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- Nagaland becomes first state in Northeast region to bring out report on District Domestic Product of Nagaland.
- Chief Secretary J Alam says statistical data is of prime importance for government and policy makers.
- Nagaland joins rest of the world in observing 10th International Day of Yoga.
- Nagaland Governor La Ganesan inaugurates water reservoir at Good Samaritan's Senior Citizens' Home, Meriema.

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Nagaland has become the first state in the Northeast region to bring out the report of District Domestic Product (DDP) estimates. The first report on DDP Nagaland published by the Department of Economics & Statistics was released by Advisor IT & Communication, Economics & Statistics and Evaluation Nagaland, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam today during a one day state level workshop to promote User Producer Interface on Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) and District Domestic Product (DDP) at Kohima. As per the report, the GSDP at constant price of Nagaland has increased from 12 Thousand 176.74 Crore rupees during 2011-2012 to 18 Thousand 476.79 Crore rupees during 2019-2020. It reported that the structure of Nagaland's economy shows that tertiary sector has emerged as the most robust sector contributing 61.47 percent to the total Gross state value added during 2019-20, followed by primary sector and secondary sector with 27.57 percent and 10.95 percent respectively. While, the per capita income of the state during 2019-2020 was One Thousand 227.59 Crore rupees. Meanwhile, Dimapur district has been

ranked with the largest economy with a Gross District Domestic Product value of Five Thousand 436.11 Crore rupees during 2019-20, whereas Longleng is the district with the smallest economy with a GDDP value of 621.12 Crore rupees. In term of Per Capita Income, Dimapur district is again the highest with a value of One Lakh 94 Thousand 514 rupees followed by Longleng district with a value of One Lakh 54 Thousand rupees whereas Mon district is the lowest amongst the district with the value of 77 Thousand 738 rupees.

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A one day state level workshop to promote User Producer Interface on Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) and District Domestic Product (DDP) under Support for Statistical Strengthening Sub-Scheme was organized by the Department of Economics & Statistics at Kohima today. Speaking at the programme as the special guest, Chief Secretary J Alam said statistical data is of prime importance for the government and the policy makers. He noted how an inaccurate census of the state had a negative impact in all the sectors. The Chief Secretary noted that over the years, the quality of data collected by the Economics & Statistics department has greatly improved. He said the data will address the regional disparity which is a major issue in the state. Alam hoped that the DPP will help in dispelling the wrong perceptions about the economic development of various parts of the state. As per the report, Dimapur has the highest district per capita income and is followed by Longleng, Zunheboto, Peren, Kiphire and Mokokchung. This is followed by Wokha, Kohima, Tuensang and Phek with Mon coming in the last rank. Additional Director General & head of National Accounts Division, Ministry of Statistics & programme Implementation Dr. Prafulla Chandra Mishra said, the state GDP is a very important criteria not only for devolution of funds to the state but also to see how the state has changed and shifted structurally.

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Nagaland joined the rest of the world to observe the 10th International Day of Yoga. In Kohima, Department of Youth Resources and Sports in collaboration with National AYUSH Mission, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland organized an event at IG Stadium Kohima this morning. Officials from the Youth Resources & Sports, students from IG Academy, Modern Higher Secondary School, Nehru Yuva Kendra, and NCC Girls performed common Yoga protocol under the guidance of the Yoga Instructor of Integrated Ayush Hospital Razha, Chedema, Kelhouzasie Lawrence. The session included asanas (poses), pranayama (breathing exercises) and meditation for 45 minutes. The Yoga Instructor explained the various benefits of each asanas, pranayama and do's and don'ts in the practice of Yoga. Under Mon district, members of Hoyang Naowang Football Club in Collaboration with Nehu Yuva Kendra Mon organized a programme at Chenwetnyu to mark the day. The programme witnessed yoga in action and the organizers sharing on the importance of Yoga and its impact on health. In Wokha, the Assam Rifles and 25 Nagaland NCC Battalion (Kohima Group) celebrated the International Yoga Day at the Wokha Garrison. During the event, enthusiastic participants engaged in a comprehensive yoga session led by experienced instructors. In Noklak, students from the Mericulum Society and members of Football Association Noklak celebrated the Yoga Day at the Multi Disciplinary Stadium. The programme was organized by the Youth Resource Department and the Football Association Noklak. The International Yoga Day In Dimapur was held at Shree Shree Ram Thakur Sevaashram. Yoga enthusiast from all pockets of Dimapur participated in the celebration organized by Dimapur Bengali Student's Union.

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Nagaland Governor La Ganesan today inaugurated a water reservoir at Good Samaritan's Senior Citizens' Home, Meriema. Speaking at the program, the Governor said that inauguration of the water reservoir is more than just a structure as it also a symbol of commitment to ensuring the well-being of the elderly residents. The Governor exhorted the

residents of the home saying that they are the pillars of the society and bearers of wisdom and cherished traditions. The Governor said it is crucial that we remember the values of compassion and empathy. He said it is our collective responsibility to provide the best care and attention which elders deserve.

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Advisor IT & Communication, Economics & Statistics, Nagaland, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam today said, the release of the first report on District Domestic Product Nagaland is a Red-Letter Day for the department. Sangtam said, the Department has become the sole Agency to come-up with a well-documented statistical data which can serve as a catalyst for decentralization of policy making at the districts. Sangtam said, the report will be of immense utility in addressing the inter-district economic disparity and in addressing the economic challenges of each district.

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Nagaland government has appointed two more government spokesperson. Governor La Ganesan in an order said that Tourism & Higher Education Minister, Temjen Imna Along and Forest, Environment & Climate Change Minister C L John have been appointed as government spokesperson with immediate effect.

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World Music Day is being celebrated today. Also known as Fête de la Musique, it is an annual celebration that promotes the power of music and its universal language. Musicians and music lovers from around the world come together to perform and enjoy various genres of music on World Music day. In Nagaland, musicians from across the state are organizing several gigs and concerts to commemorate the day. Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has greeted the music fraternity & music lovers on the occasion of World Music Day. In a social media post, Rio said, today, we celebrate the universal language that transcends all boundaries. He

added that we celebrate music in all its forms and impact on the human spirit. The Chief Minister exuded hope that Music will continue to inspire and uplift us every day.

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