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Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh has launched a dedicated web portal to monitor the progress of Special Swachhata Campaign 4.0. via video conferencing today. The Special Campaign aims to institutionalize Swachhata in all offices of the central government with a saturation approach. The government has decided to observe special campaigns every year from October 2nd to 31st to institutionalize Swachhata and reduce pendency. Special Campaign 4.0 will be preceded by a preparatory phase from the 16th to 30th of September 2024.



As the curtains rise for a mega campaign for the cause of Swachh Bharat, preparations have begun for a fortnight of activities to nudge behaviour change and to promote public participation for a clean nation. Observed annually since 2017, Swachhata Hi Seva campaign has been a precursor to Swachh Bharat Diwas, which commemorates the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October. Set around the theme of ‘Swabhav Swachhata Sanskaar Swachhata’, the campaign is set to rollout from 17th September and will culminate on 2nd October. As part of this 15-day National Social Mobilization Campaign for Clean Nation, Tizit Town Council today launched the "Swachhata Hi Seva" fortnight, with SDO (cvil) Tizit, Tumben P Tsanglao administering the Swachhata Pledge.

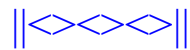


The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has instructed all States and Union Territories to strictly monitor the manufacturing and sale of adulterated sweets, savouries and dairy products during the festive season. It also requested them to conduct frequent enforcement and surveillance drives during the festive season to prevent such malpractices. In a letter, FSSAI noted that the demand for sweets, savouries, milk, and milk products like ghee, khoya, and paneer increases during the festive season. This heightened demand also increases the economic motivation to adulterate these products. It emphasized that preventive measures, including special surveillance and enforcement drives at hotspots, can effectively curb these practices while ensuring product safety.



The department of Higher Education, Nagaland is implementing Government Ex-Gratia scheme for students studying outside Nagaland. Ex-Officio Director Higher Education, V. Lovitoly Sema informed that the department provides an ex-gratia of five lakh rupees in the event of any unfortunate deaths of Indigenous Naga students of Nagaland who are studying outside the state in different parts of the country. Sema said, in order to avail the scheme, students have to register themselves

with the Directorate of Higher Education. Registration form for both fresh and renewal for the academic year 2024-2025 and necessary information will be available on the Directorate's website <https://highereducation.nagaland.gov.in>. The last date for receiving the registration form is 30th of November 2024.



Akashvani Kohima has declared the result of the recently held audition for Yuva Vani or Youth Programme. Head of Programme Abino Lasuh informed that the candidates can check their results on facebook @Akashvani Kohima Page and office notice board.

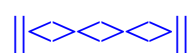


The fifth edition of the Brillante Piano Festival will be held in Bangalore on September 28 and 29. Addressing media persons at Kohima Press Club office today, PR Head and Guest Relations, Vikhietuonuo Rutsa said, people from all over the world and from diverse backgrounds will come together to be part of the festival. She shared that the festival will feature an exclusive event for the specially-abled musicians (SAM) program, with participants from Nagaland and across India. While the festival will also feature a street piano in the heart of Bangalore, at Church Street from September 22. Festival Director, Khyochano TCK said, for the first time, the entire festival is being moved from Nagaland to South India, marking its debut outside the state. She said this year's festival will feature a series of programs over two full days at two venues—the Prestige Centre for Performing Arts and the Forum Mall. More than 20 groups will perform throughout the day. Additionally, there will be workshops, panel discussions, piano master classes, evening concerts, and showcases. The festival will also include booths for exhibitions, brand displays, and the "Naga experience". Khyochano announced that Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma has confirmed his participation in the festival and will also perform, including many renowned artists. The Festival Director shared that the festival initially began with three categories of

competition, however this year it has expanded to include music production, prodigy contests, and a "fastest fingers" competition, called Flying Ninja, to determine the fastest pianist at the festival. She said, a 60-member group from Nagaland—including students from Hope Academy, Ülikhrie Folk Group, and specially-abled musicians will attend the upcoming festival. There will be participation from 18 countries and representatives from 16 Indian states . The festival is expected to draw a footfall of about 20 lakhs and will be open from 10 AM to 10 PM.



A dedication cum launching program for the construction of the T01 (Doyang) to Mangmetong Road, under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) – a flagship program of the central government was at Sungro Town Community Hall today. Advisor for Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan, who is also the MLA of the constituency, said, this 36-kilometer project valued at 46 crore rupees, spanning across five districts. Yanthan maintained that the road represent a dream project that will not only serve as a vital transportation link but also strengthen relationships and foster friendships, ultimately driving holistic development in the region.



A two weeks training programme on Skilling for women in rural areas concluded at Town hall, Niuland today. Gracing the closing function, Deputy Commissioner Niuland, Sara S Jamir thanked the Department of Employment, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship for initiating a skilling program for the Niuland district. Stating that Niuland is still a developing district with resource constraint, she emphasized the need for the district to become self-reliant and self sufficient. Jamir therefore encouraged the trainees to employ themselves of what they have learned and also train more people to be self-employed. The Deputy Commissioner viewed that this will improve the overall economic and

living condition of the people and take the district ahead. The DC later gave away the toolkits and certificates to 25 trainees.



The Wokha Forest Division, under the Nagar Van Yojana, organised an awareness programme on ozone layer conservation and the causes of its depletion at Government Middle School, Wokha Town-C, to commemorate World Ozone Day. The event was participated by students from Classes 5 to 8, teachers and staff from the Wokha Forest Division and Wokha DMU. Assistant Conservator of Forest, Wokha Forest division, Rajiv Shankar highlighting the causes of ozone depletion, stressed the urgency of collective efforts to safeguard the ozone layer. He also provided valuable insights into the environmental challenges and the need for proactive measures. M&E Expert, Mhabemo Lotha, spoke on the importance of preserving the ozone layer, adding a local cultural perspective to the global issue.

