

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

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- Union Health Minister J. P. Nadda holds a series of meetings with health ministers of 6 states and union territories to assess the progress made on Tuberculosis.
- Heavy rainfall affects the northeastern states as a result of the southwest monsoon.
- In Sikkim, search and rescue operations are on at Chungthang in Mangan district to trace the missing nine persons.
- National Career Service Centre for SC/STs, Jowai, announces the launch of free one-year stipendiary training programmes for eligible Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates.
- Retired Indian Forest Service officer Cavouright P. Marak sworn-in as the third Chairman of the Meghalaya Lokayukta.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

AWARD:

President Droupadi Murmu yesterday presented the National Florence Nightingale Awards 2025 to 15 Nursing professionals at a function held in Rashtrapati Bhavan. The award has been given for their outstanding contribution in the field of nursing. Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Jagat Prakash Nadda, Ministers of State Anupriya Patel and Prataprao Jadhav were present at the occasion. V. Lalmangaihi, nursing officer of Aizawl Civil Hospital received the prestigious National Florence Nightingale Award from President Droupadi Murmu. Lalmangaihi had been awarded the award for being instrumental in saving a number of lives by performing her duty diligently and accompanying critically sick people outside the state on emergency basis without getting any extra pecuniary benefits and saved several lives.

HEALTH:

Union Health Minister J. P. Nadda yesterday held a series of meetings with health ministers of 6 states and union territories to assess the progress made on Tuberculosis (TB). During the meeting, the Minister stressed on the need to lower both the incidence and mortality rates of TB by ensuring early and comprehensive screening. He said that the national goal is to bring down the TB incidence rate to 47 cases per lakh population and the mortality rate to below 3 per lakh population. Mr. Nadda urged the health ministers' of states and UTs to ensure the active involvement of elected representatives from Panchayati Raj Institutions, Municipal Corporations, and other local bodies in the implementation of the campaign. State health ministers from Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Gujarat, Jammu and Kashmir, Meghalaya, and West Bengal attended the meeting virtually.

RAIN:

Heavy rainfall is affecting the northeastern states as a result of the southwest monsoon. In Arunachal Pradesh, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for five districts, including Lower Subansiri, West Kameng, West Siang, Lohit, and Changlang. In Upper Subansiri district, the Sigin River is flowing above the danger level and has inundated a large area. It has been reported that as many as 100 houses and other infrastructure have been severely affected by the flood in the district. In Manipur, heavy rainfall has been witnessing in different districts since affecting normal life in the State. In Assam, normal life is paralysed due to relentless heavy rain and strong winds. The capital city, Guwahati, is reeling under floods, with daily life grinding to a standstill. In Mizoram, a 37-year-old man died and another person was severely injured after a retaining wall collapsed in the Thuampui area in the northeastern part of Aizawl due to heavy rain yesterday. Meghalaya also witnessed heavy rainfall.

OPERATION:

In Sikkim, search and rescue operations are on at Chungthang in Mangan district to trace the missing nine persons. The District Collector of Mangan said that a vehicle carrying 10 passengers, along with the driver, plunged into the Teesta River last night between Chungthang and Munshithang. Two persons have been rescued and sent to Gangtok for medical care. Local people and the army, ITBP and police are pressed into search and rescue operations.

NCSC:

The National Career Service Centre for SC/STs, Jowai, under the Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India has announced the launch of free one-year stipendiary training programmes for eligible Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates. The training, starting from 1st July 2025, aims to prepare candidates for clerical-grade competitive exams.

COVID:

Two persons have newly tested positive for the new Covid-19 variant in Mizoram, officials of state health department said the two COVID-19 patients are out of danger and they are undergoing treatment at Zoram Medical College and Hospital (ZMCH) at Falkawn near Aizawl, they said. Following the detection of two new cases recently, Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) of the state's health department on Friday issued advisories and urged people not to panic.

LOKAYUKTA:

Retired Indian Forest Service (IFS) officer Shri Cavouright P Marak was sworn in as the third Chairman of the Meghalaya Lokayukta yesterday. Governor Shri CH Vijayashankar administered the oath of office during a ceremonial function held at Raj Bhavan. The event was attended by Chief Secretary Shri D.P. Wahlang, senior government officials, and members of Marak's family.
