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HEADLINES:-

- Two-day Northeast Education Conclave concludes after deliberation on National Education Policy.
- 20th Rozgar Mela organised at 45 locations across country.
- Fifteen candidates in fray for Nagaon Lok Sabha by-election in Assam.
- Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein highlights Arunachal Pradesh's hydropower potential.
- Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio attends inaugural day of Conference on 'Financing India's Journey towards Viksit Bharat' in New Delhi.
- Sikkim CM's Press Secretary Yougan Tamang says state could be potential model for 'Himalayan creative economy'.
- Assam remembers iconic singer Zubeen Garg on his first death anniversary.
- Bangladeshi national sentenced to 12 years in prison for illegal entry and narcotics offences in Tripura.
- Thirteen educational institutions take part in 27th All Shillong Dr. MM Das Memorial Inter-College/Higher Secondary School Debate Competition organized by Zenith Jubelieth Club.
- Thirty-six sportspersons from Manipur representing India at 20th Asian Games in Japan.

CONCLAVE:

The two-day Northeast Education Conclave concluded yesterday at Naga United Village, Chümoukedima, bringing together policymakers, educators and administrators from across the region to deliberate on the implementation of the National Education Policy, 2020. The conclave was organised by the Government of Nagaland in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, Government of India, on the theme, 'Implementation of NEP 2020: Vision, Challenges & Opportunities for the North Eastern States'. Tripura Minister for Higher Education, Panchayats and General Administration, Kishor Barman, highlighted that over 21 thousand crore rupees has been invested in the education sector in the Northeast over the past decade. Around 850 schools, nine medical colleges, two IIITs and nearly 200 skill development institutions have also been established. Additional Secretary, Central Department of Education, Anandrao V. Patel, highlighted the National Apprenticeship Training Scheme, saying industries can provide apprenticeship and employment opportunities to students from the Northeast. The conclave proposed resolutions, including promotion of the North-East Knowledge System and Indigenous Knowledge institutions and establishment of State Public Universities.

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ROZGAR:

The 20th Rozgar Mela was organised at 45 locations across the country, including Shillong yesterday. Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged the newly appointed 51,000 candidates through video conferencing to take decisions that strengthen Viksit Bharat and Atmanirbhar Bharat. Union Minister of State for External Affairs and Textiles, Pabitra Margherita, was present in Shillong, where 127 candidates received appointment letters. They will join various government departments and organisations, including the Income Tax, Indian Railways and India Post. Union minister Margherita highlighted the immense potential of the Northeast and said that improved connectivity and infrastructure are creating an ecosystem where young people can study, work, innovate and build their futures within the region.

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BY-POLL:

A total of 15 candidates are in the fray for the Nagaon Lok Sabha by-election in Assam. The by-poll was necessitated after sitting Congress MP Pradyut Bordoloi resigned from the Lok Sabha seat and the party to contest the assembly elections from Dispur as a BJP candidate. Polling will be held on 6th October, and counting of votes will be taken up on 9th October.

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POLLING:

The final notification for polling stations for the upcoming municipal and urban local body elections in Tripura will be published on 25th September. State Election Commission Secretary, Anurag Sen said the process of identifying polling stations for elections to 21 urban local bodies in Tripura has been completed. District Municipal Election Officers, or District Magistrates, have published draft notifications for a total of 784 polling stations across the 21 urban local bodies, including the Agartala Municipal Corporation, various municipal councils and Nagar Panchayats. The last date for filing claims and objections against the draft notification is 21st September. All claims and objections will be disposed of by 23rd September.

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ARUNACHAL:

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein has highlighted Arunachal Pradesh’s immense hydropower potential and its strategic importance in India’s clean energy transition. He was speaking on the concluding day yesterday of the conference on ‘Financing India’s Journey Towards a Viksit Bharat’ in New Delhi. Mein said that hydropower is critical to achieving India’s clean energy goals, providing stable and dependable renewable power while complementing solar and wind energy. With responsible development, strong transmission infrastructure and greater investment participation, Arunachal Pradesh can emerge as a major contributor to India’s clean energy transition. The state can also create significant opportunities for employment, entrepreneurship and inclusive economic growth, the deputy CM said.

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NAGALAND:

Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio attended the inaugural day of the Conference on ‘Financing India’s Journey towards Viksit Bharat’ organised by the Finance Ministry in New Delhi. In a social media post, he said, the conference deliberated on policy complementarities between the Centre and states, challenges, and financing strategies for India’s development journey towards Viksit Bharat. Earlier in the day, Rio met with Union Minister for Women and Child Development, Annpurna Devi. The discussion focused on women and child welfare in Nagaland, strengthening schemes, and ensuring effective and equitable delivery of welfare initiatives.

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SIKKIM:

Sikkim Chief Minister's Press Secretary Yougan Tamang yesterday said the state could be a potential model for a sustainable ‘Himalayan creative economy’ driven by youth, indigenous knowledge and digital entrepreneurship. He said Sikkim’s approach to strengthening creative economy was centred on public-private partnerships and leveraging the potential of its youth. Tamang was speaking at the fourth season of the Creative Economy Forum, an initiative of Cinedarbaar held under the aegis of the Union ministries of Information and Broadcasting, Electronics and Information Technology, and Culture in Gangtok. He said the Northeast's cultural diversity and heritage should not only be celebrated but also leveraged as an economic asset through the creative economy. He also referred to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's description of the Northeast as ‘Ashtalakshmi’, saying the region's considerable creative and economic potential offered opportunities for greater mainstream engagement.

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GARG:

Assam remembered iconic singer, composer, and cultural figure Zubeen Garg on his first death anniversary yesterday. Various events and programmes were organized across the state to pay tribute to the artist whose music continues to resonate with millions of people. Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma donated blood on the first death anniversary of Zubeen Garg. He said Zubeen is also a treasure of Assam like Jyoti Prasad Agarwala, Bishnu Prasad Rabha and Bhupen Hazarika.

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SENTENCE:

A Bangladeshi national has been sentenced to 12 years in prison and fined by the Special NDPS Court in Sonamura in Tripura under multiple provisions of the law relating to illegal entry and narcotics offences.

Special Judge of the NDPS Court, Sanjay Bhattacharjee, pronounced the final verdict yesterday against Mozahid Mia of Habiganj, Bangladesh.

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DEBATE:

Students of 13 educational institutions went vocal with their opinions on the impact of social media on democracy during the 27th All Shillong Dr. MM Das Memorial Inter-College/Higher Secondary School Debate Competition organized by the Zenith Jubelieth Club yesterday. The debate was held at the Laban Bengalee Boy’s Higher Secondary School and presided over by speaker Manas Chaudhuri. The motion for the oldest running debate competition in Shillong this year was ‘Social media does more harm than good for a healthy democracy’. The students examined the changing role of social media in shaping public opinion and democratic discourse. The team from Buddha Bhanu Saraswati School was adjudged champions of the prestigious debate competition with St. Edmund’s College team securing the second runner-up spot and the team from BK Bajoria taking the 1st runner-up slot.

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GAMES:

Thirty-six sportspersons and three coaches from Manipur are representing India at the 20th Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026 in Japan. The Games, which kicked off yesterday, will continue till 4th October. It has brought together athletes from across Asia in one of the continent's largest multi-sport events. The sportspersons from Manipur are part of the Indian contingent participating in Sepaktakraw, Rowing, Cycling, Fencing, Canoeing & Kayaking, Boxing, Weightlifting, Wushu, Judo and Hockey. Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh congratulated all the Manipuri players and coaches taking part in the Asian Games.

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