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President Droupadi Murmu today asserted that teachers and parents must teach children in such a way that they always behave in accordance with the dignity of women. The President was speaking at the event where the National Teachers Award 2024 was conferred on 82 teachers in New Delhi this evening. The President applauded the teachers for making education inclusive. She said that the new education policy places a major emphasis on skill development, which leads to the all-round development of children. On the occasion, Lephizon Apon, Graduate teacher from Government Higher Secondary

School Dimapur received the National Teachers Award from the President.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has extended his best wishes on the occasion of Teachers' Day. In a social media post, Modi said, it is an occasion to express gratitude to all teachers who shape young minds. He also paid tributes to the former President of India, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on his birth anniversary. The Prime Minister has also written a letter to the teachers saying that their role is very important in shaping the lives of students by imparting knowledge and guidance. He said, the country is rapidly moving towards educational reforms taking students and teachers along, and in this path of development, the hands of teachers are being strengthened through all resources.



Joining the country, Teachers' Day was celebrated across Nagaland. A state-level Teacher's Day celebration was held today at the NBCC Convention Hall in Kohima, wherein 14 teachers were conferred with the State Level Teachers Award 2024. On the occasion, Advisor School Education & SCERT, Dr Kekhrielhoulie Yhome launched the Students' Health Card. The Students' Health Card was formulated by the State Education Department in co-ordination with the Health & Family Welfare Department to monitor and maintain student health and wellbeing. Speaking at the programme, Advisor Yhome said teaching, as a noble profession, signify beyond oneself, and therefore urged the teachers to rededicate their lives beyond themselves. He also acknowledged the past and present teachers particularly who have come from all over the country and served the state dedicatedly. Yhome further informed that with the support of the World Bank, the department is setting up 16 Light House Schools in all the districts which are expected to be completed in 18 to 24 months. Meanwhile, the Education department has declared holiday for all schools tomorrow.



Districts across Nagaland celebrated Teacher's Day today. At the programme in Zunheboto, Deputy Commissioner Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali termed teachers as the backbone of the nation. He said, the responsibility of teachers is immense, as they not only perform regular job but are also responsible for building and moulding the students' life and gradually contribute in the nation building. In Noklak, Deputy Commissioner Arikumba urged teachers not to be disheartened by the challenges of poor transportation and communication, but to let the commitment of excellence drive their vocation. Wokha district observed Teachers' Day with Deputy Commissioner Vineet Kumar as the special guest. While commending the efforts of government teachers, he also acknowledged that there is still room for improvement to further enhance the quality of education. Teachers' day was also celebrated in Kiphire and Tseminyu districts, Bhandari, Government Middle School Nzau, Tening in Peren and Government Hr. Sec. School, Ahthibung. During the programmes, several educators were honored with District Teachers' Award for their exceptional dedication and service.



Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today inspected the landslide-affected areas along National Highway-29. The Chief Minister assessed the damage at Dzüdza in Kohima, Pherima and Pakala Pahar in Chumoukedima. Speaking to media persons at the damage site at Chumoukedima, Rio expressed dissatisfaction at the National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) for their inadequate monsoon preparedness. Rio said he earlier warned the NHIDCL on the poor quality of the earth fillings beneath the highway which would be unsafe during rise of water levels. He said, the state government is very serious on the situation, citing that it had already filed a case against NHIDCL for their substandard works. Rio reiterated to the concerned authority to expedite restoration of regular vehicular movement. The Chief Minister also assured that the government will strive to minimize inconvenience to citizens and restore normalcy at the earliest. The

landslide, which occurred on National Highway 29 at Pherima, Tsiepama and Piphema, resulted in six fatalities besides three injuries and damages to properties.



The state School Education Department has declared all Saturdays as Holidays for classes A and B, and Classes 1 to 5. For Classes 6 to 12, the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month will be observed as holidays. This was announced by Principal Director School Education Thavaseelan K today during the state-level Teachers Day celebration at Kohima. The rule comes into force with immediate effect, and is applicable to all schools, both government and private, functioning under the Department of School Education. The notice said, schools may conduct assessments, exams, and other non-academic activities on Saturdays as per their respective context.



MLA Achumbemo Kikon today said state forces must act within the parameters of established agreement on border issues. Addressing the monthly meeting of Sub-Divisional District Planning & Development Board, Bhandari yesterday, Kikon noted that despite established agreement between Nagaland and Assam since 1972, Police from Assam state had put up barricades which are being manned by CRPF personnel. He said, CRPF has been stationed within the Disturbed Area Belt as neutral forces, and is supposed to oversee security aspects of people without fear or favour towards any particular state. The house registered strong objection over the matter, and called for immediate removal of the barricades and an end to frisking of local commuters. MLA Kikon further urged the border Magistrates of Merapani and Uriamghat to assess measures that need to be taken to assert neutrality on either side of the border.



Deputy Commissioner Peren, Hiazu Meru has issued a travel advisory for movement of vehicles on the Pimla Junction-MhainamtsiJharnapani road. The DC said light vehicles are permitted to and fro along the Pimla-Mhainamtsi road from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Heavy vehicles travelling from Pimla-Mhainamtsi to Jharnapani are allowed from 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM, while those plying from Jharnapani-Mhainamtsi to Pimla will be permitted between 12:00 AM and 6:00 AM. Meru urged all travelers to co-operate and adhere to the route timings to ensure smooth vehicular movement.

