



*Nagaland Governor, R.N. Ravi taking oath as the Chief Patron of Nagaland Bharat Scouts & Guides at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*







*Minister Planning & Coordination, Land Revenue and Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu speaking at the State Level Parliamentary Quiz & Youth Parliament Debate Competition 2019 at ATI, Kohima on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*



*Advisor Social Welfare, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Noke Wangnao addressing the International Day of Older Persons 2019 at Hotel Japfü on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019.*



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# OFFICIAL ORDERS and NOTIFICATIONS

## PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENTS TO EVERY CATEGORY OF POSTS BY ANY DEPARTMENT

P&AR Department, through an office memorandum issued by Commissioner & Secretary, Dinesh Kumar, IAS, reiterated the standing policies of the State Government:

It has come to the notice of the Government that some departments are still resorting to exigency appointments; for e.g. Mali, Chowkidar, Peon on contingency basis which are untenable as the normal office can function even without the said staff. Such contingency appointments, without publicly inviting applications, whether on regular basis, ad-hoc, fixed, casual or work-charged are irregular and illegal.

No appointment of any sort without sanctioned/ vacant posts shall be made and appointment on contract basis is banned as laid down in the P&AR Department's OM No.AR-5/ASSO/98(C) dated 26/2/2001 and OM No.AR-5/ASSO/98 dated 6/6/2016.

In view of the circumstances stated above, the proposals for any new/fresh appointments by any

departments for every category of post may be submitted to the Administrative Heads of Department for prior approval for due process of recruitment by the NPSC/Departmental Recruitment Board (DRB). The AHOd shall be responsible to verify the availability of the sanctioned post and duly authenticate each post vacancy against the unique employee code generated by the Personal Information Management System (PIMS) or the post creation order in case of new post. Any appointment order issued without following the due process and without the unique employee code from PIMS shall be considered invalid, null and void.

Hence, the PIMS Cell P&AR Department shall not register any appointments made without observing the due process as laid down and the Finance Department shall not grant fund provision on salaries head against the particular department during the Revised Estimate.

## ORDER ON STATE TAX

Finance Department in an order has stated that sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (4 of 2017) (hereafter in this Order referred to as the said Act) provides that every registered person, other than an Input Service Distributor, a person paying tax under section 51 or section 52, a casual taxable person and a non-resident taxable person, shall furnish an annual return for every financial year electronically in such form and manner as may be prescribed on or before the thirty-first day of December following the end of such financial year;

For the purpose of furnishing of the annual return electronically for every financial year as referred to in sub-section (1) of section 44 of the said Act, certain technical problems are being faced by the taxpayers as a result whereof, the said annual return for the

period from the 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 to the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2018 could not be furnished by the registered persons, as referred to in the said sub-section (1) and because of that, certain difficulties have arisen in giving effect to the provisions of the said section.

The State Government, on recommendations of the Council has hereby made the following order, to remove the difficulties, namely:

1. Short title: This Order may be called the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax (Seventh Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2019.
2. In section 44 of the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, in the Explanation, for the figures, letters and word "31<sup>st</sup> August, 2019", the figures, letters and word "30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019" shall be substituted.



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## GOVERNMENT NOTIFIES ON PROMOTION AFTER RETIREMENT

The State Government in an office memorandum has referred to the P & AR Department's OM dated 25.1.2016 which deals with the grant of notional promotion to a Government servant exonerated in a disciplinary proceedings after retirement. However, the cases of Government servants who are found fit by review DPC after their retirement on account of revision of seniority list of the feeder cadre, upgradation of below benchmark APARs etc are not covered under the said OM. These cases have now been examined procedures has been laid down for dealing with such cases.

A Government servant who is not recommended in the panel by the original/supplementary DPC but later on is recommended in the panel by a review DPC but has since retired may be given the benefit of notional promotion wef the date of promotion of his immediate junior in the reviewed panel and fixation of notional pay subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions:

- a. That the officer who is immediate junior to the retired Government servant assumed charge of the higher post on or before the date of superannuation of the retired Government servant.
- b. That the said retired Government servant was clear from vigilance angle on the date of promotion of his immediate junior.
- c. A retired Government servant who is considered for notional promotion from the date of promotion of his immediate junior on the recommendation of a review DPC would also be entitled to fixation of pension on the basis of such notional pay.
- d. The notional promotion, notional pay fixation and revision of pension shall be further subject to extant rules on promotion, pay fixation and CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. Actual increase in pension shall be given only from the date of approval of reviewed panel by the competent authority. No arrears shall be paid.
- e. The provisions contained in this Office Memorandum shall become operational from the date of issue of this Office Memorandum. Past cases settled in accordance with the earlier provision shall not be reopened.
- f. In so far as persons serving in the Indian Audit & Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue after consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.

## HOME DEPT INFORMS ON RECOMMENDATIONS FOR GOVERNOR'S AWARDS

The Home Department (Political Branch) has informed that, the Deserving cases for award of Governor's Gold Medal/Governor's Commendation Certificate's on the occasion of Republic Day, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2020 are invited. Citations/Recommendations of deserving cases may be forwarded to Special Secretary (Home) Nagaland, Kohima latest by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

While forwarding the Citations/Recommendations, the following guidelines are to be strictly observed:

1. Details of candidates recommended should be submitted according to format given in Annexure- "A".
2. Citations/Recommendations should be submitted by the Head of Department for Non Gazetted Staff.
3. Citations/Recommendations in respect of Gazetted Officers working under various Departments/Directorates should be submitted through proper channel as under: Head of Department to Administrative Head of Department to Special

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Secretary, Home

4. In the case of Police, Home Guards, Prison and Fire Services the recommendations should come through their respective Director Generals/Head of the Department to Special Secretary, Home.
5. 6(Six) copies of the Citations/Recommendations duly signed by Head of Department in respect of Non Gazetted Staff and Head of Department & Administrative Head of Department for Gazetted Officer along with soft copy may be forwarded.
6. Citations/Recommendations should be precise highlighting the performance and achievements of the individual recommended.
7. Integrity Certificate to be signed by forwarding authority.
8. For NGO's/Individuals and employees working under the Establishment of the Deputy Commissioners' deserving candidates should be submitted through proper channel as under:  
Dy. Commissioner of the District Concerned to Commissioner, Nagaland to Special Secretary, Home.
9. No Citations/Recommendations will be accepted from the Deputy Commissioner directly.
10. Citations/Recommendations received after the last date i.e, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and any deviation from the above guidelines will be summarily rejected.

## PROCEDURES FOR FILING AFFIDAVIT BEFORE LOKAYUKTA, NAGALAND

The Department of Justice & Law has notified that affidavit in the Lokayukta has to be filed in the same way as documents are being filed in the proceedings before the High Court and the Supreme Court. The Departments are not acquainted with the procedures to be followed in the matters pending and filed before the Lokayukta, particularly on account of absence of Rules to be framed by the State Government in consultation with the Lokayukta and as such they do

not refer the matter to the Department of Justice & Law for legal advice and vetting.

Therefore, all such proceedings where the Lokayukta organisation issue notice to the Government Departments, the Department concerned has to refer the files to the Secretary, Justice & Law, Nagaland for legal advice and vetting before it is filed in the Lokayukta.

## FOREST OFFICE COMPLEX KOHIMA DECLARED PLASTIC FREE

The Forest Office Complex, Kohima under the Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change was declared as Plastic Free Office on 1<sup>st</sup> October. As part of the “Swachhata Hi Seva-Cleanliness is Service” under the Plastic waste Shramdaan, the department initiated the ban on plastic items in and around the office.

During the program, DFO Kohima, Rongsenlemla Imchen, IFS highlighted on the importance on ban of single use plastic. Dr. Kenei Miachieo, IFS, Conservator of Forest encouraged the staff to be a

responsible citizen in reducing the use of plastic not only in the office but also in our everyday affairs. He said Forest department being the nodal department for protection of environment, it is a fitting initiative by the department to raise awareness on the hazards of plastic pollution. Ngampie administered the pledge to the gathering on “Not to Use Plastic”. A mass social work was also conducted in the office complex which will continue till 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 culminating with the 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

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## STATE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP FOR YOUTH

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CM Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio has announced scholarship worth 82 lacs for 100 Youth under Chief Minister Corpus Fund creating an opportunity for deserving and talented IAS Aspirants of Nagaland to undergo free of cost coaching from ALS IAS.

ALS IAS which is India's largest IAS Coaching Network has more than 75 centers across India including 30 in North East along with 2837 selections in UPSC till date including 154 selections last year. ALS has also been honored with similar sponsorship for IAS Training from Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Tripura, Mizoram and Manipur in the past.

National Sales Head ALS, Prateek Bhattacharya also announced Scholarship worth 72 lacs for 190 Aspirants under ALS CSR Initiative for Youth of Nagaland. Together this announcement has created an opportunity for 290 IAS aspirants of Nagaland to avail scholarship sponsored by Government of Nagaland and ALS.

The Chief Minister also mentioned that the selection of the Top 100 students sponsored under Chief Minister Corpus Fund will be based as per the Reservation Policy of Government of Nagaland. The Scholarship Exam will be conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> October

2019 in all district Headquarters of the State under the supervision of the Deputy Commissioner of each district.

Application Forms will be made available from 3<sup>rd</sup> October in all Deputy Commissioner office with last date of form submission being 10<sup>th</sup> October. Results of the examination will be generated on 16<sup>th</sup> October and batches will commence from 21<sup>st</sup> October.

Students selected will undergo training at any of the six ALS Authorised Learning centers in Kohima, Dimapur, Mokokchung, Zuhenboto, Wokha and Mon via cutting edge VSAT Technology where LIVE Transmission of classes being conducted in ALS Delhi campus would be given and students will learn from Best IAS Mentors of the country. Dedicated Academic Mentors from Delhi shall also be sent by ALS to Nagaland to monitor, motivate and guide the students during their training along with monthly visits which will be made by IAS/IPS officers serving in Nagaland to inspire the candidates.

ALS hopes that this path breaking initiative taken by the Chief Minister of Nagaland will be able to transform the youth of Nagaland and produce results in Civil Services in the coming years.

## NOKE GRACES INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS CELEBRATION AT KOHIMA

The International Day of Older Persons 2019, organised by the Department of Social Welfare Nagaland was held at Hotel Japfũ, Kohima on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

Speaking as the Guest of Honour, Advisor Social Welfare, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Noke Wangnao called upon the senior citizens to teach the upcoming generation about the traditional values, respect and honour which is now losing its value and also Naga customary laws as the Naga society is now filled with disunity, jealousy, hatred and ism.

Noke also said that seeing the helplessness of elderly persons in their old age in the state, the Old Age Pension Policy was introduced by the government in the year 1991, but he cautioned that this Old Age Pension Policy fund should not be misused.

President, Senior Citizens Association Nagaland, (SCAN) Khekiye K. Sema (Redt) IAS urged the elderly people to share their experiences gained over the years to the younger generation. Citing examples in our state, he pointed out that many senior citizens after retirement from service, disappear from the scenario of our community, forgetting that their

experience over the years need to be shared. He said all senior citizens have to be part of the active society or tribe they live in adding that the current political Indo-Naga issues, National Naga Movement and the various subject matters relating to our state need their experiences.

The award for the Distinguished Senior Citizens 2019 were given in two disciplines- District Level and the State Level.

In the district level, the awardees were Seno Vihienuo for her service rendered for the welfare of her community and Kelhikhrie Rüpreo for his tireless social activities for his community.

In the State level, the awardees were Niketu Iralu, Social Worker and Searcher for Healing Peace and Proper Development of Society and Dr (Mrs) P. Kilemsungla recognised in the state for her contribution in the field of education

Director Social Welfare, T. Merangtsungba Aier spoke on the topic "The Journey to age Equality" which was the theme for the International Day of Older Persons 2019.

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## RUN FOR A PLASTIC FREE NAGALAND AT KOHIMA

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Commencing the 'State wide mass Shramdaan on Plastic waste' at the State capital under the banner 'Swachhata Hi Seva' the department of Youth Resources & Sports organized a plogging run with the theme 'Run for a Plastic free Nagaland' on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

Around 100 participants from various organizations and colleges volunteered at the rally headed by Home Commissioner, Abhijit Sinha, IAS pledging to commit towards cleanliness and spreading the message of plastic free environment.

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## CHIEF MINISTER LEADS THE FIGHT AGAINST PLASTIC POLLUTION

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Chief Minister Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio kicked off the Mass Shramdan program for State wide plastic waste collection drive at old NST Kohima on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 on the occasion of the 150<sup>th</sup> birth

anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The Program is part of the Swachhata Hi Seva initiative undertaken by the Government of India to curb the menace of plastic pollution in the country.



Speaking at the event, Rio honoured the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi and called him the true advocate and torchbearer for cleanliness and sanitation in the country. He also highlighted and praised the various initiatives under-taken by the government of India under the leadership of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi aimed at achieving a clean India. "God has created our planet so beautifully. Mother Earth can provide for all our needs but it cannot sustain our greed and it is because of our greed that today so many environmental issues such as global warming and plastic pollution are taking place" he said. He called upon the people of the State to come forward and work together with the government to ensure that we protect our environment against all kinds of pollution and make the state a plastic free state. He further stated that the Government is a mirror image of the people and that it is time for the

public to stop blaming the government for everything and start taking initiative and actively participate in taking the state forward in all aspects. He concluded by saying that unless the public co-operates and works together hand in hand with the government our dream of a better Nagaland will be never be a reality.

The State Wide Mass Shramdaan on Plastic waste was officially kicked off with everyone present led by the Chief Minister taking the Swachhata Hi Seva Pledge not to use plastics. The Chief Minister along with a few of his colleagues and other high ranking State officials also participated in the collection of plastic waste in the State capital.

All the public offices in Kohima led by the DC's Office along with the 19 wards and various educational institutions carried out Mass Shramdaan and actively participated in collecting plastic wastes in and around Kohima Town.

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## STATE LEVEL PROGRAMME ON URBAN MISSION HELD AT KOHIMA

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State Level Programme on Kohima Smart City Mission; Swachh Bharat Mission and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019 at NBCC Convention Hall, Kohima.

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio, in his address, said urban areas are centres of economic activities and engines of growth and are crucial to the economy of a State for poverty alleviation and inclusive growth. He advocated that climate change perspectives have to be integrated within the broader framework of sustainable urban development, and a holistic approach to participatory governance, urban environmental planning and management.

He further informed that the Government of India has launched various missions such as the Smart City Mission, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Housing for All (HFA-Urban) and Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) to address the problems of the urban areas.

Rio said "Kohima was selected as one of the 100 smart cities on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016. Implementation

of projects have begun in full swing and we are currently ranked 1<sup>st</sup> among the 10 North East Smart Cities." He added that under this project, Kohima, along with the smart cities in the country, launched the 100-day Smart City Special Initiative Campaign on Sanitation focussing on Awareness Creation on Plastic Pollution and Waste Management with special emphasis on Waste Segregation and moving towards the practice of Zero Waste.

He said the Ministry has initiated angikaar, a 3 (three) month campaign that aims to mobilize PMAY (U) beneficiaries for social behavioural change, focusing on issues such as water & energy conservation, waste management, health, sanitation and hygiene converging with various Urban Missions and Schemes/Services through a series of IEC activities covering 12,389 beneficiaries which will culminate on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019.

The Chief Minister released the Anti Plastic Theme Song and the 100 Days Promotional Video along with

distribution of Cloth bags to the tax paying households under Kohima Municipality.

Five Water ATMs were launched for public use. The Water ATMs are placed in strategic locations with the maximum foot fall with the sole intention of discouraging bottled drinking water. 11 ULB Sanitation Vehicles were flagged off for 11 Town Councils in the State.

Advisor Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Dr. Nicky Kire stated that under the "100 days Smart City Special Initiative Campaign on Sanitation" Kohima Smart City (KSC) in collaboration with the Green Team Kohima has taken awareness program on

plastic pollution and waste management to numerous schools and colleges. KSC also held consultations with Apex Civil Societies including the business community.

100 days Challenge Award for the best Sanitation was awarded to Ward 11 PWD and 100 days Challenge Award for the best Eco Activity was given to Kros College Kohima.

Principal Secretary Urban Development & Municipal Affairs Department, Himato Zhimomi chaired the program. Ministers and elected Members, senior Officers, Ward and Colony Authorities and students attended the function.

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## **NAGALAND GOVERNOR, R.N. RAVI LAUNCHES MANUALS ON JAL SHAKTI CAMPUS & JAL SHAKTI GRAM AND SWACHH CAMPUS**

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Commemorating 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Jal Shakti campus & Jal Shakti Gram and Swachh campus was launched at Kohima College, Kohima on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. The programme was organized by the Department of Higher & Technical Education in collaboration with the Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education, Ministry of HRD, Gol.

RN Ravi speaking at the event said that the two manuals prepared by the Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education is a practical document and will help in keeping the campus clean and in conserving water. Cleanliness for Mahatma Gandhi he said was next to Godliness and it a first step toward spiritual goal. Ravi stressed on the good examples set by Gandhi and urged all to ponder on the successful political ideologies and the practice of non-violence.

He also remarked that when PM Modi launched the clean India movement it was his developmental strategy to develop India because only when India is clean it can grow. He also added that cleanliness drive is also an initiative to bring social justice and ensuring that poor people are not forced to spend their hard earned wages on basic health needs.

On water conservation, Ravi said that due to unscientific management of water it is creating havoc and devastation across the world and in our country. He therefore stressed on the urgency to conserve water and in saving the environment. Ravi urged the institution of learning, education centers, faculty, students and administrations to help in transforming not only the campus but also focus on saving and creating a cleaner environment in the campuses.

State programme Coordinator, MGNCRE, Nutsulu Rhakho, in her brief report on Jal Shakti Campus & Jal Shakti Gram and Swachh campus highlighted that the manuals have been developed at the behest of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. She stated that, in the context of Mahatma Gandhi 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education is promoting participation of Higher Education Institutions in sanitation, hygiene and water conservation which are national prime requisites of development. The Manuals will help Higher Education Institutions including Universities, Colleges and Polytechnics in developing strategies, action plans and implementation plans for water conservation



*Nagaland Governor, R.N. Ravi launching Jal Shakti Campus & Jal Shakti Gram and Swachh Campus at Kohima College, Kohima on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.*

on the campuses and in the villages with which the campuses are engaged with in National Service Scheme (NSS), Swachhta Action Plan (SAP) and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA). Manuals contain Standard Operating Procedures for supporting the task of promoting cleanliness on the campus and promoting a culture of taking responsibility to keep the campus clean through continuous monitoring and practice and to develop a model water conservation plan, water conservation procedures and practices reflecting local water resource needs and water quality as well as quantity in campuses and in villages.

Asst. Professor, Kohima College, Kohima, Dr. Eunice Alinger illustrated the Life Sketch of Mahatma Gandhi "Father of the Nation" and said that in the

backdrop of the materialistic culture that dominates our world, Gandhi's idea of simple living and strong faith in the power of truth and non-violence can be the guiding light for a generation seemingly diverted from the road of values and ethics. Alinger, further expressed that, like Gandhi, we can fight for justice, human rights and equality through simple but highly innovate strategies by creating mass awareness and education to enable people to be free themselves from fear and to stand up non-violently with the power of soul-force.

Earlier, Governor, R N Ravi, launched the manual on Jal Shakti Campus & Jal Shakti Gram and Swachh Campus. National Anthem song was presented by Kohima Science College (Autonomous), Jotsoma.

## **RAVI HOSTS CULTURAL EVENING ON THE OCCASION OF 150<sup>TH</sup> BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF MAHATMA GANDHI**

Governor of Nagaland, R.N. Ravi on the occasion of 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi organised a Cultural Evening at Raj Bhavan on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

On the occasion, R.N. Ravi and the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio along with their lady wives performed the ceremonial act for lighting of lamp in honour of 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of the Father of Nation, Mahatma Gandhi.

The event was marked by the appearance of

Purple Fusion from Nagaland and Vidushi Sneh Lata Mishra and her team from New Delhi. Mishra and Rashmi Bhatt enthralled the audience with their enchanting performances on classical Indian music popularly known as Bhajans and Ghazals, and Kathak recital along with the team members. Both the artists were known to have performed not only in India but also at international level on different occasions and events.



Chief Secretary Nagaland, Temjen Toy, IAS delivered the keynote address while Commissioner & Secretary to Governor, T. Mhabemo Yanthan proposed vote of thanks.

## **DIETHONO NAKHRO AWARDED CLASSIC CLUB AWARD 2019**

Diethono Nakhro, State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) was awarded the 14<sup>th</sup> Classic Club Award 2019 during its 25<sup>th</sup> Foundation day at Hotel Japfũ, Kohima on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. She was awarded the Classic Award 2019 for shouldering the noble responsibility of advancing the cause of people with disability and work constantly to uplift the conditions of the lesser privileged people.

Additional Chief Secretary to Chief Minister, Lhoubeilatuo Kire, IFS who was the special guest on the occasion gave away the coveted Award to Deithono Nakhro. Congratulating Diethono, Kire expressed that it was an honour to give away the award to a person who is well-known to the State as well as National level for her commitment to the people with disabilities. He described Nakhro as an individual with a strong personality, who has had many life changing from being an educationist, journalist and now the State Commissioner for people with disabilities as rightly identified by the State Government for her contributions towards the rights of people with disabilities.

"Though one may get international or national recognition, if people with whom you are living with on a daily basis do not recognize you or feel the work that you do is not worth recognizing, it does not give us personal satisfaction. But today the Club has rightly chosen Diethono Nakhro for her achievements and this perhaps gives everyone a sense of satisfaction," said Kire.

In her acceptance speech, Diethono was honoured and humbled to accept the prestigious award and thanked the Classic Club for amplifying the voice of the disability Community with the award. She said

it was an honour for the entire disability community and dedicated the award to all people living with disabilities in Nagaland. "This award means that I will continue to fight harder, to continue to do my part to try and make the world a better place for everyone so that I might even be more worthy of the honour you have given me" She said.

"People with disabilities, children with disabilities, are not inferior citizens - not third class citizens. They are equal citizens and deserve the same opportunities as everyone. This is the message I want to put out today" asserted Nakhro and hoped for Nagaland to become a truly inclusive state that looks out for each and every one of its citizens, including those who live with disabilities.

President Classic Club, Neibou Sekhose in his welcome address enlightened the gathering on how the Club was formed in 1994 with the Motto "Aiming Higher" with an intention to pursuit the positive ideals of helping the Societies. He said that the Club focus on the development of games and sports and promoting social awareness and expressed satisfaction on the achievements made so far. He also informed that the Classic Award was instituted in 1999 with an objective to encourage an individual or organization excelling in various fields with cash award of Rs. 10,000/- along with citation and further enhance the amount to Rs. 25,000/- from 2012. He said that the club has awarded few prominent persons in recognition of their services in the field of social service, literature, sports, print media, music, health service and humanitarian works with a total of fourteen recipients including Diethono Nakhro as the recipient of Classic Award 2019.

## **SBI CUSTOMER OUTREACH CAMP HELD AT KOHIMA**

Under the aegis of Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, State Bank of India along with other PSU banks organized a Customer out-reach Camp (Gharak Mela Phase - I) for Kohima district on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 at AMK Conference Hall Kohima. Inaugurating

the two-day Camp, Neikiesalie Kire, Advisor for Urban Development and Municipal Affairs called upon the private and public sector banks to help the general public in assisting through various beneficial schemes and credit loans etc. especially to farmers and small business communities to build up their economy. Adding that those banks which receive only their customers' deposits and do not help the needy citizens in return should not be functioning in the State. He also urged the beneficiaries to use funds judiciously whatever schemes and loans have been provided by the banks. He congratulated the banks for organizing such an awareness camp for the general public.

Assistant General Manager SBI main branch

Kohima, Hepuni Bismarck said that the main objective of the awareness Camp was to highlight the various social benefits to the general public. Adding that awareness camp was to popularize and to disseminate the information that government of India has been trying to make a complete digitize platform in all the private and public sector banks in transactions and many ways. He said without using manual forms, one can open online bank account, TV recharge, life insurance etc. He requested the participants to create more awareness of various credit schemes which bank offers. Stating that schemes are available for SHGs, contractors, entrepreneurs, farmers and business but information are not passed on properly to the general public.

## S.C. JAMIR GRACES AKTK STUDENTS' DAY AT KOHIMA

The Ao Kaketshir Telongjem Kohima (Ao Students' Union Kohima) celebrated its Students' Day-cum-General Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Molu Ki, Paramedical Colony Kohima.

Former Governor and Chief Minister, Dr. S.C. Jamir who graced the function as the main speaker said that we need to change with the pace of the world. He pointed out that Nagas talk about the problems and hardships that hinder us, but we do not realize that hatred, jealousy, disunity and bloodshed amongst us are the real causes that hinder us from moving forward. Jamir further pointed out that many Nagas, today, are afraid to speak and stand for the truth as they have become selfish and greedy and many Naga communities are disintegrated due to commercialization of politics and lack of righteous leaders.

Therefore, he called upon the student community not to dwell on past glories but focus on the future to build our state with a righteous mind. Jamir encouraged the students that they should stand on the truth as the older generations have failed to do so. He also said that they need to change their mindset as the Look East Policy is focusing for new market



Former Governor of Maharashtra, Goa and Odisha and 5 times Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. S.C. Jamir speaking at the Ao Kaketshir Telongjem Kohima Students' Day Celebration at Molu Ki, Kohima on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

avenues linking our country with other South-East countries.

The recipients for the AKTK Meritorious Award 2019 were Sashitsungla Jamir from Little Flower Higher Secondary School, Kohima and Imsurenla Longkumer from Fernwood School Kohima who secured the top 16 and 19 in the HSLC exam.

Moanaro Jamir of Mezbur Higher Secondary School, Kohima also secured the top 7 position in the HSSLC. All the recipient received cash prizes and certificates of merit.

The highlights of the function were song presentation by KABA Eirene Choir and the Longrar.

## FOREST DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES WILD LIFE WEEK IN KOHIMA

Wild Life Week 2019 was organised by Kohima Forest Division, Department of Environment Forest & Climate Change on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019. During the program, DFO Kohima, Rongsenlemla Imchen, IFS highlighted on the importance of the role of students on wild life conservation and thanked the school students for their active participation.

Special Invitee, Subongnukshi Ao, CCF encouraged the students to know their responsibilities with regard

to wildlife & environmental conservation so as to become important agents of change for the future. He also highlighted about the importance of wild life and how it affects the food chain and ecosystem. A power point presentation on Wildlife was presented by Support staff of DMU Kohima. The highlights of the program were Quiz competition and Slogan competition.

## KIGWEMA VILLAGE RECEIVES WILD LIFE CONSERVATION AWARD



Coinciding with the Wild Life Week celebration, the Kohima Wild Life Conservation Award Program was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 organised by Kohima Forest Division, Department of Environment, Forests and Climate Change.

Subongnukshi Ao, IFS gave away the awards to the recipients. Kigwema Biodiversity Trust (KBT) was awarded the Wild Life Conservation Award under the category "Green Communities" in recognition for their outstanding initiative in wild life conservation through

*Kigwema Biodiversity Trust (KBT) receiving the Wildlife Conservation Award from DFO Kohima, Rongsenlemla, IFS at Forest Office Complex, Kohima on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019.*



community participation. Vilphre Zhotso, Forest Guard, Kohima Range received the “Green Warrior” award in recognition for his exemplary service to the Department; Ruokuovikho Chale, Chairman of the Kigwema Biodiversity Trust while receiving the award expressed his gratitude to the Department for the

recognition and acknowledged the efforts rendered by the members. DFO Kohima, Rongsenlemla Imchen, IFS who chaired the program thanked the recipients for their contribution towards wild life conservation in the district.

## STATE LEVEL WORKSHOP ON GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

The Department of Patent Information Centre & Biotechnology Hub Nagaland Science & Technology Council (NASTEC) and Department Of Science & Technology Nagaland conducted one day State level workshop on Geographical Indication & Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)- Traditional Knowledge, Textiles & Crafts at Hotel Japfü, Kohima on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The theme of the programme was “Protecting Indigenous & Traditional Heritage through Intellectual Property Rights”.

While inaugurating the workshop, MLA & Advisor, Science & Technology, IT & NRE, Nagaland, Mmhonlumo Kikon mentioned that the stakeholders and rights holders should be properly consulted on patent issues to conserve traditional knowledge and also for the preservation of rights of intellectual knowledge. He also said that the idea that emerged for years from experimenting with our creative minds is also linked to our identity. Nagas base identity with the three facets; land, people and culture. There has been conflicts in the past on the basis of these notions of identity. Therefore, he said that the need to protect our identity in the age of globalization is of utmost importance. He also added that for any good purpose and good policy intention, there should be proper consultation with the stakeholders. Kikon further stated that this workshop is to understand each other's mind, opinions and respectfully ensure that these opinions are collected and informed to the government in policy making. Traditional knowledge, whether it is of medicinal plants and its uses or designs are important. Therefore, the Geographical

Indication (GI) process will protect Naga traditional knowledge for the sake of our region and it will ensure that our products are not marketed and benefited commercially by others. He asked the audience to make use of the GI and the processes given by the government for protection to preserve the state's cultural vibrancy.

Chief Scientific Officer, Department of Science & Technology, Dr. Zavei Heise, while delivering his keynote address, said the Nagas are facing one important crisis that is the identity and heritage of the Nagas. Through the GI process, we need to preserve the uniqueness of the Naga culture because unless we're able to protect and preserve this uniqueness we will be nowhere. Therefore, the Nagas should also adopt the international and national patent laws. He said that proof of documentation in preserving natural resources, designs and culture of the Nagas is necessary and it is through IPR that this would be possible.

Joint Secretary, Department of Science & Technology, Nagaland, Wonchio Odyuo was the chairperson of the programme and Dr. Chitra Arvind, Patent Attorney, Partner LEX IP Care, New Delhi was the resource person.

## “Kohima” leading the way for a Plastic Free Nagaland

In what can be described as a decisive move towards banning of all single use plastics in the State Capital, the Kohima District Task Force on total ban of single use plastic conducted a checking and

confiscation exercise covering the whole of Kohima town on 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2019. The Kohima District Task force on total ban of single use plastic comprising of members from the district administration and various other departments and NGOs conducted the checking exercise with the objective of sensitizing the general public on the total ban imposed on all single use plastic products and also to restrict all shops within the Kohima jurisdiction from selling and using plastic bags, mineral water bottles below 2ltrs, Styrofoam cups and plates, plastic cups, forks and spoons and a number of other single use non-biodegradable plastic products.

The Task Force conducted the checking exercise with its members divided into four teams, each covering different areas and was assisted by various public organizations. The teams also distributed paper bags and even approached pedestrians and

shoppers using plastic bags and made them aware of the ban imposed and handed out paper bags as replacement for their plastic bags. Future defaulters would be facing more severe penalties which would involve fines and even cancellation of trade licenses.

With the Government of Nagaland working tirelessly to make Nagaland a plastic free state, the efforts of the Kohima District Task Force on total ban on single use plastics is indeed a welcome sight and hopefully that the rest of the state would follow suit. The checking exercise, the first in the state has indeed put the focus back on Kohima, the state Capital, which is leading the fight against plastic pollution by showing example and hopefully the rest of the State would follow in its footsteps in the days to come. Kohima is finally moving forward in its bid to become a Smart City with Smart People.

## **NAGA STUDENT SELECTED TO ATTEND PMILP AT BENGALURU**

60 outstanding students were selected from Science & Performing Arts from all across the country on the occasion of the launch of Pradhan Mantri Innovative Learning Programme (PMILP), DHRUV in Bengaluru on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

According to Samagra Shiksha, Atenle Seb, a class XII student of Government Higher Secondary School, Tseminyu was selected from Performing Arts and is attending the programme.

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## **NETHA PROGRAMME HELD AT DIMAPUR**

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The North East Traditional Healers Association (NETHA) first TCHP Certified Felicitation cum launching of Nagaland State Traditional Healers' Association programme was held at NECU City Campus, Anchor Building Burma Camp, Dimapur on 12th October 2019.

Dr. Vikato Kinimi, Joint Director, Health & Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland, who graced the occasion as special guest during his address reminded the gathering that the Government of Nagaland trying to set up a separate Ayush department in the state where the traditional healers will also be part of. He assured every possible coordination and wished them

success.

Vice Chancellor, North East Christian University, Prof. D. Khading, in his speech briefed how the university has become part of the certification programme. He said that the traditional healers are being certified after gone through different level of assessments and once certified, their names and domains will be known to everyone around the work as it will be uploaded in the website of Quality Council of India. Prof. also viewed that the recognition of such practitioner will not only help them but can be an encouragement for their generation to take up the God given talent.

President NETHA, Dr. Hesheto Y Chishi while briefing the gathering said that the main purpose of forming NETHA was to extend PrCB under NECU and also aimed to revitalise the traditional health knowledge, preserve flora and fauna and environment safety and to render community service as the medical service alone cannot suffice the need of the large community and also for the concern of livelihood of traditional healer.

During the programme the newly elected members of Nagaland State Traditional Healers Association which will be led by Isato Achumi as president.

Altogether, 14 Traditional Community Healthcare Providers from Nagaland were certified during the function attended by representatives from different North Eastern states, officials of NETHA and NECU.

## CULTURE AND TRADITION ARE GOD'S GIFT: H. HAIYING

"Culture and Tradition are made by God not by man, and if it is lost everything is lost" Adviser for Printing and Stationery, H. Haiying said during the celebration of Tsonglaknyi festival at IG Stadium, Meriema on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Haiying said that Naga culture and tradition are

unique. Therefore, he urged the gathering to respect our culture and tradition. He said festival is a time to forgive and forget, and to let peace and prosperity prevail in our land. He further added that success and progress come through sincerity, humility and hardwork.

## TRAINING ON CULTIVATION OF MUSHROOM AT KOHIMA

The Department of Horticulture organised a one-day training on cultivation of mushroom at Capital Convention Centre Kohima on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Director Horticulture, Dr. R Elithung Lotha in his keynote address said that the Department of Horticulture is now trying to develop different





types of fruits, vegetables, plantation, aromatic and medicines in the state. Every year, the Department conducts training on mushroom cultivation for income generation and urged the trainees to make the best use of what they have learned from the training and impart the same to others thus benefiting the people.

He mentioned that the Department is also working to make the State healthy and called upon the farmers to work hard towards increasing their products and work hand in hand with the Department. The

Director also launched the Horticulture bulletin, bi-annual publication of the Nagaland State Horticulture Department.

Resource person Deputy Director Horticulture, Meyasashi Longkumer spoke on low cost cultivation of Oyster Mushroom and Dr Sosang Longkumer, Senior Scientific Officer, Alon Multi-Purpose Cooperative Society Limited, Nagaland on Shiitake Mushroom. Altogether, 190 trainees participated in the training.

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## **ER. ZALE NEIKHA OPENS 12<sup>th</sup> INTER DISTRICT CATCH THEM YOUNG TOURNAMENT 2019**

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The 12<sup>th</sup> Inter District Catch Them Young Tournament 2019 was inaugurated by Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha at the Indra Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Gracing the occasion as the Special Guest, Er. Zale said that the Catch Them Young Tournament has now become a popular tag in the country today as it aims to discover the potential of the young sportspersons and nurture them for the future prospect. He said the initiative of Youth Resources & Sports department is to provide a platform for young sportspersons and athletes to develop and sharpen their skill to make them champions. Lauding the sportspersons, Er. Zale said the Catch Them Young Tournament is the right platform for them to know one own self and choose the right sport that suits them. Neikha also advised them to be dedication, disciple and never be complacent with small achievements but strive harder to become the best as sports in today's world is an avenue for job opportunity and livelihood.

Secretary, Youth Resources & Sports, Alun Hangsing in his exhortation said games and sports has become an important part for one's upbringing as a lot of concentration is put not only for physical but for all round development. He added that games and sports has now become an important medium to develop relationship and friendship between villages, districts and even countries. He also acknowledged

and encouraged the participants from all the districts of the state.

Director Youth Resources & Sports Akumla Chuba, who chaired the programme in her welcome address said that the Catch Them Young Tournament was started way back in 1974 with the motto "Catch them young and teach them right" with only football and athletics as the only games and sports played but today the department has taken the initiative to include wrestling, boxing badminton and taekwondo in the coming years and said the department will tap the best talents of the sportspersons from all the districts and give them the opportunity for better training.

A total of 290 participants with 215 boys and 75 girls from the eleven teams representing all the districts of the state are partaking in this 3-day sports tournament.

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## **Joy Makhal Winner of 2019 Edition of Youth Parliament**

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The State Level Parliamentary Quiz & Youth Parliament Debate Competition 2019 was held at ATI Imagine Hall, Kohima on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The event was organised by the Department of Parliamentary Affairs under the theme 'Be the Voice' Find solutions and contribute to policy.

Minister for Planning & Coordination, Land

Revenue & Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu while exhorting the gathering said that youth parliament competitions are now being practiced all over the country and such practices have helped shape many young minds in our state and the country as well. He also remarked that a student's life is the best time to learn and such competition will prepare them to inculcate competitive spirit.

He encouraged all to strive and be best at whatever they do and reassured the students not to worry about finding jobs in the near future; adding that whatever job they want will come looking for them if they are hardworking, sincere, honest and punctual. He also expressed happiness that many

school girls are participating in the competition and further encouraged all the participants to give their best

Joy Makhal from Dimapur district was adjudged the winner of this year's edition of Youth Parliament while Thungchobeni T Ezung won the second prize and Kevedülü Nakro came third. In the Parliamentary Quiz Competition, Wokha won the first prize while Longleng and Peren bagged the second and third respectively.

'Lack of governance is responsible for slow growth and development in Nagaland' and RIIN - advantages and disadvantages were the topics for the quiz and debate competition.

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## SKILL UPGRADATION TRAINING CONDUCTED BY FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES DEPT

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A one day Skill upgradation training on Value Addition of Fish Products under Rashtriya Khrishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) was provided to the Youths of Khedi Baptist Church, Kohima at on 12th October, 2019. The training was conducted by Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Department.

The training was conducted with an aim for entrepreneurship development where the trainees were taught hands on training on preparation of Fish Pickle, Fish Cutlet, Fish Finger, Fish Ball and Fish Soup emphasizing on hygienic, product packaging and food safety measures. Eight Department Officials led by District Fishery Officer, Kohima were the resource

persons.

During the closing programme, Neitho Kuotsu, Deputy Director who is the scheme incharge for RKVY encouraged the trainees to become self reliant by utilizing the skills and knowledge imparted at the training programme. Kevidzenyii Mere, Asso. Pastor, Khedi Baptist Church, thanked the Department for providing livelihood opportunities training to the Church Youth, which they will put it into practice and serve purpose in the days to come. A total of 26 (twenty six) trainees attended the day long training programme.

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## GOVERNOR RAVI INDUCTED AS CHIEF PATRON NAGALAND BHARAT SCOUTS AND GUIDES

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Nagaland Governor, R.N. Ravi was inducted as the Chief Patron of Nagaland Bharat Scouts and Guides on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at a function held at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima.

Addressing the gathering, Governor Ravi stated that the movement has come a long way in the State with active enrolment and different activities

organised for both children and adults. He hoped that the Scouts and Guides movement become even more vibrant and strong in the days to come.

Ravi called upon the officials of the Nagaland State Bharat Scouts & Guides for commitment and rededication and assured his best support as Chief Patron.

Advisor Youth Resources and Sports and President Nagaland Bharat Scouts and Guides Er. Zale Neikha while delivering the welcome address expressed optimism and look forward to the newly inducted Chief Parton for his guidance and support. He also stated that there were around 5000 Scouts and Guides enrolled in the State.

## **National Commission of Schedule Tribes holds Press Conference**

A press conference with the National Commission of Schedule Tribes was held at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall, Secretariat Nagaland on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 with Chairperson NCST, Dr. Nand Kumar Sai and the NCST visiting team members and Additional Chief Secretary Nagaland, Lhoubeliatuo Kire, IFS.

Joint Secretary to the Gol, NCST, Sisir Kumar Ratho in his introductory address said the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes has been set up under Article 338A on bifurcation of erstwhile National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to oversee the implementation of various safeguards provided to Scheduled Tribes under the Constitution. While highlighting the functions of the commission, he said the commission investigates and monitors all matters relating to the safeguards provided for the Schedule Tribes under the Constitution or under any order of the Government and to evaluate the working of such safeguards, to inquire into specific complaints with respect to the deprivation of rights and safeguards of the Scheduled Tribes, to participate and advise in the planning process of socio-economic development of the Scheduled Tribes and to present to the President, annually reports upon the working of those safeguards.

Chairperson NCST Dr. Nand Kumar Sai addressing the press conference said that the visiting commission had reviewed the various activities and steps taken by the state government for the welfare of the tribal people of Nagaland. He stated that the commission called the regional head of national highway NHIDCL

on the poor condition of the ongoing four lane road between Kohima and Dimapur and commission has further directed the agency to make the road motor able so that travelers can travel conveniently.

Commission also stated that Nagaland State has a high scope of herbal and traditional medicine and has accordingly directed the state government and the concerned department to make a list of traditional medicinal practitioners so that their knowledge can be retained and passed on to the next generation.

The commission also suggested that due to damage of crops by animals and natural calamities, farmer in many villages are facing numerous problems and in order to tackle and resolve such issues the commission had instructed the government to pay the crop damage compensation to the farmers immediately.

Sai also said that the commission spend considerable time with the elders, women and youth of Kigwema and Khonoma villages and deliberated on many challenges faced by them. Sai said that villagers expressed their grievances and requested the commission to upgrade the classes from grade 10 to 12 so that children staying in villages can get the basic education within the village.

Various other issues like post matric scholarship, Atrocity Act for ST & SC, Anganwadi Centres, jhum cultivation etc were also discussed by the commission which will be taken up by the state government for the welfare of the tribal people.

## **SASRD NU celebrates 42<sup>nd</sup> Foundation Day**

SASRD, NU celebrated its 42<sup>nd</sup> Foundation Day cum Alumni meet on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at SASRD Medziphema with Professor Rakesh Mohan Director, UGC Human Resource Development Centre, NEHU, Shillong as the special guest.

Professor Rakesh Mohan in his speech expressed his happiness to be part of the programme and appreciated the entire SASRD family for their contribution since its foundation in 1978. He



stated that SASRD is the agency of education research facilities thus having connectivity through education. He also gave a brief example of history of the universities in India and the mushrooming of engineering colleges in independent India facing lack of adequate facilities. He said SASRD is maintained because we give importance to Research Centre. He further encouraged the students to keep writing projects and request the University to have good research facilities to produce successful students and people from SASRD.

Special highlights of the programme included sharing of reminiscence by Shitangshu Hazarika (SASRD Alumnus 8<sup>th</sup> Batch) taking the audience to the journey of university life through decades.

Professor, V. Sharan, Department of Agri. Engineering also exhorted the students and the Alumni on the success story of SASRD institution. Professor L. Tongpang Longkumer president, AASASRD awarded the Alumni's certificates and cash for recognising their excellence and outstanding effort and contribution to the institution.

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## AIRBNB TO BECOME THE OFFICIAL ACCOMMODATION PARTNER FOR THE HORNBILL FESTIVAL

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Building on Airbnb's commitment to harness the potential of the tourism sector in India's NorthEast region, Airbnb signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland in the Capital today. The signing event was held in the presence of Khehovi Yeputhomi, Advisor, Tourism, Government of Nagaland and Chris Lehane, Head of Global Policy and Communications, Airbnb and other key dignitaries.

Through the MoU, the parties aim to help build a sustainable tourism ecosystem which benefits local communities and promote prominent events like the Hornbill Festival.

Key elements of the partnership include:

1. Skills development workshops, jointly conducted by Nagaland tourism and Airbnb, for existing and potential hospitality entrepreneurs
2. Promotion of key festivals and underserved areas in Nagaland
3. Share best practices to create a conducive regulatory environment for home sharing in the state

As part of the partnership, Airbnb was also announced as the official 'Alternate Accommodation Partner' for the week-long Nagaland Hornbill Festival, which showcases the rich cultural heritage of the state. Held each year in December, the festival

offers unique, authentic and immersive experiences attracting domestic and international tourists. While the festival is already one of the top tourist attractions in Nagaland, Airbnb will help further promote the festival to its audience of international travellers.

Announcing the partnership, Neiphiu Rio, Chief Minister, Government of Nagaland, said, "Considering that North-East India is the country's gateway to South East Asia, the integration and development of the region is crucial for India's continued progress. The importance of economic development in the North-East for inclusive growth of India and the central role of tourism in the region to put India on the global tourism map, has been reiterated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on several occasions. Through the partnership with Airbnb, the government aims to create a more inclusive tourism sector in Nagaland that empowers local communities by creating skilled micro-entrepreneurs and build a sustainable homestay ecosystem. Nagaland is a treasure trove of tourism, offering a plethora of unique experiences and Airbnb's global platform will augment the tourist growth rate. As our official accommodation partner for Hornbill Festival, we look forward to working with Airbnb to welcome more international and domestic tourists to Nagaland" Airbnb to become the official accommodation partner for the Hornbill festival

This MoU demonstrates how Airbnb is working hand in hand with the government to promote the North-East. There is so much potential for the State of Nagaland to develop a healthy and sustainable tourism industry that delivers economic benefits to local communities. Empowering and skilling local

hospitality micro-entrepreneurs will support the government's objectives of creating more sustainable, diverse accommodation options and attracting more visitors," said Chris Lehane, Head of Global Policy and Communications, Airbnb.

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## PROGRAMME FOR UPCOMING NEPEX 2019 HELD AT ATI, KOHIMA

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A Capacity Development Programme for the upcoming Nagaland Emergency Preparedness Exercise (NEPEX) 2019 was held at ATI, Kohima on 24th October 2019. The programme was held under the theme "Build to Last: Disaster Resilient Infrastructure" organised by NSDMA, Home Department.

Exhorting the gathering, Advisor for NSDMA, Kazheto Kinimi said that Disaster Management has become a developmental issue all over the world. "The extreme weather events have halted developments. In this regard, mainstreaming of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) strategies into developmental planning of all the departments and stakeholders is imperative," said Kinimi.

Realizing the importance of DRR, he said that the International communities have been emphasizing for mainstreaming of DRR and in accordance with the DM Act 2005 and other International, framework, NSDMA has been taking up many important works towards making Nagaland more resilient to disaster.

During the programme, the Advisor also launched the newly upgraded NSDMA website where the citizens can access to weather information, early warnings and other related data. Rendemo Shitio, SERO, NSDMA also highlighted the basic feature of the website and said that one can also post disaster incident report through the website. The website featured interactive citizens corner, live weather updates, medium term rainfall forecast, broadcasting weather forecast for Nagaland, slider displaying latest photos/events/announcements, social media inputs, newsrooms, GIS integration etc.

Delivering the keynote address, Principal Secretary & Home Commissioner, Abhijit Sinha, IAS said that the concept of NEPEX exercise was to create a real live situation when a disaster strike and how best the line departments and stakeholders can response to it. Mentioning that the State has been experiencing huge rainfall and heat for the past years which has become a major concern for the State. He said NEPEX 2019 exercise would be conducted on extreme weather condition on 21st November 2019. He therefore requested the gathering to be aware of their responsibilities and be acquainted with the IRS book and also to have better coordination among various departments and stakeholders to manage the situation effectively in the best possible manner with whatever resources they have in order to reduce the risk and damage for any disaster.

OSD to NSDMA, Johnny Rongmei gave an overview of IRS as notified by Govt. of Nagaland.

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## Temjen Imna Along graces KJST Golden Jubilee

The Kohima Japukong Senso Telongjem (Kohima Japukong Union) held its Golden Jubilee at Molu Ki, Para Medical Kohima on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2019..

Minister for Higher & Technical Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along who graced the occasion as the Special Guest said it was a blessing for the Union to be celebrating its Golden Jubilee. He said that it was a handful of KJST officers and members who had faced a lot of obstacles and hardships 50 years back for the union to celebrate this jubilee and

he opined that the most important aspect for each member of KJST union to move forward was to ask God for his wisdom and guidance. He also called upon the union to have visions, wisdom and be alert, as a union without vision cannot move forward.

Along said that Naga society today has become individualistic, we talk about the welfare and upliftment of the Naga society as a whole, but when the specific work or contract is initiated we think only of ourselves and our gains leaving aside the welfare of the societies. He also said that we should be bold and strong to stand for the truth and should be able to accept and admit our mistakes and rectify these blunders which can only bring about a change for our society. Along also lamented that we should do away with the evils that divides clans and villagers and called upon the students to work hard as laziness will not fulfil their dreams, and not give up with failures adding that consistency and persistency should be their motto.

Advisor Kohima Japukong Senso Telongjem, Dr. Benjongliba Aier who also exhorted the gathering

said a quality society is more important than quantity society as people view a society by their good works and services rendered to follow their footsteps and that KJST should be in the forefront so that others will look up to. Stressing on the unemployment of youths in our state, he called upon the youths to be engaged in other private sectors as employment in government sector has become quite scanty and more educated unemployed youths are increasing in our state. He also encouraged them to go back to the farms as the central government has come up with many good schemes for farmers which could be a good job avenue. Calling upon the students, he said modern gadgets should not hamper their studies and parents should also give proper guidance to their children in this modern computer age. Dr. Aier also exhorted the gathering that jubilee is the time to forgive one another for the wrongs done and live in harmony.

The Jubilee Souvenir was released by former KJST General Secretary, N. Imti Ao and the highlights of the jubilee included special song presentation by Toshinaro Imchen, Ayim Longchar and Chuba Imchen.

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## STATE LEVEL KALA UTSAV HELD IN KOHIMA

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State level Kala Utsav organised by Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland, was held at Dr. Neilhouzhü Kire GHSS Seikhazou, Kohima on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Director IPR, Limawati Ao graced the occasion as the guest of honour.

In his address, Limawati said dance and physical activities should have the same status in school as maths, science and languages, "Dance can help restore joy and stability in troubled lives, and ease the tensions in schools that are disrupted by violence and bullying."

He said studies have indicated that music can lead to an improvement in brain development and neural processing was found to be better in students who played a musical instrument than those who simply listened to music.

Citing the example of "Dreamz Unlimited", he

mentioned that the group members are earning a comfortable livelihood and more popular than any other youngsters in Nagaland. He added that one of their YouTube videos has crossed one million viewership which is a big achievement from our context.

He said painting teaches a person to slow down and observe the world for what it is, and also help in communicating one's emotions.

He, therefore urged all the stakeholders in the state education system to promote these activities seriously and further aid the growing importance of these activities.

Kala Utsav is an initiative of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) to promote arts in education at the secondary level by nurturing and showcasing the artistic talent of school students in the country.

Kala Utsav is a pioneering celebration of art forms in the school system and shall continue as an ongoing programme. Through Kala Utsav, students will get the opportunity to understand and celebrate cultural diversity at school, district, state and national levels.

The Kala Utsav will not only spread awareness among students but also create awareness of India's cultural heritage and its vibrant diversity amongst other stakeholders. Further, this will help to promote the networking of artists, artisans and institutions with schools.

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## STATE OBSERVES RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS

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Nagaland, along with the rest of the country, observed Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 commemorating the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the first deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister of the country after India's Independence.

In this regard, a function was held at the Civil Secretariat under the chairmanship of the Principal Secretary Home, Abhijit Sinha, IAS. Sinha said Sardar

Vallabhbhai Patel was regarded as one of the tallest personalities in the country and also the first architect of modern India. Patel played a crucial role in pre-Independence as well as post-Independence India, and was closely associated with integration of princely states after India's independence.

The Unity Day Pledge was also administered by the chairman of the programme.

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> NAGALAND FILM FESTIVAL UNDERWAY IN KOHIMA

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The 2<sup>nd</sup> Nagaland Film Festival got underway at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019. The two-day event is being organised by the Department of Information & Public Relations (DIPR), Government of Nagaland, and Film Association of Nagaland (FAN).

Gracing the inaugural function, Advisor IPR, SCERT, Village Guards, Toshi Wungtung said film industry will help the north-east states to connect with the mainland as well as the outside world. He stated that IPR department will do its best to showcase ourselves in a better way in the days to come.

Vikramjit Roy, Head- FFO, NFDC, Ministry of I&B Govt. of India assured that the Ministry will work with Nagaland to take film industry forward.

On the huge impact of film's contribution to revenue and employment generation, Roy felt that Nagaland must have a film cell and film policy.

President FAN, Kivini Shohe said that the main objective of FAN is to help the film makers grow skillfully and bring consciousness of cinema among

the people.

"Most of the filmmakers in Nagaland are into making shorts, documentaries, fiction, music videos and some of us are very popular on you tube. Usually our members are dependent on wedding videos, event coverage, and government departmental films to sustain ourselves. But it's only for the love for this medium that we persist," she said.

She said "With the advent of digital filmmaking we are witnessing democratization of cinema. The easy availability of low cost film making gadgets and limited budget have enabled talented youngsters to experiment with interesting subjects in recent years,"

In this festival, 28 films have entered in the competition and another 28 in the non-competition category. Apart from screening films from all the North Eastern states, the festival featured master class, panel discussion and awards.

The objective of the festival is to promote films in Nagaland and the North East states of India, and to provide a platform for filmmakers in the region.



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## NAGALAND POLICE OBSERVES RASHTRIYA EKTA DIWAS

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Nagaland Police observed “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas” on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at Conference Hall PHQ with DGP Nagaland as the Chief Host. The “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas”/“National Unity Day” was introduced by the Government of India in 2014 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

In his brief address, DGP, T.J. Longkumer, IPS stated that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel played a prominent role in the country’s struggle for Independence and guided its integration into a united and independent India. Often referred to as ‘Iron Man’ of India, he is best remembered as the man who united India. It is in recognition of the historical contribution of Sardar Patel, the architect of National integration and the

aspiration of the people to forge their dream together, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October is observed as the “National Unity Day”. For the first time a “Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Parade” is being organized on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at the “Statue of Unity” in Kevadiya, Gujarat, where a contingent of 12 NAP (IR) Bn. is also participating in the parade. DGP also called upon the gathering to renew our oaths, to uphold the integrity and security of the Nation, and also led in administering the “Pledge of Unity” to all the participants.

To mark the occasion, special events under the theme “Run for Unity” were also organized simultaneously in the DEF Units and Battalions of Nagaland Police to commemorate the “National Unity Day”.

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## INSPECTION OF SCHOOLS IN ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICT BY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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To take stock and to understand the issues in the way of delivery of quality education, a team of officials from Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland Education Mission Society, School Education Department toured Kiphire and Phek district from 30<sup>th</sup> September to 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. The team led by the State Mission Director, Kevileno Angami, was accompanied by Dr. Kevizakie Rio, Joint Mission Director, Kelhikha Kenye, Assistant Mission Director, Imlikokla Christine, State Co-ordinator and officials from the Engineering wing. The team inspected and verified the ongoing projects, schools and interacted with the students, teaching faculty, public leaders and officials of the villages and at the district level. The team visited GPS in Thanamir established in 1967, GHSS in Salomi, GHSS at Pungro

established in 1973, GMS, GPS, KGBV, on-going Model School construction and visited the proposed site for construction of the Girls’ hostel at Pungro. These facilities in the pipeline are being created to provide accessibility for children of the nearby villages to mid/high schools at Pungro. The team also visited GHSS Meluri, GHSS Pfutsero and GMS, Zapami village. GHSS Pfutsero and GMS Zapami village are two schools observed to be ahead of the other Government Schools both in terms of infrastructure, facilities, teaching quality and learning outcomes due to partnership of committed teachers and strong community participation in the management of schools.

## **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR OLDER PERSONS OBSERVED AT MON**

International Day for Older Persons was held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at Council Hall, Mon under the theme, 'The Journey to Age Equality'.

DC Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS said the day is being celebrated in order to make people aware about the issues which affect the elders as well as to appreciate their contributions towards the society. He also emphasized on the need to understand the

problems of the elderly people and their needs and to devise plans to solve the issues. DC also felicitated the elderly people during the occasion.

District Welfare Officer, Z. Murie delivered the welcome address. Significance of International Day for the Older Persons was shared by Senior Supervisor Phomching, Moba. The programme was organised by the department of Social Welfare, Mon.

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## **IDOP 2019 HELD AT TUENSANG**

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The Department of Social Welfare and United Tribes of Elderly Leaders Union (UTELU) Tuensang jointly organized a celebration and prayer programme for the senior citizens of Tuensang District on 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2019 at CKS Hall Tuensang. The programme was organized with the theme "The Journey to Age Equality".

DC Tuensang, Mohammed Ali Shihab, IAS said that the senior citizens are the blessings of the district and their prayers are a source of blessings to the people

of the district. He also encouraged all the gathering to be responsible and work as a good will ambassador for the senior citizens so that at least their problems can be heard by the responsible institutions.

The Department also nominated Ramchi Chang aged 108 and Teshae aged 94 as oldest Man and Woman respectively. Pastor Phom Baptist Church offered special prayers for their wellbeing and long life of the senior citizens.

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## **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS OBSERVED AT DIPHUPAR**

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On the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons, the Dimapur District Social Welfare Office organized a function in honour of Older Persons in the district under the theme "Journey to Age Equality" at Jubilee Hall, Ao Baptist Church Diphupar, Dimapur on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

DC Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol graced the programme as special guest. Calling on all sections of society and institutions to re-examine on how the older persons are being cared in the society. DC urged all the participants particularly the younger generation to render their services for the senior citizens in every possible way and to pledge themselves to help older persons gracefully. He also gave away the Senior Citizen Award of Dimapur district to Rev. Dr.

Noksangchila and Khevihe Chopi.

Welcome speech was delivered by CDPO Dhansiripar, Kedozoekho Peseyie; keynote address by CDPO Medziphema, I. Tsungrosongla Ao and special number by Anganwadi workers & helpers of Diphupar A and Hekugha H. Shikhu. Vote of thanks by CDPO Niuland, Akali. The function was compered by Supervisor, Niuland Project, Zipila.

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## **Jalukie Town celebrates International Day of Older Persons**

Under the aegis of Social Welfare Department, Peren, International Day of Older Persons with the theme "The Journey to Age Equality" was observed

on 1st October 2019 at Women Welfare Organization's Conference Hall, Jalukie Town.

ADC Jalukie, Dr. Tinujongshi Chang spoke on the theme "The Journey to Age Equality" where he stated that the International Day of Older Persons is celebrated throughout the world with an objective of promoting public awareness to eradicate the discrimination and rejection faced by the senior citizens in the family and society. Therefore, he urged the younger generation to give special treatment and respect to them. He requested the Social Welfare

Department, Peren to disseminate information about the schemes and legal provisions which are made available for the benefits of senior citizens.

District seniormost citizens were felicitated, namely, Head GB Jalukie town, Kiasinlak and Heingachule. Also gifts were presented to the senior citizens present in the programme in recognition of their contributions for the good of the society.

The programme was chaired by CDPO Ahtibung, Mangliyangba Lkr while vote of thanks was proposed by CDPO Jalukie, Namhuheing.

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## **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS OBSERVED AT MELURI**

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International day of Older persons was observed on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at Meluri village Council hall, organised by Meluri Village Women Society, with the theme "the journey to age equality".

Chairperson Meluri Village Women Society, Zhitho Poji speaking on the occasion congratulated older persons for having being blessed with long life and also thanked the octogenarians for having lived an exemplary life and being a blessing to the younger

generations of Meluri community.

Nyuletho Nyuthe, retired teacher and octogenarian chaired the function where he also mentioned that there are 132 older persons who have crossed 75 years of age including 47 women and 35 men who have crossed 80 years of age at Meluri village.

Folk tune by both men and women were presented by the octogenarians. Altogether, 87 elderly persons attended the function.

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## **STREET PLAY ON MAHATMA GANDHI AT MOKOKCHUNG**

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Mokokchung in collaboration with 150<sup>th</sup> year of Gandhi's Birth Anniversary and its Swachhata Hi Seva programme, the Nagaland Gandhi Ashram Chuchuyimlang presented a flash mob and street play on cleanliness and life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi at central point, Imlong Place Junction Mokokchung. The programme was held in the presence of ADC Mokokchung, W. Manpai Phom.

The play was depicted on the life and Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi in relating to our present social pollution, Eco, pollution and plastic pollution. Care taker of the Ashram, Aotoshi said core teachings and celebration of Mahatma Gandhi is held every year in the Ashram. This year it was held in the district headquarter so as to reach out to more people and

spread the message of Gandhi and his philosophy and also to extend support to Massive Plastic Waste Shramdaan programme to be launched on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

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## **V. Kashiho Sangtam kicks off MDFA Trophy 2019**

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The opening ceremony of Mokokchung District Football Association (MDFA) Trophy 2019 was graced by Minister Soil & Water Conservation, Geology & Mining, V. Kashiho Sangtam on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung. He thanked the organizers for giving platform to the young players of Nagaland to exhibit their talents by organizing the Trophy every year. He also urged all the

participating teams to take it as an opportunity to be part of this tournament where one can learn and also exhibit the spirit of true sportsmanship.

Altogether, 18 teams turned up for the MDFA Trophy 2019.

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## SWACHHATA HI SEVA MASS SOCIAL WORK HELD ACROSS THE STATE

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### KIPHIRE:

Kiphire District organised mass social work on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Kiphire. The mass social work was spearheaded by the district administration. During the mass social work, plastic wastes were collected as part of the Swachhata Hi Seva in all the eleven wards and colonies in the town.

Wastes were also in residential areas, offices, parks, hotels and restaurants, public ground, market places, hospitals as well as highways, drains and streets. The plastic wastes collected will be segregated and sent to agencies for recycling.

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### DIMAPUR:

Marking the 150<sup>th</sup> birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Nagaland PHED Minister Jacob Zhimomi, officially launched the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of Swachhata Hi Seva campaign at City Tower Junction Dimapur on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

In his brief speech, Jacob Zhimomi reminded that Swachhata Hi Seva under the theme Plastic Shramdaan aims to eradicate single use of plastic through people's participation. It is a movement of Government of India initiated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He also congratulated all the participating departments for their involvement in various activities in strengthening the campaign for a better cause and said that he was honoured to be part of the campaign. Further, Jacob reminded about the Government's advisory given to all the business establishments to do away with plastic, cautioning that defaulters would be penalised.

On the occasion, all the participants took a pledge not to use plastic, which was administered by DC Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol. Administrator DMC,

Albert Ezung, NCS chaired the programme.

Later, the special guest flagged off the Mass Shramdaan, where officers and staff of different departments, military/paramilitary, NGOs, civil societies, students of different schools, citizens and shopkeepers of Dimapur district participated in the Mass Shramdaan at various locations.

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### ZUNHEBOTO:

Along with rest of the nation, Zunheboto district observed, "SWACHHATA HI SEVA-Cleanliness is service" a "way of life" by organising a mass social work on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

DC Peter Lichamo administered the pledge on not to use plastics to the colony GBs, DBs and the public. DC urged the people to stop the use of single use plastics (SUP) as it takes long time to degrade and also said that burning of plastics is an offense now as burning plastic produces poisonous gas harmful to the environment.

ADC Hito Sema advised the people to try and make use of any alternative instead of plastics. On the occasion, Commissioner and Secretary Land Resources, Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS planted a tree at DC's residence. People around Zunheboto both young and old participated in the mass social work.

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### PEREN:

To mark the 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of M.K Gandhi, "Plastic Shramdan" & "Angikaar—a Campaign for Change Management" was organised by Peren Town Council with Community Participation and in collaboration with Municipal Affairs Department, Nagaland on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Town Hall, Peren Town.

Paulieyle Herie, a class IX student of All Saint's



Hr. Sec. School, Peren delivered a short speech on the topic "Plastic Free". She asserted that with the rapid growth of population, the amount of garbage or plastic wastes are also increasing and is affecting the environment tremendously. Paulieyle also spoke on the advantages and dis-advantages of using plastic materials and further mentioned that it is time for us to stand united and fight plastic pollution then only we can certainly bring down the pollution level to a larger extent.

ADC Peren, Moa Sangtam while addressing the gathering stated "Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2019" is a countrywide awareness programme with special focus on "Plastic Waste Management". He said that plastic wastes collected should be segregated into recyclable and non-recyclable plastics and the collected wastes has to be deposited at Jalukie town and later to be exported as per the directive of the government. Speaking on the occasion, he also highlighted on the importance of getting rid of single use of plastic and further stated that training on paper bag-making for women folks and unemployed youths will be conducted shortly within the month of October. He also called upon the citizens to join hands for this movement and maintain a clean environment in the district.

All administrative headquarters inclusive of all the villages and towns under Peren District also conducted a Mass Cleanliness Drive and Angikaar March in their respective localities.

The program was chaired by Nodal Officer for Angikaar Campaign Peren Town, Rampauyi Ntang. Angikaar video on 8 verticals was released by ADC Peren Town, Moa Sangtam, while Angikaar pledge was led by MIS Specialist City Level Technical Cell PMAY-HFA (U) Mission Nagaland, Neitho Usou, Swachh Bharat Pledge and tree plantation was led by ADC Peren, Moa Sangtam and vote of thanks was proposed by Rampauyi Ntang.

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## **MON:**

Mass social work for collection of plastic wastes

under the ongoing Swachhata Hi Seva campaign was held at Mon organised by District administration on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

DC Mon Thavaseelan K, IAS launched the mass social work (Shramdaan) and administered swachhata pledge on 'not to use plastics' which was conducted at DC's Office complex in the presence of Heads of Offices of all departments and staff of DC office.

The district administration took charge in all the wards for collection of plastic wastes kept in the ward level collection centres. Citizens proactively participated in the mass social work to achieve plastic free environment in Mon town.

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## **WOKHA:**

Mass social work was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 in all the colonies and wards at Wokha Town as part of the ongoing observance of 'Swachhata Hi Seva- 'Cleanliness is Service' campaign along with the rest of the country.

The ADC & Administrator Wokha Town Council, Mhathung Tsanglao launched the mass social work and administered Shramdaan with swachhata pledge which was done at Police Point Wokha. During the social work all plastic wastes were collected and stocked in designated locations identified at respective colonies and transported to the dumping site. Bags were also distributed to all the colonies, wards, business establishments to collect the plastic waste for disposal. All departmental office employees and citizens and general public participated in the mass social work.

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## **LONGLENG:**

Swachhata Shramdaan & Angikaar Campaign under Longleng Town Council was launched at DC's office complex on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 by the DC Longleng, M. Shayung Phom.

DC briefed the Government officers, Ward leaders, Chamber of Commerce & Business Community, NGOs and civil societies about the importance of celebrating the day and live a decent life and consonance with

the vision of Mahatma Gandhi. He urged the gathering for proper management of plastic wastes for recycling and to make Longleng a plastic free district.

The DC lauded the effort of the wards and colonies for construction of plastic enclosures at their respective place and appealed for proper utilization of the waste management system for beautification and healthy environment. He also particularly urged the business community to ban use of one use plastic in all the shops. He further called upon the womenfolk to come up with innovative ideas to replace the present plastic poly bags with indigenous products.

Besides Swachhata Shramdaan, DC also launched the "Run for Fit India" organized by the Assam Rifles, Longleng and Tree plantation Drive by the LTC.

Earlier, as part of the campaign the SHS promo videos and Angikaar promo video were screened by the DPRO and Angikaar, administration of pledge on Swachhata Hi Seva & Angikaar was administered by Ihoilung Chuilo EAC Headquarter & Nodal officer SHS Longleng, Other highlights included distribution of free bags to the chamber of commerce and business community, distribution of prizes to the winners of the wards for construction of plastic enclosures by DC, Signature campaign and Angikaar March.

The program was chaired by Rhobi Sangtam EAC, Longleng HQ. Later, Mass social work on collection of plastic wastes was conducted in Longleng and adjoining villages.

## **MOKOKCHUNG:**

Mokokchung organised a mass social work on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019. The programme was organized by the District Administration and Mokokchung Municipal Council under "Swachhata Hi Seva" focusing on Massive Plastic Wastes "SHRAMDAAN" and "ANGIKAAR" a campaign for change Management. Plastic wastes were collected in the entire town and its surrounding areas for sending to re-cycling units for re-cycle.

All the Government employees under various Departments, all Wards Union, Mokokchung, Watsu

Mungdang, Ao Students' Conference, Mokokchung Town Lanur Telongjem, Mokokchung Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Clean Mokokchung Campaign, Mokokchung Press Club, Young Women Christian Association, Kabur Telok Salangtem ward, Christ Church Mokokchung, Youth Alive Ministry, Lydia ministry and Royal Enfield Club, Mokokchung participated.

## **PFUTSERO TOWN:**

An intensive awareness and sensitization campaign on 'Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 'Cleanliness is service' with the theme, "Plastic Waste Shramdaan", was conducted at Pfutsero town on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

The mass social work was conducted with an objective of banning/discouraging the use of single use plastics for which a pledge was also administered in all the offices, institutions and wards.

The mass social work was participated by all the government offices, wards, Pfutsero town youth organisation, Pfutsero town women organisation, Pfutsero town traders' Union and schools and colleges.

## **MEDZIPHEMA:**

As a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on his 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary, along with the rest of the Nation, Medziphema Sub-division observed Swachhata Hi Seva on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Medziphema.

Government Offices, Schools, Churches, Youth, Women, Public leaders, GBs, Ward chairmen, NGOs actively participated in the mass shramdaan, where 298.5 Kg of plastic waste of recyclable and 279.7 Kg of non recyclable were collected and segregated at identified places made of bamboo for effective disposal which were collected from Medziphema town and surrounding villages under Medziphema Sub-division.

ADC Medziphema, Thsuvisie Phoiji administrated pledge of "Swachhata Hi Seva" Cleanliness is Service - A way of Life, pledge along with the people, to keep the surrounding clean and say no to plastic.

## **PUGHOBOTO:**

Joining the state wide “Swachhata Hi Seva”- ‘Cleanliness is Service’ and 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi”, Pughoboto citizens conducted social work in all the colonies, Government departments, public ground and schools on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

Students of class 9 and 10 in Pughoboto, Pughoboto Youth organisation, Traders Association, PPKK, NCRC, Town Baptist Church and the residents of Pughoboto town cleaned up the clogged drains, weeds, bottles, polythene bags, etc, in their assigned surrounding, schools and places as directed by the administration. Government staff also cleaned their respective offices. PWD department arranged Tata mobile for the disposal of garbage assisted by PA to DC along with the SDPO Jawans to dispose off the garbages. ADC Pughoboto T. Moa Lemtor and other administrators supervised the drive.

## **PAINTING COMPETITION AT LONGLENG**

In connection with the celebration of 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Education Department, Longleng conducted painting competition on ‘Gandhian Values’ at GHSS, Longleng on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

Students from six schools participated in the painting competition. The students of Phom Lempong School: Aron and Konmong bagged 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes respectively while Mungba of GHSS, Longleng bagged the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize.

## **KIPHIRE DPDB MEETING HELD**

The Kiphire District Monthly meeting of District Planning & Development Board was held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at DC’s conference hall, Kiphire. The meeting was chaired by DC & Vice Chairman DPDB Kiphire, Sarita Yadav, IAS.

DC reviewed the previous meeting minutes where projects under LADP were approved. The agenda

discussed on the day included proposal for formation of cutting road from St. John’s School to Chikiponger road submitted by the DPDB chairman, registration of Hopo society, various issues pertaining to aspirational funds and programme.

DC also informed that meeting on aspirational district would be held from time to time. She also announced the visit of Prabhari officer in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of October 2019. Horticulture and medical departments have been asked to present power point presentation in the next meeting.

## **SEMINAR HELD AT HENINGKUNGLWA**

The Benreului Employees’ Association, Nagaland organized a one-day seminar with the theme “Issues and Concerns of Benreume - The Way Forward” at Heningkunglwa on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019.

Various topics such as education and culture, identity assertion among Benreume, holistic living, professionalism and workplace ethics, scope of theological studies and exploring vocational opportunities and skill development were deliberated during the seminar. Resource persons, Dr. Lungsang Zeliang, Professor NU, Heirangying Lungalang, Addl. Secretary (retired), Dr. Ramdeu Lungalang, Medical Officer, Heningkunglwa, Dr. Ilang Iheilung, Deputy Director V&AH, Rev. Kuzierang Thou, State Chaplin and Tsidi, EAC Dimapur. BEAN members, students and elders attended the seminar.

## **SOCIAL AUDIT AND PUBLIC HEARING UNDER MGNREGA HELD AT MON**

The social audit district level public hearing under MGNREGA for Mon district was held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Resource Centre, DRDA Mon Town.

EAC Mon HQ, Vitoka Yephthomi independent observer during the hearing, said that State Audit Unit (SAU) is to facilitate the implementing agencies. He also requested the SAU team to add positive remarks in their report to encourage the villagers.

Vepo Keyho, State Resource Person SAU, Nagaland gave an introduction to what social audit is and what district level public hearing is all about including general issues that need to be tackled for better implementation of the MGNREGA scheme.

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## **SENSITIZATION MEETING FOR 7 EC AT TUENSANG**

Sensitization meeting for Seven Economic Census was held at DC's Conference hall Tuensang on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The meeting was attended by Chambers of Commerce, Tribal bodies, Ward Presidents, Pastor Union, Private Schools Union.

The District Economics and Statistics officer enlightened on the 7<sup>th</sup> Economic Census where he stated that previous economic census was conducted with the initiative of the department but this time the department is just a nodal department to supervise the activities. He apprised all the stakeholders to attend the meeting since the enumerators will be visiting door to door and there should be a co-ordination between the enumerators and general mass. The stakeholders were informed that those engaged in the economic activities, trade licence should be a mandatory document.

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## **PROGRAMME ON PREVENTION OF CRIME AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN HELD AT LONGLENG**

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District administration Longleng in collaboration with Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK-DLCW) & Sakhi-One Stop Center Longleng Nagaland organized an awareness program on violence against women in commemoration of 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at Badminton Indoor Stadium, Longleng.

DC Longleng, M. Shayung Phom who was the special guest on the occasion spoke common violence prevailing in the state and cases where women are mistreated for several reasons like an alcoholic husband abusing his wife physically and mentally, accusing wife of been barren or for giving birth to a girl child. Violence against women is one

evil practice in our society because of which, he encouraged the womenfolk to be brave and fight for their rights and sensitize women about different helpline centres available in Nagaland. He also talked about child labour, how a child who is supposed to attend school and enjoy his childhood are forced to work which hampers their health and their childhood.

He also said running a smooth and peaceful society begins at home because education and change starts from the family. The future of a society is so much in the hands of the father and mother, so if both husband and wife are united, naturally violence in the society will meet its end, he added.

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## **PHEK DISTRICT INTER DEPARTMENTAL TOURNAMENT CULMINATES**

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The Phek District Inter Departmental Tournament Culminated on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The four-day event was held at Badminton Stadium Phek town organized by Officers' Club Phek in collaboration with Evening Smashers Phek & Phek District Badminton Association. The Closing Programme was held at Badminton Stadium Phek town on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

The Programme was chaired by SDO(C) Phek, Zhoi Lohe. Major Arpit, 22 AR Phek speaking on the occasion as Special Guest appreciated the organizing committee for organizing the Inter Departmental Tournament and stressed upon the importance of sports especially to the younger generations, since a sound mind and physical wellbeing can achieve



through sports, he added.

Altogether 358 participants partake in the disciplines, Badminton, Arm Wrestling, Carom and Chess.

In the badminton Men Doubles Keyirangding Hegui & Vevosa Khamo (Rural Development) came first followed by Solo Lorin & Dr. Nutazo Lohe (Higher Education) as runners up. In Women Doubles, Nuvetalu Thira & Khosalu Keyho (Health & Family Welfare) and I. Asangla & Kewetsho-u Mero (District Jail) came first and second.

Nuzato Ruho (5<sup>th</sup> NAP Bn.) emerged as winner in Chess (Open Category) runners up went to Wekhrope Mero (Health & Family Welfare) and Zachivo Chizo (District administration).

In Arm Wrestling (Men) Diethozo Koza (Forest) and Kuthoseyi Chizo (5<sup>th</sup> NAP Bn.) won first and second respectively.

In Arm Wrestling (Women) Neiphreno Nienu (Health & Family Welfare) and Neitshote-u Ritse (Health & Family Welfare) came first and second respectively.

In Carrom (Men Doubles) Martho Thur & Nukhohu Lohe (Health & Family Welfare) and Vephuta Nienu & Hudi Nusory (Agriculture) won first and second respectively.

In Carrom (Women Doubles) Zhovelu & Kethoselu Nienu (DEF) and Esther Natso & hekali Sumi (PWD NH) came first and second.

In Badminton (Mixed Doubles) Setichem Sangtam & Cizokholu Rhakho (5<sup>th</sup> NAP Bn.) and Solo Lorin & Vevotalu vero (Higher Education) won First and second respectively.

Health & Family Welfare Department emerged as Overall Group Champion and 5<sup>th</sup> NAP Bn. Came Second.

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## **THUNEOTULA CROWNED MISS YIMCHUNGRÜ 2019**

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During the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of Miss Yimchungrü 2019, Thuneotula was crowned Miss Yimchungrü 2019, organised by Yimchungrü Akheru Arihako in association with Emporium Training and Consultancy Pvt. Ltd as knowledge partner, under the theme "Be Bold, Be Beautiful, Be Inspired". The 1<sup>st</sup> runner up was bagged by Nongrila Yimchunger, while Rejoila walked away with the 2<sup>nd</sup> runner up position. The event was held on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Town Hall Dimapur, where 14 contestants participated in the competition.

Advisor IPR, SCERT & VG, Toshi Wungtung who graced the event as the special guest described beauty as a concept which is both inward and outward. "To be

beautiful is to be bold, beautiful and inspiring and to be an exemplary role model," he stated. He further said that, beauty comes as an overall package comprising of intellect and a healthy mind and felt that a model must be a figure showcasing discipline, kindness, cheerfulness, generosity, patience, gentleness and above all be strong and bold. He further mentioned that life is a process of storytelling and advised all the contestants to make their lives good story telling books.

The jury of judges were Temjenkala Aier, Center Director, Emporium Training Institute Dimapur, Diochongia Buchem and Alen Phom.

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## **World Mental Health Day observed in Mokokchung**

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Mokokchung District Mental Health Programme in collaboration with Mokokchung District Legal Services Authority organized a program in observance of "World Mental Health Day" at Ongpangkong Salang, Mokokchung on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Exhorting the gathering, Assistant Commissioner,

Mokokchung, Rohit Singh, IAS dwelt on the factors associated with suicides. He said many a times such unfortunate incidents happen especially among the young people due to domestic violence, lack of employment, pressure from studies, frustration, depression, neglect in society and limited society

awareness.

Therefore, in order to prevent such incidents, Singh maintained that we need to educate the people to cherish life and have faith in the almighty in times of negative impacts of life. Such issues are so complex that as a community we should be looking forward to identify and take care of those people who have psychological issues and other problems.

Speech on the theme was delivered by representatives of the District Mental Health Programme (DMHP) and Mokokchung District Legal Services Association (MDLSA), Keynote address was delivered by CMO Mokokchung, Dr. Chubala, Invocation was pronounced by Pastor, Artang Ward, Bendang Longkumer while Bendangsenla PLV chaired the programme.

## **DPDB MEETING CONSTITUTES LADP VERIFICATION COMMITTEE**

The monthly meeting of Dimapur District Planning & Development Board was held at DC's Conference hall on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 under the Chairmanship of DC & Vice Chairman, DPDB, Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol.

Registration of Grace and Care Foundation at Zhimomi Automobile Building 3<sup>rd</sup> mile near Vhekiye gate, Chekiye Village and the proposal for upgradation of Grace Mission School and opening of New Residential school at Doyapur Village, Dimapur were examined and recommended including the registration of RO Water Manufacturer and Supplier Association at United North Block Sec A, Burma Camp, Dimapur were approved in principle, subject to verification of necessary certificate from concerned authorities.

Agenda for registration of St. Mary of Angels Society, BZ Entertainment (Drama and Film Society)

of Nagaland, Japu Welfare Society were discussed and approved for recommendation basing on the verification report. The house also agreed to endorse the registration of City-Tech Computer Institute, Dimapur whereas the registration of Word of Faith Ministry was deferred to the next meeting with a directive to submit more specific information about their society. Opening of New Government Primary School at P. Vizheto Village, Niuland Sub-Division was also examined and approved by the house.

During the meeting the Board also constituted the Verification Committee for LADP 2019-20 and Technical Committee for Iconic Projects under LADP 2019-20.

Horticulture department gave a PowerPoint presentation about their activities in the district and DAPCU also highlighted the HIV/Aids scenario in Nagaland during the meeting.



*DC Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol chairing the DPDB meeting at DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*

## **PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING HELD**

Pughoboto Sub Division Planning and Development Board meeting was held with SDPDB Chairman and MLA, Y. Vikheho Swu at the Ghathashi Community hall on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Swu advised the village authorities to check illegal immigrants so as to avoid problems in the future. He recommended the maintenance of a register and registering newcomers who take shelter in the villages and renew their names in every year. He further said that the clean village award, village council award, highest paddy award etc. are meant for taking Pughoboto forward with proper utilization of the fund and also encouraging the farmers to yield

sufficient organic agriculture and allied production.

ADC, T. Moa Lemtor and Tiayanger stressed on the verification of the voters which is underway and asked the voters to verify their names from their respective BLOs with one identity card within the 45 days as directed by ECI. The unverified voters will be declared bogus.

SDAO Pughoboto, Myanthung Patton highlighted on the winter crops cultivation and JE Power Ghathashi also appraised the need of improvement of the power supply and facilities like field staff room, collection revenue room for forwarding to the concerned department.

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## **PEREN DPDB MEETING**

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The Monthly Peren District Planning & Development Board meeting was held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, Peren under the Chairmanship of Advisor for Water Resources, Namri Nchang.

At the outset, DC Peren cum Vice-chairman DPDB Peren, Sentiwapang Aier welcomed all the members and reminded the Horticulture Department, Peren to prepare a slide show presentation for the next DPDB Meeting.

The Board discussed on the need of having a sports council or a committee and after referring to Article no. 4 of the Constitution of Peren District Sports Council, the Board finally decided to set up a committee consisting of DC, DSO, SP, DEO Peren and two to three members to be nominated later and to be approved in the next DPDB meeting.

The Board also discussed on the upcoming Peren District Legislator Trophy. Namri Nchang also made a clarification to the members present that in the past years a total sum of Rs. 6 lakh was sanctioned for conducting Legislator Trophy. However, from this year the amount sanctioned will be minimized to Rs. 3 lakh. In addition to football, focus should also be given to other sports disciplines so as to provide platform for the energetic youths to expose their talents, he added.

The Board agreed to approve the registration of Society-Kuki Inpi, Nagaland as requested by KIN President during the meeting.

The Board members also deliberated on the various points which were put forward by the members present which includes; Water supply within DC Office, New Peren which had been shut down since few days back should be restored at the earliest by the concerned authority; Fixing of defunct mouth-piece at DC's Conference Hall; Ban on hunting and fishing activities carried out within Peren District and 6<sup>th</sup> Inter-Departmental Sports Meet.

During the meeting, representatives from Rural Development Department, Peren also gave a brief presentation. The meeting ended with vote of thanks by DPDB meeting Chairman, Namri Nchang where he further appealed all the departmental HoDs to attend the next month DPDB meeting without fail.

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## **KOHIMA DISTRICT LEVEL COMPETITION ON KALA UTSAV 2019**

Kohima District level competition on Kala Utsav was held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at DC's Conference Hall, Kohima

Briefing on the Kala Utsav, Deputy Mission Director SMA Samagra Shiksha, Timothy Thong, said that the Kala Utsav was an initiative of the ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India, to promote Arts in education by nurturing and showcasing the artistic talent of school students at the secondary stage of education in the country. Adding that the work was taken up by the erstwhile programme RMSA and is now carried forward by Samagra Shiksha which recognizes the importance of aesthetic and artistic experiences for secondary students which plays an major role in creating awareness of India's rich cultural heritage and its vibrant diversity and to sensitized students in the elementary level about the rich culture and traditions of tribes and country. He informed that Ministry has also started Rangotsav which is a festival aimed at promoting experimental learning and also making learning joyful experience by using arts in education including Role play competition, Band Competition, Music Teacher's competition and folk dance competition. Stating that the ultimate goal of this competition is to send the best talents in all the 4 categories to compete with the students from the rest of India at the National level Kala Utsav.

Exhorting the students, DEO, Kohima Dojü Khate said that many singers, musicians, dancers, painters etc. were successful because of their hard work and dedication to their talents and encouraged the students participating in the various categories of competition to compete with the rest of the world with their God's given talents.

DC Kohima Gregory Thejawelie congratulated participants from all the seven government higher secondary schools and encouraged the students to exhibit their talents through the platform of Kala Utsav which aim towards improving quality education and to inculcate cultural and traditions of the country. He gave away the prize to the winners of various competitions. Dance solo competition in first position was bagged by Povidra, GHS Zhadima, painting competition won by Kevichizo, GHS Kigwema, vocal

music solo competition by Senyamo kath, GHS Kandinu and instrumental music won by Puso Swuro, TMGHSS

The panel of judges at the completion were Senti Semy (Musician) and Dzieszkhrienuo Keretsü (Musician). Altogether seven Government Higher Secondary Schools under Kohima District, participated in the vocal music, instrumental music, Dance and Painting competition. The program was organized by District Mission Authority Samagra Shiksha Kohima.

## **Echi crowned Miss Mon 2019**

Miss Mon 2019 was organised by Konyak Nyupuh Sheko Khong (KNSK) under the theme 'Beyond Beautiful' at Council Hall, Mon on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Miss. Echi a 22 year old was crowned Miss Mon while Tungam Rokam and Hejang bagged first and Second Runners up respectively. Titles for Miss Photogenic, Miss Talented, Miss Congeniality, Miss Perfect 10 and Miss Catwalk were adjudged to Ngunying Ngapyei, Echi, Hejang and Ngapchoh respectively.

The jury of Judges for the event were Hiazu Meru, ADC Mon, Veronica, Teihom Mercy, Junior Soil Conservatory Officer, Kohima, Former Miss Mon 2013 Lithrila Anar, EAC Aboi and Longpoksang Add. SP Mon. Tabulators were Kezhochol Rhetso and Meiluihing B.K.

Altogether, eleven contestants participated in the competition and Deputy Commissioner Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS was the guest of honour for the event.

## **International Day of the Girl Child celebrated at Chen Town**

Along with the rest of the country, Chen Head Quarter also observed International Day of the Girl Child with the theme "Little girls with dreams became women with vision" at R.D. conference hall Chen Town on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The event was organised by BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO (BBBP) Task force Chen.



SDO Civil Chen, L. Samuel Konyak said that the day is observed to raise the awareness about the challenges that girls' face and need for empowerment and fulfilment of their human rights. He also encouraged the students to put more effort in their studies and give their best in whatever they do.

Dr. Shokwang Konyak, MO Chen Town said that cleanliness and good Hygiene contributes to better health care and encouraged girls to maintain good hygiene. He also emphasized on environment cleanliness and added that it can prevent many infectious diseases.

GHSS Chen Head master speaking at the program encouraged the participants by citing example of Kiran Bedi, the first IPS Officer, Mary Kom the Olympic Boxer and Sania Mirza the Indian Professional Tennis Players. As a part of the programme, Essay writing competition was conducted on the topic, the theme of the Day "little girls with dreams became women with vision" and sanitary pad was distributed to the students.

## Kohima DPDB meeting held

The Kohima District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of October was held under the chairmanship of Advisor Urban Development and Chairman DPDB, Neikiesalie Nicky Kire at DPDB Conference Hall, Kohima on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Reviewing the last meeting minutes, the District Level Awards Committee and Inter Departmental Sports Meet Committee have been asked to brief the Board on their seatings in the next DPDB Meeting. The Vice Chairman DPDB and DC Kohima, Gregory Thejawellie asked the defaulting Departments which have not submitted their reasons on failing to provide departmental profile to submit it at the earliest.

In regard to Adoption Committee 2019-2020, the Committees submitted their adopted villages as follows: Sechü Zubza under 8 Western Angami A/C; Lower PWD under 9 Kohima Town A/C; Chedema

Model Village under 10 Northern Angami-I A/C; Zhadima village under 11 Northern Angami-II A/C; Kigwema Village under 14 Southern Angami-I A/C and Kedima Village under 15 Southern Angami A/C.

On restriction use of plastic, the Vice Chairman DPDB & DC, Kohima briefed the members on the successful conduct of checking exercise on banned plastic items within the stretch of Kohima town on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019. He informed that further frisking and checking will be carried out time to time. DC also requested the members to take it seriously and ensure not to utilise banned plastic items in respective offices.

The meeting also recommended Nagaland Veterinarians Association, Tacü Clan Society and Kohima Ao Officer's Telongjem (KAOT) for registration of societies and decided to forward it to the Government. Further the meeting decided to hold its next DPDB meeting cum Day out at Toupheima.

## Wokha district Kala Ustav competition held

Under the District Education office, Wokha District Mission Authority Samagra Shiksha (SS) organized district Kala Utsav on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Pangti Ekhumkho Ki, where various competition like vocal music, instrumental music, folk dance and painting competition for the Government High schools under Wokha was conducted. Five Government High Schools from different ranges, block and subdivision attended the programme.

Assistant Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha State Mission Authority, Kohima, Chungngam Konyak while briefing the students said, Kala Utsav is a festival of art or talent festival initiated by the Ministry of Human Resources Development with an aim to promote arts in education by nurturing and showcasing the artistic talent of school students'.

Prizes were given in two categories; boys and girls, in the Vocal music competition, Yanbeni Z. Kithanpvui of GHS Englan was adjudged the winner in girl's category while Tsenpen Ngullie of GHS

Sungro bagged the first prize. Zuthungo O Kikon and Zuchobeni Yanthan both from GHS Wokha Village won the folk dance competition. Nzanthung Kikon and Zuchobeni W. Kikon also both from GHSS Wokha won in the Instrumental music category. In the painting competition Rhonthungo Ngullie of GHS Sungro and Nzanti R.Kithan were the winners.

The panels of judges for the different competition were N. Enibemo Yanthan JEO Wokha, Supervisor DEO Office Wokha Ruthy Kikon and Zuben IA, Wokha. The programme was chaired by Chandemo Patton while vote of thanks was proposed by W. Renponmo, welcome address was delivered by Assistant District Co-coordinator Samagra Shiksha Wokha Pichamo Jungio.

## Mon DPDB Meeting

Mon District Planning & Development Board meeting was held along with DC & Vice-Chairman DPDB Mon, Thavaseelan K. IAS at DC's Conference Hall, Mon on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

During the meeting, the house approved and recommended for registration of Wangla Society Tizit, Little Planet Foundation Society and Ukha Lamlung Welfare Society.

The Board also discussed on inter-departmental tournament of Mon district which will be held in the month of November 2019.

## Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas and SHG Mela held at Pfutsero

Chakhesang Women Welfare Society organised the celebration of Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas and District Level farmers and SHG mela with Atou Kapfo PS to Minister Planning & Coordination, Land revenue, Parliamentary Affairs as special guest at Sports Complex, Pfutsero town on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Speaking at the celebration, SDO Civil Pfutsero, Diana Patton said that the participation of the farmers at the celebration reflects the hard work put in by the farmers community in Phek district. She congratulated



SDO (C) Pfutsero, Dr. Diana Patton speaking at the celebration of Rashtriya Mahila Kisan Diwas and District Level Farmers and SHGs Mela at Pfutsero Town on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

the farmers on behalf of the administration. She said that the development can take many forms- she said we should understand the market demand and supply and analyze if we can fulfill the demands in the market, and our goal should be to make Nagaland a producing state which will depend on the farmers.

Altogether, 31 villages and 98 SHGs participated in the celebration. Invocation was said by Rev. Dr. Dingu Kenye, President CBCC; welcome address by Vechulo-u Kanuo, Executive Director, CWWS.

## Kohima DDMA quarterly meeting held

The Kohima District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) quarterly meeting was held at DPDB Conference Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019. The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner and Chairman DDMA, Kohima, Gregory Thejawelie.

The meeting reviewed the last meeting minutes held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 and later deliberated on the



DC & Chairman DDMA Kohima, Gregory Thejawellie chairing the Kohima DDMA meeting at DPDB Conference Hall on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

following agendas: On monsoon damage reports of line departments, E.E, PWD (NH) Kohima Division, Er. Vikeshe Yepthomi gave a PowerPoint presentation on landslides occurred at different locations within the last few months. He said the landslides at three different locations near Old KMC Dumping area has been restored in two areas and one was in progress for restoration. Necessary widening and restoration work at Khuzama major landslides near Police Check Post were in progress while restoration works at three minor landslides areas, two at Phesama and one at Viswema were carried out for smooth flow of traffic. He also informed that the department has been involved in taking up necessary pavement, restoration works, widening and fresh cutting of road at the affected areas for the flow of traffic.

E.E (Power), Er. Rokongutuo Suohu briefing on the monsoon damage stated that power supply has been affected in some areas under Kohima division due to power line interruptions occurred at various locations. He also informed that the department has been putting in all efforts to restore and repair the damaged lines and posts and also started jungle clearance activities for preventive measures.

DFO, (Forest), Rongsenlemla Imchen, IFS also gave damaged report where the department along with Power department has taken care of the damaged

trees and restoration of power line. Mechanical department also updated on the availability of its machineries which may be used in times of emergency.

In the meeting, ADC Kohima, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa shared the successful conduct of FAMEX 2019 in the month of February at Dr. Neiliezhü Memorial School, Seikhazou and further informed that such exercise will be conducted soon and asked the members and the main departments be prepared with manpower, equipment, medical facility and other necessary requirements.

On Nagaland Emergency Preparedness Exercise (NEPEX) 2019, the members were reminded on the NEPEX 2019 exercise with AHOD and HOD table talk exercise on 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019, followed by District Level Table Talk Exercise on 20<sup>th</sup> November and actual State wide exercise on 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 2019. The selected departments of the district were also reminded to attend the Table Talk Exercise at ATI on 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019 in person without fail.

In regard to updation of India Disaster Resources Network (IDRN) facilitated by Dr. Lorin, District Informatic Officer (DIO), the line departments were requested to provide accurate information and data accordingly as indicated in the given formats which is available in the given website within a month.

On formation of Village Disaster Management Authority (VDMA), the Chairman informed that out of 95 recognised villages under the district, ten (10) villages have formed VDMA so far. In this regard, he asked all the administrative officers to initiate the formation of VDMA in their respective areas including Kohima Sadar area in order to have more comprehensive, efficient response during any untoward disasters which may happen.

Reiterating on the proposed formation of Ward Disaster Management Authority/Committee submitted by KMC, the house decided to apprise the Home department on the matter considering it as mandatory in densely populated areas such as the town wards/colony.

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## **Coordination meeting at Bhandari**

The Departmental monthly coordination meeting of Bhandari sub division was held at the conference hall of the ADC Bhandari on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Highlighting on the recent proposed visit to Bhandari village, ADC Bhandari, Tiameren Chang stated that all weather road connectivity, water supply, health care and school facilities in the village needs to be taken for better functioning and asked some of the members present to do the needful within their departmental capacity.

The PHE department, while giving a presentation on its activities, reported that the department has helped in improving public sanitation and problems of water shortage has been addressed up to commendable extent and also stated that public are encouraged to use water from gravity source rather than from pump source for cost affective matter.

On encroachment, ADC reiterated that it is a must for every department to obtain and maintain official land pattas for their respective departments. It was also approved that the officers' forum, Bhandari will have a programme of Tokhü feast on 6<sup>th</sup> November in honour of Tokhü Emong, the premier festival of the Lothas.

Forest and Medical departments have been entrusted to present departmental activities in the next coordination meeting.

Wednesday has been designated as "Traditional dress day" for Bhandari sub division. Therefore, all the member officers should attend the meeting in traditional dresses.

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## **DPDB meeting approves registration of new societies**

Zunheboto District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) held its monthly meeting at DC's Conference hall on October 15<sup>th</sup> under the chairmanship of the DC, Peter Lichamo. The meeting approved registration of three new societies, namely, Seven sisters' women society, Alumni Association (Zunheboto Government College) and Parent-teacher Association (Zunheboto Government College).

The Board also forwarded the request for construction of Riverine Fishery project for community bio-diversity conservation and riverine fishery at Zaphu river stream as an alternative to jhum cultivation and an additional source of income. DC directed the PWD department to hand over a complete list of all active labourers to check the concerns of the board members on town maintenance.

The DC further reminded all the departments of the district to strictly implement the ban of single use plastic and asked them to act as an example for the people of the district. The next DPDB meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.

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## **Longleng District competition on Kala Utsav**

District education mission society Samagra Shiksha Longleng organized a competition on KALA UTSAV on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at EBRC Hall Longleng. Altogether five government schools under Longleng District participated in the vocal music, instrumental music, dance and painting competition.



The panel of judges were Chingdam, Tenhau, Bachem Buchem, Manchem. The programme was chaired by Akum Avenh and N. Henty Phom delivered the welcome address. The prizes for the winners were given by the Judges.

## Longleng DPDB constitutes committee to monitor traffic

The monthly meeting of Longleng District planning & Development Board was held at DC's Conference hall, Longleng on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 under the chairmanship of DC Longleng, M. Shayung Phom.

Agenda discussed included District Hospital Longleng, parking, traffic problems and road conditions within Okshok area. The Board decided to set up a committee consisting of OC Traffic, Administration,

Police Department, Wards President and LTSU to monitor traffic and parking within Longleng town. Renovation of road between Longleng-Changtongya has been postponed due to unfavorable weather conditions.

DC requested all the members to pay visit to schools once in a while and also encouraged the members to be sincere and attend board meetings regularly. Dr. Henshet, Vice President Yingli College requested members to contribute books, water filter, financial help etc to the college as the (NAAC) team will be visiting for inspection of college for grading.

On behalf of ADC HQ Tamlu, Nukshi EAC Tamlu gave a power point presentation on Buranumsang Village water boring, reservoir, pipeline and water filtration mission and thanked the members for their cooperation.

## FIRST DIMAPUR ART FESTIVAL UNDERWAY

The First Dimapur Art Festival organised by Eastern Art Council (EAC) in collaboration with Task Force for a music and Arts (TaFMA) was inaugurated by DMC administrator, Albert Ezung on October 15 at shop no 33, supermarket Dimapur.

*DMC Administrator, Albert Ezung with the officials of Eastern Art Council and TaFMA during the 1<sup>st</sup> Dimapur Art Festival.*

Albert Ezung while welcoming the gathering explained the main purpose of the inauguration of art gallery that it was for the love of art. He said through this art festival local artists will be promoted and also appeal the government department to promote the artist by buying from them.

He congratulated EAC Coordinator, Myingthungo Ababe Ezung for taking the bold initiative for bringing





local and non artist together to interact, promote and work together. He encouraged the young enthusiastic artists to excellent in whatever profession they choose to pursue. He also said choosing a profession is not important but what is important is excellent in what we choose and excellence is the key word to any profession. He urged all the young people to come

out of comfort zone and be bold to venture, and this art festival provides the perfect platform.

Altogether 37 artists showcased their art. The art festival also witnessed art competition with the theme "The environment I dream" where several schools participated.

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## MON ORGANISES KALA UTSAV COMPETITION

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The Samagra Shiksha, District Mission Authority Mon organized Mon District Kala Utsav Competition on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at District Education Office, Conference Hall.

The winners who have been selected to represent Mon District for State level Kala Utsav Competition were: Wangten. H of GHSS Tizit and W. Ngapsa of GHS Phomching in vocal music: L. Manphoa Konyak

of GHSS Tizit in Instrumental: Wangdao Konyak and Kinlong Konyak of GHSS Tizit in Dance: and Nokshen of GHSS Tizit and Nyejoi Konyak of Tizit GHS Tizit Village in Painting.

The panels of judges were Ricky, Shelao, Nokshei, Nonkhao, Thomwang and Nginya. All together 5 (Five) schools participated in the competition in different category.

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## MSK, WDLA & OSC ORGANIZES AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON BBBP, WOMEN CENTRIC SCHEMES

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Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) in collaboration with Sakhi-One Stop Centre and Wokha District Legal Services Authority organized an awareness program on BBBP, women centric schemes and women helpline 181 on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Old Riphym village.

Women Welfare Officer, Dr. Wonchibeni E.Enny spoke on introduction of MSK and BBBP where she encouraged the community to give equal rights and opportunity to both male and female. She also highlighted about the activities of MSK and BBBP.

Advocate Thungbeni Kikon, Case Worker (OSC) also gave a brief introduction of OSC and the services provided under the schemes. She highlighted about the scope and functions of OSC Wokha and the current situation affected by violence. She also requested the community to come forward and avail the opportunity provided by the OSC under the banner of "Ministry of Women and Child".

Advocate, Shanchobeni P.Lotha Project Assistant,

WDLA spoke on POCSO Act and domestic violence Act. While District Coordinator Chichanthung L Ezung (MSK-DLCW) highlighted about the various existing Government Centric Schemes and the importance of Women Helpline 181.

Chairman Old Riphym village also delivered short speech. The programme was chaired by District Coordinator (MSK) Merithung Lotha while vote of thanks was delivered by District Coordinator Chichanthung L Ezung. Later after the programme sanitary pads were also distributed.

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## DAMU conducts Farmers Awareness Programme on Agro Advisory Services at Tethuyo

District Agromet Unit (DAMU), KVK, Kiphire organised one-day farmers Awareness programme on Agro advisory services at Tethuyo village, Kiphire district on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

During the programme, Temjenna Jamir, SMS (Agro Meteorology) gave a brief note to the farmers on how the IMD (India Meteorological Department) has come up to provide weather information to farmers by setting up Agro-Met stations (DAMU). She also informed on the weather extremities and how in a small micro region there were difference in the weather parameters and thus its importance were shared to the farmers. They were informed about the importance of registration of their phone numbers

for mobile short message services on Agro Advisory services. The farmers were also apprised on the care and management of livestock during winter season by Benjungtemsu, VFA. The importance of food security and to have surplus produce in the village vicinity was highlighted but Setsiba Sangtam, DAO (AFA). Further he urged the farmers to grow drought tolerant crops in order to abate the climate change. Altogether 63 farmers attended the programme.

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## **13<sup>TH</sup> COMMON REVIEW MISSION TEAM FOR MONITORING OF HEALTH SECTOR IN NAGALAND**

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The 13<sup>th</sup> Common Review Mission (CRM) Team led by Mona Gupta, Advisor, Human Resource Health (HRH), National Health System Resource Centre (NHSRC), New Delhi reached Nagaland on 17<sup>th</sup> of October 2019. In a State briefing held at Hotel Japfu, Kohima on the 17<sup>th</sup> evening, Mona Gupta, Advisor, HRH NHSRC advocated that Common Review Mission is an important monitoring mechanism where the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi along with other allied Departments and the State come together to find solution for the existing challenges. She stated that, the team is looking forward to support and supervise rather than find faults. She further added that changes will come from within the state alone for any existing challenges "Solution will not come from Delhi; it will come only from Nagaland". Therefore, it is necessary to have open communication within the team and the state to find out the challenges. She also motivated her team to look at Nagaland from a different angle keeping in mind the entire local scenario and find out what could be the best solution. Furthermore, she expressed gratitude for the warm welcome and the generous hospitality that the state has rendered on the team's arrival and conveys that she look forward for the coming days with positivity to know the reality and support the existing system to strengthen the health care.

Ramakrishnan, IAS, Principal Secretary H&FW, Nagaland too expressed his gratitude for all the

positive outcome of CRM visits and states that it has helped Nagaland to boost the health care of the people respectively. The program was chaired by Dr. Vikeyie Losu, Principal Director, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland and a State presentation made by Dr. Kevichusa Medikhru, Mission Director, National Health Mission, Nagaland.

Annual Common Review Mission has been one of the most important monitoring mechanisms under National Health Mission (NHM) which has provided valuable understanding of the strategies which were successful and those which warranted mid-course adjustments in the Health Sector Reforms.

The 14 member CRM team to Nagaland will be divided into two group and will visit the Districts of Kiphire and Phek starting from 18<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> of October 2019 with Mona Gupta, Advisor, HRH, NHSRC, New Delhi and Dr. Neha Dumka, Sr. Consultant, Community Process (CP)/CPHC, NHSRC as team leaders respectively. They were accompanied by Dr. Ashwini, Consultant, NHSRC, Dr. Aridam Saha, JHPIEGO, Mr. Anjaney, Consultant HCT-NHSRC, Dr. Ankur Yadav, Sub Dean & Asst. Prof. NIIFW, Dr. Swamili, Consultant NHSRC, Ms. Mansi Rawat, WCD, New Delhi, Dr. Kapil Joshi, Sr. Consultant, RCH, Dr. Amlan Majumdar, Sr. Prog. Manager, CARE India, Ms. Ayushi Rai, Consultant, HRH, NHRH, Mr. Hari Krishan, Financial Asst. MoH&FW, Dr. Manjari, Consultant, NHSRC and Mr. Srinadh, Research Asst., NITI.

## WINNERS OF ART FESTIVAL PAINTING COMPETITION AT DIMAPUR

The third day of the ongoing 1<sup>st</sup> Dimapur Art Festival organised by the Eastern Art Council at its gallery in Supermarket, Dimapur saw increasing number of visitors which witnessed art workshop in which various professional and amateur artists showcasing their skills. A painting competition was also held at the festival on the third day.

The winner of the Art Festival painting competition in various categories are:

### Senior Category

1<sup>st</sup> - Hinoka K Aomi, St. Joseph University.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Ashim Paul, Pranab Vidyapith Hr. Sec. School

3<sup>rd</sup> - Rishita Deka, Living Stone Foundation International.

### Junior Category

1<sup>st</sup> - Olivili H Yephthomi, Holy Cross Hr. Sec. School

2<sup>nd</sup> - Abhrajit Dey, School: Holy Cross Hr. Sec. School

3<sup>rd</sup> - L. Lithai Anghla, School: Living Stone Foundation International

Later, the organisers also invited all the winners to be present at the gallery on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2.30 pm for the distribution of prizes.

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## DP&DB TUENSANG DELIBERATES ON DEPLORABLE ROAD CONDITIONS

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Tuensang District Planning & Development Board had a meeting at DC's Conference Hall Tuensang on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019 under the chairmanship of DC Tuensang, Mohammed Ali Shihab, IAS.

The members of the meeting discussed on the deplorable conditions of the National Highways, District Highways and Village road of Tuensang. Secretary Red Cross Society, T.Y Sangtam while deliberating on the issue stated that unless step brotherly treatment by the department concerned is rectified the region will never have proper roads and infrastructure in sooner times.

The members were of the view that roads in the district should be given to the BRO so that quality workmanship shall be achieved.

Emergency departments like police, health etc. of the district also lamented on the deplorable condition of the road which affects execution of their departmental duties and functions. They also deliberated on the failures of duties to meet the duties in times of emergencies and law and order situations.

The Officers of the districts were also annoyed by the poor workmanship by the road contractors which lasts only for weeks or months. The forum decided

to set up a district committee to pursue the work activities and also decided that roads shall be the agenda for every month's DP&DB agenda until the necessary arrangements are being met on the road sector.

ADC Shamator, Lankonsen appealed to the District Officers to keep a check on their subordinates officers of the sub divisions and check their performances.

Imti Chang, Senior Treasury Officer Tuensang asked the house to submit their salary bills to be submitted starting from 25<sup>th</sup> of the month or before 2<sup>nd</sup> last working day of the month so that the employees of the government should get their salary on the last day of the month as per the standing order.

## Sainik School Punglwa demarcation meeting held

DC Peren, Sentiwapang Aier chaired the Sainik school Punglwa demarcation meeting consisting of Punglwa Village Council, Principal Sainik school Punglwa, officers and DBS of the District at DC's Conference Hall, New Hq Peren.

Taking serious note of the Sainik School Punglwa demarcation for records and for further development

in the institution, the meeting resolved to work for the best interest of all by mutual understanding between Punglwa Village council and Sainik school Punglwa to avoid future complications.

The Village Council of Punglwa assured their cooperation for any issues pertaining to Sainik School Punglwa and requested the Principal SSP to upkeep the provision for Punglwa Villagers in terms of jobs for unemployed youth of the Village.

## **LBCD conducts medical camp at Yamhon area**

Extending its outreach mission ministry to wider horizon, Lotha Baptist Diphupar A, conducted medical camp at YAMHON area with Liphi village as the center (around 50 km from Dimapur) on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

More than 100 patients from 8 villages namely, Liphi, Richeyan, Ronsuyan, Hayian, Lio-Wokha, Longjung, Sungkha, and Supayan availed the facility during the medical camp, and were given medicines free of cost, according to their ailments. The doctors also examined patients with poor vision and gave them medically prescribed fitted spectacles free of cost.

Richumvu 110 years old and the oldest person in Liphi village who could not come in the medical camp due to old age was given treatment at her doorstep by the doctors.

Dr. Wopen Tsopoe, Dr.Thungchanpeni Patton, Nurses Lisenbeni Patton and Chichanpeni Tsanglae, who are the church members of LBCD conducted the medical camp. The expenses for the medicines and spectacles was borne by LBCD.

Pastor, LBCD, Limhathung Lotha, opined that besides spiritual feeding, physical fitness is a very important area to be focused by the churches, to help people who cannot afford to avail medical help, so that they become strong spiritually and thus LBCD planned for the outreach work through medical camp ministry.

The doctors were accompanied by LBCD Pastor, Associate Pastor, Deacons, stewards and members from the women department.

## **Domestic Violence Awareness Month observed at Mokokchung**

Mokokchung SAKHI - One Stop Centre (OSC) Mokokchung and District Administration Mokokchung observe Domestic Violence Awareness month by organizing "A walk against Domestic Violence" the walk was held and started from Imlong Place Police Point to Multi-purpose Sports Complex Mokokchung on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Flag off programme EAC HQ Mokokchung Sentilong Ozukum.

A programme was also held at the culminating point with SDO (C) Mokokchung, Dharam Raj, IAS as guest of honor. In his short speech SDO called upon all to come out and raise voice against domestic violence in our societies. The victims suffer not only physically but also declared the physiologically he added. SDO also declared the poster campaign and conducted Pledge (signature wall).

Vote of thanks was proposed by Wangshinaro Yaden, Centre Administrator SAKHI- OSC Mokokchung.

Participants included officials, NGOs, church members and students.

## **Programme on Poshan Abhiyaan at Guching Village**

Under the aegis of Poshan Abhiyaan, Mon Block convergence action plan committee organised IEC & advocacy campaign on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Guching village.

During the awareness programme, Supervisor, Social Welfare Department L.Amei Konyak and Area co-ordinator Mon on Livelihood (NSRLM) W. Liphong were the resource persons. The resource persons spoke on the topic 'Organic Kitchen Garden and Non Chemical Pest Management'.

Poshan Block co-ordinator, Mon Yingphe Konyak chaired the programme. Village Self Help Group, Beneficiaries of ICDS and Anganwadi workers attended the programme.

## PEREN DISTRICT LAUNCHES BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO THEME SONG

Peren District Administration in collaboration with the Jalukie Town Local Baptist Church officially launched the Beti Badhao Beti Pachao (BBBP) theme song on Friday evening, 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Jalukie Town Baptist Church.

Nodal Officer of BBBP and EAC Ngwalwa town, Rumbemo Kithan in his short speech stated that the aim of launching the theme song is to make people aware about the functioning of BBBP and also to uplift

the women as music speaks a million words that are left unspoken. Rumbemo Kithan in his launching speech also added that the desire and goodness of women are proclaimed in the theme song to show that the world needs more of women contribution in the society and a hope to bring changes.

The theme song was released and composed by Nangkamlak, singer and composer.

## AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON WILD LIFE CONSERVATION HELD AT BOTSATSA

An awareness program on Wild life conservation was held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Botsa. Special Invitee, Vedpal Singh, Chief Wild Life Warden Nagaland, highlighted on the importance of landscape approach to wild life conservation and sought concerted action from all the villages for the sustainability of the conservation effort. He exhorted the gathering to have a change of mentality and mindset to achieve development in every field.

DFO Kohima Rongsenlemla Imchen, IFS who chaired the program dwelt on the significance of implementation of Village Forest Resolution in letter and spirit and also highlighted on the importance of conservation and livelihood security. Gwasinlo Thong, Chairman Sendenyu BMC gave a power point presentation on wild life conservation and its challenges with regard to Sendenyu Biodiversity Conservation

Heirang Lungalang, Secretary Nagaland Community Conservation Area Forum also spoke on the occasion wherein he reflected the activities of the forum and the roles and responsibilities of the communities. SDO Civil Chiephobozou Samuel Thyug encouraged the gathering to work towards a common goal and to raise awareness on conservation in all the areas.

Altogether, 21 villages covering Chiephobozou and Tseminyu Range attended the programme along with forest department officials, District Administration, Village functionaries and Student union. The programme was organised by Kohima Forest Division, Department of Environment, Forests and Climate Change in collaboration with the village councils of Northern Angami & Tseminyu areas.

## NAGALAND POLICE OBSERVES COMMEMORATION DAY AT MELURI

The 5<sup>th</sup> NAP 'A' COY Meluri observed police commemoration day at Meluri on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at the memorial of Lt. Sarhotho Kajiri, NPS who laid his life in Chhattisgarh, fighting the naxalites on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2007.

The National flag was hoisted by the company commander Mayangchiba Jamir, NPS. All ranks and files of the 5<sup>th</sup> NAP coy placed wreaths and flowers at the graveyard of the martyr led by the company commander.



## **AWARENESS PROGRAM ON SCHOOL SANITATION AND HYGIENE AT PEREN**

An awareness programme on School Sanitation and Hygiene under BBBP was organized by Peren District Administration and District Level Centre for Women-Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Christian High School, Jalukie. The programme was organized to impart informal education to the students on why it is important to maintain proper sanitation and hygiene in our day to day lives.

District Coordinator MSK, Lungngaulie in her short speech briefed the students on sanitation and hygiene and the need to maintain cleanliness. She

also spoke on the Sukhanya Samridhi Account (SSA) Government Schemes which is to provide monetary help to girls for future education and marriage expenses. Lungngaulie further asserted that the main objective of organizing the awareness programme is to educate the girl student in maintaining proper cleanliness and hygiene as poor sanitation impairs the health leading to high rates of malnutrition and productivity.

During the programme sanitary pads were also distributed to all the participants.

## **WOKHA DPDB MEETING HELD**

The monthly District Planning and Development Board meeting was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at DC's Conference hall, Wokha. Chairman DPDM, Wokha and Advisor Horticulture, Mhathung Yanthan also attended the meeting.

Reviewing the last meeting for adoption of villages, ADC Wokha, Mhathung Tsanglao apprised the board members about the aims and objectives and action plan, where he stated that the objective is to develop the selected villages in an integrated manner which would include economic development, infrastructure development and other aspects of human development like education, health and drinking water supply.

He also stated that the adoption plan is to inspire the rural communities to dream, plan, mobilize forces and resources for sustainable development of each member who can realize his/her full potential and create such ecosystem for positive behavioral transformation. To establish convergence models of resources, manpower to achieve comprehensive development in tune with people's aspirations and potential. He also highlighted important interventions like individual, human, community, economic, area development and capacity building, rejuvenation of

natural resources system through convergence of other schemes and documentation and reporting.

Chairman DPDB Wokha urged all departments to come up with specific and detail, action plan to bring about positive impact for the adopted villages. The chairman on behalf of DPDB Wokha thanked the DC Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS who is leaving the district on transfer for the positive contribution he had done for the district.

During the meeting the board approved the implementation committee members for LADP 2019-20 schemes under Wokha district, creation of Medical sub-Centre at New Changsu and old Koro village. Later the Chairman visited ITI complex and held a brief interaction with the officers and staff and the trainees.

Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection and Social Welfare department presented their departmental activities and programmes.

## **Animal Health Camp and Dog Show at Mon**

The College of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry, Jalukie, Peren District, Nagaland lead by the Dean, Dr. Capt. G. Dhanan Jaya Rao with Veterinary

Specialists Dr. Gunjan Das, Dr. S. Mukherjee, Dr. Lalitankimi, Dr. Sashotola Ozukum, Dr. R. John and Dr. Tukheswar including 10 final year students conducted the First Animal Health Camp and First Dog show at KU Town Hall, Mon on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 in collaboration with the Mon District Administration, Mon Veterinary Department and 35 Assam Rifles.

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, K. Thavaseelan made all the arrangements and personally monitored the conduct of the First Dog Show and Animal Health Camp along with the Chief Veterinary Officer, Dr. Gloria Ngullie and her team of Veterinary Officers - Dr. Vikato Sumi, Dr. Manloi Konyak, Dr. Suiding Hinglak

and Dr. Manjam Konyak. C. John Konyak, former MLA initiated and also actively participated in the camp.

Dog show was conducted for the first time in Mon. It had 46 participants of various breeds. 286 dogs, 16 cattle, 34 pigs and 84 poultry were treated in the Animal Health Camp. 164 dogs were administered Anti Rabies Vaccine. Blood and faecal tests were done for 28 dogs.

A chicken cage made from indigenous locally available materials like cycle wheel, tube and mesh designed by the College of Veterinary Sciences, Jalukie was handed over to the Deputy Commissioner of Mon for the benefit of the people of Mon.

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## RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CAMPAIGN AT WOKHA

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A Sensitisation & Awareness campaign on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act 2016 for Head of Offices under Wokha district was held at the DC's conference hall on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

The programme was organised by Mission mode Team (Accessible India Campaign) in collaboration with the Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities.

*State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Diethono Nakhro speaking at the Awareness and Sensitisation programme on Rights of PwDs Act 2016 on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*

Secretary to the Government of Nagaland & Team Leader, Mission mode Team (Accessible India Campaign), K. Libanthung Lotha, while highlighting on the role and the responsibility of the mission mode team said that it is to sensitisation and to create awareness to all the stakeholders, (both government servants and NGOs) of our state to be an agent for successful implementation on Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act 2016.

Lotha said that, Accessible India Campaign is a part of RPwD Act 2016 and is a national flagship



programme launched by the government of India to achieve universal accessibility for persons with disabilities. It has three components accessibilities namely, inbuilt environment, transportation system and information and communication eco-system. He added that it is also direction from the Supreme Court of India to implement Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) with this obligation, Mission mode Team (Accessible India Campaign) for Nagaland state was established on 5th Feb 2019.

While speaking on awareness campaign, he said that Wokha is the third district that the AIC Mission mode Team is conducting the sensitisation & awareness campaign which will continue in all the other districts. He also said that AIC mode Team has inspected twenty nine (29) government office buildings and establishments in the state and has submitted status report to the state government.

State commissioner for Persons with Disabilities,

Diethono Nakhro, while highlighting the RPwD Act, 2016 overview, status of implementation & way forward, said that it is the responsibility of the Government to ensure that Persons with Disabilities enjoy “the right to equality, life with dignity, and respect for his or her own integrity equally with others” she said, that the Act provides for appropriate environment for Persons with Disabilities to live, work and socialise in the community, Protection from Abuse and Exploitation and Right to Safety and various other rights as equal citizens. Nakhro also spoke on Rights and Entitlement of Disable persons on education, skill development and employment, social security, health rehabilitation and recreation, special provision, duties and responsibility of governments, special courts, offences and penalties.

The programme was chaired by DC, Wokha, Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon IAS.

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## **WOKHA BIDS FAREWELL TO DEPUTY COMMISSIONER**

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A farewell programme in honour of the outgoing Deputy Commissioner, Wokha Dr. Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 at Town Hall, Wokha.

Dr. Manazir while delivering his farewell speech thanked all Head of Offices, subordinate Administrative Officers, NGOs and staff for the support and co-operation extended during his short stay and stated because of support Wokha district achieved recognition. He also said during his one year and eleven months term three elections was conducted smoothly and two National awards under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao were received which he said was possible because of the co-operation from all corner of society and the general public.

The outgoing DC also appealed all to extend the same support to the new DC so that Wokha district can further achieve more and earn good name.

Incoming DC Orenthung Lotha, NCS assured to provide good governance and transparency in the working system and sought the co-operation of all

Heads of Offices, civil societies and Hohos to work for the welfare of the district.

ADC HQ, ADC Bhandari, DB, staff, Lotha Hoho and Officers who spoke during the farewell function expressed appreciation to Dr. Manazir for all the good work he has done for the district and making Wokha one of the best performing district.

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## **WDSKA celebrates 25 years**

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Wokha District Senior Citizens Association (WDSKA) celebrated its 25 year Silver Jubilee at Tiyi Hall, Wokha on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019 with MLA, Dr. Chumben Murry as the special guest and Deputy Commissioner Wokha, Orenthung Lotha as the guest of honour.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Chumben Murry congratulated all the pioneers and members for the efforts they have put in and taking the association thus far and achieving a milestone. He said their role for the up liftmen of the society and community is very important and urged them to continue their good

deeds and contribution so that younger generation will emulate the good examples.

DC Wokha, Orenthung Lotha congratulated the association for providing a platform for all senior citizens to come together and share their rich experiences.

Earlier the MLA and DC Wokha released the jubilee history and approval of WDSCA constitution.

Rev. L.K. Tsanglao spoke on the theme 'The Responsibility of Older Persons'. Rev. Nyanchumo Lotha, Executive Secretary LBCA, Vankhosung offered prayer of blessing for the older persons.

President, WDSCA, Wokha, M. Rhonbemo Murry delivered the welcome address while vote of thanks was proposed by Vice/President WDSCA, Zubemo Kikon.

## **SENSITIZATION AND AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON CHILD RIGHT AT DIMAPUR**

A Sensitization and Awareness programme on Child Right and Child Protection and its Mechanisms in Nagaland organised by District Child Protection Unit in collaboration with District Administration was held at Tourist Lodge, Dimapur on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Kevekha Kevin Zehol in his speech reminded all stakeholders that they are dealing with a very special section of people who are the future of tomorrow. He also felt the need of creating more awareness among the masses about the vulnerability of the situation the young people face in today's world due to different factors such as social media through which people are easily lured to different kinds of negative situations.

During the programme, role of Child Welfare Committee, role of Juvenile Justice Board, role of District Child Protection Unit and the role of SJPU was presented by Member, Child Welfare Committee, Limasenla, 1<sup>st</sup> Class Magistrate Chairman, Juvenile Justice Board, Protection Officer, Esther Sumi and official from Child Welfare Police Office, Dimapur respectively. CHILDLINE Dimapur gave a powerpoint presentation about their activities highlighting the various reported cases while NT Kikon briefed the gathering about the roles and procedures of adoption.

The programme was chaired by Counsellor, Husheli Sumi.

## **NATIONAL SC-ST HUB DISTRICT LEVEL CONCLAVE HELD AT LONGLENG**

The District Level SC – ST Conclave programme organized by the Nagaland Industrial Development Cooperation Ltd in collaboration with Industries and Commerce department, Government of Nagaland under NSSH Schemes of the Ministry of MSEME Government of India was conducted at EBRC hall, Longleng on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 with Deputy Commissioner Longleng, M. Shayung Phom as the special guest.

Phom said one must not miss any opportunity that comes his way and urged the participants to learn and gain something from the programme and inspire

themselves. He also shared on entrepreneurship for self-employment such as sewing & tailoring, handicrafts, shoe making, etc. to boost rural economy. He asserted that the district administration and the Assam Rifles are ever ready to assist and support any organization and individuals in the days to come.

In his keynote address, Sabaringiri M, Assistant Director MSEME, Dimapur talked about the Micro Small Medium Entrepreneur Plan and Machinery investment and economic activities. He said across India, there are 30 developmental institutes and 18 technology centers while in Nagaland 99% of the

units are Micro Industries.

MS Kaushik, Major Assam Rifle, Longleng, in his special speech, asserted that students should play a major role for entrepreneurship as Nagaland is lacking far behind. He appealed to the participating students to learn new skills for individual development and to resolve the growing unemployment problems in the state.

In the technical session, various schemes and activities were presented by the different departments. The program was chaired by Lipom Phom and invocation was proposed by Tia, Executive Secretary PBCA, Longleng. Welcome address was proposed by Akhaba Sangtam, General Manager, DIC Longleng.

## **NIATHU GROUP SPORTS FESTIVAL UNDERWAY AT DIMAPUR**

The 3-day Niathu Group Sports Festival (sports festival of the North East tribal youth) kicked started today at Niathu Resort Chumukedima under the theme Celebrating Youth through Sports.

GOC 3 Corps, Lt.General Rajeev Sirohi who graced the Niathu sports festival opening as the guest of honour observed that youth has tremendous future in the field of sports and felt that it was the responsibility of the present generation to promote the talented sports persons. Stating that there was no greater joy than sports Lt. General said that Sports does not imply on winning or losing but it's the participation that matters. Mentioning that sports always remains near and dear to the army and Assam Rifles the guest of honour said he was excited to see the wide array of sports discipline to be played during the 7<sup>th</sup> edition of Naithu Group festival. He was all praises for the upkeep of Niathu resort and termed it as a resort with

amazing standard.

Chairman, Naithu group of hotels and resorts, Kechanglie Rio, accorded welcome to the special guest and the sportspersons and informed that players from Tripura, Assam, Manipur, Armed forces and Nagaland will be competing during the 3 day sports festival. He said that Sports symbolises unity and friendship and was optimistic that the event would promote all these values. "May the younger generation be inspired by the value of sports displaying strong determination and perseverance", he maintained.

During the 3 day sports festival, sports persons will be competing in different disciplines including Badminton, volleyball, Lawn tennis, Billiards and snooker, Naga wrestling, Niathu 4x4 challenge, angling and cycling. The programme was chaired by Ato Yepthomi.

## **AO SENSO TELONGJEM KIPHIRE CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE**

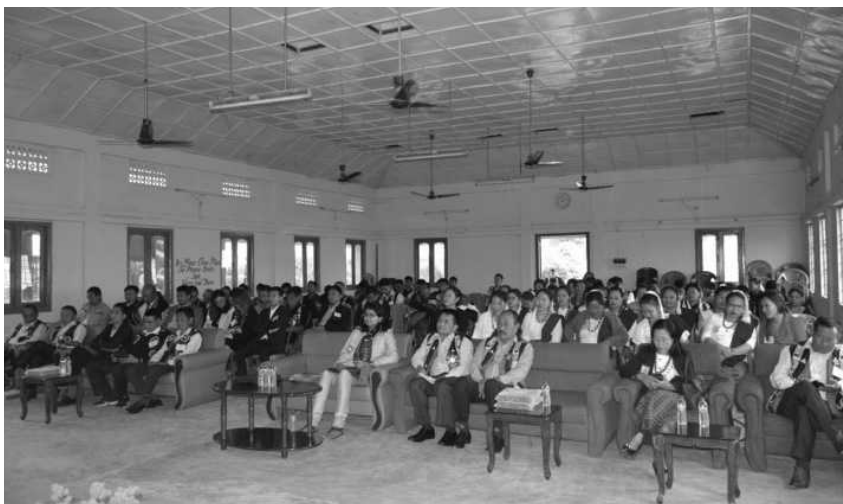
Ao Senso Telongjem Kiphire celebrated Golden Jubilee under the theme "Reawake" at Hopongkyu Memorial Hall, Kiphire on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019 with Deputy Commissioner, Kiphire Sarita Yadav, IAS as guest of honour.

Speaking at the event, Sarita said that the Ao Senso Telongjem Kiphire is a leading example in various fields and called upon the Ao Telongjem Kiphire to continuously work for the upliftment of the Ao society as well as for the Kiphire district.

Short speeches were also delivered by T. Seopi Sangtam president USLB, Lisecho Sangtam and Vice President Ao Senden which was followed by the release of the Souvenir book by the guest of honour.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. N. Moa Jamir stated that during the past 50 years the pioneers of AOs had really worked hard in different parts of Nagaland in fields like education, religion and even in the political movement. He encouraged them to follow their footsteps and urged them to preserve the





*Dr. N. Moa Jamir addressing the Golden Jubilee of Ao Senso Telongjem Kiphire at Hopongkyu Memorial Hall, Kiphire on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*

rich cultural practices and to work hard by leading an exemplary life. He stated that parents should play an important role in the family by giving proper guidance and support to the children. He further called upon the youngsters not to focus only on the government sector but take up entrepreneurship for their own

livelihood.

The programme was chaired by Ao Senso Telongjem Kiphire President, Lanuchuba Jamir, later Aotsur Telongjem Kiphire presented a traditional song while a special song was also presented by Liochum V. Sangtam.

## FELICITATION OF GIRL CHILD BIRTH AT LONGLENG

In view of observing the October Month as the month of the girl child, District Task Force, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) in collaboration with Mahila Shakti Kendra-(MSK) District level centre for women and District Hospital Longleng felicitated new born girl child on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at district hospital Longleng.

To support and celebrate the birth of girl child in the district, free birth certificate along with gift hampers were presented to the new born babies. Phungla Phom, WWO MSK, Longleng highlighted on the activities of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao and Mahila

Shakti Kendra office. She encouraged the mothers to visit the office for any queries related to women and girl child to avail the facilities provided by the government for them

Dr. Ademla Tinu, Senior Specialist (Gynaecologist) successfully performed the second cesarean section in the District Hospital. And to the utter joy on such occasion, both the babies were girl child. Medical superintendent, Dr. Lhovizotuo Belho, DHL appreciated the BBBP & MSK team Longleng for conducting such activity for uplifting the status of women and girl child in the district.

## CIVIL SERVICE CAREER COUNSELLING AT TUENSANG

The Tuensang District Administration organised a Civil Services oriented career counseling program at the auditorium hall of GHSS Tuensang for the class X

to XII students of GHSS Tuensang and GHSS Thangjam on 25<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2019.

Apenro Khuvung, Vice Principal, GHSS Tuensang

pronounced the welcome note while Ruokuosetuo Tetso NCS, EAC (P) Tuensang was the compere for the event. Delivering the inaugural address Rajashekara N IPS, DIG Range, Tuensang, gave an overview of the various central government service examination conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Staff Selection Commission (SSC). Demystifying the examination, he sensitized the students regarding the syllabus, subjects, and the kind of questions asked in these kinds of examinations. Highlighting the importance of basics, he enlightened and encouraged the students to be thorough with the curriculum being followed by the students at school in order to forge a strong foundation. Pointing out the level playing platform of the exams, he encouraged the students to aspire and prepare for such competitive exams irrespective of educational background.

The resource persons for the event were Minga Sherpa IAS, SDO(C) Tuensang, Dr Preetpal Kaur IPS, SDPO Tuensang, and N. Orenthung Kikon NCS EAC (P) Tuensang. Giving an introduction to the Indian Administrative Service, Minga Sherpa IAS spoke about the vast opportunities that the service provides. He also encouraged the students present to aspire for this noble profession in which one is empowered with the authority and responsibility to change lives. Dwelling on the Indian Police Services Dr Preetpal Kaur IPS not only enlightened the students about the uniformed services, but also challenged the students to shun self destructive practices. Highlighting the vast talent pool amongst the youth in Nagaland, she encouraged the students to aspire to be all-rounders. Giving an overview of the exams conducted by the Nagaland Public Services Commission examination, N. Orenthung Kikon NCS highlighted the differences and similarities between the All India Services and the State Civil Services. He also pointed out the requirements of being a civil servant irrespective of the service that one belongs to. Drawing from the whole scheme of the examinations, he pointed out how the whole process of preparing for these

examinations is a process of character building in itself.

Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang, Mohammed Ali Shihab IAS who also paid a visit during the event, encouraged the students for a career in the civil services. He gave the students a mantra of 4 D's - Desire, Direction, Discipline, and Dedication, while pointing out the excitement and challenges of being in the civil services. After the program, the officials led by the Deputy Commissioner and DIG (R) also inspected the GHSS Tuensang Premises.

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## **Toshi Wungtong graces VG Golden Jubilee at Chlliso Village**

Advisor IPR, SCERT and Village Guards, Toshi Wungtong graced the Chlliso Village Guard Golden Jubilee as special guest on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Chlliso Village.

Speaking on the occasion, he called upon the VGs and the public to shun their differences so as to achieve development and progress and to set example of unity and strength by living in harmony. He recollected the VG fraternities with pride who made their supreme sacrifice of giving their lives in defence of border villages. We salute them for their act of bravery and heroism and their unflinching loyalty and dedication to the organization and sacrifices made to call of duty over the years, he stated and urged the VGs to continue to live to its good name as the finest village volunteer, guarding and protecting the villages from insurgent and criminals activities in aiding with the civil administration of forging unity and harmony among various tribes and community at all times.

While stressing that better development activities could be carried forward only in cohesion and resolved social issues so that people could live peacefully, he also appreciated Advisor L. Khumo for taking keen initiative for all this successful programme.

Guest of Honour, Advisor L. Khumo speaking on similar lines called upon the public to uphold unity and focus on development and progress.

Short speeches were also delivered by Hd. GB Peshu village and Commandant VG Tuensang. The programme was chaired by CBC Pastor while Hd.GB Chilliso delivered welcome address.

## **Anti Drug Rally held at Mon**

The District Administration and District Executive Force Mon in partnership with Mon Users Network, All Nagaland Private School Association Mon Unit, Mon Town Students; Union, Toxic Peace, Mon Chamber of Commerce and DAPCU have organized ANTI DRUG RALLY on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Council Hall Mon on the theme “ The More You Use Drugs, The Less You Live”.

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Thavaseelan K. IAS while delivering the welcome address, also briefly mentioned that the programme was organized with the objective of creating awareness on the dangers of Drug Abuse and Addiction among the general population and the youngsters in particular.

Dr. Chenjei Konyak, Medical Officer, in his short presentation shared about the ill effects of drug abuse, and urged everyone to understand the problem and play a positive role at their own level. He further encouraged the participants to initiate Anti-Drug Club in Educational institutions and Wards to educate people to say “NO to drugs and to STOP who take drugs”.

Short speeches were shared by Longching, a member of Mon Users Network and P. Angchai, Counsellor, Observation Home Mon, while special songs were presented by Pongjei K and Ngipkhao K.

Besides presentation of Skit by Police Baptist Church Mon and a Short Documentary film on Drug abuse produced by Konyak Baptist Church Mon was also shown, while a dance was performed by Amigos followed by sharing on Why I don't do Drugs by students of ANPSA, Mon Unit.

The theme song against Drug Abuse for Mon which was composed and sung by Mr. Samuel Konyak was officially released during the event.

Imnalensa Sanglir, IPS, Superintendent of Police,

Mon in his vote of thanks appreciated the programme resource persons, the ANPSA for mobilizing school students and teachers, Toxic Peace for arranging Sound System, and the Mon Chamber of Commerce and Industries (MCCI) for sponsoring refreshment for participants and the co-organizers for their involvement in making the programme a grant success.

Earlier, around 700 students along with teachers from 18 Schools in Mon Town marched from their respective Schools with placards (on the theme) towards the Council Hall Mon where the formal programme was held.

The district level programme which was chaired by T. Chingmei K, President, Mon Town Students' Union, begun with pronouncing invocation by Ashim, District Chaplain and concluded with benediction by Metpei, Chaplain, Gospel Outreach Ministry and Rehab Centre.

## **Awareness Programme for SC-ST Entrepreneurs at Changtongya**

National SC-ST hub, awareness programme for SC-ST entrepreneurs organised by Nagaland Industrial and Corporation Limited in collaboration with Industries & Commerce Department Government of Nagaland, under the National SC-ST hub, (NSSH) scheme of the Ministry of Micro Small and Medium Enterprise, Government of India was held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at town hall, Changtongya.

Speaking on the occasion Moakumzuk Tsudir SDO (C) Changtongya encouraged the entrepreneurs to learn from the programme and said that business is a challenging job but most rewarding if one succeeds.

Short speeches was also given by C.M. LOTH Managing Director NIDC LTD, during which he said that the National SC-ST hub is an initiative of the ministry of MSME. Government of India is a platform to reach to the maximum SC-ST entrepreneurs to entrepreneurship the various scheme offered by different central and state Government Department

and Agencies, besides it is also platform to disseminate the various scheme of financial institution and credit rating agencies to the participant in all awareness programme. He also encouraged them to avail the facilities that are been provided by them.

Welcome speech and vote of thanks were delivered by Lipokwati General Manager DIC Mokokchung and by P. Zuvito Waths Sema Managing Director NIDC.

78 persons under Changtongya Sub-Division attended at the awareness programme and vote of thanks by Temjenyanger Jamir, Manager NIDC LTD.

## **DISTRICT LEVEL SCIENCE EXHIBITION HELD**

### **KIPHIRE:**

District Science Exhibition was held at EBRC Hall, Kiphire under the theme "Science and Technology for Sustainable Development" organised by the District Education office Kiphire, (DEO) on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

District Education officer, Kiphire Deenabandhu Panda in his short speech stated that the main objective of the exhibition is to inculcate the innovative idea of the students and to utilise them in our day to day activities. He informed that the winner of the District level will be participating in the state level Science Exhibition at Kohima which will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019. He thanked all the teachers from different schools for putting up their tireless efforts and also in helping out the students in their presentation and appealed to them to continuously work in shaping the career of the students.

The Science Exhibition was categorized into two criteria, Single and double presentation. Altogether 19 students participated in the Science Exhibition. In single presentation first position was bagged by Tinutemsula from Loyola Hr. Sec School and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Manish Kumar from Trinity High School. In Double presentation 1<sup>st</sup> position was bagged by Cia Bose and Chumtila A. Sangtam from Saramati View Modern School while 2<sup>nd</sup> position went to Chichem and Akhumse from Loyola Hr. Sec. School respectively.

The panel of the Judges were S.R Singh and Binash Joseph G/T.

The programme was chaired by Ridila G/T Yangphi School and welcome address was delivered by Lichumse Sangtam Asst. District coordinator.

### **MON:**

District level Students' science exhibition under the theme, 'Science and technology for sustainable development' was held at council hall Mon on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Speaking on the programme as special guest, ADC Mon Hiazu Meru stated that, lives became easy all because of science and technology and in the process of development mankind has over exploited the natural resources. If we go on exploiting the natural resources there will be ill effects on health, environment and our existence too, he stated.

Today, all over the world of all organizations starting from the United Nations are discussion on sustainability where mankind today has realized that now we have over exploited Gods given natural resources, he said. He also spoke 'sustainable development goals' of United Nations which was launched in 2015 where he elaborated on the areas on poverty eradication, food security, energy and health. Encouraging the young students' scientist, Hiazu Meru said such kinds of science exhibition it will motivate the students to understand and experience the scientific values. He appreciated to the teachers and students for coming with the new model and presentations.

In the individual category, Thanglong of St. John's Hr. Sec. School, Mon emerged as the winner, Priyance Shandilya of Christ King School, Mon and Yingmei M Konyak of St. Mary's High School, Mon got second and third prize respectively.

In group Category, Nginpong A Konyak & Ponpha of St. John's Hr. Sec School Mon got first prize. Mehu & Jahwang of GHSS Mon Town- D got second prize. Yeilih Konyak & Angtok Konyak of Edith Douglas School, Mon and Alih P Konyak & Keyeang Kheang of

St. Joseph's School Mon got Third prize respectively. Altogether, nine schools competed in the exhibition. Certificates were also given to all the participants.

T. Watlong Yanlem, GT GHSS Mon, Bendangrenla GT GHSS Mon-D and Dipayan Marak, PGT St.John's Hr.Sec. School, Mon were the judges during the exhibition. Earlier, SIS Wakching, Minching chaired the programme and Sr. SDEO Mon, Lhingneikim Singsit gave the keynote address.

### **MOKOKCHUNG:**

On the topic "Science and technology for Sustainable Development", District Level Science Exhibition 2019 was held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at EBRC Hall, Mokokchung village. Three Schools, namely, Queen Mary Higher Secondary School (QMHS), Senayangba Higher Secondary School (SHSS) and Mayangnokcha Govt. Higher Secondary School (MGHS) participated in the Science Exhibition programme.

District Education Officer, Mokokchung, Sademmongla delivered the welcome address, special song was presented by GHS Mokokchung Village, vote of thanks was proposed by Imkongwapang, ADC, DMA, Samagra Shiksha, Mokokchung. The programme was chaired by Project Assistant, DMA, Samagra Shiksha, Mokokchung, Temjensangla. The competition was held in both Individual and Group categories.

### **"Rashtriya Ekta Diwas" observed at Kiphire**

"Run for Unity" race was held at Kiphire district on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019, organised by the SP office Kiphire, to commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel as part of the observance of "Rashtriya Ekta Diwas" or "National Unity Day". Students from various schools participated in the race.

In the running race, the first position was bagged by Pisali from Trinity high School, second and third position were secured by Likhumba of Govt. High School Kiphire and Lumkhaba of Elbeth High school respectively.

### **Zunheboto district bans Gutka and Pan Masala**

In view of the escalating trend of tobacco use leading to addiction among the local youth and the ever-increasing number of tobacco related diseases in our society. Further, in pursuance of the Supreme Court interim order of 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016 and the State Government notification vide letter no HFW-23/B/FSSA/2010(PT) dated 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017 which prohibits manufacture, storage, distribution or sale of Gutka, pan masala (containing tobacco or nicotine) and other products marketed separately but having nicotine or tobacco in the final product.

The office of the Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto has issued a notification on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 stating that the sale of Gutka and all twin pack pan masala (containing tobacco and nicotine) conjoined or packaged as a separate product is prohibited in Zunheboto District with immediate effect. Non-compliance of the notification would be an offence punishable under section 59 of Food Safety and Standards Act 2006.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Inter-High School Sports Meet at Pughoboto**

1<sup>st</sup> Inter-High School Sports Meet Pughoboto was declared open by the EAC Pughoboto, Luchui Fithu at the Public Ground Pughoboto on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

Fithu said education is not confined only to four corners of the classroom. Education must maximise exposure of students to develop their hidden talent, personality and leadership qualities. She said that students should open up their minds for critical thinking, reasoning and problem solving, and engage in other curricular activities as much as possible. Fithu said that students should not be confined to classrooms, playing video games and watching videos in their mobiles but take active part in sports and games for overall development.

This sports meet was approved by the SDPDP Pughoboto with an objective to make education holistic beyond books, for better coordination



among the schools and to engage officers posted in Pughoboto and schools through a common platform.

The participating schools were GHS Pughoboto town, GHS Lazami, DBS Lazami, New Foundation School and Mission School from Pughoboto. The event included badminton, volleyball, race and tug of war.

The program was chaired by Administrator NFS Pughoboto, Anito Swu while the welcome address was given by SDAO Pughoboto Myanthung Patton. The invocation was pronounced by Associate Pastor, Youth PTBC, Gamalial. Special song was presented by Qhehuli Swu. The oath taking was administered by PET GHS teacher, Hokiqhe Sheqi.

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## **POCHURIES CELEBRATES YEMSHE MINI HORNBILL FESTIVAL**

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The premier festival of Pochury “YEMSHE” mini hornbill, a joint initiative by the government of Nagaland and Pochury Hoho scheduled from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019 is under way at Akhegwo village. Pukhayi Sumi, Advisor, Food and Civil Supplies, Taxes, LM & CP graced the occasion as the special guest.

He said Pochuries are very rich in traditions and its indigenous items are very unique in comparison to that of other Naga tribes. Therefore, he urged the people to preserve and promote it. He also said that under PDA government’s initiative, Hornbill festival has earned a name both at the national and international level.

## TRIBAL HOSTEL INAUGURATED AT SENAYANGBA GHSS

Minister Higher Education, Technical Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along Longkumer inaugurated the newly constructed Tribal Hostel building at Senayangba Govt. Higher Secondary School, Ungma, Mokokchung on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

In his speech, he said it was the vision of our leader Dr. S.C. Jamir way back in 1972. Since then, the institution has produced many prominent leaders. He said teachers have a great responsibility as they are the mentors of the young minds who are the future of our land. He said empowerment of people can only be achieved by imparting right knowledge to the young people.

He urged the school authority, the village councils and every right thinking citizen to come forward and play their respective roles in order to impart the right knowledge so as to produce good leaders for our society in future.

Short speeches were delivered by Deputy Speaker NLA, Sharingain Longkumer and chairman, Ungma Village Council, Alemtoshi Imsong, Tatar. Special song was presented by the students of Senayangba GHSS while invocation was said by Dr. Rev. Noklen, Pastor, Ungma Baptist Church. Vote of thanks was proposed by the Principal, SHSS, Lakhi Longkumer. The programme was chaired by Imtimangyang PGT.

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## INAUGURAL PROGRAMME OF KIPHIRE YOUTH CENTRE

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Inaugural programme of Kiphire Youth Centre was held at Kiphire Youth Centre (SBC Commercial building) on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

KYC was established on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019, under the presidentship of Thripili Anar, and it was formally inaugurated on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 with ADC Kiphire, Reny Wilfred, IAS as the special guest. In his speech, he assured that he will help KYC in every possible way for the upliftment of youth and society in

the district.

Thripili Anar, president KYC in his presidential speech said that KYC will focus on non profit motive and will give ample opportunities to youth in every possible way. To create a sense of competitive spirit, Essay competition was conducted under the theme "Jogging is good for health" where two students from every school participated in the competition.

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## ALS STUDY CENTRE INAUGURATED AT WOKHA

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Alternative Learning System (ALS) study centre was formally inaugurated by DC Wokha, Orenthung Lotha on 29th October 2019.

Commissioner & Secretary to the Governor of Nagaland and President, LOA, Mhabemo Yanthan in his keynote address said this mission is possible only because of the collective efforts of Lotha Officers' Association (LOA) and team of officials from Wokha. He expressed his confidence that the centre will go a long way in nurturing and motivating the students to compete in this fast changing world. He also urged all the sections to extend support in order to take the

centre forward. Encouraging the students to take advantage of the facility, he urged the students who are about to start their maiden coaching year to be committed, sincere and devoted in their venture and give something back to the society.

DC Wokha while speaking during the inaugural function held at Orchid Complex said, this institute has come into reality because of the efforts and support put in by the LOA, for which he thanked all officers involved for the contribution in starting this institute. He also stated that that the centre is now being established at our doorstep because of which,



*Commissioner & Secretary to Governor of Nagaland and President Lotha Officers' Association (LOA), T. Mhabemo Yanthan, IAS speaking during the inauguration of ALS Study Centre at Wokha on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*

he urged the students to avail the opportunity and appealed to all sections of the society/community to extend support for the success of the institute. He also highlighted the concept and feature of the centre to

the first batch students.

The inaugural function was chaired by Dr. Longshibemo Yanthan while vote of thanks was proposed by SDO (C), Wokha Chonpenthung Ezung.

## KWAKPWA LAMSIMNGYI MINI HORNBILL-CUM-HUT INAUGURATION

Kwakpwa Lamsimngyi Mini-Hornbill Festival was celebrated at Mt. Pauna Tourist Village Benreu on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 with Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio as the special guest.

Lamsimngyi is one of the most popular Zeme festivals, which is celebrated with great pomp and gaiety, usually during the last part of October or early November. Lamsimngyi or Kwakpwa ngyi is a festival of rekindling of the loving relationship between parents and married daughters/sons families; between family of married niece and the chosen maternal uncle's family; and games & sports competition for boys &

youths are also conducted. On the first day, they cook the best delicacies and share between families called Kwakpwa & Hetamram.

In some villages, the Day belongs to the brides where they gather and enjoy the day for the last time before transitioning to a woman. Also, the women folk, according to their age, gather in groups and enjoy the day in each other's company, while the men folk look after the household chores and take care of the children.

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio in his speech spoke on the unique cultural diversity of the

Nagas and encouraged the gathering to promote and preserve their own respective culture and tradition. Benreu being regarded as Tourist Village, Rio further urged the villagers to emphasise more on cleanliness.

The Chief Minister also inaugurated the new tourist Log Huts. Earlier, the inauguration programme was chaired by Dr. Lungsang Nsarangbe & Kebana Thou, welcome speech and key note address on Hut

Inauguration by DC Peren, Sentiwapang Aier while short speech was delivered by Advisor for Tourism, H. Khehovi Yephthomi and vote of thanks was proposed by Kengim Kulimbe. Youths from Heningkunglwa, Mpai and Benreu village showcased different traditional games like Naga Wrestling, Hezwa (Long jump) and High jump (Heram).



## PHEK SHOWS THE WAY HOW EDUCATION SYSTEM CAN FLOURISH THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

(A DIPR Feature)

While the education system faced challenges in the recent years with strikes, delay in supply of materials, the all too familiar scenario of proxy teachers; in the midst of it all the community in Phek proves that with strong community partnership, the education system can flourish to its full potential. This was evident when a team of officials from Samagra Shiksha, School Education Department headed by Mission Director, embarked on an inspection tour.

The Communitization Act 2002 was launched with the vision that with community participation, sectors such as education, health care etc would experience development through accountable partnership. Sadly, in most cases the endeavor failed to translate into reality. However, there are some pockets in our society that stands tall in displaying the core of our culture- a community bond that promotes the welfare of the society.

Visiting the schools in Pfutsero and Zapami, the impact of community participation can be translated in its success. GHSS Pfutsero with classes from 6 till 12 and with an enrollment of a commendable 660 students, the school gleams in the façade of an admirable community support. And rightly so because the school would be the first Government school in the state with CCTVs in the classrooms, an equipped Atal tinkering lab, a modern computer lab with more than 25 computers, projectors and other gadgets,

sick room, reading room, clean toilet complex, drinking water facility, hand wash area with water from a rain water harvesting tank, organic vegetable and flower garden and more. All these facilities/amenities gives tough competition to the private schools in the area during admission time as most parents rush for admission to GHSS Pfutsero. These added facilities in the school are purely through community contribution and participation.

Ownership and accountability can be contagious and in Zapami, not very far from Pfutsero is a cosy village that reflects the same ideology. The additional 5 rooms of the lone GMS in the village was constructed solely by the community. Infact, the school even maintains a community supported teacher for the past 10 years to address the acute shortage of teachers and to add to their shared goal of quality education. Science practical classes are conducted by using simple equipment procured by the community to motivate and interest students in science subject. A hostel for the school children of the GMS is also managed by the community as a way of extending quality intervention since most of the parents of the children are farmers and are not well read and do not have the ability or time to teach their children after school hours. Through the hostel, habits of hygiene and cleanliness, maintaining study hours and other etiquettes are taught. The Church sponsors the salary of the



hostel warden and Village Council sponsors the salary of the cook, while the parents contribute firewood and rice. The enrollment in the GMS has since gone up. The school also organizes picnics, activities, ensures meals are provided to the students and even mobilized funds towards an exposure trip. The village community also shared their plans to construct assembly hall for the GMS through community mobilization.

The members of the community have undoubtedly managed to create a scholastic environment for

the students that target a holistic approach to education.

It can be rightly stated that the success of a school is a social and communal endeavor. The community spirit in these schools are indicators that the state has the potential to meet the increasing pressures for greater community support towards academic outcomes. With a strong partnership and an accountable community participation, success is only the next step.

*(Source : Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland)*



*Government Higher Secondary School, Pfutsero*



*Chief Minister Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio and other dignitaries at the inaugural programme of Tourist Log Hut at Mt. Pauna Tourist Village Benreu, Peren on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.*



*Director IPR, Limawati Ao and Samagra Shiksha officials along with cultural troupes during the State Level Kala Utsav at Dr. Neilhouzhū Kire GHSS Seikhazou, Kohima on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019.*





*Special Invitee, Subongnukshi Ao, IFS and Forest officials along with students during the Wildlife Celebration Week at Forest Complex, Kohima on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019.*



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