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1. On International Day of Peace Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio says unity, compassion and dialogue are foundation for lasting peace.
2. Union Minister Kiren Rijiju calls for upliftment of citizens of North East in fostering unification of country.
3. Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio takes part in Swachhata Hi Seva 2024.
4. And, Government-e-Marketplace reduces transaction charges levied on sellers and service providers.

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Nagaland today joined the global community in observing the International Day of Peace at Rivenburg's Chapel Hall, Baptist College in Kohima, under the theme, "Cultivating a Culture of Peace." The event was organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of Baptist College Kohima, in collaboration with MasterPeace Nagaland, and the Task Force for Music and Arts, Nagaland as event partner. On the occasion, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio said peace is our strength. He said unity, compassion and dialogue are the foundation for lasting peace. The Chief Minister hoped that the ideals of peace reign supreme in our lives and in the world. Earlier, addressing the event as the keynote speaker, Principal of St. Paul School Phesama, Reverend Father Charles

D'Souza, stated that peace is not found somewhere outside but within oneself. He called for efforts to make peace a daily practice, not just an occasional one, and urged for collective efforts to create peace. Global Ambassador and MasterPeace COOLeaders member, Imnainla Jamir also shared a message, urging the gathering to spread the message of development, peace, and harmony around the world. She reiterated that, as a global ambassador of the COOLeaders program of MasterPeace, they believe in creating peace together through dialogue and co-creation. Jamir concluded her presentation by performing two guitar instrumental pieces.



Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju has called for upliftment of citizens of North East in fostering unification of the country. Addressing the 7th North East Student Festival (NEST) in New Delhi today, Rijiju said that the recognition and awareness of the North Eastern people have changed since 2014. He added that discrimination against the North Eastern people in other parts of the country has decreased. The Union Minister also urged everyone to be aware of the citizens who reside in different parts of the country. Lauding the 7th successive conduct of the NEST festival, Rijiju said that events like these spread awareness about the North Eastern culture. He reiterated Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal on the ongoing Manipur Protests. Rijiju said that weapons must be put down and the communities must live in unity and harmony.



Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio today took part in the Swachhata Hi Seva 2024, by planting a tree under Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam, at Dimapur Municipal Council. Swachhata Hi Seva campaign encourages public participation and highlights the important role of sanitation workers. It integrates various activities at the grassroots

level, engaging citizens in keeping India clean. The Mission was launched in 2014 which is a fortnightly campaign that is launched every year, ending on 02 October, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

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Regional News Unit of Akashvani Kohima, today organized a social work at the office premise as part of Swachhata Hi Seva 2024. The social work was led by Senior News Reader, Jonas Yanthan and participated by staff and assignees of the Newsroom. Later expressing gratitude to the participants, he said manual work is not below one's dignity but health, and urged them to pursue their endeavors with hard work and dedication. Stating that the young employees are the future of not only the institution, but society as a whole, Yanthan appealed them to perform their service with humility and respect for others.

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The Government-e-Marketplace (GeM) has reduced transaction charges levied on sellers and service providers transacting on its platform as part of the government's 100-day initiative. The Commerce and Industry Ministry said that GeM has reduced its transaction fee by almost 33 percent, which is expected to greatly benefit GeM sellers or service providers to become more competitive. As per this policy, all orders valued up to 10 lakh rupees will now attract zero transaction charges, as opposed to the earlier order value ceiling of five lakh rupees. The Ministry said that the latest transaction fee structure is aimed at democratizing access to the public procurement ecosystem. It aims to particularly benefit MSEs, which often face challenges navigating cumbersome financial and operational barriers.

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The Central Board of Direct Taxes has notified the Direct Tax Vivaad se Vishwas (DTVSV) Scheme, 2024, to resolve pending appeals in the cases of income tax disputes. The scheme will come into force on the 1st of next month. The DTVSV scheme provides lesser settlement amounts for taxpayers who file declarations on or before 31st December this year. It also provides for lesser settlement amounts for a new appellant in comparison to an old appellant.



Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) has expressed appreciation to the All India Football Federation (AIFF) for rechristening the Junior Girls' National Championship as the "Dr. Talimeren Ao National Football Championship for Junior Girls". In a Statement, NDPP said, the move is a recognition of the pioneering role, achievements and contributions of Dr. Talimeren Ao as Captain of the Indian football team who was also the flag bearer of the Indian contingent at the London Olympic games in 1948. It also expressed gratitude to the Nagaland Government for its continued effort to honor the memory of the State's first Olympian by establishing the State's highest sports award as the Dr. T. Ao State Sports Award and other initiatives such as Dr. T. Ao Football Academy, Dr. T. Ao Inter-District Football Trophy and the Dr. T. Ao North East Football Championships.



The Assam Rifles today organized a felicitation ceremony to honour Naib Subedar Hokato Sema at Dimapur, who brought laurels to the country by winning a bronze medal at the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games. The ceremony highlighted Naib Subedar Hokato Sema's inspirational journey and his remarkable achievements on the international stage. On the occasion, Major General Manish Kumar, Inspector General Assam Rifles (North) acknowledged Naib Subedar

Sema for his exceptional contribution to the Armed Forces and the nation.

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Senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader, Atishi took oath as the Chief Minister of Delhi today. The oath of office and secrecy was administered to Atishi and her cabinet ministers by Lieutenant Governor, Vinay Kumar Saxena at the Raj Niwas. Atishi is the third woman to become Chief Minister of Delhi and also the youngest to hold the top post. Her succession to the Chief Minister post followed Kejriwal's resignation as the Chief Minister after his bail in the liquor policy scam by the Supreme Court. Atishi, who represents Delhi's Kalkaji constituency was unanimously chosen as the leader for the top post at the AAP legislature party meeting on September 17.

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Office of the Labour Commissioner, Nagaland is inviting application from students of class-9 to class-12 studying in Government Schools across the state for availing scholarship under the Muskaan Scholarship, 2024-25. A Circular issued by the Labour Commissioner of Nagaland, S L Wati Aier stated that the Muskaan Scholarship, a Corporate Social Responsibility initiative of Valvoline Cummins Private Limited, offers annual scholarship up to 12 thousand rupees. The program is a reimbursement scholarship offered to children of Commercial drivers, Mechanics and Economically Weaker Section families who have secured a minimum of 60 percent in the previous year's final exam. The Circular has informed eligible students to visit the link-<http://muskaan.valvolinecummins.com> for details.

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The India Meteorological Department has forecast isolated heavy rainfall over several parts of the country during next few days. Heavy rain is expected in Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, and Tripura till Thursday. Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, and Meghalaya are also likely to experience isolated heavy rainfall from Monday to Thursday.

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