

January 24, 2004

Press Release No-069/04

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION AT BAGHMARA

Shillong, January 24, 2004: Along with the rest of the country, the 54th Republic Day will be celebrated in Baghmara, South Garo Hills District at the Government Higher Secondary School playground on January 26, 2004.

In this connection, the Deputy Commissioner, South Garo Hills District, Mr R. S Sangma, who convened a meeting with District Officers on January 16, 2004 to chalk out the programme for the day, informs that Mrs. Deborah C Marak, Meghalaya Minister for Mining, etc., will unfurl the National Flag. The programme of the day will include march past, cultural show and free cinema show in the evening. Elaborate preparations to ensure the success of the celebration is underway.

Press Release No-070/04

MEGHALAYA DAY CELEBRATED AT MEGHALAYA HOUSE, KOLKATA

Shillong, January 24, 2004: In an impressive function attended by over 200 invitees, the 32nd Meghalaya Statehood Day was celebrated on 21 January 2004 at Meghalaya House, Kolkata. The Under Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health and Family Welfare Dept. Mrs E Lyngwa graced the occasion as the Chief Guest while Mr. A Baruah, Trade Adviser and Director of Movements, Government of Assam, Kolkata was the Guest of Honour.

The theme of the day was 'New Beginning-We are ready to sail forth towards new adventure, new horizon', which was highlighted in the various speeches rendered.

To promote excellence in service and encourage the locally posted staff, the Meghalaya House Administration had introduced the "Best of the Best" award covering the services of the staff from drivers to Grade IV. This year a few selected staff were honoured with this award which was presented by the Guest of Honour.

A short cultural programme was also presented by the employees of the Meghalaya House, Kolkata as well as by people residing around the new Meghalaya House. On this day floral and other gift items sponsored by the Directorate of Information Public Relations were also presented to the guests.

ROAD AT NONGLUM INAUGURATED BY P T SAWKMIE

Shillong, January 24, 2004: Meghalaya Minister for Irrigation and Excise, Mr. P T Sawkmie today inaugurated the road connecting Mawlai Nonglum and Mawlai Syllaikariah, Shillong. Also present on the occasion were office bearers of the two local Durbar Shnongs and Mr. C Kharmudai, Sub Divisional Officer, Public Work Department (Rd.), Central Division.

Speaking as the Chief Guest at a public function held at Mawlai Nonglum, Mr. Sawkmie who is also the local MLA, said that the road, once a footpath, was constructed at a cost of Rs. 8.70 lakhs, sanction from the MLA Scheme. Regarding the allotment of work to almost 16 contractors for construction of the said road, Mr. Sawkmie informed the meeting that this is one way of providing job opportunities to the registered contractors and daily wage labourers. Furthermore, he added that different schemes create employment opportunities to many youths from the area. Therefore, he urged upon the Durbar Shnong of the two localities and the public to properly maintain this road for the benefit of the two localities. He also thanked the PWD (Rd) for rendering all possible help in making this project a success.

Mr. Sawkmie further informed that there are eight more schemes worth Rs. 1.50 crores with the PWD (Rd) Department which will be implemented for improvement of road facilities in the area.

Regarding the urgent need of street lights in the locality, Mr. Sawkmie urged upon the residence to provide connection from their own house where the Durbar Shnong would provide the necessary equipment like wires, tube lights, etc., needed for the purpose.

In his speech, Mr. C Kharmudai, SDO, PWD (Rd), Central Division, said that this road, unfortunately, has taken a long time to finish. So he urged upon all contractors to seriously take responsibility to finish the work allotted to them before the stipulated time.

Others who spoke on the occasion includes Mr. I M Kharshiing, Secretary, Mawlai Nonglum, Mr. C B lawphniaw, General Secretary, Mawlai Syllaikariah, Mr. K B Palle, Assistant Secretary, Mawlai Nonglum and Mr. K Nongkynrih, Headman, Mawlai Syllaikariah. The meeting was presided over by Mr. J S War, Assistant Rangbah Shnong, Mawlai Nonglum.

FOUNDATION STONE OF WATER RESERVOIR LAID BY P T SAWKMIE

Shillong, January 24, 2004: The foundation stone for construction of water reservoir was laid today by Meghalaya Minister for Irrigation and Excise, Mr. P T Sawkmie at Shillong Polytechnic, Mawlai Kynton Massar, Shillong. Also present on the occasion were Mr. Y K B Singh, SDO (PHE) and Mr. P Mawkhlieng, SDO (Technical), PHE.

Speaking as the Chief Guest at the public meeting, Mr. Sawkmie expressed his gratitude to the Education Department of the State Government for providing a place for construction of the reservoir at Shillong Polytechnic. He said that this reservoir, with a capacity of 1.7 lakhs litres, would provide drinking water to more than 6000 residence. He also informed that out of 22 lakhs that have been sanctioned exclusively for Mawlai Kynton Massar, 10 lakhs will be utilised for drinking water and the remaining 12 lakhs for construction of road at Mawlai Kynton Massar Block D. In addition to this, another Rs. 40,000 have been sanctioned for construction of footpath at Block C.

Finally, Mr. Sawkmie urged upon the Durbar Shnong and the public to co-operate with him for the smooth implementation of different schemes for the benefit of the locality and the area as a whole.

PRE-EXAMINATION TRAINING FOR SC/ST

Shillong, January, 24, 2004: The Director of Employment and Craftsmen Training, Meghalaya, Shillong has informed that the Coaching-cum-Guidance Centre for SC/ST, Shillong, will conduct a Pre-examination Training for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes candidate intending to appear in the written test for the Combined Preliminary Examination (Graduate level post) conducted by the Staff Selection Commission on Sunday, February 8, 2004. The training will be of ten days duration commencing from January 27, 2004. The venue of the training will be notified by the Coaching-cum-Guidance Centre office in due course.

Candidates interested in registering for the training may bring their Staff Selection Commission Admit Card or Post Card bearing their Roll Number to the Coaching-cum-Guidance Centre C/o Smti. S Dkhar, Hopkinson Road, Lower Lachumiere, Ground Floor, Shillong-1 before January 27, 2004.