

Pathankot Militant Attack Induces Siliguri Security Checks

By D. Prasun (TNI Siliguri)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 02nd January, 2016: After information reached Siliguri's security administration about the militant attack in Punjab's Pathankot Air Base, the security checking have increased out of the block. The whole day Siligurians saw sudden checking in the vehicles mostly public ones irrespective of State run or private. Siliguri is always a sensitive place in terms of security cover is concerned according to the security forces. Recently, many agents belonging to the NE terrorist outfits and even ISI has been nabbed from the city. However, the worst state of affairs continued in NJP railway station and Siliguri Junction. The metal detectors and luggage checking kiosk stands functionless for the last few months. When asked about the sudden rise in security checks, the Police Administration averted the issue calling it as a "Routine Checks". However, the security checks in Bagdogra were immediately up in the morning when the news reached about the militant attack.



Siliguri Might Get Its First Postal ATM by the End of January '16

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 02nd January, 2016: If everything comes in the right places then probably there's something to cheer for the Postal Savings Bank account holders of Siliguri. Siliguri might be getting its first India Post ATM machines right here in the city. Unconfirmed postal sources said that all preparations are ready and currently the preparation and installation of the first Postal ATM machine is going on in full swing. According to the source, the probable date would be around this year's Republic Day i.e. 26th January, 2015. Earlier, the Government of India issued a gazette notification, which in effect amends the Post Office Savings Bank General Rules, 1981 and allows some specific Post offices which are part of the CBS (Core Banking Solution) network to issue ATM cards for their customers. Customers with ATM facility can use any other CBS enabled facility to withdraw or deposit money into their account. Hence, a Post Office Saving Account holder from Siliguri can visit the Post Office with CBS facility in Kolkata or Mumbai or New Delhi and use the ATM to withdraw money or deposit. As part of the massive IT modernization project of India Posts, a sum of Rs. 4999 crore has already been allocated to increase the number of CBS connected Post Offices with ATM facility to 2800 locations by the end of the past year i.e.2015. Initiation of Siliguri Post Office's ATM is a part of that project.

TREATED WATER HOPE FOR JALPAIGURIANS IN THE NEW YEAR

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI Jalpaiguri, 01st January, 2016: The new year is going to become a boon for the Jalpaigurians. Jalpaiguri Municipality has decided to launch the tender bidding process of establishing the water treatment plant for supplying treated water to the Jalpaiguri residents. The chairman of Jalpaiguri Municipality Mr. Mohan Bose today declared that the water from River Teesta would be treated in a plant to be constructed at Sukantanagar area of the town. The municipal body has already received Rs. 74 crore for making the plant. Apart from this 4 Flood Relief camp facility would also be developed at Sukantanagar area each having a capacity of 300 people. As far as the water treatment plant is concerned an external organization would be hired for construction it but it would be supervised by the Municipality Engineering Department.

ANALOGUE CABLE TV SERVICE CONTINUES IN SILIGURI AFTER TRAI DEADLINE

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 02nd January, 2016: There is a confusion among the Siliguri's Cable TV subscribers after the deadline of 31st December 2015 passed away. For the last 3 months all the MSO's operating in Siliguri as well as the Broadcasters were informing the subscribers to convert the analogue Cable TV subscription into Digital Cable TV Subscription. It was also declared through the infomercials that there would be telecast blackout for the analogue cable TV subscribers. Almost 90-95% of the subscribers in Siliguri city itself have converted their subscription into DAS. However, after the passing away of the deadline i.e. 31st December 2015, the transmission continues to remain intact. According to the TRAI deadline, analogue Cable TV subscribers in urban areas (in the notified areas in the IIIrd phase) under Municipalities and Municipal Corporation will not receive any transmission. However, for the past two days there were no interruptions in the Analogue Cable TV services. Mr. Dilip Chakraborty from Hakimpura said that I had to spend around Rs. 1600/- for the STB provided by a popular Cable TV, but I see the previous transmission for some of my neighbors who didn't spent the amount". Similar experiences are there from various areas of Siliguri. Interestingly, not all the areas of Darjeeling district were under the purview of the deadline. According to the TRAI notification, areas like Phansidewa, Naxalbari, Panitanki, Bidhannagar, Ghoshpukur etc. don't feature in the IIIrd Phase list. According to the TRAI notification, the deadline for Digital TV conversion is December 31st 2016 for these areas.



Maiden Kolkata-Coochbehar Flight Landed In Bagdogra

By D. Prasun (TNI Siliguri)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 01st January, 2016: In the second day of the Coochbehar bound flight from Kolkata via Durgapur (Andal) today touched Bagdogra. Today at Bagdogra 3 passengers boarded the flight of 9 passengers to Coochbehar. The Spirit Air flight has agreed to run flight for 4 days per week to and fro Coochbehar-Kolkata with a subsidy of around Rs. 26 Lakhs by the state Government. Every day the flight will start from Durgapur at 8:30 am towards Kolkata then from Kolkata at 8:50 am it will start towards Bagdogra which is scheduled to reach by 11:05 am. After refueling from Bagdogra and boarding passengers the flight will start towards Coochbehar at 11:25 am. It is expected to reach Coochbehar at around 12:05 pm. The same vice versa route will be followed towards Kolkata and then to Durgapur (Andal).



Siliguri to get Its Own Language Martyr Tower

By D. Prasun (TNI Siliguri)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 02nd January, 2016: Siliguri might be getting its own Language Martyr Tower. We all know about the famous Language Martyr Tower located in Dacca. Siliguri Municipal Corporation has decided to create the same in Siliguri's Baghajatin Park. This has been declared by the SMC Mayor Mr. Asok Bhattacharya in a press conference yesterday. He also said that the Martyr Tower will be enclosed by a specially designed barricade to protect it from the crowd. He also further said that there are various organizations both nationally and internationally wanted to finance the project.

WhatsApp Suffers Hiccups in New Year Eve

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI New Delhi, 01st January, 2016: New Year 2016 brought some hiccups for mobile messaging hotspot brand i.e. WhatsApp. Company sources said that it suffered an outage. The outage was experienced in India too. However, it was not a total blackout. Various network tracking sites received more than a thousand reports of the app's outage during 10:00 pm of the New Year eve. It continued more than half an hour. "Some people have had trouble accessing WhatsApp for a short period today. We're working to restore service back to 100% for everyone and we apologize for the inconvenience," a WhatsApp spokesperson told Gadgets 360 in a statement.



Darjeeling Toy Train in Rajarhat, Kolkata

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI Kolkata, 30th December, 2015: After Ghum railway station its now the time for Darjeeling Himalayan Railway at Echo-Park. Hidco now have brought a full sized DHR train at the replica Ghum Station of the Eco-park. The model train resembles exactly a DHR train in the heart of Rajarhat is sure to attract crowds. It has been the motto of the Chief Minister to bring in replicas to the city. In this momentum Kolkata has a Big Ben miniature, 55 meters Eiffel Tower is coming up in Rajarhat. Now, it's the DHR train in the park. This will surely attract huge number of visitors to witness the Darjeeling flavor in this park.



NORTH BENGAL MEDICAL COLLEGE TO GET A BRAND NEW COMPOUND GATE SOON

TNI News Service (TNS)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 30th December, 2015: A decorative Compound Gate is being constructed at North Bengal Medical College and Hospital at Sushratnagar in Siliguri. The work is being carried out by PWD under the Superintending engineer Northern circle located at Shaktigarh, Siliguri. Apart from this, there are other beautification works, which are proposed. The total tender value of the Compound Gate and other beautification works is around (Courtesy Tender No: 8076517 of PWD, West Bengal). When TNI asked the NBMC&H Superintendent and the Principal of North Bengal Medical College about the details of the gate regarding the opening date of the gate but both of them declined say anything about the project.



Youth's Hanging Body Found in South Bharat Nagar of Siliguri

D. Prasun (TNI Siliguri)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 29th December, 2015: A youth named Madan Chakraborty's (31) body was found hanging on a tree near the Joranapani stream of Siliguri's South Bharat Nagar. Initial investigation found that the deceased was working in a tea garden of Dooars as a tea worker. Today locals saw the body in hanging condition and informed the police. Later police from Siliguri police station recovered the body and sent it for post mortem. Local people complained that the area is full of illegal betting groups and drunkards during night. However, regular complaints fell in the deaf ears of the administration. The family members of the deceased youth complained that it's a murder rather than a suicide.

TNI Movie Update

For Advance Booking Call: **INOX**
0353-2571299/316

POINT BREAK (3D)(U/A) (ENGLISH):
10:15am, 3:40pm, 8:45pm
STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS (3D) (U) (ENGLISH): 12:45pm
DILWALE (U/A) (HINDI): 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:40pm, 2:10pm, 3:50pm, 7:00pm, 8:35pm, 10:10pm
BAJIRAO MASTANI (U) (HINDI): 9:20am, 12:30pm, 3:45pm, 5:20pm, 7:00pm, 10:15pm
HAR HAR BOMKESH (U/A) (BENGALI): 6:10pm

For Advance Booking Call: **INOX**
0353-2461791/92/93

POINT BREAK (3D) (U/A) (ENGLISH):
10:30am, 3:50pm, 8:55pm
STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS (3D) (U) (ENGLISH): 1:00pm
DILWALE (U/A) (HINDI): 10:00am, 1:05pm, 2:25pm, 4:15pm, 7:25pm, 8:50pm
BAJIRAO MASTANI (U) (HINDI): 10:05am, 11:10am, 1:20pm, 4:35pm, 5:35pm, 7:50pm
HAR HAR BOMKESH (U/A) (BENGALI): 6:20pm

For Advance Booking Call: **CARNIVAL**
0353-2510200/300

DILWALE (U/A) (HINDI): 09:15am, 10:00am, 12:15pm, 03:15pm, 04:00pm, 06:15pm, 09:15pm
BAJIRAO MASTANI (U) (HINDI): 09:00am, 12:00pm, 01:00pm, 03:00pm, 06:00pm, 07:00pm, 09:00pm, 10:00pm
POINT BREAK (3D) (U) (ENGLISH): 09:00am, 02:15pm, 07:30pm, 10:00pm
STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS (3D) (U) (ENGLISH): 11:30pm, 04:45pm.

For Advance Booking Call: **Cinebazz**
03561-222211

HERA PHERI (U/A) (HINDI): 11:30am, 02:00pm, 07:30pm.
DILWALE (U/A) (HINDI): 04:30pm.
BAJIRAO MASTANI (U) (HINDI): 12:15pm, 03:15pm, 06:15pm.



TNI News Service (TNS)

Kolkata's Sabola Mela Going on in Full Swing

Webdesk, TNI Kolkata, 30th December, 2015: Government has taken initiatives in formation of small self-help groups among the people in bringing out the cottage industries of Bengal through various ways. Sabola Mela, is one of such a platform given by the West Bengal Government to such groups of people to run independent business. The merchandise offered here are mostly made through handicraft procedures like stitching, knitting and etc. This provides a wider and bigger opportunity for the indigenous industries to get promoted. Sabola Mela's Kolkata version is going on at Acharya Prafulla Chandra Park (Boro Park) in Kankurghachi from 25th December and is scheduled to continue upto 1st January. The fair is gaining popularity with every passing year. "Government provides loan upto 1 lakh 25 thousand rupees to each self-help group of which only 2% is to be paid by the groups and rest 9% is paid by the government itself" said Mr. Sadhan Pandey, Minister for Consumer Affairs, GOWB. There are pavilions selling Kantha stitched sarees, hand-woven bags, powered spices and hand-made jewelries etc.



BENGALI FILM INDUSTRY ROUND UP 2015

Webdesk, TNI Kolkata, 31st December, 2015: Unlike 2014, this year has been a turning point for the Bengali film industry. Apart from those conventional commercial films like 'Herogiri', 'Amanush 2', 'Aashiqui', 'Parbona Ami Chharte Toke' and 'Besh Korechi Prem Korechi', 'Sudhu Tomari Jonyo', 'Katmundo', 'Cross Connection 2', there has been many content pieces too. 'Beleseshe', based on family drama, reached a milestone of 200 days creating a record in the Bengali film industry. 'Open Tee Bioscope' not only had a good run at the box office but was successful amongst the critics and the masses. 'Teenkahon', directed by a debutant grabbed an award too. 'Asha Jaora Majhe' portrayed how the union of souls can be reduced to another after marriage. 'Natoker Moto' can be remembered for its sensitive story and acting. 'Nirbasito' adjudged the Best Bengali film at the National Film Awards, Delhi International Film Festival and All Lights India International Film Festival at Kochi. Another film which is based on the partition and women oriented story is 'Rajkahini' by Srijit Mukherjee, left the viewers spell bound. Thriller genre films like 'Har Har Byomkesh' by Arindam Sil, 'Byomkesh Bakshi' by Anjan, could not keep the audiences off the chair. Bengali audiences are more likely to embrace realistic stories with which they can connect themselves. Certainly, this year Bengali film industry has depicted some of the tremendous contents as well as the actors that are getting noted in the Bollywood industry too.

Birth Anniversary of Ramlal Adhikari Observed at Bagdogra

By Rita Das (TNI Siliguri)

Webdesk, TNI Siliguri, 31st December, 2015: Sixty-ninth birth anniversary of the renowned dramatist, poet, and writer Late Ramlal Adhikari was celebrated today at Ramlal Adhikari Memorial Museum, Bagdogra. Adhikari's family members, relatives, fans and followers gathered to attend the birthday celebrations. After the celebration a committee and jury members were formed to choose the people from various fields who will be felicitated on 26th January 2016. Convener of committee informed that the committee will celebrate birthday anniversary of eminent figure Ramlal Adhikari every year in Bagdogra in bigger form and 12 personalities from each field will be felicitated on Republic day celebration at Little Angel's School, Milan More, Champasari near Siliguri. In a function various dignitaries spoke on the life of Ramlal Adhikari who have dedicated his writings for the society and supported poor and needy for their upliftment. Ramlal Adhikari (1946-2005) was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2000 for 'Nisansmaran', a compilation of essays, the International Civil Golden Award, Ratnashree Award in Kathmandu, the Sikkim Samman Puraskar and Sikkim Nirman Puraskar in 2005. He also served as departmental head of Nepali department of Darjeeling Government College.



2nd District Book Fair Inaugurated in Alipurduar

Arunangshu Maitra (TNI Falakata)

Webdesk, TNI Alipurduar, 28th December, 2015: The second year Alipurduar District Book Fair started in Alipurduar today. The venue of the book fair is in McWilliam High School Campus. The book fair was inaugurated by the VC of Thakur Panchanan Barman University of Coochbehar Prof. Subhrangshu Sekhar Bhattacharya. The dignitaries present were the Additional District Magistrate Smt. Palden Sherpa, Municipality Chairman Mr. Ashish Dutta and others. The Book fair will continue for 7 days. Every day in the Book fair the organizers are going to organize Seminars, cultural programme etc. No entry fee was included in the book fair this time.