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HEADLINES:-

- State Election Machinery ready for Rajya Sabha Polls, says Meghalaya CEO BDR Tiwari
- Two-day Chintan Shivir begins at the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Shillong
- Meghalaya and Assam keen to resume border talks soon, says Chief Minister, Conrad Sangma
- Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma chairs series of high-level meetings to assess the progress of major government schemes and infrastructure projects
- Manipur government announces series of austerity measures following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal amid prevailing global challenges
- North Eastern Council sanctions Rs 339.06 crore for development projects across Mizoram during the 15th Finance Commission period
- Nagaland Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio called on the citizens to actively participate in the upcoming Census of India
- All necessary arrangements completed in Tripura for the smooth conduct of the NEET (UG) 2026 examination scheduled on June 21

NEWS IN DETAIL:-

ELECTION

The biennial election to the lone Rajya Sabha seat from Meghalaya will be held on June 18, with the state election machinery fully prepared to ensure the smooth conduct of the electoral process. Addressing reporters, Chief Electoral Officer, Dr. BDR Tiwari said the election is being conducted as the tenure of the sitting Rajya Sabha member is set to expire on June 21. According to Tiwari, the Polling will take place on June 18 from 9 am to 4 pm, while the counting of votes will commence at 5 pm on the same day. Earlier in the day, election officials, along with representatives of the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly, inspected the polling venue and expressed satisfaction with the arrangements made in compliance with Election Commission guidelines.

CAMP

The Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, began its two-day Chintan Shivir at IIM Shillong with participation from officials of the Department, MY Bharat and NSS from across the country. The programme focused on strengthening youth engagement and advancing the vision of Viksit Bharat through youth-led development. Union Minister, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya highlighted that MY Bharat has become a major national movement with 2.17 crore youth volunteers and stressed the goal of expanding its reach to every district and block. He also called for stronger grassroots leadership, nationwide anti-drug campaigns, establishment of MY Bharat Centres in all districts and greater inclusion of Northeast youth in national development initiatives.

BORDER

Meghalaya and Assam are optimistic of resuming the talks on border dispute once the oath of the Cabinet Ministers in the newly formed Government of Assam takes place. The statement came from Chief Minister, Conrad Sangma after he and Deputy Chief Minister, Sniawbhalang Dhar met Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma at Guwahati to discuss the ongoing dispute in Lapangap village. Sangma said that Government of Assam and Meghalaya are trying to bring different stakeholders to resolve the issue and find a way forward. During the meeting, some measures were worked out which could help in diffusing the tension in Lapangap and officials concern will take steps in the next few days and try to resolve the issues.

ASSAM

Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma on Friday chaired a series of high-level review meetings with key departments to assess the progress of major government schemes and infrastructure projects aimed at accelerating the state's development journey. The Chief Minister said the discussions focused on strengthening the implementation of initiatives under the "Double Engine Government" and ensuring the timely delivery of commitments made to the people of Assam. During a separate review meeting with the Health Department, Sarma discussed a range of issues related to strengthening the healthcare sector in the state. The discussions included strategies to reduce the Infant Mortality Rate to below the national average by 2029, fill manpower shortages in hospitals, upgrade healthcare facilities in tea garden areas, and continue free diagnostic programmes.

CABINET

Responding to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal amid prevailing global challenges, the Manipur government on Friday announced a series of measures aimed at conserving fuel and reducing expenditure from the state exchequer. The Cabinet meeting decided to implement several measures including reducing the size of VIP convoys, initiating official work-from-home arrangements, freezing government-funded foreign travel, and taking steps to curb non-essential government expenditure. In another major decision, the Cabinet also approved the filling of 173 posts of Auxiliary Nurse and Midwife (ANM) in the Family Welfare Department.

AGNIVEER

grand Attestation and Passing Out Parade of 726 Agniveers was held at the Assam Regimental Centre in Shillong, marking the successful completion of their rigorous military training. The impressive parade was reviewed by Uttarakhand Governor, Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh. The ceremony symbolised the successful culmination of months of intense and disciplined military training. Addressing the gathering, Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh highlighted the Assam Regiment's contribution to nation-building and praised the role of the Northeast in strengthening the Indian Army. He stressed the core values of military life, duty, sacrifice, discipline and patriotism

while congratulating the newly trained soldiers on successfully completing their training.

NEC

The North Eastern Council has sanctioned Rs 339.06 crore for development projects across Mizoram during the 15th Finance Commission period. According to an official statement, the expenditure was made under the Schemes of NEC (SoNEC) and the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme. Under the SoNEC programme, the NEC spent Rs 123.83 crore on a wide range of projects aimed at improving public infrastructure and livelihood opportunities in the state. The initiatives covered sectors such as healthcare, veterinary services, market infrastructure, education, sports, culture, and community development. In the road sector, six projects worth Rs 277.99 crore were taken up under the NESIDS-Roads programme during the 15th Finance Commission period.

CENSUS

Nagaland Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio has called on the citizens of the state to actively participate in the upcoming Census of India. The Chief Minister stressed that accurate data is essential for fair representation and informed planning for the state's development. In Nagaland, Phase-1 of the Census is scheduled to begin next month, with Self-enumeration from June 16 to 30, followed by house-to-house listing from July 1 to 30. Census 2027 is the first census in the country being carried out using digital tools.

MUSEUM

Manipur Chief Minister, Yumnam Khemchand Singh inaugurated the Manipur Police Museum at the 1st Manipur Rifles in Imphal on Friday. The museum displays antique weapons which were used during the Second World War, old archived photographs of the Manipur Police and radio transceivers of very high frequency used by the Manipur Police in the late 1990s. Later the Chief Minister paid a visit to the Manipur Police Headquarters located at Mantripukhri and inaugurated a creche room. Later, the Chief Minister also chaired a cabinet meeting at the Civil Secretariat at Mantripukhri marking the first ever cabinet meeting held at the secretariat.

ILP

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister, Pema Khandu has announced the formation of four high powered committees to examine and recommend measures on matters related to Re-verification of APST Certificates, Non-APST offspring issue, Strengthening the ILP framework and review of ILP Guidelines 2026 and Illegal infiltration. The Committees were formed following discussions with different groups., Government officials and legal experts. He informed that each committee will include representatives from AITF, AAPSU, ST Bachao Andolan Committee, legal experts, research scholars and women representatives to ensure a balanced, inclusive and action-oriented process.

NEET

In Tripura, the Secretary of the Higher Education Department, Ravel Hemendra Kumar has announced that all necessary arrangements have been completed for the smooth conduct of the NEET (UG) 2026 examination scheduled on June 21. Addressing media persons, he said the examination will be held at 10 centres across the state, including nine in West Tripura district and one in Dhalai district. A total of 4,700 candidates will appear for the exam.

YATRA

Sikkim, Chief Secretary, R Telang chaired a coordination meeting for the upcoming Kailash Mansarovar Yatra at Gangtok. The Yatra this year, scheduled for the mid-June, will comprise ten batches of 50 yatris each. Like last year, the yatris would undergo acclimatisation for two nights at the acclimatisation centres located at 18th Mile and Hangu Lake before crossing over to China via Nathu La. Following a ten-day pilgrimage, the yatris will return through Nathu-la and brought back to Gangtok on the same day.
