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- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio reviews draft Nagaland State Logistics Policy 2023
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- RMSA-2016 Teachers launches indefinite sit-in-protest at Kohima

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President Droupadi Murmu today urged the citizens to make India the centre of global business and knowledge once again. Addressing the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations of the Engineering Exports Promotion Council in New Delhi, she stressed the need for the Indian economy to be more self-reliant and excel in exports. She said that the foundations laid for Atmanirbhar Bharat during the COVID era have been continuously delivering.

The President added that the challenges of global trade need to be turned into opportunities by utilising the exceptional capabilities available in the country.

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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today chaired a meeting on the draft Nagaland State Logistics Policy 2023. In a social media update, Mr Rio said, the Policy, once notified, will prioritise efficiency, skill development, regulatory reforms, and technology adoption. The Chief

Minister emphasized that the initiative will facilitate Nagaland's transition from an import-dependent to a production-driven economy.

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Deputy Chief Minister T.R. Zeliang has emphasized the State Government's commitment to enhancing technical education and sensitization efforts among youth. Chairing the monthly meeting of the Peren District Planning and Development Board today, he directed the Deputy Commissioner to organize sensitization programmes for civil society organizations across the district, including Tening and Nsong circles. Highlighting government efforts, Mr Zeliang said that qualified lecturers have been appointed across institutions, including Polytechnic Peren, and urged communities to make full use of the opportunities provided. The Deputy CM also noted that Peren's new district headquarters is the Nagaland's first master-plan for model township with designated areas for offices and quarters. He said that the policy will be strictly enforced in the district. During the meeting, the Board approved the proposal for a new Government Primary School at Tening Namsan.

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The Department of Social Welfare will be undertaking a Comprehensive Performance Assessment of all Anganwadi Centres across the State. The assessment follows its observation of persistently low enrolment and underperformance in several Anganwadi Centres, as reflected in data from the Poshan Tracker App, which is integrated with Facial Recognition System. A report...

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The RMSA-2016 Teachers launched an indefinite sit-in-protest today at the Directorate of School Education, in Kohima, over continued government inaction in addressing their long-standing demand for service benefits. The association said the peaceful demonstration will continue without interruption until their demands are addressed by the concerned authorities. The teachers have been seeking recognition of salary and service benefits from their original date of appointment in 2016, and implementation of ROP 2017 pay scale at par with SSA-RMSA 2010-13 teachers, among others, which had been resolved in their favour by the Supreme Court of India.

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The elections for the post of the Vice President will be held tomorrow. NDA nominee and Maharashtra Governor C P Radhakrishnan will face INDIA bloc's nominee and former Supreme Court Judge B Sudershan Reddy in this election.

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Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has emphasised that businesses should focus on swadeshi products, as this will not only help India's growth but also strengthen the country's financial security. Addressing the 56th EEPC India National Awards in New Delhi today, Mr Goyal said the country's 1.4 billion people, businesses and trade should focus on Made in India products. He also highlighted that the country's strength relies on trade and the MSME sector, which forms the backbone of the country's businesses. The Minister said the recent GST rate cuts and simplification has given a boost to domestic demand.

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In a push to promote women's legal empowerment, various districts across the state organized awareness and capacity-building programmes today. In Wokha, the District Administration, Social Welfare Department, and District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) under Mission Shakti, in collaboration with the Wokha District Legal Services Authority, conducted a capacity-building session for police personnel. The session focused on key women-centric laws, including the Domestic Violence Act, the Protection of Women from Sexual Harassment Act, and the Immoral Traffic Prevention Act. A total of 52 police personnel attended the session. Niuland District Administration and DHEW also organized a legal awareness session at Hovishe village under the ongoing Sankalp campaign. The session included discussions on the Dowry Prohibition Act, among others. The event drew participation from various women's groups, including Sumi Totimi Loka and Self Help Groups. Meanwhile, Tseminyu also held a Women's Safety and Legal Awareness Campaign.

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On to sports... Nagaland delivered an impressive performance at the North East Zone Inter-State Badminton Championship held in Agartala, Tripura held from September 4 to 7. The 22-member team, led by Team Manager Moamongba Longchari and coaches Tajenkaba Ao and Raju Chetri, clinched a total of seven medals across multiple categories. The state bagged Gold in Senior Mixed Doubles, Silver in Women's Doubles and Junior Girls' Singles, and Bronze in Men's Doubles, Junior Girls' Doubles, Junior Mixed Doubles, as well as in the Women Team Event.

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Nagaland bowed out of the ongoing 64th Subroto Cup in Bengaluru today. In the quarterfinal match played this morning, the boys from SFS Higher Secondary School went

down 10-nil against Minerva Public School (CISCE) in the Sub Junior Boys Under-15 category. The team walked away with 25,000 rupees as quarterfinalists in the prestigious national tournament.

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And in weather, The India Meteorological Department has forecast light to moderate rainfall with thunderstorms at many places over Nagaland in the coming few days. It said heavy rainfall is likely over the state tomorrow and during 11th to 14th of September. Heavy to very heavy shower is expected over Nagaland on 11th and 12th of September.

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