

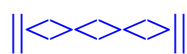
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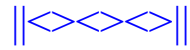
:: THE HEADLINES ::

- Nagaland launches Sampoonata Abhiyan for Aspirational district Kiphire and Akuhaito Aspirational block in Zunheboto.
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio underscores critical roles of administration and policing as backbone of governance.
- Minister P. Paiwang Konyak says state government has adopted proactive approach to ensure accessible and affordable healthcare.
- And, Director General of Police Rupin Sharma outlines strategy to increase police patrol coverage in Nagaland.

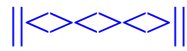


NITI Aayog launched Sampoonata Abhiyan, a three-month campaign from today till 30th September to undertake a sustained effort to achieve saturation of six key indicators in Aspirational Districts and Aspirational Blocks across the country. Along with the rest of the country, Nagaland launched Sampoonata Abhiyan for Aspirational district and Aspirational blocks in the state. A launching program was held at Hoponkyu Memorial hall in Aspirational district Kiphire in the presence of NITI Aayog representatives, District Planning and Development Board members and NGOs. Addressing the program MLA & Chairman of Kiphire District Planning Development Board, C. Kipili Sangtam urged upon the implementing agencies, concern Officers and departments to sincerely carry out their task and guidelines set by the Central Government to achieve the target. Kipili also called for transparency and accountability and periodic review of projects under 'Aspirational district' schemes. Short speeches were also delivered by representatives from NITI Aayog. Later, Deputy Commissioner of Kiphire read out a pledge to mark the launch of the program. Awards for best performing activities under Health Centre, ASHA worker and Anganwadi worker were also presented during the program. Meanwhile, Zunheboto district also Launched Sampoonata Abhiyan for Akuhaito Aspirational Block. Speaking on the occasion, Advisor for water resource to Niti Aayog India, Yugal Joshi said, the central government has launched the Sampoonata Abhiyan with the aim of

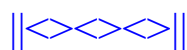
improving service delivery and governance level in the most backward districts and blocks in the country.



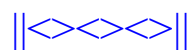
Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio flagged off 35 Boleros, 300 bikes, and two mobile forensic investigative vans, aimed at enhancing law enforcement across Nagaland, at Police Complex in Chumukedima. Addressing at the program, Rio, underscore the critical roles of administration and policing as the backbone of governance. He emphasized on Nagaland's recent economic strides, particularly in the private sector, but cautioned that such growth often accompanies increased challenges, including rising crime rates. Noting Dimapur as a focal point for addressing anti-social activities, Rio said securing Dimapur would contribute to overall safety in the state. Commending the Nagaland Police for their dedication and achievements, The Chief Minister called for continued cooperation between the public, administration, and law enforcement agencies. Speaking on the occasion, Deputy Chief Minister, Yanthungo Patton said that the new vehicles and equipment are not merely additions but a reaffirmation of the government's commitment to ensuring citizens' safety. He stressed the importance of comprehensive support for effective law enforcement, including trainings, adequate resources and a conducive operational environment. Patton reaffirmed the government's determination to uphold Nagaland Police as a leading force in the country.



Minister for Health & Family welfare P. Paiwang Konyak today said healthcare facilities in Nagaland have been significantly enhanced in all the district hospitals. The Minister was speaking after launching the ECHO India Partner Training programme in Kohima. He said, today the state have TB and Chest Disease Hospitals, Mental Health Institute, Community Health Centers and the first Medical College in Kohima. The Minister also informed that construction of Mon Medical College is in full swing and laying of foundation stone for Nursing College in Kohima and Mon are in pipeline. Emphasizing that the state government has adopted a proactive approach to ensure healthcare that is accessible, affordable and available to all at the right time and in the right place, Paiwang said one of the key initiatives in this endeavour is the Chief Minister Health Insurance Scheme, designed specifically for the people of Nagaland. He mentioned that this scheme was launched in collaboration with the Central Government's Ayushman Bharat scheme which is a significant step toward achieving Nagaland's 2030 Sustainable Development Goal, which was launched in August 2021. The Minister further informed that Department of Health & Family Welfare is contemplating to introduce more services under the Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme in the days to come.



Director General of Police, Nagaland, Rupin Sharma today outlined a new strategy for police patrols in the state. Addressing a press conference at Police Complex, Chumukedima, Sharma said the strategy focuses on Indian Reserve (IR) and Nagaland Armed Police (NAP) personnel, who will now conduct patrols in shorter shifts of 6-8 hours per day. He said, this adjustment aims to increase coverage across Nagaland, with plans to check vehicles at 150 to 200 locations simultaneously. Sharma urged cooperation of the public during these checks, acknowledging potential inconveniences such as brief stops at certain points. The DGP emphasized that the element of surprise in patrols is crucial to catch criminals off guard, enhancing overall security measures. He encouraged citizens to actively participate by reporting criminal activities, underscoring the community's role in maintaining safety. Sharma assured that refinements would be made to minimize public inconvenience while optimizing patrol effectiveness.



Deputy Commissioner of Niuland district, Sarah S. Jamir today administered oath to the newly elected members of Niuland Town Council. Later, the member unanimously elected Kakheka Zhimomi as the Chairman and Visheli Zhimo as the Vice Chairman. In the recent concluded ULB election to the Nuiland Town Council, out of nine wards, BJP won six and independent candidate won three seats. Meanwhile, Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi

Chang, administered Oath of Affirmation to the 11 members of East Dimapur Town Council. The ceremony was attended by Advisor for Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu and other officials.



A two-day ECHO India Partner Launch Training for health officials of Nagaland got underway at Kohima today. The training will impart the ECHO model to the district health officials, emphasizing capacity building and strengthen health care system of the state. During the inaugural session, State Health Minister P Paiwang Konyak released the ECHO India handbook on “Strengthening Healthcare system in Nagaland & Northeast India through partnership & innovation”. Mission Director, National Health Mission, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Dr Akuo Sorhie said the state has found an unwavering partner in ECHO India, whose unique and visionary model facilitated the transfer of knowledge without the need to move people. She said this collaboration ensures that healthcare providers in the remotest area receive mentorship and can discuss their cases with specialists located in different districts of the state and even across the nation. Highlighting on the overview of the Project ECHO, Chief Operating Officer ECHO India, Surojit Chatteraj expressed its commitment to enhancing high quality healthcare accessibility in Nagaland, adding that ECHO India’s Mission is to facilitate health care access through innovative approaches, supported

by government bodies to foster sustainable health care development. ECHO India, established in 2008 is a nonprofit trust that focused on bringing equity primarily in the fields of healthcare and education through capacity building of healthcare practitioners and educators.

