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99th CENTRAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING



The second highest constitutional body of the YMA, the Central Coordination Committee Meeting was held on May 10, 2024 at Bawngkawn South YMA Hall. The 99th meeting of the Central Coordination Committee was attended by 220 delegates from Central Executive Committee and representatives from Sub-Headquarters, Group and Branch YMAs. Prof. Malsawmliana, the General Secretary gave an introduction of all the delegates and gave a brief report of all activities undertaken by the Central YMA since the last CCC meeting held on November 8, 2023.

The Meeting talked about how the various agendas sanctioned at the 74th YMA Inkhawmpui at Biate had been executed so far. Regarding the topic of how the Central YMA should take more active steps for the conservation of the environment, the members were informed that the Science & Environment Sub-Committee has drawn up measures. The Central YMA has also brought attention to the Chief Minister that any development activity within Mizoram should be allowed to continue only with Environmental Clearance.

Regarding the conservation of water resources, the Central YMA works in tandem with the Public Health Engineering Department and that a meeting of CEC members, representatives of Sub-Headquarters, Group YMA and PHE Department officials was held on March 15, 2024. The Meeting resolved that the CEC should take measures for the conservation of forest covers and riparian buffer zones.

The CCC Meeting ended with a request to all from Pu Lalhmachhuana, Central YMA President, that we should work our best to battle substance abuse, check illegal businesses by non-Mizo, try our utmost for water resources conservation.

12th INTER BRANCH YMA CRICKET TOURNAMENT



The 12th Inter Branch YMA Cricket Tournament was launched on April 22, 2024 at Bawngkawn South Branch YMA by the Central YMA Vice President, Prof. Lalnuntluanga. The function was convened by Pu Fabian Lalfakawma, Asst. Secretary and the match fixture was announced by Pu Lalrochuanga, President, Cricket Association of Mizoram.

Prof. Lalnuntluanga pointed out that Mizoram has made a lot of progress in cricket in the last 26 years. He is thankful that cricket players are now able to make a living to support their families. All these have been made possible due to the diligence of Cricket Association of Mizoram and that the Central YMA will always work together with the CAM for the promotion of these cricketers.

According to the official fixture, 49 teams have entered the Tournament which started on April 24, 2024. Matches will be played in different locales around Aizawl and the final match will be played on May 3, 2024 at Joint YMA Field, Vaivakawn.

HUN-THADOU FESTIVAL



Pu Lalhmachhuana, President, Central YMA was the Chief Guest at the recently held Hun-Thadou Festival on April 7, 2024 at New Delhi. The Chief Guest greeted all festival attendees in the name of all YMA members. He talked about the recent troubles faced by the different Zo clans in Manipur, Myanmar and Bangladesh and how the different clans needed to unite under one umbrella. Even under much duress in Manipur, our brethren still cannot unite due to their various differences. He reiterated how he had urged those who had come to seek aid from Manipur, to settle their differences and to unite to face their common threat.

Speaking about Aizawl as the Jerusalem of all Zo tribes, he said that the city of Aizawl can sustain us all. All we need is a feeling of solidarity and unity which can be attained by learning the Mizo language. A common Mizo language will not only bring mutual understanding between us, but will also bring uniformity and harmony. There is a danger of losing the land of our forefathers if we do not occupy and maintain them, and this is the reason why we have to maintain unity among us. And this unity should not only be in words but in action. There should be love and harmony in true fraternity which will enable us to overcome any obstacles in our path.

MIZO ETHOS IN ACTION

'April is the cruelest month' seems to prove true recently. A spate of freak hailstorms have been experienced in different parts of Mizoram which had destroyed residences as well as the newly planted crops. The destruction of crops cannot yet be calculated but the repairs of domestic residences in rural areas had to be undertaken as soon as possible. These recent destruction of houses in the rural areas within Mizoram and even parts of Tripura was repaired not only by the community, but by volunteers from the neighbouring villages.

Mizo society has always been driven by the ethos of share and share alike, whether in abundance or in calamity. Governmental agencies strive hard for the rehabilitation of these victims but the actual work is always done by the community who come together without thoughts of being payed for their services.



Hail struck houses at Zohmun village repaired by YMA members of T̄inghmun, Mauchar and Sakawrdai

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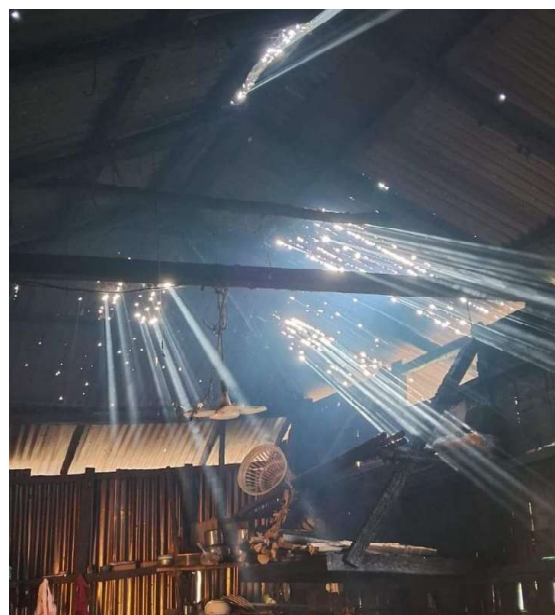
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A roof struck by hailstorm on April 28, 2024

CENTRAL YMA AND CHURCH YOUTHS TO WORK TOGETHER



Central YMA leaders and Church Youth leaders of different denominations had a meeting on March 26, 2024 at the Central YMA Committee Room. The Meeting, attended by 36 representative from Central KTP, Aizawl Area TKP Coordination, General PYD (Mizoram UPC), SDA Youth Federation, Territorial Salvation Army Youth, LIKBKTP, Aizawl Diocese Thalai Pawl and ECM Thalai Pawl, was in regards to the problem caused by drugs and other intoxicants among the Mizo youth. The Meeting was convened by Pu Lalhmachhuana, President, Central YMA. Prof. Malsawmliana, General Secretary, CYMA made a welcome speech in which he talked about the the various steps taken by the YMA in regards to the topic and the problem of substance abuse among the youth of today. He also talked about how the YMA and the church youth leaders could work together to eradicate the problem.

The ensuing discussion led to the resolution for the formation of a Coordination Committee headed by the Central YMA with two members each from every Christian youth fellowship. The Coordination Committee will concentrate on Harm Reduction and Supply Reduction.

ACTIVITIES IN BRIEF



On April, 21, 2024, Pu Lalhmachhuana, President, Central YMA met with officials of the US Consulate General Office. When Pu Lalhmachhuana talked about the difficulty of working for the welfare of the displaced people, Pi Malinda Pavek, the Consul General informed the President that they have heard about and appreciated what the YMA has done for the refugees from Myanmar and said that if the Central Government opened up in regards to the matter of the refugees, they will search for ways to work with the Central YMA.

On the same day, Pu Lalhmachhuana also met with the authorities of AMRI and Apollo Hospitals respectively to search for better opportunities of consultation for Mizo patients. Subsequently, Apollo Hospital authorities agreed to come to Aizawl within the month of May for further talks. This meeting was followed by a visit of the Mizo patients who were undergoing treatment in the two hospitals.



On April 22, 2024, leaders of the Global Chin (Falang) Organisation hailing from Switzerland, USA and Singapore, handed over an amount of Rs.2,00,000/- to the Central YMA to be used for aiding displaced persons. They were received by Prof. Malsawmliana, Pu MS Ralte, and Pu R Lalngheta



On April 25, 2024, leaders of Chin Baptist Church, USA paid the amount of Rs. 10,0,000 to the Central YMA in appreciation of their efforts for the welfare of displaced persons.

ACTIVITIES IN BRIEF



Inauguration of YMA Kumpulan organized by the Dawrpui Branch YMA on March 26, 2024 was attended by Prof. Lalnuntluanga and CEC members and Central YMA Kumpulan members



The CEC Meeting had resolved to use the services of Lailen Consultancy Pvt. Ltd. for the production of an accounting software for a better and neater account keeping by the Finance Sub-Committee. Lailen Consultancy is also entrusted with producing a better profile app of the Central YMA



Working in tandem, Model Veng Branch YMA and Kristian Thalai Pawl organized YMA Kumpulan Kickoff on April 1, 2024 at the Model Veng Presbyterian Church Hall.



On April 22, 2024, Bawngkawn Brigade Baptist TKP Unit and Bawngkawn Branch YMA held a joint service based on the slogan of 'Working together for the betterment of the community'



Inauguration of YMA Kumpulan on April 3, 2024 at 35th YMA Tuivai Group Inkhawmpui by Prof. Lalnuntluanga. The Vice President was accompanied by 3 CEC members and leaders of Saitual Sub.Hqrs. Presently, there are 12 YMA Branches under Tuivai Group



YMA Kumpulan at Venghnuai Branch YMA was inaugurated at Rokunga Hall by Prof. Lalnuntluanga on April 25, 2024



As per the request of the Central YMA, on April 16, 2024, Chanmari West Branch YMA showed fraternity to the less opportuned Chawngte 'C' Branch by donating their much needed musical instruments and other implements



The 1st Hnahtial Sub-Headquarters Inkhawmpui was held on 25-26 April, 2024. It was attended by Pu Roneihthanga, Central YMA Treasurer and 4 CEC members