

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

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- **Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma yesterday said that the government has identified close to 25 acres of land to implement various infrastructure projects to give facelift to Shillong.**
- **In Manipur, unknown armed miscreants shot three labourers of a construction company and among them, one succumbed to bullet injury.**
- **The Supreme Court Collegium has approved appointment of two Additional Judges, Justice Susmita Phukan Khaund and Justice Mitali Thakuria as permanent Judges of the Gauhati High Court.**
- **Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lieutenant General KT Parnaik has said that the rising India would be heavily dependent on strong professional Armed Forces.**
- **The High Court of Meghalaya has issued notices to the state government to respond on the matter of alleged irregularities in upper-age limit set for recruitment in Meghalaya Police.**
- **People of three districts of Barak Valley in Assam are observing the 63rd year of language martyrdom today.**
- **In Arunachal Pradesh, the weeklong first edition of Siang Bio-diversity Meet at Gobuk Village in Upper Siang District concluded yesterday.**
- **The India Meteorological Department has forecast heatwave conditions over the Northwest, Central and Eastern parts of the country for the next few days.**

NEWS IN ORDER:-

POLLS:

Campaigning for the fifth phase of Lok Sabha Elections ended last evening. Political heavyweights were on a marathon election tour to cover maximum constituencies to garner support for their party candidates. Polling in this phase will be held tomorrow in 49 constituencies in six states and two Union Territories. Meanwhile, campaigning for the remaining phases has intensified. A total of 889 candidates from eight states and Union Territories will contest in the Sixth Phase of Lok Sabha elections, polling for which will be held on the 25th of this month.

SHILLONG:

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma yesterday said that the government has identified close to 25 acres of land to implement various infrastructure projects aimed to give an overall facelift to Shillong city. The

government plans to develop new walkways, a green park, and recreational spaces to enhance Shillong's aesthetic appeal and provide residents with more public spaces. The available space will also be utilised for creation of public utilities like restaurants, parking spaces, and other public amenities to cater to both locals and visitors. At Barik Point, an iconic structure will come up, including installation of a National Flag visible from various parts of the city, which will symbolise unity and pride, the chief minister said.

MANIPUR:

In Manipur, unknown armed miscreants shot three labourers of a construction company and among them, one succumbed to bullet injury. According to a Police report, the incident occurred last night at Naoremthong area under Lamphel Police Station of Imphal West district. The armed miscreants dragged out the three labourers and shot them on the spot. All labourers are residents of Jharkhand State.

JUDGES:

The Supreme Court Collegium has approved the proposal for appointment of two Additional Judges, Justice Susmita Phukan Khaund and Justice Mitali Thakuria as permanent Judges of the Gauhati High Court. The recommendation was made by Supreme Court Collegium comprising Chief Justice of India, Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud, Justice Sanjiv Khanna, and Justice BR Gavai.

ARMY:

Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lieutenant General KT Parnaik has said that the rising India would be heavily dependent on strong professional Armed Forces. The Indian Armed Forces which continue to play a pivotal role in nation building have emerged as a national symbol of integrity and resilience. He said this while participating at the Lieutenant General PS Bhagat Memorial Lecture at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi.

COURT:

The High Court of Meghalaya has issued notices to the state government and other concerned authorities to respond on the matter of alleged irregularities in the upper-age limit set for recruitment in the Meghalaya Police. The Court on Friday heard the counsel for the petitioners, and notice was issued. The matter has been listed for 23rd May for consideration on the interim prayer, the court said in its order.

LANGUAGE:

People of three districts of Barak Valley in Assam are observing the 63rd year of language martyrdom today. Eleven youth including a woman fell to the bullets of the state police for the sake of their mother tongue, Bangla, at Silchar railway station on 19th May, 1961. They were protesting the imposition of Assamese language on the Bengali-speaking populace of Barak Valley. The official circular was later withdrawn and Bengali was accorded official status in the Barak Valley of Assam.

FESTIVAL:

In Arunachal Pradesh, the weeklong first edition of the Siang Bio-diversity Meet at Gobuk Village in Upper Siang District concluded yesterday. A total of 140 species of butterflies, 100 species of birds, 300 species of moths were spotted during the Biodiversity Meet. Rare species of butterflies and birds were recorded during the meet.

WEATHER:

The India Meteorological Department has forecast heatwave conditions over the Northwest, Central and Eastern parts of the country for the next few days. In East India, isolated heavy rainfall is very likely to occur over Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Meghalaya till Monday. The maximum temperatures over many parts of Northwest, Central and East India are expected to increase gradually for the next three to four days.