

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

1. Central Government approves plan to fence entire India-Myanmar border, known for smuggling of arms, ammunition, and narcotics.
2. Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang extends support for 'One Nation, One Election' system.
3. Arunachal Pradesh Education Minister Pasang Dorjee Sona visits Lohit District to attend follow-up meeting of Chintan Shivir-cum-Education Conclave.
4. First ever STEM innovation hub exhibition in Meghalaya organized at Mawngap District Christian Multipurpose Higher Secondary School.
5. Speaker of Meghalaya Legislative Assembly, Thomas A Sangma chairs review meeting and inspects ongoing construction of new Assembly building.
6. Naga Students' Federation expresses indignation over closure of criminal proceedings against Para Special Forces personnel involved in killing of civilians in December, 2021.
7. Manipur government prohibits pursuit, capture, slaughter and trade of Amur falcons.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

BORDER:

The Central Government has approved a plan to fence the entire 1,643 kilometers India-Myanmar border, which is known for smuggling of arms, ammunition, and narcotics. The project is estimated to cost 31,000 crore rupees, according to news report. The border passes through the states of Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, and Arunachal Pradesh. Union Home Minister Amit Shah, on Tuesday, had revealed that fencing has already been completed for 30 kilometers of the border, which he identified as a key factor contributing to ethnic violence in Manipur.

SIKKIM:

Sikkim Chief Minister and Sikkim Krantikari Morcha party chief, Prem Singh Tamang has extended his support for the 'One Nation, One Election' system approved by the Union Cabinet. He said the simultaneous elections across the country will offer significant benefits, including streamlined electoral efforts, unified approach to governance and economic growth. Moreover, it simplifies the electoral process for voters, resulting in greater participation.

CONCLAVE

Arunachal Pradesh Education Minister Pasang Dorjee Sona yesterday visited Lohit District to attend the follow-up meeting of the Chintan Shivir-cum-Education Conclave. The minister inspected two key educational institutions in Tezu. He stressed the importance of creating a sustainable educational model and urged the officers to adopt a proactive approach. The minister highlighted the government's seriousness in improving the educational system, calling for collective efforts to drive change.

EXHIBITION:

The first ever STEM innovation hub exhibition in Meghalaya was yesterday organized at Mawngap District Christian Multipurpose Higher Secondary School. These are skills that students develop in science, technology, engineering, and math, including computer science disciplines, collectively known as STEM. Mr Swapnil Tembe, director of school education and literacy, emphasized on the need to improve school infrastructure in the rural areas to popularize science among the students.

ASSEMBLY

The Speaker of the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly, Thomas A Sangma chaired a review meeting and conducted an inspection of the ongoing construction of the new Assembly building at Mawdiangdiang yesterday. The inspection-cum-review meeting aimed to assess the progress and ensure timely completion of the project. The Speaker directed the Arts and Culture Department to design the interiors. The meeting was deemed "very successful," with the Speaker commending the cooperation of various departments, particularly the PWD's building division.

NAGALAND

The Naga Students' Federation (NSF) has expressed strong indignation over the closure of criminal proceedings against 21 Para Special Forces personnel involved in the killing of 14 civilians in Oting, Mon district of Nagaland, on 4th December, 2021. In a letter addressed to the Union Home Minister, the NSF demanded immediate prosecution sanctions against the accused personnel. The NSF criticized the Supreme Court's decision on September 17, to close the FIRs without prosecution. The NSF reiterated its demand for the repeal of the Armed Forces Special Powers Act, stating that it grants immunity to armed forces and enables human rights violations.

PROHIBITION:

The Manipur government has imposed a comprehensive prohibition on the pursuit, capture, slaughter and trade of Amur falcons in the state's Tamenglong district and its surrounding areas. Tamenglong District Magistrate has issued an order to

surrender all air guns to the village authorities. The village authorities will retain the air guns until the end of November or till the falcons have completed their migration.

PEACE:

The Government has taken several steps to restore peace and restore normalcy in Manipur in the last one hundred days. Sources in the Home Ministry said, two battalions of the Central Reserve Police Force and 200 companies of central police forces have been deployed in Manipur. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has been regularly reviewing the security situation in Manipur, and necessary actions are being ensured. The Government has also ended the free movement regime along the India-Myanmar border. Continuous dialogues are being held with both the Meitei and Kuki communities to restore peace in the region.
