

## IGNOU reaches out to rural Temi students

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GANGTOK, October 11:

In its endeavour to reach out to the underprivileged section of the society, Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), Gangtok Regional Centre held an awareness programme at its new study centre at Temi Senior Secondary School recently.

While highlighting the distance mode of learning, IGNOU Regional Director, Dr. Rangita Panda said that it is education that gives us identity in family, society and nation as a whole. Co-ordinator, Study Centre 2408, MD Samiullah placed the detail report in nutshell of the last three years.

As per a press release, the gathering comprising of SMC and SMDC of Temi SSS, students getting vocational training at two institutes - Livelihood School of Temi Namphing Constituency and Handicraft

Industry of Temi - were highly impressed by the work of IGNOU.

An interactive session was also held with the participants and doubts raised by the students were cleared.

Earlier, the Principal of Temi SSS, K Inbaraj welcomed the IGNOU officials and sought cooperation of the local dignitaries to help in flourishing this newly established Centre so that more 10+2 drop out may come to the main stream of education by completing their graduation in different disciplines, the release informs.

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## PWD begins road repair at Pakyong



Our Correspondent

PAKYONG, October 11:

The workers of Public Welfare department, Pakyong Sub-Division have started maintaining road here at

Pakyong Bazaar and its adjoining areas by putting stone chips.

The roads which have developed big potholes in several places have caused many problems

for the local public especially during monsoon to ply vehicles and also for the passersby. Though there is no immediate plan for carpeting but the roads will be filled with

stones chips so that the vehicles may ply, informed MB Basnett, supervisor of PWD. He added that the road repair would be completed before Dussehra.

## Organic marketing entrepreneurs from Italy on Sikkim recce; enquire about potential crops for export

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A team of organic marketing entrepreneurs from Italy accompanied by MD, Nature's BioFood, New Delhi, Tapan Ray and led by AGM, APEDA North-East Region, Bidyut Baruah visited Sikkim and interacted with the officials of the Horticulture and Agriculture department from October 8 to 11.

The Italian team consisted of Fava Caludio, Negro Christian and Biaggio of Ecor NaturaSi Spa, which is the second largest entity of Europe in the field of organic marketing. As per an official release, the team from Italy and Delhi during an interactive discussion with the officers

of the organic field have since Sikkim's organic initiative got featured in 'Satyamev Jayate' of Aamir Khan Productions, started visiting Sikkim frequently to explore the business potential of the organic products of the State.

During the interaction, Baruah highlighted the various support schemes on offer from APEDA to entrepreneurs, PSUs and Government Agencies. Being a representative of the North-east region, he also extended his full support for making these schemes available to Sikkim, the release informs.

The team was taken for a field visit to East Pandam and Pachak in East Sikkim to get a first-hand experience on the status of the organic farming activities at

Kumar and in-charge IPL, (ICS Service Provider), Hoshier Singh Vashista.

The team had an overview of the fields of organic paddy, ginger, urad, turmeric, mandarin and French beans. They had discussions and interactions with the organic farmers and were impressed with the organic activities being carried out at the field level, the release further mentions.

During the visit, they also discussed about the Internal Control System (ICS) development process for Organic Certification, on-farm composting and organic crop protection and crop management techniques. They also interacted with the ICS staff of the Service Provider of the area and as well as took samples of the local organic products.

### Anthyesti Kriya



The Anthyesti Kriya of Late Gyan Bahadur Subedi of Rangpo who left for his heavenly abode on 3rd October 2012 falls on 15th October 2012. All friends, family members and well wishers are requested to join us in offering prayers for the departed soul at our residence at Rangpo, East Sikkim. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to each and everyone who stood by us during our time of bereavement.

Smt. Shova Subedi (Wife), Arpan Subedi (Son)



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