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1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi says, India's Chairship of BRICS is based on people-centric and humanity-first approach.
2. Nagaland operationalises State Water Informatics Centre under National Hydrology Project.
3. Nagaland settles 387 cases at National Lok Adalat
4. and, Commissioner & Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Kevilenuo Angami calls for stronger oral cancer prevention and screening.

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The 18th BRICS Summit began at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi under India's Chairship. Addressing the opening session of the Summit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said BRICS has established its identity on the world stage over the last 20 years and described the ongoing Summit as a historic milestone. The Prime Minister said India's Chairship of BRICS is based on a people-centric and humanity-first approach.

Mr. Modi said, said Resilience, innovation, cooperation and sustainability have been India's foremost priorities as Chair. Guided by these priorities, India has laid special emphasis on connecting BRICS cooperation directly with the common people. The Prime Minister also proposed a 10-point roadmap for global governance at the Summit.

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Nagaland Governor has notified the establishment and operationalisation of State Water Informatics Centre (SWIC) under National Hydrology Project

(NHP), implemented by Department of Water Resources, Nagaland, with immediate effect. The SWIC will collect water resources data from various departments and organisations and standardise it as per guidelines of National Water Informatics Centre (NWIC). The Centre will be managed by existing officers and staff of the Department of Water Resources under the Superintending Engineer in-charge of NHP, while additional manpower may be provided as required. The establishment of SWIC was approved by the State Cabinet on August 21, 2026, and is in compliance with the Memorandum of Agreement signed on July 7, 2022, between NWIC and Water Resources Department, Nagaland.

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Nagaland recorded an overall disposal rate of about 87 percent at today's National Lok Adalat, with 387 of the 444 cases taken up were disposed of. Of the cases disposed of, 318 were pre-litigation cases, while 69 were pending cases, involving a total settlement amount of over five crore rupees. A total of 11 benches were set up at the district headquarters of the District Legal Services Authorities across the state under the aegis of the Nagaland State Legal Services Authority. Cases taken up were at pre-litigation stage including bank recovery cases, loan recovery and telephone bills and those at pending stages were criminal compoundable offences, MACT and other civil cases. Dimapur recorded the highest number of disposed cases, with 152 cases, while Tuensang and Zunheboto recorded the lowest, with five cases each.

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The Annual State Review Meeting of the National Oral Health Programme, along with Oral Cancer Screening Orientation and Hands-on Training Programme, was held on September 10 and 11 at Naga Hospital Authority Kohima. Commissioner & Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Kevilenuo Angami, highlighted the rising concern of oral cancer in the state and stressed the need for greater awareness, prevention, early detection, accurate diagnosis, timely referral and appropriate

treatment. She urged dental surgeons across Nagaland to strengthen their knowledge and skills in oral diagnosis and biopsy procedures and make full use of the hands-on training to improve early detection and patient care. She further appreciated the Dr. K & T Keditsu Foundation and its partners for supporting capacity-building among dental professionals in the state.

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Member Secretary of the Nagaland State Legal Services Authority, Neiko Akami, inaugurated a Legal Services Clinic at KROS College, Lerie, Kohima yesterday. Addressing the students, Mr. Akami cautioned them against involvement in illicit drug activities and stressed serious legal consequences of offences related to possession, transportation, sale and trafficking of narcotic substances. He also highlighted the provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and urged students to exercise caution while creating or sharing content involving children online. Mr. Akami also spoke on the National Lok Adalat, which facilitates amicable settlement of pending and pre-litigation cases. Meanwhile, Panel Lawyer, Kohima DLSA, Asen Walling, highlighted the NALSA Child-Friendly Legal Services for Children Scheme, 2024, stressing the need for child-sensitive and age-appropriate legal assistance.

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Government Polytechnic Kohima hosted a career counseling and awareness session 'Pragati 2026' yesterday. A key focus of the event was introducing students to SATHEE (Self Assessment Test and Help for Entrance Exams), a flagship initiative by the Ministry of Education, in collaboration with IIT Kanpur. The session focused on five key pillars - awareness, development, aspiration, technology, and innovation, aimed to guide students on career opportunities, emerging technologies and competitive examination preparation through the SATHEE portal. Principal Keyiekhru Rhutso, Senior and Academic Lecturer Petesetuo, and Training and Placement Officer Ketoulhou Kenguruise S were among those who provided expert guidance. Students also interacted with the experts on career pathways and academic opportunities, while guests reviewed a science exhibition showcasing innovative models developed by the students.

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Deputy Chief Minister Y. Patton, has congratulated Mhayibeni Gifty Jami on becoming the first Naga to represent India at the VI World Nomad Games, held in Issyk-Kul, Kyrgyzstan. In an update, Mr Patton said, it is a proud moment for the state and the entire country to witness her participate on an international platform. Ms. Jami competed in the traditional board game Toguz Korgool under Intellectual Strategy Games category. Her participation helped Team India secure the 17th position alongside Korea, while she finished 27th individually among 133 participants from 48 nations. The Deputy Chief Minister further hoped that Ms. Jami's achievement would inspire more young people from the state to pursue opportunities on international platforms.

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India has set the Guinness World Record with World's Longest Steel Slag Road at Raigarh in Chhattisgarh. The 1.85-kilometre road marks a major scale-up of an indigenous technology that converts processed steel slag, a by-product of steel production, into aggregates for road construction. Speaking at the conferment ceremony of the Guinness World Record in New Delhi today, Science and Technology Minister Dr Jitendra Singh said that Steel Slag Road Technology can reduce road construction costs by around 40 per cent while delivering four times the strength of conventional roads. He said that this technology is being pursued by CSIR-Central Road Research Institute New Delhi with private sector participation. Dr Singh said that this initiative simultaneously lives up to more than one flagship priorities of this government emphasising on Waste to Wealth recycling options.

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