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THE HEADLINES:-

- Nagaland secures over 30 crore rupees in CSR commitments at New Delhi Roadshow
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio pitches Nagaland as a frontier of growth and enterprise
- Governor Nand Kishore Yadav congratulates Guru Sangyusang Pongener on Padma Shri Award
- Nagaland and Tripura push for stronger cooperation in renewable energy

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The Investments and Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN) yesterday conducted the Nagaland Connect 2026, a CSR Roadshow in collaboration with CSR BOX in New Delhi. Taking to social media X, IDAN Chairman Abu Metha informed that the Roadshow secured Corporate Social Responsibility, CSR, commitments of over 30 crore rupees, reflecting a strong confidence in Nagaland's potential and development trajectory. Describing the event as a beginning of a new chapter of partnerships, innovation and inclusive development, Mr Metha said efforts will continue to create opportunities, empower communities and accelerate Nagaland's progress. During the event, 15 Letters of Interest and commitments were handed over to IDAN in the presence of Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and Deputy Chief Ministers TR Zeliang and Y. Patton.

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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has described Nagaland as a destination for opportunity rather than assistance, and invited corporate and development partners to invest in the state's growth and development. Addressing the Nagaland Connect 2026 programme in New Delhi, he said the initiative aims to position Nagaland as a destination for impactful CSR interventions to make impact, enhance development and elevate livelihoods. Mr Rio noted that Nagaland's youth are ambitious, entrepreneurs are innovative, and communities remain resilient despite challenges in education, healthcare, skilling and opportunities. He noted that investments in classrooms, healthcare, skill development, sports and environmental conservation can create a meaningful impact and improve livelihoods across the state. The Chief Minister said, the state government is committed to creating an enabling environment for partnerships and has established a single-window platform through IDAN to facilitate and monitor CSR collaborations. He urged stakeholders to invest not only in projects, but also in people and possibilities.



Nagaland Governor Nand Kishore Yadav has congratulated Guru Sangyusang Pongener on being conferred the Padma Shri Award. In a message, the Governor said, the honour is a proud moment for Nagaland and a fitting recognition of Guru Pongener's lifelong contribution to the preservation, promotion and enrichment of the state's rich folk traditions and cultural heritage. Mr Yadav said, the achievement serves as an inspiration to younger generations to value, preserve and promote indigenous art forms and traditions. The Governor conveyed best wishes for Guru Pongener's continued good health and success in strengthening the state's cultural legacy.



Nagaland's Advisor for New and Renewable Energy Picto Shohe, held discussions with Tripura's Power Minister Ratan Lal Nath in Agartala yesterday aimed at deepening ties between the two states. The meeting focused on expanding collaboration in renewable energy, exchanging governance experiences, and identifying fresh paths toward sustainable growth. The leaders explored how closer cooperation among northeastern states, particularly in renewable energy, can help accelerate development and improve living standards across the region. Mr Nath noted that regular interactions between state governments enables sharing practical experiences and effective strategies, which strengthens regional ties and overall progress. Several officials from both states were present at the meeting, which highlighted efforts toward a cleaner, more self-sufficient, and prosperous Northeast.



Commissioner of Police Dimapur, Aotula T. Imchen has called for stronger collaboration among all stakeholders to build a unified child protection system in the district. Speaking at the monthly meeting of the District Planning and Development Board today, she said the police, Childline, welfare agencies, schools, health institutions and community leaders must work in close coordination to ensure timely response and protection for children. She stressed the need for clear roles, regular communication and effective information sharing to safeguard children's rights and well-being. She noted that reported POCSO cases in Dimapur have increased from seven in 2022 to 15 in 2025, while 216 missing children were traced in 2025, many linked to runaway or elopement cases. Ms. Imchen urged stakeholders to strengthen preventive systems

and promote accountability, confidentiality and collective responsibility to ensure child safety in the district.

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Nagaland State Co-operative Marketing & Consumers' Federation Limited (MARCOFED) has launched its online grocery and essentials market called *Nagabazaar*. The platform aims to provide quick, reliable and affordable delivery services while also creating opportunities for local farmers, cooperatives and entrepreneurs. MARCOFED Chairman M Chuba Ao said the initiative has been introduced to adapt to changing market trends in the digital era.

Nagabazaar will initially operate in Chümoukedima and Dimapur with plans for gradual expansion to other districts. The mobile app is available on both Android and iOS platforms, and orders can also be place through the website www.nagabazaar.com.

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Joint Director, Registrar General of India and Census Central Observer for Nagaland, Mohan K. Tiwari, is currently in the state to review ongoing trainings for Census 2027. Observing the training of enumerators and supervisors under Wokha Sadar, Wokha Town and Wozhuro areas, Mr. Tiwari stressed the importance of accuracy and efficiency. He noted that the census is not just a routine data collection but a service to the nation that forms the foundation for policy formulations and development planning. He urged the officials to remain focused, efficient, and committed. Mr. Tiwari highlighted that census data provides the government key insights into demographic trends, educational levels, employment patterns, and socio economic conditions. Mr Tiwari also reviewed the ongoing training sessions in Kohima district today.

And, The state Labour Department has announced that all applications for registration and renewal of shops and commercial establishments, will now be accepted only through its online portal labour.nagaland.gov.in. In pursuance of the government notification on June 8, physical or manual submission of applications has been discontinued with immediate effect. Assistance regarding the online system will be available through the District Labour Offices. The move aims to improve ease of doing business, enhance transparency, reduce processing time and provide more convenient access to services for employers, entrepreneurs, and commercial establishments across the state