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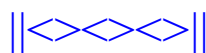
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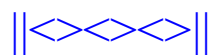
· BSF on high alert along Indo-Bangla border amid turmoil in Bangladesh

· and, Coordination Committee of District Tobacco Control Cell Kohima focuses on reinforcing ban of sale of tobacco products at educational institutions.



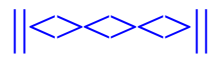
The Lok Sabha today approved the Demands for Grants under the Control of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

for 2024-25 after discussion. Replying to the discussion on Demands for Grants in the House, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Jagat Prakash Nadda said that the Modi government has given utmost priority to the health sector. The Union Minister informed that the budgetary allocations have gone up from 33 thousand 278 crore rupees in 2013-14 to 90 thousand 958 crore rupees in 2024-25 registering an increase of 164 per cent. He said, of the total budget, 55 per cent of the amount are spent through National Health Mission. Nadda also informed that the government is gradually increasing the health budget and at present it has touched 1.9 per cent of GDP. The Minister added that the initiatives taken in the Union Budget 2024-25 will have a far-reaching impact.

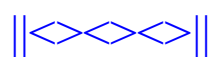


Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that the government will keep working for the people of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh and fulfil their aspirations in the coming times. In a social media post, Modi said, today on 5th August, the Parliament had decided to abrogate Articles 370 and 35(A), which was a watershed moment in the nation's history. The Prime Minister said, it was the start of a new era of progress

and prosperity in Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh.

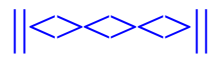


Amid turmoil in Bangladesh, a high alert has been sounded in India's bordering areas with the neighbouring nation where the situation has become extremely volatile following protests over a quota-related issue. Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has resigned and reportedly left for an undisclosed location. A top-ranking Border Security Force officer said in Agartala that all senior border guarding officials and commandants had rushed to the border, and have been maintaining tight vigilance along the frontiers. He also said that in the backdrop of the chaos and unrest in Bangladesh, no untoward incident or infiltration bid so far has happened along the India-Bangladesh border areas. Earlier, in a televised address to the nation, Army Chief General Waker-Uz-Zaman said an interim government will be formed to run the country. General Waker-Uz-Zaman also urged the citizens to keep their trust in the Bangladesh Army, asserting that the defence forces will ensure peace in the coming days.

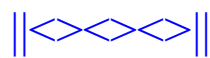


The District Level Coordination Committee of the District Tobacco Control Cell, DTCC, Kohima today held its quarterly meeting at the DC's Conference Hall in Kohima. Under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Kohima Kumar Ramnikant, the committee focused on reinforcing ban on sale of tobacco products within a 300-foot radius of educational institutions. The Committee decided that first-time offenders will face fines, while repeated offenses will result in both fines and the sealing of shops. Persistent offenders will face fine and license cancellation. The committee also agreed to increase shop inspections to ensure compliance. Deputy Commissioner Ramnikant commended the DTCC Kohima for effectively conducting Focus Group Discussions and Information, Education, and Communication activities in various institutions across Kohima, despite limited funding. He further proposed the initiation of tobacco-free wards, colonies, and villages, in addition to the existing tobacco-free school and home initiatives. During the program, District Nodal Officer of DTCC Kohima, Dr. I Simon Sumi, declared Government High School New Market, Government High School Forest Colony, and Government Middle School Naga

Bazaar as tobacco-free schools.

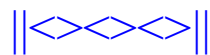


Prime Minister Narendra Modi has expressed joy that India's electronic exports are now among the top three exports in the country. Citing a social media post by Electronics and IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Modi said, India's prowess in electronics is powered by the country's innovative Yuva Shakti. He said, India remains committed to continuing this momentum in the times to come.

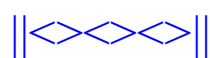


The second phase of Skill Proficiency Management for Building and other construction workers Advanced Training of Trainers (TOT) was held at Town Hall, Tuensang today. Speaking at the training, Deputy Commissioner Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa thanked the organizer, Zynorique Initiative Society, for providing such trainings for the youth of Tuensang. She said, in the fast changing world, skilled jobs are needed in every field and through skill development, employment opportunities can be found in both government and private sector. Stating that Nagaland has a higher average

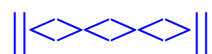
of non-locals employed in construction work, she lamented that indigenous Nagas are unable to compete due to lack of skill development. To this, she said, through this skill training, many local unemployed youth can easily seek job opportunities as an electrician, plumber and construction worker. Introduction to the training was highlighted by Tenempong Longchar Team Zynorique .



in view of the damage of National Highway-202 due to the washing away of culvert between Longkhim and Mangaki, the road has been closed for restoration till further orders. Deputy Commissioner Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa advised travellers from Tuensang to Kohima to take the Tuensang - Yangli-Zunheboto-Kohima route. Further, travellers to Mokokchung have also been advised to take the Tuensang - Yangli-Suruhoto Longsa route or Tuensang -Longleng-Changtongya-Mokokchung route vice versa. In addition, the Movement of heavy vehicles would remain restricted along the Tuensang -Longleng road.



Minister of Communications, Jyotiraditya Scindia and Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Dr Mansukh Mandaviya today released a set of four commemorative postage stamps to celebrate the 33rd Olympics Games currently going on in Paris. This event was held in New Delhi today. 10 meter air pistol mixed team medalist, Sarabjot Singh, Steeplechase Athlete, Sudha Singh and Former Cricketer Akash Chopra also attended the event. These stamps represent sports such as Javelin Throw, Field Hockey, Sailing and Table Tennis. While addressing the event, Union Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya said the government is nurturing talent from across the country with initiatives such as Khelo India playing a vital role in providing essential support to the athletes. Mandaviya said these stamps reflect India's commitment towards sports.



For the very first time in the state, the Nagaland Athletics Association will be collaborating with the eight districts to observe the National Javelin Day on 7th of August. The day is observed in commemoration of the historic Olympic Gold Medal won by Neeraj Chopra at the Tokyo Olympics. Competitions will be organised at Chumoukedima,

Dimapur, Kohima, Mokokchung, Noklak, Peren, Shamator and Wokha. Taking to social media platform, Associate Vice President of Indian Athletics and Secretary General of Nagaland Olympic Association, Abu Metha said Nagaland Athletics has provided assistance of equipments like Javelins, Kids Javelin and Awards for top three winners to all the 8 districts organizing the competition. Metha said the Association looks forward to the support and solidarity of all sections and further encouraged all to build the foundations for grooming the next generation of Champions.

