

THE HEADLINES:-

- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar terms Bloom Bazaar as endeavors to preserve Nagaland's biodiversity and cultural heritage.
- Deputy Commissioner of Mokokchung Thsuvisie Phoiji calls on young people to be wise while exercising the right to vote .
- Israel Defence Forces declares State Of War alert after Palestinian militants Hamas launched rocket attacks.
- India achieves historic 100-medal mark in Asian Games.

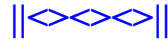


Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar has lauded the multifaceted nature of the Bloom Bazaar, terming it as a concerted endeavors aimed at preserving Nagaland's splendid biodiversity and cultural heritage. In a Message, the Vice President said, Bloom Bazaar will showcase not only Nagaland's diverse flora and fauna but also its rich tapestry of indigenous music, handloom, handicrafts, culinary delights and fashion. He expressed confidence that this visionary initiative would place Nagaland on the national tourism map, rendering it an enticing hub for both tourism and investment. Dhankar said, the transformative project will illuminate Nagaland's cultural brilliance and natural splendor, drawing visitors and investors alike while nurturing the State's journey towards India's greater goal of achieving 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Viksit Bharat'. Bloom Bazaar, an initiative spearheaded by the Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland was launch by Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio on September 30, at Kohima.



Deputy Commissioner & District Election Officer of Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoiji called on the young people to make wise choices, particularly when exercising their right to vote, as their actions and participation will shape the future of the nation. Speaking at the celebration of Youth Voters Festival in Mokokchung today, Phoiji underscored the importance of youth in preventing and addressing corruption, as well as in fostering peaceful co-existence within society. He said, in a democratic country like India, progress and change cannot be realized without active youth participation and contribution. Assistant Election officer of Mokokchung, Renben Mozhui gave an awareness presentation while District Mission Coordinator, Moamenla emphasized on the importance of Mission Shakti which is a comprehensive scheme launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, aimed at ensuring the safety and empowerment of women across the country. Later, a demonstration of Electronic Voting Machines and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail was

conducted by District Level Master Trainers, followed by a signature campaign pledging to cast their votes in the upcoming Lok Sabha election 2024.



The Israel Defence Forces declared a State Of War alert today after Palestinian militants, Hamas, launched rocket attacks from the Gaza Strip. The Hamas militant group carried out an unprecedented infiltration into southern Israel and fired thousands of rockets into the country. This is the biggest attack on Israel in years by the Islamist movement. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has expressed shock at the news of terrorist attacks in Israel. Modi said India's prayers are with the innocent victims and their families. Meanwhile, India has advised its nationals in Israel to remain vigilant and observe safety protocols in view of current situation. In an advisory, Indian Embassy in Israel has urged people to observe caution, avoid unnecessary movement, and stay close to safety shelters. In case of emergency, the Embassy can be contacted at 97235226748 and a message can also be sent at cons1.telaviv@mea.gov.in.



Kiphire District Wildlife division organized wildlife week celebration in collaboration with Kiphire forest division and evergreen welfare society under the theme " partnership for wildlife conservation ". Addressing the celebration today as Special Guest, Secretary to Department of Environment, forest & Climate change, Y Atsase Thongtsar stressed on the importance of conserving forest, saying that where there is good forest, wildlife flourish. He also suggested the church to organize wildlife Sunday where people are made aware of the importance of wildlife conservation. Thongtsar further emphasized on planting more trees stating that the benefits and resource belongs to the people who nurture them. Speaking as the Guest Speaker, Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil) of Kiphire, Longdiba said, wildlife consists of both plants and animal life. Expressing concern over the rapidly decreasing number of birds and animals in our forests because of excessive hunting and illegal poaching, Longdiba called on the students and villagers to connect with the different departments and Organizations who are dedicated in conservation of wildlife. The Wildlife Week will conclude tomorrow.



Kohima Forest Division in collaboration with Divisional Management Unit, Nagaland Forest Management Project, observed Wild Life Week by conducting a Quiz Competition yesterday. Addressing the gathering, Kohima District Forest Officer, Chisayi said everyone should work in partnership with different institutions and organizations to carry the conservation movement forward. He called on the participants to contribute to the noble cause of protecting Wild life. Chisayi also handed over certificates and cash awards to the winners of the Quiz Competition.



With the aim to educate and equip teachers with knowledge of oral health and hygiene, a training and awareness program on the importance of oral health was organised by the National Oral Health Programme, Kohima District for school teachers at Government Middle School, Keyake yesterday. District Oral Health Officer, Dr. Simon I. Sumi, highlighted the detrimental effects of tobacco on oral health and also demonstrated the proper tooth-brushing technique. During the programme, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and information Education and Communication materials were distributed to further support and encourage proper oral care practices.



The two-day Constellation 2023' an Inter School Fest, organized by Assam Rifles Public School, Kohima under the aegis of IGAR (North) and Project Empathy, culminated today. The Fest themed "Building Resilience" is a part of the second phase of Project Empathy. Five schools in Kohima took part in the event by participating in activities like artwork, story writing and role play. The students were able to acquire experiences on understanding and appreciating resilience in everyday life, foster teamwork and collaboration among peers, encourage creativity and critical thinking. The event further helped in nurturing the quality of Resilience in the young minds which is paramount, considering the increase in anxiety and stress levels amongst children.



In Asian Games, India has amassed a tally of 100 medals including 25 gold, 35 silver and 40 bronze at the Hangzhou in China. This is the first time that India has crossed the historic milestone of the hundred medal mark. This is also only the second time India have won more than 100 medals in any of the three major Games - The Olympics, Commonwealth Games and Asian Games. The country is currently ranked at the fourth place on the scoreboard. President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have congratulated the Indian contingent on winning a record hundred medals in the 19th Asian Games. President Murmu said, the players have shown tremendous dedication, skills,

and character to reach the much-awaited sports milestone. The Prime Minister said, it is a momentous achievement for India. Union Sports Minister Anurag Singh Thakur has also congratulated Indian athletes on their feat. Talking to reporters in New Delhi, Thakur said, they are an inspiration for the sportspersons of the future.

