

5 Dead In Iran Parliament, Tomb Shootings. Woman Suicide Bomber Involved

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Iran, June 7: Gunmen and suicide bombers carried out coordinated attacks on Iran's parliament and the tomb of Ayatollah Khomeini today, killing at least five people, reported state media. ISIS claimed responsibility for the attacks in Tehran, Amaq agency reported. Dozens of people were also wounded in the attacks, with

continuing gunfire several hours after they began. A security guard and one other person were killed when four gunmen burst into Tehran's parliament complex with rifles and a pistol, according to the ISNA news agency. One of the attackers blew himself up on the fourth floor of the parliament office building. A gardener was reported dead and several more injured when armed assailants entered the grounds of Khomeini's mausoleum. A female suicide bomber blew herself up outside the shrine while another woman was arrested carrying six grenades, according to the Mizanonline news agency. A little while later, a second suicide bomber detonated explosives outside the mausoleum. Parliament was in session when

the attacks unfolded, with live footage showing members continuing with business even as gun battles were reported in surrounding office buildings. Speaker Ali Larjani dismissed the attacks, saying they were a "trivial matter" and that security forces were dealing with them. An official at Khomeini's mausoleum in south Tehran said "three or four" people had entered via the western entrance and opened fire. The shrine lies around 20 km from parliament and houses the body of Khomeini, who led the Islamic revolution in 1979. The city was on lockdown, with streets blocked and parts of the metro closed. Journalists were kept away from the shrine y police. Interior Minister Abdolrahman Fazli told ISNA he had

convened a special meeting of the country's security council. Iran has been singled out as a target by jihadist groups, including ISIS, but has largely escaped attacks within its urban centres. Iran, the predominant Shiite power, has been helping both Iraq and President Bashar al-Assad's regime in Syria to battle the Sunni extremist group. ISIS is under increasing pressure in both countries, having lost significant territory in the face of offensives now targeting its last two major urban bastions, Raqqa in Syria and Mosul in Iraq. ISIS published a rare video in Persian in March, warning that it "will conquer Iran and restore it to the Sunni Muslim nation as it was before."

Nagaland encounter: Army officer dead, three rebels killed

Guwahati, June 7: An Army officer and three militants said to be of a combined group of NSCN(K) and ULFA(I) were killed in an encounter that took place late Tuesday evening in Mon district in Nagaland bordering Myanmar, official sources said. The body of the officer - Major David Manlun of the 164 Brigade of the Territorial Army - is being flown out to be sent to his family in Shillong. "The incident took place when a team of jawans led by Major David Manlun had gone to Lappa, a remote area close to the Myanmar border with specific information about the

presence of a group of NSCN(K) and ULFA(I) terrorists there. While the operation had begun, the terrorists lobbed a grenade and fired at the army, leading to the death of the Major. The identity of three terrorists who were eliminated in the process is yet to be ascertained," Lt Col Chiranjeev Konwer, Kohima-based Defence PRO told The Indian Express over the telephone Wednesday morning. Lappa in Mon district, the place where the incident took place, is about 350 km east of Nagaland, with Lt Col Konwer saying it would be 20 to 25 km from the Myanmar border

as the crow flies. "Mon district is known for the presence and movement of NSCN(K) and ULFA(I) militants," he added. One civilian was also killed during the exchange of fire between the Army and the militants, with Lt Col Konwer saying the identity of the person was yet to be ascertained. Major David Manlun, who had lost his life fighting the militants, originally hails from Manipur, with Lt Col Konwer saying his family had now settled in Shillong. "The body is being flown to Shillong after the necessary formalities," the PRO said.

UJJWALA domestic connections to BPL beneficiaries begins in the state

DIPR Imphal, June 7: Installations of Ujjwala domestic LPG connection to BPL beneficiaries have already begun in many areas of Thoubal District and Imphal East District. The Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in the state on June 5, 2017 (Monday) by Chief Minister Shri N. Biren Singh and Minister of State (DoNER) Shri Dr. Jitendra Singh.



In Thoubal District today, house to house LPG connections under PMUY were given to beneficiaries by M/s Athokpam Indane Service. Subscription vouchers/customer's document was also given to the beneficiaries. On Tuesday (June 6, 2017) M/s RBD Indane Service, Lamlai completed 18 installations to 18 BPL beneficiaries. RBD Indane and Sawombung Indane at Imphal East and M/s Lambodara Indane, Mantripukhri at Heingang also began immediate LPG installations providing LPG connections to BPL families. Beneficiaries in Lamlai Sekta who never had LPG connections were given Ujjwala domestic LPG connections by RBD Indane. The BPL beneficiaries were provided affordable stoves/ burner and given demonstrations on how to use

the stove and the regulator. Safety tips were also explained and emergency number 1906 (one nine zero six) in case of leakage was written on the walls of the kitchen. Under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana, the Central Government is allocating financial assistance of Rs 1,600/-, which includes security deposit fee of a 14.2 kg LPG cylinder, pressure regulator, suraksha LPG hose, DGCC booklet and installation cost for the distributor. The Socio-Economic Caste census as per 2011 census, 2,43,939 (two lakh forty three thousand nine hundred and

thirty nine) beneficiaries are eligible for the scheme. The total Ujjwala KYC enrolled as on 01-06-2017 is 5,104 (five thousand one hundred and four). Ujjwala domestic LPG connections are given to women from BPL families in their own names based on their Aadhar cards and bank accounts. The objective of the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana is to provide deposit free 5 crore cooking gas (LPG) connections to women from below-poverty-line (BPL) households over 3 years from 2016-17 to 2018-2019.

Legal camp cum environment day held

IT News Thoubal, June 7: Under the aegis of Manipur State Legal Services Authority, Manipur, Women Foundation Yairipok, District Legal Services Authority Thoubal

and Legal Aid Clinic Yairipok jointly conducted a legal awareness camp and World Environment Day observation at Eastern Blooming Flowers School at Ukhongshang.

5 Councillors of LMC joins NPP

IT News Imphal, June 7: 5 Councillors of Lilong Municipal Council in Thoubal district today joined Nationalist Peoples Party (NPP). NPP is a major partner of the BJP led Manipur government in the state.

A reception function of the 5 councillors was held today at Hotel Classic today. Deputy Chief Minister Y Joykumar attended the reception function as the Chief Guest while Thangminlen Kipgen, President NPP Manipur State presided over the function. IFCD Minister Letpao Haokip, Minister for Tribal Affairs N Kaisii, NPP Women Wing President Satyabati graced the occasion as dignitaries.

Liquor seized

IT News Imphal, June 7: A team of Singjamei Police led by its OC Ingcha, today seized 280 litres of DIC liquors from Heirangoithong and Langthalab area today morning at around 10 am. The seized liquors were handed over to Excise department.

Awareness Programme

IT News Thoubal, June 7: District Office of Handloom & Textiles, Thoubal in association with Weavers Service Centre, Imphal on Wednesday organized an awareness programme on Cluster Development Project Under the North Eastern Region Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS) at Athokpam Handloom Cluster, Thoubal. Singh Asst. Director (Weaving) WSC Imphal, Ch. Tombi Devi Project Manager DOHT Thoubal and W. Chaoba Singh Ward Member of Ward no.6 Thoubal Municipal Council graced the program as chief guest, president and guest of honour respectively. The programme was participated by women Weavers and of Athokpam area.

Uripok Homicide: Father of accused narrates the other side story

IT News Imphal, June 7: Father of Khongbantabam Hitler, the accused arrested in connection with the twin homicide case at which 60 years old RK Lakhipiyari and her 30 years old pregnant daughter Monica were found brutally murdered on May 30, today narrate the other side story of the accuse at Manipur press club today. Khongbantabam Imocha said that he was not allowed to meet his son since the time he was arrested in connection with the case. Day before yesterday, a mob vandalized the residence of Hitler at Uripok Khumanthem Leikai after report about

confession by Hitler on the killing was spread from unknown source. Imocha, father of Hitler said that on the day of the incident his son return from his shop at Mantripukhri at around 2.30 pm as the day was bandh. Later he went to his friend's place at Nagamapal Thingel till 3.05 pm and from there he went to one of his friend (Naobicha) at Uripok Bachaspati Leikai at around 3.15 pm.. After watching TV for around 4/5 minutes at Naobicha's place he came out from the house asking Naobicha to follow. After some minutes Naobicha too went out and found Hitler waiting in his vehicle by smoking a cigarette.

As the road was narrow both the vehicle passing Soram Tomba's house. Imocha said that it was raining that time and how come that his son Hitler did not get wet if he happen to walk out of his vehicle. Imocha further said that he has been expecting justice from the authority but contrary to that before the investigation is yet to begin to find out the truth he and his family has been put into trouble. Khongbantabam Imocha further appealed authority to investigate over the matter so that justice be done to the deceased mother and daughter as well as to his son.

Indefinite MI road bandh threatened

NENA Imphal, June 7 : A local organisation in Mayang Imphal has on Wednesday threatened to impose indefinite Mayai Lambi (MI road) bandh if the concerned authority does not stop the ongoing construction of a Sulabh Toilet Complex at a road side connecting Mayang Imphal bazaar. "We cannot accept construction of the

community toilet complex at Konchak side. Such a move is against the people's wishes," Keithel Changba Lambi Kanba Lup convener M Munindro told media at Konchak. He said there will be an indefinite bandh on Mayai Lambi if the authority does not halt the ongoing construction work within three days. Mayang Imphal is a town in Imphal West. The Municipal Corporation there had planned

to build the Sulabh Toilet Complex back in 2016, but was dropped after strong opposition from the locals at Konchak. Munindro said there are three key roads, including the one at Konchak, connecting Mayang Imphal bazaar. He also threatened to lockdown the Municipal Corporation office located at the town if the construction is not stopped.

I wonder if any of our MLAs, Ministers know about Azurama village- Chief

Laishram Ranbir

Imphal, June 7: EVEN after 70 years of Independence, people of Azurama, a remote village in Tamenglong district, Manipur, had never seen competent government authorities or the elected representatives visiting the village. Namsulin Kamei, Chairman of Azuram Village, while talking to Imphal Times wanders if any of the Ministers or MLAs of the Manipur Legislative Assembly knows that there is village called Azuram in Tamenglong district. Change of government makes no difference, as conditions remain the same, the village chief added. Azuram village is about 110 Km from Imphal, and is about 11 Km from Tousem sub divisional headquarter. The district head quarter is just 27 Km from the village. Most of the villagers speak Meiteilon (manipuri) and Zelaingrong Language and as for religion, they follow Christianity. "During campaign for the 11th State Assembly Election, NPP candidate Awangbou Newmai who is now an MLA once visited Azuram village to woo his voters and since then he haven't



shown up despite knowing the conditions of the village mainly in transportation, electric supply, etc", said the chairman of the village. The village is home to 1030 people of 197 houses with an

average of 5 persons each in every family. Even though the village is not far from the Tamenglong district head quarter, it took almost one day to reach the village due to the dilapidated road condition. Talking to Imphal Times a villager said that, government had installed an electric transformer in 2006 but the village get electricity only two times in December 2016 and January 2017. Health care facility to the village is a far away dream. After the country celebrates 70 years of Independence there has not been a single health care center in the village. Thanks to the nearby army post at least the villagers get first aid treatment in case of emergency. A team of Royal Riders Manipur (RRM), recently conducted a free medical camp in the village. Villagers said this is the second medical camp witness by the villagers in 70 years, the first being conducted by state health department years back. Apart from all the trouble, Paddy rice, maize, potato, cabbage, cereals are the main economic crops of the village where rice is the staple food. Poultry and fishery are common as well as orange cultivation.