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Nagaland Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio has congratulated Guru Sangyusang Pongener on being conferred the Padma Shri Award 2026 in the field of Art. Taking to social media, Mr. Rio said his lifelong commitment to preserving the rich folk heritage of Nagaland over the past six decades is inspiring. The Chief Minister also wished Guru Sangyusang a continued success in all his endeavours.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has stressed on 'Nagrik Devo Bhava' and urged officers to keep citizens at the center of Governance. Interacting with 183 Officer Trainees of IAS 2024 batch who have been attached as Assistant Secretaries in various Ministries and Departments in New Delhi yesterday, Mr. Modi called upon young civil servants to lead India's journey towards Viksit Bharat@2047. He urged the young civil servants to dedicate themselves to nation-building with a strong sense of purpose, innovation, and citizen-centric governance. The Prime Minister also highlighted the growing role of women in nation-building, noting that more than 40 percent of the current batch comprises women officers.

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Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchemhas stressed on the importance of public awareness on child protection laws and child labour issues. He called for intensified Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaigns and urged all stakeholders, including public organizations and community leaders, to actively participate in creating awareness and educating the public on the rights of children and the legal consequences of child labour. Mr. Buchem was speaking at an orientation program on the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for the rescue, rehabilitation and post-rescue management of child labourers, under the provisions of the Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 with members of the District Task Force on Child Labour, in Kohima yesterday. He emphasized that every

department and organization represented in the task force has a crucial role to play in ensuring the protection and welfare of children. Stating that members should be well informed about their respective responsibilities under the law, Mr. Buchem stressed the need for regular coordination and quarterly meetings to formulate action plans and strengthen implementation mechanisms

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Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister, Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that the government is making advance preparations for Kharif season to help farmers deal with the possible impact of a weak monsoon caused by El Niño. Addressing a press conference in New Delhi yesterday, Mr. Chouhan said that the country had so far seen around 43 percent less rainfall and that the monsoon was expected to remain weak in July too.

Mr. Chouhan said that states have been advised to promote crops like pulses, coarse grains, and oilseeds, which require less water and can still perform well under difficult conditions. He said, scientific protocols, timely crop planning, and district-level preparedness were being strengthened in coordination with the states. Mr. Chouhan added that Krishi Vigyan Kendras, agromet units, and other advisory channels are being used to ensure that farmers receive timely guidance.

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Deputy Commissioner of Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma has underscored the importance of census as the foundational database for national planning, policy formulation, resource allocation and implementation. Mr. Verma was addressing a consultative meeting held at DC's Conference Hall in Mokokchung district yesterday, to boost awareness and ensure active participation in the ongoing census operation and the newly launched self-enumeration phase. He highlighted that Census 2027 marks India's first-ever census conducted in a fully digital mode, aiming to empower citizens and ensure a smooth, efficient workflow for field enumerators. Mr. Verma urged all census officials to focus on accurate data collection and also to promote self-enumeration exercise. Meanwhile, citizens wishing to self-enumerate can log in directly to the official portal at se.census.gov.in. The

questionnaire can also be downloaded in advance
at se.census.gov.in/assets/SE_Question.pdf.

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