

# **Mizoram Current Affairs 2020**

#### **Parking House Support Scheme**

Mizoram state government has launched Parking House Support Scheme (PAHOSS) to give a major thrust to address growing problem of traffic jam in the state capital.

This is a first-of-its-kind initiative to tackle traffic congestion in Aizawl city.

Under this PAHOSS scheme, the state govt. will provide financial assistance to private, recognized NGOs and local councils in order to construct parking lots at various suitable locations within the city.

CM Zoramthanga has launched new Parking House Support Scheme to provide financial assistance of Rs. 1 lakh for construction of parking houses on 6 February 2019.

Through this scheme, the state govt. aims to have one of the lowest records of traffic congestion.

For the previous few years, Aizawl city is facing a massive traffic congestion problem due to an increase in the number of vehicles.

#### Green-Ag project launched in Mizoram to bring transformative change in the farm sector

Global Environment Facility (GEF) funded project, Green-Agriculture (Green-Ag) was launched in Mizoram, India .It was launched by Agriculture minister of Mizoram C Lalrinsanga.

Mizoram is first among the 5 states where the project is to be implemented. The other states are Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand.

Green-Ag projects aims at accelerating the transformation of Indian agriculture sector into national and international benefits by Greenland management practices, concerns of biodiversity and climate change.

To mainstream the conservation of critical biodiversity and forest landscapes by transforming agricultural practices of one state.

The project is believed to reduce the 49 million carbon dioxide equivalent (CO2eq) through sustainable land use and agricultural practices.

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#### Mizoram celebrated Chapchar Kut festival

"Chapchar Kut", a biggest and oldest festival of Mizoram, is celebrated on March 6 2020. This festival is considered as the most popular spring festival celebrated on Mizoram. It is originated in- 1450-1700 A.D at Suaipui village.

This will be celeberated with Traditional bamboo dance, 'Cheraw' and other dances, music events will be performed at the main event.

The Art & Culture Minister R Lalzirliana of Mizoram welcomed all people to participate in the event. The festival is celebrated after the arduous task, Jhum farming (slash and burn method of cultivation).

**Green Mizoram Day 202** 



Green Mizoram Day is observed every year during the first or second week of June in Mizoram. In 2020, Green Mizoram Day is observed on June 11 across Mizoram in India.

The plantation drive was averted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This day was observed to protect the state's diverse flora and fauna and preserve the ecological balance of the region. Green Mizoram day is celebrating since 1999.

The day is also dedicated to plant trees & to maintain those planted in previous years by which ecological balance can be maintained.



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#### Mizoram organized Zo Kutpui Festival

The Zo Kutpui festival has celebrated across 10 states in the country including Mizoram and also in countries such as Myanmar, US and Bangladesh.

The first edition of the festival is to begin in the city of Vanghmun in Tripura. The festival will then move to other states having Mizo population.

By conducting such as festival, the Mizoram Government is trying to unify the Mizo population in the country and also across the world. The event will host performances of several Mizo tribes.

The Mizos are tribal people that are spread between Myanmar in the east to Bangladesh in the west. After independence, the Mizo people were governed by the Assamese Government. In 1952, a subsidiary government was created under Assam called Lushai hills, the now Mizoram.

The Mizo people continued to demand freedom of independence to join Myanmar. The Mizo National Front (MNF) was created in 1961 to achieve independence of Mizoram. In 1966, the MNF created its armed wing and declared independence under Operation Jericho. The area was then declared disturbed and in 1967, GoI enforced AFSPA.

#### Mizoram inaugurated First Mega Food Park

Mizoram CM e-inaugurated the first Mega Food Park named "Zoram Food Park". It was inaugurated to provide employment to 5,000 persons and will benefit 25,000 farmers in primary processing centre and core processing centre.



The park is expected to bring an annual turn over of Rs 450-500 crores in about 30 food processing units.

The Zoram Food Park has been established under Mega Food Park Scheme of Government of India.

There are 18 mega food park projects that are under implementation and 19 mega food parks have become functional. Around six of these functioning mega food parks are in North East.

Under the Mega Food Park Scheme, the Government of India will provide financial assistance of Rs 50,000 crores per mega food park project.

The Ministry of Food Processing Industries are promoting Mega Food Parks to give a major thrust to the Make in India initiative. This is expected to become a major contributor towards India's target of doubling farmers' income by 2022.

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#### Mizoram celebrated 'Chapchar Kut' festival

Mizoram state government has celebrated the 'Chapchar Kut', the biggest and most important festival of the Mizos, on March 6, 2020. The two-days festival is celebrated under the theme "Promotion of Mizos' culture and moral code".

March 5,2020 will be celebrated as pre-festival, which will be attended by state's Art and Culture Minister R Lalzirliana as "Kut Pa" or the "father of the festival".

On March 6, 2020 the festival will be celebrated with cultural fervour and gaiety in all parts of the state and the grand celebration will be held at the Assam Rifles ground in the state.

Chapchar Kut is a spring festival celebrated usually in March after completion of the Jhum cultivation.

Diplomats from the United States (USA), Bangladesh, Thailand, Myanmar, Korea, Japan, Nepal, Bhutan, China and Israel will be invited along with the leaders of different tribes of Mizo from different parts of the world.

Exhibition of paintings, photos, handloom and handicrafts will be held in different places around the state's capital, Aizawl.

#### Mizoram included in 'One Nation-One Ration Card' scheme

Mizoram joined the 'One Nation-One Ration Card' scheme on 'Integrated Management of Public Distribution System' (IM-PDS) a total of 20 states/Union Territories(UTs) in the scheme.

The necessary arrangements like preparatory activities to integrate these states with the national cluster particularly upgradation of electronic Point of Sale (ePoS) software.

The integration with central IM-PDS and Annavitran portals for the availability of ration cards/beneficiaries data in Central Repository, requisite testing of national portability transactions are completed with the support of the central National Informatics Centre (NIC) team.

The national/ inter-State portability transactions under the scheme will be enabled in these states with effect from the distribution month of June 2020.



Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Punjab, Telangana, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh.

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#### Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh celebrated their Statehood Day

Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh have celebrated their statehood day which marks the day of formation of the states. Arunachal Pradesh became a state on 20th February 1987.

Mizoram that was a part of Assam was formed on 20th February 1987.

Mizoram became a state with the implementation of North-Eastern Reorganization Act, 1972. Mizoram being a mountainous region was a district of Assam till 1972. It was the 23<sup>rd</sup> state to be formed in India.

In 1891, the region was annexed by the British. During British rule, the Lushai hills region was under Assam and the southern half with Bengal. These two regions were united in 1898.

After the Reorganization act, 1972, Mizoram became a Union Territory. Later, in 1986, a historic MoU was signed between the GoI and the Mizo National Front and Mizoram became a state in 1987.

#### Mizoram provided industrial status to Sports

The Mizoram Government is framing new industrial policy under which the sports have been included as sports category. The State of Mizoram is known for its great interests towards sports.

Of all the footballers in the north east states, Mizoram has pool of football players that play in leading clubs of India.

The state has also done extremely well in hockey and weightlifting as well.

Apart from these games, Mizoram is also known for its great interests and achievements in wrestling and other indigenous games such as relay eaces using bamboo (Kalchhet kal), Insuknawra (rod pushing), Inarpathai (cock fighting), etc.

Indian Super League is considered as one of the top football leagues in India. At least 150 players in the league are from Mizoram. The league was launched in 2013 with the aim of growing the sport of football in India.

The league was first launched by the all India football Federation, Star Sports and Reliance.

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