

HEADLINES:-

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah expresses concern over the natural disasters triggered by Cyclone in Assam, Tripura, Manipur, Meghalaya, and Mizoram.
- The flood situation in Assam's nine districts remained grim.
- Flash flood continues to wreak havoc in Manipur.
- Director General Northeast Zone, K Satish Nambudiripad, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, undertakes his first official visit to the regional units of Press Information Bureau, Shillong and Central Bureau of Communication, Shillong.
- Advisor to Chief Minister Nagaland and Chairman Investment & Development Authority, Abu Metha says Akashvani plays a very crucial in educating the masses of the country.
- Meghalaya Commissioner and Secretary of Education, Syed Md A Razi says that all Government and Government-aided colleges in the state will have to compulsorily seek affiliation with the Williamson Sangma State University.

FLOOD:

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said that he is deeply concerned about the natural disasters triggered by Cyclone Remal in Assam, Tripura, Manipur, Meghalaya, and Mizoram. Mr. Shah said that he has briefed the situation with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Prime Minister expressed solidarity with those affected. In a social media post, the Home Minister said that he also spoke to the respective state Chief Ministers and took stock of the situation. He assured them of all possible help. Mr. Shah said that his thoughts are with those who have lost their loved ones and prayers with those injured for a speedy recovery. The situation is being closely monitored and authorities are providing all possible assistance to the affected.

CYCLONE:

The flood situation in Assam's nine districts remained grim, with the water levels of major rivers rising and inundating vast tracts of land, following incessant rainfall in the aftermath of Cyclone Remal. In Assam around two lakh people have been affected in 386 villages in the districts due to flood and rain. Over 35000 people have taken shelter in 95 relief camps. According to the Assam Disaster Management Authority, two persons have died so far in the devastating floods across the state. Train services cancelled or short terminated due to landslides along the HalfLong-Badarpur rail route. Rescue operations have been intensified in flood-affected districts. Various agencies including SDRF, Fire and Emergency Services, local administration and civil defense are engaged in rescue operations.

HAVOC:

In Manipur, the flash flood continues to wreak havoc. Imphal City has been badly affected by the flood. Three persons have died in different flood-related incidents so far, while one person is missing. Army and central forces have been engaging in rescue work. State Water Resources Minister said that more than one lakh eighty-eight thousand persons have been affected by the flash flood in Manipur. The government has opened 56 relief camps for flood-affected families and provided necessary items to them. Chief Minister N. Biren Singh convened a review meeting with ministers and top officials and discussed the flood situation. Mr. Biren also inspected the rescue operation going on in Imphal City.

VISIT:

Director General Northeast Zone, K Satish Nambudiripad, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, undertook his first official visit to the regional units of Press Information Bureau, Shillong and Central Bureau of Communication, Shillong yesterday, marking a significant step towards strengthening communication channels across the region. During his visit, K Satish Nambudiripad engaged in comprehensive discussions focusing on the state's media landscape. Gopajit Das, Media and Communication Officer, PIB Shillong, led the session delivering a comprehensive presentation on the number of activities coordinated by both CBC and PIB. Sarang Pofale, Deputy Director, RNU, DDK, Shillong, and Paritosh Dixit, News Editor, RNU, also attended the meeting held at RABM Shillong. Interacting closely with officers and staff, K Satish Nambudiripad diligently took stock of the diverse activities being carried out by the departments for generating effective news feedback in the region.

AKASHVANI:

Advisor to Chief Minister Nagaland and Chairman Investment & Development Authority, Abu Metha said, media organization like Akashvani plays a very crucial role, not only in sharing news and giving information but also educating the masses of the country. Mr. Metha who paid his maiden visit to Akashvani Kohima yesterday said this while interacting with the officers and staff. He noted that Akashvani as one of the largest radio networks in the world, had played a key role in the journey of the country since independence, an era where there was no audio visuals media or television. Metha said, in a country like India having more than 1.5 billion people, radio still plays a very important role, and added that Akashvani should also adapt with the changing dynamics.

UNIVERSITY:

In Meghalaya, the Commissioner and Secretary of Education, Syed Md A Razi has informed that the state government has made it clear that all government and government-aided colleges in the state will have to compulsorily seek affiliation with the Williamson Sangma State University. However, Razi said the private colleges will have the choice to either remain affiliated to NEHU or the state university. Razi also informed that the Education department is taking steps to make the state university fully functional by appointing a vice chancellor, and setting up committees to appoint faculties.
