

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Eight legislators of United Democratic Party from Meghalaya join BJP in New Delhi; BJP's tally rises to 10 in Meghalaya Assembly.
- Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet approves constitution of empowered high-level committee on proposed Upper Siang Multipurpose Project.
- Assam Rifles and Thoubal Police recover several arms and ammunition during search operation at Haokhong, Kakmayi Village in Manipur.
- Mizoram turns to monorail technology to tackle logistical challenges being faced by farmers in its mountainous terrain.
- Nagaland Governor, Nand Kishore Yadav calls for greater adoption of Ayurveda's principles of preventive healthcare and healthy living.
- Meghalaya Chief Minister lays foundation stone for new building of MBoSE Regional Office Shillong after 45 years; Shillong Tech Park-II inaugurated at New Shillong Township.
- Tripura government announces one-time festival grant for its employees and pensioners ahead of upcoming Durga Puja celebrations.
- Samagra Shiksha Assam revises schedule for seventh phase of Gunotsav.
- Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha says 'Mukhyamantri Samipeshu' programme serves as lifeline for citizens and reflects vision of people-centric government.
- Manipur Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh interacts with India's star weightlifter, Saikhom Mirabai Chanu through video conference and extends heartiest congratulations to her.

BJP:

Eight legislators of the United Democratic Party from Meghalaya have joined the Bharatiya Janata Party in New Delhi yesterday. The eight MLAs were welcomed into the BJP by Union Minister and BJP leader, Kiren Rijiju along with senior BJP leader, Sambit Patra in the presence of other leaders. The eight MLAs are Lahkmen Rymbui, Kyrmen Shylla, Pius Marwein, Mayralborn Syiem, Balajied Kupar Synrem, Olan Sing Suiñ, Mathew Beyondstar Kurbah, and Synshar Kupar Roy Lyngdoh Thabah. Before joining the saffron party, the eight legislators, had been in direct contact with the BJP central leadership in Delhi and presented before them a number of pending issues concerning Meghalaya that the Central government should resolve immediately. The BJP's tally has now increased from 2 to 10 MLAs, while the UDP's strength has been reduced from 12 to 4 MLAs in the 60-member Meghalaya Legislative Assembly.

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CABINET:

The Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet yesterday approved the constitution of an empowered high-level committee to guide and coordinate the pre-feasibility report survey and related activities for the proposed Upper Siang Multipurpose Project in Siang and Upper Siang districts. The decision was taken at a Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Pema Khandu and is aimed at ensuring that the survey is conducted in a transparent, peaceful and people-centric manner. The project has the potential to strengthen water and energy security, help moderate floods in the Siang-Brahmaputra basin, create employment and contribute to the long-term socio-economic development of the Siang region. The empowered committee will be headed by Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Minister, Ojing Tasing.

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ARMS:

In Manipur, Assam Rifles and Thoubal Police conducted a search operation at Haokhong, Kakmayi Village yesterday and recovered several arms and ammunition. It includes, 1 AK 56 Rifle with magazine, 1 US made Lathode M 79 grenade launcher, three 9mm pistols, one .32 pistol with 2 magazines, Seven high-explosive 36 Hand Grenades, Six 40 mm Mortar shells, Twenty-Six AK rounds, eight .32 rounds and six 9mm rounds. The recovered items were handed over to Nongpok Sekmai Police Station.

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MONO RAIL:

Mizoram is turning to monorail technology to tackle one of the biggest logistical challenges being faced by farmers of the state in its mountainous terrain. A three-km agricultural monorail being developed by the Mizoram Science, Technology and Innovation Council is expected to become operational within the next few weeks, with the pilot system designed to carry up to 500 kilograms of produce in a single trip. The system, installed in the Mualpheng area of Saitual district bordering Manipur, will bring agriculture and horticulture products from about 40 greenhouses in Aikawn and nearby fields to a road, reducing the need for farmers to carry their produce manually over difficult terrain.

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NAGALAND-AYURVEDA:

Nagaland Governor, Nand Kishore Yadav has called for greater adoption of Ayurveda's principles of preventive healthcare and healthy living. In a message on the occasion of the 11th Ayurveda Day, the Governor said, Ayurveda is not merely a medical system, but an approach to life that balances the body, mind, and environment. He appreciated the research and outreach work of the Regional Ayurveda Research Centre at Dimapur under the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences. Meanwhile, Nagaland marked the 11th Ayurveda Day yesterday with a programme for the distribution and cultivation of Piper longum and Piper retrofractum at Vihokhu village in Niuland district. Speaking at the programme, Lok Sabha MP, S. Supongmeren Jamir highlighted Nagaland's long tradition of using indigenous medicinal plants, and the state's climatic conditions suitable for their cultivation. He urged farmers, particularly young people to take up medicinal plant cultivation. The project has initially been launched in Mon, Niuland, and Zunheboto.

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MEGHALAYA CM:

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma yesterday laid the foundation stone for the new building of the Meghalaya Board of School Education Regional Office, Shillong and virtually inaugurated 81 new school infrastructure buildings across Meghalaya constructed under Mission Education Phase-II. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said, the Regional Office in Shillong has been functioning from temporary accommodation for the last 45 years since September 1981 when it was established as the Shillong Cell to serve the Khasi-Jaintia region. Meanwhile the Chief Minister also inaugurated the Shillong Tech Park-II at New Shillong Township, Umsawli. The Phase-II adds 1.8 lakh sq ft of ready-to-occupy technology space built at a cost of 121 crore rupees. It is the largest single addition of dedicated IT space made in the State so far. The Chief Minister termed as a dream come true, as an idea of IT Park/Tech Park /Innovation hub was first conceived by him in 2008 to provide space and ecosystem for innovation, enterprise and technology to thrive in Shillong.

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GRANT:

The Tripura government has announced a one-time festival grant for its employees and pensioners ahead of the upcoming Durga Puja celebrations. Tripura Finance Minister, Pranajit Singha Roy made the announcement at a press conference at the Civil Secretariat yesterday. Around 1 lakh, 48 thousand, 501 employees, including Group C and D staff, along with approximately 85,916 pensioners and family pensioners, will benefit. The government will incur an expenditure of 47.16 crore rupees. The government has also announced festival advances. Eligible employees can avail 20,000 rupees, while Anganwadi workers/helpers and Home Guards can receive 5,000 rupees.

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SAMAGRA:

Samagra Shiksha Assam has revised the schedule for the seventh phase of Gunotsav. According to the revised notification, Gunotsav will be held in three phases across 35 districts from January 19 to February 5, 2027. Earlier, the assessment was scheduled from January 6 to February 5. The first phase will be held from January 19 to 22 in 11 districts and the second phase will cover 13 districts from January 25. The third phase will be held from February 2 to 5 in 11 districts.

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'MUKHYAMANTRI SAMIPESHU':

Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha said that the 'Mukhyamantri Samipeshu' programme is serving as a lifeline for citizens and reflects the vision of a people-centric government. He made the statement while participating in another episode of the programme yesterday. According to him, the programme is also acting as an important bridge between citizens and the administration, enabling people to receive timely assistance regarding healthcare, social welfare and various personal grievances. During the session, the Chief Minister interacted with citizens from different parts of the state, heard their problems and grievances, and directed officials to take necessary steps for their resolution.

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MANIPUR CM-CHANU:

Manipur Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh yesterday interacted with India's star weightlifter, Saikhom Mirabai Chanu through video conference and extended his heartiest congratulations to her. The Chief Minister said that her achievement has added another medal to India's tally and has made the nation proud. He also said that Chanu's hard work, discipline and perseverance are an inspiration for all young sportspersons of the country, especially for the youth of Manipur. He added that the Manipur Government will continue to support sportspersons and will provide all possible help to promote sports in the State. Manipur is proud of her remarkable feat and wished her continued success in the future. Mirabai Chanu, also said that she was very happy to see the people of Manipur supporting her and standing by her.

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