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THE HEADLINES

- Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan says POSCO Act stands as beacon of hope in quest to shield children from trauma of sexual abuse and exploitation.
- Nagaland State cabinet directs DGP and Commissioner to curb illegal activities in the state
- Department of School Education informs on New Admissions for Class XI in all Government Higher Secondary Schools of Nagaland
- And, World Veterinary Day 2024 observed across Nagaland.



Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan said, Protection of Children from Sexual Offence Act (POSCO) stands as a beacon of hope in our quest to shield our children from the trauma of sexual abuse and exploitation. Speaking today during the state Level Workshop on POSCO and Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act organised by High Court Legal Services Committee, Kohima Bench in collaboration with Department of Law and Justice, Department of Health and Family Welfare and Nagaland Police at Police Complex Chumoukedima, Ganesan said, effective implementation and enforcement of this legislation are hindered by a myriad of challenges. He said, the scourge of drug abuse and trafficking continues to ravage our communities, posing grave threat to public health and safety, especially that of the youth. Ganesan said, among the challenges facing our criminal justice system are the geographical constraints that hinder access to remote areas, scarcity of resources and infrastructure, and cultural nuances that influence perceptions of crime and justice. The Governor further urged all to approach the deliberations of the workshop with a sense of urgency, compassion and determination. Meanwhile, Director General of Police, Rupin Sharma stressed that a system should be put in place so that the identity of the victim and informant can be protected so as to encourage people to report. The DGP further said, maintaining secrecy regarding the victim and witnesses is very important in Nagaland where it is a very close knit society.

In the wake of indefinite shutter down Dimapur called by the DCCI against illegal and rampant taxes imposed upon the business community particularly in Dimapur by various NNPGs, State Government took serious note of the issue and discussed in the Cabinet meeting held yesterday. Cabinet conveyed its decision to direct the Director General of Police and Commissioner, Nagaland to immediately inform the various Naga political groups through the CFMG/CFSB that illegal activities such as extortion and kidnapping will be dealt as per law and culprits will be booked under NSA and detained outside the State. Further, the Cabinet directed the DGP to send additional forces immediately to Dimapur to curb such illegal activities. It was also decided by the Cabinet to provide additional required resources to law enforcing agencies for increased mobility and for operationalizing of CCTVs. In this connection, the State Police Department, has requested that all NNPGs may be advised about the complete and absolute adherence to Ceasefire Ground Rules and to confine their cadres to their designated camps and supervisory offices in letter and in spirit.



Department of School Education has informed that New Admissions for Class XI in all Government Higher Secondary Schools functioning in Nagaland will commence from 29th of this month. It said, there will be a single Online Admission Portal for all the GHSSs. Students or Parents can login into the 'GHSS Admission Portal' through the link at education.nagaland.gov.in and submit applications for schools and streams of their choice. Portal will be open till 1st May 2024, where students will have to upload copies of HSLC Admit Card and Mark Sheet. Students or Parents facing difficulties for using online facility may take assistance of Common Service Centre's functioning under Department of Information & Technology.



World Veterinary Day 2024 was celebrated today across the State under the theme "Veterinarians Are Essential Health Workers". Chief Veterinary Office, Kohima joined the global community in observing the day. Chief Veterinary Officer, Kohima, Dr. Ilang, highlighted the diverse contributions of veterinarians to society. In Medziphema, ADC James Swu highlighted the significance and responsibilities of Veterinarians, their vital role in productivities of livestock, which forms a crucial part in human life. In Tuensang, Dr. Aojongshi Chang highlighted the aim of celebration, to promote Veterinary profession, while in Wokha, SDO (Civil) Nuhuta Tunyi, congratulated all the officials

and staff of Veterinary department for valuable service and contribution rendered in the service of animal health. In Kiphire, Dr. Tsulise, District Livestock Development officer briefed the role of department for upliftment of rural economy through fully utilising skills and knowledge in caring the livestock. In Zunheboto, the public were sensitized about importance of timely vaccination of pet animals and its crucial role in prevention of zoonotic diseases, while in Phek, Dr. Velilu Epao and Dr. Rosou Pohena VAS, Pfutsero gave presentations on "Public Health & Zoonosis" and "Rabies Prevention & Control".



The KFW Mission Team visited Wokha to interact with the stakeholders of villages taken up under the Forest & Biodiversity Management in the Himalaya (Nagaland) Project (FBMP) in Wokha district and to inspect ongoing works through the project. The team had an interactive session with the five CCA Chairmen of FBMP villages as well as Anti Depredation Squad members from six villages at the office of Divisional Forest Officer Wokha Forest Division. They deliberated upon Human-Elephant Conflict in Wokha with DFO Wokha Forest Division Suman W M Sivachar and Doyang Plantation Division. After the discussion on Human-Elephant Conflict, the team headed to Thenhyayan Village and interacted interaction with village community including CCA

members, SHGs members, and village council members. The team also visited a viewpoint to observe the CCA area that is protected by the Thenhyayan village.



The 3rd edition of the Children's Home Sports Day 2024 was successfully held today with Nagaland Governor La Ganesan as the Special Guest at Holy Cross School, Dimapur. Speaking on the occasion the Governor asserted that the event is a celebration of unity, and a testament to what we can achieve with a common purpose. He further stated that, the event serves a noble cause of raising awareness about the significance of community support for the lesser-privileged sections of the society. Governor Ganesan further reminded that each one of us has a role to play in making the society more inclusive, compassionate, and supportive.



In a bid to promote clean air and raise awareness about the importance of good air quality, Kohima Forest Division organized a marathon race for school students in Kohima today under the National Clean Air Programme. The event, themed "Together for Clean Air," saw a total of 143 students from 15 schools participating in the 5.6 kilometer race, which began at Phoolbari at 6:00 AM and culminated at the A.Z Phizo Memorial Park, New

Secretariat. Speaking during the prize distribution ceremony, CF, HQ Hemant K Bhaskar emphasized the significance of creating awareness about good air quality and encouraged individual action to bring about change. He praised the participants, particularly the 20 students who completed the race within 20 minutes. In the girls' category, Menenuo Merlyn Belho of Christ King Higher Secondary School emerged as the winner, while in boys' category, Chatha Rutsa of Christ King Higher Secondary School bagged the first position. The participants also signed a pledge on the Pledge Wall, demonstrating their commitment to promoting clean air.

