

Ombudsman issues notice to Programme Officer

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Imphal, February 18 2015: The ombudsman of Mahatma Gandhi Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), Imphal East has asked the programme officer of Imphal East-II CD Block and three others to appear before the Ombudsman officer on February 21 and file their replies.

According to a release issued by Director of Human Rights Law Network (HRLN) Meihoubam Rakesh, the Ombudsman is hearing a case against debarring of 14 job card holders after having made them to work on December 21, 2014 by Laishram Robert Singh, Panchayat Member of Naharup Gram Panchayat.

The aggrieved job card holders were promised six days of employment by the Panchayat Member but after working for a day on December 21, 2014, they were not allowed to work in the subsequent day.

When the matter was tabled before the Programme Officer by the aggrieved card holders, the officer did not entertain the matter, the release said.

Director HRLN also informed that HRLN has provided necessary legal assistance and guidance to the card holders in claiming their guaranteed rights.