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## **INITIATIVES FOR EMPLOYMENT GENERATION IN IT SECTOR IN NORTH EASTERN REGION**

(Source – Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region)

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### **Information Technology enabled services**

The ITeS-BPO Industry is growing at phenomenal pace and is giving a major fillip to the Indian economy. Although India has acquired a leadership position globally in the off shore market, now the availability of skilled manpower is threatening to become the key constraints in the fast growth of the industry. The North-East is lagging behind in getting its due share in the IT-boom, due to lack of awareness as well as inadequate interaction between the IT-Industry and the educated youth of the Region.

NASSCOM is following a multi-pronged approach aimed at building a pool of ITeS-BPO manpower which will be pre-certified, in tune with the needs of the industry and, thereby, gear up for the future requirement of the sector.

NASSCOM has been working with the Industry to create a rational assessment & certification programme - the NASSCOM Assessment of Competence (NAC). This is to be done by continuously assessing candidates on key skills through a national standard assessment, thus making it easier for firms to screen candidates and also provide training need analysis to candidates. This will then be tied to training and development efforts, including modification in curriculum, to help more candidates become employable in IT-sector.

The NAC, an employment and benchmarking assessment and evaluation programme for the ITeS Industry, is being piloted in the North East States with a financial support of Rs.3.5 crores. The Ministry of DoNER has already released the first installment of Rs.1.50 crore in favour of NASSCOM.

The youth of North-East Region, with high levels of communication skills in English, can be easily moulded for employment in the ITeS sector. Minister for Development of North Eastern Region launched a major initiative for conducting an Assessment and Certification Programme in the IT sector for the undergraduate youth at a workshop held in New Delhi on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2007. The workshop was attended by the IT and the Higher Education Secretaries of the North-East States.

This is an employment benchmarking assessment and evaluation programme of NASSCOM designed as per the requirement of IT and ITeS industry and is being piloted for the first time in the NE Region. It will target a total of 20,000 final-year students who will be venturing into the job market shortly. The programme will be followed by job fairs, appropriate training programmes and other measures aimed at addressing the gaps.

The seventh Sectoral Summit of the North Eastern Council on Telecom and IT sectors was held in Kohima on 31<sup>st</sup> July-1<sup>st</sup> August 2007. The major highlight of the Summit was that for the first time all the major development partners in

government and public sector as well as the private sector, came together on a single platform to devise a strategy for expanding the ambit and the reach of these critical sectors in the North-East so as to overcome the physical barriers of history and geography. The participants included apart from high-level delegation from the States, senior officials of the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology and its affiliate organizations, private telecom companies, NASSCOM and its associate companies. A number of important recommendations came out as a result of the extensive deliberations, which are being pursued further with the concerned organization for follow up.

### **Courses in Fashion Technology**

The North Eastern Region has a rich tradition of handlooms. In this regard the Ministry of DoNER is supporting a number of courses in Fashion Technology for candidates of the NE States to enable them to adapt their fabrics as per contemporary techniques, pattern and market demand. One such 6-month Certificate Programme on Applications of Information Technology in Fashion Designing concluded at NIFT Kolkata on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

### **SKILL DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE SCHEME (SDIS) IN NORTH EASTERN REGION**

(Source – Ministry of Labour & Employment)

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Ministry of Labour & Employment has undertaken development of a new strategic framework for skill development for early school leavers and existing workers, especially in the un-organized sector in close consultation with industry, micro enterprises in the un-organized sector, State Governments, experts and academia which was essential considering their educational, social and economic background. SDI scheme is a five-year project (2007-12) during which one million persons would be trained or their existing skills tested and certified under Modular Employable Skills (MES) framework.

Key features of the scheme are:

- I. Demand driven short-term training courses based on Modular Employable Skills (MES) decided in consultation with Industry. MES is the 'minimum skills set' which is sufficient for gainful employment.
- II. Central government will facilitate and promote training while industry, private sector and State Governments will train the persons.
- III. Optimum utilization of existing infrastructure to make training cost effective.
- IV. Flexible delivery mechanism (part time, weekends, full time, onsite/offsite) to suit needs of various target groups.
- V. Different levels of programmes (Foundation level as well as skill upgradation) to meet demands of various target groups.

VI. Testing & certification of skills acquired informally.

Testing of skills of trainees by independent assessing bodies, which would not be involved in training delivery, to ensure that it is done impartially.

In this context short term courses based on Modular Employable Skills in Carpet, Khadi, Hair Brushing, Hospitality, Medical and Nursing, Garments, Electrical, Production and Manufacturing, Fabrication, Information and Communication Technology, Electronics, Automotive Repair, Plastic Processing, Refrigeration and Air-conditioning, Banking and Accounting, Gems and Jewelry, Process Instrumentation, Toy making and Chemical Sectors are envisaged so as to upgrade the skills of the existing work force in unorganized sectors so that after training they could be gainfully employed in the relevant sectors thereby not only improving their economic position but also enable them to put up a decent life and contribute towards economic development of nation building.

**INITIATIVES FOR RESTORING PEACE IN NORTH EASTERN REGION**

(Source – Ministry of Home Affairs)

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Ministry of Home Affairs reviewed the progress of implementation of Memorandum of Settlement (MOS) signed with the Bodo Liberation Tigers on 10.7.2007. Secretary (BM) welcomed the participants and reviewed the follow up action on the issues raised in the earlier meeting held on 21.2.2007.

2. After detailed deliberations on the various aspects, the following position emerged: -

**(i) Administrative infrastructure in BTAD**

- For administrative infrastructure in Bodoland Territorial Areas Ministry of Home Affairs had released Rs.42.72 crore against agreed amount of Rs.50 crore. The Bodoland Territorial Council had however furnished Utilization Certificate for Rs.36 crore. The remaining amount of Rs.6.22 crore is to be released by State Government of Assam from the State contingency fund.
- As regards physical progress, 90% of these projects have been completed and remaining work is likely to be completed by 2007. Further, the Council has incurred additional expenditure in anticipation of release of funds by the State Government. Construction of two District Centres, 5 Sub-divisional projects and BTC Assembly is likely to be completed by September/October 2007.
- It was pointed out that the fresh proposal for expansion of BTC Secretariat would need to be examined. It was however suggested that the State Government may also consider releasing some funds out of the allocations made by 12<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission (Non-Plan expenditure) for administrative infrastructure.

- It was noted that the Home and GAD Departments of the Government of Assam have not yet submitted Utilization Certificate for Rs.4.50 crore released for Police & Civil Administrative Infrastructure in the BTAD.

(ii) **Additional Development package in BTAD**

- a. Ministry of DoNER had sanctioned 39 projects worth Rs.416 crore under the package. Of this Rs.250.36 crore was released to the State Government and Rs.19.63 crore to the NBCC during the period 2004-05 to 2006-07. Chief Secretary, Assam informed that the State Government had released Rs.203 crore for 36 projects.
- b. As per information furnished by the Ministry of DoNER, State Government/BTC had submitted Utilization Certification only for Rs.107.66 crore against 250.36 crore. Hence, DoNER was not in a position to release funds in the first quarter of 2007-08. The State Government was requested to expedite submission of UCs to the M/o DoNER to enable them to release further funds.
- c. It was revealed that 39 projects approved so far did not cover a number of projects mentioned in the illustrative list of projects given to the MoS. During the review, the following points were noted:
  - A campus of Guwahati University had been set up at Kokrajhar. Funds had been provided for construction of buildings. It was decided that University would be requested by the State Government for setting up of a Centre for Development and Research of Bodo Language.
  - State Government had sanctioned funds out of 12<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission Awards for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and other schemes for up-gradation of existing educational infrastructure in the BTC area. Chief Secretary, Assam inter-alia mentioned that he had been conducting frequent meetings to review the progress in this regard.
  - A cultural complex has been established at Kokrajhar to promote and develop Bodo tradition and cultural heritage.
  - Commissioner, Department of Welfare of Plain Tribes and Backward Communities (WPT&BC) informed that substantial funds under the State Plan and Special Central Assistance is being made available to BTAD area. NBCC was in the process of construction of a super specialty hospital with all modern facilities at Kajal Gaon, Chirang District. He added that Government Hospitals were already established at Kokrajhar and Udalguri Districts. However,

Baska District and other sub-divisions and block Hqrs did not have hospitals. This could be considered from the remaining amount of Rs.80 crore available with the State Government under this package.

- Sports complex has been set up at Kokrajhar. In other districts of BTAD construction of sports complexes under the package can be considered by the Security Forces under Civic Action Programme.
- It was agreed that construction of bridge over River Aai needs to be considered. CS, Assam mentioned that the construction of bridge was essential for development of entire area and curbing the militancy problem. However, this being a major project, it was decided to consult M/o Road, Transport & Highways.
- It was agreed to approach the DDA again to provide land for construction of Bodoland Bhavan at New Delhi.
- M/o DoNER need to consider proposal for establishment of Agro Processing Park, from the funds available with them for such projects.
- **Textile-cum-Apparel Park** – The Ministry of Textiles informed that they had asked the Project Management Consultant (PMC) viz. the Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS) to discuss with BTC the proposal for development of a Textile Park. The IL&FS had discussed the matter with the BTC and explained the scope of the Scheme. Subsequently, a request was received from the BTC for increasing the assistance of Government of India for Textile Park to 90%. The M/o Textiles has initiated action to continue the Scheme for Integrated Textile Park (SITP) in the 11<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan with some modifications, interalia, suggesting higher rate of assistance for Category-C states. As soon as the approval was received, the BTC would be requested to submit the proposal for development of Textile Park as per the approved scheme for which all possible assistance to the BTC will be provided. Meanwhile, M/o DoNER may also be requested to examine whether additional funding was possible from their resources, pending the approval of the scheme of M/o Textiles.
- It was stated that Kokilabari Agricultural Farm has been revitalized.
- It was agreed that State Government would approach M/o DoNER with a proposal to develop adequate infrastructure to promote Manas sanctuary as an international tourist spot.

- Champa and Suklai irrigation projects were under execution and likely to be completed shortly. Due to variety of reasons, Dhansiri Irrigation Project could not be initiated. Ministry of Water Resources would be consulted in this regard.
- The issue of construction of Highway on the Indo-Bhutan border from Jamduar Bhairabkunda to connect remote places located adjacent to the border was raised. Secretary (BM) stated that the proposal for construction of roads along the Indo-Bhutan border was under consideration.
- The State Government and BTC would take concerted action for setting up model dairy, fishery, horticulture and poultry farms/training centers at different places in all the four districts to encourage youth for self-employment.
- State Government have sanctioned funds for enhancing the existing facilities in veterinary hospitals in the BTC area.

**(iii) Transfer of Relief & Rehabilitation Department to the BTC**

- It was noted that the State Government has constituted a Committee of Ministers in April 2007 to examine and give their recommendations for permanent solution for rehabilitation of families affected in 1993 ethnic violence and also in 1996 and 1998 ethnic violence. The Committee is yet to submit its report to the State Government.

**(iv) Functioning of Central Institute of Technology (CIT) at Kokrajhar**

- Central Institute of Technology (CIT) Kokrajhar has started functioning from December 2006 with two disciplines viz. Electronic and Communication Engineering and Computer Engineering. CIT would add two more disciplines, viz. Instrumentation and Control and Food Processing Technology from 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2008.
- The construction work of CIT building would be completed by the middle of the year 2008.

**(v) Recruitment of ex-BLT cadres in CPOs**

- BSF had recruited 300 cadres, of this, 295 cadres had joined.
- CRPF had recruited 527 ex-BLT cadres against 550 vacancies. Remaining 23 cadres would be recruited shortly.

- Assam Rifles had organized rally and selected 200 ex-BLT cadres. Verification process for appointment were going on.
- All the eligible BLT surrenderees have been recruited. Secretary (BM) appreciated the work done by BSF and CRPF. He also advised that CPOs and IG(SB) to reconcile their figures of recruitment of ex-BLT cadres. It was noted that SSB had conducted recruitment for its Constabulary under 20% border quota from these 4 districts and issued offer of appointments to 113 and 132 candidates respectively during the year 2005-06 and 2007-07 respectively.

**(vi) Airport at Kokrajhar**

- The representatives of the Ministry of Civil Aviation stated that BTC has not yet identified sites for construction of airport. Principal Secretary, BTAD has been requested to expedite identification of land for airport and communicate the same to the Airport Authority of India.
- AAI will arrange visit of their team on the receipt of the details.

**(vii) Setting up SEZ of Kokrajhar**

- Development Commissioner, SEZ, Falta stated that BTC has to provide 200 hectare of land for setting up of SEZ. In case, SEZ was to be set up for single specific purposes, 50 ha. of land would be required for IT, Biotechnology, and other activities. Chief Secretary, Assam also pointed out that while considering setting up of SEZ in BTAD, North East Industrial Policy may also be kept in mind.
- JS(NE) referring to the suggestions made by the then Spl. Secretary of M/o Commerce in the meeting held on 21.2.2007, suggested that M/o Commerce may assist in the identification of specific areas and their investment potential. He mentioned that the clusters could also be developed under ASIDE and implemented by D/o Commerce for export related activities. Handloom and weaving can be included in the possible thrust areas.
- Secretary (BM) advised that M/o Commerce should extend all possible assistance to the BTC for setting up of SEZ in the BTAD and creation of employment opportunities in the area and organize meetings with State Government and BTC officials at the earliest possible at Kokrajhar. It was agreed that identification of suitable land can be taken up after potential projects have been identified.

**(viii) Establishment of Food Processing Park –**

- Secretary, BTC informed that the M/o Food Processing had deputed its Consultant. Secretary(BM) suggested that M/o Food Processing may be requested again to extend all possible assistance to the Council.

**(ix) Upgradation of TV Centre at Kokrajhar:**

- Representative of I&B Ministry informed that TV Centre at Kokrajhar is running from Prasar Bharati Building. Permanent set up for the TV Centre, Kokrajhar would be completed by the middle of next financial year.

Follow up action on the related issues is being taken by all concerned.

**UPGRADATION OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND TOUR PACKAGES  
FOR VISITING AGARTALA**

(Source – Government of Tripura-Directorate of Information, Cultural Affairs & Tourism)

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**Upgradation of Tripura University**

Tripura University has been converted to a Central University. The Ministry for Human Resource Development (H.R.D.) has notified its decision by issuing a formal notification recently.

**Full fledged Engineering Degree College coming up at Narsingarh**

The State Cabinet has approved the proposal of setting a full-fledged engineering degree college in the state to create more opportunity in the field of higher education. Tripura Institute of Technology(T.I.T.) will start functioning from the current academic session at Narsingarh, in the outskirts of the capital city. The Chief Minister said that All India Council of Technical education(A.I.C.T.E.) has given green signal to offer four courses (Degree and Diploma) from this academic session. The four courses to be offered at T.I.T. are B.E. in Civil, Mechanical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Computer Science. There's also a proposal for starting a 15 seated Agri College in the state. He also informed that the D.C.A. and B.C.A. courses would be introduced in M.B.B. College and Ramakrishna Mahavidyalaya Kailashahar from this academic session.

**'Visit Agartala' to take you in and around the city**

In a new endeavor, the government is going to introduce a new package tour by the name "Visit Agartala". The tour priced at Rs.150, will cover the places in & around Agartala such as Tripura University, Akhaura Check Post, State

Government Museum, Sukanta Academy, Jagannath Temple, Laxminarayan Temple, Chaturdash Devatabari, Nagichera Rubber Wood Processing Centre, M.B.B. College, Prubasha, Benuban Vihar, Nehru Park, Rabindrakanan & Ujjayanta Palace. Each tour will have a capacity of 10 tourists. Only transport & guide fee have been included in the charge. The visitors have to bear the other expenses like, entry fee, food, boat fee etc.

### **DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE NORTH EASTERN STATES**

(Source – Department of Food & Public Distribution)

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Department of Food & Public Distribution in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, is operating three plan schemes during 2007-08, which are having budgetary provision for development of socio-economic infrastructure in the North Eastern States. The Gross Budgetary Support for plan schemes for 2007-08 is Rs.85.00 crore. The amount allocated for development of socio-economic infrastructure in North Eastern States is as under, which is more than 10% of plan budget of the Deptt:-

		<b>(Rs. in crore)</b>
1.	Construction of Godowns for PDS	10.25
2.	Integrated Information System for Foodgrains Management	0.50
3.	Village Grain Bank Scheme	1.69
<b>Total:</b>		<b>12.44</b>

During 2006-07, the Gross Budgetary Support (BE) was Rs.95.80 crore. The Revised Estimate was Rs.70.00 crore. Accordingly, Rs.7.00 crore was to be allocated for NE Region at RE stage, as per mandatory provision of 10% of RE. However, the amount provided in RE 2006-07 was as under:-

		<b>(Rs. in crore)</b>
1.	Construction of Godowns for PDS	8.63
2.	Village Grain Bank Scheme	2.10
<b>Total:</b>		<b>10.73</b>

The actual release during 2006-07 for development of socio-economic infrastructure in NE region was as under:-

		<b>(Rs. in crore)</b>
1.	Construction of Godowns for PDS	7.93
2.	Village Grain Bank Scheme	2.69
<b>Total:</b>		<b>10.62</b>

Out of Rs.7.93 crore released for Construction of Godown, Rs.4.50 crore has been released to FCI as Equity and Rs.3.43 crore has been released as grants-in-aid to Government of Assam for construction of Godowns. The expenditure incurred by FCI during 2006-07 for construction of Godowns in NE Region was Rs.4.76 crore, as per details given below:-

		(Rs. in lakh)
S.No.	Name of Centre/State	Expenditure
1.	Senchowa/Assam/1,670	30.24
2.	Badarpurghat/Assam/5,000	39.89
3.	Chaulkhowa/Assam/4,170	46.37
4.	Jiribam/Manipur/2,500	46.57
5.	Lawngtlei Mizoram/3,340	56.29
6.	Chanderpur/Tripura/5,000	87.24
7.	Bualpui/Mizoram/5,000	111.14
8.	Hailakandi/Assam(Land cost)	42.85
9.	Weighbridge	15.70
<b>Total:</b>		<b>476.29</b>

Capacity realized by FCI (and projects for construction of Godowns completed) during the year 2006-07 is 11.680 MT at Lawngtlei (3340 MT), Chaulkhowa (1670 MT), Senchowa (1670 MT) and Chanderpur (5000 MT).

As regards Village Grain Bank Scheme, Rs.269.23 lakh has been released during 2006-07 for setting up 423 Grain Banks (GBs) in Assam (100 GBs), Sikkim (80 GBs), Nagaland (150 GBs) and Manipur (93 GBs).

### **INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH-EAST ON FAST TRACK**

(Source – Asia News International (ANI))

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People in the North Eastern States have welcomed the Centre's initiative to intensify developmental work in the region, which they say is likely to generate huge employment opportunities and a positive environment for local entrepreneurs. The Centre has assured disbursement of Rupees 50,000 crores over the next five years for the infrastructure and interlinking of the region through road and rail networks.

It is widely believed that the development work is likely to change the common man's life in a big way. Construction work is already underway despite threats from various insurgent groups. Locals have also come forward to support the developmental work. Local entrepreneurs are happy with the recent efforts to strengthen the infrastructure here.

Apart from roads, a trans-highway railway is also being built, connecting Manipur's Jiribam to Tamu in Myanmar at a cost of rupees 2,941 crore. Besides an intra-State rail link is also being built between Jiribam and Imphal. Air connectivity is also being increased. The plan is to increase the air link frequency from 226 to 500 in the next two years.

Besides, a new regional airline is proposed to connect different cities of the region through air. The sectoral meet of the North East Council held in Mizoram recently also dwelt at length on road, rail and air connectivity in the region.

### **NEWS NOTES**

#### **ULFA Victim's family**

Tragedy does not discriminate. The saga of ULFA's victims is the same for every one including Molika Das whose husband late Shri Nareshwar Das, an auto rickshaw driver was killed in a bomb blast on 20<sup>th</sup> Jaunuary, 2002 in Hokanjani Village in Barpeta district. Nobody knows the reason why he has been killed but everybody knows who is the killer. Even his young daughter Barkha wants to take revenge on ULFA for depriving her of her father's love and affection for life. She is bitter like any other youngster in the State. In her own words "I feel like taking revenge on the people who killed my father. Earlier I did not do any household work; my father did not allow us to do it. He asked us to study and would teach us. Now my mother can not handle everything so I am forced to work."

Molika Das, wife of the victim says "We want to live in peace. I do not want such a thing to happen to anybody."

Molika Das is like a rudderless boat. Its almost five years since she lost her husband and she still feels lost. A school teacher but her income is not enough to sustain the family. She does not have any support from her near and dear ones. Life has become a lonely struggle. She does not know what the future holds for her two children. Will ULFA give her an answer?

Life is in utter misery. After his death I am facing a lot of problems. There are many families like this who are forced to suffer. The death of a bread winner in such families means the death of so many aspirations and so many dreams. ULFA is responsible for butchering many dreams and aspirations. No wonder the younger generation hates violence and any body which remotely connected with it.

### **Assam Sahitya Sabha – socio-literary organization**

The Assam Sahitya Sabha, the over 90 years old socio-literary organization in a two days Maha Sanmilan (Grand Convention) attended by a large number of noted intellectuals and social activists from across section of Assamese society unequivocally decried the secessionist politics and condemned violence. The speakers recalled the historical links of Assam with India and asserted that the State was an integrated part of the country.

### **Paper industry in Sikkim**

In Sikkim, looking at the new opportunities many enterprising youth are coming up with novel ventures to make fruitful use of changing environment.

Karma Jigme Dawa and others are example. Cutting colorful papers women give shape to a new reality in Sikkim. A reality of entrepreneurship and industrialization hardly heard before in the region. Acting as a visionary 27 year old Karma Jigme Dawa set out to open a paper mill, that makes decorative items and cater to the creative needs of the people. The industry in the state comes at a time when the state is witnessing tourism boom with tourist inflow in the state touching all time high this year. "I visited the directorate of handicraft and handlooms. All the things that were made out there interested me. I was especially interested in the handmade papers. They were making petals and flowers with handmade papers. I really got interested with that."

The paper is being manufactured by recycling the old paper and cloths. Only into the second year of its establishments the mill has started to pay rich dividends, as the paper decorative has become a big hit across the state. Presently the production capacity of the mill is 100 kgs of quality hand made paper per day with an annual production of 13,500 kgs of quality paper and 3,600 kgs of writing paper. The industry is employing 26 people and with expected expansion it is bound to open more opportunities to unemployed youth in the state. "Actually hand made paper industry is such an industry where you can generate a lot of employment. Suppose we have four vats then we require ten people. So four vats means ten people are employed. And there are people also who are cleaning the paper sorting the paper. So it is an industry that really generates employment." Such ventures can pay good dividends and add to job opportunities and bring prosperity.

### **Crisis for the State – Manipur**

Underground groups in Manipur continue to play havoc with the common people. Government servants belonging to different departments close down their offices and sit in protest against the extortion demand and share in the departmental projects. An official from the State Government mentioned that "if such trend goes on then the state will be in a very difficult situation. We cannot work honestly because of that. It is not a good sign for Manipur that the state remains in a state of paralysis. If the whole situation goes on like this then the state will face a lot of problem specially in the area of development".

### **Journalists protest against militants in Manipur**

Journalists are on the war path in Manipur. The fourth pillar of democracy came to a grinding halt in Manipur. Journalists from all the media organizations gathered under one banner putting aside their professional rivalries to rid the state from undemocratic and extra constitutional groups creating havoc in the state. The protest came after the editor of a local newspaper received a grenade shell in his mail recently.

"We condemn such acts of militants. We are also trying to create awareness among people that they are not afraid of voicing protest against militants." S. Hemanta, Journalist. This is something against the constitutional rights of media fraternity and all the people of the state. I take it as an action against the entire people of Manipur not only against the journalists." For four days all the newspapers offices remained closed causing great inconvenience to the people. "In a state where the media is not safe one can imagine the fate of the common people. This does not augur well for the state where in election after election people have proposed faith in the dynamics of democracy. The atmosphere is conducive for the government to act tough against the militants." Koijam Sunita, Journalist.

### **LETTERS TO EDITOR**

I have opened a new degree college at Aalo, West Siang Dt. Arunachal Pradesh from this academic year. I request you send me 4 copies of North East news letter in English for students, staff, office and library).

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