

THE HEADLINES :-

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses community event in The Hague, Netherlands.**
- **Advisor Zhaleo Rio, inaugurates Rental Housing for Urban Poor Complex at Chümoukedima.**
- **MSME Promotion Council of India holds outreach Programme in Dimapur**
- **Dimapur District Excise personnel recovers 308 bottles of codeine-based cough syrup and 24,000 capsules of Alprazolam tablets.**



Addressing a community event in The Hague, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the warmth and enthusiasm of the gathering made him feel he is attending a festival in India. He described The Hague as a living symbol of India-Netherlands friendship and noted that Dutch leaders consistently praise the contribution of the Indian diaspora. Prime Minister Modi said every Indian feels proud of the diaspora's role in strengthening the society and economy of the Netherlands.

Mr. Modi recalled that on May 16, 2014, the results of the Lok Sabha elections paved the way for the formation of a stable majority government in India after decades. The Prime Minister further said the trust and support of crores of Indians continue to inspire him to work tirelessly for the nation.



Advisor for Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Zhaleo Rio, today inaugurated the Rental Housing for Urban Poor (RHUP) Complex at Chümoukedima and flagged off Urban Local Body sanitation vehicles procured under Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) and State Plan. Addressing the programme, Mr. Rio said the long-pending housing project, sanctioned in 2013–14, took nearly 12–13 years to complete and described the inauguration as a major achievement. The RHUP complex build at total sanction cost of 18.59 crore rupees under Rajiv Awas Yojana, comprises 384 rental housing units, each consisting of a kitchen-cum-dining space, one bedroom and a toilet.

Emphasising the importance of effective management, Mr. Rio said the facility would be overseen by a management committee headed by the Chümoukedima Town Council chairperson. He informed that the rent had been fixed at 1,000 rupees per unit for an initial period of three years, after which revisions could be considered with proper justification. Highlighting the objective of the centrally sponsored housing scheme, he said the facility was intended to benefit economically weaker sections, migrant workers and urban poor. Mr. Rio clarified that allotment should not be restricted solely to Indigenous Inhabitant Certificate holders, but extended to all Indian citizens settled in the area, while excluding foreign nationals and illegal immigrants.



An outreach and Sensitisation Programme organised by the MSME Promotion Council of India (MSME PCI), Dimapur chapter, was held yesterday at Dimapur with the objective of promoting entrepreneurship, self-reliance and economic empowerment in Nagaland. Addressing the gathering, State Chairman of MSME PCI Nagaland, Lanuakum Jamir, highlighted the state's abundant resources, including skilled manpower and natural assets, while underscoring long-standing challenge of over-dependence on government employment.

Highlighting compliance-related challenges faced by entrepreneurs, Mr. Jamir announced that MSME PCI would launch Financial Compliance Programme by June 2026 to provide simplified, affordable and accessible services.



Dimapur district Excise personnel has recovered 308 bottles of codeine-based cough syrup and 24,000 capsules of Alprazolam tablets from a vehicle while conducting routine vehicle checking at Pherima yesterday. Superintendent Excise & Prohibition, Dimapur, Limatemsu Changkiri in a press release stated that the consignment was seized from the possession of 45 years old Oto Shikhu, resident of Awotsakila village, Atoizu under Zunheboto district. The vehicle was proceeding to Atoizu after loading the consignment at Khushaibill, Niuland. A case has been registered under relevant provisions of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and further investigation is underway.



Advisor for Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan, today inaugurated the rostrum at the football ground in Okotso Village during his ongoing constituency tour. The rostrum was constructed under the Iconic Project LADP Fund 2025–2026. Mr. Yanthan thanked the landowners for donating land for development and urged the village member to maintain and make proper use of the facility. Later, the Advisor visited Sungro Government Higher Secondary School, during which he stressed the importance of imparting employable skills, responsibility and practical knowledge alongside academics. Mr. Yanthan also appreciated the school's extracurricular initiatives and assured to look into infrastructural gaps raised during the interaction. The Advisor further visited the GPS Pangti.



Nagaland Governor Nand Kishore Yadav and Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has extended greetings to the people of Sikkim on the occasion of the 51st Sikkim Statehood Day. In a message, the Governor said, Sikkim, known for its breathtaking natural beauty, rich cultural heritage and warm hospitality, stands as a shining example of peace, progress and sustainable development. Wishing happiness, prosperity and well-being to the people of Sikkim, the Governor hoped that the State continue to prosper and achieve greater heights in the years to come. Extending statehood greetings, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio expressed hope that the State continue to advance on the path of harmony, progress, and well-being for all.



Lotha Youth Hoho (LYH) President Mharomo V. Murry said the anti-drug movement in Wokha has started showing positive results. In a video message shared by LYH media cell, Mr. Murry informed that an alleged drug peddler, identified as Myanthung, was apprehended by the Tsumang Youth Hoho during a routine checking drive on May 14. The Hoho claimed the individual had earlier been involved in drug peddling on three occasions. LYH thanked Deputy Chief Minister Y. Patton, Lotha Hoho, civil society groups, and churches for supporting the Drug-Free Wokha campaign.



Department of Art & Culture, will observe International Museum Day 2026 at the State Museum, Kohima on 18th May in line with global initiative of International Council of Museums. The theme for International Museum Day 2026 is "Museums Uniting a Divided World", highlighting the role of museums in promoting cultural dialogue, preserving identity, encouraging knowledge-sharing, and fostering peace and harmony among diverse communities. To mark the occasion, the Department has announced free entry for all visitors to the State Museum, Kohima on 18th and 19th May. Students, scholars, researchers, educational institutions, tourists, and general public are invited to visit the Museum and experience rich cultural heritage, traditional artefacts, and historical collections preserved there.

