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SECTION 144 CrPC PROMULGATED IN SOUTH GARO HILLS

Shillong, April 14, 2004: With a view to maintain peace and tranquility during the ensuing 14 Lok Sabha Election, the District Magistrate, South Garo Hills, has promulgated Section 144 Cr.P.C in the whole District, prohibiting any person or group of persons from causing obstruction to the movement of people and vehicular traffic, carrying of fire arms of any description and other lethal weapons by members of the public throughout the District with the exemption of security and paramilitary personnel on duty.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect.

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DISTRIBUTION OF LEVY SUGAR

Shillong, April 14, 2004: The Deputy Commissioner (Supply), East Khasi Hills, Shillong, has informed that levy sugar against April, 2004 quota has been released and will be distributed through Fair Price Shops at the scale of 510 grams per head at the rate of Rs.13.50p per kg.

Any non-supply or overcharging of the rate by the suppliers should be brought to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner (Supply), East Khasi Hills, Shillong.

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AAY, BPL RICE AND SK OIL RELEASED

Shillong, April 14, 2004: Rice under AAY and BPL quota and S.K. Oil has been released through Fair Price Shops and S.K. Oil Retailer respectively. This was informed by the Deputy Commissioner (Supply), East Khasi Hills District, Shillong.

The scale of rice per AAY and BPL F.I. Card is 35kgs at the rate of Rs.3/- and Rs.6.15p per kg respectively. For S.K. Oil, the scale is 9.7 litres per F.I. Card in Urban areas and 4.7 litres per household in the rural areas.

Any non-supply or overcharging of the rate by the suppliers should be brought to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner (Supply), East Khasi Hills, Shillong.

FIRE SERVICE WEEK OBSERVED AT TURA

Shillong, April 14, 2004: The observance of the Fire Service Week begins today in West Garo Hills, Tura with a commemoration parade organised at the Fire Service Station, Police Reserve Campus. It may be mentioned that the day is also observed as Martyr's Day to pay homage to those brave firemen who lost their lives while discharging their duties.

The Fire Service staff, including Police personnel with fire appliances, started the procession from the Fire Service Station and moved through main thoroughfares carrying slogans to create public awareness of how to minimize damage caused by fire.

52ND ANNIVERSARY OF GHADC CELEBRATED

Shillong, April 14, 2004: The 52nd anniversary of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council (GHADC), was celebrated today at the District Council Office premises. Besides the formal gathering to mark the occasion, the celebration also saw the hoisting the National Flag, singing of the National Anthem and illumination of the GHADC office building.

Speaking as the Chief Guest on the occasion, former MBOSE Secretary and Joint Director, Higher & Technical Education for Garo Hills, Mr. L D Shira, said that the District Council has played a very crucial role in bringing consciousness among the people of Garo Hills, especially in terms of governance, conservation of land and forest resources and in preservation of ethnic identity. Therefore he called upon the GHADC authorities as well as the people to rededicate themselves to rebuild these biggest asset of Garo Hills for uplifting the community and improvement of economy.

Others who spoke on the occasion includes former CEM, GHADC, Mr. A M Sangma, Chief Executive Member, GHADC, Mr. E A Sangma, former Additional DPI, Mr. A G Momin, Mr. L K Sangma, MDC, Mr. R A Sangma, Chairman, GHADC, Mr. T K Marak, Secretary GHADC and Mr. D K Sangma, MDC.

It may be mentioned that the first general election to the GDC was held in February 1952 and the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council was formally inaugurated on April 14, 1952. Since then, it is being celebrated as Council Day on April 14 every year.