

**HEADLINES:-**

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2. The opening ceremony of the prestigious Durand Cup for group matches in Shillong, Meghalaya was held at the JN Stadium yesterday.
3. The Union Cabinet has approved eight important National High-Speed Road Corridor Projects to improve logistics efficiency, reduce congestion and enhance connectivity across the country.
4. The Manipur Legislative Assembly yesterday passed eight demands for grants amounting to rupees three thousand four hundred seventy six crores.
5. Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has said that Supreme Court's observation on no systemic breach of sanctity in NEET-UG exam and therefore no re-exam vindicates the stand of the Government.
6. The Meghalaya government has formed a Rationalisation Committee to examine the proposal for enhancement and rationalisation of the salaries of all Samagra Shiksha (Non-Academic) staff.
7. The Meghalaya Rural Tourism Forum has written to Chief Minister Conrad Sangma and Tourism Minister Paul Lyngdoh asserting that they will no longer remain silent spectators to disturbances and lawlessness created by NGOs

affecting the movement and security of tourists and consequently affecting their livelihoods.

## **NEWS IN ORDER:-**

### **CONFERENCE**

A two-day Conference of Governors began at Rashtrapati Bhavan yesterday. President Droupadi Murmu is presiding over the conference. Governors of all States are attending the Conference. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and several Union Ministers are also attending the conference. The agenda of the Conference includes the implementation of three criminal laws, reforms in higher education and development of focused areas.

### **DURAND**

The opening ceremony of the prestigious Durand Cup for group matches in Shillong, Meghalaya was held at the JN Stadium yesterday. The opening match took place between local side Shillong Lajong FC who won by a goal against Tribhuvan Army FC of Nepal yesterday. The competition features teams from the Indian Super League, I-League as well as armed forces from India, Nepal, and Bangladesh.

### **ROAD**

The Union Cabinet has approved eight important National High-Speed Road Corridor Projects to improve logistics efficiency, reduce congestion and enhance connectivity across the country. A 121-km Guwahati Ring Road will be developed in Build Operate Toll mode at a total capital cost of Rs. 5,729 Crore in three sections. A major bridge over river Brahmaputra will also be constructed as a part of the project. The Guwahati Ring Road will provide seamless connectivity to long-distance traffic plying on National Highway 27 (the East West Corridor), which is the gateway to North-East Region of the country. The Ring Road will

ease congestion on major National Highways around Guwahati, connecting major cities/ towns in the region - Siliguri, Silchar, Shillong, Jorhat, Tezpur, Jogigopha, and Barpeta.

## **MANIPUR**

The Manipur Legislative Assembly yesterday passed eight demands for grants amounting to rupees three thousand four hundred seventy six crores. Replying to a Calling Attention Motion, Chief Minister, N. Biren Singh said that the concerned ministry will be intimated regarding the frequent landmine explosions along the Indo-Myanmar border of Kamjong district. He said that the State Government will approach the Union External Affairs Minister and Union Home Minister for a joint consultative action plan on the issue.

## **NEET**

Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has said that Supreme Court's observation on no systemic breach of sanctity in NEET-UG exam and therefore no re-exam vindicates the stand of the Government. In a social media post, Mr Pradhan said, the government stands committed to Tamper-free, Transparent and Zero-error examination system. He said, for ensuring the same Government will implement recommendations of the high-level committee of experts, at the earliest once they are submitted.

## **COMMITTEE**

The Meghalaya government has formed a Rationalisation Committee to examine the proposal for enhancement and rationalisation of the salaries of all the Samagra Shiksha (Non-Academic) staff in the state. The government has approved the constitution of the 20-member committee to be headed by Commissioner & Secretary Vijay Kumar Mantri. The notification was also handed over yesterday by the Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma to the delegation of All Meghalaya SSA Non Teaching Staff Association during a meeting held in his office chamber.

## **TOURISM**

Fifteen organisations and traditional bodies under the banner of the Meghalaya Rural Tourism Forum have written to Chief Minister Conrad Sangma and Tourism

Minister Paul Lyngdoh asserting that they will no longer remain silent spectators to disturbances and lawlessness created by NGOs in the state affecting the movement and security of tourists and intimate them, and consequently affecting the livelihoods of stakeholders in the tourism sector. The Forum urged the government to ensure that law and order is maintained in the entire state which is vital for the growth of tourism in Meghalaya.

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