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In a significant move, the Governor of Nagaland has promulgated an ordinance incorporating the Anti-defection law into the Nagaland Municipal Act. The ordinance, "The Disqualification on Ground of Defection in Urban Local Bodies Ordinance, 2024, No. 2 of 2024," received the Governor's assent on 15th of July as stated in the Nagaland Gazette. The ordinance addressed the disqualification of ULB members on grounds of defection, aimed at promoting political stability and integrity within urban governance. According to the ordinance, a member of a ULB House belonging to a political party will face disqualification if they voluntarily give up their party membership or vote against party directives without prior permission. If such actions are not condoned by the party within 15 days, the member will be disqualified. Additionally, the ordinance includes provisions for exemptions in cases of mergers. If at least two-thirds of a legislature party's members decide to merge with another party, disqualification on the ground of defection will not apply. The ordinance also any question regarding member's specifies that a disqualification will be decided by the Chairman of the ULB concerned, whose decision will be final. In cases involving the Chairman's disqualification, the House will elect a member to decide the matter. The Chairman of the ULB is empowered to make rules, subject to state government approval, to implement the ordinance's provisions. These rules will cover the of party membership records, reporting maintenance condonations of defection, and procedures for resolving disqualification disputes.

The 5th session of the 14th Nagaland Legislative Assembly will be held on 27th August, 2024. Secretary-in-Charge of the Assembly Secretariat, Khrouhituonuo Rio in a press release today informed that Nagaland Governor La Ganesan has summoned the 5th session of the current Assembly at 9:30 AM, on August 27, in the Assembly Hall of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly.

MLA and Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu today said that one of the biggest concerns for Nagaland is the Sustainable Development Goals, SDG. Jakhalu called upon the officers of various departments to put collaborative effort and improve the SDG ranking of the State. Addressing the monthly meeting of Chumoukedima District Planning and Development Board at DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima, Jakhalu said the district has many advantages. The Advisor said that it is up to the officers of the district to come up with plans so that the district performs better than the older districts which have their own challenges. She encouraged the board members to reflect and work together as a team and put in efforts to make Chumoukedima district a positive district.

MLA and Chairman Wokha DPDB, Y M Humtsoe today inaugurated the Khelo India Centre, KIC for Boxing at Police Reserve, DEF, Wokha. Speaking at the inaugural function, Humtsoe lauded the State Government and the Youth Resource and Sports Department for adopting Regimental School, Wokha to set up the KIC for boxing. Stating that Wokha has no shortage of talented individuals in sports, the MLA said that boxing enthusiast from all over the district will be nurtured and groomed through this centre. Humtsoe assured every possible help to upgrade and make this centre a reputed centre. He expressed hope that the centre will produce prominent sports personalities. Wokha Superintendent of Police, Aotula T Imchen informed that an MOU was signed between the Police Department and the Youth Resource & Sports Department for a period of four years to identify young talents. Imchen urged the youths from across the district to avail the facilities of the

centre if they are interested in boxing. Under KIC (boxing), a permanent coach has been appointed to identify and train young talents. Currently 14 girls and 18 boys are enrolled as trainees to undergo training from different schools under Wokha district.

The Supreme Court has said that the retest of the NEET examination has to be on a concrete footing. The Supreme Court bench headed by Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud today started hearing more than 40 petitions alleging irregularities and malpractices in the conduct of the medical entrance exam NEET-UG 2024. The apex court underscored that the fact that the sanctity of the exam was compromised beyond question. It, however, maintained that the decision to cancel the exam in its entirety would be an extreme last resort as it affected the lives of over 23 lakh students.

Shamator-Chessore road which was damaged due to incessant rain, has been cleared till Y Anner Village. An official bulletin said that the road clearance till Y Anner Village was made possible with the intervention of MLA and Advisor Youth Resources & Sports, Keoshu Yimchunger and Public Works Department. The Y Anner Village Council expressed their appreciation to the MLA and Advisor, the Executive Engineer (Roads & Bridges) and the SDO (Roads & Bridges) Shamator for restoring the roads within a short time period.

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah today chaired the 7th Apexlevel meeting of the Narco-Coordination Center (NCORD) in New Delhi. The meeting aims to coordinate and synergize the efforts of various central and state government agencies involved in countering drug trafficking and abuse in India. The Home Ministry stated that the government has adopted a Zero Tolerance Policy against drug trafficking to combat the menace of drugs. It added that the government aims to achieve a drug-free India by 2047 through a three-point strategy: strengthening institutional structures, enhancing coordination among all narcotics agencies, and launching extensive public awareness campaigns.

Four passengers were killed and two others injured after 12 coaches of the Chandigarh-Dibrugarh Express derailed in Uttar Pradesh's Gonda district today. The incident occurred in Pikaura when the train was en route to Dibrugarh in Assam from Chandigarh. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Aditynatah took stock of the situation and instructed the officials to immediately take the injured to the hospital and ensure proper treatment. Railways official said, the derailment of the express train affected the traffic on the route leading to the diversion of various trains. Assam Chief Minister's Office said Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has been informed about the incident and he is monitoring the situation.

Youth Resources and Sports department has informed it is implementing free training course under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, PMKVY 4.0 Scheme which is fully sponsored by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India. In this regard, the department is inviting interested candidates for undergoing training for the Job Role of Mobile Phone Hardware Technician and Drone Technician. The training for Mobile Phone Hardware Technician will be held at Dimapur while training for Drone Technician will be held in Kohima and Dimapur. Registration for the training can be done by visiting <u>www.nagabot.net</u>. The last date for enrollment is 23rd July, 2024.

