

Go Digital India Cum Financial Literacy Awareness Campaign held at Dewasaw Village (11/03/2024)
Organized by **Lifetime solution** in Collaboration with **State Bank Of India** Mawngap Branch East
Kgasi Hills District Meghalaya. Sponsored by **NABARD**



Caste census a tool to discrimination in India

world," he said. Taking potshots at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, he said he wondered why the PM has not publicly said he wants to challenge the idea of discrimination in India.

"Why is the PM scared of asking how many Dalits, OBCs, Adivasis are there in corporates, judiciary and media," Gandhi asked.

"I am not saying something very controversial. I am just saying that everybody accepts that there is caste discrimination in this country. Let us now find out the true extent of caste discrimination," he said.

The BJP and PM Modi accuse him of dividing the country when he talks about the need for caste census, he said.

How come "revealing the truth of this country" amounts to dividing the country, he asked.

Gandhi favoured conducting the caste census to know how many Dalits, OBCs, Adivasis, minorities, general castes and women are there and how is wealth distributed in the country.

He thanked Telangana Congress leadership for its

initiative in conducting the caste survey.

He did not favour a "bureaucratic caste census" designed by officials but want the Dalits, OBCs and others to decide the questions to be asked.

"What is being designed as part of the caste census is not just a survey but a system of governance for the future of the country," he said.

Gandhi also said that his party wants to develop a framework of progress and development for the country with caste census exercise.

Referring to a conversation he had with an expert on the economy on the subject of "inequalities in India", Gandhi, however, said the expert's analysis did not include caste.

He stressed the need to identify discrimination to achieve progress and happiness for people.

The state government has begun the exercise to conduct the comprehensive socio, educational, economic, employment, political and caste survey as per the promise made by Rahul Gandhi before last year's Assembly polls. (PTI)

also mentioned reports from a medical officer indicating that children, as young as nine years old, are using drugs, with a particular rise among children of single parents. He stressed the urgent need for preventive measures and the establishment of rehabilitation centres in Tura.

Urgent repairs ordered for unsafe bridges in EJH

KHLEHRIAT, Nov 5: Following a report from the Chairman of the District Disaster Management Authority, East Jaintia Hills, about bridges along NH-6 posing a threat to the general public, the Project Director of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in Meghalaya has been directed to implement urgent restorative measures. Earlier, the EJH DDMA Chairman had reported that several bridges along NH-6, including those near Umking (Wahleh) and other areas under the Lumshong C&RD Block, were in poor condition, posing a significant risk to public safety and transportation. Meanwhile, until the completion of the repair, the public, commuters and drivers have been asked to exercise extra caution, follow traffic regulations and avoid unnecessary risks when crossing the bridges in question.

Financial literacy, cleanliness camp reaches 546 villagers

SHILLONG, Nov 5: Under the Swachhta-Hi-Seva-2024 campaign, Lifetime Solution, in collaboration with Meghalaya Rural Bank and supported by NABARD's Financial Inclusion Fund (FIF), organised a special financial literacy and cleanliness awareness camp across several districts in the state. This initiative, called "Special Camp-4.0", took place from October 23 to October 31, and included 13 awareness camps featuring "Nukkad Natak" (street theatre) to engage and educate rural communities. The camp reached a total of 546 villagers and Self-Help Group (SHG) members from Scheduled Tribe and Scheduled Caste backgrounds in the Ri-Bhoi, Eastern West Khasi Hills, and East Khasi Hills districts. Participants gained valuable insights into various central government schemes, such as the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, and Atal Pension Yojana. In addition to financial literacy, the campaign emphasised the importance of community cleanliness. Villagers, SHG members, and Lifetime Solution team members actively participated in a cleaning drive, spreading awareness about hygiene and sanitation as part of the Swachhta-Hi-Seva-2024 Mission Clean India initiative. Lifetime Solution also recognised outstanding contributions during the Nukkad Natak performances by awarding T-shirts and caps to the best performers from village authorities, SHG members, and other villagers. Participants also took a pledge to support the Swachhta-Hi-Seva-2024 mission and continue working towards a cleaner India.

Cleaning drive at Khyndai Lad

SHILLONG, Nov 5: The Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Shillong, in collaboration with the Shillong Municipal Board and the Meghalaya government will organise a 'Shramdaan-Cleaning Drive' on Thursday, as part of the Swachhta Hi Seva campaign. This initiative aims to raise public awareness about the importance of cleanliness and environmental stewardship, with a major cleaning drive planned at Khyndai Lad (Police Bazar). The event will feature a public meeting at the OB shopping mall parking lot, followed by the cleaning drive. Beginning at 7:30 am, volunteers, municipal staff, CRPF, BSF, NCC members, shopkeepers, and the general public will participate in the clean-up efforts in Khyndai Lad. Minister of Fisheries and AH & Veterinary, AL Hek, has agreed to attend the event as the chief guest. In recognition of their dedication, several Safai Mitras will also be felicitated during the event. The organisers have urged the public and shopkeepers to participate in ensuring the success of the programme and to promote a cleaner, healthier environment for all.

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Artist enlightens USTM students agency's feats, contributions

Reporter
Dr T.K. Sundara Murthy, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Scientist, on Tuesday visited USTM to enlighten the students on the achievements and contributions of India's space agency and inspire the next generation. The event, featuring a presentation by Dr Murthy and Praneesh Murthy, ISRO Scientist, was accompanied by a workshop titled "Recent Advances in Space Physics", organised by the Physics Department, offering an engaging overview of the milestones and recent notable successes such as Gaganyaan.

to advancing knowledge and its applications in everyday life. He also discussed the practical uses of space physics, including how satellite data aids in climate monitoring, disaster management and urban planning. On the occasion, he also shared exciting prospects for upcoming missions. Further, during an interactive session, Dr Murthy addressed student queries, encouraging them to explore potential research topics and opportunities in the field. The audience of undergraduate and post-graduate students actively engaged with him during the Q&A session, asking insightful questions on career paths in space research and the importance of international collaboration in advancing space science. It is pertinent to note that Dr Murthy has dedicated over 40 years to ISRO's development. As Mission Director, he was instrumental in the design and successful commissioning of communication satellites such as EUTELSAT, HYLAS and AVANTHI.

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To Whom It May Concern

Financial Literacy Camp Cum Nakud Natak 4.0

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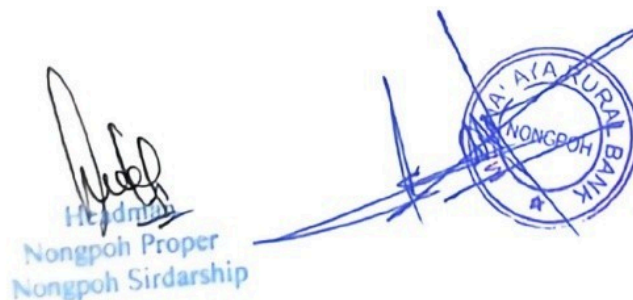
held on 25 **October 2024** at Nongpoh , **Sajer** village organized by **Lifetime Solution** in Collaboration with Meghalaya Rural Bank **NONGPOH** branch **Ri-Bhoi District , Meghalaya**.

The total number of participants are Village's cultivator & bank A/c holders only.

The various speaker's and dignitaries present during the awareness camp , as explain about various **Govt. Schemes Viz . PMJBY . PMSBY . APY & . Renewal of KCC loan . importance of Mission Clean India . Branch Manager** from Meghalaya Rural Bank **(MRB)** & Speaker's from **Lifetime solution** has shared with us many valuable Information and also Team of Lifetime solution has participated for cleaning all surrounding area of our Village and played the roll as **Nakud Natak** for making **Mission Clean India** , which is help for the development of the entire community.

Thanking for bank official and the Team of **Lifetime solution** for conducting Successful Program in our Village , **Sajer Nongpoh (Meghalaya)**

With Best Wishes.


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