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:: THE HEADLINES ::

- Nagaland Government announces 1.5 crore rupees Olympic Medalist Hokato Hotozhe Sema.
- President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Union Ministers, Nagaland Governor, CM Rio and others congratulates Hokato Hotozhe Sema on winning Bronze Medal
- Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan urges NHIDCL to complete all works along NH29 stretch at the earliest.
- Nagaland Government to convene a meeting on issue of illegal immigrants in the state.

Nagaland Government has announced a cash reward of 1.5 crore rupees to Olympic Medalist Hokato Hotozhe Sema for winning Bronze in the Men's F57 Shot put event at the Paris Paralympics Games 2024. The announcement was made today by Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio in a social media post X. Rio said the state is proud for Hokato Hotozhe Sema on winning Bronze at the Paralympics Games in Shot Put event. The Chief Minister said Sema, being the first Olympic Medalist from Nagaland, the State Government will recommend his name to the Government of India to bestow him with Arjuna Awards. Rio said, it will also take up with the Indian Army and the Ministry of Defence for his promotion as an extraordinary case not only for his Olympic and Asian Games achievements but also for his gallant service to the Nation. Chief Minister Rio further announced that other measures in the promotion of sports, in his name, will also be taken up by the State Government.

President Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have congratulated shot-putter Hokato Hotozhe Sema on winning bronze medal in men's shot put F57 event at the Paris 2024 Paralympics. President Murmu highlighted the paralympian's achievement and said that Sema, a survivor of landmine blast, has won a medal in his debut Paralympics. She wished him greater accomplishments in the future. Terming Sema's performance as exemplary, Vice President Dhankar said, the entire nation is delighted by his victory and hoped that he continue to scale greater heights of success in the future. Prime Minister Modi said that it is a proud moment for the nation. Modi added that the athlete's incredible strength and determination are exceptional and wished him for his endeavours ahead. Lok Sabha Speaker, Om Birla said, Hokato's achievement is an inspiration and beacon of hope for aspiring sportspersons & a shining example of India's excellence in sports. Meanwhile, several Union Ministers including JP Nadda, Amit Shah and Mansukh Mandaviya also congratulated Hokato Hotozhe Sema on his achievement. Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan said, Hokato's bronze medal and incredible personal best marks a new chapter in the state's sporting history, especially as the first-ever athlete from Nagaland to achieve this feat. Ganesan said, despite the personal challenges Sema faced during the course of his service to the nation at the Line of Control, his unwavering dedication and fighting spirit inspire millions across the nation. The Governor further said, Sema's exemplary service in the Indian Army and in the global sports arena is a true example of perseverance, bravery, and excellence. Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio also congratulated Hokato Hotozhe Sema on winning Bronze medal at Paris. Rio said his remarkable journey and dedication has led to this outstanding achievement and added that he is a true inspiration & a role model. Deputy Chief Ministers T R Zeliang and Y Patton congratulating Hokato Hotozhe Sema termed his victory a historic day for Nagaland. Rajya Sabha MP, S. Phangnon Konyak said, Nagas will

remember this feat for a lifetime. Meanwhile, congratulatory messages continues to pour in for Hokato Hotozhe Sema from various quarters.

Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan, today met the Director (Technical) of National Highway and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) Atul Kumar, along with other officials at Chümoukedima. During the meeting, the Governor urged NHIDCL to take all necessary measures to mitigate the damages caused by the landslides and to complete all works along NH29 stretch at the earliest.



Nagaland Government will convene a meeting to address the issue of illegal immigrants in the state. The meeting which will be chaired by Deputy Chief Minister (Home) Y. Patton, will take place on Monday, at Police Complex, Chumoukedima. The meeting aims to bring together key officials, representatives from various government bodies, tribal organizations, and student unions to deliberate on pressing issue of illegal immigration in Nagaland. In addition, Director General of Police, Home Commissioner, Commissioner of Nagaland, and representatives from district administrations will also attend the meeting. Key participants will include representatives from the Naga Council Dimapur, Naga Woman Hoho, Dimapur District GB various tribal organizations from Niuland Association, and Chumoukedima, and youth and women's organizations from across the state. Government has urged all invited members to attend the meeting to contribute to the discussion and work towards a comprehensive solution.

Dimapur District Administration in collaboration with Livingstone Foundation Society and Breeze Women Welfare Association, organised an awareness campaign on National Clean Air Programme today, with the theme "Celebrating International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies." Speaking as special guest, Dimapur Municipal Council Chairman Hukheto Yepthomi highlighted the severe impact of air pollution, describing it as one of the largest environmental health risks of our time that affects both public health and the environment. Meanwhile, Nagaland Pollution Control Board scientist, Yanathung Kithan provided insights into the monitoring of air quality in Kohima and Dimapur under the National Air Quality Monitoring Programme.

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Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Ramdas Athawale has pledged to discuss with central authorities the longpending proposal for an airport in Kohima, as suggested by the Chief Minister. During a press conference today, Athawale addressed several key issues and assured action on various proposals and initiatives. He also committed to addressing the four pending proposals for deaddiction centres submitted by the Social Welfare departments. In response to concerns about the District Disability Rehabilitation Centre in Dimapur, Athawale assured that the ministry would reconsider funding. He promised to enhance support in areas such as education, health, employment, vocational training, and rehabilitation for PwDs, and to improve facilities for the treatment of substance abuse. The Union Minister also highlighted the implementation of various Prime Minister schemes in the state.

India has overtaken China in terms of its weightage in the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Emerging Markets Investable Market Index during this month. The weightage of India stood at 22.27 per cent as compared to 21.58 per cent of China in the index. Announcement in this regard was made by Morgan Stanley. The rebalancing reflects broader market trends. While Chinese markets have struggled on the back of economic headwinds in that country, India's markets have benefited from favourable macroeconomic conditions. In recent past, the country has posted much superior equity market performance, driven by strong macroeconomic fundamentals of Indian economy as well as robust performance by the corporates. According to analysts' estimate, post this rejig in the index, Indian equities could witness inflows of about 4 to 4.5 billion dollars.