

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Over 1.15 lakh people take shelter in relief camps as flood situation remains grim in Assam.
- Flood Health Control Room set up at Urban Primary Health Centre on Tank Road in Silchar.
- Meghalaya government launches School Performance Grading Index 2025-26.
- President Droupadi Murmu approves appointment of Professor Saroj Kanta Barik as vice-chancellor of North-Eastern Hill University.
- Manipur Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh inaugurates newly constructed District Institute of Education and Training building in Imphal West.
- National Buyer-Seller Meet-cum-Exhibition on indigenous and heritage products of Northeast India underway at State Convention Centre, Shillong.
- Tripura Tourism Minister Sushanta Chowdhury chairs reviews progress of development projects at Ranirbazar Municipal Council.
- Nagaland Government signs Memorandum of Understanding yesterday to relocate Sports Authority of India Training Centre to Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex, Dimapur.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

ASSAM

In Assam, more than 1.15 lakh people have taken shelter in relief camps as the flood situation continues to remain grim, with the worst impact being felt in Sivasagar, Charaideo and Jorhat districts. According to reports, 14 more flood-related deaths have been recorded, including seven in Charaideo, six in Sivasagar and one in Jorhat. With these latest casualties, the overall flood death toll in Assam has risen to 61. The major rivers Dikhou, Disang and Dhansiri continue to flow above the danger level, aggravating the flood situation in Upper Assam. Relief and rescue operations are continuing across the affected areas. Disaster response teams, district administrations and other agencies are engaged in providing relief materials, evacuating stranded people and extending assistance to flood-hit families. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma visited several flood-affected areas and relief camps in Golaghat district to assess the damage and review rescue and relief operations. He interacted with flood-affected families at relief camps and directed the district administration to ensure that the needs of the affected people are met on priority.

FLOOD

In view of the rising water level of the Barak River and its tributaries and the possibility of floods, the Cachar Health Department has opened a 24-hour Flood Health Control Room at the Urban Primary Health Centre on Tank Road in Silchar. It has been made operational to ensure uninterrupted health services and emergency medical assistance to the public during any flood situation.

EDUCATION

The Meghalaya government yesterday launched the Meghalaya School Performance Grading Index 2025-26, a first-of-its-kind initiative aimed at improving education quality through transparent assessment and school rankings. Meghalaya Education Minister Lahkmen Rymbui said the exercise covers over 11,000 schools, including government, aided, private, CBSE and ICSE institutions. The schools were assessed on 43 performance indicators based on UDISE data and classified into Utkrisht, Uttam, Prashasta and Akankshi categories. Jyoti Sroat Higher Secondary School topped the rankings with 930 marks out of 1,000, while Step-by-Step LP School recorded the lowest score of 26.

NEHU

President Droupadi Murmu, in her capacity as the Visitor of the North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), has approved the appointment of Professor Saroj Kanta Barik of the Department of Botany to take charge of the Vice-Chancellor's office. This follows the completion of the tenure of the incumbent Vice-Chancellor, Professor Prabha Shankar Shukla, on 26th July. According to an order issued by the Ministry of Education, Professor Barik, the second senior-most professor in NEHU, will assume charge of the Vice-Chancellor's office from 27th July and continue in the role until a new Vice-Chancellor is appointed and assumes office.

BUILDING

Manipur Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh yesterday inaugurated the newly constructed District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) Building at Salam, Imphal West. He also inaugurated the newly built Ima Market at the same location. The Chief Minister expressed confidence that Salam would see significant development in the near future. The Ministry of Education, Government of India, has approved the establishment of 16 DIET Centres in Manipur, with one centre to be set up in each of the State's 16 districts. At present, nine DIET Centres are functional. The Ima Market at Salam was approved by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, as one of the 26 projects sanctioned for Manipur under SASCI for the year 2022–23.

MEET

The two-day National Buyer-Seller Meet-cum-Exhibition on indigenous and heritage products of Northeast India began at the State Convention Centre, Shillong, yesterday under the theme 'From Heritage to Enterprise: Empowering Women Artisans in Northeast India'. Organised by the College of Community Science, Tura, under Central Agricultural University, Imphal, with support from the Government of Meghalaya and partner organisations, the event brings together over 100 artisans from all eight northeastern states. The exhibition features

indigenous and GI products, live craft demonstrations and buyer-seller interactions. Sessions focus on strengthening women-led enterprises through market access, branding, investment and digital commerce, while connecting entrepreneurs with national and international buyers and investors.

RALLY

A large number of people from various villages in the western part of Ri Bhoi District under the Jirang Assembly Constituency, gathered at Patharkhmah Market on Friday to attend the National People's Party election campaign meeting for DRL Nonglait, the party's candidate for the Shillong Parliamentary by-election. Mr Nonglait said that his priorities include securing the inclusion of the Khasi language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution and pursuing the implementation of the Inner Line Permit (ILP), along with addressing other important issues concerning the people of Meghalaya.

TRIPURA

Tripura Tourism Minister Sushanta Chowdhury chaired a review meeting at the Ranirbazar Municipal Council conference hall yesterday to assess the progress of various development projects. The meeting was attended by the chairperson, vice-chairperson, elected representatives, officials, and local leaders. The Minister reaffirmed the government's commitment to ensure transparent, citizen-friendly services and directed officials to work with greater coordination, sincerity, and accountability to deliver quality public services and sustain the pace of development.

MANIPUR

Mohan Lal Meena, Secretary (Lok Ayukta/Commission of Inquiry), Government of Manipur and Electoral Roll Observer for Senapati, Kangpokpi, Tamenglong and Noney districts, reviewed the progress of the Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls during a meeting held at the Conference Hall, Mini Secretariat, Senapati yesterday. The observer urged all Electoral Registration Officers and Assistant Electoral Registration Officers to ensure that no eligible voter is left out during the revision process. Representatives of political parties and the public raised issues relating to discrepancies in names. Responding to the queries, the Electoral Roll Observer clarified that all genuine grievances would be addressed in accordance with the provisions of the Election Commission of India. Electors would be given opportunity to submit supporting documents during the hearing process and corrections, wherever required, could be made by submitting the prescribed Form-8.

TAX

Marking Income Tax Day, the Income Tax Department organised a voluntary blood donation camp at the Income Tax Bhavan in Agartala yesterday. The camp was marked with the participation of officials and employees of the department. Officials highlighted the significance of Income Tax Day, stating that the observance aims to promote tax awareness, recognise the contribution of taxpayers, and underscore the role of taxation in the country's economic growth. A total of 60 volunteers donated blood during the camp, reflecting a spirit of social responsibility and public service.

CERTIFICATE

Greta Solutions Training Academy organised a certificate distribution programme at SMELC Hall, Dakgopgre, Tura, yesterday, recognising 181 trainees who successfully completed courses in Integrated Farming System, Electrician and Craft Bakery Technician trades. The training was supported by the Meghalaya State Skill Development Society under the CM Skills Mission, Skills Meghalaya, MSSDS and SHCDM initiatives. The programme was attended by Abigail Vida Tariang, Additional Commissioner and Assistant Nodal Skill Officer, West Garo Hills, officials, academy representatives and community leaders. Ms Tariang highlighted the importance of skill development in creating employment, promoting entrepreneurship and strengthening Meghalaya’s economy. She urged the trainees to continue learning and use their skills to build sustainable livelihoods.

ANIMAL

Tripura Animal Resources Development Minister Sudhangshu Das flagged off 50 Mini Mobile Veterinary Units, or mini veterinary ambulances, at Pragma Bhavan in Agartala yesterday. The ambulances will be deployed across all 50 blocks of the state to ensure timely veterinary healthcare services in remote and rural areas. A dedicated toll-free helpline, 1962, was also launched to provide doorstep veterinary assistance. Livestock owners who are unable to transport their animals to veterinary hospitals can call the helpline, following which veterinary doctors and staff will visit the designated location to provide treatment.

NAGALAND

The Nagaland Government signed a Memorandum of Understanding yesterday to relocate the Sports Authority of India Training Centre to the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex, Dimapur. Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio said the relocation marked a significant milestone in strengthening the sports ecosystem and creating more opportunities for young athletes in Nagaland. Describing the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex as more than just a sports facility, Mr Rio said it represents an investment in the state's youth, a symbol of hope, and a foundation for sporting excellence in Nagaland. The Chief Minister said that the new facility would provide quality coaching and scientific support while strengthening the overall sports ecosystem in the Northeast.
