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PC declares 2012 as 'Capacity Building for Peace'

DIMAPUR, JANUARY 19 (MExN): The Peace Channel Movement has declared the year 2012 as the year of capacity building for peace. The theme was adopted during the strategizing workshop of the animators and the volunteers of Peace Channel held on January 16 to 18, at the Peace Channel conference Hall.

The Peace Channel Desk in a press note said that addressing the peace channel animators and volunteers of the movement, the founder-director, Rev. Fr. CP Anto said that the movement having reached all the districts of Nagaland would now focus on consolidating its interventions for peace building and further engage in capacity building of the youth mobilized through the peace clubs.

The capacity building programmes would focus on various issues related to peace building, peace education, conflict resolution, transformation, mediation, dialogue, problem solving, proactive living etc., a special care will be taken to assess, analyze and find strategies to resolve the is-



(Standing fourth from right) Rev. Fr. CP Anto along with others during the strategizing workshop of the animators and the volunteers of Peace Channel held at the Peace Channel conference Hall.

sues, problems and challenges of teens and youth in our society.

The three day orientation workshop began with the assessment of the activities and achievements of the movement in the previous year and strategizing the interventions according to the lessons learnt. The

movement has now presence in all the districts of Nagaland and some of the districts of the states of Manipur, Assam, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh. During this year, the movement would endeavour to reach to all the states of North East.

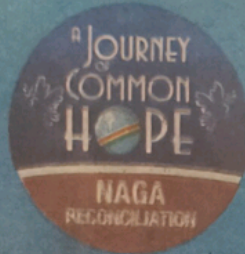
The workshop highlighted the

urgent need for scaling up the capacity building programmes in the educational institutions and localities and adopted a strategy to work in tandem with the schools and colleges to carry out capacity building programmes in the identified subjects and issues.

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"NAGA RECONCILIATION: A JOURNEY OF COMMON HOPE"

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To the

NAGA RECONCILIATION MEETING

DATE: FEBRUARY 29, 2012

TIME: 10:00AM ONWARDS

VENUE: AGRI EXPO CENTRE, 4TH MILE, DIMAPUR

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PC band returns from South India tour



Band members and the cultural team of Peace Channel during its tour to South India.

DIMAPUR, JAN 28 (EMN): The Peace Channel band, carrying the message of peace and harmony, toured south India performing at selected venues. The band led by Watinungsang was specially invited to perform at the Asian Youth Summit held at Ernakulam in Kerala.

The Peace Channel Band is a dis-

tinctive awareness initiative of the Peace Channel to reach out to the general masses with the message of Peace and harmony. The Band consists of musicians, vocalists, cultural dance troupe and musical play performers largely drawn from the unemployed sections of the youth irrespective of religion, caste or tribe.

The band performed devotional gospel songs and popular numbers from different languages. A team of Naga Youth with cultural dances and folk songs added colour and grandeur to the performances of the spirited band. The band and the team visited Goa and Kolkata on their return to Nagaland.

Date :- 16/02/12

Youth Initiative for Peace and Development launched



MLA and Advisor IT & C Vikho-o Yhoshii exhorting the youths during the launching of 'Youth Initiative for publicity of message of Development and Peace' under the aegis of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan at Horti-Exhibition Hall, Naga Heritage village, Kisama.

DIMAPUR, FEB 16 (EMN): Youth Initiative for publicity of message of Development and Peace in Nagaland under the aegis of Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Nagaland is launched off today by Vikho-o Yhoshii, MLA and Advisor IT & C as a chief guest at Horti-Exhibition Hall, Naga Heritage village, Kisama.

While expressing happiness in associating with NYKS in various programmes and also launching another noble project by NYKS, Nagaland the chief guest called upon the youth to be pro-active to peace and development so as to bring about faster pace of development in the region. He stated that under the initiative of chief minister Neiphi-u Rio, government of Nagaland has started "Year of Entrepreneurship" and "Year of Entrepreneurship" are good av-

enues for the youth of the state to forge forward. He asked the youth to make good use these opportunities to build peace, livelihood and employment.

The chief guest distributed sports materials to all the Youth Clubs which are affiliated to NYK, Kohima. He also gave away State Level Best Youth Leaders award 2011-12 to Vinhaseo George Richa and Asano Zashii with cash award of Rs. 15,000/- and a citation each.

Delivering a key note address, KI Singh, Zonal Director said that Youth Initiative for peace and development lay emphasis on the development of programmes, of the government of Nagaland, will have 80 Nehru Yuva Corps in 38 Blocks of 7 districts viz, Kohima, Mokokchung, Mon, Zunheboto, Tuensang, Phok and Wokha, Jil

together 1006 villages will be selected under this project, he said.

The project aims at creating an enabling environment among the youth to enhance their employability and social security through various programs initiated by the government at the local level, he said while adding that the projects will encompass state, district, block and village levels programmes to meet the objectives.

It may be mentioned that the project is being implemented by NYKS for the first time in Nagaland. It is envisaged that the project will give benefit to the youths of the State by participating directly and involving themselves in the peace and development initiatives.

The success of the project will depend largely on the concerted effort

of the NYK functionaries in the State and District level and overwhelming support of the State Government, Singh said.

The programme was chaired by Shri. Ruokuovikho Chale and welcome address was given by Shri John Makhabo, DYC, Kohima and while vote of thanks was extended by participants Shri. Jemtimemba of Mokokchung District.

Around 150 youths from various districts of Nagaland and youth volunteers were present during the launching programme.

The government of India is sponsoring this youth initiative for peace and development in certain districts of North Eastern states like Assam (10 Districts), Nagaland (7 Districts), Mizoram (3 districts), Arunachal Pradesh (4 Districts) and Manipur (9 districts).

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ADMISSIONS OPEN

Date: 22/02/12

Network stressed to address youth issues

DIMAPUR, FEB 21 (EMN): Considering predicament of a massive 60000 educated unemployed youth and school dropouts, Director of Peace Channel, Rev Fr CP Anto has insisted on the need to address issue of youth in the present society through a strong network with the government and private sector organisations.

Addressing the inaugurating programme of a new vocational training of the WVTC, Chumukedima, Rev. Fr. CP Anto today said, stressed on the need to address the youth issues of the society. He was of the view that unemployment and unemployment issues of the society could be addressed through a strong network with the government and private sector organizations.

Citing recent findings where over 60000 educated youth are unemployed and another huge number of school dropouts and unskilled youth are caught in a confused state, he has sounded urgency for all to wake up from the slumber to act and find ways and means to tackle youth issues of today.

While addressing the



Director Peace Channel, Rev Fr CP Anto, during the inauguration of vocational training programme at WVTC, Chumukedima, on February 21. Also is seen section of the participants during the inaugural programme.

youth, he said unemployment issues could be handled when we have developed the skills and capacities of the youth for employment. Citing the situation of Nagaland, he said majority of the youth are in the unorganized sector. Of these, many suffered due lack of skills in the field of work they could profitably

be employed. For a sustainable development of economy, he has stressed on the need to train youth for skill development. He said that sustainable development is a process of gradual change in the quality of human life brought about by economic growth. According to him, it involves changing

production methods and consumption patterns in the interest of ecological balance. In this context, he has appreciated SABS congregation for their noble initiative to empower the unorganized and school dropout youth of the society.

Women Vocational Training Centre, Chumukedima, has launched its new Vocational Training Programme in collaboration with the Functional Vocational Training and Research Society, (FVTRS) Bangalore.

grammes presented by the youth gave colour to the function.

The newly launched training programmes included fashion designing, food processing, bag making along with spoken English. Interested women candidates could contact the training centre for further details.

Rev.Sr. Annie, has invoked God's blessing and Rev.Sr. Vineeta proposed vote of thanks during the programme. Cultural pro-

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Peace Channel conducts orientation prog for teachers



Members of Peace Channel with participants of orientation programme.

DIMA PUR: One day teachers' orientation programme was organized by Peace Channel at Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kohima on March 17.

President NUTA, Rosemary Dzilyichit was the speaker at the programme. She also shared her experiences especially in the eastern part of Nagaland where education and its infra-structures is being neglected and given least importance.

She said "A teacher should know that what they say and teach... quality education depends on how well equipped and updated a teacher is".

A teacher should also be able to teach the students beyond their text books like social issues and challenges of society, added Rosemary. She concluded by saying that the time has come for the youth to bring about positive changes which Peace Channel movement is involved. Altogether 19 teachers from various schools/colleges attended the orientation program.

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Peace Channel organises teachers' orientation prog



Members of Christian Education centre (CEC), Meluri along with resource persons and trainees during the short term course on Bible & Theology from March 5 to 11.

DIMAPUR, MAR 12 (EMN): One-day teachers' orientation programme was held at Peace Channel Institute, Dimapur on March 10 under the theme 'Peace Education is the Need of the Hour'.

Rev. Fr. CP Anto, Director of Peace channel animated the session on Peace Education and techniques in making the class room a place of Peace. While addressing the teachers of Dimapur District Anto said, that Peace education may be defined as the process of acquiring the values, the knowledge and

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"Thus, the purpose of education is to see man made whole; both in competence and in character" Anto maintained. He also elicited from the teachers the various methods of teaching and techniques in managing the class room.

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positively contribute for making the class room a place of peace and better learning, he added.

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The spirit and ethos of NBCC Platinum Jubilee

•- The NBCC platinum jubilee has really brought a lot of change in Kohima for some days. The town is clean with the sanitation committee working hard and with the power never failing. The traffic is doing so well that there is very less jam. Will this good things continue in Kohima?? Also the Government of Nagaland in a big way supported the Celebration Financially. Will the government support the other smaller denominations financially for jubilee's?

Richard Kevi, Kohima

Costly vehicles for Govt servants

•- Our state government is really spending a lot of money in providing costly Vehicles to the govt. servants. Do they really need such costly vehicles for getting their job done?? I think vehicles are meant for easy transport and not for luxury.. Nagaland roads are filled with latest versions Scorpio's, Bolero's, Innova's and Xylo's with Govt. of Nagaland written above the number plate.. Also some vehicles are not used for their job but for school duty and for parties used by their children.. Most rash drivings are also done by govt. vehicles... also most illegal activities are done using govt. vehicles... They really take advantage of the government TAG and break all the rules including the traffic rules... So the police should also not exempt them from any checkings and rules etc..

Richard Kevi
AG Colony, Kohima

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Participants with resource persons at a one-day student's leadership programme held at Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kohima on March 17 organised by Peace Channel.

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'Instill an attitude of Humility with total Rejection of Violence for Peace'

DIMAPUR, MARCH 6 (MExN): Addressing the gathering of Peace Channel animators and collaborators during the strategic planning workshop of the movement 2012-2015, Rev. Dr. James Thoppil, Bishop of Kohima said that peace cannot be achieved without instilling the attitude of humility and an attitude for total rejection of violence among the youth. Acknowledging the contributions made by the movement towards mobilizing the youth for peace, he said that the task of leading and sustaining and inclusive, interfaith approach to build peace in a multi-cultural, multi-religious, multi-tribal and multi linguistic context involving all the stake holders, particularly the youth is a great challenge which needs sustained and unstinting support from all quarters.

There were 25 participants with governing board and animators from various states of North East, Nagaland University, districts of Nagaland participated in the planning. Addressing the gathering Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto the director Peace Channel highlighted the objectives and the need of having a proper strategic planning for next three years. He also thanked the supporters and mentioned the achievements and future plans of the movement in his introductory message.

Speaking on the occasion, Rev. Fr. Sebastian Ousepparambil, Director, DAN, said that the in its

own little ways the peace Channel has been able to touch the hearts of many youth. It is time that we took forward the movement in a big way as more than ever, lasting peace matters most.

Rev. Fr. Chacko Karinthayil, Parish Priest, Holy Cross Church Dimapur, in his address on Conflicts in Nagaland inside and outside the church, said that conflicts are part of life as peace is part of life. Appraising the gathering on the various conflict situations in the Naga Society he said that individuals and groups need to come together for fostering peace.

Rev. Fr. Mathew Thuniampral, Director, Education Commission, Diocese of Kohima also spoke on the occasion and dealt on the history of catholic mis-

sion in Nagaland and its contributions towards the Naga society. He further said that it is very apt that we address the need of peace education and formation of the young minds for peace.

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Instill attitude of humility: Bishop



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Peace education for holistic growth

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Arnold Xavier proposed the vote of thanks.

The one day programme ended with an action plan to exploring various methods of effective teaching for slow learners in the class room.

Teachers attend orientation prog on peace education



Teachers participate in the group discussion during the teachers' orientation programme held at Peace Channel Institute, Dimapur on March 10.

DIMAPUR, MARCH 12 (MExN): One day teachers' orientation programme was held at Peace Channel Institute, Dimapur on March 10. The theme of the seminar was "Peace Education is the Need of the Hour" informed a press note issued by the Peace Channel desk.

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International Women's Day observed in Kohima

Correspondent

KOHIMA, MAR 7 (NPN):

Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW) in collaboration with department of women development and Nagaland state social welfare board (NSSWB) organized International Women's Day programme Wednesday at The Heritage, Kohima under the theme 'A Salute to Womanhood'.

Speaking on the occasion as chief guest, additional chief secretary & development commissioner Nagaland Alemtenshi Jamir asserted that Naga women were becoming pro-active and have gone through a lot to achieve what they had today. He felt that the state was yet to achieve total empowerment of women and their status and cited reports which revealed that women's empowerment leads to alleviation and benefit of the family. Jamir asserted that the ensuing civic polls slated to



Alemtenshi, Prof. Temsula and NSCW chairperson Sano Vamuzo, Wednesday, (NP)

be held in the month of April would be a significant one for Naga women. He said the issue here was not whether women should participate in the elections but it was an issue of the law that has been already passed in the assembly empowering representation of women legally.

He observed that reservation of any kind has hardly helped anyone as he felt that

those people for whom the reservation has been made were still marginalized.

Maintaining that reservation was somewhat "not inclusive" and terming it an act of "superiority complex", Jamir said reservations did not seek for participatory approach. In this regard, he challenged Naga women not to wait for somebody to empower them, stating they did not need men

to empower them as a great deal depended on women.

Guest speaker of the occasion, OSD finance department V. Kezo highlighted that although the government has given much credence to women by creating a separate department for women's welfare, many issues were still left out due to limited resources. The OSD said a woman's job was "truly endless" however they

were rarely appreciated for what they did. He stated that while many innovative intervention programs have brought changes in the society, majority of women in rural areas still lived "in darkness". Prof. Temsula Ao who also delivered a short speech highlighted the history and significance of International Women's Day.

She said the theme of the day was rightly chosen as many women have sacrificed their lives alongside men in many situations. She also emphasized on empowerment of women particularly in rural areas as well.

Earlier, the chief guest also gave away awards to the winners of essay and painting competition for adolescence girls held Tuesday on the theme 'Connecting Girls, Inspiring Future'. The programme was chaired by secretary for department women development Metilemla Pongener while vote thanks was proposed by secretary for NSSWB Daisy Metzhar.

Student's leadership programme conducted

DIMAPUR, MARCH 20 (MExN): A one day student's leadership programme was held at Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kohima on March 17.

Robert Solo and Rilo Therie animated the session on "peace through learning and practice". Robert said "We should catch the monsters within instead of trying to catch the monsters outside". He asked the students to learn how to say sorry where he also said that we should look back at our yesterdays and learn from it. Today we need a leader who needs nothing for himself, he said.

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Students of Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kohima at the leadership programme on March 17.

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mighty ocean'.

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session on peace celebration. Ruvini, student of Holy Family School proposed the vote of thanks. The programme ended with the action plan followed by the peace channel anthem.

Students urged to contribute towards peace building of our society



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Almost 3000 students rally for peace in Dimapur



Students rallying for peace in Dimapur. Almost 3000 students marched the streets of Dimapur today. September 12. (Morning Photo)

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 12 (MEXN): Humidity was rising but it did not stop the enthusiastic youngsters from shouting slogans of peace on the streets of Dimapur today, September 12. Wip-

ing their sweaty face, they shouted: "We want peace, Stop violence, Dimapur wants peace, Nagaland wants peace..."

The peace rally was organised by Peace Channel, where almost 3000 stu-

dents from 30 schools and other educational institutions participated. The rally started from Holy Cross Higher Secondary School and President of Naga Council Savi Liegise flagged off the rally. Interestingly an el-

derly woman was also seen marching along with the students and though old but she seemed young at heart.

President of Naga Council while addressing the young crowd said: "We have everything in this world but peace." He went on saying that Dimapur is crying for peace so everyone must work collectively work towards peace because without peace there is no use of having a beautiful home, wealth, education etc. "those who work for peace are blessed people."

Savi also said that there are people who sit and talk about peace but it is more important to come out on the streets and talk about peace.

President of Dimapur Naga Students' Union K Machio Lotha addressed the students after the rally. He said: "peace is the need of the hour. Peace is everyone's cry. Peace is the mechanism in building harmony." He also encouraged the youngsters to be sincere in their studies and no bunk classes.

Naga Reconciliation Meeting, February 29



(From left to right) School students participating at the reconciliation meet. Top leaders from the three Naga political groups- NSCN-IM, GPRN/NSCN and NNC/FGN along with FMR convenor Rev Dr Waii Aiet waves.

A Staff Reporter | EMN

DIMA PUR, FEB 29: The demand for sovereignty and integration may well become a thing of the past as the Naga political groups today sought to reason that 'independence for the Naga Nation' in the present context is not possible nor is the 'integration of Naga inhabited areas in India and Myanmar'.

Coming out in support of NSCN-IM's bearing towards bringing an acceptable solution based on the unique history of the Nagas and not sovereignty and integration, as briefed by Th Muivah during the 3-day mara-

thon meeting at Niathu Resort last year, GPRN/NSCN chairman Gen (Retd) Khole maintained that this shift of focus is not the fault of the NSCN-IM general secretary.

He asserted that it is but a practical reality necessitated not because of the 'aggressive posture of the GoI but a realisation that Naga nationalism must be evoked in the right spirit through practical wisdom as opposed to an idealist view on sovereignty and independence.

Further, justifying that the 'paradigm shift in our political stand is inevitable because we have, for long, frolicked in the

garden of the idealists' Khole went on to state that "We can choose to remain pan-Naga emotionally, culturally, socially and spiritually in our future endeavours; however, the political arrangements of Nagas living in different areas have been clearly earmarked and we all must take practical steps towards building a better future for the Nagas."

While respecting the pioneers' vision of nothing less than independence, sovereignty and self determination, Khole espoused belief that the future must be interpreted in a practical manner so that Naga people whether living in the present

states of Nagaland, Manipur, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh or isolated Myanmar may one day rekindle the spirit of nationalism through emotional, social and cultural bond entrenched today. Also stating that the demand for Alternative Political Arrangement is the ultimate desire of the Nagas living in the present of Manipur, he said there is no reason why the Nagas living in present state of Nagaland, Assam or Arunachal Pradesh should oppose such a concept.

Insisting that it is best to strengthen the emotional bond of the Nagas living in different areas for greater purpose in the

future, Khole said the GPRN/NSCN will appeal to the GoI to expedite the process of alternative arrangement and in the same manner the political status of Nagaland, Nagas living in Assam or Arunachal Pradesh should be left to the Naga people living in those areas.

In an appeal to the apex Naga organisations, he pointed out that perhaps a time has come for all to rethink strategy and hoped that leaders should not be branded as traitors for adjusting to the inevitable circumstances presented by history and also by opposing political forces. He also proposed a practical method for

deliberation among the Naga NSCN-IM chairman is shi Swu, in his address, said is the time for negotiations and confrontation. Maintaining the political solution will be open up doors for the N become the master of situation, Swu called upon Nagas to equip themselves with spirit of self reliance and unite their best to nation by Peace Channel appeal. DIMA PUR, FEB 29 (EN) Peace Channel Family I resented its warmest appo to the Forum for Naga culation for organizing d Reconciliation Meeting

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Holy Cross School runs for peace



Students of Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Dimapur at the marathon race organized with a purpose in spreading the message of peace and reconciliation.

DIMAPUR, MAR 3 (NPN):

Students of Holy Cross Hr. Secondary School, Dimapur kicked off the annual games and sports for 2012 with marathon race as the first event held on March 3.

The marathon race was held with a purpose in spreading the message of peace and reconciliation.

While many students could not be present for the

Reconciliation Meet held on February 29 convened by FNR, the school authority organized the marathon race for students with the same message "A Journey of Common Hope."

Run for Peace. Think Globally, Act Locally" bringing to the awareness of school children the need of peace and unity to build up the society. A huge number

of students energetically and excitedly participated in the race which flagged off at 6am.

Principal, Fr. George K. Angami was one among the runners with the students to complete the Marathon spreading the message of peace. In his message he said "Wherever we are universal fraternity and peace must be promoted".

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Youths take to the street to inspire cleanliness and employment

Akangchila Longchar

March 8 | Dimapur

Four Naga youth have been patiently sitting outside The Samsung Plaza at Church Road, Dimapur for a week now, creating awareness on cleanliness and employment. From 7:00 to 9:00 pm, these four youngsters and their friends are seen singing, playing their guitar, to talking to interested passersby on how they can contribute to keep their town clean. The initiative is not organized under any organization or department but solely the brainchild of these youngsters.

With flexi banners containing informing on cleanliness, and a food stall that they have set, they hope to inspire people, especially the youth. Setting a fine example, the youth also use newspaper as carry bags when packing food for their customers.

The four youngsters in question are Akinito, Asen, Kuto, and Hekai. When The Morung Express visited the site, parents with young kids in tow and young people were excitedly sampling the scrumptious galho, chow, and coffee which were on sale. Speaking to Akinito, who is also the vocalist of popular Christian rock band UDX (formerly known as De-



(Right) Akinito along with friend Emo, at the stall set up to create awareness on cleanliness and employment at Church Road, Dimapur. (Morung Photo)

mentia), he shared that his group was inspired to start this concept after seeing the filthy condition of Dimapur. Akinito said that people should be taught to be clean first. Certainly believing on being a pro-active youth, he remarked that the initiative is much more important than complaining.

Akinito also reflected on how many youngsters in the Naga society depend on their parents even to buy

a tee-shirt. "I don't want them to have this attitude", he said. The food stall hence was setup to serve as an example that youths can think of innovative, easy concepts to earn money. "The income in these weeks is not much, but it is two- three times the capital invested," Akinito points out. This young musician also revealed that it was difficult to organize and to bring along friends to be a part of the idea. But he wisely

says, "If our Nagas can do this, leaving our pride aside, the problem of employment will be solved", he said.

Akinito shares that his group intends to keep the stall going as long as they can. "If we could inspire one person, it would be an achievement" he said. The stall is open on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, at Church Road Dimapur.

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'Peace education urgent need in Nagaland'



(L-R) Dr. Arenla T. Mollier, coordinator CGSR, Dr. Sangyu Yaden, President Ao Senden and KesonyuYhome(IAS) ADC, Mokokchung with the participants.

Correspondent

MOKOKCHUNG, MAR 28

(NPN) Peace channel and Centre for Gandhian studies & Research(CGSR), Nagaland University jointly organized a one-day seminar on peace under the theme, "Peace education urgent need in Nagaland" with KesonyuYhome(IAS), ADC Mokokchung as the chief guest. The seminar was organized at Queen Mary Higher Secondary School (QMHSS) auditorium where School students of Edith Douglas higher secondary school and Nevekhu high school and a host of invitees attended.

Dr. Arenla T. Mollier, Coordinator, CGSR in her welcome speech elucidated how CGSR, Nagaland University, have been making constant effort to spread the Gandhian ideas of peace building in a conflict ridden society. She also explained how the centre have been promoting ideas crucial to Gandhian thoughts that have larger applicability in understanding the process of peace building under severe conditions such as 'Indo-Naga' political conflict.

She said these two organisations were alike since

their objectives were similar and also both organisations have the same broad outlook i.e. Peace. She also said that the main objectives of organizing such programme were to bring to the notice of the general public the importance and urgency of peace education in the society.

Dr. Sangyu Yaden, President Ao Senden while exhorting the gathering said peace was an unchallengeable slogan and that everyone be it poor or rich needed peace. He also congratulated and appreciated the organizers of the program for organizing such a program in such a time when peace is needed in our land and affirmed the unflinching support of Ao Senden in assisting the organizations to spread the message of peace.

Dr. Pangernungba, Clark Theological College in his message said that for a society to transform, one needed peace. He also said that there was a ray of hope today as lots of constructive energy was building up through the medium of many organizations like Peace Channel and CGSR and appealed to contribute to the promotion of peace.

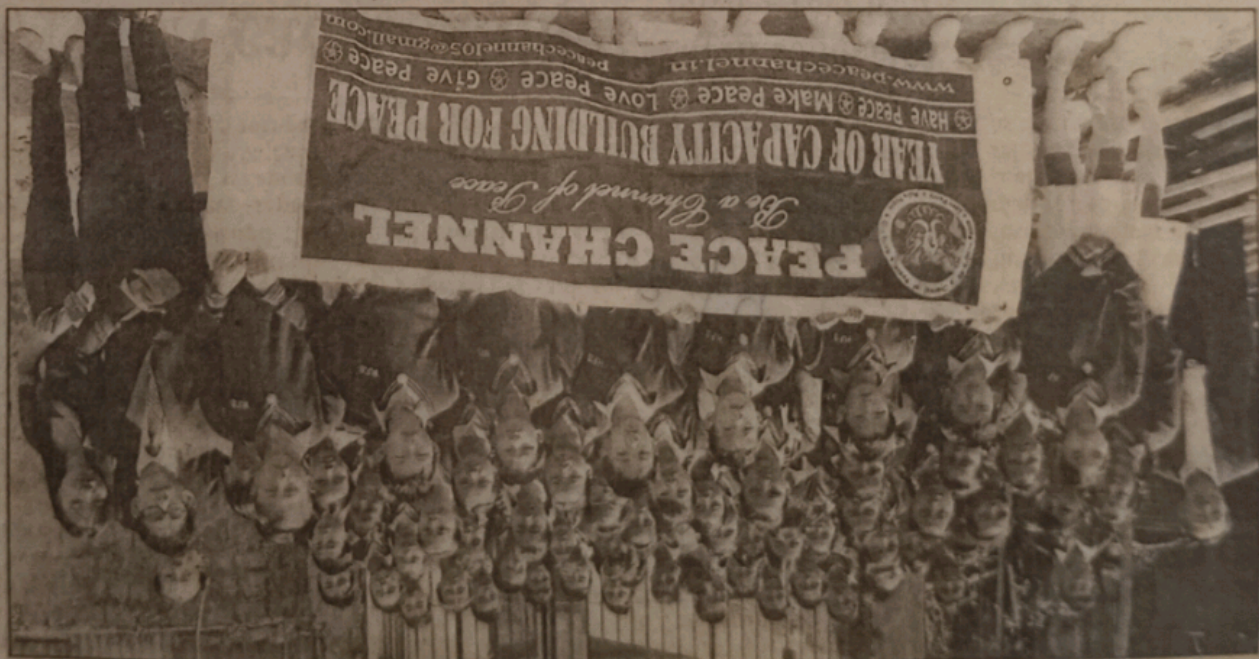
KesonyuYhome, in his

speech said the 21st century has seen an unprecedented growth of youth power all over the world. He also said that youth power brings to the table a new set of ideas in all fronts be it politics, religion or any other spheres and cited the Arab revolution as an example where the youths were in the spotlight for bringing a change.

He said 99% of the prevailing problems in Nagaland are because everyone wants to lead an easy life and urged the students to be self-disciplined and to be responsible and asked them to be an asset but not a burden to the society. He also said that the decision was in their hands to choose whether they want to live either in a positive change or to live a despicable life.

Earlier, at the programme Victor Yhome, animator of Peace Channel, Kohima district chaired the programme, invocation prayer was said by Fr.Philip, Principal, QMHSS. Presentation of Peace channel was conveyed by Myingthungo Odyuo, Coordinator, Peace Channel and the vote of thanks was delivered by Esther Jamir, District animator, Peace Channel.

Peace Channel inducts 72 members



The inducted Peace Channel members from Holy Family School Kohima posing for lens with principal and other teaching staffs.

DIMAPUR, APR 22 (EMN): Peace Channel had the induction of 72 members to the peace club of Holy Family School, Kohima on April 18 with James Athikho, Proprietor of the school as the chief guest.

The programme started with the welcome address delivered by Ruvin.

Animator Peace Channel, Kevituo Yano Richard, Kohima gave an introduction about the Peace Channel and the need for peace within us. He quoted Gandhi "If we are to reach the real peace in the world, we have to begin with children". He also encouraged the peace club members to start learning the art of having peace and to share this peace with their friends.

Athikho James, the chief guest said "Peace is what all of us want". He said without peace there can be no progress and development in the society. He said the United Nations is working hard to diffuse any war between countries through negotiation and thus trying to bring peace.

He also gave examples of Noble peace prize winners where he said "God is very pleased with anyone who is a peacemaker. To have peace we must remain active and train ourselves and there are certain conditions to have peace in our society and they are truth, justice, discipline and tolerance," he said. He wished all the peace club members and bestowed God's blessings to live a good life and to spread peace to others.

Peace Pledge for the club members was done by Ashikho, Headmaster followed by the vote of thanks from Adaha Rozana, teacher in charge.

Literacy competition in Dimapur on May 12

DIMAPUR, MAY 9 (MEXN): Peace Channel family in collaboration with NIZCC is organizing a literacy competition with the theme "Rabindranath Tagore A Prophet of Peace" on May 12 at Great Commission Kids Academy, Naga United Village, 4th mile, Dimapur. The event has been organized to mark the occasion of 150th Birth Anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, Asia's first Nobel laureate.

A press note received here informed that the programme will be held under three categories: Speech Competition under the theme "Rabindranath Tagore A Prophet of Peace", Poem Recitation of any poem written by Rabindranath Tagore, and Poem writing on the theme "Peace".

In this regard, all the schools are invited to participate in the literacy competition by sending 2 to 3 participants (one in each category). The last date of submission of participants is May 10. In case of over-

whelming response, 1st fifteen entries in each category will be considered to compete on May 12. This competition is open to the students of classes VIII-XII.

The Programme Coordinator will be Kishor Das and he can be contacted at +919856118696. However, travel arrangements for Town schools will be made available at City Tower at 7AM. For details contact Field Coordinators: Thersa 9856881644 and Ataholli 9856133431.

Peace Channel to commemorate 150th birth anniversary of Tagore

DIMAPUR, MAY 9 (EMN): The Peace Channel family in collaboration with NEZCC will be organizing a literacy competition with the theme "Rabindranath Tagore - A Prophet of Peace" on May 12 at Great Commission Kids Academy, Naga United Village, 4th mile, Dimapur, to mark the occasion of 150th Birth Anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, Asia's first Nobel Laureate, who was a rare and great personality.

The programme will be held under three categories. Firstly on speech competi-

tion under the theme - 'Rabindranath Tagore - A Prophet of Peace'. Secondly on poem recitation of any poem written by Rabindranath Tagore and thirdly on poem writing on the theme 'Peace'.

A release issued by the Peace Channel in this regard has invited all the schools to participate in the aforesaid literacy meet by sending two to three participants (one in each category). While it has also informed that the last date of submission of participants' list is on May 10.

In case to overwhelm-

ing response, 1st fifteen entries in each category will be considered to compete on May 12, it informed and added that the competition is open to the students of classes VIII -XII.

Travel arrangements would be made available for schools from Dimapur town at City Tower at 7 am. Interested schools/candidates may contact Kishor Das, Programme Coordinator at +919856118696 or field coordinators Theresa at +919856881644 & Atoholi at +919856133431, it has been informed.

07/05/12

Skill development, employment prog inaugurated

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel, Institute for skill development and employment launched a new project on May 5 to cater the needs of unemployed and school drop outs of the state. The project was launched in collaboration with DB Tech Delhi.

Imti Sunget Jamir MLA and president NPCC while addressing as chief guest at the function stressed on the urgent need of skill development training in the state.

"The unemployed youth can find meaning in living and make a sustainable income for a living,



Imti Sunget Jamir.

if they undergo such skill development training and later if they are employed", he said.

"The unemployment issues of our state can be easily tackled if the various welfare and youth schemes are implemented properly", he added.

He appreciated the

initiative of the Catholic Church in introducing and catering to the needs of unemployed youth in the state.

He exhorted the youth to come forward and make use of these opportunities to make life more comfortable and become true Christian leaders.

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Peace Channel launches skill development prog



Section of the Peace Channel members during the launching of a new project on May 5. Also is seen SI Jamir, President NPCC, addressing the gathering on the occasion.

DIMAPUR, MAY 6 (EMN): Peace Channel, Institute for skill development and employment, has launched its new project on May 5 to cater to the needs of the unemployed and school drop outs of the State.

The project was launched in collaboration with DB Tech Delhi. Imti Sunget Jamir, MLA and president NPCC, was the chief guest of the function. Addressing the inaugural function, he stressed on the urgent need of the skill development training in

the State.

He said that unemployed youth could find meaning in living and make a sustainable income for living, if they undergo such skill development training. He also said that along with the training, one need to trust in God and develop the living skills to become responsible citizens. He was of the opinion that the unemployment issues of the State could be easily tackled if the various welfare and youth schemes are implemented properly.

He has appreciated the initiative of the Catholic church in introducing and catering to the needs of the unemployed youth in the State. He exhorted the youth to come forward and make use of these opportunities to make life more comfortable and become a true Christian leader.

Rev. Bro. Sunny SDB, project coordinator of the region, has introduced the project activities and programmes, while Rev. Fr. CP Anto, Director of Peace Channel, has welcomed the

gathering and introduced the course provided by the Peace Channel.

While addressing the gathering, Fr. CP Anto said that Peace Channel provides free skill development training for the teachers and office management courses.

Altogether seventy unemployed youth have registered for the three months course. Ms. Aosangla has proposed vote of thanks and the programme ended with the Peace Channel Anthem.

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Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art & Culture inaugurated

DIMAPUR, MAY 17 (MEXN): While inaugurating the new wing of Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art and Culture on May 17, 2012, the chief guest, Louis Humsore, the Vice Principal of Government College Dimapur, expressed his gratitude to Peace Channel for extending their services to equip, empower and develop the skills of the youth especially the drop outs and marginalized of our society. He said that music penetrates all lives. He quoted, "If music is the fruit of love, play on". He gave the examples of great musicians, such as Beethoven, and the Beatles that had



Students presenting a musical piece during the Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art and Culture on May 17. touched his life. Further opportunity and bring positive changes in their lives. Dr. Albert Joseph, Executive

tive Director of FVTS, was Guest of Honour. In his message, he exhorted the youth to change of attitude is the need of the hour. Our youth need to take up any job that brings dignity and that fetches income. He stated that most problems faced are due to the wrong attitude and of indiscipline. He encouraged the present batch by asking them to set a trend for the future. Dr. Albert Joseph said, that he further looks forward to a good partnership with Peace Channel. Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto, the Director of Peace Channel gave the keynote address, where he highlighted the

audience about the ratio of school dropouts, literate and ill-literate in the state and of the country as a whole. The main purpose of this institute is to cater to the needs of the poor and less privileged sections of the society to come who are deprived of such opportunity to learn music. It also aims at protecting and preserving the culture of our people. Mr. Arnold, the coordinator welcomed the gathering. Rev. Fr. Thomas John blessed the institute. The youth had performed cultural dances and special numbers. Rev. Fr. Jaison gave the benediction and concluding prayer.

Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art & Culture Inaugurated



Youths performing during the inauguration of the new wing of Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art and Culture on May 17.

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to make full use of this golden opportunity and bring positive changes in their lives.

Dr. Albert Joseph, Executive Director of FVTRS who was the guest of honour, has exhorted the youth to change of attitude is the need of the hour. Our youth need to take up any job that brings dignity and that fetches income, he said while adding that most problems faced are due to the wrong attitude and of indiscipline. He also encouraged the present batch and asked them to set a trend for the future batch to enhance a good future.

Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto, the Director of Peace Channel in his keynote ad-

dress has highlighted the audience about the ratio of school dropouts, literate and illiterate in the state and of the country on a whole. The main purpose of this institute is to cater to the needs of the poor and less privileged sections of the society to come who are deprived of such opportunity to learn music, he said. It is also aims at protecting and preserving the culture of our people, he added.

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DIMAAPUR: Peace Channel Institute of Music, Art & Culture located at circular road, opposite to Bishop House was inaugurated on May 17 with Louis Hunnisee, vice-principal, government college, Dimapur as the chief guest.

The chief guest expressed his gratitude to Peace Channel for extending their services to equip, empower and develop the skills of the youth, especially the drop outs and marginalized of our society.

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He also gave the examples of great musicians, including Beethoven and the Beatles that had touched his life.

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students to make full use of the opportunity and bring positive changes in their lives.

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He stated most problems faced were due to the wrong attitude and of indiscipline.

Dr. Albert later encouraged the present batch by asking them to set a trend for the future batch to enhance a good future further looked forward to a good partnership with Peace Channel.

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about the ratio of school dropouts, literate and illiterate in the state and of the country as a whole.

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Rev. Fr. Jason did the benediction and concluding prayer.

The institution would offer courses in guitar, keyboard, choreography, drum and violin.

It may be mentioned that the main purpose of the institute is to cater to the needs of the poor and less privileged sections of the society and who are deprived of such opportunity to learn music. It also aimed at protecting and preserving the culture of the people.

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Peace Channel & NEZCC commemorate 150th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore

DIMAPUR, MAY 13

(MEXN): The 150th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore was commemorated on May 12 at the Great Commission Kids Academy in Xaga United Village of Dimapur. The event was organized by an NGO, Peace Channel in collaboration with the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC).

Addressing the gathering, the director of NEZCC Som Kamei, IPS, said that Rabindranath Tagore is still as much relevant. To build peace and harmony one needs to go beyond narrow thinking of tribalism and nationalism, the official said and exhorted the youth to dream big and 'our ideas should be more creative, unique, innovative and appealing to the public.'

Kamei also said Tagore is a model for the youth today. The writer and philosopher proved to the world that one can achieve if he is focused and properly guided. 'He was a scholar, educationist, freedom fighter, writer and painter and above all a humble man. His contributions in literature were immense,' Kamei said.

Director of Peace Channel Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto also addressed the event. He said the goal of the commemoration was to enhance the awareness on the contribution of Rabindranath Tagore and empower the youth to appreciate the poet's literature and culture in peace building and holistic development.

The event also held a literary competition. The winners of the speech competitions were Vebhazeno from St. Paul (first) and Lamhoi from St. Paul (second). James Manthru (third) won the prizes.



The winners of the literary competition with the chief guest at the commemoration programme.



NEZCC Som Kamei, IPS addressing the gathering at the Great Commission Kids Academy in Xaga United Village of Dimapur.

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Literary contest marks Tagore birth anniversary



Winners of the literary competition pose for a group photo with the Director of NEZCC, Som Kamei, and the Director of Peace Channel, Fr. CP Anto.

DIMAPUR, MAY 13 (EMN): To commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC), has organized a literary competition for school on May 12 in the premises of Great Commission Kids Academy, Naga United Village, Dimapur.

To mark the occasion, a literary competition titled 'Prophet for peace- Literary & Cultural Conclave' was conducted for schools in Dimapur district. Various activities including recitation of poem by Tagore, poetry writing on peace, and speech competition on Rabindranath Tagore - as the prophet of peace, was organized. Besides, cultural extravaganza and performance by Peace Band have marked the event.

In the speech competitions, Ms. Veibezeneuo from St. Paul secured first position, while James Manihru from Livingstone Higher Secondary School, and Peterituo Kedissu from Assisi School have won the second and third positions respectively. In the poetry writing competition, Ms. Saring were declared winners, while in the poem recitation Kithikali Zhi-momi of Livingstone, Felicia of St. Clare and Lamhoi from St. Paul were declared winners.

Addressing the gathering, Som Kamei, Director of NEZCC, said the philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore still holds relevant to all of us. In order to build peace and harmony, he said 'we need to go beyond our narrow thinking of tribalism and nationalism etc. He exhorted the youth to dream big and advised that

our ideas should be more creative, unique, innovative and appealing to the public.

He said Gurudev was a model for our youth today, who had proved to things if we are focused and properly guided. He said Rabindranath Tagore was a scholar, educationist, freedom fighter, writer and painter and above all a humble man, adding his contributions to Indian literature was immense.

Rev. Fr. CP Anto, Director of Peace Channel, in his key note address, has elucidated the goal and objectives of the programme, which is to 'Enhance the awareness on the contribution of Rabindranath Tagore and empower the youth to appreciate the role of literature and culture in peace building and holistic development.' He said the programme was organized

with the objectives to popularize the work of Tagore among the younger generation, enhance the love for literature and culture among the youth, to impart comprehensive information on Tagore and his contributions towards literature, culture and peace, to provide a platform for budding youngsters to showcase their talent in literary vocation.

Arthur Edwards, Administrator of Livingstone Higher Secondary School, Ms. Laysse Fartas, student of University of Amsterdam, Holland, Bimal Ojha, Assistant Teacher of Pranab Vidya Path School, Akum, Jorhat, have also spoke on the occasion.

The programme ended with a prayer by Rev. P Dozo, proprietor of the Great Commission Kids Academy.

74 student peace makers inducted into Peace Channel



Newly inducted members of the Peace Channel along with the chief guest and the guest of honour on the occasion.

PEACEPUR, MAY 13 (EMN): 74 students who promised to work for peace in the society during a one day induction programme at Christ King Higher Secondary School, Kothima. Ms. Rosemary Dzu-wich, President NRTA, and Ms. Zhevitholi, Advocate, Human Right Law Network, were the chief guest and the guest of honour respectively.

of the programme. Addressing the young peace ambassadors, the chief guest said that unity and commitment in the society is required for peace. She told the students to work with commitment and remain united to achieve their goal to make our society peaceful.

She maintained that peace can not be achieved

unity and unless women are included in the peace negotiations. She viewed that decision taken by only men in times of peace negotiations doesn't last long. To buttress her claim, she cited the example of Angola where peace did not last long but continued after a short period. She said that girls should be respected and treated in

the same way boys are treated in classroom, adding that by doing this peace could be achieved. She was encouraged to see young children who are taking initiative to work for peace. She also told them not to limit themselves to the school but to reach out to the society at large. Kevileto Yano Richard, Animator, said peace is possible only if we start from

congratulated the students for coming forward voluntarily to work for peace. "Heaven Send," a beautiful song was presented by James and friends. The programme concluded with the peace anthem followed by words of gratitude by Ms. Ketoulenno. The program chaired by Ms. Ivy in charge.

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Peace Channel inducts 72 new members to peace club



Peace club members induction at Holy Family School, Kohima.

DIMAPUR, APRIL 22 (MExN): Peace Channel had the induction of 72 members to the peace club of Holy Family School, Kohima on April 18, 2012 with James Athikho, Proprietor of the school as the chief guest.

The programme started

with the welcome address delivered by Ruvini. Keviltuo Yano Richard, Animator Peace Channel Kohima gave an introduction about the Peace Channel and the need for peace within us. He quoted Gandhi "If we are to teach the real peace in the world,

we have to begin with children". He also encouraged the peace club members to start learning the art of having peace and to share this peace with their friends.

Athikho James, the chief guest said "Peace is what all of us want". He said without

peace there can be no progress and development in the society. He said the United Nations is working hard to diffuse any war between countries through negotiation and thus trying to bring peace. He also gave examples of Noble peace prize winners where he said "God is very pleased with anyone who is a peacemaker. To have peace we must remain active and train ourselves and there are certain conditions to have peace in our society and they are Truth, Justice, Discipline and Tolerance, he said. He wished all the peace club members and bestowed God's blessings to live a good life and to spread peace to others.

Peace pledge for the club members was done by Ashikho, Headmaster followed by vote of thanks from Adaha Rozaria, teacher in charge.

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CKHSS students pledge to work for peace in society



Rosemary Dzuviichü with members of Peace Channel at Christ King Higher Secondary School, Kohima.

DIMAPUR: A one-day induction programme was organized by Peace Channel at Christ King Higher Secondary School, (CKHSS) Kohima with Rosemary Dzuviichü, President NUTA as the chief guest and Zheviholi, advocate, human right lawyer as the guest of honour. Rosemary Dzuviichü in her speech said, "Unity and commitment in the society is required for peace". Rosemary exhorted the students and asked them to work hard with dedication in order to achieve their goal, adding one cannot achieve peace unless women were included in the peace negotiations. Encouraged to see many young children taking initiative to work for peace, she asked them not to limit themselves to the school but to reach out to the society at large. Kevietuo Yano Richard, animator, Kohima said peace would be possible only if one spreads peace to the people around them.

Victor Whome, animator encouraged the students and explained about the meaning of induction. He also told the students that they have a big role to play in the society. He also said, "The scarf and the woggle which is given to all of you represent that you are a peace lover and a peace maker and it should serve as your identity".

Investiture was given to 74 students who promised to work for peace in the society.

Call to include women during peace negotiations

DIMAPUR, MAY 7 (MEXN): A one day induction programme was organised by the Peace Channel at Christ King Higher Secondary School, Kohima. A press note issued by Animator, Kevilleuo Yano Richard said that the programme was held with Rosemary Dzuvichu, President NUTA as chief guest and Zheviholi, Advocate, Human Right Law Network as guest of honour.

Rosemary Dzuvichu, President NUTA said, "Unity and commitment in the society is required for peace." She told the students to work with commitment and to be united to achieve their goal which is to make our society peaceful. She said we cannot

achieve peace until and unless we include women during the peace negotiations. Only men take decision in times of peace negotiations and it doesn't last long where she cited the example of Angola, peace doesn't last long where war continues after some short period. She said "In the class girls should be respected and treated in the same way boys are treated" where by doing this peace can be achieved. She was really encouraged to see lots of young children who are taking initiative to work for peace. She also told them not to limit themselves to the school but to reach out to the society at large.

Kevilleuo Yano Richard, Animator Kohima said,



Students of Christ King Higher Secondary School, Kohima along with Peace Channel members and others during the one day induction programme.

"Peace is possible only if we start from within and that we should spread this peace to the people around us." Victor Yhoni, Animator encouraged the students and

explained to them about the meaning of induction. He also told the students that we have a big role to play in the society. He also said "The scarf and the woggle which is given to all of

you represent that you are a peace lover and a peace maker and it should serve as your identity." Investiture was given to 74 students who promised to work for peace in the

society. The programme concluded with the peace anthem followed by words of gratitude by Ketoulenuo. The programme was chaired by Ivy, teacher in charge.

21/05/12

'Youth need to take responsibility to build peace in Nagaland'

DIMAPUR, MAY 20 (MEXN):

While addressing the commemoration 150th Birth Anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore on May 19, 2012, at Don Bosco Higher Secondary School Wokha Shaying Sheu, EAC of Wokha exhorted the youth to take responsibility to build peace in the present situation. He appreciated the initiative of Peace Channel reaching out to Wokha and creating awareness and giving the youth a big opportunity to take part in such programme. We all love peace but there are very few take the responsibility to build peace. Recalling the contribution of Tagore he said that R.Tagore was a peace activist and promoted peace through his literature. Today in our society we lack peace, as a result students can't study, no development and growth can ever dream off. He also elaborated on the types of peace namely the external and internal peace. This was stated in a press note issued by Peace Channel.

The programme was organized by Peace Channel, in collaboration with the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC), Ministry of Culture, Government of India.



dia. Rev.Fr. C.P. Anto, the Director of Peace Channel in his key note address, quoting Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore's famous poem "Where the Mind is without fear" he said we all need to be free from fear. In order to live in peace and harmony we need to reconcile with each other. Reconciliation leads to peace and peace leads to development, growth and prosperity. We all need to go beyond the narrow walls of tribalism to embrace universal brotherhood. He also explained the goal and

objectives of the programme. The goal of the commemoration was to 'enhance the awareness on the Contribution of Rabindranath Tagore and empower the youth to appreciate the role of literature and culture in Peace Building and Holistic Development'. The main objective was to provide a platform for budding youngsters to showcase their talent in literary vocation and build our future leaders of our society.

The note also mentioned that Yanpoihung Izung, Research

prize was awarded to Erenbeni of A.G. High School, Second to Bideo of Mt Carmel School and the third prize was conferred to Mhonbeni L.M. School Wokha respectively. Then writing Poem on 'Peace' the first prize was won by Mhahemo Tlotha from LMS, the second prize was given to Noyingbeni Shirit of SMB and the third prize was won by Bichamo Kikon D.B.H.S.S. Then the speech Competition on 'Rabindranath Tagore - as the Prophet of Peace', the first prize was won by Senchumbeni from Mt Carmel, Second prize was given to Khailida Begum of C.M.H.S and the third prize was conferred to Jennifer of A.G. School Wokha.

Rev.Fr. Anto Tharakan SDB did the invocation, Wobenthung Lawrence Project Manager of Peace Channel welcomed the gathering, and Thungdemo was the Master of Ceremony, Cynthia Lotha Wokha district animator of the movement proposed vote of Thanks. The Cultural Extravaganza, Peace Band Performance and Peace Rally added colour to the event. Over 1000 youth and students from ten schools and organizations participated in the event.

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'Gurudev a model for today's youth'

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel, in collaboration with North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC), Ministry of Culture, Government of India commemorated 150th birth anniversary of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore on May 12, at Great Commission Kids Academy, Naga United Village Dimapur.

While addressing, the gathering, Som Kamei I.P.S., Director (NEZCC) said Gurudev was a model for today's youth as he had proved to the world that one can achieve many things in life provided one is "focused and properly guided".

Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore was still very much relevant to all of us, said Kamei, and in order to build peace and harmony, one has to go beyond the narrow thinking of tribalism and nationalism etc.

He exhorted the youth to dream big, adding "Our ideas should be more creative, unique, innovative and appealing to the public".

"He was a scholar, educationist, freedom fighter, writer and painter and above all a humble man. His contributions to Indian Literature were immense", he added.

Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto, Director of Peace Channel, in his key note address elucidated the goal and objectives of the programme.

He said, "The goal of



Som Kamei (second from left) with the winners of various competitions held during Tagore's 150th birth anniversary on May 12.

the commemoration was to 'Enhance the awareness on the Contribution of Rabindranath Tagore and empower the youth to appreciate the role of literature and culture in Peace Building and Holistic Development'. And the objectives were to Popularize the work of Tagore among the younger generation, enhance the love for literature and culture among the youth, to impart comprehensive information on Tagore and his contributions towards literature, culture and peace, to provide a platform for budding youngsters to showcase their talent in literary vocation".

Based on these objectives, 'Prophet for Peace-Lit-

erary & Cultural Conclave' had various activities like literary competition on recitation of poem by Tagore, writing poem on 'peace' and speech competition on 'Rabindranath Tagore - as the Prophet of Peace'.

Cultural extravaganza and Peace Band performance added colour to the event. The winners of speech competition were Veibezeneuo from St. Paul, secured first position, James Manihru from Livingstone Hr. Sec. School won second and Petevituo Kreditsu from Assisi School bagged third position.

Lithungbeni, from Godwin Hr. Sec. School, Sulivi S. Kala of Hornbill School and Sairing from St. Paul

Hr. Sec. School secured first, second and third positions in poem writing competitions respectively.

In poem recitation, Kihikali Zhimomi of Livingstone, Felicia of St. Clare and Lamhoi from St. Paul won the first, second and third prizes respectively.

The other speakers were, Arthur Edwards, Administrator, Livingstone Hr. Sec. School, Layse Farias, Student of University of Amsterdam, Holland, Bimal Ojha Asst. teacher Pranab Vidyapith School, Akum Locality Peace leader, Anamia Paul, St. Paul Hr. Sec. School.

The day's programme ended with a prayer by Rev. P. Dozo, proprietor of Great Commission Kids Academy.

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Enabling, preparing youth for employment

DIMAPUR: Speaking as chief guest at the graduation day of DB tech trainees, Peace Channel Institute of skill development and training on July 14, Rev. Fr. Chacko K, Parish priest, Dimapur said it was "unemployability" of the youth that has to be addressed rather than unemployment itself.

Rev. Fr. Chacko K while appreciating Peace Channel in capacitating and training unemployed youth said the three month crash training has enabled and prepared the youth to be employable.

Dr. Toshinara Longchar, guest of honor, stressed on the dignity of labour. "The issue of unemployment can be solved when our youth are prepared and motivated to take up any job available", she said.

Presenting the socio political and economic situations of Nagaland, she said the youth needed to be trained in many skills and many more such institutions needed to be evolved and supported to compact unemployment in the society.

Andrew, regional coordinator enlightened the gathering with the placement options and future plans while Kishor Dass PRO, spoke on activities of Peace Channel.

Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto director Peace Channel, in his message exhorted the richness of youth in Nagaland and 'hope employment' of youth in service sector. He also said all 65 unemployed youth who had undergone training were placed and others will be placed shortly at various institutions.

He also informed that the next batch for trainee's admission was open and the training was free of cost.

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Peace Channel organises leaders trg



Students posed for lens during a training programme to empower the youth on non violent communication at Peace Channel conference Hall, Dimapur.

DIMAPUR, JUL. 3 (EMN): Peace Channel, an emerging Youth Peace Movement, organized one day student leaders training programme to empower the youth on non violent communication at Peace

Channel conference hall, Dimapur. Mr. Wobenthung Patton, the project manager was the speaker of the day's program. Mr. Patton while addressing the Peace Club leaders gave a brief introduction on com-

munication and how communicating in a Violent manner can lead to heated discussion and unpleasant situations. Therefore one should be very cautious while speaking in a conflict situation because the

way one communicates can make the matter worse or reduce it. He also emphasized on the different ways of communication and urged to use these weapons constructively in promoting Peace. He also said

that judgmental attitude is something which cannot be eradicated completely, yet one should try to make an effort to lessen it as it brings differences, negative thinking and hamper the goodness of others.

The peace club members of St. Paul Hr. Sec. School, Dimapur enthralled the participants with a melodious song entitled 'Land of Peace'. Mr. Arnold Xavier Coordinator for Music Institute presented the concepts, activities and objectivities of Peace Channel. The participants were divided into two groups where the practical session for Peace Celebration was conducted. The program concluded with the action plan and evaluation followed with the Peace Anthem. Altogether 36 Participants from 11 schools comprising participated in the programme.

MORUNG EXPRESS

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'Festivals and celebration is for peace'

TUENSANG, JULY 30 (DIPR): Chang celebrated tribal festival cum youth expo cum Naknyulum 2012 on July 30 at parade ground Tuensang head-quarter with Minister for Roads & Bridges G. Kaito Aye as the chief guest and Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development and REPA, S. Pangnyu Phom as the guest of honour.

Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said, let the celebration be observed in a positive side and added that festivals and celebration is for peace and harmony and not for war. He therefore appealed to the people to work together in order to bring peace in the land and further said, let us all join hands together to rebuild our land with all our strength. He also urged the people

to jointly venture the festival and celebrate together, assure together, harbour together with peace for the cause of Naga. He said that the government has its main interest to uplift the youth talent therefore the theme of Road Show has been changed to Youth Expo cum Tribal Festival where the youth can showcase their talents. He wished all the people a happy Naknyulum.

Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development & REPA, S. Pangnyu Phom as the guest of honour talked about peace and said that without peace no development will progress in the land and called upon the people to work hand in hand to bring progress in the society. Parliamentary Secretary for IPR, Economics & Statistics, R. Tohanba

who also spoke on the occasion called upon the youth to regenerate the traditional practices of rituals etc. He also said that observing the festival should be on positive perspective of our future and wished a happy and prosperous future to the celebration.

Earlier, Executive Secretary CBLT Ongmang invoked God's blessing while welcome address was delivered by President Chang Khulei Setshang, N. Kaimang and significance of Naknyulum was delivered by Press & Information Secretary Chang Khulei Setshang, Akhum. Special numbers were presented by Genesis, solo by A. Chuba and vote of thanks was proposed by Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang, T. Mhabemo Yanthan.

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Catholic Church 'day of prayer' for Peace on Aug 12

DIMAPUR, JUL 29 (NPN): Taking note of people's longing for "co-existence and peace", the Catholic Church has declared August 12 as a day of prayer for "peace and reconciliation" in Nagaland. In a statement, Diocese of Kohima spokesperson Fr. Sojan Xavier said that on August 12 all the Catholics in Nagaland would come together in their own local churches to spend the day in praying for peace. Stating that the day also would be marked with peace rallies and seminars in different parishes and Catholic schools, the statement added that Diocese of Kohima has made available in different local dialects the peace prayer of St. Francis of Assisi. Fr. Sojan Xavier said that Most Rev. Dr. James Thoppil, Bishop of Kohima has also exhorted all the Catholics and 70 thousand children and staff in all the Catholic schools to pray for peace in communities, schools, worship places and religious houses so that Nagaland may experience reconciliation and peace. Stating that since past many years, different churches, organisations and people from all walks of life have been assiduously working to find lasting peace in the state, Fr. Sojan Xavier said that the Catholic Church has always championed the cause of peace and reconciliation all over the world.

04/08/12

Unresolved conflicts lead to violence



Peace Club members during the workshop on Conflict Management organized by Peace Channel at Kiphire.

DIMAPUR, AUGUST 3 (MEXN): Peace channel an emerging Youth Peace Movement conducted two days workshop on Conflict Management for the Peace Club members at Loyola Hr. Sec. School, Kiphire in the month of July.

A press release issued by Peace Channel Desk stated that Project Coordinator Wobenthung J Patton, the resource person said that conflicts are bound to occur in life, yet have methods to manage it. Everyone has the ability to solve one's problems and hence should adopt

the same attitude when any conflict arises. Adding to that, he cautioned the participants that if a conflict is not managed and resolved at the very initial stage, it would lead to violence in the form of communal riots, killing and develop hatred feelings towards one another. He concluded by urging the peace club members to be a role model in the society, as he believe that the youth generation has enough potential in transformation our present culture of violence into a culture of peace tomorrow.

During the sessions, various burning issues prevailing in our society were telecasted; discussed and sought a common means to find strategic approach or address towards the existing problems.

The participants actively participated by involving in all the activities, group discussion, forwarding queries, clarifying doubts and emerging out with innovative ideas and suggestions. At the end of workshop, peace celebration was done with an evaluation/feedback and action plan. Around 59 members turned out for the workshop.

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"Unemployability of our youth has to be tackled"

DIMAPUR, JULY 15 (MExN): Peace Channel Institute of Skill Development and Training observed its Graduation Day on July 14, 2012. This was informed in a press note issued by Peace Channel Desk.

While addressing the graduation day of DB tech trainees of Peace Channel Institute of skill Development and Training, the chief guest, Rev.Fr. Chacko K. the Parish priest, Dimapur said that it is the unemployability of our youth which has to be addressed rather than the unemployment itself. Having assessed the present scenario of youth and their abject condition of the unemployment, he appreciated the noble initiative of the Peace Channel in capacitating and training the unemployed youth to be competent teachers, modern office managers and to serve in the Hospitality sectors. The three months crash training has enabled and prepared our youth to be employable, he said.

As he was addressing the parents and the trainees of Peace Channel, he also appreciated the parents for sending their daughters and sons to grab this golden opportunity to get trained and to be employed soon after the training. He also congratulated the trainees for completing the course successfully and getting placement for job.

Dr.Toshinara Longchar, the guest of honor of the programme also appreciated the initiative of the organization and said was very happy to be part of the joyous moment. She stressed on the dignity of labour. "The issue of unemployment can be solved when our youth are prepared and motivated to take up any job available," she opined. She also shared her life experience while doing her doctoral studies in Ireland, as a part time employee one of the institutions over there. As she was presenting the socio political and economic situations of Nagaland, she said that our youth need to

be trained in many skills and many more such institutions need to be evolved and supported to compact unemployment in our society.

Rev.Fr. C.P.Anto Director Peace Channel, in his message exhorted the richness of our youth in Nagaland and the hope employment of our youth in service sector. He also said that all the 65 unemployed youth who had undergone the training most of them are placed and others will be placed shortly in to various institutions. While addressing he said that we need to dream and the dream needs to be supported by our well wishers. If we have only dream and it's not supported we can reach nowhere in future. NGO's and the Government could work hand in hand, the serious issue of unemployment can be easily handled and can make our Nagaland much more a better place to live in. He also said that the next batch for trainee's admission is open and the training is completely free of cost.

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04/07/12

Peace Channel empowering youth

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel organized one-day student leaders training programme to empower youth on non-violent communication at Peace Channel conference hall, Dimapur. Wobenthung Patton, the project manager was the speaker of the program. Patton while addressing the Peace Club leaders said one should be cautious while speaking in a conflict situation because the way one communicated can make the matter worse or reduce it. He also emphasized on the different ways of communication and urged them to use these weapons constructively in promoting Peace. The peace club members of St. Paul Hr. Sec. School, Dimapur enthralled the participants with a melodious song. Arnold Xavier Coordinator for Music Institute presented the concepts, activities and objectives of Peace Channel. Altogether 36 participants from 11 schools participated in the programme.

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Peace Channel empower youth on nonviolent communication



Participating students of the student leaders training programme on nonviolent communication organized by Peace Channel.

DIMAPUR, JULY 3 (MEXN): Peace Channel, an emerging Youth Peace Movement organized one day student leaders training programme to empower the youth on nonviolent communication at Peace Channel conference hall, Dimapur.

A press note issued by the Peace Channel Desk stated that Wobentling Patton, the project manager was the speaker of the day's program. Patton while addressing the Peace Club leaders gave a brief introduction on communication, and how communicating in a 'violent manner' can lead to heated discussion and unpleasant situations. "Therefore, one should be very cautious while speaking in a conflict situation because the way one communicates can make the matter worse or reduce it," he stated. He also emphasized on the different ways of communication and urged to use these weapons constructively in promoting Peace. He also said that judgemental attitude is something which cannot be eradicated completely, yet one should try to make an effort to lessen it as it brings differences, negative thinking and hampers the goodness of others. The note also mentioned

that peace club members of St. Paul Higher Secondary School, Dimapur enthralled the participants with a melodious song entitled 'Land of Peace'. Arnold Xavier, Coordinator for Music Institute presented the concepts, activities and objectives of Peace Channel. The participants were divided into two groups where the practical session for Peace Celebration was conducted. The program concluded with the action plan and evaluation followed with the Peace Anthem. Altogether, 36 Participants from 11 schools comprising participated in the programme.

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Children speak for their rights



Peace Channel members and resource person posing for a group photo during the two day workshop on National Policy for Children 1974.

DIMAPUR, AUG 10 (ISMN). As the Ministry of Women and Child Development takes up issue in framing the revised policy for children, Peace Channel has organised a two day discussion and workshop on the National Policy for Children 1974 which concluded on August 9.

A team of 26 members consisting of Peace Channel animators from various districts of Nagaland, school and college students of different institutions in Dimapur have studied and discussed the new draft of the NPC 2012. The two day workshop concluded on August 9 with the students interactive sessions, group discussion etc.

The programme was planned on the basis of the invitation for comments on the draft of the NPC by the government and the (MCR).

Rev. Fr. CP Anto, Director of Peace Channel, has highlighted main points of the new draft. He has appreciated the new draft which according to him was comprehensive adding that the new NPC 2012 begins with a beautiful preamble. He also stressed on the Article 3.7 (vi) on education wherein it speaks to create child friendly process of teaching and learning pedagogy. In this context, the Director of Peace Channel said that unfortunately, our children in Nagaland does not study the history of our state and region but are well versed in the history of America or Europe.

He stressed on the issue of inclusion of regional history and the uniqueness of oral tradition of the respective region in the new national policy for children 2012.

He also emphasized on the Article 3.7 (xiii) promoting all round good health, hygiene and sanitation practices through schools. He said most schools in Nagaland have good infrastructure, while some schools don't have the basic requirements of toilet for both girls and boys and drinking water facilities. He felt that the new National Policy for Children should be more proactive towards the needs of the poor and marginalized.

He further said NPC also should ensure uplift of the minority and tribals. He said the policy should uphold and ensure inclusive national spirit to benefit all the children in India, irrespective of region and culture. The participants also shared concerns regarding the proper implementation of the National Child Right Policy in the region.

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Children speak for their rights

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel organized a discussion and workshop on National Policy on Children in India has taken up the framing of the revised policy for children and the team of 26 members consisting of Peace Channel animators from various districts of Nagaland, school and college students of different institutions in Dimapur, studied and discussed the new draft of the NPC 2012. The two day-workshop was concluded with students interactive sessions, group discussion etc., on August 9. The programme was planned on the basis of invitation for comments on draft of NPC by government and (JACR), Rev. Fr. C. P. Anto the Director of Peace Channel highlighted main points of the new draft. He appreciated the new draft which was a comprehensive and the new NPC 2012 begins with a beautiful preamble. He also stressed on the Article 3.7 (VI) on education it speaks of create child friendly process of teaching and learning pedagogy, in this context the director Peace Channel said that unfortunately, our children in Nagaland does not study the history of our state and region but they are well aware in the history of America or Europe. He then emphasized on Article 3.7 (XIII) promoting all round good health, hygiene and sanitation practices through schools.

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Violence hampers growth, freedom: PCD

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel Dimapur (PCD) organized a programme for peace club members on the theme "Give Peace a chance" at St. Xavier's higher secondary school, Meluri, in July.

Wobenthung J. Patton, project coordinator, PCD, while speaking on the session, said peace was the need of the hour.

Taking stock of the present scenario, he stressed that violence hampers one's growth and freedom, hence peace should be maintained and preserve as it was the only path towards development, progress and prosperity. He further pointed out that students were the most powerful body there-

fore they have more responsibility towards the corrupted society and could bring back the lost values and ethics. He concluded by stating that peace should start at home and asked them to contribute towards the peace building of the society with their little effort citing the example "little drops of water makes a mighty ocean."

The programme concluded with evaluation and action plans, where each of the participants were asked to write down their suggestions and observations. As per their views, they said that over all, the quality of the programme was great and enriching. Around 40 students participated in the programme.

Peace Channel calls for curbing culture of corrupt practices



Members of Peace Channel with students of Queen Mary Higher Secondary School, Mokochung.

During the session, he called upon all the intellectuals, students, youth, group activity in the form of reasoning, discussion and debate were carried out where queries, clarification, doubts and questions were raised and answers sought accordingly. Altogether, 20 participants from four institutions in and around Mokochung district participated.

DIMPUR: Peace Channel, (PC) conducted one-day orientation training programme for both the Peace Club leaders and teachers in-charge in the educational institutions of Mokochung district at Queen Mary Higher Secondary School in the month of July.

Project manager, Wobentunung J. Patton, the resource person who lauded and appreciated the active role displayed by both the Peace Club members particularly leaders and teachers in-charge towards promoting peace and initiating cleanliness drive.

Stressing that time has changed and that one needed to move ahead in accordance with it, Patton said the prime responsibility was in the hands of the present youth to transform the culture of violence, corruption and practice of all types of anti-social elements into a culture of peace loving where development and growth, progress and prosperity could be witnessed and felt.

Adding value to his ses-

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Peace Channel organises orientation programme

DIMAPUR, AUG 27 (EMN): Peace Channel, an emerging Youth Movement, conducted a day orientation training programme for both the Peace Club Leaders and Teachers Incharge in the educational institutions of Mokokchung District at Queen Mary Hr. Sec. School on July, 2012.

Project Manager Mr. Wobenthung J Patton was the resource person for the said programme. Mr. Patton began the session by applauding and appreciating the active role being displayed by both the peace club members particularly the Leaders and Teachers Incharge towards promoting peace and initiating cleanliness drive.

He stressed that time has changed and needs to move ahead in accordance with it; the prime responsibility lies in the hands of the present Youth to transform the culture of violence, corruption and practice of all types of anti-social elements into a culture of peace loving where development and growth, progress and prosperity can be witnessed and felt.

Adding value to his



Members of Peace Channel alongwith teachers in-charge of Queen Mary Hr. Sec. School pose for group photograph.

session, he called upon all the intellectuals, students, youth, elders, responsible citizens and organizations to work with sincere utmost and brings about a change in our system, so

that, every Naga citizen has a right to live and grow peacefully without facing any destruction, bloodshed and corruption.

During the session, group activity in the form

of reasoning, discussion and debate was carried out. Lots of Queries, clarification, doubts and questions were raised and answers were sought accordingly.

Altogether, 20 participants from four institutions in and around Mokokchung District participated. The programme concluded with peace celebration, action plan and evaluation.

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'Imbibe qualities that would promote peace'



The resource person along with the participants and members of Peace Channel during the orientation programme.

DIMAPUR, AUG 29 (EMN): Peace Channel Dimapur conducted one-day Orientation Training Programme for Peace Club members particularly for the leaders and teachers in Peren District. The programme was held at All Saints Higher Secondary School, Peren.

As the resource person, Wobentung J Patton briefed about the history of the movement and its activities. He then stressed on the roles of a leader and teacher in educational in-

stitutions. In his address, he said that a leader is a servant who should serve and lead the group fulfilling their aspirations and building trust over the group. He further emphasized that our present youth generation should adopt qualities that are good and benefiting to our society because our future lies in them.

He at the same time cautioned the participants not to learn the negative aspects from the elders, as it only

brings division and inequality instead, should learn and imbibe good qualities that would bring prosperity and create peaceful environment to our society.

The participants took part actively by raising questions and clarifications besides, group activity like discussion and presentation, fact findings and figures were demonstrated. Altogether, 90 participants took part in the said programme.

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'Curb the culture of corrupt practices'

MOKOKCHUNG, AUGUST 27 (MEXN): Peace Channel conducted a day orientation training programme for both the Peace Club leaders and teachers in charge in the educational institutions of Mokokchung District at Queen Mary Hr. Sec. School in the month of July.

Project Manager, Wobenthung J Patton was the resource person. Patton stressed that time has changed and needs to move ahead in accordance with it; the prime responsibility lies in the hands of the



Peace Club leaders and teachers in charge along with resource person and others during the orientation training programme at Queen Mary Hr. Sec. School.

present Youth to transform the culture of violence, corruption and practice of all types of anti-social elements into a culture of peace loving where development and growth, progress and prosperity can be witnessed and felt. Adding value to his session, he called upon all the intellectuals, students, youth, elders, responsible citizens and organizations to work with sincere utmost and brings about a change in our system, so that, every Naga citizen has a right to live and grow peacefully without facing any destruction, bloodshed and corruption.

During the session, group activity in the form of reasoning, discussion and debate was carried out. Lots of queries, clarification, doubts and questions were raised and answers were sought accordingly. Altogether, 20 participants from four institutions in and around Mokokchung District participated. The programme concluded with peace celebration, action plan and evaluation. This was stated in a press release issued by Peace Channel Desk

Peace is the need of the hour: Peace Channel

Peace Channel celebrates interdenominational Friendship Day



(Left) Resource person and Peace members posing for a group photograph during the programme 'Give peace a chance' at St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Meluri, in the month of July. (Right) Youth members during the inter-denominational Friendship Day celebration at Dimapur on August 5.

DIMAPUR, AUG 5 (EMN): Maintaining that violence hampers growth and freedom, Peace Channel, an emerging Youth Peace Movement, has advocated peace as a means towards development, progress and prosperity saying 'peace is the need of the hour.'

The call for peace in the society was conveyed during a programme for Peace Club members which was organized on the theme 'Give peace a chance' at St. Xavier's Higher Secondary School, Meluri, in the month of July. The programme was organized by Peace Channel Dimapur.

Highlighting on the present scenario which is marked with violent activities, Wobenthung J Patton, Project Coordinator, said 'peace is the need of the

hour. Stressing that violence hampers our growth and freedom, he said peace should be maintained and preserved as it is the only path towards development, progress and prosperity.

Stating that students are the most powerful union body, he said they have more responsibility towards our corrupted society to bring back the lost values and ethics.

He concluded by stating that peace should start at home and further asked them to contribute towards the peace building of our society with their little effort citing the example 'little drops of water make a mighty ocean'.

The programme concluded with evaluation and action plans. Each participant was asked to

write down suggestions and observation. As per their views, the programme was enriching, who also expressed views that as true channel of peace, they should be at peace with one self and with people around. Altogether 40 students have participated for the said programme.

In a separate programme, Peace Channel, in collaboration with Holy Cross Catholic Youth Association and other denominational churches in Dimapur, has observed the International Day of Friendship at Holy Cross church Dimapur on August 5.

While addressing the gathering as a chief guest and Director of Peace Channel, Rev. Fr. CP Anto, has quoted John 15:10-16 emphasising that Jesus is

the best and true friend who laid His life for all His friends. He said friendship with out Jesus is like a beautiful mobile set without a proper Sim.

Stating that the Lord is expressed in true love, forgiveness, understanding, kindness, care etc., he said all the good qualities of a true friend is found in our Best friend Jesus. He also appreciated the noble imitative of the Baptist Church in Nagaland especially on 'True Love Waits'.

The youth of today need to be more focused and lead a purpose driven life, following the model of Christ, Rev. Fr. Anto said.

He also appreciated the initiative of young friends who came from other denominations to commemorate the day, saying it is

truly a sign of friendship and living together in unity and harmony.

He also highlighted the strength, weaknesses and opportunities of our youth in Nagaland. "Any relationship can be made sustainable and consistent if there is constant prayer, initiative to understand the other, proper communication, ready to forgive and reconcile with each other," he said.

The programme began with a praise and worship led by Wilfred and invocation prayer by James, while youth of other denominations presented a special number. Paul proposed vote of thanks. He has particularly thanked the parish priest, Fr. Chacko K. Albert and the youth coordinator Clinton.

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PCD youth urges to promote peace

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel Dimapur (PCD) conducted one day orientation training programme for Peace Club members particularly for leaders and teachers coordinator in Peren district at All Saints Higher Secondary School, Peren in the month of August. Project Manager, Wobenthung J. Patton, as resource person briefed the history of movement and its activities.

He then stressed more on the role of a leader and teacher in the educational institutions. In his message, he said that leaders were servants who should serve and lead the group fulfilling their aspirations and building trust over the group. He also emphasized that the present generation should adopt qualities that were good and benefiting to the society because the future depended on them.

He cautioned the participants not to learn the negative aspects from elders, as it only brings division and inequality, but instead learn and imbibe good qualities that would bring prosperity and create peaceful environment to our society. Altogether 90 participants took part in the programme.

MORONG EXPRESS

30/08/12

'Imbibe qualities that would promote peace environment'



Peace club members during the one day orientation training programme at All Saints Hr. Sec. School, Peren.

DIMAPUR, AUGUST 29 (MEXN): Peace Channel Dimapur conducted one day orientation training programme for peace club members particularly for the leaders and teachers coordinator in Peren District at All Saints Hr. Sec. School, Peren in the month of August 2012.

Peace Channel Desk in a press release stated that Project Manager, Wobenthung J. Patton, the resource person briefed about history of the movement and its activities. He stressed on the roles of a leader and teacher in the educational institutions, and said that leader is a servant who should serve and lead the group fulfilling their aspirations and building trust over the group. He emphasized that our present youth gen-

eration should adopt qualities that are good and benefiting to our society because our future lies in them. He cautioned the participants not to learn the negative aspects from the elders, as it only brings division and inequality instead, should learn and imbibe good qualities that would bring prosperity and create peaceful environment to our society.

The participants took part actively by raising questions and clarifications besides, group activity like discussion and presentation, fact findings and figures were demonstrated. Altogether 90 (ninety) participants turned up for the said programme. Peace Celebration with evaluation and action plan was done thus concluded the programme.

Youth called to transform violence free society



Resource person along with Peace members during the workshop at Loyola Higher Secondary School in Kiphire.

DIMAPUR, AUG 4 (EMN): Maintaining that youth have the potential to transform the present culture of violence into culture of peace, Peace Channel has called upon its members to a role model in the society.

The call on youth for social transformation was made during a two day workshop on conflict management organized by the Peace Channel, an emerging Youth Peace Movement, at Loyola Higher Secondary School, Kiphire, in the month of July. During the sessions, various burning issues prevailing in the society were discussed and sought a common means to find strategic approach or address towards

the existing problems.

Project Coordinator, Wobenthung J. Patton, resource person, has enlightened the participants with his experience and knowledge. He said that conflicts are bound to occur in life, yet have methods to manage it.

He said everyone has the ability to solve one's problems and hence should adopt the same attitude when any conflict arises. He cautioned the participants that if a conflict is not managed and resolved at the very initial stage, it would lead to violence in the form of communal riots, killing and develop hatred feelings towards one another.

He concluded his remark by urging the peace club members to be a role model in the society, as he believed that the youth have enough potential in transformation the present culture of violence into a culture of peace for tomorrow.

The participants have actively participated by involving in all the activities, group discussion, forwarding queries, clarifying doubts and emerging out with innovative ideas and suggestions.

At the end of workshop, peace celebration was done with an evaluation/feedback and action plan. Around fifty Peace members have attended the workshop.

EASTERN MIRROR

14/9/12

PC to celebrate NE peace festival

DIMAPUR, SEPT 14 (EMN): Peace Channel has announced to organise the fifth annual 'North East Youth Peace & cultural Festival' (NEYPCF) from September 21-23 at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Campus, Dimapur, on the theme "Sustainable peace for a sustainable future."

The North Eastern Youth Cultural & Peace Festival

is an annual gathering of the Peace Club members, associates, representatives of various organizations, peace activists and thinkers from across the North East and invitees from across the country and the world.

The three day event would enable integration through inter-cultural interaction and sharing, facilitate learning through input

sessions, panel discussions and discourses from leading personalities, provide entertainment through exposition of cultural dances, songs and art forms, and above all inculcate Peace in the mind and hearts of the participants through the thematic stream - "Sustainable peace for a sustainable future."

The delegates are expected to reach the venue

latest by 1 p.m. on September 21.

Miss. Razia Ismail Ab-basi, Co-Convenor of the India Alliance for Child Rights, New Delhi, has consented to be the chief guest at the inaugural function of the "North East Youth Peace & Cultural Festival" at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, at 2:30 p.m. on September 21.

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Over 2000 students rally for peace in Dmu

Staff Reporter

DIMAPUR, SEP 12 (NPN):

Set against the backdrop of recent incidents in and around Dimapur City, around 2500 school children in Dimapur took out a 'peace procession' through the streets. Holding banners and placards some of which "Land of festivals is being turned into land of violence," "If Nagaland is for Christ, where is peace?" and "Dimapur want peace, Nagaland want peace", the students including DNSU and Naga Council members also joined in the procession. The procession went past Clock Tower Junction-Anwar Hussain road-Plaza point and re-converged back at Holy Cross School complex.

Earlier, before the procession began at the Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, a function was organized by Peace Channel.

In their speeches addressed to the gathering of mostly students and representa-



Students from various schools in Dimapur holding banners and placards at the peace rally. (NP)

tives of DNSU, Naga Council and Peace Channel, the Naga Council president Savi Liegise and DNSU president Mhachio Lotha called upon the citizens of Dimapur to collectively work towards peace among all sections of society, which they added, was also a crying need everywhere.

Seizing the opportunity, Mhachio also appealed to all the students to be disciplined as its office would be conducting surprise checking in towns during class hours.

After the function, the procession was flagged off by the Naga Council president.

Peace Channel in collaboration with NCD, DNSU, Young's Club Dimapur, tribal students union and other youth organizations at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, organized the programme, in order to assess the present tense situation of Dimapur, that disturbed the people including children and society at large.

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Niketlu Iralu receives Peace Award 2012

'Nagaland is a land of slogans, not just of festivals'



Governor of Nagaland Nikhil Kumar presenting the Peace Award 2012 to Niketu Iralu during the valedictory function of North East Youth Peace & Cultural Festival 2012 at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Hall in Dimapur on September 23.

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 23 (MEXN): Niketu Iralu has been awarded the Peace Award 2012 by Peace Channel at the valedictory function of North East Youth Peace & Cultural Festival 2012 at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Hall in Dimapur on September 23. Governor of Nagaland Nikhil Kumar, who attended the programme as the chief guest presented the award to Iralu.

The humble social worker said he did not receive the award because of his achievements but because of his belief and commitment working towards peace. He said peace, unity and cooperation can be achieved if people are willing to pay the price of change in their lives. People conduct events to promote peace like - semi-

nars or festivals or shouting for peace but in the end a price has to be paid by every individual to achieve it.

Also, interestingly Iralu said: "Nagaland is a land of slogans, not just of festivals. Nothing is wrong with our slogans but something is seriously wrong in our thinking and living and in our relationships to one another so our society is in serious condition of disorder."

He urged everyone to

work in their own little way to attain peace in the society. On which he cited G.K. Chesterton: "Right is Right even if nobody does it. Wrong is wrong even if everybody is wrong about it." To the youngsters, he advised them to take steps from the most initial level, such as advocating against cheating in exams. "Cheating in exam is wrong even if so many are doing it in Nagaland," he said.

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On applying for scholarships, the social worker pointed out that many Naga students apply for ST scholarship even if they are not entitled to and after receiving the money, many misuse it on drinks, parties, picnics etc. Also, after graduation, every youngster should make a commitment that he or she will not indulge in any illegal practices to get a job or in the expense of others.

Taking such small steps would bring a difference in the society. And if one must take the task of building peace in our society, one must understand the saying in the Geeta: "Do your duty and leave the rest in God's hand." Governor of Nagaland Nikhil Kumar said that peace is one of the most important Christian values and needs to be pursued diligently.

He said that peace does not come from anywhere but every

individual needs to bring it out from within then only there will be peace in the society.

On the present situation in Nagaland, the Governor was very concerned about it. He said the reconciliation process should be supported by all. "Only when reconciliation comes we will be in a position to say, yes we have peace. That is my prayer to Almighty."

Advising the youngsters, he said they are the future and society's wellbeing depends on them but they must realize that Nagaland is not a very developed State so they need to work towards it. And to develop the state, people should be ready to exploit the natural resources available or talents.

Although, it is almost 50 years that Nagaland had gained statehood, the state is still dependent. If the natural resources are exploited, it will be a suc-

cess story of Nagaland. "I want each of you youngsters to be a part of the success story," he added. Taking the example of India, he said India's economy started to grow only after it opened its door to foreign investments so Nagaland should also do the same.

MLA Hewoto Awomi, who graced the occasion as guest of honour lauded the Peace Channel for its efforts. He said Peace Channel should be supported by all and urged the organization to be a dynamic group in bringing a difference to the society.

On problems faced by Nagas, he said: "...the root cause in our society is distrust, apprehensive mind, self centeredness."

Also, he said Peace Channel should not be a passive mouth piece but should intervene and work in the society for peace. "I want Peace Channel to spread its wings of vividness..."

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Peace Channel commemorates Intl Day of Peace



Peace Channel members from Mokochung, presenting a traditional Ao dance during the inaugural session of the North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival in Dimapur on Friday.

A Staff Reporter | EMN

DIMAPUR, SEP 21: In commemoration of the International Day of Peace, the Peace Channel of Nagaland has organized a 'North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival' here at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur. The inaugural of the three-day affair today also marked the 7th Foundation Day of Peace Channel.

President of the Catholic Association of Nagaland, Nosazol Charles was the chief guest of the inaugural session while president of the Naga Council Dimapur Savi Liegise was the guest of honor.

Addressing the gathering, Nosazol Charles said that we feel the acute absence of peace today because, more often than not, we tend to 'forget and forgive.' Remarking that the North East region of the country in particular has been plagued with 'border and territorial disputes, extortion, insurgency and kidnapping', he said that 'everybody is suffering from uncertainty and lack of peace.'

The government of India's apathy towards the NE people along with the ugly heads of religious fundamentalism wreaking havoc

their sphere of influence. Against such context, he said that peace of mind would come only through 'tolerance and contentment.'

Guest of honor, Savi Liegise supplemented Charles' view that peace could be achieved only when 'we forgive and make peace with our enemy.' The ancient adage of 'If you peace be ready for war' is no longer applicable in today's context, he said.

"Peace is now a two-way traffic. It is about give-and-take. And it can be achieved only through negotiation and discussion not war or violence," said Savi.

In the context of the cosmopolitan nature of Dimapur's population, Savi said that 'peace cannot be promoted without entertaining the interest of each other.'

Savi also attributed the absence of peace to family

values gone wrong. "The once closely guarded tradition of hospitality and respect is slowly dying today. We need to re-cultivate it and it should start from the home," he said. The most important unit to promote peace is at home, he added.

Assistant Commissioner of Dimapur, Mohammed Ali Shihab, IAS, in his keynote address told the students to be committed in their pursuit of dreams. He cautioned them that without commitment, competency alone will not see them through.

The Assistant Commissioner, who had to spend ten years in an orphanage, cited anecdotes from his life to impress upon the importance of commitment in life. "Dream as big as possible. But be committed to it and don't blame the system. Plan your own strategies," he counseled.

Further noting that unlike yesteryears, when there lack of both opportunities and knowledge, there is an 'excess of knowledge' as well as opportunities, Shihab advised the students to apply common sense and choose wisely.

NEI-National Peace Prayer Centre



Celebration of International Day of Peace and Peace Pole in progress at National Peace Prayer Centre.

23/9/12

Youth encouraged to practice and instill peace



Participants from Meghalaya presenting Khasi folk dance. (NP)

Staff Report

DIMAPUR, SEP 22 (NPN): Editor and publisher of Nagaland Post, Geoffrey Yaden, Saturday asked the youth to practice and instill peace for a peaceful environment. He said this while speaking at the second day of the ongoing Northeast Youth Peace and Cultural festival organized in commemorating the international day of peace and 7th Peace Channel foundation day at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, on the theme "Sustainable peace for a sustainable future".

Yaden said every religion in the world talked about peace and tolerance and many people have said good things to strive for peaceful environment including individuals wanting to live in peace, but are ultimately not allowed or are drawn into various kinds of issues and violence.

He said that people undertake various forms of agitation so that their voice can be heard but attributed this factor to weakening the society, adding the recent incident in the state was proof enough that the state machinery has broken down since the people have col-

lectively failed to control.

He also said gradual decline in the word "authority" has ruined the society as one dislikes being controlled and that it has become a new culture.

He said young people often talk about their future, but felt if they did not respect the authority at home and lacks peace, then they would be unsuccessful in the long run, at the same time lamented that there were people who do not practice what they preach, for which he said young people today were quite confused as things were not going in the right direction.

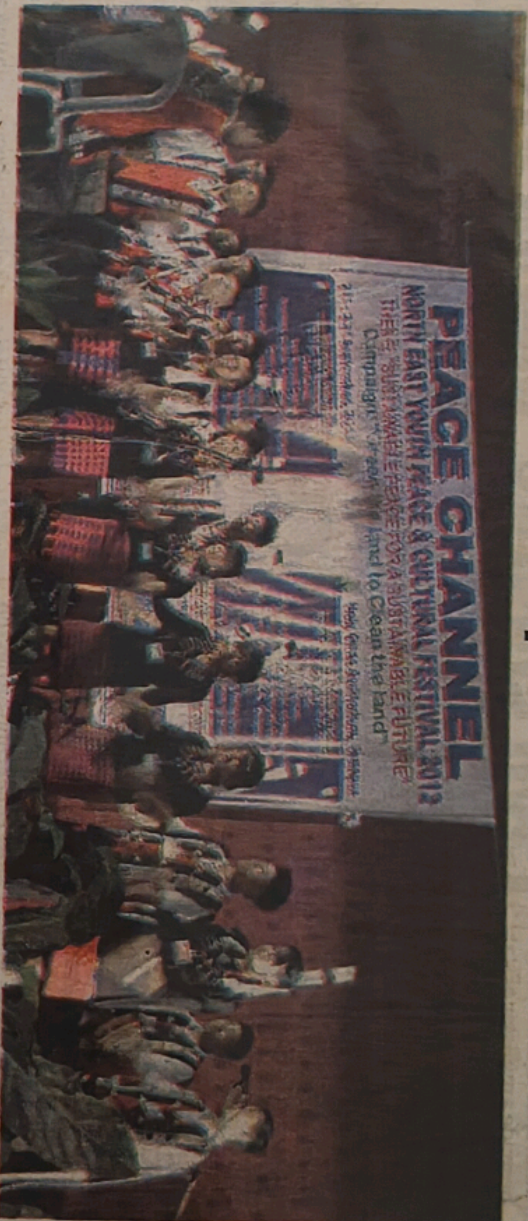
Yaden further encouraged the youth to shoulder the responsibilities and value moral ethics only then they could appreciate and respect others for a congenial co-existent.

Earlier, the programme started with an invocation by Rev. A. Pfokrelo, pastor, MBC, 7th mile Dimapur, welcome address by Victor Yhome, animator, Kohima. Ikato and Kakhe presented a special number, while Khasi and Nepali folk dances were presented by Trinity High School, Dimapur, and participants from Meghalaya.

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Forgive & forget to attain peace: CAN Prez

DIMAPUR, SEPTEMBER 21 (MEXN): Commemorating the International Day of Peace and 7th Peace Channel Foundation Day, the Peace Channel has organized North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival 2012, which started today, September 21 at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School Hall in Dimapur. The inaugural function was graced by Assistant Commissioner of Dimapur Mohammed Ali Shihab IAS (P), president of Catholic Association of Nagaland Nosazol Charles and president of Naga Council Savi Liegise.



Forgive and forget....

The president of CAN, who attended the programme as chief guest said that most of the time people often "forget to forgive and forget", that it leads to one problem or the other. North East region has so many problems starting from border disputes, extortion, kidnapping, insurgency etc. Also, North East people feel alienated from the rest of India because of the attitude of the Government of India towards the region. "...Government of India has neglected us. The

rest of the nation is treating us as second class citizens."

He called upon the gathering to ponder why people talk about peace when there is no "peace within us." On which he said all root cause of problems is caused by materialism - "Desire to go ahead of others" and the urge to gain more and more. Also, another cause to the problems is most of the religious leaders, political leaders and law makers are competing for supremacy. "Lawmakers make laws according to their convenience," he said.

Mokochung Peace Channel unit presenting an Ao folk song.

On the similar subject, the president of NC said earlier according to the Romans peace had to be achieved through war or power - if you want peace be ready for war. However, at the present juncture it is not war but forgiveness. "Forgive and make peace."

He added that no nation can make peace by bombing or war. But today, leaders make peace through discussions or dialogues. Peace can be achieved by respecting one another. Without mutual respect there will be no peace. In the case of promoting

peace, he said promotion of peace begins at home. One should safeguard the family values, adding that Nagas are losing their family value which is also one of the reasons why there are too many problems.

Encouragement

Delivering the keynote address, Shihab advised the youths present to use time wisely. "Time is money, be careful when you use time."

Encouraging the youngsters, he urged the youngsters to utilize every opportunity they are getting now,

stating that earlier people starved for knowledge and opportunities but now it is quite the opposite that people are having problems because of excessive knowledge and opportunities. With rampant prospects everywhere, young people should use their commonsense and choose wisely of what they want to become in life.

He said young people should be confident, competent and committed in what they do because there is no substitute for hard work. "Dream as big as possible."

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NE youth peace, cultural fest commences



Peace Channel members from Mokokchung and Guwahati performing on Saturday. (NP)

Staff Reporter

DIMAPUR, SEP 21 (NPN): North east youth peace and cultural festival 2012, an annual gathering of the Peace Channel family, also commemorating the 'International Day of Peace' and '7th Peace Channel foundation day' organized by Peace Channel commenced Friday here at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School.

The three-day festival celebrated under the theme 'Sustainable peace for a sustainable future' witnessed a vibrant inaugural function with president Catholic Association of Nagaland (CAN) Nagaland, Nosazol Charles and president, Naga Council, Dimapur, Savi Liegise as chief guest and guest of honour respectively.

Addressing the gathering, Charles reminded the people that real peace could be achieved only when an individual was in peace within.

Charles opined "glitter of materialism" filled with greed and desire to go ahead of others as one of root cause of problems in the society, besides competition for supremacy amongst religion, politicians and law makers.

Charles also cited that religious and political parties on one hand were competing to bring up their own religion and party, while the law makers were "making law" according to their own convenience.

Asserting peace cannot be attained amongst such diverse views, Charles said in order to spread peace to the world, an individual should first create goodwill and peace within and then spread it to others.

Savi Liegise while congratulating Peace Channel for their commendable contribution said the past notion of "Tooth for a tooth and eye for an eye" has taken a backseat with the coming of Jesus Christ who stressed on the

spirit of forgiveness.

Stating that no nation can bring peace through bombing, war and bringing down other nations, Liegise said peace can be brought through peaceful negotiation, discussion and dialogue.

Liegise then said that in the present society, peace was "two way traffic" as there can be no peace unless there is respect for other communities.

"Peace cannot be promoted without entertaining the interest of the other community", said Liegise.

Reflecting on the turmoil prevailing in the present Naga society, Liegise said Nagas should concentrate on promoting peace within the family, and lamented the fact that the family values have gone amuck, resulting in a bad state of affairs, and the closely guarded hospitality almost dying.

Liegise then called for reviving and recreating peace amongst the Nagas.

Earlier in the key note address, assistant commissioner Dimapur district, Mohammed Ali Shihab exhorted the gathering to develop reading habit and utilize the given opportunity.

Shihab said today the biggest problem faced by a student was excessive knowledge in contrast to the past where there was lack of knowledge.

Urging the students to be organized, hardworking and to follow their dreams, Shihab said proper utilization of time and right strategy would help them in achieving their goals.

Hundreds of delegates from all over the north-east region were enthralled with various cultural dances, folk songs depicting the versatility of the region.

The colourful festival was marked by songs, dances, exhortation by renowned speakers, interactions and group discussion and competitions would continue till September 23.

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Peace Channel meet focus on prevailing situation

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel, an emerging youth peace movement organized an emergency meeting with Dimapur Naga Students Union (DNSU), Peace Club members, tribal youth representatives, and Young's Club members, September 4 at its office, Dimapur.

The meeting was mainly focused on the prevailing situation which has created fear and tension in the minds of the school going children, youth, and the society at large.

The leaders of various organizations discussed and deliberated what the organizations could do to prevent such violent incidents in future.

In the meeting the leaders of various organizations unanimously consented to go for a peace rally, where the children would express their concern and may help them to regain their lost confidence to voice their expectations to curb violence in the society.

The leaders also decided to invite and seek collaboration and support from all the schools, colleges, apex bodies of tribal organizations, NGOs, civil society leaders, religious leaders, Dimapur Chamber of Business to attend the next meeting which would be held on September 8, 10.30 am at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur.

1/09/12

Youth called to be peace builders



Peace Club members posing for a group photo during the orientation programme held at St. Xavier Higher Secondary School, Jalukie Town recently.

DIMAPUR, AUG 31 (EMN): Considering the vital role of youth in all fields and the inherent potentials to bring about transformation in the society, Peace Channel has called upon the youth to be a part in peace building process in Nagaland.

The call on youth to be part in peace building process was made during the one day orientation programme for Peace Club

members, student leaders and teacher coordinators which was organized by the Peace Channel Dimapur at St. Xavier Higher Secondary School, Jalukie, in August.

Addressing the orientation programme, resource person Wobenthung J Patton, who is also the Project Manager of Peace Channel Dimapur, highlighted on the need of the youth participation towards peace building

in Nagaland. According to him, youth plays a vital role in almost all the fields and should not be ignored and neglected.

He said youth have potential and dynamic, if guided well, and could bring transformation and changes in Naga Society. He concluded his speech by stating that to rebuild the peace process in Nagaland, youth should own up the responsibility

and work on it sincerely so as not to divert the attention instead hold on until a solution is arrived permanently.

The programme began with a warm welcome speech delivered by George, teacher coordinator of St. Xavier Higher Secondary School, Jalukie. Altogether 45 participants turned up for the programme. Peace celebration was done with an evaluation and action plan.

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Peace Channel Dinapur organized one day orientation training programme for Peace Club members, students leaders and teachers coordinator in Jalukie at St. Xavier Higher Secondary School, Jalukie in the month of August. Wobrenting J Patton, project manager, PCD was the resource person.

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Youths called to participate towards peace building



DIMAPUR, AUGUST 31 (MEXN): Peace Channel Dimapur organized one day orientation training programme for Peace Club members, student leaders and teachers coordinator in Jaiukie during the training programme at St Xavier Hr. Sec. School, Jaiukie. A press release issued by Peace Channel Desk stated that the programme began with welcome speech by George, teacher coordinator of St. Xavier Hr. Sec. School, Jaiukie then time was taken over by the resource person Wobenchung J. Patton, Project Manager of Peace Channel Dimapur. He highlighted on the need of the youth participatory towards peace building in Nagaland. According to him, the youth plays a vital role in almost all the fields

and hence, should not be ignored and neglected. Youth are potential and dynamic, if guided well could bring transformation and changes in our Naga Society. He concluded his speech by stating that to rebuild the peace process in Nagaland, the youth should own up the responsibility and work on it sincerely so as not to divert the attention instead hold on until a solution is arrived permanently. Altogether 45 participants turned up for the programme. Peace celebration was done with an evaluation and action plan, and then concluded the programme. Peace Club members, student leaders and teachers coordinator in Jaiukie during the training programme at St Xavier Hr. Sec. School, Jaiukie.

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Peace, most important Christian value: Gov

Staff Reporter

DIMAPUR, SEP 23 (NPN): State governor Nikhil Kumar Sanyal said that actual peace was one of the most important of Christian values which needed to be pursued diligently from within. He was speaking at the valedictory function of the Northeast Youth Peace and Cultural Festival 2012, and the 7th Peace Channel Foundation Day, at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur.

Nikhil said only after reconciliation was achieved that one could say "yes, we have peace" adding, it remained his prayer to the Almighty.

Describing youth as the citizens of the future, Nikhil said Naga society's well being depended on them. He said the state was not well developed and so urged youths to look towards self-reliance for development and progress. He urged youths to exploit their talents and their natural resources which they have not been able to do so.

In this regard, he expressed happiness that the government of Nagaland passed an important legislation for exploiting natural resources. Nikhil said Nagaland would be celebrating 50 years of statehood but Nagas have so far not been able to exploit abundant natural resources to develop the state. He said once Nagas exploited their natural resources, then Nagaland would become a success story and urged youth to be part of the success story.

Also speaking on the occasion, guest of honour, Hewo Awoni, MLA, Ghaspari-1, pointed out that peace, which was in everyone's common interest brought everyone together under one platform.

He said people want to live with security, without fear and in peace everywhere, be

in the mind, home and in a society closely entwined in love and respect so that the future generation could prosper. He also expressed appreciation to Peace Channel for conducting peace programmes in the state for which such noble initiatives needed to be commended. He also suggested that the government recognize and extend assistance to the venture so as to promote peace awareness.

Earlier, Rev. Vileti, pastor, Town Baptist Church gave the invocation prayer, while welcome address was delivered by Rev. Fr. CP Anio, director of the peace channel. Message from patron was delivered by Rev. Fr. C.N. Kuotso, vicar general, Diocese of Kohima and vote of thanks proposed by Wobengung J. Patton. Noted social activist and writer of Nagaland, Niken Irili, was awarded with the 6th Peace Channel Award 2012 on the occasion.



Students perform a cultural dance during the North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival 2012 organised by Peace Channel Nagaland at Holy Cross in Dimapur, Nagaland on Sunday, September 23. (Photo by Caisil Mao)

EASTERN MIRROR

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Peace is more than just an idea, says Niketu Iralu

A Staff Reporter | EMN

DIMAPUR, SEP 23: Well known champion of peace Niketu Iralu, on Sunday, told a crowd of teenage peace advocates that peace is more than just an idea that is thrown around in seminars, celebrated at festivals and shouted about during stage-managed rallies.

"Peace is not just an idea. It is people becoming different, there is a price to be paid for peace," he said during the valedictory ceremony of North East Youth Peace and Cultural Festival in Dimapur where he was honoured with the Peace Award.

Aiming his speech mainly to the gathered school children, Iralu said

amidst the 'serious social disorder' there is precious little attempt for peace. "Any attempt for peace is rare. But if we care enough and share enough, everyone will have enough.

Iralu further said, besides being the land of festivals, Nagaland is also the land of slogans. "There is nothing wrong with slogans. But something is seriously wrong in our thinking and living and in our relationship with one another. So our society is in a serious condition of disorder," he said.

"Peace, unity and cooperation will be built if we are willing to pay the price of change in our individual lives," he said.

On this note he dared the stu-

dents to take 'some practical steps' that would determine their conviction for peace.

The steps involved a pledge not to cheat in exams 'even if all the students in Nagaland are doing so', not to apply for 'tribal scholarship schemes' if one's parents earn more than the stipulated annual income, to restrain from resorting to unethical means after graduation in order to avail jobs, return borrowed books to friends and libraries and enquire one's parents on the 'ways to change in the way you live at home.'

Directing the route of desired change to oneself is the most crucial step, Iralu told the student. "The most

important thing is that you will gradually learn to live a life with the deep understanding of the eternal battle between good and evil," he said.

Iralu felt that if the students of Dimapur in particular could exhibit 'a level of honesty, incorruptibility and accountability', the rest of the students would automatically follow suit.

In his acceptance speech, Iralu also made it clear that the Peace Award was in no way an acknowledgement of his achievements. "At the outset, let me make it clear that the award that you have given me is an acknowledgment of my belief and commitment and not for my achievement," he said.

1/10/12

Mr & Miss Peace Channel crowned



Mr and Miss at Peace Channel 2012 along with the runners up during the Northeast Youth Peace and Cultural festival at Dimapur.

DIMAPUR, SEPT 30 (ENN): Cross Auditorium hall, Ezamongo Lotba from Chandmani Higher Secondary School, Kohima, and Miss Marjo A Kichu from St Paul Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, were declared Mr & Miss Peace Channel 2012 respectively during the three day North East Youth Peace and Cultural festival held at Holy songs.

Meanwhile, Peace Channel organizing committee has expressed gratitude to all the chief guests, educational institutions, resource persons, panelists and especially the partners of the festival, Center for Gandhian Studies & Research, Nagaland University and India Alliance for Child Rights Delhi.

EASTERN MIRROR 8th Nov 2012

Career Guidance programme at St. Xavier College Jalukie



Students of final year during the Career Guidance Programme at St. Xavier College, Jalukie on November 6.

DIMAPUR, NOV 7 (EMN): Peace Channel organized one day training programme on Career Guidance and Goal Setting at St. Xavier's College, Jalukie for the final year BA students on November 6.

During the session Rev. Fr. CP. Anto, Director of Peace Channel highlighted the importance of goal setting and purposeful life. He stressed that one should set target and put an effort to

achieve it with perseverance and patience. Adding value he specified that one ought to dream big and convert it into reflection and then to action. He also stressed on the various aspects and process of goal setting. Challenging the youth to strive hard for next five years and assured them of rest and happiness after that.

Speaking on Career Guidance he stressed on the different career development

circle namely the ability, skills, interests, personal life style, family back ground, personal value system, and passion etc. However, he urged the students to make a right choice of career to give them a sense of confidence, happiness, thrill and stability in their life.

Wobenthung J. Patton, project coordinator also spoke on the basic and various aspects on interview skills which is the most chal-

lenging for the youth today, stating that while facing an interview what are the things a person should look into. He also conducted mock interview and presented various career options after the graduation.

Theresa animated the group discussion and Rev. Fr. Jose Lukose proposed vote of thanks and Juliana, the College President and others shared their experience and learning.

26th NOV 2012 EASTERN MIRROR

PC wishes early settlement of Naga political issue

DIMAPUR, NOV 25 (EMN): Peace Channel has unanimously decided to pray for lasting peace and early solution to the sixty years old conflict in Nagaland. The decision to this effect was taken during the workshop in order to chalk out planning and activities for the year 2013 on November 23 and 24.

The Peace Channel family including its Director Rev. Fr. CP Anto and

members, animators, volunteers, teacher coordinators and club members unanimously decided to pray for lasting peace and early solution to the sixty years old conflict in Nagaland. It was decided during the workshop on held on November 23 and 24. The workshop was organized in preparation for the campaign declared in December 2010 with its theme "Peace to all 2015."

In order to bring a positive impact in the life of the youth and children, the Peace Channel has decided to host interfaith peace meet and candle light prayer for peace in all the districts of Nagaland within three months from December to February 2013.

The Director along with other family members of the movement proposed to work hand in hand with other likeminded organizations to

achieve this dream together. The details of the programme would be planned in each district with the stake holders and other net working organizations. In the midst of nations declaring war against another, the Director said that time has come for peace where we all would dream for peace, think for peace, talk for and act for peace.

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Peace Channel to pray for early solution to Naga issue

DIMAPUR, NOVEMBER 25 (MEEN): The Peace Channel family and all its members; the animators, volunteers, teacher coordinators and club members unanimously decided to pray for lasting peace, and early solution to the sixty years old conflict in Nagaland. It was decided during the workshop on November 23 and 24, while members along with the director Rev. Fr. C.P. Anto were planning for the year and programs for the year 2013. It is in preparation of the movement proposed

to work hand in hand with other likeminded organizations to achieve this dream together. The details of the programme will be chalked out in each district with the stake holders and other net working organizations.

As he was concluding the meeting, the director said that people have been declaring war and now the time has come to declare war for peace, where we all will dream for peace, think for peace, talk for peace and act for peace.

The Director along with other family members of the movement proposed

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Peace Channel to pray for early Naga solution

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel and its members during a workshop on November 23, 24 unanimously decided to pray for "lasting peace" and for "early solution" to the Naga political solution.

In order to bring a positive impact in the life of the youth and children, Peace Channel decided to host the inter-faith peace meet and candle light prayer for peace in all districts of Nagaland within three months from December

2012 to February 2013.

Director, Peace Channel, along with other family members of the movement proposed to work hand in hand with other likeminded organizations to achieve the dream.

Further, details of the programme will be planned in each district with stake holders and other net working organizations, added Peace Channel.

9th Dec 2012

Peace Channel prays for early Naga solution

DIMAPUR, DEC 8 (I-MN): Peace Channel family comprising of students from different schools in Peren town has observed the 'Girl Child Rights Day' cum Candle light prayer for peace in Nagaland in All Saints Higher Secondary School, Peren, on December 7.

It was a launching of prayer campaign by children and youth for immediate solution of Indo-Naga peace talks where the children and youth performed the candle light prayer during the programme to show solidarity for an early solution of Naga Peace talk.

A mass prayer was said by every Peace Club member holding candle in their hands with the belief that God would bless the elders with wisdom and forgiveness to find immediate solution to the long standing conflict in the state.

Girl Child Day celebration is a campaign to promote the right of the girl child. Government of India has started the 'Save the girl child' campaign with the slogan 'a happy girl is the future of our country'.

Vice principal of Government Collage, Peren,



Peace Club members performing the candle light prayer for an early solution of Naga peace talks on the occasion of Girl Child Rights Day in Peren town on December 7.

and chief guest, Albert, in his address to the Peace Club members, said human rights should be enjoyed by all citizens and particularly girl child, adding that their rights should not be over looked. He has urged the students to be aware of their own rights and be vigilant towards discrimination and exploitation.

He explained that hu-

man rights are rights that are entitled to every human being, without which life becomes a question mark to live. Stressing on equality and non discrimination, he appealed to maintain peace and tranquility because human rights can be protected and ensured where there is no violence and bloodshed.

Adding value to the pro-

gramme, the guest of honor Rangro Herie, president Zeliangrong Citizen's Forum, spoke on the importance of human rights and the history and significance of celebrating Christmas. He highlighted the history by quoting some verses from the Bible and challenged the youth to receive Christ with clean heart.

He cautioned not to

indulge in anti social activities as it paves to unrest and chaos, but instead directed to move for peace and be a role model for the elders.

During the programme, a workshop was organized to discuss about the Girl child rights and the violence meted out to them by their caretakers and elders. The participants had an enriching sharing and discussion on the given theme and reflected together the past, where rights were denied base on gender just because she was a girl and how the children are portrayed in our changing scenario.

Many girls spoke out that the society still gives more importance to the male counterpart than the girl children. But at the same time, they conceded that our society upholds a strong respect for the girl children.

Wobenthung J Patton Project Coordinator, proposed the vote of thanks and concluded the programme with peace anthem for the year 2012. Altogether, seventy peace club members participated in the said programme.

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PC commemorates 'Human Rights Day'

DIMAPUR: Peace Channel (PC) family commemorated 'Human rights Day' and had Interfaith Prayer for Peace' on a theme 'Respect for Girl Child Rights' on December 8 at Holy Cross auditorium Hall, Dimapur.

Altogether 200 Peace Club members and teachers from different educational institutions in and around Dimapur, religious leaders and head of the various institutions participated in the program. Invocation prayer was led by Rev. Kari Longchar. Rev. Fr. CP Anto, Director Peace Channel during his keynote address said objectives of the day was to pray for immediate solution of Naga issue, to commemorate the girl child day, to facilitate teacher coordinators and other important persons who have been working for peace, to find out their issues and problems and find recommendations to protect and respect girl children in our state and country. Bokali Mughavi, director transnational humanitarian advocacy alliance addressing the event as the

resource person said according to the International Labor Organization (ILO) report more than 100 million girl children were working as child labor.

She stated that, discrimination on girl child labor depend on different culture with various abuses like abortion of girl fetus, female genital mutilation, child labor, child trafficking, sexual exploitation, prostitution, child marriage, sexual child mostly denied in education, inheritance which are physical, emotional, economical, social abuses.

While delivering the message of Christmas Dr. Chocho, Lecturer of Oriental Theological Seminary said today the event was commercialized but it should be the time for worship, prayer and offer, much more it is a reason for peace.

Meanwhile, candle light prayer was led by Pastor Tohovi Achumi, Peace Channel Band and students of King David and St. Paul Higher Secondary School, Dimapur presented songs.

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PC calls rally in Dimapur today

DIMAPUR: Peace rally organized by Peace Channel (PC) in collaboration with Naga Council, Dimapur Naga Students' Union (DNSU), Youngs' Club Dimapur (YCD), educational institutions and tribal students' union would be held on September 12 from 8:30a.m. to 10:30a.m. starting from Holy cross higher secondary school Dimapur. Chief guest Savi Legise, president Naga Council would flag off the peace rally and Machio Lotha, president, DNSU would be the chief guest for the closing ceremony. The rally would cover the route from Holy Cross campus-city tower-Khermahal junction-Rajbari junction-Plaza point-back to Holy Cross campus.

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Dimapur peace rally today

DIMAPUR, SEP 11 (EMN): Peace Channel, in collaboration with Naga Council, Dimapur Naga Students Union, Tribal Students union, Youngs club Dimapur, youth organisations and educational institutions, will hold a Peace Rally on Sept 12 from 8.30 am to 10 am starting from Holy Cross Hr Sec School campus Dimapur. A press note informed that Naga Council president Savi Legise will flag off the peace rally wherein around 2000 students are expected to participate. In this regard, Peace Channel has requested all schools in and around Dimapur to participate in the peace rally. The route of the Rally is as follows: Holy Cross Campus-City Tower-Khermahal Junction-Rajbari Junction-Plaza Point and back to Holy Cross Campus. DNSU president Machio Lotha will be the Chief Guest at the closing ceremony.



(LEFT) Different faith leaders light a candle for peace (RIGHT) students put their handprint as a significant for unity and peace at Interfaith Prayer for Peace & Commemoration of Human Rights Day programme at conference hall, Holy Cross Hr Sec School Dimapur on December 8. (Morning Photos)

Sharing responsibility of peace and human rights

Interfaith Prayer for Peace and Commemoration of Human Rights Day observed

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Interfaith Prayer for Peace and Commemoration of Human Rights Day organized by Peace Channel was held on December 8 at conference hall, Holy Cross Hr Sec School Dimapur under the theme 'Respect for Girl Child Rights'. The gathering is also an annual gathering of the Peace Club members, associates and representatives of various organisations, peace activist and thinkers in and around Dimapur.

Bokali Mughavi, Director, Transnational Humanitarian Advocacy Alliance (THAAL) addressing the event as the resource person said that accord-

ing to the International Labour Organization, report more than 100 million girl child are working as child labour. She said that discrimination on girl child labour depend on different culture with various abuse like abortion of girl foetus, female genital mutilation, sexual exploitation, prostitution, child trafficking, child marriage, child labour, girl child mostly denied in education, inheritance which are physical, emotional,

Dr. Cho-o, Lecturer of

Oriental Theological Seminary while delivering his Christmas message said that Christmas should not only be a festival, an event and commercialization but it should be a time for worship, offering and season on peace.

Meanwhile, during the first session, the programme was chaired by Adaheli Nelli, invocation by Rev. Karl Longchar, Fr. C.P. Antol. Present delivered the welcome speech while candle light prayer was led by Pastor Tohovi Achumi. King David School students and Vibeizuo presented songs and vote of thanks by Wobenthung. Leaders of different faith, social activist and students attended the programme.