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Justice Thangkhiew named acting CJ of high court



By Our Reporter

SHILLONG, Nov 1: Justice Hamarsan Singh Thangkhiew was named acting Chief Justice of the High Court of Meghalaya on Wednesday after incumbent Chief Justice Sanjib Banerjee demitted office.

The Law Ministry announced on Wednesday that Justice Thangkhiew will assume the role of acting Chief Justice from Thursday.

Justice Thangkhiew will

JAC challenges VC to sit for 'open debate'

'Produce documents to justify appointment of senior consultant/ technical officer Rohit Prasad'

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG, Nov 1: The Joint Action Committee (JAC), which is made up of NEHUTA, NEHUNSA, and NEHUSU, on Wednesday challenged NEHU Vice Chancellor for an "open debate" in front of the media and asked him to produce all the documents he claims to have, supporting the legality of Rohit Prasad's appointment as senior consultant/technical officer.

JAC chairman Lakhon Kma stated, "According to the Vice Chancellor's statements to the media, he is claiming that the appointment of Rohit Prasad was legitimate."

"Following up on the successful general assembly we conducted on October 31, the JAC decided at our meeting that evening to intensify our agitation by organising another general assembly at 3:30 pm on November 3 in front of the VC's office," Kma said.

Additionally, he said that the JAC has made the decision to fortify its opposition to Vice Chancellor Prabha Shankar Shukla and to exert pressure on him to issue the termination/removal letter to the illegally appointed technical officer/senior consultant by November 3.

The chairman of the JAC stated that at the general assembly on October 31, Prasad was asked to leave his room by the other members of the JAC.

He also questioned the VC's stance about the unlawful and illegitimate appointment following the general assembly's strong opposition to the appointment.

"During the same JAC meeting, it was also agreed that, as we are fighting as a single, cohesive group, all demands made and deadlines established previously by NEHUTA, NEHUNSA, and NEHUSU have been absorbed into JAC and are now JAC's demands and deadlines," Kma added.



SPTS buses line up on one side of the GS Road leading to a massive traffic jam in Police Bazar area, on Wednesday evening. /ST/

UDP pans ADCs for no action against illegal

FKJGP dares ministers, officials to drink PHE

KHADC slams cr Sixth St



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Apple alert row: Opp seeks IT panel meet

The Opposition sought to corner the government over the Apple alert issue with TMC MP Mahua Moitra writing to Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla.

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Israel continues to pound Gaza

The Hamas run government in Gaza says Israeli airstrikes have hit apartment buildings in a refugee camp near Gaza City for a second day in a row.

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SA's massive win earns them top spot

Quinton de Kock and Rassie van der Dussen hit scintillating hundreds ensuring a 190-run hammering of New Zealand in the World Cup in Pune on Wednesday.

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E sets up panel to monitor city water quality



THE task force will address the water quality related to complaints pertaining to water supply from GSWSS-I and II to Shillong, collect water samples from different water sampling points

Health Department has set up a task force (TFC) to study the water quality in the Shillong city.

The task force will collect water samples from different water sampling points both raw water and treated water under the jurisdiction for regular analysis to ensure proper dosing of chemicals and proper procedures in the water treatment plant as per CPHEEO Manual and Water Quality Monitoring Protocol and quality control of chemicals.

The task force can co-opt any member as and when required," he said. To a question, Marak said the decision to form the TFC is after there have been so many allegations that water supply by the PHE department is not potable, not safe, so many contaminated materials are there.

go to every locality to address the concern about the water supply to the people. A recent report has revealed that water collected and tested from 44 localities in Shillong has been declared as 'unsafe' as per FSSAI standards.

The report of the State Food Testing Laboratory Commissionerate of Food Safety, Pasteur Hills, Shillong was submitted by the Federation of Khasi Jaintia and Garo People (FKJGP) to the Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma on October 3, for his immediate intervention and necessary action.

at the function, the task force will be water quality complaints.

"There is no timeframe as they have to see that the quality of water is maintained until further orders," he said. He said that the task force committee will definitely

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108 to change hands in 2 weeks: Ampareen

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Health Minister Ampareen Lyngdoh on Wednesday informed that the new company will take over the 108 emergency services within two weeks.

She expressed satisfaction that for the first time, seven companies participated

also mandates a 7 per cent annual increment for the 108 workers.

She clarified that the meeting served to assure the workers of the government's concern for their job security.

However, she mentioned that workers would undergo a skills assessment, and their employment terms would be negotiable based on their experience



Flowers for sale ahead of All Souls Day, in the city, on Wednesday.

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Justice Thangkiew acting CJ of Meghalaya HC



New Delhi

Justice Hamarsan Singh Thangkiew was on Wednesday appointed as the acting chief justice of the Meghalaya High Court as incumbent Justice Sanjib

Open debate challenge to VC in front of media

NEHU JAC to hold general assembly tomorrow

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NEHU JAC has decided to further strengthen their agitation by holding a general assembly again on Friday at 3.30 pm in front of Vice-Chancellor Prof PS Shukla's office.

A press release by JAC, which consists of NEHUTA, NEHUNSA and NEHUSU, said they will further strengthen their stand against the vice-chancellor to pressurise him to issue a termination or removal letter of Rohit Prasad by Friday.

The JAC said the illegally-appointed

technical officer was vacated from his room by the members during its general assembly held on October 31.

The JAC has also questioned the stand of the vice-chancellor on the illegal appointment after its general assembly put up a stiff fight on its demand, the statement said.

Responding to the statement of the vice-chancellor to the media claiming that the appointment of Prasad was legitimate, JAC in their statement has challenged the vice-chancellor for an open debate in front of the media along with all the documents that the vice-chancellor has claimed to possess.