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HEADLINES:-

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- Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma says the state government is bridging the gap between demand and supply for overseas job placements.
- The Moidams of Assam receives prestigious 43rd UNESCO World Heritage Site tag in the cultural category.
- Meghalaya Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home, Prestone Tynsong criticized pressure groups for preventing tourist vehicles from entering Sohra and Dawki yesterday.
- Meghalaya Power Minister Abu Taher Mondal yesterday conducted a high-level inspection to oversee the progress of works at Umiam Bridge.

KARGIL

The 25th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas was commemorated by the Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Ministry of Information and Broadcasting who hosted a silver jubilee programme at Raj Bhavan, Shillong yesterday. Meghalaya Governor Phagu Chauhan highlighted the heroism of Captain Keishing Clifford Nongrum, who was posthumously honoured with the Mahavir Chakra for his outstanding sacrifice during the Kargil war. Lieutenant General Sanjay Malik, GOC 101 Area, highlighted the bravery of the Indian Army and Armed Forces during the war, emphasising that their courage was crucial to the victory. The NCC Group Headquarter, Shillong in collaboration with St. Anthony's College also held a commemorative function to observe the Kargil Victory Day at the college campus.

ARUNACHAL

Arunachal Pradesh celebrated the 25th anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas yesterday with a series of events honoring the Indian Armed Forces' victory. Tawang Deputy Commissioner Kanki Darang and Brigadier VS Rajput, Commander of the Tawang Brigade paid tributes to the fallen heroes by laying wreaths at the Tawang War Memorial. Brigadier Rajput expressed gratitude to the local community and emphasized the importance of civil-military relations.

PLACEMENTS

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma yesterday said that the state government is bridging the gap between demand and supply for overseas job placements by connecting the youth with trusted agencies. The Chief Minister was addressing the youth at a Job Fair for overseas placements held at the district auditorium in Tura, West Garo Hills. He said that the government will fund their training up to 50,000 rupees, support them in their journey to secure jobs overseas, and facilitate their visas and other necessary paperwork. The Meghalaya Skill Development Society and the Department of Labour, Employment and Skill Development have been entrusted with the task of identifying the right agencies for skill training, language learning, and job placement.

MOIDAMS

The Moidams of Assam has received the prestigious 43rd UNESCO World Heritage Site tag in the cultural category. Nearly seven hundred years old, Moidams are hollow vaults of brick, stone and contain the remains of kings and royals. The inclusion of Moidams was decided unanimously by the World Heritage Committee meeting held in New Delhi. Moidams is the first cultural site and the third overall site from the North East to be inscribed on the World Heritage list. Announcing its inclusion, Culture and Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said that this is a great achievement for the North-East and Assam.

TOURISTS

Meghalaya Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home, Prestone Tynsong has criticized pressure groups for taking law into their hands and preventing tourist vehicles from entering Sohra and Dawki yesterday. Police later arrested ten HNYF members for their alleged involvement in preventing the entry of Assam-registered tourist vehicles. Speaking to reporters, Mr Tynsong said if the pressure groups have any grievances, they should come to the government. Prominent tourism associations of Meghalaya met and condemned the action of stopping tourist vehicles coming from outside and demanded action from the government in this regard.

BRIDGE

Meghalaya Power Minister Abu Taher Mondal yesterday conducted a high-level inspection to oversee the progress of works under Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Projects at Umiam Bridge. The minister expressed hope that the bridge would be fully open by the end of the month and added that a high-power committee would meet on Monday to finalize the opening date. Mr Mondal emphasized the importance of completing the remaining works expeditiously to ensure the safety and longevity of the dam.

ADVOCACY

The Directorate of Commerce and Industries, Meghalaya, yesterday hosted an advocacy program and interactive session on enforcing the Competition Act, 2002, in collaboration with the Competition Commission of India Advocacy. Addressing the event, Commissioner and Secretary of Commerce and Industries, Pravin Bakshi said that the aim of the program was to familiarize participants with the Competition Commission of India's functions. The Competition Act, 2002, establishes a Commission to prevent anti-competitive practices, promote and sustain market competition, protect consumer interests, and ensure freedom of trade.
