

THE HEADLINES:

- Governor Nand Kishore Yadav calls for preservation of indigenous languages
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio launches fellowship programme, unveils study on new economic opportunities
- Nagaland State Commission for Protection of Child Rights flags gaps in child care facilities
- Nagaland Health Protection Society urges Ayushman Card holders to link Aadhaar by November 30



Governor Nand Kishore Yadav has called for promotion of Hindi alongside preservation of Nagaland's indigenous languages. Describing linguistic diversity as one of India's greatest cultural strengths, he said learning Hindi can help people communicate across different parts of the country, while indigenous languages keep communities connected to their history, traditional knowledge and identity. Governor Yadav was speaking at the prize distribution ceremony of the Hindi Film Song Competition organised by Akashvani Kohima as part of Hindi Pakhwada today.

The Governor also appreciated Akashvani Kohima for providing a platform for local voices, languages, music and cultural traditions. Highlighting the important role of public broadcasting in the digital age, and urged Akashvani to continue connecting Nagaland with the wider nation.

Meanwhile, Head of Programme, Akashvani Kohima, Ella Kayina said Hindi has helped foster dialogue among people from different parts of the country, and also highlighted Akashvani's role in connecting India's linguistic and cultural diversity.



Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today released of the NEDFi-TEDF Research Study report on “Strategic Interventions for Endogenous Development” at the Chief Minister’s Residential Complex, Kohima. He also launched the Chief Minister's Fellowship Programme, Nagaland (CMFPN). Speaking at the launch, Chief Minister Rio stressed the need to harness the State’s strengths to create employment, livelihoods and new economic opportunities. Mr Rio expressed happiness on the emphasis placed on the Creative Economy in the research report, adding that Nagaland has been among the early States in the country to recognise the creative sector as an important area of economic opportunity and youth empowerment. He said the Chief Minister’s Fellowship Programme represents another kind of investment in young professionals and must provide fellows with genuine exposure and meaningful experience. Implemented by the Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN), the NEDFi-TEDF Research Study represents a comprehensive and multi-sectoral effort to assess opportunities across niche agriculture, creative economy, tourism and investment diversification through extensive field surveys, stakeholders consultations and secondary research conducted across all 17 districts. Another initiative of IDAN, the CMFPN brings young professionals into the heart of governance, engaging them in research, policy analysis and development oriented learning. As the first, 18 fellows have been selected for the fellowship. The programme was first proposed in 2024 and formally included in the state budget 2025-26 presented on March 6 this year with an allocation of 2.50 crore rupees.



The National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences has declared the result of NEET PG-2026 today. The examination was conducted on 30th of August for admission to various MD, MS, DNB, DrNB (Direct 6-year Courses) and PG Medical Diploma Courses of the 2026-27 admission session. According to the board, a total of two lakh 65,960 candidates appeared for the examination. Candidates can download their scorecards from the official website natboard.edu.in from the 1st of October.



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instance of how this vision has been translated into action through the Natural Farming initiative.



Governor Nand Kishore Yadav today held a review meeting with officials of the Nagaland State Commission for Protection of Child Rights at Lok Bhavan, Kohima. During the meeting, in-depth discussions took place on the roadmap to strengthen digital safety, prevent child trafficking, and provide special assistance to children with disabilities. The Commission highlighted gaps in facilities for children requiring care and protection, particularly those dealing with mental health concerns, substance abuse and disabilities. It also sought additional Members and regular staff as well as enhanced Grant in Aid to strengthen its functioning. Outlining its activities, the Commission said it has been monitoring the implementation of key child protection laws across Nagaland, including the Juvenile Justice Act, POCSO Act and Right to Education Act. It also conducted awareness and training programmes, inspections of child care institutions and schools. Going forward, the Commission outlined plans to promote child-friendly rooms in courts and police stations, and expand awareness programmes across all districts on substance abuse prevention, child trafficking, online safety and the rights of children with disabilities.



The Nagaland Health Protection Society (NHPS) has advised Ayushman Card holders to link their Aadhaar with their cards by the 30th of November, to avail benefits under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana. The Society said, more than one lakh fourteen thousand Ayushman Cards in the state are yet to be linked with Aadhaar. It said, Aadhaar linkage with Ayushman Cards has been made mandatory in view of the beneficiary mapping exercise being implemented through the National Health Authority IT platform. Beneficiaries have been advised to verify the Aadhaar linkage status of their cards and complete the process through the Beneficiary Identification System portal. The linkage can also be done through the offices of the Chief Medical Officer, Common Service Centres, VLEs, card vendor agencies, and empanelled PM-JAY hospitals. The NHPS cautioned that failure to complete Aadhaar linkage may result in the Ayushman Card being disabled, requiring beneficiaries to undergo fresh e-KYC.

