

THE HEADLINES:

- Nagaland joins in undertaking Census 2027 under the theme "My Census, My Development".
- Union Minister, Margherita asserts Nagaland and Northeast have been significant beneficiaries of various initiatives under Modi government.
- Polling for by-elections to three municipal wards held in Nagaland; sporadic incident reported in Wokha.
- Tribal women bodies of Kohima to hold peaceful public rally on June 19.



Nagaland is joining the rest of the nation in undertaking Census 2027 under the theme "My Census, My Development" from today. In his message Governor Nand Kishore Yadav said for the first time, citizens can enumerate their household online during the self-enumeration period from today till 30th June. Mr Yadav said the census is also being conducted in a fully digital mode, making the process more efficient and inclusive.

Mr Yadav said the information collected will support informed decision-making in areas such as education, health care, infrastructure and social welfare. The Governor called upon all tribal hohos, community organizations, village councils, colony authorities and respected elders to extend their full support in making this important exercise a success. Reminding that the census is not merely a count of people, it is a foundation of future planning and development, the Governor appealed to every citizen to participate wholeheartedly and cooperate fully with the Census officials while ensuring that every household and every individual is counted.



Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has urged citizens to actively participate in the Census 2027 self-enumeration process, which begins today. Emphasizing the importance of accurate population data, Mr Rio said comprehensive Census information is essential for informed planning, effective governance, and formulation of policies that will benefit future generations. The Phase one of the Census, that is House Listing Operation, starts today, with self-enumeration open from June 16 to 30. During this period, citizens can submit details by

themselves on the online portal se.census.gov.in and obtain a unique Self-Enumeration ID. Field enumeration will follow from July 1 to 30, when enumerators will conduct house-to-house visits for data collection and verification Self-Enumeration details. The Phase two that is Population Census will be conducted in February 2027.



Union Minister of State for External Affairs and Textiles, Pabitra Margherita, today highlighted the achievements of the BJP-led NDA government over the past 12 years under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while asserting that Nagaland and the Northeast have been significant beneficiaries of various developmental initiatives undertaken during the period. Addressing a press conference in Kohima as part of the nationwide celebrations marking 12 years of the Modi government, Mr Margherita described the occasion as a “historic moment” in India’s democratic journey.

Highlighting about Nagaland, the minister said the state has witnessed considerable improvements in connectivity, healthcare, education, tourism, culture and infrastructure during the BJP-led NDA government’s tenure. Mr Margherita further said Nagaland has benefited from various central schemes and development programmes, including the Smart Cities Mission and the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme. Stating that Nagaland possesses immense potential in tourism, culture, handicrafts and natural resources, the minister said the Centre would continue extending support to unlock the state’s economic opportunities and strengthen its role in India’s growth story.

Earlier in the day, Margherita participated in a plantation and cleanliness drive at the Kisama Heritage Village and visited the Handloom Marketing Complex at Kisama.



Polling for by-elections to three municipal wards in Nagaland was held today, with voting taking place in Ward 11 (Chaara) under Chümoukedima Town Council, Ward 8 (Tsumang B) under Wokha Town Council, and Ward 9 (Samba Ghoki) under Atoizu Town Council. In Chümoukedima, NPF candidate Neichü Kuotsu is contesting against BJP's Kezhanguto Zhotso, while in Wokha, NPF's Aling Murry is pitted against BJP candidate Mhomo Humtsoe. Ward 8 in Wokha recorded a voter turnout of 69.37 per cent amid sporadic incidents of violence and disturbances during the day. In response, the district administration imposed prohibitory orders under Section 163 of the Bharatiya

Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023. The Atoizu contest is between NPF candidate G. Shikavi Kiba and Independent candidate Inaka Z. Chishi. It witnessed a high voter turnout of 96.41 per cent. Counting of votes for all three wards will take place on June 19, with results to be declared the same day.



Tribal women bodies of Kohima have announced a peaceful public rally on June 19 in connection with the sexual harassment case involving IDAN officer Reny Wilfred. Expressing concern over what they described as continued attempts to delay the ongoing proceedings, the tribal women bodies in a press release, said recent developments in the case had deeply saddened and alarmed the community and following an emergency meeting, they unanimously resolved to organise the rally at 10 am from Old MLA Hostel Junction and march to Lok Bhavan to submit a memorandum to the Governor. The organisers have appealed to tribal bodies, churches, civil society organisations, youth and women's groups, and the general public to participate in the rally.



India has undergone a remarkable transformation, driven by the principles of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the last 12 years. During this period, the Modi government carried out many flagship initiatives for the welfare and empowerment of the poor, farmers, women and youth. Akashvani News brings you a special feature 12 Saal-Vishwas Ke, Vikas ke, Jankalyan ke. Today, we focus on Narendra Modi government's Zero Tolerance Policy against terrorism.



Only five days remain for the International Day of Yoga 2026. The theme 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing' recognizes yoga as a lifelong companion for health, vitality, and inner harmony. Akashvani News Kohima brings a special series on the benefits of practicing yoga in the run-up to the occasion. Today's focus is on Yoga for Summer Wellness. Breathing techniques such as *Sheetali Pranayama* (Cooling Breath), where practitioners inhale through a rolled tongue and exhale through the nose, can help promote calm and refreshment. Combined with restorative postures such as *Balasana* and *Savasana*, it offers a gentle way to stay comfortable and maintain well-being during the hot summer months.

