider outreach and awareness across the country on the importance of Yoga in everyday life and motivate everyone to practice it for holistic development and wellness. UNESCO has also listed Yoga as intangible world heritage.

Agriculture Department delegation visits Kahlon farms in California

San Francisco, May 07: Agriculture Department delegation led by Minister for Agriculture Mr. L.N. Sharma visited the Kahlon farms owned by an Indian American Mr. Raj Kahlon at Merced, near San Francisco, California, today.

Deputy Consul General, Consulate General of India, San Francisco, California Mr. Rajesh N. Naik in his presentation outlined the demand for organic commodities in the US that is increasing by the day and Sikkim with its unique products can find suitable markets. It was also informed that Sikkim sought

interventions and investments in the areas of marketing of organic commodities apart from health, education, and tourism sectors in the State. The details of organic importers and other interested stakeholders would be shared with the delegation, he said. Crops that are grown in Sikkim such as turmeric and ginger have a huge market in the US and the farmers must produce such commodities for export to the US.

He also indicated the possibility of a student exchange programme for learning about pistachio, almond, and walnut cultivation and processing from

Sikkim and will provide details of the same after consultation with the Merced College, University of California, Merced. He also expressed his willingness for the implementation of 'hot house technology' in Sikkim, a technology similar to greenhouse technology wherein the temperature is artificially controlled for the production of crops.

This technology can help crop production year-round. He also put up the idea of Sikkim taking up an 'exotic' horse breeding programme for international clients such as Austria, Spain, and others.

Minister M.K. Sharma attends Swasthya Chintan Shivir

Gujarat: The 14th Conference of Central Council which is the apex advisory body of Health and Family (CCHFW) organised "Swasthya Chintan Shivir" from the May 05 to 07 May at Tent City, Kevadia, Gujarat under the Chairmanship of Mansukh Mandaviya the Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare. The meeting was attended by all the Health Ministers of the state and Union Territories. Minister for Health Department Dr M.K. Sharma along with team which comprised of the Commissioner-cum-Secretary Mr. D. Anandan, Mission Director Dr Rajprabha Moktan and

State Nodal Officer NHM Dr Anusha Lama also attended the conference.

The objective of the three-day conference was review of the implementation of policies and programmes relating to medical and public health sectors. The conference had panel discussions with eminent speakers and experts from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, NITI Aayog, AIIMS academia, NHSRC etc. A major focus was on Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "Heal By India and Heal In India" Initiative.

The sessions had lot of interaction with the stakeholders,

and it focussed on themes such as affordable, accessible and equitable health for all, preparing India for future health emergencies, preparing a roadmap for Healthy India, sharing of best practices by states and cooperation and coordination with States for "healthy States, Healthy Nation" concept. Health Minister Dr M.K. Sharma also chaired one of the sessions and took active part in discussions stating the low TFR of the state and how there is an urgent need to look into it and also the IPHS norms should be revised for the hilly and hard to reach areas of the NE states.

Minister L.N. Sharma and team visit logistics service and Almond and Grape farms

California, May 07: The delegation led by Minister for Agriculture and Horticulture Departments Mr. L.N. Sharma visited the logistics service provider M/S Dreisbach at their facility in Richmond near San Francisco, California on May 06.

Mr. Erasmo J. Quinones, the Richmond facility manager, explained about activities related to service logistics. M/S Dreisbach is a 3rd party logistics service provider engaged in providing storage, transportation, and drayage facilities. Dreisbach also exports through other companies and agencies. They provide storage facilities to their customers for almost all commodities ranging from dairy products to meat, nuts, and grains to fresh vegetables. They also store organic commodities and currently, some of the organic commodities include chia seeds from Paraguay, cocoa powder and cocoa butter from the Netherlands, cashew from Vietnam, coconut sugar from Indonesia, and pumpkin protein from China.

Organic turmeric from India is also stored and available for clients.

The company provides inland transportation facilities to customers as well as transport of freight from the Oakland port to the storage facility and thereafter as per the instructions of the clients, it is further sent to a destination. Mr. Erasmo also mentioned that some of their customers store their raw materials after import or domestic procurement, process/ value add them under their own brand, and again store them in the facility before it is distributed. Sometimes they also do cross stocking which is a temporary storage of commodities before distribution. Cross stocking is done mainly for fresh vegetables. The facility also has more than 40,000 sq. ft of freezer storage apart from a dry storage facility of similar capacity. In total, they serve about 50-60 customers throughout the United States. The facility also has space for USDA inspectors who regularly monitor and test samples.

The entire range of services

from storage, transportation, and drayage is on a charge basis which includes charges for inbound handling, storage as well as outbound handling, said Mr. Erasmo.

The visit was a learning opportunity for the entire team to acquire knowledge about the import and export business.

Similarly, Minister for Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Mr. L.N. Sharma and his team visited almond and grape farms in California.

Minister shared about the inherent potential of the State with regard to organic farming and expressed his interest to know more about the huge success of almonds and grapes cultivation in California. California produces most of the world's almonds and 100% of the United States' commercial supply. The team also took details on the focused areas of technology, irrigation practices, marketing, etc. for almonds and grapes cultivation.

CM chairs review meeting on PMGSY

Gangtok, May 07: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang chaired the review meeting on PMGSY organised by the Rural Development Department at Samman Bhawan, today.

The meeting had the presence of the Minister for Rural Development Department, Mr. Sonam Lama, Principal Secretary RDD, Mr. C.S. Rao, Secretaries, Principal Chief Engineer (RDD), Director (F & A), Additional Chief Engineers, Chief Engineers, Contractors alongside other dignitaries and officials from the department.

Principal Chief Engineer, RDD highlighted the status of completed work and apprised

about the work under progress. The meeting had an open discussion wherein the contractors from all districts shared various problems, suggestions and ideas.

The Chief Minister in his address directed the officials of the department and contractors to work under the directives proposed and fulfill the demands accordingly. The Chief Minister also assured to provide possible assistance to the contractors for the completion of works.

Minister RDD, Mr. Sonam Lama also suggested the contractors and officials to work diligently for the benefit of public.

Inception Workshop for SBI Foundation project organised

Pakyong, May 06: Inception Workshop for SBI Foundation project for Conservation of Red Panda in Khangchendzonga Landscape was organised by WWF and SBI foundation at Lampokhari Resort Aritar on May 05.

Secretary Education Deptt. Mr. Anil Raj Rai chaired the programme which was attended by (C.F) Forest Department Mr. Uday Gurung, Zilla Panchayats, Panchayats, BDO Regu and other officials and executive of different organisations, WWF Representative, SBI Representatives and locals.

WWF-India has been working in Sikkim-Darjeeling landscape to enhance ecological

understanding and community-based initiatives. WWF has now partnered with SBI Foundation for taking forward the red panda conservation work at a transboundary level focusing on Sikkim and Kalimpong District of West Bengal. The 3-year project (January 2022 – December 2025) shall work with the main objectives of generating fine scale information on the species at a transboundary level, and engaging communities for safeguarding key habitats in Sikkim and Kalimpong. To initiate the project, an inception workshop was organised to invite relevant stakeholders to share the project objectives and seek their inputs and suggestions.

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50 thousand for building of Trekking Trail, Tourist viewpoint and other basic tourism related infrastructures. An allocation of ₹50,000/- to Eklavya SHG for equipments and assistance of ₹2 lakh 50 thousand towards Namthang Bamboo Handicrafts have also been made by the Governor. He also highlighted the role of Panchayats in bringing about substantial progress at the grass roots level and urged them to be self-reliant and create an eco-system that will allow the local products to be sold at global market. The eco-system will achieve the ideals of being 'Aatma Nirbhar'.

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agencies of the Central Government and the State Government to work in coordination for the benefit of the farming community. The Minister spoke about the possibilities of marketing of agricultural, horticultural and animal husbandry products of Sikkim and assured all the necessary support from the Central Government. The Minister also invited feedback from the participating farmers, Self Help Groups and students. She lauded the Vice Chancellor, Dean and the entire team at CAEPHT for the

He added that since Sikkim is known for its Organic Farming, factors like proper marketing, attractive packaging should be given a priority so that the products fetch market globally. He also highlighted on the significance of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' an initiative to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of India's independence.

During the course of the programme, Panchayat Development Assistant presented the demographic profile of the GPU and shared the requirements and potential of Namthang Maneydara.

The Governor along with other officials also visited Namthang Bamboo Handicrafts outlet and inspected the bamboo products.

progress being made in the field of research on post harvest technology. She also acknowledged and thanked the DDG and senior officers of ICAR and officers of the State Government for their valuable presence.

The programme also had the presence of Secretary, Agriculture Department, Mr. Rinzing Chewang Bhutia, Secretary, Horticulture, Mr. B.B. Subba, senior officers of Agriculture and Horticulture Departments, Director, NRC Orchid Pakyong, Joint Director ICAR Sikkim, faculty members, scientists, students, farmers and members of FPOs and SHGs.

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Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the 61st Bodo Sahitya Sabha in Tamalpur in the presence of the President of India Mr. Ramnath Kovind at Guwahati on May 04.

Also present were Assam Governor Prof. Jagdish Mukhi, Meghalaya Chief Minister Mr. Conrad Sangma, Assam Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma and Assam Legislative Assembly Speaker Biswajit Daimari, MPs and MLAs and Bodo Territorial Region Chief Executive Member, Promod Boro, and parliamentarians from Bangladesh and Nepal.



Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang had a brief meeting with Union Minister of State for Food Processing and Industries Mr. Prahlad Singh Patel at Bagdogra airport on May 06.

The MoS will visit different areas of Sikkim, particularly the aspirational districts. Minister (Tourism & Industries) Mr. B.S. Panth was also present during the meet.

CM attends inaugural session of North-East Food Show 2022



Shillong, May 05: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the inaugural session of the North-East Food Show 2022, held at Polo Grounds, J.N. Stadium, Shillong in the presence of the Chief Minister of Meghalaya Mr. Conrad Sangma, Agriculture Minister, Mr. Banteidor Lyngdoh, Tourism Minister of Sikkim, Mr. B.S. Panth along with other dignitaries, officials, and participants.

The food show was also attended by ambassadors and officials of various neighboring countries, besides officials from both the Central Government as well as the State Governments.

Chief Minister in his address applauded the initiatives taken by the Central Government for the development of the North East region under the leadership of the

Prime Minister. He also thanked the Chief Minister of Meghalaya for the invitation and congratulated him for introducing the idea of mainstreaming food items from the North East region. The North East Food Show is a venture to globalise local food items supported with the right preparation, processing, and packaging, which require human skills and appropriate technology to develop and distribute, he added. He stated that the idea is also to interconnect all the food craft institutes located in the North East region and promote organic chefs and culinary experts in various towns and villages to bring them into a single platform for training and skill development to encourage large-scale production.

24th meeting of State Board for Wildlife held

Gangtok, May 07: Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang also the Chairman (SBWL) chaired the 24th meeting of the State Board for Wildlife at Samman Bhawan, today.

The meeting had the presence of the Minister for Forest Department, Mr. Karma Loday Bhutia (Vice-Chairperson, SBWL), MLAs, DG, ACS-cum-PCCF, Forest and Environment, Principal Secretary, RDD, Secretaries, dignitaries, Army officials from ITBP, SSB, STDC, Power Grid, CPWD, General Manager from BSNL, various NGOs and officials from forest department and line Departments.

The meeting began with the presentation and discussion of the agendas regarding the construction, improvement, and widening of roads in different parts of Sikkim considering National Security and Sustainable Development. The meeting



reviewed the cases undertaken in the 23rd meeting of the SBWL held on August 23, 2021 and placed new proposals for the development. Later, in an open discussions, relevant issues concerning Sustainable Development. The attendees shared their valuable ideas and

suggestions regarding the matter.

The Chief Minister directed the line departments to cater to immediate requirements related to development and assured to provide all possible support for the developmental initiative undertaken by the concerned departments.

DAC Gyalshing launches EMMIS Mobile Application

Gyalshing, May 09: A mobile Application based on the Education Monitoring and Management Information System (EMMIS) was launched by DC Gyalshing Mr. Karma R. Bonpo in the presence of CEO, Education, ADC Gyalshing and officials from the Education Department, today.

The EMMIS Mobile Application is an innovative software platform designed to enable a collaborative solution for teachers and students of the district. With the Mobile Application, the school teacher will be able to set up lesson plans, manage class routine and take the attendance of the students. The school teachers can also upload video tutorials on various subjects and also give online assessments to the students. With the mobile application, the students will be able to access the lesson plans and video tutorial uploaded by the teachers and also monitor their attendance.

The EMMIS Mobile Application is a part of the comprehensive software system being designed by the District

Administration to manage the education sector in the District. With the introduction of EMMIS Software, the District Administration has been able to access latest data on the school system. All Senior Secondary and Secondary School have been provided with Bio-metric attendance system and the data of the school attendance are now being seamless uploaded to the system. The EMMIS is now a one point digital solution for management of education and rich data on the education sector is available with the district administration.

Commenting on the launch of the Mobile Application, the District Collector stated that there has been 100 percent digitisation of school data. All the transfers and promotion of students are now being managed online. The Application has freed the school heads to concentrate on the core activity of teaching and all the secondary activities like data collection for various officials scheme are now online. This rich data can form the core for Human

resource Management of the state in the near future. The learning outcomes of every student can now be monitored ensuring that no student is left behind in the learning process. The state policy makers can also use the rich data to plan the future manpower requirements and undertaken various data driven innovations to strengthen the human resource development of the State of Sikkim. The District Collector also stated that EMMIS can be seamlessly introduced in other district of the State with no additional cost. The District Collector also urged all the schools to make use of the digital application and contribute to the improvement in learning outcomes of the District.

The EMMIS mobile application is now available on the Google play store and is available for all the students and teacher. The mobile application and EMMIS software has been implemented by Netspeq solution Pvt Ltd which is local software vendor of the Sikkim.

DC Soreng convenes meeting for 'Catch the Rain' initiative under Jal Shakti Abhiyan

Soreng, May 09: A meeting to formulate a concrete proposal for the activities to be done under the 'Catch the Rain Campaign' for Jal Shakti Abhiyan was held at the office of the Soreng District Collector, today.

The meeting was chaired by DC Mr. Bhim Thalati in the presence of ADC (Dev) Mr. Gaayas Pega, SDM (Hq) Mr. D.R. Bista, BDOs and Engineers of all six blocks along with the Officials from the line departments. Launched by the National Water Mission under Jal Shakti Abhiyan campaign with the theme 'Catch the Rain, When it falls and where it falls', the campaign focuses primarily on conserving and harvesting rainwater especially during the pre-monsoon and monsoon period.

DC in his address stated that

more focus needs to be given to those areas where there is acute water shortage problem and limited rainfall even during the monsoon season. He directed the respective BDOs to conceptualise ideas and innovations to maximise rainwater harvesting so that the preserved water can be directed towards the drier regions of the district. He asked to rationalise the distribution of rain water collected including their proper storage and usage. He also advised the block level officials to interact with the local community and take into account their ideas that can be helpful while conceptualizing ideas for saving and conserving rainwater. He further instructed the BDOs and concerned officers to initiate activities for intensive water harvesting and water conservation by way of roof-top rainwater

harvesting structures (RWHS), water harvesting pits and to immediately carry out the activities like geo-tagging and making inventories of water bodies, setting up of Jal Shakti Kendra in the district and intensive afforestation and awareness campaigns.

ADC reiterated the need to prioritise those areas where water can be rejuvenated. He informed about the benefits and advantages of Dhara Vikas Scheme, which enables to revive and maintain the Dhara (spring), the main water source for some of the areas under the district. The meeting concluded with the resolution to undertake the above activities and also to prepare Scientific Water Conservation Plan to be submitted before May 20, 2022.