

Morning News Script

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The Assam Rifles have established the Subedar PB Chhetri, Kirti Chakra Centre of Excellence at Ghaspani, Nagaland. According to the Assam Rifles, this full-time residential program will mentor and guide students over a twelve-month period to prepare them for various competitive entrance exams, including those for Engineering and Medical fields, as well as other allied streams. The program, under the direction of the Director General Assam Rifles, will be implemented by the National Integrity & Educational Development Organisation, an educational NGO while the Inspector General Assam Rifles (North) will oversee the project's overall operations, with funding support provided by Axis Bank. In this connection, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed yesterday under the aegis of the DGAR at Ghaspani Nagaland. In his speech, Major General Manish Kumar emphasized Assam Rifles' efforts to empower the youth of the North East by providing them with value-based education and soft skills, leading to increased success and employment opportunities for underserved sections of the nation.

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Army chief General Upendra Dwivedi yesterday chaired a high-level meeting focusing on the ongoing transformational initiatives by the Indian Army and its contribution towards achieving the objective of Viksit Bharat by 2047. The Ministry of Defence in a statement said that discussions were held around the reorganization of Army headquarters, Command headquarters and other key formations to ensure optimal efficiency and operational readiness. The Indian Army's focus will be on modernization of all combat arms, combat support arms and the logistic units. Discussions were also held on enhancing joint operations and integration between the Army, Navy and Air Force to face the future challenges of warfare. The Indian Army will look towards indigenization, supporting the domestic defence industry and facilitating India's position as a leading defence exporter.

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The Nagaland Science Mission (NSM) under the Department of Science & Technology is creating a Human Resource Database for Naga Researchers,

Scientists, and technologists in the field of Science & Technology. NSM said the main aim for this is to have better linkages, create a common platform for the Indigenous Nagas working in various fields of Science & Technology to foster the scientific sustainable development in the State. It is also aimed to acknowledge and felicitate the achievement of Nagas for their contribution to Science & Technology in India and Abroad. With these broad objectives, Naga researchers, scientists, and technologists working in various fields of science have been requested to register with NSM by submitting their latest resume with photographs to nsm.nagaland@gmail.com on or before 31st of October.

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Officer Trainees of 2023 batch of Indian Foreign Service yesterday called on President Droupadi Murmu at the Rashtrapati Bhawan. The President reminded the officers that they represent not only the Government of India but the 1.4 billion Indians and their hopes and aspirations. She also added that a good diplomat needs to be a good communicator and a strategic thinker. The President also advised them to learn as many languages as possible and embrace new culture, people and technology.

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The Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA) has issued weather alert warning of heavy rainfall and thunderstorm across the state for the coming days. According to the NSDMA, almost all districts in Nagaland will experience cloudy skies with heavy rainfall until 25th of this month. The districts expected to be most affected by heavy rainfall include Kohima, Tuensang, Mokokchung, Mon, Kiphire, Zunheboto, Phek, and Peren. The NSDMA has advised residents in these areas to take necessary precautions and exercise caution against lightning strikes and gale-force winds, which may cause disruptions in communication and connectivity. The NSDMA also warned of the potential for excessive precipitation in the hill sectors, which could lead to waterlogging and flash floods in Nagaland's lowland and foothill regions. Areas at particular risk include Dimapur, Nuland, Chumukedima, Bhandari, Pangti, Tizit, and Tuli. In light of these conditions, the NSDMA has urged the public to exercise caution to avoid any eventualities during this period.

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