

Morning News Script

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The Nagaland Health Protection Society, NHPS, has clarified that empanelled hospitals under the Chief Minister Health Insurance Scheme, CMHIS, cannot recover additional charges from beneficiaries except in cases specifically permitted under the Scheme Guidelines. The clarification follows a grievance by a CMHIS beneficiary who was billed over 5.15 lakh rupees during a prolonged Neonatal Intensive Care Unit admission, while only 1.64 lakh rupees was settled under the Scheme. NHPS said it has taken up the matter with the concerned hospital and reminded all empanelled hospitals that NICU care, medicines, consultations and other approved services are covered as per CMHIS package provisions. It reiterated that treatment must be provided on a cashless basis, except for non-payable items or voluntary upgrades allowed under the guidelines. The Society has directed the hospital to process the claim strictly in accordance with the Scheme. It further urged both beneficiaries and empanelled hospitals to contact the NHPS Team as the first point of contact in the event of any concern or difficulty. Assistance and grievance registration are also available through the NHPS toll-free helpline 1800-202-3380, via both call and WhatsApp.

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Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar emphasized that each and every action of the Commission is based on the Constitution of India, electoral laws and written instructions issued from time to time in a transparent manner. Addressing the participants in third One-Day Conference for Media and Communication Officers in New Delhi, Mr Kumar said that the highest ever voter turnouts in the recent Assembly Elections are a proof of the trust that the Indian electors have in the country's electoral system. Cautioning the officials about the false narrative propagated on social media, Mr Kumar said the officials need to engage proactively to prevent the spread of misinformation. Around 200 Media and Communication Officers from 10 States and Union Territories participated in the conference. During the conference, participants were witnessed demonstration of the preparation of electoral rolls, polling process, and counting process in groups, followed by a guided walkthrough of the Exhibition and Media Corner.

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The National Testing Agency (NTA) has released advance city intimation slip for CSIR UGC NET June 2026. The exam will be held on the 17th and 18th of this month. Students are advised to download their slip from the official website <http://www.csirnet.nta.nic.in> to know allotted exam city.

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As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility initiative for Financial Year 2026–27, Canara Bank, Kohima Branch yesterday handed over office computers to the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Kohima. The computers were formally handed over at the DC's Office Chamber in the presence of Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, and Revenue Officer, Kohima, Kevingoto Kulnu. The initiative is aimed at strengthening office infrastructure and enhance efficient public service delivery.

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The Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority, NSDMA, has informed that light to moderate rainfall accompanied by localized thunderstorms and lightning across various districts of the state from the 9th to the 12th of July. Today, thunderstorms and light to moderate rainfall are expected over Kohima, Shamator, Mokokchung, Mon and Wokha districts, while light rain is likely in parts of Longleng, Noklak, Phek, Tseminyu and Tuensang. Weather activity is expected to intensify on the 12th of July, with moderate to heavy rainfall likely at isolated places in Kiphire and Tseminyu districts. The NSDMA has advised citizens to remain alert, follow official weather advisories, and check the NSDMA Weather website or the SAFER Nagaland App for real-time updates.

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And ,In view of the NSF's candlelight vigil and prayer programme scheduled at Phoolbari Junction, Kohima, at 6 PM today, the Deputy Commissioner of Kohima has issued a traffic advisory for the public. The advisory stated that significant traffic congestion and diversions are expected across Kohima town during the programme. To ensure public safety, minimise inconvenience, and maintain smooth traffic flow, the district administration has urged the public to avoid non-essential travel within the town during the specified period. Commuters who must travel have been advised to use available bypass roads or other alternate arterial routes to avoid congestion.

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