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:::THE HEADLINES:::

- Fourth Phase Of Lok Sabha Polls Sees 62% Voter Turnout Across States
- India and Iran inks long-term contract for operation of Shahid Beheshti Port in Chabahar
- CBSE declares class 10 and 12 board exam results, Girls outshine boys
- And Advisor Kudecho Khamo calls for immediate investigation into ongoing blacktopping of Chozuba Town Roads

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More than 62 percent voter turnout has been recorded in the fourth phase of Lok Sabha polls. Ninety six Parliamentary Constituencies spread over nine States and one Union Territory was covered in the fourth phase. These include, 25 seats in Andhra Pradesh, 17 in Telangana, 13 in Uttar Pradesh, 11 in Maharashtra, eight seats each in Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal, 5 in Bihar, four seats each in Jharkhand and Odisha along with one seat of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. A total of one thousand 717 candidates are in the fray for the fourth phase. Over 19 lakh Polling officials were deployed across one lakh 92 thousand polling stations. Nearly 18 crore voters were eligible to exercise their franchise in this phase. So far in the last three phases, polling has concluded smoothly in 283 Parliamentary Constituencies and 20 States and Union Territories.

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India and Iran today signed the long-term contract for the operation of the Shahid Beheshti Port in Chabahar. Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal witnessed the signing of the agreement between India Ports Global Ltd. and Ports and Maritime organisation of Iran. Speaking on the occasion, Sonowal said that with this agreement, foundations have been laid for India's longterm involvement at Chabahar. He said the signature of this contract will have a multiplier effect on the viability and visibility of Chabahar port. He added that Chabahar is not only the closest Iranian port to India, but it is also an excellent port from nautical point of view.

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Central Board of Secondary Education, CBSE today declared results of Class 10th and 12th board examinations in which girls have outshined boys. In a statement, CBSE said, 87.98 per cent of students have passed 12th board exams. The passing percentage is 0.65 per cent higher than the last year. Over 24 thousand candidates have scored above 95 per cent and over one lakh sixteen thousand students got above 90 per cent in this examination. In 10th board examination, overall passing percentage is 93.60. The passing percentage of girls is 94.75 while for boys, it is 92.71. Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated students who have passed the CBSE board exams. In a social media post, Modi said he is immensely proud of students' accomplishment and their relentless dedication. The Prime Minister said that this is just one milestone in their journey and urged them to focus on what excites and drives them.

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Advisor for Civil Administration Works Division and Taxes Kudecho Khamo has called for an immediate investigation into ongoing blacktopping of Chozuba Town Roads under Phek district. The demand comes amid allegations of compromised quality and workmanship in the road construction project. Khamo, in a letter emphasized that the integrity of the project seemed to have been compromised. He pointed out that the contractor has made attempt to burn down grassy areas along the roads using a gas cylinder in response to social media backlash over poor quality of the workmanship. He said it was urgent to conduct a thorough investigation into the matter. Khamo said that the findings of the investigation should be promptly submitted for further necessary action in the interest of the public.

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A one-day Community Conserved Areas, CCA Management Plan Workshop was organized by Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change today. Chief Conservator of Forest Supongnukshi in his address expressed gratitude for consistently safeguarding forest resources. He commended their dedication to conservation efforts and encouraged them to continue their commendable service. Conservator of Forests, Zuthunglo Patton highlighted the CCA Management Plan. She said that the plan would not only aid villagers in forest conservation but also serve as a reference for various different developmental activities by organizations and Departments. Senior Researcher Keheibamding Thou presented on increasing carbon sequestration and promoting declining life support forest species through Community Participation in Kohima District of Nagaland. Villages adopted under National Mission on Himalayan Studies Project of Nagaland including Phesama, Kigwema, Jakhama, Viswema and Khuzama and organization of Southern Angami villages regarding projects in Dzukuo valley also shared inputs and experiences to the department.

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Governor of Nagaland La Ganesan has congratulated Sano Vamuzo for being honoured with the Padma Shri award by the Government of India. In a message, Ganesan said the award is a recognition of her exemplary contributions and unwavering commitment to public service and her achievement has also brought great pride to the State. The governor expressed hope that the recognition will encourage her to continue to achieve even greater heights.



Phek Additional Deputy Commissioner Ruopfukuotuo Noudi has directed dog owners to ensure vaccination of dogs and keep the dogs on leash in order to prevent them from straying in public places. He said the order has been necessitated in view of several cases of dog bites by stray dogs been reported in Phek town over the past several months. This has put a grave health risk for the general public due to possible infection of rabies. The ADC also informed that any dog found roaming freely in the town will be seized or shot at sight by concerned competent authority.

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A workshop on Bulletproof Business Accelerator was recently organized in Kohima by StartUp Nagaland under Department of Industries & Commerce . Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Tokugha Achumi commended entrepreneurial spirit of the younger generation in Nagaland. He emphasized the importance of mentorship in fostering entrepreneurship. Mentor and Founder of Bulletproof Teams Nikhil V Kumar conducted a master class on journey of Entrepreneurship and Leadership, Mastering Time Management, creating Support Structures for Entrepreneurs, and Scaling Business to the Next Level.

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An Ideation Hackathon for students will be organized in Kohima on 18th June under the Digital Design and 3D Printing Center of Excellence in the Electronic Manufacturing Cluster Project. It is implemented by AMTRON under guidance of North Eastern Council, Government of India. The hackathon will be held at Naga Hospital Authority, Kohima. It is open to all students including High School, Design, Engineering, Medical, Dental College students. Interested applicants can apply by registering on the project website 3dpcoe.in. The last date of submission is 11th June. It has been informed that shortlisted Teams duly mentored will get opportunity to compete with teams from outside of Nagaland for the final hackathon to be held in Tech City, Guwahati in August 2024. 5 winning teams will be given cash prizes and other incentives amounting to 50 Lakh rupees per team.

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All Commercial Vehicle Association of Wokha district has informed that its services unavailable in the district on 17th May till 3 pm in view of the upcoming Foundation Day celebration. The association said that entry of vehicles from other districts will be permitted till 9 AM.

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