

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Union Ministry of Cooperation to computerize and empower the registrars of Cooperative Societies of all the States and Union Territories and 1851 Agriculture and Rural Development Banks.
- Death toll rises to 32 including 9 Indian army personnel in the flood hit Sikkim.
- Assam Government distributes financial benefits to surrendered cadres of various Adivasi insurgent outfits.
- Eastern Air Command celebrates the 91st Indian Air Force Day at its headquarters in Shillong and pledges to serve the nation with patriotism.
- Amid the escalating tensions between Israel and Palestine, 27 citizens from Meghalaya who were stranded in Bethlehem, have “safely crossed” the border into Egypt.

COOPERATION

Union Ministry of Cooperation has decided to computerize and empower the registrars of Cooperative Societies of all the States and Union Territories and 1851 Agriculture and Rural Development Banks. On the lines of computerization scheme of all Primary Agriculture Credit Societies (PACs), a centrally sponsored scheme has been approved for computerization of the Agriculture and Rural Development Banks operating in 13 States. It will be done through a national unified software and computerization of offices of Registrar of Cooperatives of all States and Union Territories. Ministry of Cooperation in a statement said that a Central Project Monitoring Unit will be established which will work towards the successful implementation of the scheme.

FLOOD

In flash floods hit Sikkim, the death toll rose to 32 including 09 Indian army personnel. State Disaster Management Authority confirmed that 122 people are still missing after the glacial-fed Lhonak Lake in north Sikkim which triggered a flash flood in the Teesta river basin on the 4th of this month. A report received from Indo-Tibetan Border Police stated that 56 civilians were rescued at Chungthang via a zip line made by ITBP on the 7th of October. Out of the 56 civilians rescued, there were 52 males and 04 females. Shelter, boarding, and lodging were provided by 11 Battalion of ITBP. A total of 1320 houses were severely damaged. Till date, 2563 people have been rescued.

DISTRIBUTION

Assam government yesterday distributed financial benefits to surrendered cadres of various Adivasi insurgent outfits. The Armed Forces Special Powers Act is now confined to just four districts of upper Assam. The Acts would be repealed altogether from Assam, in days to come, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said while attending the ceremonial distribution of financial grants to 1,181 numbers of former cadres of five Adivasi militant organizations which had signed a tripartite peace agreement with the Centre and the Government of Assam at the Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra International Auditorium.

CELEBRATION

The Eastern Air Command yesterday celebrated the 91st Indian Air Force Day at its headquarters in Shillong pledging to serve the nation with patriotism and professionalism following all tenets of military ethos on the occasion of Air Force Day. All the units under Eastern Air Command celebrated the 91st anniversary of the IAF with a variety of formal and social events. Recalling the Supreme sacrifice made by India Air Force personnel in the line of duty, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Eastern Air Command, Air Marshal S.P. Dharkar paid tributes by laying a wreath at the War Memorial at Headquarters of EAC in Upper Shillong in Meghalaya's capital. Dharkar also exhorted them to continue working towards taking Indian Air Force and the Nation to greater heights and glory. Indian Air Force made its humble beginning on the 8th October 1932 with six Indian Hawai Sepoys has today grown to become one of the most potent air forces across the globe.

PILGRIMAGE

Amid the escalating tensions between Israel and Palestine, 27 citizens from Meghalaya who were stranded in Bethlehem, have “safely crossed” the border into Egypt, Chief Minister Conrad Sangma said yesterday. The 27 citizens include lone Rajya Sabha member from Meghalaya Dr. W.R. Kharlukhi and his wife and daughter. Disclosing this, the Chief Minister Sangma posted on X that “As per the latest information and through the efforts of the Ministry of External Affairs and Indian Mission, the 27 citizens from Meghalaya, who were stuck in the war conflict zone of Israel and Palestine have safely crossed the border into Egypt.” The 28 citizens from Meghalaya were on a holy pilgrimage to Jerusalem.
