

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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- Nagaland's Draft Electoral Roll published with 12 lakh 6 thousand 457 electors, including service electors.
- Mizoram Governor, Vijay Kumar Singh says North Eastern Region could serve as "living laboratory" for resilient engineering and urges engineers to work towards making Indian engineering synonymous with quality, reliability and trust.
- State Election Commission partially revises schedule for Election Duty Votes for ADC Village Committee elections in Tripura.
- Ambitious Sevoke–Rangpo railway project in Sikkim signals transformative leap in connectivity, commerce, mobility, and national integration.
- Union Minister of State for AYUSH, Prataprao Jadhav arrives in Imphal for one-day visit to Manipur.
- MLA of Tawang, Namgye Tsering flags off Salt Trek, heritage initiative of paying tribute to Monpa forefathers in Arunachal Pradesh.
- Angh, directed by Naga filmmaker, Theja Rio wins Platform Prize 2026 at Toronto International Film Festival.
- Arunachal Pradesh State Scout & Guide Fellowship conferred with D. S. Mahajan Excellence Award 2025-26 for Best State by Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship.
- Tripura Chief Minister, Dr. Manik Saha announces 30 acres of land for setting up new cricket academy.
- Meghalaya beat Punjab 2-1 in Group C of Dr T Ao National Football Championship for Junior Girls (Tier 2) 2026-27.

ADANI POWER:

Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma yesterday laid the foundation stone for Adani Power Ltd's 48,000-crore thermal power plant at Chapar in Dhubri district. The 3,200 MW Ultra-Supercritical Thermal Power Plant is touted as one of the largest single investments in the North Eastern state. Speaking on the occasion, Sarma said, the project will generate massive employment opportunities right from the construction phase, and the increased economic activity will boost local industries and the entire ecosystem. Sarma said that Assam is fast emerging as the region's energy hub, with several mega energy projects in the pipeline. The Chapar project is an outcome of the confidence generated by the Advantage Assam Investor Summit 2.0 held in February last year.

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NAGALAND-SIR:

The Election Commission's Special Intensive Revision of electoral rolls in Nagaland has recorded an 88.38 percent submission of Enumeration Forms during the enumeration phase from August 16 to 14th of this month. Of the 13 lakh 57 thousand 208 pre-SIR electors, a total of 11 lakh 99 thousand 456 electors submitted their Enumeration Forms. The enumeration exercise identified 28 thousand 944 deceased electors, while 1 lakh 23 thousand 749 electors were categorised as absent, shifted or others. Another 5 thousand 59 electors were found enrolled at multiple places. The Draft Electoral Roll has been published with 12 lakh 6 thousand 457 electors, including service electors.

The Chief Electoral Officer’s office said that genuine electors who were unable to submit their Enumeration Forms can seek inclusion during the claims and objections period from 20 of this month to October 20, using Form-6 and the prescribed declaration. The final electoral roll will be published on November 22.

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MIZORAM GOVERNOR:

Mizoram Governor, Vijay Kumar Singh has called for greater emphasis on innovation in engineering to strengthen the country's global technological standing in its bid to realise the vision of Viksit Bharat. Addressing the Institution of Engineers (India) Industry and Education Excellence Summit and Award in New Delhi, Singh said, nations were no longer competing merely for markets but for technological leadership and resilience. He urged engineers to work towards making Indian engineering synonymous with quality, reliability and trust. Referring to the North Eastern Region, Singh said that its difficult terrain, ecological sensitivity and strategic location posed complex engineering challenges while also offering opportunities for innovation. The Governor said that region could serve as a "living laboratory" for resilient engineering, and observed that Mizoram has demonstrated the need for terrain-sensitive, climate-resilient and digitally enabled infrastructure.

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POLLING:

In Tripura, the State Election Commission has partially revised the schedule for Election Duty Votes for the ADC Village Committee elections. The polling will be held tomorrow and Wednesday in 38 blocks, while in six blocks—Karbuk, Rupaichhari, Amarpur, Ampi, Matabari and Dumburnagar—it will be conducted on Wednesday and Thursday. No polling will be held in eight blocks—Charilam, Nalchar, Dukli, Belbari, Old Agartala, Jirania, Hejamara and Lefunga, as candidates in all the seats have been elected unopposed.

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RAIL:

Tucked away in the mist-clad hills and deep valleys of Sikkim, a monumental transformation is taking shape on steel tracks. The ambitious Sevoke–Rangpo railway project is signaling a transformative leap in connectivity, commerce, mobility, and national integration. This engineering marvel is rapidly marching toward its completion target of December 2027. Spanning a total length of 44.96 kilometers, the Sevoke–Rangpo line represents a triumph of modern civil engineering. The project features a total of five stations currently in various phases of completion. A total of 14 tunnels, 23 bridges are included in the project. Upon completion in December 2027, the Sevoke–Rangpo railway line will do much more than lay down steel rails.

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AYUSH-MANIPUR:

Union Minister of State for AYUSH, Prataprao Jadhav, arrived in Imphal yesterday on his one-day visit to Manipur. Upon his arrival, he attended the Ganesh Puja celebration in Imphal. The Minister highlighted Manipur’s rich biodiversity and medicinal plants and said that their scientific cultivation, conservation and development could create employment and self-employment opportunities for youth, farmers, women and entrepreneurs. Later, he held a meeting with officials of the Regional Institute of Medical Sciences Imphal, Central Government Health Scheme and Regional Office of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in Imphal.

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SALT TREK:

In Arunachal Pradesh, MLA of Tawang, Namgye Tsering yesterday flagged off the Salt Trek, a heritage initiative paying tribute to the Monpa forefathers who once crossed over the rugged high-altitude mountains to bring salt and other essential commodities from Tibet. Addressing the participants, he urged the youth to take pride in their inheritance and carry forward the rich cultural legacy of Monyul. More than 100 participants including Indian Army officers, students, and trekking enthusiasts participated in the programme.

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FILM:

In a historic first, Angh, directed by Naga filmmaker, Theja Rio, has won the Platform Prize 2026 at the Toronto International Film Festival. Angh was one of 12 films selected for this year’s Platform programme. Beginning with the 2026 prize, winning the Toronto International Film Festival Platform Prize gives a non-English-language film a direct pathway to eligibility for consideration for the Academy Award for Best International Feature Film. Announcing the award, Jury President, Pablo Trapero praised Angh for its refreshing perspective, strength of filmmaking and deeply resonant portrait of a world.

The jury also commended Theja Rio for his vision, audacity and courage. The Platform Prize carries a cash award of 20,000 Canadian dollars and a trophy. Meanwhile, Nagaland Chief Minister has congratulated Theja Rio and 'ANGH' team for winning the prestigious Platform Prize at the Toronto International Film Festival.

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SCOUT & GUIDE:

The Arunachal Pradesh State Scout & Guide Fellowship has been conferred the D. S. Mahajan Excellence Award 2025-26 for Best State by the Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship. The award was presented during the 36th General Assembly of the Indian Scout & Guide Fellowship at Kannur, Kerala. The recognition marks a significant achievement for the Arunachal Pradesh State Scout & Guide Fellowship and acknowledges its efforts in promoting the ideals of Scouting and Guiding, including friendship, service, discipline and fellowship.

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CRICKET ACADEMY:

Tripura Chief Minister, Dr. Manik Saha has announced that the state government has allotted 30 acres of land in Sekerkote for a new cricket academy. Speaking at the Tripura Cricket Association’s annual award ceremony at Rabindra Shatabarshiki Bhavan, he presented awards to various tournament winners and praised the efforts to boost local cricket infrastructure. During the event, Duleep Trophy-winning East Zone cricketer, Abhijit Sarkar was also felicitated.

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DR. T AO:

Meghalaya demonstrated true grit and determination to overcome an early one goal deficit to beat Punjab 2-1 in Group C of the Dr T Ao National Football Championship for Junior Girls (Tier 2) 2026-27. Meghalaya conceded in the 10th minute but equalised in the 61st through Ripaia Phawa before snatching the win with a stoppage time goal by Peacefully Pohpletin in Narainpur, Chhattisgarh. After defeating Jammu and Kashmir 8-0 in their opening match, Meghalaya secured a full 6 points from two outings and confirmed first place in the group.
