

## **NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN**

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### **HEADLINES:-**

- Supreme Court allows Centre to cancel grace marks awarded to 1,563 students and to conduct fresh National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET-UG) on June 23
- Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang allocates portfolios to new council of ministers.
- Team of State Government led by minister, L. Sushildro reaches Jiribam district in Manipur and starts distribution of relief materials to villagers taking shelter in different relief camps.
- Pema Khandu takes oath as chief minister of Arunachal Pradesh for third consecutive term.
- Relentless rain causes severe destruction in Mangan District, leading to six deaths and damage of properties.
- Mizoram Sports Conclave 2024 commences with inaugural function at the Baptist Centre in Falkland, Aizawl.

### **NEWS IN ORDER:-**

#### **NEET:**

The Supreme Court has allowed the Centre to cancel grace marks awarded to 1,563 students and to conduct a fresh National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET-UG) for them. The Centre told the top court that it proposed to withdraw scorecards issued to 1,563 students awarded grace marks on account of loss of time during the May 5 test. The students will be given an option of appearing for the fresh exam on the 23rd of this month, or retain their actual scores without the grace marks. Meanwhile, the Government said that no evidence of question paper leak has been found in the NEET-UG 2024 examination and also refuted allegations of any corruption in the exam.

#### **PORTFOLIO:**

In Sikkim, portfolios have been allocated to the new council of ministers led by Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang. Tamang has kept with him the portfolios of Home, Finance, Planning and Development, Personnel, Power, Excise, Land Revenue and Disaster Management, Transport, Information and Public Relations, Information Technology and Skill Development. For the cabinet ministers, Sonam Lama has been given the departments of Public Health Engineering and Water Resources. Rural Development and Cooperation have been given to Arun Kumar Upreti, Social Welfare, Women and Child Development, Printing and Stationery to Samdup Lepcha, Labour, Building and Housing to Bhim Hang Limboo, Urban Development, Food and Civil Supplies to Bhoj Raj Rai, Culture, Health and Family Welfare to G.T. Dhungel, Agriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services to Puran Kumar Gurung, Forest and Environment, Mines and Geology, Science and Technology to Pintso Namgyal Lepcha, Roads and Bridges to Nar Bahadur Dahal.

**TEAM:**

A team of State Government led by IFCD minister, L. Sushildro of Manipur reached Jiribam district and started distribution of relief materials to the villagers taking shelter in different relief camps. Violence broke out in Jiribam on the 6th of this month and a number of houses and government properties had been burnt and damaged by miscreants. Around nine hundred fifty villagers including children are taking shelter in seven relief camps set up in the districts. The visit of the team led by the minister is part of the advance team as Manipur Chief Minister is likely to visit Jiribam soon. Speaking to media persons the minister appeal to all to remain calm and co-operate with the government agencies including security forces who have been trying to bring normalcy in the district.

**ARUNACHAL:**

Pema Khandu took oath as the chief minister of Arunachal Pradesh for the third consecutive term yesterday. Along with Khandu, 11 other cabinet ministers also took oath during the swearing-in ceremony held at DK Convention hall in Itanagar. Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, KT Parnaik administered the oath of office and secrecy to the Chief Minister Pema Khandu and other ministers. Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Health Minister JP Nadda, Ravi Shankar Prasad, Chief Ministers of Assam and Sikkim, Union Minister Kiren Rijiju, Arunachal East Parliamentary Constituency MP Tapir Gao were present on the occasion.

**SIKKIM:**

Relentless rain has caused severe destruction in Mangan District, leading to six deaths and significant property damage. District Magistrate Hem Kumar Chettri reported that the casualties occurred in Pakeshep and Ambithang, with additional injuries in Ambithang and Labarbotey. Multiple houses were damaged and the district authorities are assessing the full extent of damage. Emergency relief and rescue operations have been mobilized. Road connectivity has been severely disrupted, hampering relief efforts, but temporary log bridges are being constructed to reconnect the affected areas.

**CONCLAVE:**

The Mizoram Sports Conclave 2024 commenced yesterday with an inaugural function at the Baptist Centre in Falkland, Aizawl. Chief Minister Lalduhoma, who attended as the Chief Guest, announced in his opening speech that "the Government will initiate steps to adopt Vision 2036 Olympics as a State Government policy." The Chief Minister expressed that this event marks the beginning of an ambitious journey towards realizing the dream of seeing Mizoram and India shine on the global stage at the Olympics 2036. He emphasized that, with this vision in mind, Mizoram has been actively implementing grassroots programs across various Olympic sports disciplines to identify and nurture young talents. The inaugural function was attended by I & PR Minister Dr Vanlalhlana, Sports Minister of Meghalaya Shakliar Warjri, Sports Minister of Assam Nandita Garlosa, and other dignitaries and top officials from different sports association of the State.

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