

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Governor Lakshman Prasad Acharya approves appointment of Himanta Biswa Sarma as Chief Minister of Assam.
- Kawrthah North Village Council in Mizoram secures top national rank under 'Clean & Green Panchayat' category.
- Army facilitates establishment of all-women operated cafe at altitude of 13,000 feet in Sikkim.
- National Disaster Response Force arrives in Unakoti district of Tripura to bolster disaster preparedness ahead of monsoon
- Nagaland government bans display of religion-based slogans on vehicles.
- Bodo Sahitya Sabha concerned over recurring delay in supplying textbooks to Bodo medium schools across Assam.
- Eastern regional conference held in Agartala under initiative of Babasaheb Ambedkar National Association of Engineers.
- Twenty-day-long residential workshop on 'theatre production' concludes in East Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Silver jubilee of Rongali Bihu festival celebrated by Assam Association of Tripura.
- Akashvani Kokrajhar celebrates 90th anniversary of public broadcasting.
- Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights calls for better education and awareness for girls.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

CM:

Assam Governor Lakshman Prasad Acharya has approved the appointment of Himanta Biswa Sarma as Chief Minister of the state. A notification issued by the Parliamentary Affairs Department, Government of Assam, stated that Sarma will take the oath of office and secrecy on 12th May. The swearing-in ceremony of the Bharatiya Janata Party-led National Democratic Alliance government, for a third consecutive term, and the second consecutive term of Himanta Biswa Sarma as Chief Minister, will be held tomorrow at the Veterinary College Field in Khanapara, Guwahati. Earlier, yesterday, at the BJP and NDA legislature party meeting, Sarma was elected unanimously as the leader.

MIZORAM:

Kawrthah North Village Council in Mizoram has secured the top rank at the national level under the 'Clean & Green Panchayat' category of the Deen Dayal Upadhyay Panchayat Satat Vikas Puraskar 2025. The award, constituted by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, honours panchayats for exemplary performance in

promoting sanitation, ecological balance, and overall community well-being. The award reflects the sustained efforts of Kawrthah North Village Council, in implementing eco-friendly practices, improving sanitation standards, and encouraging community participation in development programmes. The recognition also signals the growing emphasis on sustainability within rural governance frameworks, particularly in the Northeast, where community-led initiatives have played a key role in conservation and resource management. The Rural Development and Administration Department of the Mizoram government said the accomplishment is expected to inspire other village councils to strengthen their focus on sustainable practices and improve implementation of development schemes.

SIKKIM:

In a push towards women empowerment and border tourism, the Trishakti Corps of the Indian Army has facilitated the establishment of an all-women operated cafe at an altitude of 13,000 feet near the famed Baba Harbhajan Singh Memorial Temple in East Sikkim. The cafe, located close to one of the most visited high-altitude tourist and pilgrimage destinations, has been set up under the Army's 'Ranbhoomi Darshan' initiative aimed at promoting tourism and socio-economic development in strategically important border areas. Operated entirely by a local women's team, the project seeks to integrate tourism promotion and enable economic empowerment of women residing in remote communities that often face limited employment avenues due to harsh terrain and weather conditions.

NDRF:

A 30-member team of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) from Guwahati has arrived in Unakoti district in Tripura to bolster regional preparedness for potential natural disasters during the upcoming monsoon season. Subhajit Nath, the Program Officer of the District Disaster Management Authority, informed that the unit from the NDRF's 1st Battalion will be stationed in the district until October to provide critical support to the administration and local residents. Beyond emergency response, the team is tasked with conducting widespread awareness campaigns on natural calamities across various locations.

NAGALAND:

The Nagaland government has banned the display of religion-based, NGO-related, and other unauthorized slogans, stickers, signages, and identifiers on vehicles across the state. The ban applies to all private and public vehicles, unless specifically permitted under provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act and Rules. The State Transport Department has directed vehicle owners to remove all such displays within 45 days of the notification, issued on 30th April, 2026. The Nagaland government has warned that strict action will be taken against violators under the Motor Vehicles Act and related rules.

BODO:

The Bodo Sahitya Sabha has expressed concern over the recurring delay in supplying textbooks to students in Bodo medium schools across Assam. It has urged the Assam government to resolve the delay in the distribution of textbooks for Bodo-medium schools at the earliest. Bodo Sahitya Sabha president Gopinath Borgoyary said that the delay is adversely affecting students studying in Bodo-medium schools. He also expressed concern over the declining enrolment in vernacular-medium schools and appealed to guardians and parents to encourage children to enrol in mother tongue-based educational institutions.

RIGHTS:

The eastern regional conference titled BANAE QUEST 2026 was held at Sukanta Academy in Agartala yesterday under the initiative of Babasaheb Ambedkar National Association of Engineers. Engineers, academicians, professionals, policymakers and students from different parts of the country participated in the event. The conference focused on social justice, constitutional rights, technology, innovation, education, employment and empowerment of marginalized communities inspired by the ideals of B. R. Ambedkar.

THEATRE:

A 20-day-long residential workshop on 'theatre production' concluded at Rayang village in East Siang district in Arunachal Pradesh on Saturday. Organised by the Karpung Karduk Art and Culture Academy, the workshop was led by renowned Adi folk artist Delong Padung to promote awareness against drug abuse through the medium of folk culture. Eminent folk artists from Guwahati and East Siang and Upper Siang districts of Arunachal participated in the workshop. The academy is scheduled to perform a play in the D K Convention Hall, Itanagar on 12th May.

BIHU:

The silver jubilee of the Rongali Bihu festival was celebrated by the Assam Association of Tripura, continuing its annual tradition for Assamese people residing in the state for professional and other purposes. The festival was inaugurated by Governor Indra Sena Reddy Nallu last evening at Nazrul Kalakshetra in Agartala. The Governor remarked that the 25-year-long initiative of the Assam Association would further strengthen the bond of brotherhood between Tripura and Assam. He also noted that apart from Assamese communities, people from states like Odisha and Andhra Pradesh residing in Tripura celebrate their respective festivals in the state, promoting cultural exchange and linguistic harmony.

AKASHVANI:

Marking the 90-year journey of All India Radio, Akashvani Kokrajhar on Saturday celebrated the anniversary with a series of colourful cultural programmes at the Planetarium Auditorium Hall at Dimulgaon in Kokrajhar town. Traditional Bagurumba dance performances added vibrancy to the occasion, reflecting the rich cultural heritage of the Bodo community. Artistes also mesmerised the audience with soulful performances of Goalpariya Lokogeet, showcasing the folk traditions of Assam. The programme highlighted the significant role played by Akashvani over the past nine decades in promoting art, culture, music and public awareness across the country.

CHILD:

Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights chairperson Agatha Sangma has said child abandonment cases require a 'collective effort' from all stakeholders, including the press, and called for better education and awareness for girls. Speaking on a recent case of child abandonment, Ms Sangma said the Commission has been proactive. Making education more inclusive for the girl child is very important to ensure that they married at the proper age when they can take care of themselves and the family, she stressed. Speaking at a World Press Freedom Day programme on 9th May at the Shillong Club, organised by the Shillong Press Club in collaboration with the Directorate of Information and Public Relations, Meghalaya Information and Public Relations Minister Lahkmen Rymbui said the growing spread of misinformation and sensationalism in the age of social media poses a major challenge to responsible journalism. He, however, asserted that Meghalaya has long upheld freedom of expression and maintained a healthy relationship between the government and the media.
