

## MORNING NEWS

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Following the political unrest in Bangladesh and potential impact of the influx of illegal immigrants in the region, Nagaland government is on high alert to prevent any infiltration of illegal immigration in the state. Addressing media persons in Kohima yesterday on the state's preparedness, Home Commissioner, Vyas R said, the Deputy Commissioners across the state have been instructed to activate all security coordination in their respective districts. He said we should remain alert and alive to the situation so that it should not be the case that the administration, the police and the entire state government is taken by surprise. To this, he said the Deputy Commissioners were instructed to intensify ILP checks with surprise inspections. Vyas said the state has a very strong Village council set up and as such the Deputy Commissioners are advised to activate the village councils and ensure that the communication channels are open for any unnatural movement or incident to be reported immediately. He said, cross borders meetings with the Assam counterparts has been initiated to enable early warnings, adding that 90 per cent chance of any movement would be from that side. The Home Commissioner also informed that some Deputy Commissioners have already activated their security coordination apparatus with conducts of surprise checks in certain districts and reaching out to its Assam counterpart. Vyas also emphasised on keeping the entire district administration apparatus alert and alive to the situation. The Home Commissioner further informed that DCs of Dimapur, Chumoukedima and Niuland have been alerted to conduct surprise checking.

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Nagaland's Lone Lok Sabha MP S Supongmeren Jamir has appealed to the central government to urgently solved the long standing demand of Eastern Nagaland People's Organisation, ENPO's of creating Frontier Nagaland Territory, FNT. Raising the matters during urgent Public importance in the Lok Sabha yesterday, Jamir said the growing demand of FNT for Eastern areas continue following deprivation of the basic infrastructure, employment, fund allocations, health among others.

He opined that the present government at the centre had agreed on Frontier Nagaland Territory, which was accepted by the ENPO. He however cautioned the House that the delay to fulfil its promises would bring social disharmony among the Naga brothers. Jamir also sought an update on the status tripartite Memorandum of Settlement of 6th December 2022 and the draft of the Working Paper between the Central Government , State Government and the ENPO . Meanwhile, the Communication Department of NPCC informed that the MP submitted two unstarred questions related to two agreements signed between Government of India and Naga Political Groups, and the other in relation to the Frontier Nagaland Territory issue. The NPCC said, the Lok Sabha Speaker has disallowed the unstarred questions on grounds that were secret in nature and in contravention of the "Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha". The NPCC however, informed that in response to subsequent requests by the MP, the Speaker has allowed Frontier Nagaland Territory issue to be raised in the Lok Sabha for discussion.

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Both the Houses of Parliament were adjourned sine die yesterday. The Budget Session of Parliament began on 22nd of the last month and it was due to conclude on Monday. Speaker Om Birla said, 15 meetings were held in this session which lasted for 115 hours. He said, discussion on Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman Union Budget 2024-25 was 27 hours and 19 minutes. He said, 12 government bills were introduced during the session of which four were passed by the Lok Sabha. The Finance Bill, the Appropriation Bill, the Jammu and Kashmir Appropriation Bill, and the Bhartiya Vayuyan Vidheyak were passed in the Lower House. The Speaker said, Lok Sabha witnessed 136 percent productivity during the session. Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar said, around 22 hours discussions were held on Union Budget in the Upper House. He said, the House sat for 90 hours during the session.

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The Supreme Court yesterday rejected a plea to delay the 2024 NEET-PG exam, scheduled for August 11. The court said it will be unjust to risk the future of two lakh students while rejecting a petition that argued the assigned exam cities were too inconvenient for some candidates.

Chief Justice DY Chandrachud, along with Justices JB Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, stated that, as a matter of principle, the court will not reschedule the exam and cannot put the careers of so many candidates in jeopardy.

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