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## THE HEADLINES

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi says PM SVANidhi scheme make lives of street vendors easier and give them opportunity to live with dignity
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio visits ongoing City Center constructions under Smart City Kohima
- Advisor for Transport & Technical Education, Temjenmenba calls for holistic strengthened effort and to prevent road accidents in the state
- And Union Cabinet approves decision to increase LPG subsidy per cylinder by Rs 100 for Ujjawala Yojana beneficiaries

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded the PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi, PM SVANidhi scheme which has crossed the milestone of 50 lakh beneficiaries. The Prime Minister said the PMSVANidhi scheme has not only made the lives of street vendors easier, but has also given them an opportunity to live with dignity.

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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has paid a visit to the ongoing City Center constructions at Old MLA Hostel site and Khouchiezhie today along with government officials, advisors and Kohima Smart City Development Limited, KSCDL officials. In a social media post X, Rio said he has instructed the officials to ensure that all smart city projects are completed

within the Ministry's given timeline. He informed that the city centres are being remodelled under Kohima smart city projects where the new facilities will have modern amenities, multilevel parking, driveways and provide much needed urban facilities in the capital city. He also congratulated the KSCDL on winning the Zonal Smart City Award for Northeast Zone under India Smart Cities Awards Contest, 2022. According to the KSCDL, these projects are expected to be completed by December this year.

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Advisor for Transport & Technical Education, Temjenmenba, has advised the Motor Vehicles Department to put in strengthened effort and holistic programmes to prevent road accidents observing the upsurge road accidents in the state in recent times. Chairing a meeting of the department yesterday in Kohima, he also asked them strictly enforce all provisions of the Motor vehicle Act, 2022 to ensure that vehicles are perfectly fit for road use with all valid documents. Temjenmenba said that accidents lead to loss of precious lives and often incur huge economic costs. He also asked the officials to undertake routine check and sensitize drivers to upgrade their skills. Transport Commissioner, Elias T. Lotha, highlighted the initiative taken by the Department through adoption of a multi-prolonged strategy based on 4E's Enforcement, Engineering, Emergency Services and Education of Road safety.

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Government has increased LPG subsidy per cylinder by 100 rupees for the Ujjawala Yojana beneficiaries. Briefing the media in New Delhi today, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur said that in a

major decision, Union Cabinet approved an increase in LPG subsidy, raising it from the current 200 rupees per cylinder to 300 rupees per cylinder for the beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana. Thakur said, the Union Cabinet also approved Terms of Reference to Krishna Water Dispute Tribunal-II under Inter-State River Water Disputes Act, 1956. Culture and Tourism Minister G Kishan Reddy said government has notified establishment of National Turmeric Board for developing new markets globally to increase exports.

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Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change C L John has called to raise awareness about the need for wildlife conservation and natural environment in our state. Speaking at Wildlife Week celebration at Nagaland Zoological Park, Rangapahar today, CL John said that it is for this purpose a weeklong Wildlife Week is observed from October 2-8 every year in India with an aim to protect and preserve flora and fauna. He said that preserving wildlife will help our future coexist peacefully and maintain a balanced ecosystem. Four frontline staff of Forest department Forest Guard Y Limthure Yimchunger, Animal Keeper Bhola Forester Hukai H Zhimo, and Range Forest Officer Lansothung Lotha recieved award for contribution to safeguarding wildlife in Nagaland.

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Flash flood in Teesta River in Sikkim due to glacial outburst have caused severe damage in Sikkim. Several people are reportedly missing including 23 Army personnel. Meanwhile Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has expressed deep concern about the flashflood in Sikkim, which led to the breach of Chungtham Dam affecting military establishments and leading to the

missing of several army personnel. Rio prayed for the safety and the well-being of the residents.

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Governor of Nagaland La Ganesan have extended Yemshe and Tsokum greetings being celebrated by the Pochury and Khamniungan citizens today. In a message, Ganesan said Yemshe is celebrated to welcome new harvest and blessings of the year long hardwork. and renew relationships with exchange of feast and gifts. Speaking about Tsokum, he said the festival is celebrated to invoke blessing for a bountiful harvest and wellness in the family. The governor said these festival have the essence of promoting peace and prosperity and wished for good health, peace and prosperity among these communities.

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State Bank of India today launched Mobile Handheld Device to enhance accessibility and convenience in availing banking services to the customers. This device will provide cash withdrawal, cash deposit, fund transfer, balance inquiry and mini statement at doorsteps of customers. The initiative will particularly benefit customers who face challenges in accessing Bank Branch or Customer Service Point outlets due to health issues, Senior citizens and Divyangjans. The bank plans to include services such as enrolments under social security schemes, account opening, remittance and card-based services shortly.

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Advisor for Youth Resources & Sports S. Keoshu Yimchunger has said that today's youth have more opportunities and platforms to exhibit their

talents unlike the past. Speaking at the State Level Youth Festival in Kohim yesterday, he said such a festival provide platform for young individuals to display their talents particularly in the realm of folk dances and songs which have been preserved through generations. Keoshu encouraged the participants to seize these opportunities and utilize them to reach greater heights. Kohima and Peren district won the folk dance and folk song competition respectively.

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The 3rd inter- department badminton tournament, Kohima Edition 2023 under the aegis of Inter-Department Badminton Club Kohima will be held on October 13 and 14 at Nagaland Legislative Assembly Multi-purpose hall, Kohima. Announcing this during a press conference today, Deputy Commissioner Kohima and convenor Shanavas C said the inter-department badminton tournament which started in 2021 aims to create the atmosphere of comradeship and build better relationship among the various departments in Kohima. Shanavas expressed hopeful that the 3rd edition will witness 100 plus participants from more than 50 departments. The categories will include Men’s doubles- five teams from each department, women’s doubles, mixed doubles and 50 plus, legislators, ex-legislators, and retirees. The winners for each category will receive 15,000 rupees and 10,000 rupees for runner-up. Meanwhile, the last date for submission of form has been extended to October 11, while, entry fee have been fixed at 2000 rupees per team.

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At the Hangzhou Asian Games in China, with a total of 74 medals, including 16 gold, 27 silver, and 31 bronze, India is currently in fourth place

in the overall medal tally. This is India's best-ever performance at the Asian Games. Indian athletes are having a stellar day at the Asian Games on day 11. In Archery, the Indian duo of Jyoti Surekha Vennam and Ojas Deotale won gold in the Compound Mixed Team final and Lovlina Borgohain won silver in the women's 75 kg event In Boxing, while Parveen Hooda won bronze in the women's 57 kg event. Earlier, Ram Babu and Manju Rani opened the country's medal account clinching the bronze medal in the 35km mixed relay race walk. In men's hockey, India advanced to finals by defeating South Korea. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, in a tweet has expressed happiness over the outstanding performance of Indian players and described it as an unparalleled dedication, grit and sporting spirit of country's athletes.

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