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HEADLINES:-

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- Border Roads Organization restores vehicular connectivity to China border along Lachen Valley in North Sikkim.
- Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh launches Swachhata Hi Seva 2024.
- 'Swachhata Hi Seva' 2024 launched in Shillong, to continue till 2nd October.
- As part of Hindi Diwas, Akashvani Shillong observing Hindi Pakhwada since 15th September.
- Meghalaya Cabinet minister Ampareen Lyngdoh says the government's strategy is to maintain balance between exporting skilled labourers and ensuring internal workforce need is met.
- Minister in-charge of Animal Husbandry, AL Hek says Centre well aware of Meghalaya's need for feed mill, veterinary college and hospital.
- Senior IAS officer Manish Kumar Gupta takes charge as Chief Secretary of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Unitarian Day being observed in Khasi-Jaintia Hills of Meghalaya today.

RICE:

In Manipur, 37 Kendriya Police Kalyan Bhandars were opened yesterday to make available essential commodities at reasonable prices. It is a welfare scheme to benefit serving and retired police personnel and their families. Kendriya Police Kalyan Bhandars have been opened in both valley and hill districts of Manipur and located and manned by BSF and CRPF.

SIKKIM:

The Border Roads Organization (BRO) has restored vehicular connectivity to the China border along the Lachen Valley in North Sikkim. After flash floods in October 2023 and further damage from Cyclone Remal in May 2024, which destroyed key bridges, the BRO completed the construction of a crucial Bailey bridge at Zeema. This restoration re-establishes vital access to the China border, supporting military logistics and boosting local tourism.

MANIPUR:

Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh launched Swachhata Hi Seva 2024 yesterday. The Chief Minister said that the idea of the Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign came from the people's willingness to live a dignified life within a clean and strong India as well as Manipur. He said that by organizing the campaign every year, India and Manipur would become stronger and developed.

MEGHALAYA:

The 'Swachhata Hi Seva' 2024 was launched in Shillong yesterday, which will continue till 2nd October. Meghalaya deputy chief minister Sniawbhalang Dhar, who is also in charge of Urban Affairs Department, stressed on the responsibility of every citizen in ensuring clean environment. He said the Urban Department has allocated significant funds for infrastructure development, including for footpath renovation in Iew Duh and upgrading the traditional market in Shillong.

RADIO:

As part of the Hindi Diwas celebration, the Akashvani Shillong is observing Hindi Pakhwada since 15th September. The 'Swakshata Abhiyan' is being held in different Kendras and Central Government offices in Meghalaya where people are being encouraged to use Hindi language besides motivating them to keep their surroundings clean. In Akashvani Shillong, a programme was organized yesterday. Deputy Director, Akashvani Shillong, H Diengdoh informed about different programmes and competitions being organized for both Hindi as well as non-Hindi speakers to promote the use of Hindi among them. RML Marbaniang, Head of the Programme in Akashvani Shillong delivered the welcome speech and News Editor, Paritosh Dixit read out the message of Union Home Minister, Amit Shah on the occasion of Hindi Diwas.

WORK:

Addressing concerns over the impact of overseas job fairs and the potential workforce gaps in Meghalaya, Cabinet minister Ampareen Lyngdoh yesterday said that the government's strategy is to maintain balance between exporting skilled labourers and ensuring the state's internal workforce need is met. She said the government has enforced certain sections of law to safeguard and guide the influx of skilled laborers coming into the state. The minister was speaking on the sidelines of the overseas job fair, organized in the State Convention Centre on Tuesday.

MILL:

Minister in-charge of Animal Husbandry, AL Hek has said that the Centre is well aware of Meghalaya's need for a feed mill, veterinary college and hospital, with steps already being taken to make these projects a reality. During a meeting with officials from the central ministry, he emphasized the importance of establishing a feed mill in Meghalaya, as the state currently relies on expensive feed from outside sources. Mr Hek confirmed that the process of setting up a veterinary college and hospital in Meghalaya has already begun.

OFFICER:

Senior IAS officer Manish Kumar Gupta has taken charge as the new Chief Secretary of Arunachal Pradesh. Gupta, a 1991-batch IAS officer of the Arunachal Pradesh-Goa-Mizoram and Union Territory cadre, succeeds Dharmendra, a 1989-batch IAS officer of the same cadre.

UNITARIAN:

Unitarian Day is being observed in Meghalaya today. It is a state holiday. Special prayer sessions are being held in the Unitarian churches, including in Shillong. The Unitarian movement was founded by Babu Hajom Kissor Singh in the Khasi-Jaintia Hills. He called the faith 'Ka Niam Unitarian' (The Unitarian Religion.) On 18th September, 1887, Singh had led the first church service at his home in Jowai and since then it is celebrated as Unitarian Day.
