

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

1. Manipur Chief Minister, Y Khemchand Singh thanks both Naga and Kuki communities for ensuring free movement of public transport service along National Highway-2.
2. Nagaland records hundreds of cases involving violence and protection concerns among women and children during 2025-26.
3. Mizoram government wants proposed Foreign Contribution Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2026 be withdrawn if some sections of proposed amendment are not changed.
4. Assam Agriculture Minister, Pijush Hazarika interacts with over thousand beneficiaries of Chief Minister's Atmanirbhar Asom Abhijan at Jagiroad.
5. Sikkim's Lok Sabha MP, Dr. Indra Hang Subba attends Zonal Railway Users' Consultative Committee meeting of Northeast Frontier Railway in Guwahati.
6. Stunting among children under five in Meghalaya declines from 46 per cent to around 36 per cent in past three years.
7. Nagaland Police is testing online system that will allow public to submit complaints and grievances through single portal.
8. Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha distributes appointment letters to General Duty Medical Officers; doctors urged to provide healthcare services with highest level of commitment.
9. Radha Pradhan, Managing Director of Temi Tea Estate and Sudip Pradhan, Vice Chairman of SISCO bank, Government of Sikkim represent State in India-Japan Business Dialogue in Tokyo.
10. Mizoram government is considering to take over more schools after approving provincialisation of 51 eligible schools.
11. 79th Manipur Excise Raising Day observed at Excise Headquarter Office in Imphal West district.
12. Tripura Governor, Indrasena Reddy Nallu emphasizes importance of preserving state's historical and cultural heritage for future generations.
13. District-level training programme on Digital Crop Survey for Kharif 2026-27 held in Assam's Morigaon.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

MANIPUR CM

Manipur's Chief Minister, Y Khemchand Singh yesterday thanked and appreciated both Naga and Kuki communities for ensuring free movement of

public transport service along the National Highway-2. The highway connects with other states, and passes through the Kuki and Naga inhabited districts. Addressing a programme at Imphal, the Chief Minister said, the cooperation and understanding shown by both communities are important steps towards maintaining peace, restoring normalcy and ensuring smooth movement of people and public transport services in the State. He maintained that dialogue among the communities is the solution to bringing peace and development. Meanwhile, public transport services along the National Highway-2 Imphal-Dimapur-Guwahati continued for the fourth day yesterday.

NAGALAND-WOMEN

Nagaland recorded hundreds of cases involving violence and protection concerns among women and children during the year 2025-26. Director of Social Welfare, Tosheli Zhimomi said, Sakhi One Stop Centres handled 311 cases, while Women Helpline 181 received 144 cases involving gender-based violence and requests for information on women-oriented schemes and services. The Child Welfare Committees received 640 cases involving children in need of care and protection, while Juvenile Justice Boards dealt with 56 cases involving children in conflict with the law. There are 639 children in child care institutions. Meanwhile, Child Helpline 1098 received 2,632 cases between September 2023 and March 2026. Ms Zhimomi said that the figures highlighted the complexity of cases involving women and children, and the need for different departments and agencies to work together to address the issue.

FCRA

The Mizoram government has expressed that the proposed Foreign Contribution Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2026 should be withdrawn if some sections of the proposed amendment are not changed. This was stated by Chief Minister Lalduhoma in the state legislative assembly yesterday. He informed that a joint memorandum submitted to Union Home Minister, Amit Shah on the 6th of this month pleaded for withdrawal of the proposed legislation, and if not fully withdrawn, struck down some of the points that would be inconvenient and have the possible tendency of causing heavy losses for NGOs and some other entities belonging to minority communities.

BENEFICIARIES

Assam Agriculture Minister, Pijush Hazarika yesterday interacted with over a thousand beneficiaries of the Chief Minister's Atmanirbhar Asom Abhijan at Jagiroad and reviewed how they have utilized the scheme's assistance to set up businesses and start-ups. During the interaction, the Minister urged the beneficiaries to explore productive sectors beyond traditional businesses, including poultry, fisheries, piggery, agriculture and horticulture. He also encouraged young entrepreneurs to tap opportunities under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund, makhana cultivation and other promising agri-based sectors to increase their income and strengthen the journey towards a self-reliant Assam. The government is committed to extending support to every young man and woman to accelerate the state's economic growth.

CONSULTATIVE MEETING

Sikkim's Lok Sabha MP, Dr. Indra Hang Subba attended Zonal Railway Users' Consultative Committee meeting of Northeast Frontier Railway in Guwahati yesterday where he urged authorities to expedite the Sevoke-Rangpo Railway Line. He also requested for early completion of the Final Location Survey and Detailed Project Report for the proposed Melli-Dentam Railway Line. He also

emphasised that connecting Sikkim with Indian railways will benefit the State's long-term infrastructure development.

MALNUTRITION

Meghalaya Chief Minister, Conrad K Sangma yesterday said that stunting among children under five in the state has declined from 46 per cent to around 36 per cent over the past three years. In his reply, during the ongoing Autumn session of the state Legislative Assembly yesterday, Sangma said the overall malnutrition rate has also come down to 36 per cent. He said the decline is higher than the national average, and attributed the improvement to initiatives including Poshan Abhiyaan, Saksham Anganwadi and the state's 1000-Days Programme. Moreover, an online system is being used to identify high-risk pregnancies and provide additional support to such cases.

ONLINE COMPLAINT

Nagaland Director General of Police, Rupin Sharma yesterday said that Nagaland Police is testing an online system that will allow the public to submit complaints and grievances through a single portal and track their status electronically. He was speaking at the State-Level Convergence Meeting to address violence against women and children, organised by Mission Vatsalya and Mission Shakti in collaboration with Nagaland Police and the Nagaland State Legal Services Authority. The DGP said, the initiative is aimed at making it easier for the people, particularly women and children, to approach the police and ensure complaints are not left unanswered. He called for stronger coordination among government agencies, police, legal services, and the public in addressing violence against women and children.

HEALTH -TRIPURA

Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha yesterday distributed appointment letters to General Duty Medical Officers and inaugurated a two-day state-level training programme for Medical Officers, Dental Surgeons and Community Health Officers. Speaking at a programme in Agartala's Pragya Bhavan, organised by the Health and Family Welfare Department, the Chief Minister informed that the government aims to establish a Health University soon and a Tapaniya Ayurvedic Medical College next year. The Chief Minister also attended the foundation day celebration of Tripura Medical College and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Teaching Hospital. In his speech, Dr Saha urged doctors to provide healthcare services with the highest level of commitment and responsibility to strengthen public trust in the state's healthcare system.

INDIA-JAPAN

Radha Pradhan, Managing Director of Temi Tea Estate and Sudip Pradhan, Vice Chairman of SISCO bank, Government of Sikkim represented the State in India-Japan Business Dialogue in Tokyo. Ms Pradhan highlighted the potential of Sikkim's Tea Sector, with particular emphasis on Tea Tourism, Modernisation, technology adoption, product development and value addition. For Sikkim and the wider North East, the engagement is expected to open avenues for future collaborations in many spheres including MSME, Agriculture, Entrepreneurship and above all sustainable rural economic development.

SCHOOLS

Mizoram School Education Minister, Vanlalhlana yesterday said that the state government is considering taking over more schools after approving the provincialisation or full government takeover of 51 private, adhoc aided, and other eligible schools. Replying to queries during question hour in Assembly,

Vanlalhlana said, out of about 180 schools recommended by the previous government, 51 schools have been provincialized under the present Zoram People's Movement administration headed by Chief Minister Lalduhoma. The government is now examining additional schools for possible provincialisation, with the matter having already been discussed in the Cabinet.

EXCISE RAISING DAY

In Manipur, the 79th Manipur Excise Raising Day was observed yesterday at the Excise Headquarter Office in Imphal West district. Manipur Chief Minister, Y Khemchand Singh attended the observation and lauded the Excise Department and all other departments that have collaborated in collecting revenue around twenty-nine crore rupees since March 26, which is less than a year. During the programme, the Chief Minister felicitated Ariha Pangambam the 1st Indian to win Gold Medal in the recently concluded 10th Aerobic Gymnastics Asian Championships and Anjori Pangambam who secured 7th Position in the same event besides other awards.

BOOK

Tripura Governor, Indrasena Reddy Nallu emphasized the importance of preserving the state's historical and cultural heritage for future generations. He officially released a book titled "Tripura: The Land of Timeless Tales," authored by the Assam Rifles, at the Alpha Auditorium of the 21 Sector Assam Rifles in Agartala yesterday. The book highlights key tourist destinations, cultural heritage, history, and other important aspects of Tripura, making it an invaluable guide for tourists.

TRAINING

In Assam, a district-level training programme on Digital Crop Survey for Kharif 2026-27 was held in Morigaon yesterday. The training was conducted for observers, surveyors and verification officials engaged in the Digital Crop Survey. The training also highlighted how farmers would benefit from the initiative and the importance of accurate agricultural data collection.

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