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The Chakhesang Public Organisation, CPO has opposed the proposed mountain radar installation at Pfutsero in Phek district, citing lack of transparency and absence of public consent. In a press release, the CPO raised concerns over potential health risks from radiation, environmental damage, and possible restrictions on land use and civilian movement. It also criticised the state government for failing to consult the public and termed the move a breach of trust. The organisation demanded an immediate halt to the project and called for its relocation outside Nagaland, warning of united resistance if the plan proceeds.

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The Government has notified the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Rules, 2026, which comes into force from today, marking a significant step in regulating India's rapidly expanding online gaming sector. The Rules operationalise the provisions of the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Act, 2025, aimed at ensuring user safety while promoting innovation and growth in the industry. The new framework introduces a complete ban on online money games, including those based on chance, skill, or a mix of both. It also prohibits their advertisement and financial transactions linked to such platforms. It added that violations may attract stringent penalties, including imprisonment and fines.

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The Oriental Colony Council Dimapur has strongly opposed the proposed relocation of the Government Hindi Institute from the colony to Pherima under Medziphema jurisdiction. Addressing the media, Council Chairman Imtikumzuk stated that shifting the institute would disrupt its functioning and inconvenience students as well as the local community. He noted that the institute, established in 1968, has been operating smoothly and has become an integral part of the locality, contributing significantly to Hindi education in the region. He added that

the present site, spread over about 32,464 sq. ft., is accessible and adequate for future development, with no issues warranting relocation. The Council has already submitted a representation to the School Education Department but is yet to receive a response.

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The Nagaland State Commission for Protection of Child Rights conducted a one-day awareness programme on child rights at Town Council Hall, Mon on Wednesday. MLA and Advisor for Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak, as special guest, stressed that the initiative aims to empower children, educate communities, and strengthen protection against abuse and exploitation. Urging enrolment in Anganwadi centres, warned that underperforming centres may be phased out. Deputy Commissioner Mon, Wennyei Konyak, noted that challenges such as child labour, abuse, and lack of education persist, especially in remote areas, and called for collective responsibility to safeguard children. He assured continued efforts to strengthen child protection mechanisms in the district. The Commission Chairman Alun Hangsing highlighted the importance of child rights awareness and described children as the backbone of the nation. Technical sessions on Juvenile Justice Act, POCSO Act, Right to Education, and district child protection status were also conducted.

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A new set of early childhood education books titled Active Learner Series authored by Dr. Ajungla Lipok was launched in Mokokchung yesterday. The books were formally launched by Nagaland Legislative Assembly Speaker, Sharingain Longkumer. In his address, Mr Longkumer lauded the author's effort and described education as a vital social responsibility. He urged parents to cultivate reading habits among children and limit digital exposure, stressing the importance of preserving imagination and creativity. Speaking at the event, Dr. Lipok said the series is based on experience and a commitment to strengthening early childhood education. The set comprises 11 books structured into three progressive levels.

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Assam Rifles Public School, Phek yesterday observed Labour Day with active participation of 56 students and eight teachers, highlighting the dignity of labour and contributions of workers. Students across age groups took part in various activities. Kindergarten children dressed as community helpers such as soldiers, teachers, healthcare workers, and sanitation staff to understand their roles. Students also prepared handmade cards and presented them to the school's Ayah as a gesture of gratitude. A debate competition for senior students on "Will technology create more jobs or destroy the livelihoods of working Indians" was also held.

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