

## **NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN**

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### **HEADLINES:-**

- Arunachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein says Dibang Multipurpose Project marks a significant step forward to harness Arunachal Pradesh vast hydro-power potential.
- Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh attends the State Level Gaan-Ngai celebration at Sagolband Ramji Kabui Village in Imphal West.
- An unruly mob storms and destroys a makeshift Assam Rifles camp in Manipur's Kamjong district.
- Union Minister of State for Coal & Mines Satish Chandra Dubey conducts a two-day visit to West Khasi Hills District in Meghalaya.
- Meghalaya Member of Parliament Saleng Sangma calls on the Parliamentary Standing Committee to expedite measures to make Baljek Airport functional.
- Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma and Health Minister Ampareen Lyngdoh turned Good Samaritan when they encountered an accident near Mawkdok while returning from Sohra.

### **NEWS IN ORDER:-**

#### **PROJECT:**

Arunachal Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein said that the Dibang Multipurpose Project marked a significant step forward in the efforts to harness Arunachal Pradesh's vast hydropower potential. Mr. Mein said this during his visit to the project site in Lower Dibang Valley District yesterday. He also deliberated on infrastructure improvements associated with the project and maritime boating from the dam site towards Anini. Mr. Mein informed that the bypass road for Roing, Pasighat and Gerakamukh has been proposed with the Central Government as it will ease movement of the heavy vehicles carrying construction materials. Later, the Deputy Chief Minister inaugurated the newly constructed building of Dambuk police station and laid the foundation stone for the "Conservation of Bongal Yapgo War Memorial Heritage, a historic site commemorates the 1894 Anglo-Abor War" project at Dambuk.

#### **FESTIVAL:**

Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh attended the State Level Gaan-Ngai celebration held at Sagolband Ramji Kabui Village, Imphal West yesterday. The celebration programme was organised by the State Level Gaan-Ngai 2025 Celebration Committee. During the celebration program, the Chief Minister urged the people of the State to take responsibility and ownership in preserving old traditions and customs irrespective of the religion being followed by any community. The relationship and coexistence among all indigenous communities have existed since time immemorial. Therefore, collective efforts are needed to inculcate the sense of belongingness and oneness in the State. The people should preserve the rich cultural heritage and traditions, and honour the legacy of the ancestors, he added.

**MOB:**

An unruly mob stormed and destroyed a makeshift Assam Rifles camp in Manipur's Kamjong district on Saturday, allegedly in response to harassment and restrictions imposed on the transportation of timber. According to police reports, the mob attacked the camp situated in the Hongbei area of Kasom Khullen block, a Naga-majority region. "Assam Rifles personnel used tear gas shells and fired into the air to disperse the mob from the camp area," said a police official. The situation turned violent when Assam Rifles personnel allegedly fired shots and deployed tear gas to break up the protest, which further enraged the locals. The protesters, insisting on the immediate withdrawal of the forces, retaliated by destroying the temporary camp.

**VISIT:**

Satish Chandra Dubey, Minister of State for Coal & Mines conducted a two-day visit to the West Khasi Hills District in Meghalaya. The visit was part of the Minister's initiative to oversee the implementation and progress of various Central Government projects aimed at the socio-economic development of the region. Upon his arrival, the Hon'ble Minister was given a warm reception by the district administration. During his two-day visit, Dubey inspected several key projects under various flagship schemes. A meeting was also held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall in Nongstoin to discuss the status and impact of developmental initiatives in the district. . The Minister highlighted the need for effective implementation, timely completion, and collaboration between Central and State Governments to maximize benefits for the people.

**AIRPORT:**

Tura MP Saleng Sangma has called on the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law, and Justice to expedite measures to make Baljek Airport functional. Despite being constructed decades ago, the airport remains non-operational, occasionally serving as a venue for music festivals. Sangma highlighted this longstanding issue, noting that the Standing Committee responded positively to his request. The committee has asked the state government to provide the required licenses and documents to move forward with the process. Additionally, the MP advocated for the Shillong-Delhi flight to operate daily instead of the current bi-weekly schedule.

**SAMARITAN:**

A heartwarming display of humanity, Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma and Health Minister Ampareen Lyngdoh turned good Samaritans on Sunday when they encountered an accident near Mawkdok while returning from Sohra. A vehicle carrying two tourists from Assam had met with an accident, leaving both occupants with minor injuries. Upon spotting the distressed tourists, the Chief Minister's convoy stopped to offer assistance. The doctor accompanying the Chief Minister promptly attended to the injured, ensuring they received immediate first aid.

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