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THE HEADLINES :-

- Governor Nand Kishore Yadav highlights role of AYUSH in holistic healthcare
- Higher Education Department warns against unauthorised scholarship processing
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi reaches Auckland on two-day visit to New Zealand
- And, Nagaland emerges Overall Champion at Senior National Pencak Silat Championship

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Governor Nand Kishore Yadav, today visited AYUSH Hospital at Chedema village, where he reviewed the hospital's functioning and interacted with doctors, nurses, paramedical staff and officials. Addressing the gathering, the Governor commended the healthcare professionals for their dedication and appreciated the hospital's role in providing quality and holistic healthcare services. He noted that the hospital, inaugurated on March 4, 2022, is the third Integrated AYUSH Hospital in the country and recalled its contribution as Nagaland's first designated COVID-19 Hospital during the pandemic. Highlighting the importance of AYUSH, Governor Yadav said that India's traditional systems of medicine complement modern healthcare by emphasizing preventive care and healthy

living, adding that AYUSH hospitals play an increasingly vital role in providing accessible and affordable healthcare.

During the visit, hospital officials informed that the 50-bedded facility offers Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, and Homoeopathy services with a workforce of 43 staff. Since its inception, the hospital has recorded over 10,000 outpatient consultations and treated 560 in-patients up to June this year. Officials also highlighted the hospital's outreach programmes, health camps, awareness campaigns, and training activities.

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The Directorate of Higher Education has notified that the National Scholarship Portal and the Common Scholarship Portal are the only official government platforms for scholarship applications. It clarified that no individual, centre or organisation has been authorised to exclusively collect or process scholarship applications. The Directorate said online applications submitted by students are verified by the Institution Nodal Officer, who must be a regular employee of the respective institution. It also warned applicants against submission of false or fabricated documents, saying it will lead to rejection and invite legal action. The Directorate advised students, parents and educational institutions to remain vigilant against misinformation and fraudulent claims to ensure that the scholarship process remains free, fair and transparent.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today arrived in Auckland today on the final leg of his three-nation tour. He received a warm ceremonial welcome from New Zealand Prime Minister Christopher Luxon and the Indian community. During his visit, the two leaders are expected to discuss ways to further strengthen cooperation in trade, education, technology, and people-to-people ties. Indian High Commissioner to New Zealand, Muanpuui Saiawi highlighted on the visit.

This is the first by an Indian Prime Minister in nearly four decades.

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PHED Minister Jacob Zhimomi, inaugurated the Public Health Engineering Department, Division office at Niuland Town today. Construction of the building began in January last year and was completed on schedule at a cost of 1.85 crore rupees. In his address, the Minister commended all those involved in the project, describing it as one of the best government office buildings in the district. He encouraged educated unemployed youths to take up farming, labour work and skill development to become financially independent and contribute to the state's economy. He also sought cooperation of community leaders on government development programmes. On the ongoing Census, Mr Zhimomi urged residents to register in their respective wards or colonies, rather than in their native villages.

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The Naga Students' Federation (NSF) has sought the intervention of President Droupadi Murmu to ensure justice, accountability and protection of Naga civilians affected by the ongoing conflict in Manipur, particularly the killing of six Naga civilians. The demand was made through a memorandum submitted to the President via Governor Nand Kishore Yadav following a candlelight vigil in Kohima last evening. The bodies of those six civilians who were abducted on May 13 from Leilon Vaiphei village in Kangpokpi district were recovered on June 10 from the vicinity of the village. In the memorandum, the NSF made eight demands, including a transparent, impartial and time-bound investigation into the killings. Meanwhile, a joint operation by the National Investigation Agency, Manipur Police, and CRPF arrested two persons from Kangpokpi district this morning for their alleged involvement in the killings.

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The Nagaland Health and Family Welfare Department has directed all Medical Officers and healthcare personnel under the department to strictly follow the prescribed procedure for availing leave. As per the department's order, no officer will leave their station without prior approval from the competent authority. Further, it asked Chief Medical Officers and Medical Superintendents proceeding on leave to also inform their respective district Deputy Commissioners, in addition to obtaining the leave sanction, before leaving their stations. The department has directed leave-sanctioning authorities to maintain proper

records, and warned that any violation of the order will be handled according to applicable government regulations.

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Nagaland has emerged as the Overall Champion at the 14th Senior National Pencak Silat Championship 2026 held at Shillong. The team secured the title with six gold, two silver and one bronze medal. The three-day championship saw participation from around 1,500 athletes representing 36 states, Union Territories and sports boards. Hosts Meghalaya finished as the Overall Runner-Up, while All India Police Sports Control Board came third.

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Special Olympics Bharat Nagaland, in collaboration with Lions International and the Development Association of Nagaland, organised the Unified Competition 2026 in Chümoukedima yesterday. Speaking to the media, Special Olympics Bharat Board Member and Sports Expert C. Rajasekhar said the initiative was specially conducted for the Northeastern states to create greater opportunities for athletes with intellectual disabilities across five approved disciplines.

Around 70 athletes with intellectual disabilities and 135 coaches participated in the event. Coaches also underwent practical and theoretical training as part of the initiative.

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And, In football, Spain will face Belgium in the second quarterfinal of the FIFA World Cup 2026. The match will kick off at 12:30 AM local time. The winner will book a place in the semifinals against France, who advanced after defeating Morocco 2–nil.

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