:::THE HEADLINES:::

- 1. Nagaland State Transport department notifies Free Travel Facilities for the Persons with Disabilities.
- 2. Union Minister Nadda says Health Ministry is preparing schemes for dengue prevention, containment and management and is also working in tandem with states.
- 3. Marking a significant milestone, NIELIT Kohima launches Digital Forensics Training Program for students, university lecturers and officials of Egypt.
- 4. and, National Health Mission Employees Association Nagaland appeals for immediate release of pending salaries.



The Nagaland State Transport, NST Department has notified extension of Free Travel Facilities in the NST passenger buses for the Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), within the State of Nagaland. In a notification, NST Department informed that for identification of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities to avail Free Travel Facilities in NST, Unique Disability Identify Card issued from the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Government of India, or valid Disability Certificate issued by a competent Authorized Medical Board, would be the prerequisite for eligibility. Free Travel Pass will be issued from the Office of the General Manager, NST, Nagaland, Dimapur, on payment of fifty rupees renewable after two years against payment of twenty rupees. The applicants have been asked to submit their applications directly to the Office of the General Manager, NST, Nagaland, Dimapur, or through the District NST Office.



Union Health Minister Jagat Prakash Nadda said that the Health Ministry is preparing schemes for dengue prevention, containment and management and is also working in tandem with states. Nadda said this during a press conference after chairing a review meeting with senior officials of his Ministry to assess the preparedness the check against dengue in the nation in New Delhi, today. He informed that the Ministry will soon launch a round the clock Dengue helpline and has asked the states to launch theirs as well in the next 4-5 days. Nadda added that the Health Ministry will hold inter-sectoral and inter-departmental meetings with Ministries such as Education, and Housing and Urban Development to coordinate and plan better. He will also hold meetings with high-burden states in the next two days. He has further directed the central hospitals to prepare dengue treatment wards, dedicated management and round the clock healthcare availability along with the states to issue guidelines for schools.

Marking a significant milestone, the National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) Kohima launched a Digital Forensics Training Program for students, university lecturers and professors, and government officials from Egypt on Monday. The program reflects NIELIT Kohima's unwavering commitment to strengthening cyber security defences, aligning perfectly with the Government of India's vision of enhancing national digital security. The launching program was graced by dignitaries, including Ambassador of Egypt in India, Wael Mohamed Awad Hamed. Officials said that following a ten-week intensive online training module, participants would have the opportunity to visit NIELIT Kohima for hands-on laboratory experience, equipping them with top-notch cyber security skills.



The National Health Mission Employees Association Nagaland (NEAN) has appealed to the Mission Director of the National Health Mission (NHM), Nagaland, to immediately release their pending salaries. NEAN highlighted that employees have not received their salaries since the month of May this year, leading to significant hardships for workers across the state, including those in district and block program management and service delivery. NEAN highlighted that despite the state's receipt of the first tranche of funds for the fiscal year 2024-25 on June 13, the fund is yet to be transferred to the State Health Society Accounts. NEAN said considering the timely mandate from the Government of India, funds must be transferred within 15 days of receipt, a deadline that has already passed. The association further urged the Mission Director to prioritize the issue, while also warning that any further delay may compel them to take more stringent measures.



Indo-Tibetan Border Police, ITBP has seized 108 gold biscuits weighing 108 kg near Sirigaple in Eastern Ladakh. ITBP in a social media post said, a team led by Deputy Commandant Deepak Bhatt from the 21 Battalion while conducting a Long Range Patrol seized it. ITBP said, two suspects have been apprehended and investigations are ongoing with other agencies.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi held talks with Austrian Chancellor Karl Nehammer in Vienna and discussed various dimensions of the bilateral relations. These include trade and investment, Science and Technology, green energy, AI, start-ups, environment and climate change, cultural cooperation and people to people ties. The leaders also exchanged views on regional and global issues of mutual interest. In a press statement after the meeting, Modi said, they discussed the biggest challenges humanity is facing right now, including climate change and terrorism. He said, he has invited Austria, to join India's initiatives including International Solar Alliance, Collision for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure and Bio-fuel Alliance.



The newly elected members of Phek, Pfutsero and Chozuba Town Councils under Phek district Nagaland have unanimously elected their chairman and deputy chairman. Shevohu Nienu was elected as the Chairperson and Chetezo Akami as Deputy Chairperson of the Phek Town Council during a programme presided over by Deputy Commissioner, Phek, John Tsulise Sangtam at DC's conference Hall yesterday. For Pfutsero Town Council, Mikha Kenye was elected chairman and Khazii Dukru as Deputy Chairman. In his speech, MLA Dr. Neisatuo Mero congratulated the elected councillors and called upon them to cooperate with one another and plan together for the development of the town. Dr. Mero also lauded the Deputy Commissioner and Additional Deputy Commissioner and other officials concerned for the successful and peaceful conduct of the ULB election. Meanwhile, NDPP Chozuba Town Unit informed that the formation of Chozuba Town Council was successfully completed today with Sevonyi Keyho and Vezota Rhakho as Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively. The unit also congratulated all the elected councillors and hoped they would take the responsibility to serve the people.



A four-day training for women on Improved Piggery and Poultry Farming, organised by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, commenced at Chozuba in Phek district today. The inaugural & keynote address was delivered by Dr. Pusazono Chusi, Deputy Director, Assistant Sector Officer, Women Welfare Development, AH & Vet Services, Nagaland. VAS, Pfutsero, Dr. Rosou Pohena spoke on Women Empowerment through improved Piggery & Poultry Farming.



The Tobu Sub-Divisional Planning & Development Board (SDPDB) meeting held at ADC Conference Hall, Tobu, yesterday discussed on important issues pertaining to the area. The board members discussed on the implementation of Drawing & Disbursing Officer (DDO) power for Village Guards under Tobu, Moka & Monyakshu Circle. They also deliberated on construction of Bailey bridge between Changlangshu Village & Tamkoang Village and maintenance & renovation of existing road under Tobu sub-division. MLA & SDPDB Chairman Tobu, K. Naiba Konyak chaired the meeting.

