

## Evening News Script

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**:::THE HEADLINES:::**

- 1. Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Suman Bery inaugurate Integrated Business Hub and Innovation Centre**
- 2. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launches PM-SURAJ national portal**
- 3. Governor La Ganesan says Nagaland's rich culture, spiritual depth testament to its commitment to harmony and community living**
- 4. And, Centre gives nod to expansion of NCC with addition of three lakh cadet vacancies**

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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Suman Kumar Bery today inaugurated the Integrated Business Hub and Innovation Centre at Dimapur. Speaking at the event, Rio said, to truly unlock Nagaland's potential, we must embrace innovation, entrepreneurship, and investment. It is with this vision that the Integrated Business Hub was conceptualized and brought to life, he said, adding that the hub will facilitate and support investors, startups, and entrepreneurs alike. The Chief Minister said, at the heart of this initiative lies a commitment to streamline administrative procedures, promote transparency, and provide quick support to investors through a single-point coordination strategy. He noted that priority will be given to startups, entrepreneurs, and investors who are eager to invest in Nagaland, while collaborations with local talent to seize untapped opportunities will be encouraged. He said opportunities will be created for retail, food courts, corporate offices, marketing fronts for PSUs and innovative enterprises, among others. Dedicated support team, comprising representatives from IDAN and other government departments, will ensure seamless transition to permanent locations for investors, and also provide essential support services, including legal assistance, information on local business practices, and access to vital resources. During the programme, Rio also launched Intellectual Property Facilitation Centre, Capacity Building Training for NGOs by CII, Innovation and Startup Training for Entrepreneurs, Startups Podcast initiative, Swavalamban Connect Kendras, Dimapur, Entrepreneurs Networking Station, and Education & Skill Loan Facilitation Centre.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today launched the 'Pradhan Mantri Samajik Utthan and Rozgar Adharit Jankalyan' (PM-SURAJ) national portal and approved credit assistance for one lakh entrepreneurs from disadvantaged communities. He also interacted with beneficiaries of various government schemes benefiting

marginalised groups through video conference. Modi also distributed Ayushman health cards and PPE kits to sewer and septic tank workers under the National Action for Mechanised Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE).



Joining the rest of the country, Nagaland today launched the PM-SURAJ portal, a credit outreach programme to the disadvantage sections of the society. Addressing the event, Advisor CAWD and Taxes, Kudecho Khamo said the portal is specially for sanitation workers and commended those who are risking their lives to keep the towns and cities clean. He highlighted the government's belief that a nation can progress only if the last person is inclusively taken care of in the journey to development. He therefore asked leaders, bureaucrats and all people concerned to ensure that all opportunities and schemes reach and benefit the intended people. On the occasion, Ayushman Health Cards and PPE kits under NAMASTE were distributed to sanitation workers of Kohima and Dimapur.



Governor La. Ganesan today said Nagaland is an embodiment of rich cultural ethos and spiritual depth, with the essence of traditional values and pursuit of spirituality deeply ingrained in people's way of life. This, he said, stands as a testimony to the state's commitment to harmony and community living. The Governor was addressing the Spiritual and Value Education Day celebration at New Delhi. Emphasizing the need to include spiritual and moral values within education, he said, teaching students on contemplation, meditation, and reflection can help them develop a deeper understanding of themselves and their place in the world, and help them navigate complexities of life with clarity and composure. The Governor also stressed upon teaching students to appreciate diversity, practice inclusion, and foster the spirit of unity in diversity, so as to build a peaceful, prosperous and harmonious society.



Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh has approved a proposal for the expansion of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) with the addition of three lakh cadet vacancies. The expansion plan encompasses the establishment of four new Group Headquarters and addition of two new NCC units. It also proposes for employing ex-servicemen as NCC instructors. The NCC will now have a sanctioned strength of 20 lakh cadets in its roles making it the largest uniformed youth organisation of the world. The far-reaching impact of this expansion will lead to proportionate distribution of vacancies across all States and Union Territories and reduce the waiting list of institutions aspiring for the NCC.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has expressed confidence that India is set to become a global hub in semiconductor manufacturing in the coming times and a leader in Industry 4.0. He said this today after laying the foundation stone of three semiconductor projects worth over 1.25 lakh crore through video conferencing. The projects include India's first commercial semiconductor fab at Gujarat, and one Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test facility each in Assam's Morigaon and at Sanand in Gujarat. The Prime Minister said the northeastern states are becoming stronger to connect with the South East Asian countries and no one ever thought before of setting up such an industry in this region. Modi said chip manufacturing will open limitless possibilities for the youths of our country and take India towards Self-reliance and Modernity.

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Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur, today, launched the revamped websites of Akashvani News and DD News in New Delhi. He also launched Prasar Bharati SHABD (Shared audio-visuals for Broadcast Dissemination) and the revamped NewsonAir app. Thakur said, as public broadcasters, Doordarshan and Akashvani have provided their services for years and through their network, promoted the local language to every corner of the country and delivered information to the person standing at the last line. He said, Prasar Bharati is now ready to provide content including videos, audio, photos, and text in different languages to news organisations.

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The Central Bureau of Investigation, Anti-Corruption Branch, Imphal has launched an Anti-Corruption Campaign in Manipur, Nagaland and Mizoram to aware the general public against giving bribes. The branch has asked citizens to inform, if they face any instance of officers of any central government or public sector undertakings demanding money or bribe while discharging their official duty. Citizens can provide information through WhatsApp, SMS or call at mobile number 6033991752, or on Landline number 0385-2414145. The branch said identities of informers will not be disclosed.

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