

Morning News Script

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Counting of votes to Urban Local Bodies Election to three Municipalities and 21 Town Councils will take place today. The counting of votes will begin at 8 AM. Altogether, there will be 16 counting halls and 125 counting tables. Election to the historic ULB election was held on June 26 with 33 percent women reservation. A total of 523 candidates including 325 males and 198 females from 11 political parties contested for 213 wards. Earlier, 64 candidates have been declared elected unopposed. The overall poll percentage for all Municipalities after the final updation stands at 81.98 percent. Meanwhile, during the counting period, Dimapur, Chiimoukedima and Nuland District came under section 144 CrPC for 24 hours since 6 this morning. While, prohibitory order of 144 CrPC has also being imposed in Peren district since 6 morning which ends at 11: 00 PM today.

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Petrol and Diesel price in Nagaland has surged up after the state government revised sales tax by 21.75 percent and 17.20 percent. The new prices will come into effective from midnight of 30th of June. In an official notification issued by Additional Chief Secretary & Finance Commissioner Sentiyanger Imchen, stated that the amended Tax rate for Diesel has been hiked to 17.20 percent or 12.83 rupees per litre, whichever is higher from the previous 16.5 per cent or Rs. 10.51 per litre, whichever is higher. While for Petrol and Other Motor Spirit, the amended Tax rate is increased to 21.75 percent or 16.94 rupees per litre, whichever is higher from the previous to 25 percent or 16.04 rupees per litre, whichever is higher.



Education Minister, Dharmendra Pradhan assured the NEET students that strict action will be taken against the culprits. Talking to newsmen outside parliament yesterday, he said the government is sensitive over this issue and assured the students and guardians that all necessary action would be taken. Pradhan mentioned that the government is ready to discuss any issue in the House.



India has become the world's third-largest domestic aviation market after the U.S. and China. According to data compiled by aviation analytics firm Official Airline Guide (OAG), India is now third in aviation market after airlines such as IndiGo and Air India have expanded their fleet size to cater to the surge in air passengers. The data show India's domestic airline capacity doubled in the last 10 years from 7.9 million seats in April 2014 to 15.5 million in April 2024. India has replaced Brazil, which now stands at the fourth place with 9.7 million airline seats followed by Indonesia in the fifth rank with 9.2 million. India has also posted the highest annual average capacity growth rate of 6.9 per cent over the last decade among the top five countries, followed by China at 6.3 per cent and the US at 2.4 per cent.



Deputy Commissioner Kohima Ramnikant Kumar has advised the public to exercise caution while commuting through Lerie Chazou on National Highway-2. In an advisory, the Deputy Commissioner stated there are recurring landslides at Lerie Chazou Kohima-Mao Road caused by incessant

rains. While debris clearance and road restoration work is ongoing, Kumar said, the probability of more slides occurring cannot be ruled out due to loose and porous nature of soil at site. The DC therefore, urged the public to be alert while commuting the said route and suggested light motor vehicle (LMVs) to take alternate route via Cathedral-Little Flower Higher Secondary School-Aradura-New Reserve (Police Union Baptist Church).

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In view of the instances of casualties and injuries during digging of ring well in Chümoukedima district, the Deputy Commissioner and chairman of District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Abhinav Shivam has issued advisories and precautionary measures for digging of wells for public safety. According to the advisory, the DDMA chairman informed that the best time to dig a well is at the end of the dry season when the underground water level is at its lowest. It also advised to always have a helper nearby when digging and never to dig alone, to wear harness when entering the well. It stated that digging should be stopped when the well begin to crumble and show signs of collapse and cover the hole when digging is not in progress. In addition, diameter of the Ring well has to be 3 feet wide to ensure easy movement of the workers, the advisory stated. Further, in case of emergency or hazardous situation, one can contact the relevant authorities immediately or report to helpline number 8732093078.