



Union Minister, Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman with Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio, Minister, Planning & Coordination, Neiba Kronu and other dignitaries during the Nagaland CSR & Investment Conclave 2022 at NBCC Convention Centre, Kohima on 22nd August 2022.



Prime Minister, Narendra Modi along with his Cabinet Ministers and Chief Ministers of States during the seventh meeting of the Governing Council at New Delhi on 7th August 2022.



Agriculture Production Commissioner, Nagaland, Y. Kikheto Sema with the team from World Bank, during their visit to the Nagaland GIS and Remote Sensing Centre on 30th August 2022.



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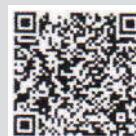
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OFFICIAL ORDERS AND NOTIFICATIONS

NEW OFFICE BEARERS OF AND&DGDU NOMINATED

The All Nagaland Directorate & District Government Drivers' Union (AND&DGDU) Office, through its nominating committee headed by the Convener, has constituted new office bearers of AND&DGDU for the tenure July 2022-July 2025. They are as follows: President - Kikrulhoulie Paphino, Urban Development Department; Vice President - Mepunungsang, Planning & Coordination Department; General Secretary - Otiyanger, Treasuries & Accounts Department; Joint Secretary - Petekrielie, Education Department; Finance Secretary - Loshuo Mao, Power Department; Treasurer - Bhakta Bahadur, Public Works Department; Information Secretary - Kupovi Sema, Power Department; Assistant Information Secretary – Thepfukuolie Pielie, SCERT Department; Advisor - Repatemjen, SIRD Department.

ESTABLISHMENT OF RSAs AND SRUs IN THE DISTRICTS

Chief Secretary, J. Alam IAS through a partial modification notification dated 27th July 2022, has notified to eliminate hazardous manual cleaning of sewers and septic tanks as per the 'Prevention of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act (PEMSRA) 2013.' In this regard, the Governor of Nagaland is pleased to order the establishment of Responsible Sanitation Authorities (RSAs) and Sanitation Response Units (SRUs) at the district level in the State.

The notification of the Urban Development Department, Government of Nagaland, further notified the terms of reference for the role of RSAs, SRUs, norms of SRU for different categories of cities, the composition of SRU, and duties and responsibilities of various personnel of SRU.

SCHEME FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR ADMINISTERING ROAD SAFETY ADVOCACY AND AWARD

Motor Vehicle Department, Government of Nagaland has notified the scheme for 'Financial assistance for administering road safety advocacy and award for outstanding work done in the field of road safety.' The objective of the scheme is to stimulate and encourage opportunities for various agencies and academic institutions accredited/affiliated to or recognized as a university or deemed universities by UGC, through participation, to create awareness of road safety with a focus on a result-oriented outcome and reduction in road fatalities through behavioral changes.

The scheme further aims to ensure active participation of all stakeholders viz. State Government, corporate houses, auto industry and their associations, universities, institutions, Non-Governmental Organizations and the society at large, to improve the road safety scenario. The primary objective is to provide financial assistance to various agencies engaged in the activities to propagate road safety messages among citizens and recognize those making positive contributions in the field of road safety with some awards.

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The Office of Transport Commissioner, Kohima further informed that the scheme guidelines will be available on the Ministry's website and scheme portal.

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS INFORMS ON GOOD SAMARITAN SCHEME

To motivate the general public to help road accident victims during emergencies, the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has announced the 'Good Samaritan Scheme.' Under the scheme, anyone who saves the life of a fatal road accident victim by administering immediate assistance and rushing them to the hospital within the 'Golden Hour' will be awarded.

The scheme came into effect on 15th October 2021 and shall remain operational till the completion of the 15th Financial Cycle i.e. 31st March 2026. The amount of award for each Good Samaritan would be Rs. 5000/- per incident. Also, there will be 10 National Level Awards for the most worthy Good Samaritans who will be selected from all those who have been awarded during the year with a cash award of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) each.

A standard and uniform format of acknowledgment is to be used by the Police/Hospitals and furnished to the Appraisal Committee at the district level comprising the Deputy Commissioner, Superintendent of Police, Chief Medical Officer, and the Regional/District Transport Officer. The Appraisal Committee shall scrutinize the details of the Good Samaritan and the incident under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner, before submitting to the Transport Department for release of the cash award.

POWER DEPARTMENT INFORMS ON ELECTRICITY DISCONNECTION MESSAGE

The Department of Power has informed the public that a disconnection message that is circulating, claiming to be from an electricity officer, is likely to be a scam, as the Department of Power does not send disconnection messages via WhatsApp.

Regarding this, Chief Engineer (D&R), Power, Er. Moa Aier has directed the Executive Engineer (E) Kohima to file a case with the Cyber Police Unit at Kohima, and all the other divisions have also been informed to educate the consumers and inform the police if similar case arises.

NAGALAND POLICE NOTIFIES ON TRAFFIC OFFENCES

In view of the increase in the number of vehicle accidents along the Kohima-Dimapur National Highway including the private and commercial vehicles, Nagaland Police has been conducting enforcement drive of violators along the National Highway in Dimapur as well as Kohima in the past few weeks. It is to bring to the notice of the public the various offences under the Motor Vehicle Act 1988

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and other notifications under which the Nagaland Police has been enforcing as follows:

Section	Offence	Fine (Rs.)
177	General penalty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st offence - Rs. 500/- • 2nd offence - fine up to Rs. 1,500/-
181	Driving without license	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine up to Rs.5,000/-
183(1)	Over-speeding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rs. 1,000/- to Rs. 2,000/- for LMV • Rs. 2,000/- to Rs. 4,000/- for medium/heavy passengers or goods vehicles. • Second subsequent offence - impounding of Driving License
184	Penalty for dangerous driving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence - imprisonment of 6 months to 1 year and/or fine up to Rs. 1,000/- to Rs. 5,000/- • Subsequent offence (within 3 years from first offences - imprisonment up to 2 years and/or fine up to Rs. 10,000/-
185	Drunken driving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence - fine up to Rs. 10,000/- and/or imprisonment up to 6 months • Second offence - fine up to Rs. 15,000/- and/or imprisonment up to 2 years
192	Using vehicle without registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contravention of Section 56 also punishable under this provision. • First offence - fine from Rs. 2,000/- up to Rs. 5,000/- • Second offence - imprisonment up to 1 year or fine Rs. 5,000/- up to Rs. 10,000/-
192(A)	Using vehicle without permit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence - imprisonment up to 6 months and fine of Rs. 10,000/- • Second offence - imprisonment between 6 months to 1 year and / or fine of Rs. 10,000/-
194(1)	Overloading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine of minimum Rs. 20,000/- and Rs. 2,000/- per excess tonne and liability to pay for overloading
194(2)	Refusal to stop and submit vehicle for weighing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine of Rs. 40,000/-
194(A)	Carriage of excess passengers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine of Rs. 200/- per excess passenger

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194(D)	Penalty for not wearing helmets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fine of Rs. 1,000/- and disqualification from license for months
196	Driving uninsured vehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First offence - fine of Rs. 2,000/- and/or imprisonment up to 3 months• Second offence - fine of Rs. 4,000/- and/or imprisonment up to 3 months
199(A)	Offence by juveniles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guardian owner deemed guilty• Fine of Rs. 25,000/- and imprisonment up to 3 years and cancellation of registration of motor vehicle used by the juvenile in the offence, for 12 months• Juvenile ineligible to obtain learners license until the age of 25 years

Nagaland Police has appealed to the general public to follow the provisions of the law, and in case of violations, to pay the fines only under proper challan and with the authorized Police Officers only. In case of any unauthorized personnel collecting fines without proper challan, the same may be brought to notice of the Control Room which has been set up for receiving any complaints/information regarding illegal collection of money by providing specific information accompanied by photographic and videographic evidence (i) 112 (ii) 8798881978 (iii) 8798881979 and (iv) Email ID - PCRillegalcollection@gmail.com.

The general public may also contact the Nagaland Police Officers whose CUG (Closed User Group) mobile numbers are available in the 'Call Your Cop' mobile app which can be downloaded from Play Store. The information can be shared with Nagaland Police via voice call, Whatsapp, text message, E-mail and so on. The confidentiality of all persons reporting such complaints shall be maintained, if so desired.

NBSE INFORMS SCHOOL PRINCIPALS ON RATIONALISED SUBJECTS

Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) has informed all Higher Secondary Schools and Colleges registered under NBSE that the National Education Policy 2020 emphasises on reducing the content load and providing more space for critical thinking and more holistic, inquiry-based, discovery-based, discussions-based and analysis-based learning.

In this regard, NBSE, Kohima has rationalized the topics in Political Sciences, History, Sociology, Economics, Psychology, Geography, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology, Accountancy and Business Studies in line with the National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) rationalized syllabus. Moreover, the syllabus have been rationalized/dropped in view of the content, which are easily accessible to students and can be self learnt, which are irrelevant in the present con-

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text and overlapping with similar content included in other subjects. The rationalized syllabus will be effective from this academic session i.e. 2022.

All the Principals have been requested to note the change and disseminate it to their concerned subject teachers so that they can instruct and guide the students properly. The rationalized syllabus will be hosted in the Board's portal www.nbsenl.edu.in and shared in the district WhatsApp groups. Further, it is to be noted that the rationalized/dropped topics or contents shall not be assessed in the final examinations.

DR. S. CHAKRABORTY APPOINTED DIRECTOR-CUM-DEAN OF NIMSR KOHIMA

On the recommendation of the Search-cum-Selection Committee, Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences & Research (NIMSR) Society, the Governor of Nagaland in the interest of public service, is pleased to appoint Dr. Soumya Chakraborty as Director-cum-Dean of Nagaland NIMSR Kohima with immediate effect.

The appointment shall be on a contract basis with monthly remuneration as per the 7th CPC Pay Matrix Level-14 (Rs. 144200-218200) per month with applicable allowances etc. and the term of appointment shall be governed as indicated in the Advertisement Notice dated 10th May 2022.

The terms of reference for Director-cum-Dean of NIMSR, Kohima shall be as per the bye-laws of the society or as may be prescribed by the Government from time to time.

This is issued with the approval of the Cabinet vide letter No. CAB-2/2013, dated Kohima, 21st April 2022.

NAGA SEPAKTAKRAW MEDAL WINNERS FELICITATION PROGRAMME



Naga Sepaktakraw medalists, Viseyie Koso, Sezovelu Dozo, Akumtila with Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports (YRS), Er. Zale Neikha and officials at the felicitation programme held at the Conference Hall, Directorate of YRS on 4th August 2022.

A felicitation programme, organized by the Youth Resources & Sports Department, to honor the Naga Sepaktakraw medalists who recently represented India at the 35th Kings World Sepaktakraw Championship in Bangkok, was held at the Conference Hall, Directorate of YRS on 4th August 2022.

Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha congratulated the three medal winners Viseyie Koso - the captain of India's Men's Team which won the Gold Medal while Akumtila and Sezovelu Dozo who represented the Women's Team, won Bronze medal. He mentioned that Sepaktakraw, being one of the youngest disciplines of sports in Nagaland, has many records of participation at national and

international levels and has brought many outstanding contributions to the country. He urged players from other disciplines to derive motivation and pursue their goals and also expressed his appreciation to the State Academy for preparing and nurturing the young players with discipline and zeal for higher determination.

The Advisor said the lack of a Sepaktakraw Indoor Stadium will be taken up immediately with the higher authority.

The Advisor also informed that the Department of YRS has recommended the promotion of Havildar Visweyie who is an employee of Nagaland Police, to the authority for consideration. He assured that the State Government will provide the best facilities and requested all the sportspersons to be more dedicated and to work hard, not only for the State but the country in future events.

Short speeches were shared by medal winners Viseyie Koso and Sezovelu Dozo about their experiences in the recently concluded championship.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PACKAGING CONDUCTS TRAINING ON PACKAGING IN DIMAPUR

In order to spread awareness about the importance of packaging and also to promote the export market, by way of innovative package

design and development, standardization, etc, the Indian Institute of Packaging held a one-day capacity-building training on Packaging of Fresh

and Processed Food Products of Nagaland under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav at Tourist lodge, Dimapur on 4th of August 2022. APC and Commissioner & Secretary, Y. Kikheto Sema IAS along with Director of Horticulture, Dr. R. Elithung Lotha, Director of Agriculture, M. Ben Yanthan and IEDS Joint Director & Head of Department MSME-DI Dimapur, Taliwati Longchar attended the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Y. Kikheto Sema said India being the second largest producer of goods, packaging becomes vital. He encouraged the people of Nagaland to focus on producing their goods since Nagaland has a high potential for horticulture, agriculture, and organic goods. He said better packaging helps reduce loss and damage, and wastage of products and produce. It enhances product value and also helps to expand the market within and outside, and an appropriate package also contributes to environmental protection and ecological balance.

Deputy Director & Regional Head IIP-Kolkata,

Bidhan Das, who was also one of the resource persons, stated that there is a need to develop an alternative packaging system for foods that would be easily acceptable to the market for various commodity items and the requirement of using mathematical models capable of predicting the shelf life of the packaged product in its real condition of use. He said the Food Safety Act Packaging Regulation 2018, Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules 2022 and the Food Safety Act- Labelling and Display Regulation 2020 are also to be followed by the Food Business Operations. While speaking about the Institute, he said it has taken steps to disseminate information on the latest trends and technology in the field of packaging to micro, small and medium-scale entrepreneurs.

The other resource persons were Senior Manager Sales & Marketing Reliance Industries Limited, Kolkata, Bivas Das and Assistant Director, Indian Institute of Packaging, Kolkata Centre, Rishu Gautam.

NAGALAND LAUNCHES PHASE-II VACCINATION MISSION ON FMD

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (AH&VS), Nagaland under the aegis of the Nagaland Livestock Development Board (NLDB) on 5th August 2022, officially launched the second phase of the pivotal scheme, National Animal Disease Control Programme on Foot and Mouth Disease (NADCP). It was launched by Dr. Nsanthung Ezung, Director, AH&VS at the NLDB Office, Dairy Farm Complex, Lerie, Kohima.

It is pertinent to mention here that the NADCP was launched by Prime Minister, Narendra Modi on 11th September 2019 which envisages control of FMD and Brucellosis diseases in livestock by 2025 and freedom status by 2030.

Director, Nsanthung Ezung in his address, urged all the department officers and field staff to be sincere and ensure all the mandate of the programme by vaccinating the entire eligible cattle and buffalo population against the FMD in the State. The disease is a highly contagious viral vesicular disease of cloven-hoofed animals such as cattle, buffaloes, sheep, goats and pigs etc. which leads to reduction in milk yield, decreased growth rate, infertility, reduced working capacity in bullocks, and trade embargo in the international market. Control of FMD can be achieved by mass vaccination of susceptible livestock repeatedly at regular intervals till the incidence of the disease comes down.

Ezung also urged the farmers to take full benefit of the programme and vaccinate their livestock against FMD. Further, he emphasised that the mission can be accomplished only through the support and cooperation from the

district and village authorities, and requested them to extend full support and cooperation to the Department, while carrying out vaccination in their respective jurisdiction.

1st STATE OPEN JAVELIN THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

The 1st State Open Javelin Throw Championship 2022 to commemorate the Gold Medal won by Neeraj Chopra in Tokyo Olympics 2020, organized by Dimapur Athletics in collaboration with Nagaland Athletics, was conducted at Government Higher Secondary School Ground, Dimapur on 6th August 2022.

ADC, Dimapur, Mhalo Humtsoe said that some reasons as to why we are not excelling in sport is the coming up of new technologies as children are all caught up with it, and they do not want to go outdoor for physical activity, and the mindset of the society including parents, encouraging children to go for white collared jobs. She hoped that the championship would motivate the young people to take up sports and inspire them to self-discipline, build confidence and develop the personality to achieve their goals in life.

Under the Men Open Category, Shilutemjen bagged the first position while Medo Linyu and Jeyalo Kath bagged the second and third position respectively, and under the Women Open category, Ruulhoubeinu bagged the first position while Vithonu Theyo and Netolu Medeo bagged the second and third positions respectively. Under Boys U-16, Peramdihei Kereu bagged the first position while Iteisape Reunim and Tsibulie Nagi bagged the second and third positions respectively, and in the Girls U-16 Category, Temjenrenla emerged first while Litika Singh and Arenpenla bagged the second and third positions respectively. Altogether 122 athletes participated in the championship. District Sports Officer Dimapur, Tepulezonu Tetseo graced the closing ceremony as the special guest.

ACTIVITIES UNDER HAR GHAR TIRANGA CAMPAIGN OBSERVED ACROSS THE STATE

The 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign which is a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations was officially launched on 12th August 2022 at World War II Museum, Kisama, Kohima with Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio as the special guest. The event started with the hoisting of the National Flag by the Chief Minister.

Rio in his address said that flags are a symbol of pride and joy of our hard earned freedom and that the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign is to

invoke a feeling of patriotism in the hearts of the people and to promote awareness about the Indian National Flag. Rio further urged all the citizens of the State to hoist the national flag from the 13th to 15th August so as to take part in the nationwide campaign. He also encouraged the different departments and village councils to actively create awareness so as to ensure the participation of the people from all the sections of the society. Rio mentioned that the Azadi Ka

Amrit Mahotsav celebrations in Nagaland is being held by various organisations through walkathon, quiz competitions, rallies, drawing competitions, cleanliness drive. Apart from houses, the flag will be hoisted in PSUs, local self-government bodies, government, educational institutions, commercial establishments and private firms.

Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha, Advisor, Technical Education, Election, Medo Yhokha and Chief Secretary, J. Alam, IAS also spoke at the event.

In view of the celebration of the 75th year of India's Independence, 'Prabhat Pheri' (Morning Processions) as part of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav were held in different districts of the State on 10th August 2022.

KOHIMA:

In the State Capital, Kohima, Prabhat Pheri was organized by District Administration and DEF Kohima. The rally kick-started at two locations- one at Tinpati Junction with DC Kohima, Shanavas C, IAS flagging off the campaign and at PHQ Junction by Senior SP Kohima, Kevithuto Sophie, IPS. The procession culminated at the Old MLA Hostel junction with a short programme. A host of officials from District Administration, DEF Kohima, employees from different government departments, schools, and the public attended the programme.

On 13th August 2022, a Motorcycle Rally under the banner of Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, Azadi Ka Amrit Mohatsav was organized by 37 BN BSF from DC's Office complex Kohima. The rally started with a flag-off carried out by Shanavas C. IAS, Deputy Commissioner Kohima in the presence of S. P. Singh, Officiating Commandant, 37 BN BSF, other civil dignitaries,

officers and troops of the BN and ended the same at Chedema, BSF Camp.

NOKLAK:

Prabhat Pheri (Morning processing/walk) under the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign was conducted at Noklak town on 8th August 2022. The morning processing was led by DC Noklak, Hiazu Meru, and EAC, Noklak Kathyinla. Representatives from all the wards of Noklak town, teachers, and students from Government Higher Secondary School, Noklak. The procession started from Welcome Gate (Tuensang Road) and culminated at the DC's Office complex, Noklak where a short programme was held.

NIULAND:

Niuland district organized a week-long Prabhat Pheris (Morning walk) from the DC's Office on 8th August 2022 to encourage the citizens to hoist the tricolor in their houses from 13th to 15th August, to keep the spirit of patriotism alive, and to promote awareness about our national flag.

KIPHIRE:

The 'Tiranga Walkathon' was held in Kiphire on 8th August 2022, jointly organized by 14th (IR) Bn and DEF at District HQ Kiphire. It started from the Helipad to Tuensang Road Junction in Kiphire. HOOs, troops of 14 IR Bn. and DEF and school contingents participated in the programme.

DIMAPUR:

As part of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, Police personnel under Dimapur district led by Commissioner of Police, Rothihu Tetseo, IPS conducted the morning procession/walk carrying

the national flags from CP's Office to City Tower, and back to CP's Office.

Prabhat Pheris (morning procession/walk) was also conducted in Dimapur district on 9th August 2022, which started simultaneously from two locations - one led by Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Sachin Jaiswal, IAS which started from ADC Court Junction and the other group led by ADC Dimapur, Mhalo Humstoe which started from the CP's Office Junction, and the procession culminated at City Tower, Dimapur. Thousands of participants including government officials, CSOs, students in uniform from different schools and colleges, and the general public participated in the morning walk, carrying the national flag.

MON:

Officials and school students took part in Prabhat Pheris at Helipad Ground, Mon on 9th August 2022 to create awareness about the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign. Altogether, 150 participants from three government schools from Mon participated in the rally.

District Administration Mon in collaboration with DEF Mon organized Har Ghar Tiranga Walkathon from Local Ground to Council Hall, Mon on 11th August 2022. The walkathon was flagged off by MLA, N. Thongwang Konyak.

WOKHA:

In commemoration of 75th year of India's Independence, the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign rally was organized by District Administration Wokha on 9th August 2022 from Police Point to Deputy Commissioner's Office, Wokha. Advisor for Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan, Advisor for Justice & Law, Dr. Chumben Murry, and Advisor for Information Technology & Communication, Science & Technology,

New & Renewable Energy, Mmhonlumo Kikon participated in the rally. Heads of Offices from Wokha district, government employees, and school students also took part in the rally.

A lecture for students on 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' and 'Har Ghar Tiranga' was conducted by 'E' Coy of Chieswma Battalion, Assam Rifles, Bhandari at the Don Bosco Higher Secondary School (DBHSS) Bhandari, Wokha on 8th August 2022.

Prabhat Pheris (morning procession/walks) was organized by the District Administration on 12th August 2022 at Bhandari, Wokha. Heads of offices, administration, government servants, public leaders, GBs and students participated in the procession which started at Town Hall Junction, Bhandari and culminated at Sports Ground, Bhandari.

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

Prabhat Pheris was conducted in Chumoukedima district, jointly organized by the Chumoukedima Administration, Police, 1st NAP, 15th NAP (IR), and PTS. The morning walk which started from Chumoukedima Gate-2 and culminated at the Shopping Complex opposite Niathu Resort, was led by DC Chumoukedima, SP Chumoukedima, ADC, and participants including government officials, CSOs, CTYO, Student Union bodies, Police, IR, Mahila, SPC, and Traffic Police carrying the national flag.

TSEMINYU:

Tseminyu district conducted Har Ghar Tiranga Rally Walkathon, led by Dr. Zasekuolie Chusi IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Tseminyu and Kanchan Kumar Kandpal, IPS Superintendent of Police, Tseminyu.

LONGLENG:

Har Ghar Tiranga campaign was organised by the District Administration, Longleng on 11th August 2022 from Lempong Junction to Hukpang Junction. Government Officers, Staff, GBs, DBs lead by the District Administration participated in the morning rally.

Longleng District Police also organised Har Ghar Tiranga Bike Rally, under the theme 'Jaargukta Abhiyan' on 12th August 2022. The rally which started from Public Ground, Longleng and culminated at SP's Office, Longleng, saw 34 police bikers participating in the rally.

MOKOKCHUNG:

In commemorating the 75th year of Independence, Mokokchung district led by Deputy Commissioner Mokokchung, Shashank Pratap

Singh, IAS participated in the 'Prabhat Pheris' (Morning procession/Walks) under the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign at Mokokchung on 12th August 2022. The walk started from Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung and culminated at Deputy Commissioner's residence.

TUENSANG:

Several activities under Har Ghar Tiranga were conducted on 13th August 2022 at Tuensang. A flag rally was conducted which began from DC's bungalow and covered all the roads of Tuensang district. Cleanliness drive was also conducted in all the wards and sectors of Tuensang. Students of Government Higher Secondary School Tuensang also participated in the flag rally organized by the District administration.

VALEDICTORY PROGRAMME FOR FTII TRAININGS HELD AT DIPR

Advisor, Information & Public Relations (IPR) and Village Guards, S Keoshu Yimkhiung with Secretary IPR, Maria Yanthan, IPR officials and trainees at the valedictory programme for Film & Television Institute of India trainings at the Directorate of IPR, Kohima on 10th August 2022.

Valedictory programme for Film & Television Institute of India (FTII) trainings was held at the Directorate of Information & Public Relations, Kohima on 10th August 2022.

Advisor, IPR & Village Guards, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung addressing the programme, said that if such trainings are held regularly, the younger generation can make good use of the opportunity

and it will go a long way in molding their career.

Secretary, IPR, Maria Yanthan IAS exhorting the gathering, encouraged the participants to explore their creative side and not only focus on getting government jobs. She also said that Nagas are very talented and encouraged the youths to venture out from their comfort zone and work hard and make a name for themselves.

Additional Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo chairing the programme, said that IPR is one of the oldest departments in the State and since its inception, the Department has been playing a vital role as the public relation agency and publicity wing for the Government. She said that FTII, commemorating the country-wide celebrations under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, decided to advance the cause of film education by conducting online short courses free of cost for scheduled tribes participants. She mentioned that since the training was conducted through online mode, it required a lot of technological support and uninterrupted internet connectivity. Therefore with the support of IT&C Department, the first training on basic smartphone filmmaking was conducted at Directorate of IT&C and the remaining three trainings were held at Directorate of IPR. She said that IPR is a technology driven

department and the trainings have helped in enhancing the capabilities of the people working in the department and the trainees at large.

Joint Director, Asangla Imsong, sharing on the overview of the programme, highlighted in brief the profiles of the resource persons for Smartphone Film Making (Ajmal Jami), Screenplay Writing (Sudipto Acharyya), Screen Acting (Anita Salim) and Film Appreciation (Avinash Roy and Jasmine Kaur Roy). She further informed that the second phase of the training will be held eventually.

Trainees sharing their experiences, said that the trainings have taught them how through smartphones, one can create outstanding contents and through the lens of a phone, it can help us frame the world, its characters and scenarios for different audiences. The trainees were coached on teamwork through assignments like short video making, filmmaking, film grammar, screenplay editing from where we discover their own methods and voices.

A total of 51 certificates were issued to all the participants by FTII upon successful completion of the trainings. A short film titled 'Rest' which was directed and produced by the trainees, was screened during the programme.

PD, H&FW INSPECTS MEDICAL COLLEGE SITE

The Department of Health & Family Welfare led by Principal Director, Dr. K. Vikato Kinimi, monitored the ongoing works at the new Medical College site at Phriebagie, Kohima on 11th August 2022.

On visitation of the site, Dr. Kinimi emphasized that for the progress of the ongoing project, there should be no excuses and work must be completed within scheduled time because it has now become a matter of utmost urgency

and need of the State to have fully functioning Medical College by 2023-2024.

A review meeting was also held with all the contractors and officers present, and they were directed to complete all the pending works within the stipulated timeline and to conduct timely monitoring of the process to avoid and lags. Further, they were also reminded that no excuses or extension will be tolerated/approved until then.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS ACROSS THE STATE

KOHIMA:

The 76th Independence Day celebration was held at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 15th August 2022.

Delivering the Independence Day speech, Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio stated that all the elected representatives of the State have come together and that they will make way once the solution to the Naga political issue is reached. He appealed to all the parties concerned to listen to the voice of the people for an immediate solution.

Highlighting the achievements made by various Departments of the State, Chief Minister Rio informed that the Government is successfully providing critical marketing link in the agriculture value chain by continuously building 'Naturally Nagaland' as a premium and organic brand. The Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department has been producing piglets through three 'Model Piggery Farms in Nagaland' and is also working on bringing in private initiative. The Department is also focusing on development of other indigenous animals like Thotho Cattle and Mithun under Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM), he added. Rio said that to meet the demand of fish, a road map has been developed by the Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Department. He also stated that through the collaborative efforts of the villages and the Forest Department, Community Conservation Areas have been declared, which act as conservation areas for forests, biodiversity and water sources and springs.

Rio informed that the Government is aiming to complete works under 'Housing for All' by 2024. Highlighting on the health sector in the State, the Chief Minister said that the second Integrated Ayush Hospital (50 Bedded) at

Chedema, Kohima under National Ayush Mission (NAM) was inaugurated on 4th March 2022 and that 382 Ayushman Bharat-Health & Wellness Centers, which provide Comprehensive Primary Health Care (CPHC), more than the State's target, have also been inaugurated. He stated that the construction works at Nagaland Medical College Kohima has shown 75% physical progress and 60 posts of key senior positions have been created. He informed that the Chief Minister Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS) will be launched from 2nd October 2022.

On education sector, Rio said that in line with the National Education Policy, the Department of School Education has been focusing on providing quality education to all students. A New Age platform has been launched on a pilot basis in 100 selected Government Schools from the academic year 2022, which would facilitate and promote adopting blended teaching-learning processes in Government Schools.

On sports infrastructure in the State, the Chief Minister said modern indoor stadiums at Tuensang, Noklak, Niuland, Tsemnyu and Chumoukedima, multipurpose stadiums at Wokha, Longleng and Kohima, and Astro-turf football grounds at Mon, Peren, Mokokchung and Police Sports Battalion are being set up. He said with the coming up of the State's 1st Regional Centre for Sporting Excellence (RCSE) for Archery, Shooting discipline, Adventure & Motor Sports and Futsal at Sovima, sports people of the State will be benefited. By successfully organising the South Asian Cross Country Championships & the 56th National Cross Country Championships in Kohima and with the upcoming Nagaland Olympic & Paralympic

Games 2022, he said the State has indicated its growing strength in organising events.

The Chief Minister said under SANKALP project, the Department of Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship is establishing one Entrepreneurs Development Centre on pilot basis at Government ITI Complex, Kohima and one 'School of Excellence in skill development at Government Higher Secondary School, Zubza.

Department for Development of Underdeveloped Areas (DUDA) is successfully bringing a transformative change in backward areas through State and Central anchored programmes and interventions. He added that the Mongken brand created by the Department functions as an umbrella brand to market tribal products in the mainstream commercial space.

Rio announced that plots of land have been allotted to Nagaland Government near CMC Vellore and near NEIGRIHMS in Shillong free of cost by the Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of Meghalaya respectively, to construct 'Naga Patients House.' He said that infrastructure in the capital city is going to see further improvement with many major projects such as the Multilevel Car Parking at Old NST & Medical Directorate, Slum Redevelopment within the ABD Wards and up-gradation of Kohima Local Ground.

Highlighting on power sector, Rio stated the Department of Power is consistently moving towards ensuring stable power supply throughout the State. On tourism, he opined that Nagaland, with its colorful, vibrant culture and stunning landscape, can become a prime tourist destination in the country.

The Chief Minister said that 15 Police Station areas of the State were denotified from being disturbed and thus, taken out of the purview of

the AFSPA. He hoped that more areas will come out of the ambit of AFSPA soon.

Rio stated that to promote transparency, accountability and promote ease of living, the Personal Information Management System (PIMS) for the government employees has been further strengthened and ePay Bill based on PIMS data has been introduced for all the employees.

Nagaland Legislative Assembly (NLA) Secretariat became the first in the country to operationalize paperless assembly proceedings under E-Vidhan initiative and soon, functioning of NLA will be fully digital and paperless, Rio said. Highlighting on the desire to resolve the long-standing border dispute with neighboring States, he said that the NLA had constituted 'Cabinet Select Committee' to examine the border issue and for amicable settlement of inter-state border issues.

Chief Minister Rio stressed that Nagaland on the economic front, needs to grow much faster and broader, and create more employment opportunities for its youth, driven more by private enterprise. He further called on all to continuously build capacities, to enable their inherent talent to blossom, in order to not only benefit but also contribute towards faster economic growth. He urged that there is need to attract investments for harnessing our rich natural resources, especially oil and natural gas, effectively and sustainably.

The 76th Independence Day celebration at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima was also marked with cultural and entertainment presentations by different cultural troupes, students and departments. The Department of Information & Public Relations organized a photography exhibition on the theme 'Journey of Nagaland through the lens,' which was

inaugurated by Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio. LED screens were also set up at the exhibition for visitors to view the photos displayed in the exhibition through virtual mode. The 20 parade contingents taking part in the March Past were led by Parade Commander, Deputy Commandant, 4th NAP Battalion, Thizama, James Sema and Second-in-Command was Assistant Commandant, 15th IR (NAP) Mahila Battalion, Ayangla S. Pongen.

On the occasion of the 75 years of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration, the Chief Secretary of Nagaland, J. Alam, IAS and Agriculture Production Commissioner, Kikheto Sema, IAS handed over Integrated Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd. Registration Certificates to Sechuma Village Integrated Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd. and Sakhabama Village Integrated Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd. at the Secretariat Plaza on 15th August 2022. Their main

activities includes agri and allied activities, including agri credit facilities and marketing of their produces, and the aim is to groom these

cooperatives into a producing units/companies, generating employment and income for each member of the villages. Till date, 132 Integrated Village Multipurpose Cooperative Societies have been registered.

As part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration to commemorate 75 years of India's

Independence, 75 Self Help Groups (SHGs) under Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission were awarded Rs. 1.31 crore loan from Nagaland Rural Bank. The cheque was handed over to NSRLM-SHG by the Chief Minister of Nagaland during the Independence Day celebration at the Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 15th August 2022. The bank credit will support the SHGs and their households in taking up income generating activities covering Farm Livelihoods, Non-Farm livelihoods and Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) Micro-enterprises. This will foster the national goal of creating 'Lakshpati SHG Women' to enable SHG women to earn at least Rs. 1 lakh per annum. It may be mentioned that the State Mission has thus far created an SHG corpus of more than Rs. 160 crore which remains as a collective fund at the community level, and have also accessed Rs. 28.41 crore through bank credit till date.



Home Commissioner, Abhijit Sinha, IAS with officials and players during an exhibition football match played between Secretariat XI and DC Kohima XI at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 15th August 2022.

The evening programme of the 76th Independence Day celebration at Secretariat Plaza, Kohima was held with Home Commissioner, Abhijit Sinha, IAS as the guest of honor. On the occasion, an exhibition football match was played between Secretariat XI and DC Kohima XI, and Secretariat XI won with a scoreline of

4-0. Other highlights of the programme included a Band Display by the 45 Assam Rifles Pipe Band, Nagaland Police Central Brass Band, and Nagaland Police Auxiliary Brass Band.

At Chiephobozou HQ, Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha, as the chief guest, unfurled the national flag during the 76th Independence Day celebration at the Local Ground on 15th August 2022.



Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Chiephobozou on 15th August 2022.

Jakhama Sub-Division celebrated the 76th Independence Day on 15th August 2022 with SDO (C), Jakhama, Ruopfukuotuo Noudi as the special guest.

DIMAPUR:

In Dimapur, Advisor for Power, Tovihoto Ayemi unfurled the national flag and took rashtriya salute from 16 parade contingents led by ACP, Johnny M. Patton as Parade Commander at DDSC Stadium, Dimapur on 15th August 2022. The Advisor delivered the Independence Day speech.

Adding more colors to the celebration, Army choppers carrying the national flag flew past the DDSC Stadium to the cheering crowd.

Other highlights of the programme celebration included a parade review by the Commissioner of Police, patriotic song by S. D. Jain Higher Secondary School, choreography by Livingstone International School, dance by Nritya Academy of Dance and Arts, cultural presentation by Garo and Kachari Cultural Groups, and inauguration of exhibition stalls by the Advisor. The day was also marked by an exhibition Cricket Match between DC XI and CP XI, prize distribution, and beating of retreat by 43rd Assam Rifles. On the occasion, 14 people were awarded the Meritorious Service Award for Dimapur district.

At Medziphema Sub-Division, the 76th celebration of Independence Day was carried out at the Local Ground on 15th August 2022 with Advisor for Sericulture, Excise and Minority Affairs, Zhaleo Rio (Retd. IAS) gracing the occasion as the chief guest.



Advisor, Sericulture, Excise and Minority Affairs, Zhaleo Rio taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Medziphema on 15th August 2022.

PHEK:

In Phek District HQ, the celebration was carried out at Local Ground, Phek town with MLA & Leader of NPF Legislature Party, Kuzholuzo Nienu as the special guest. He hoisted the national flag and took rashtriya salute from 17 parade contingents taking part in the march past, led by ABSI Kuzhoso Epao and ABSI Weput.

The special guest inaugurated the exhibition stalls of the Agri and Allied Departments and Self-Help Groups during the occasion. Folk songs and dances of various groups and demonstrations of Taekwondo were the highlights of the celebration.

At Pfutsero, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated at the Town Sports Complex with MLA and Chairman DPDB Phek, Kezhiyen Khalo as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

Meluri Sub-Division celebrated the 76th Independence Day was celebrated with MLA Yithachu hoisting the national flag as the chief guest on 15th August 2022.



MLA, Yitachu taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Meluri on 15th August 2022.

At Chozuba, MLA Chotisuh Sazo graced the 76th Independence Day celebration as the special guest on 15th August 2022.



MLA, Chotisuh Sazo addressing the gathering on the occasion of Independence Day celebration at Chozuba on 15th August 2022.

WOKHA:

Wokha district celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Local Ground with Deputy Chief Minister, Nagaland, Y. Patton as the special guest. The special guest hoisted the national flag, took rashtriya salute from the parade contingents and also delivered the Independence Day speech.

Ten parade contingents took part in the march past, which was led by Assistant Commandant, 7th NAP, Y. Ashito Aye. Highlights of the programme included the presentation of folk songs by Wokha Town Lakhuti Women Cultural Troupe, Zuvotong Cultural Group Humtso village, and poem recitation of 'My unsung patriotic song' by Esther T. Ngullie. The chief guest inaugurated the stalls put up by various government departments and NGOs.

Bhandari Sub-Division celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Public Sports Ground on 15th August 2022 with Advisor for Information Communication & Technology, Science & Technology, New & Renewable Energy, Mmhone Kikon as the special guest.



Advisor for Information & Technology, Science & Technology, New & Renewable Energy, Mmhone Kikon taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Bhandari on 15th August 2022.

At Sanis ADC HQ, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated with Advisor for Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan, unfurling the national flag as the chief guest on 15th August 2022.



Advisor, Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Sanis on 15th August 2022.

MOKOKCHUNG:

The 76th Independence Day celebration at Mokokchung was held at Imkongmeren Sports Complex with Minister for Rural Development

and SIRD, Metsubo Jamir hoisting the national flag. He also inspected the 12 parade contingents commanded by Parade Commander, Chuba Chang, SDPO (HQ) Mokokchung and Second in Command, ABI, K. Meren Jamir, 2nd NAP Battalion.

Highlights of the day's programme included presentation of a cultural dance by Cultural Club Khensa, a Pipe Band Display by 23rd Assam Rifles, and an exhibition Tug of War Match between All Ward Union Mokokchung and Mokokchung Town GB Union. On the occasion, the Minister presented the District Award 2022 to five recipients. The Minister also inaugurated the exhibition stalls and the newly constructed Basketball Court at Imkongmeren Sports Complex.

Mangkolemba celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Public Ground on 15th



Minister, Higher Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along during the Independence Day celebration at Mangkolemba on 15th August 2022.

August 2022 with Minister, Higher Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along as the special guest.

At Changtongya town, the 76th Independence Day celebration was held at SDO (C) Office Complex, with SDO (C) Changtongya town, Rorheu Peseyie as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

LONGLENG:

Longleng celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Public Ground, with Minister for Health & Family Welfare, S. Pangnyu Phom as the special guest.

Nine parade contingents took part in the march past. The national anthem was sung by the students of Phom Lempong School. Folk Dance by Noklangkong Adhoc Ward and Yongnyah Union, Longleng town, Modern Folk Fusion by Leinak Youth, Exhibition Match (Tug of War) by Driver's Union Vs Chamber of Commerce, Phomla Hoichem Vs PSC (Women) and All Ward Union Vs DBs & GBs, March Past by the Parade Contingents, Presentation of District Award to 14 people, inauguration of Exhibition-cum-Sale Stalls by the special guest and Free COVID-19 Vaccination Drive by the Health & Family Welfare Department were the highlights of the day-long programme.

PEREN:

In Peren, Chairman of UDA, T. R. Zeliang unfurled the national flag and took rashtriya salute from the parade contingents at Deputy Commissioner's Office Complex.

During the programme, T.R. Zeliang gave away the certificate of commendation to two successful entrepreneurs of Peren district, namely Aleuna Ndang and Pausuina Herie. March past was led by Dy. SP, Ngimchule Nampeung. Highlights of

the day included the hoisting of the national flag in all Government Offices/Residences/Institutions, dance by Peren Village Council Cultural Troupe, Heraka Cultural Troupe, Jalukie B, and Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Jalukie.

Jalukie town celebrated the 76th Independence Day at GHSS Ground with Advisor, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Dr. Neikiesalie Nicky Kire as the special guest on 15th August 2022.



Advisor, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Dr. Neikiesalie Nicky Kire inspecting the parade contingents during the Independence Day celebration at Jalukie on 15th August 2022.

At Tening town, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated with ADC, Tening, Tokai V. Achumi as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

At Ahthibung, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated at SDO (C) Office Complex, Peren on 15th August 2022 with SDO (C) Ahthibung, N. Zubenthung Ngullie as the special guest.

NOKLAK:

Advisor, Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Economic & Statistics and Evaluation, L. Khumo hoisted the national flag at Noklak HQ on the occasion of the 76th Independence Day on 15th August 2022.

Twelve parade contingents took part in the march past led by Parade Commander, Assistant Commandant, 'F' Coy, 3rd NAP, Noklak, Logubu Nsu, and Parade 2 I/c ABSI Pengthang, DEF Noklak. Advisor L. Khumo handed over the District Commendation Award to nine recipients and inaugurated the exhibition stalls showcased by various agri and allied departments. Cultural dance was performed by Lengnyu Village Guards. Football Exhibition Match was played between District Planning & Development Board XI (DPDB XI) and Khiamniungan Tribal Council XI (KTC XI). Beating of Retreat was performed by the 14 Assam Rifles Pipe Band.

TUENSANG:

Tuensang district observed the 76th Independence Day with Advisor, PWD (R&B), H. Chuba Chang as the special guest at the Parade Ground.

Fourteen contingents took part in the march past and the District Commendation Award was awarded to 12 people. Certificates of appreciation for 100% COVID vaccination was also awarded to GPS Noksen, GMS Noksen, GHS Noksen, and St Joseph's School Noksen. The programme was also graced with display by the Tuensang District Taekwondo Association, 3rd NAP Pipe Band and Hauhyang Choba Pipe Band. Changen Cultural Club, Sangli Cultural Club, and Rajasthani Dance also displayed cultural items. The special guest also inaugurated the exhibition stalls, and launched the Soudak Project, a crash course program to prepare aspirants for different competitive exams, initiated by the Chang Wedoshi Setshang and sponsored by Sanglee, RTO Kohima.

Longkhim town celebrated the 76th Independence Day with MLA and Chairman

DPDB Tuensang, Muthingnyuba Sangtam as chief guest at the Public Ground on 15th August 2022.



MLA, Muthingnyuba addressing the gathering on the occasion of Independence Day celebration at Longkhim on 15th August 2022.

ZUNHEBOTO:

Zunheboto district observed the the 76th Independence Day at the Local Ground with G. Kaito Aye, Minister for Agriculture and Cooperation as the special guest.

Altogether, there were 14 parade contingents, led by Parade Commander Aketo Chisho, SDPO, Pughoboto. 15 government employees of Zunheboto district were also felicitated with District Commendation Certificates. A football exhibition match was also played between DC XI and ZAPO.

Pughoboto Sub-Division celebrated the 76th Independence Day with MLA, Y. Vikheho Swu as the chief guest at the Local Ground on 15th August

2022. Altogether, six contingents participated in the programme.



Advisor, Tourism, Art & Culture, Khehovi Yepthomi addressing the gathering during the Independence Day celebration at Satakha on 15th August 2022.

At Satakha town, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022, with Advisor, Tourism, Art and Culture, Khehovi Yepthomi as the special guest.



Advisor, Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority and Civil Administration Works Division, Kazheto Kinimi taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Akuluto on 15th August 2022.

At Akuluto ADC HQ, 76th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022 with Advisor, NSDMA and CAWD, Kazheto Kinimi as the special guest.

At Aghunato, the 76th Independence Day was observed at ADC Office premises with SDO (C) Zhoi Lohe as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

MON:

Mon celebrated the 76th Independence Day on 15th August 2022 at the Local Ground with Minister, Transport, Civil Aviation & Railways, P. Paiwang Konyak as the chief guest. The event witnessed performances by Atzing K Konyak, ABC (RHQ Mon), Mon Chamber Choir, Wangkhao Government College students, The EaStory Project and Cultural Dance by Tangnyu Maikai Cultural Troupe, Monyin Union Mon Town and Mopong Hongkong Union, Mon Town. An exhibition football match was played between Officers Club Mon and Civil Societies, and a Tug of War competition was held between the 11 Wards under Mon town. Beating of Retreat ceremony was carried out by the 6th NAP Pipe Band.

At Tizit, Advisor, Land Resources C. L. John graced the 76th Independence Day celebration at the Local Ground as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

At Tobu, the 76th Independence Day was observed on 15th August 2022 with Advisor DUDA, Bongkhao Konyak as chief guest.

Aboi celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Local Ground on 15th August 2022 with



MLA, Eshak Konyak taking the rashtriya salute during the Independence Day celebration at Aboi on 15th August 2022.

MLA, Eshak Konyak as special guest.

At Thonoknyu HQ, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022 with SDO (C) Wangan Phom as the special guest.

At Chen, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated at the mini SDO (C) Complex on 15th August 2022 with EAC Mon, Khenpa Konyak as the special guest.

At Wakching Sub-Division, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated at SDO(C) Office chamber on 15th August 2022 with SDO (C) Wakching, James Renbi Kikon as the special guest.

At Monyakshu, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated with SDO (C) Monyakshu, Bumang as the special guest on 15th August 2022.

KIPHIRE:

Kiphire Aspirational District celebrated the 76th Independence Day on 15th August 2022 at the Public Ground with Minister, Soil & Water Conservation, Geology & Mining, V Kashiho Sangtam as the special guest.

During the entertainment session, Agape School performed the line dance, special presentation by Yopichum, special Song by JNV Kiphire and cultural Dance by Tikhir Tribal Union Kiphire and Akehta Sangtamlaru Thsingmujang. Certificates were awarded to 12 villages and two schools under Kiphire district for 100% successful completion of 2nd Dose COVID-19 Vaccine. Altogether, 11 stalls were set up by different departments and SHGs under Kiphire.

Seyochung ADC HQ celebrated the 76th Independence Day celebration at office campus on 15th August 2022, with ADC, Seyochung, Renbemo Ezung as the special guest.

At Pungro town, the 76th Independence Day was celebrated on 15th August 2022 at the Public

Ground with Deputy Speaker, NLA, T. Yangseo Sangtam as the special guest.

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

Chumoukedima district celebrated the 76th Independence Day at the Public Ground with Minister for PHED, Jacob Zhimomi hoisting the national flag and taking the rashtriya salute from the parade contingents led by T. Henthai Phom, ACP Traffic and Second in Command, Armed Branch Inspector, 1st NAP Battalion, Pachio.

The celebration was marked by cultural presentations from Chekiye Cultural Troupe, Kuki Cultural Troupe, Phom Cultural Troupe, and Yimkhiung Cultural Troupe. The celebration also witnessed performances by Pijus Barua CN, C. P. Dimapur, Lulu Rakho, Godwin Higher Secondary School and choreography by Nagaland Police Central School, Chumoukedima. Minister Jacob Zhimomi inaugurated the exhibition stalls.

NIULAND:

The 76th Independence Day at Niuland was graced by Minister of Planning & Coordination, Land Revenue and Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu who unfurled the national flag at the Public Ground and took rashtriya salute from the 15 different parade contingents led by Parade Commander, K. Vekato Chishi (ACP) Niuland.

St. Joseph School, JNV Nihokhu, and Shepherd High School performed special presentations, and folk dances were performed by Project Colony, Niuland Town, and P. Vizheto village, followed by the inauguration of exhibition stalls.

TSEMINYU:

The 76th Independence Day held at Rengma Sports Association Ground, Tseminyu Old Town was graced by Tongpang Ozukum, Minister for PWD

Housing & Mechanical. The chief guest inspected seven parade contingents led by Mosenlo Apon, Assistant Commandant, 4th NAP, Tseminyu, and also formally inaugurated exhibition stalls from various departments under Tseminyu district.

The highlights of the programme were cultural dance by Kandinu Public Union Tseminyu, Kasha Daho, and special numbers by Ephraim Pamie, exhibition football match played between DPDB Tseminyu Vs Football Association Tseminyu District.

Mongtsuwong Cultural Troupe, Kuthur Village, Sangphur Village, Shamator village, and Sukiur-B village Cultural Troupe. Advisor S. Keoshu Yimkhiung also inaugurated GA Flat at Shamator.

DELHI:

Nagaland House Delhi staff celebrated the



Advisor, Food & Civil Supplies, LM&CP, Pukhayi Sumi, Additional Chief Secretary & Chief Resident Commissioner, Nagaland House New Delhi, Jyoti Kalash and others on the occasion of Independence Day celebration at 29, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi on 15th August 2022.

SHAMATOR:

Citizens celebrated the 76th Independence Day at Shamator with Advisor, Information & Public Relations, Village Guards, S. Keoshu Yimchunger as the special guest.

A special number by C. Rukkila, a Taekwondo demonstration by SDTA. Dr. Mhathung Ngullie, MO, Shamator received the first District Outstanding Service/Meritorious Award. The inauguration of stalls was followed by cultural presentations from Lunkhe Cultural Troupe,

76th Independence Day on 15th August, 2022 at 29 Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi. Advisor for Food & Civil Supplies, LM & CP, NSDMA, Pukhayi Sumi unfurled the national flag.

Additional Chief Secretary & Chief Resident Commissioner, Nagaland House Delhi, Jyoti Kalash also delivered a short message to the gathering. Around 200 staff and children attended the programme. The Guard of Honour from 1st NAP Delhi base also took part in the function.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS DURING THE STATE LEVEL INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

GOVERNOR'S GOLD MEDAL AWARD:

1. Rajkumar M, IFS, DFO, Kohima.
2. Er. Kewizun Zeliang, NPS, Additional SP (Communication), NPTO.
3. Er. Y. Akito Sema, Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, Dimapur.
4. Dr. Nyanthung Kikon, Deputy Director & State Nodal Officer, Integrated Disease

Surveillance Program (IDSP).

PRESIDENT'S POLICE MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD (MEDAL & SCROLL) (Announced on Independence Day, 2020):

1. N.Chumdamo Jamio, DIG (IR) North, Kohima, Nagaland.

PRESIDENT'S POLICE MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD (MEDAL & SCROLL) (Announced on Republic Day, 2021):

2. M. Rhovisie Nyuwi, NPS, Commandant, 12th NAP Battalion (IR), Chingtok, Longleng.
3. Vipin Yhoshu, Inspector, DEF, Mokokchung.

GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE:

1. Arindam Sinha, Receptionist, Nagaland Home, Guwahati.
2. Moasunep K. Jingru, NCS, EAC, Seyochung, Kiphire.
3. Menuolhoulie Yhome, DB, Grade-II, DC's Office, Kohima.
4. N. Abel Kikon, Inspector & I/c State Crime Police Station, Nagaland.
5. Vilavotuo, Chowkidar, Office of the Commissioner, Nagaland.
6. Vekhoto Tetseo, CDPO, Chozuba.
7. Ato Kesiezie, Night Chowkidar, Industrial Training Institute, Kohima.
8. Mhathung Humtsoe, Retd. Nursing Assistant, Lakhuti Village, Wokha district.
9. Dr. Holiba A. Anar, Medical Officer, District Hospital, Kiphire.
10. Dr. C. Furkumzuk, Sr, GIS Analyst, Nagaland GIS & Remote Sensing Centre.
11. Janak Raj Sharma, Jamadar, Home Department, Nazarat Branch.
12. P. Ongchi Khamniungan, Subedar Major, V. G. Tuefg Sadar.
13. T. Imdong Phom, Advisor, Phom Literature Board.
14. C. Noklem Konyak, Village Council Chairman, Longwa village, Mon.

GOVERNOR'S GOLD MEDAL AWARD (Announced on Independence Day, 2021):

1. Temsuyangha Ao, UBSI, Commissioner of Police, Dimapur.
2. Tepunol Yore, District Project Officer, Land Resources Department, Wokha.
3. Er. Nirie-e Nisa, Executive Engineer, Office of the Chief Engineer, PHED.
4. M. Rollan Lotha, Chief Operating Officer (Programs), NSRLM, RD Department.
5. T. Ado Yanlem, NPS, Additional SP, Mon.

GOVERNOR'S GOLD MEDAL AWARD (Announced on Republic Day, 2022):

1. Vineet Kumar, IAS, ADC, Naganimora, Mon.
2. Manoj Kumar A, IPS, SP (Crime), PHQ.
3. Vishika Achumi, ABSI, in-charge, SOT, Dimapur.
4. Dr. Anungla Aier, Chairman, Anthropological Society of Nagaland.

AWARD OF UNION HOME MINISTER MEDAL FOR EXCELLENCE IN INVESTIGATION FOR THE YEAR 2021 (MEDAL & SCROLL):

1. Temsuyanba Ao, UBSI, DEF, Dimapur.

AWARD OF PRESIDENT'S FIRE SERVICE MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE (MEDAL & SCROLL) (Announced on Republic Day, 2020):

1. T. Shilu Jamir, Dy. SP, Fire & Emergency Services, Nagaland.

AWARD OF PRESIDENT'S FIRE SERVICE MEDAL FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE (MEDAL & SCROLL) (Announced on Republic Day, 2021):

1. A. Wati Jamir, Inspector, Fire & Emergency Services, Nagaland.

2nd NAGALAND OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES HELD

The inaugural programme of the 2nd Nagaland Olympic and Paralympic Games 2022, football event started at Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 17th August 2022 with Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha as the special guest.

Neikha in his address said that Nagaland Olympic and Paralympic Games symbolizes the unity of athletes coming from every corner of the State to showcase their love for the games. He added that the goal of the Olympic movement is to contribute in building a peaceful world through sports where events are held without discrimination with the spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play. The Advisor conveyed to the participants that their participation is a victory for the State and said that winning and

losing is part of sports. He encouraged that their participation will boost their confidence and morality and added that being able to take part in the Nagaland Olympic meant they are the best in the State.

Advisor to Chief Minister and Secretary General, Nagaland Olympic Association, Abu Metha unfurled the flag of the Nagaland Olympic Association during the programme. Welcome address was delivered by President, Nagaland Football Association, K. Neibou Sekhose while a special song was presented by Nourhengunuo Zatsu. Altogether, 4,000 athletes from all the districts of the State competed in 11 disciplines which included archery, athletics, badminton, basketball, boxing, football, lawn tennis, taekwondo, shooting and wushu.

CEO IDAN ALEMTEMSHI LAUNCHES eTrac APP

CEO, Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN), Alemtemshi Jamir launched the eTrac (electronic transportation, reception, accommodation, and communication) app during a coordination meeting with the Liaison Officers of CSR Conclave 2022 at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 17th August 2022.

Department of Information Communication & Technology, Government of Nagaland, developed the eTrac application which is available in the

Play Store for Android phone users and would soon be put up on the iOS platform as well.

Through the app, the Liaison Officer (LO) or the concerned individual can access the notifications of the event being organised, and can receive messages from the control room. The LOs can access the detailed schedule of the programmes, assignments including information of the guests, hotel accommodations, mobile numbers, e-mails, etc.

BOOK RELEASE ON ANNUAL PRICE BULLETIN & NSS 75th ROUND REPORTS

A programme on book release of Annual Price Bulletin 2022 & NSS 75th Round Reports, namely i) Household Social Consumption: Health ii) Household Social Consumption: Education, were released by Advisor to Chief Minister, Abu Metha at the Directorate of Economics & Statistics on 18th August 2022.

While speaking at the programme, Commissioner & Secretary, Kevileno Angami said that the Department has a huge task of collecting authentic, factual data. Coalition, tabulation and dissemination of data is critical for policy formulation. She further said that gathering, analyzing and interpreting data aids in many

decision making process and if false data were to be collected, the State's policies would be faulty.

Advisor to CM, Abu Metha mentioned that it is necessary for any government especially the State to ensure accurate information and any policies, programmes which concern the welfare of the people, and Government initiatives should be backed up by factual data and scientific data. Strategies should be formulated and data and information should not only be the foundation of research and progress but they should also be

available for students in schools and colleges. Metha urged the department to make maximum use of technology to boost transparency and meritocracy in the State which in turn, will also be the basis of good governance. The way forward is through the advancement of technology and he asked the department to find ways to push the State ahead to establish numerical benchmarks and to ensure that policies are meeting initial aims and identifying any areas which require improvement.

2nd SUPERVISION MISSION OF FOCUS-NAGALAND HELD

The 2nd Supervision Mission of Fostering of Climate Resilient Upland Farming System in the Northeast (FOCUS)-Nagaland was held on 17th August 2022 at Hotel Vivor, Kohima.

A six-member team headed by Programme Officer, Frew Behabtu and three members from FOCUS-Mizoram arrived in the State and some officials from IFAD joined virtually. The mission team visited different districts, interact with the project team and Agri & Allied departments from 18th to 24th August 2022.

Addressing on the financial constraint of the State, Agriculture Production Commissioner (APC) and Mission Director, Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS chaired the programme virtually and welcomed the visiting team members. Deputy State Director-FOCUS, I. Lipokonen Jamir gave an overview presentation of the physical, financial achievements, the status of the agreed actions of previous mission of the project and the travel itinerary for the field visit.

The APC also met and interacted with the team members at Hotel Vivor, Kohima.

e-SANJEEVANI TELE-CONSULTATION PLATFORM FOR NAGALAND

Healthcare delivery system has come a long way in providing primary, preventive and curative healthcare with its three-tier system viz. Primary, Secondary and Tertiary. Ayushman Bharat lays the foundation of upgradation of existing primary healthcare facilities into Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) and also provisioned the IT enabled consultation and service delivery through telemedicine. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) with the support from Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) launched eSanjeevani, a national telemedicine platform to virtually connect patients, irrespective

of where they live with qualified and skilled health providers.

In Nagaland, it was launched on 6th August 2022 by the Minister for Health & Family Welfare, S. Pangnyu Phom. USAID's flagship health system strengthening project NISHTHA, implemented by Jhpiego is supporting the State of Nagaland for operationalization of HWCs and smooth implementation of eSanjeevani Tele-Consultation in the State. State Health Department endeavours to strengthen the service delivery through the eSanjeevani application by providing requisite training and other support to

the health care workers at all the facility level.

The Tele-Consultation platform has two modules:

1. Community Health Officers (CHOs) to Doctor: To enable patient assisted consultations by the CHOs to the Doctors at the HWCs (eSanjeevani AB-HWC). Patients requiring treatment should visit the Health and Wellness Center - SC, whereby necessary examination and investigation will be done and tele-consultation can be initiated through the Community Health Officers.
2. Patient to Doctor: It allows patients to consult doctors from the comfort of their homes (eSanjeevani OPD). For Patient to

Doctor Consultation, the application can be accessed using the web page URL as <http://esanjeevaniopd.in>. One can download the android/iOS based eSanjeevani OPD Application from Play Store.

e-Sanjeevani enables a patient residing in rural areas to avail quality healthcare services. It extends the reach of specialized healthcare services to masses in both rural areas and isolated communities. It will also enable the health practitioners to give e-prescriptions. The timing of the eSanjeevani OPD services initially will function from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on official working days.

DGP NAGALAND FELICITATES



HSLC & HSSLC Toppers 2022 who are children of Police personnel were felicitated at a programme held at Mini Conference Hall, Police Headquarter, Kohima on 18th August 2022.

The Felicitation-cum-Award programme for HSLC & HSSLC Toppers of 2022 for children of Nagaland Police personnel was held at Mini-Conference Hall, PHQ on 18th August 2022. DGP Nagaland, Senior Police Officers of PHQ, Unit Commanders and other meritorious students and parents attended the programme through video conference from various parts of Nagaland.

Congratulating all the achievers and their parents for their dedication and sacrifice and

wishing them the best in the days to come, DGP, Nagaland, T. John Longkumer, IPS felicitated and presented the DGP Commendation Certificate along with Rs. 30,000 per achiever to all the 13 (thirteen) meritorious children of Nagaland Police personnel in recognition for their excellent academic achievement and performance. The award incentive to the meritorious HSLC & HSSLC students was sponsored by the 'IPS Nagaland Chapter' and 'NPS Association Nagaland.'

DELEGATION FROM NAGALAND MEETS UNIDO TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE STATE



State government officials led by Advisor, Industries & Commerce and Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Imnatiba called on the country representatives of UNIDO at New Delhi on 17th August 2022.

With an aim to spur industrial development and growth in Nagaland, Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Imnatiba, Senior State Government officials, and representatives from Think Through Consulting (official advisors to the Industries & Commerce Department, State Government of Nagaland) met the country representatives of United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) at New Delhi on 17th August 2022.

Advisor Imnatiba, along with the Director of Industries & Commerce, Vitsutho Nyuthe discussed the scope of industrial development in Nagaland. The meeting addressed the need to foster industrial development in Nagaland, leveraging the State's unique resources and human capital. In view thereof, the Government of Nagaland has officially written to UNIDO to seek assistance and support for inclusive and sustainable industrial development in the State.

Imnatiba said the Government of Nagaland is committed to the immense potential of the State for building specific manufacturing value chains,

and Nagaland's unique natural and cultural resources can be unlocked by nurturing citizens' entrepreneurial capacity and diversification of industrial activities in the State. 'With an objective to revitalize the growth of trade and commerce in Nagaland, a new policy is therefore being

formulated to replace the two-decade old State Industrial Policy,' he added.

'Nagaland is one of the eight Northeastern sister states with a wide topography. The State has made tremendous reforms in terms of fiscal management, personnel policies, and institutional infrastructure. With 70% of the Naga population engaged in agriculture and allied activities, the State now seeks support to usher in much-desired growth in the industrial sector. Think Through Consulting, as official advisor to the Industries & Commerce Department, is delighted to assist the State Government of Nagaland in their drive to make accelerated industrial growth a reality in the State,' said Global Managing Partner, Think Through Consulting, Parul Soni.

UNIDO is the specialized agency of the United Nations with a unique mandate to promote and accelerate sustainable industrial and economic development. Think Through Consulting (TTC) is a multi disciplinary professional services firm that specializes in providing advisory support for sustainable development initiatives.

**UNION FINANCE MINISTER NIRMALA SITHARAMAN
ON A THREE DAY VISIT TO NAGALAND**

Union Minister, Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman visited Nagaland from 22nd to 24th August 2022, to attend the Nagaland Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) & Investment Conclave 2022, and to launch various initiatives.

**NAGALAND CSR & INVESTMENT CONCLAVE
2022 AT KOHIMA:**

Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman graced the inaugural programme of the Nagaland Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Investment Conclave 2022 as the chief guest at NBCC Convention Centre, Kohima on 22nd August 2022.

Sitharaman, narrating her conversation with the Chief Minister of Nagaland, said the anxious voice of the Chief Minister saying that Nagaland does not get enough CSR investment has made it possible to bring all the business leaderships and investors together in the form of CSR Conclave. She urged the cooperates and industries to naturally choose Nagaland although it would take a little bit of effort. On mandatory CSR investments, she said the CSR board takes the decision and depending on social activity, funds are provided, and CSR happens when investments take place. She added that without the mandatory rule, a lot of investors have come in to check up, and the Conclave should be the stepping stone for many more investments.

Nirmala expressed the need to set up CII Training Centres for the young energetic people to get skilled along with certificates and to take leadership role in those sectors. She said organic vegetables and fruits are in great demand which the State produces but aggregating, storing and

finding market is a challenge. She also stressed on identifying one product in each district with common facilities and digitise marketing - it can be agriculture or handicraft product. She also suggested to bring the Atal Tinkering Lab, a flagship initiative of Atal Innovation Mission of NITI Aayog. She viewed homestays in Nagaland as a major potential where domestic tourists can experience the natural lifestyle of the Nagas since a lot of youth in India are very mobile.

To ensure CSR reaches Nagaland, the Union Minister suggested a task force of Naga youth to move around the country and to ensure building Brand Nagaland. She expressed appreciation to the companies and investors who had brought in investment, and ensure giving resources for equal development of all the states in India.

Nagaland Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio stated that in seeking CSR investments, the State Government is not trying to replace its own development initiatives. He opined that the Conclave will deepen engagement with the private sector and banks, encourage partnerships between local entrepreneurs, start-ups and established companies across the country. He said that in addition to CSR, the State Government is expecting companies to explore the untapped investment potential of the State in various sectors such as forest, agriculture, education, tourism etc. On the banking front, he hoped that the banking track of the Conclave would result in more and hassle free credit off take from banks and would also contribute in the development endeavours and also promote budding entrepreneurs. He hoped that the Conclave turns into a regular event to

help realize the development goals.

President designate, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), R. Dinesh, speaking at the inaugural event, emphasised on the need to develop the connectivity of the region to neighbouring countries and also with the rest of India, so as to enable the development of the North East Region. He further acknowledged that the focus should now be shifted to local development and skill building and prepare the ground for further manufacturing investment in the region. He proposed that the CII would like to set up a logistics and supply chain training school in partnership with the CII institute of logistics and the logistics sector skill council, provided that the Government of Nagaland is willing to give land to set up the institute.

Secretary, NEC, Moses Chalai speaking on North East Regional perspective said that although much has changed in the region, there are a lot to be done especially when it comes to the need for private investments to come into the region, not just to bring about economic development but also to create job opportunities for the people.

The valedictory programme of the Nagaland CSR and Investment Conclave was held at NBCC Convention Centre Kohima on 23rd August 2022. CEO, Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland, Alemtemshi Jamir in his welcome address, stated the sole purpose of the CSR conclave is to make the people aware about the opportunities and avenues available in the private sector and also give them a glimpse of the bigger things growing globally around us. Jamir expressed hope that the corporate world will continue to show their interest and come forward to work with the people of Nagaland and change the small state of Nagaland into a global location. Minister for Planning & Coordination, Land Revenue & Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu

highlighted in brief the history about the struggle of the people of Nagaland and the political issues that has hampered the State's Development since the time of the country's independence. He however concluded that the issues would soon be resolved and urged the Corporate Houses not to have any apprehensions about investing in the State. He also mentioned that the Government of Nagaland would soon bring new reforms to the existing Land Laws in the State so as to ensure ease of doing business in the state and making the State Investment Friendly.

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN LAUNCHES VARIOUS INITIATIVES DURING THE NAGALAND CSR AND INVESTMENT CONCLAVE:

Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman during the inaugural programme of the Nagaland CSR and Investment Conclave, launched various initiatives at NBCC Convention Center, Kohima on 22nd August 2022.

Some of the projects launched included Credit Outreach Facilitation Unit, Tailoring Training Unit, Selco-Medical Unit Solarization, CII Partnership on ICONN 2020, Blood Segregation & Storage Unit, Skilling and Animation Centre, Mobile Science Labs, Adobe Creative Academy, Model Nursing College through Public-Private Partnership, Entrepreneurship Development Centre, CT Scan, Dialysis Unit and other High Impact Interventions, Histopathology Unit at Naga Hospital Authority Kohima, Upgradation of Nursing School in Kohima and Dimapur into Nursing Colleges, Solar Cold Storage.

BANKER'S CONCLAVE/CREDIT OUTREACH PROGRAMME:

Banker's Conclave/Credit Outreach Programme was held at the Capital Cultural Hall, Kohima on 23rd August 2022, with Union

Minister, Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman gracing the programme, in the presence of Governor, Nagaland, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi, Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio and his colleagues, senior government officials and bankers.

Union Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman highlighted the important role played by Bank Mitras in a state like Nagaland where even a block headquarter becomes difficult for villagers to reach, and expressed her happiness that Bank Mitras are serving its purpose well in the State. She encouraged the banks to have a few more of them so there is greater access for the villagers. She commended the State of Nagaland for performing well in schemes like Atal Pension Yojana, MUDRA and Stand Up India schemes. Sharing about Start Up schemes, she stated that the PM wants young minds in rural areas to come up with innovative ideas which can be skilled up and which will need support, for which the banks were instructed through their branches to give one SC, one ST and a woman similar assistance which is given to Start Ups. She noted that the scheme is fairly well accomplished in Nagaland under which 523 accounts have been already given and 112 crores disbursed through loans for SCs and STs.

The Finance Minister, while noting that with 70% of the State's population in agriculture, and Kisan Credit Card (KCC) target for Nagaland being 2.3 lakh farmers, including animal husbandry and fishery, she pointed out that Nagaland has reached a target of 70,000 only. She called for more inclusion of farmers in KCC and suggested for banks to go the extra mile and include those who are involved in animal husbandry. She also requested the government representatives to also help in identifying the

eligible beneficiaries. She also suggested for banks to saturate by districts, focus on a district, announce in advance by using every medium and reach out to all eligible beneficiaries of the schemes that are provided by banks, and also to take in more banking correspondents if necessary.

Thanking Union Minister, Finance and Corporate Affairs for initiating and getting the Credit Outreach programme organized, and for setting into motion a bouquet of initiatives which will move Nagaland towards 100% financial inclusion, Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio said that through this credit outreach, the banks will be extending credit of Rs. 223 crore under various schemes as well as retail loans to the people of Nagaland. He stated that large proportion of the credit by banks, other than that extended under various Government schemes, has been for consumer goods or housing loans. While this is essential, it is also imperative to increase the credit flow to those who require it for running their enterprises. This is a critical area where banks have to put in more efforts, and the State Government is ready to support them and address their concerns, he added.

Rio acknowledged the pioneering role that State Bank of India (SBI) has played in establishing bank branches in the remotest of places in the State, and expressed hope that the SBI will continue their leadership role and expand their activities, for which the Government stands ready to extend all support. He said that the State Government has also been supporting private banks to expand their credit base, and resultantly, the deposit base of banks such as HDFC Bank, Axis Bank and ICICI Bank have expanded. He urged them to cover the remoter towns, and especially the unbanked 26 of the

74 blocks. He stated that the North East Small Finance Bank has expressed to intent to extend loans of Rs. 150 crore to small entrepreneurs and farmers, and also open up to 10 branches in the State. He assured to support the private banks in their credit outreach activities, to facilitate in expansion of their credit portfolios so that they take on a greater share of priority sector lending.

Chief Secretary, J. Alam stated that in modern times, one cannot imagine achieving development goals without the active participation of banks, and highlighted that Nagaland is working in close partnership with the banks in all possible ways. He said that the Chief Minister's Micro Finance Initiative is one such programme that will greatly help finance many businesses and activities and will mitigate the unemployment problem to some extent.

Congratulating the State Government for organizing the programme, Secretary, Finance Services, Gol, Sanjay Malhotra called for more credit and financial inclusion outreach programmes to be conducted, as there is tremendous scope and potential for various financial products including credit.

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN LAUNCHES VARIOUS INITIATIVES DURING THE BANKERS' CONCLAVE:

Nirmala Sitharaman also flagged off the Mobile ATM Van of Nagaland Rural Bank funded by NABARD under FIF. She also virtually inaugurated the Nagaland Rural Bank, Chessore branch, Shamator district. The Finance Minister also launched two projects under Tribal Development Fund of NABARD. It was also announced that 100% saturation of all eligible farmers under KCC in two project areas in Wokha and Phek districts will be carried

out by the Nagaland State Cooperative Bank. A MoU was signed and exchanged between SIDBI (Small Industries Development Bank of India) and IDAN (Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland).

During the programme, Nirmala distributed Token Cheques to all the beneficiaries of 11 major schemes, amounting to a total value of Rs. 205 crore to 3422 borrowers, namely Prime Minister Employment Generation programme (PMEGP): No. of beneficiaries is 134, amounting to a total of Rs. 14.19 crore; Kisan Credit Card (KCC): No. of beneficiaries is 1418, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 13.54 crore; Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY): No. of beneficiaries is 551, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 18.81 crore; Stand Up India (SUI) Scheme: No. of beneficiaries is 11, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 3.40 crore; Self Help Group (SHG): No. of beneficiaries is 193, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 4.80 crore; PM Street Vendor's Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi): No. of beneficiaries is 60, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 5 crore; PM Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME scheme): No. of beneficiaries is 3, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 3.7 crore; Retail segment: No. of beneficiaries is 809, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 76.54 crore; MSME Loans: No. of beneficiaries is 189, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 55.57 crore; Housing Loans: No. of beneficiaries is 47, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 17.15 crore; and DAY-NULM: No. of beneficiaries is 7, loan amounting to a total of Rs. 1.6 crore.

Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio jointly launched the CM's Micro Finance initiative (This initiative aims to enhance farmers' income by increasing investment in agri and allied sector, improve agri-marketing network and infrastructure, promote credit discipline and boost private enterprise.

The eligible beneficiaries for the scheme are farmers, entrepreneurs, Self Help Groups, Farmer Producer Organisations/Company and cooperative societies. Interested persons may apply to the District Level Implementation-cum-Monitoring Committee (DLIMC) headed by the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned district).

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN VISITS DR. NEIL-HOUZHÜ KIRE GHSS, KOHIMA:

During the visit and interaction with the students on 23rd August 2022 at Dr. Neilhouzhü Kire GHSS, Union Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman stated that children should be provided with atleast basic equipments in schools like digital learning tools, easy to use gadgets to enhance their skills. She called upon the association of multinational companies to invest in schools and to skill students especially for the State like Nagaland who are looking for opportunities to get to know better skills. She also suggested to the Deputy CM and Rajya Sabha MP to select the students from similar classes and similar levels with different groups, and take them to schools of either Delhi or Bangalore to have an exchange of learning which would widening the scope of students. She also inspected the Science Exhibition and interacted with the students.

Delivering welcome address, Principal Director, School Education, Thavaseelan K, IAS said that to introduce the IBM STEM for Girls programme in more than 250 Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools across the districts in the State, it will help enable more than 12000 girls studying between grades 8-10 with access to digital fluency, skill training includes life abs career skills. He informed that the partnership is part of a three years programme between IBM

and Nagaland State Government with QUEST Alliance and Youth Net as implementation partners to increase the participation of girls and women in STEM careers. He mentioned that the programme is currently being implemented in six districts across 69 government schools. He informed that the Department of School Education and IBM India Pvt Ltd. signed a three year MOU on 4th January, 2022 to work with 279 secondary schools across the State of Nagaland over three years.

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN INTERACTS WITH BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND MEDIA:

Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman held an interactive session with the business community, women entrepreneurs, and media on 24th August 2022 at Rhododendron Hall, Police Officer's Mess, Chumoukedima.

During the interactive session with the business community and women entrepreneurs, Nirmala said instructions have been given to the banks to go over to each district and continue to converge with the existing government schemes and other credit premises of the business sector that will be available. She added that there is a need to give a push for every district to identify one district and one product that they produce and will be given all kinds of assistance and facilities by the Government of India value chain or producing the local chain which is unique to the districts so that they can segregate, produce and get access to markets. She further appealed to the Business Community to be specific in their details of the proposal as the policy is not going to work or come to the ground until and unless it's specific. She assured that the proposal and grievances of each association have been



Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 15th August 2022.

Deputy Chief Minister, Y. Patton inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Wokha on 15th August 2022.



Minister, Agriculture and Cooperation, G. Kaito Aye inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Zunheboto on 15th August 2022.

Minister, Health & Family Welfare, S. Pangnyu Phom inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Longleng on 15th August 2022.





**Minister, Rural Development,
Metsubo Jamir taking the
rashtriya salute on the occasion
of the 76th Independence Day
celebration at Mokokchung on
15th August 2022.**

**Minister, Planning &
Coordination, Land Revenue
and Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba
Kronu taking the rashtriya salute
on the occasion of the 76th
Independence Day celebration at
Niuland on 15th August 2022.**



**Minister, Transport, Civil Aviation
& Railways, P. Paiwang Konyak
taking the rashtriya salute
on the occasion of the 76th
Independence Day celebration at
Mon on 15th August 2022.**

**Minister, Soil & Water
Conservation, Geology & Mining,
V. Kashiho Sangtam inspecting
the parade contingents during
the 76th Independence Day
celebration at Local Ground,
Kiphire on 15th August 2022.**





**Minister, Public Works
Department (Housing and
Mechanical), Tongpang Ozukum
taking the rashtriya salute
on the occasion of the 76th
Independence Day celebration at
Tseminyu on 15th August 2022.**

**Minister, Public Health
Engineering Department,
Jacob Zhimomi addressing
the gathering on the occasion
of the 76th Independence Day
celebration at Chümoukedima on
15th August 2022.**



**Advisor, Public Works
Department (Roads & Bridges),
H. Chuba Chang taking the
rashtriya salute on the occasion
of the 76th Independence Day
celebration at Tuensang on 15th
August 2022.**



**Advisor, Power,
Tovihoto Ayemi
inspecting the parade
contingents during the
76th Independence Day
celebration at DDSC
Stadium, Dimapur on
15th August 2022.**





Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Village Guards, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung taking the rashtriya salute on the occasion of the 76th Independence Day celebration at Shamator on 15th August 2022.

Advisor, Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Economics & Statistics and Evaluation, L. Khumo inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Noklak on 15th August 2022.



Chairman, United Democratic Alliance, T. R. Zeliang inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Peren on 15th August 2022.

MLA and NPF Legislature Party, Kuzholuzo Nienu inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Independence Day celebration at Phek on 15th August 2022.



noted and would be looked into for approval for assistance.

During a press conference with the media, Nirmala highlighted the measures/ initiatives taken for the North-Eastern States, where a new scheme, PM-DevINE was announced in the union budget 2022-2023, and an initial allocation of Rs. 1500 crore has been made for the new scheme which will fund infrastructure, in the spirit of PM Gati Shakti, and social development projects based in felt needs of the North-East. Under the special assistance to states for capital expenditure, Rs. 2,100.13 crore during the financial year 2020-21 and Rs. 2,483.77 crore during the financial year 2021-22 were released to eight North- Eastern States in the form of a 50-year interest-free loan. In the financial year 2022-23, the eight North-Eastern States are expected to receive Rs. 6,826 crore under Part-I of the scheme. She also mentioned that special assistance in the form of a Grant-in-Aid of Rs. 219.15 crore to Nagaland was released in 2020-21.

Nirmala informed that Tax devolution in Nagaland has increased to Rs. 13,782 crore in 2014-19 compared with just Rs. 3,844 crore in 2009-14. Grants-in-Aid increased to Rs. 29,483 crore in 2014-19 from 20,812 crore in 2009-14. Tax devolution stood at Rs. 3,409 crore in 2020-21. The devolution amount increased to Rs. 4,875 crore in 2021-22 and Rs. 4,647 crore in 2022-23(BE) of which Rs. 813 crore has already been transferred to the State. Finance Commission grants from the Centre to Nagaland are budgeted to Rs. 4,773 crore in 2022-23, a significant increase over the Rs. 1283 crore released in 2009-10.

On the banking & financial inclusion in Nagaland, Nirmala highlighted that in Jan Dhan

Accounts, the number of accounts holder is 3.50 lakh. The number of bank branches in Nagaland is 271 and bank branches in PSB/RRB is 200. Direct Benefit Transfer for Nagaland is Rs. 287 crore cumulative and under KCC, the number of loans sanctioned is 24,901. Under Stand up India scheme, accounts sanctioned is 522 and for women 58.

Nirmala also highlighted the smart cities mission, where she informed that 17 out of 35 projects of Kohima Smart City are completed and the Central Government has released a total of Rs. 245 crore, out of which Rs. 195.99 crore has been utilized as of 8th July 2022. The regular release of funds to 213603 beneficiaries of PM Kissan; under PMJAY, 81 empanelled hospitals and total of 2.54 lakh e-health cards have been issued; under PM Ujjawal Yojana, 85,283 Gas connections to various beneficiaries have been issued and a total of Rs. 48 crore released for the year 2022-23 for the project; under PM SVANidhi Scheme, number of loans disbursed to street vendors is 1733 and Rs. 194.65 lakhs loans disbursed to various beneficiaries.

Presentations were made by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Nagaland Chapter, Business Association of Nagas, Women Entrepreneurs Network Nagaland, UNCTAD-Empretec India Foundation, and Confederation of Nagaland Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN VISITS TO HEIR-LOOM NAGA, SOVIMA:

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman paid a visit to Heirloom Naga located at Sovima on 24th August 2022. Accompanied by Nagaland Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio, Deputy CM, Y. Patton and other Cabinet Ministers and Advisors, Sitharaman met the weavers in action and also

had a look at the handlooms and handicrafts on display.

Jesmina Zeliang, Founder, Heirloom Naga & Cane Concept, COA Member, who is also a Member, Handloom Committee, Ministry of Textiles informed the visiting dignitaries that Heirloom Naga has been working in both Handloom & Handicrafts section since 1993, almost three decades now. It has nurtured, trained and skilled thousands of artisans not only in Nagaland, but also in neighbouring states of Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura over the years. She further said that currently Heirloom Naga provides direct employment to more than 450 home based women weavers and another 300+ male artisans in the handicrafts sector. Till date, Heirloom Naga has exported to as many as 30 countries and currently processing orders for clients in 12 countries, Jesmina said.

INVESTMENT AND START-UP PITCH:

The Investment and Start-up Pitch and sessions on investment opportunities was held at the Conference Hall of Department of Information Technology & Communication, Kohima on 23rd August 2022 under the theme 'Partnership for strengthening Sustainable Development.'

Commissioner and Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Kekhrievor Kevichusa, IPoS while speaking on Investment Opportunities in Nagaland, said the Government of Nagaland has taken efforts to encourage private entrepreneurs to grow and also explained that though Nagaland have many problems and hurdles, the State does not lack the opportunity to grow to promote local entrepreneurs and be connected with the experts in business that will grow into partnerships, and having with solutions to problems.

Senior Advisor (NE and UTs), CII, Brig.

Ashis Bhattacharyya highlighted that CII has recognizes Start-ups as the engine of economic growth which is a robust framework at the national, regional and state levels to promote innovation and support start-ups. He also said CII and the Industries & Commerce Department of Nagaland have signed a MoU for partnering with each other, offering not only Start-up pitch sessions but a bouquet of offerings for the overall development of the entire startup ecosystem in the State. As part of the Nagaland CSR Conclave, Bhattacharyya said it is good to engage the Start-up programme of Nagaland through initiative for NER and Bangladesh connect to work towards 10 Start-ups exchange programmes.

Director, Industries & Commerce, Nagaland, Vitsutho Nyuthe speaking on 'Roadmap for development of Industries in Nagaland,' said that the Government of Nagaland is committed to foster industrial development, leveraging the state's unique resources and human capital. Nyuthe brought forward some objectives to carry forward the roadmap for development of industries in Nagaland such as, promote and nurture the cultural entrepreneurship and give support to the start-up programme, generate employment by facilitating the growth of micro, small and medium enterprises, promote cluster development and foster production, marketing and sourcing of raw materials. He also said that various undertakings were made by the State Government for industrialization in the State like support for entrepreneurial ventures through State Startups Policy and State Industrial Policy, Nagaland Tool Room and Training Centre were established in Dimapur and an Extension Centre in Kiphire, establishment of Industrial Growth Centre at Ganeshnagar, Industrial Infrastructure Development Centre at Kiruphema, Industrial Park at Tuli, Old and New Industrial Estate at Dimapur.

He said that the government has taken the initiative of identifying and development of Border Trade Centres which promotes trade with South - East ASEAN countries.

Arnab Chakraborty, National Director, Empretec India Foundation, Dr. Rene Van Berkel, UNIDO Representative & Head, India, Kenei Theunuo, Team Leader, Startup Nagaland, Dr. Geetima Das Krishna, Head NE Desk, from Invest India, and Principal Secretary, IT&C, K.D. Vizo also spoke on the occasion. Short presentations on projects identified for investments in Nagaland were presented by Viyelo Duolo on Tourist Lodge, Kohima Upgradation, Tovi Chopi on engineering composite materials from waste banana pseudo

stem, Visasato Mor on plant micro- propagation and development of synthetic seeds, Darlando Khating on Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (MAP) Farming, Kekhriezavi Lea on Mini Cement Plant and Onongoto Soleho on STEM: Robotics lab equipment. Pitch presentation by Startups were given by Aboriginal Energy Pvt. Ltd, Zeliang Code Tech Pvt. Ltd, Runway Nagaland, Autocion, Land of Angh Adventures Group (LAAG), NagaEd, ilandlo Services Pvt Ltd, Jome Foods Pvt. Ltd, Online Express Nagaland, Sanang Eduservice LLP, Modern Myriad Branding Pvt.Ltd, Grandpa's Pickle Co, Z's Health Food, Saucy Joe's, Ahibo LLP, NE Health Services, Dimapur Disposables and One Naga Construction Pvt. Ltd.

NEIPHU RIO INAUGURATES NAGALAND OLYMPIC & PARALYMPIC GAMES 2022

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphu Rio inaugurated the 2nd edition of Nagaland Olympic & Paralympic Games 2022 at Capital Cultural Hall, Kohima on 22nd August 2022.

Speaking on the occasion, Rio said that the objective of organising the event is to bring unity and understanding among the Nagas through sports, and the inclusion of Paralympic as part of this event is to give equal opportunities and privileges to People with Disabilities (PwDs). Sports bring fame, honour and recognition and the countries clinching more medals at international level dominate the world, he said, and that winning more medals at the top level indicates advancement and maturity of the citizens. Nowadays, sports is neither a mere

entertainment nor a part-time activity but it is accorded the most important place in the world due to immense honour and recognition in it.

We are lagging behind others in sports especially in comparison to our neighbouring states, due to lack of proper sporting infrastructure. However, keeping this concern in mind, the Government is trying its best to provide basic requirements in all the districts, Rio said. He said the State is clinching medals at national level but yet to win any medal at international level though Nagas are second to none in terms of talent. Therefore, he urged and encouraged the sportspersons to work hard and focus on their dreams without quitting.

The oath was administered by an Archer & Arjuna Awardee, Chekrovolu Swuro.

GOVERNOR PROF. JAGDISH MUKHI VISITS JNV, KOHIMA

Governor of Nagaland and Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi visited Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) for an interaction programme with the students and teachers at Yakukie,

Kohima on 23rd August 2022.

Mukhi in his address stressed that JNV Kohima has emerged as one of the prestigious schools in the State. It has blossomed into a



Governor of Nagaland and Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi interacting with students of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya at Yakukie, Kohima on 23rd August 2022.

premier institution, imparting quality education to students, many of whom are from rural areas. He added that JNV Kohima is fortunate to have good facilities and infrastructure including experienced teachers and staff. He called upon the students to dream big in life and work hard to achieve the goal as there is no shortcut in learning. He suggested the students to take guidance of parents and teachers in deciding the choices in their career ahead, and further advised them to develop the practice of building a strong will power.

Prof. Mukhi also urged the teachers to give their utmost best, for the growth and welfare of the school and most importantly for nurturing, moulding and upbringing the students, inspite of

all the shortcomings.

Principal, JNV, Prem Kumar Singh presenting a brief introduction of the Vidyalaya, highlighted that it is a premier institution of learning with a residential and co-educational set-up in full compliance with the norms and guidelines of the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, an autonomous organization under Ministry of Education, Department of School Education & Literacy, Government of India. Established in the year 1988, he pointed out that it is the only institution of its kind in the entire district of Kohima. From 1993, the Vidyalaya was upgraded to senior secondary level which has both Science and Humanities Streams.

He said that JNVs emphasizes on ICT, a well-maintained and well-equipped Computer Lab is available with more than 40 computers. The Vidyalaya is also equipped with a Smart Classroom in which teaching-learning transaction is made through ICT aided system and Power-Point presentation facilitated by a well-maintained projector and scrollable screen.

The programme concluded with a short interaction with the students and teachers of JNV.

GOVERNOR, NAGALAND GRACES THE 32nd GRADUATION DAY OF ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), JAKHAMA

Governor of Nagaland and Assam Prof. Jagdish Mukhi graced the occasion of the 32nd Graduation Day celebration at St. Joseph's College Jakhama on 22nd August 2022, felicitating 1259 Under-Graduates and 102 Post-Graduates.

Mukhi in his address commended the College for leaving an indelible mark in the legacy of education in Nagaland. He mentioned that St. Joseph's College was accredited with Grade 'A' by the NAAC in 2016 and further added that the

college seems to have left no stone unturned in providing quality higher education to the youth of Nagaland as well as neighbouring states. He also urged the students not be afraid to put themselves in uncomfortable situations as these moments will propel towards the ultimate purpose in life and when faced with a new challenge, to seize the opportunity immediately rather than saying 'tomorrow will be a good day to start.'

Mukhi said that an individual's contribution



Governor of Nagaland and Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi graced the occasion of the 32nd Graduation Day celebration of St. Joseph's College, Jakhama on 22nd August 2022.

matters in nation building as long as one sincerely serves from the heart. He appealed to the students to set out into entrepreneurship

and become job providers rather than job seekers and start up ventures. He mentioned that it is very unfortunate that our students even after post-graduation from universities, prepared to join as employees in government sector on contractual basis. Mukhi stated that, Nagaland stands on the launch pad of significant change and development and the youths of today have a great responsibility towards enhancing this progression of this hugely beautiful and resourceful state.

The Governor also conferred the Graduation Day Award 2022 to eleven different graduates.

44th INTER-DISTRICT & STATE OPEN BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP HELD AT LONGLENG

The LIN-NING 44th Inter-District & State Open Badminton Championship and Nagaland Olympic & Paralympic Games 2022 was held at Longleng after it was formally inaugurated by Minister for Health & Family Welfare, S. Pangnyu Phom on 23rd August 2022 at Multi-Purpose Hall, Longleng.

While lauding the District Badminton Association and District Administration Longleng headed by the Deputy Commissioner and all others involved for their tremendous effort and outstanding contribution in making the tournament a reality and a better platform for all, Pangnyu Phom asserted that organizing such mega sports event in the district marks the beginning of development, progress and capabilities in all-round activities of Longleng. Acknowledging that lack of resources as a reason for failure in many aspects that discourage many young talents for opting sports as a profession, the Minister said despite all

these challenges, he is grateful and honoured to see the sportspersons of the State excelling and catching up with other sportspersons. He informed that the Government of the day is doing its best to upgrade the infrastructure and quality management of the sportsperson down to the grassroot level with well-equipped facilities.

Pangnyu also exhorted the participants and the sportsperson from across the State to be well determined, develop a sense of winning heart to prosper and break the barriers to be an asset for the State. He further urged upon the sportspersons present and across the State to pledge to be rededicated with commitment for a better future ahead.

Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, Dharamraj, IAS stated that it is not just a mere tournament but a tournament of hope, positivity and change which the people of Longleng have wished to see for a long time. It is also a carnival of sportsmanship, emotions, brotherhood and compositeness, he added.

Dr. Watzulu Suzumeren, Senior Vice President NBA & Vice President BAI informed that it is the first tournament represented by all the 16 districts of the State. He also lauded the stadium of Longleng for being the best stadium in the State with four courts and other facilities provided.

President LDBA Toshi Angh proposed the salutation and acknowledgement. Special music was presented by S. Tali Angh. The tournament was hosted by Longleng District Badminton

Association (NBA) and sponsored by LI-NING Company (a Sportswear & Sports Equipment Company), and was held under the theme 'Empowering peace through sports and games: connecting communities.'

The valedictory ceremony, held on 27th August 2022, was graced by Y. Vikheho Swu, MLA & Former President Nagaland Badminton Association (NBA) and B. S. Nganlang Phom MLA & Chairman DPDB, Longleng as the Chief Host.

'ANGLO -PHOM DICTIONARY' RELEASED

'Anglo-Phom Dictionary,' a publication by the Department of Art & Culture, was released by Additional Secretary, Home Department and member of Phom Literature Board, M. Shayung Phom at a function held at the Directorate of Art & Culture, Kohima on 25th August 2022.

Speaking on the occasion, M. Shayung Phom said that the dictionary will encourage the younger generation to understand and preserve the Phom dialect which is diminishing presently. He emphasized that publishing such a book will promote Naga culture and heritage and will guide new learners and keep people engaged in Phom language.

Secretary, Art & Culture, Athel O. Lotha, IAS during her introductory remarks, stated that the Anglo-Phom Dictionary is an outcome

of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs programme 'Support to Tribal Research Institutes,' which is implemented by the Department of Art & Culture. The main aim of the project being to document the current status of the language, she said that the dictionary emerged as the cumulative works of different scholars, language experts, Phom Literature Board and the Department of Art & Culture.

Short speeches were given by Bongshen, Member, Phom Literature Board and Dr. Mangnyau, Phom Union and Mola L. Ong, Field Assistant. The book is published by the Department of Art & Culture, edited by Yanbeni Yanthan and Dr. Imlienla Imchen. It is priced at Rs. 500/- and is available for sale at the Department's book stall.

OFFICIALS FROM NVHCP VISITS STATE TO ADDRESS THE GROWING HEPATITIS EPIDEMIC

A team of ten (10) officials from National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme under National Health Mission, MoHFW led by Deputy Commissioner NVHCP, Dr Sandhya Kabra, physically visited every district of the State

to address the growing hepatitis epidemic in Nagaland to support the progress and development of NVHCP in Nagaland from 21st August to 25th August 2022. With the growing threat of Hepatitis C cases in particular among

High Risk Groups in the State, besides Hepatitis B morbidity, the State as well as the Centre has a heavy burden to address the issue with great concern to minimize the deadly consequences of liver Cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma, with the SDG goal of eliminating Hepatitis by 2030.

During the Exit Meeting of National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme MoHFM held at Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 25th August 2022, the Deputy Commissioner, National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme, MOHFW, Dr. Sandhya Kabra speaking as the guest of honor, said the conceptualization of the programme is through consultative process involving all stakeholders, technical experts and community. While projecting the Nagaland MIS data Profile, she pointed out that a total of 11 districts have registered in the NVHCP-MIS portal out of 16 districts, and all 11 districts are functional for Hepatitis C and Hepatitis B. She also pointed out issues pertaining in Viral Hepatitis Management Units in the sub-division and districts levels, and suggested recommendations to outcome these issues.

Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Asangla Imti mentioned that the presentation of the data profile collected from the districts of the State by the team is like a report card that has opened the boxes of each district, and said the issues pointed out will be looked at and sorted out from the recommendations suggested by the team. She also explain the technical problems of the state and the shortage of manpower due to creation of new districts which she said can be rationalized, and called upon the department to converge to work together for the districts and sub-divisions.

Principal Director, H&FW, Dr. Vikato Kinimi, Nagaland appreciated the team for physically visiting the state to address the Hepatitis epidemic in the State. He pointed out that the people of the State are ignorant to see the problem and stated that these issues can be tackled in the districts and can be solved by integrating more programmes with the ministry. He also called upon the officers, lab technicians and staff of the department to see to all the issues so as to move forward.

ONLINE TRAINING OF TEACHERS ON ADOLESCENCE EDUCATION PROGRAMME

A two-day online training of teachers on Adolescence Education Programme (AEP) was conducted on 25th and 26th August 2022, jointly organised by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS) and the Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE), Kohima at the Conference Hall, NBSE Kohima.

The training was conducted with an aim to enhance the understanding and skills of teachers to effectively address the adolescents at schools and empower them to make healthy choices. It was conducted for the teachers of

high schools and higher secondary schools from all the districts of Nagaland registered under NBSE. A total of 847 participants registered for the training, while a total of 548 participated on the first day and 411 on the second day.

The two-day sessions comprised of different topics such as Aims and Objectives, HIV/ AIDS and STI, Growing up and Adolescence Reproductive Sexual Health, Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Life Skills for HIV Prevention and Implementation of 16 hour Curriculum of AEP.

On the first day of the online training of teachers on AEP, Dziesevolie, Academic Officer, NBSE spoke on the need for appropriate information of the adolescence education among the teachers and efforts from all sections in combating against the HIV/AIDS. The training started with the topic on aims and objectives by K. Puthenhenmei, AD (YA), NSACS and highlighting about the evolution of AEP, the methodology and the importance of AEP for the teachers. Thejangunuo Theunuo, DD (IEC), NSACS talked about the basics, transmission and preventive measures in combating HIV/AIDS and myths & misconceptions surrounding HIV/AIDS. She also talked briefly about the importance of Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) and on Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI). Puni Kokho, Senior Programme Manager, Planning, National Health Mission, Nagaland spoke on the topic 'Growing up and adolescence reproductive and sexual health.' He mentioned about the

support of the Government for promoting menstrual hygiene among adolescent girls (10-19 years) where sanitary napkins are made available free in schools, or by providing at a subsidised rate through Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHAs).

On the second day of the training, session on Life Skills for HIV Prevention was imparted by Chongkoi Khaming, AD/MM, IEC, NSACS. She discussed about the importance of life skill approach and goals for adolescents, and understanding the ten core life skills and the use of box techniques that would help the students to address their issues and queries anonymously. Dr. Viketoulie Pienyu, Senior Medical Officer, State Mental Health Institute spoke on the topic of Mental Health and Substance Abuse. The last session of the training on the second day was presented by Metevinuo Sakhrie, Joint Director, IEC, NSACS, who spoke on the implementation of 16-hour Curriculum in schools.

STATE CIC CALLS ON SECRETARY, PERSONNEL & TRAINING, GoI

I. Meyionen Jamir, State Chief Information Commissioner (CIC), Nagaland called on S. Radha Chauhan, Secretary, Personnel & Training GoI, New Delhi on 29th August 2022, and discussed issues relating to effective implementation of the RTI Act. The misuse of the Act by the RTI applicants for their personal benefits and the absence of any punitive

provisions to tackle such cases in the Act were discussed.

Meyionen requested for amendment of the Act to incorporate appropriate measures to check the criminal activities by information seekers. S. Radha Chauhan appreciated the CIC for bringing notice to the aforementioned issues and assured to look into the matter.

WORLD BANK OFFICIALS VISITS NAGALAND

A Core Team headed by Agriculture Production Commissioner (APC), Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS and Technical Support Committee of the Project 'Enhancing Landscape and Ecosystem Management Project (ELEMENT)' held meeting with the visiting Team from the World

Bank in the APC's Conference Hall on the 30th August 2022 where the head of the World Bank Team, Pyush Dogra, Senior Environmental specialist gave a powerpoint presentation on the different stages involved in the preparation and framework, and how the project can best be

tailormade to address the unique situation of the State.

The World Bank Team also had an interaction with the Department of Land Resources on Nagaland Coffee and Spring Shed development. The Team also visited the Nagaland GIS and Remote Sensing Centre and were impressed by the works being carried out by the Department. The visiting members were also shown a demonstration of the operation of the air drone which earned appreciation from the World Bank Team. The Team also had a coordination meeting with the Administrative Heads of Departments (AHOs) and Head of Departments (HoDs) of Agri & Allied Departments and State Missions at the Secretariat Conference Hall, and apprised the purpose of the visit of the Team and what was to be expected from the project.

The World Bank Officials visited Boke-Botsa project on Naga Integrated Settled Farming (NISF) under 'Enhancing Landscape and Eco-system Management Project (ELEMENT)' on 31st August 2022. The Team had an intensive

interaction with the farmers implementing NISF, where the farms are being cultivated along with other income generating activities like piggyery, fish farming and sericulture etc. with catchment area at the top, provided with 50,000 litre capacity water tank for off season cultivation of vegetables, facilitating double cropping which will promote settled cultivation, thus conserving and managing the eco-system.

The team also visited Jhum fields at Pheshunyu and Phentejon village under Tseminyu district and interacted with the jhum farmers and also obtained firsthand knowledge about the crops grown in the field and other aspects of jhum farming, which was in contrast to the area implementing NISF. The team also visited Forest Nursery managed by Department of Forest, Environment & Climate Change under JICA project and Vegetable Polyhouse Nursery managed by NEIDA and funded by Department of Biotechnology under the Ministry of Science and Technology at Terogvunyu under Tseminyu district.

DENTAL HEALTH CAMP HELD AT PHC RÜZAZHO

The Primary Health Centre, Rüzazho under Phek district held a dental-cum-general health camp on 31st July 2022, funded by the Nagaland Health Project.

Medical Officer, PHC Rüzazho, Dr. Khrieseitunuo Mechülho informed that a team of six health professionals from Be-Home Med Care, Kohima village consisting of dentists, medical officers, a physiotherapist, and a lab technician along with medical personnel from PHC Rüzazho conducted the camp, whereby

171 villagers were treated. During the camp, necessary lab tests were also carried out free of cost.

The Nagaland Health Project, funded by the World Bank has been helping selected health centres in Nagaland on Result Based Funds on a biannual basis. Besides providing funds for health services, civil works infrastructural improvements, plumbing, solar lighting, and solar water heater were also provided by the Nagaland Health Project Team.

WORLD DAY AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING OBSERVED ACROSS DISTRICTS

District Administration and Sakhi-One Stop Centre, Longleng in collaboration with Phomla Hoichem observed World Day Against Human Trafficking at VDB Hall, Longleng on 30th July 2022, under the theme 'Use and Abuse of Technology.'

The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) with the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and District Administration, in commemoration of World Day Against Human Trafficking under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, organized a one-day sensitization workshop on 1st August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire. Resource person Muthasuyi, Senior Superintendent of Police Kiphire, presented on the topic 'Preventing Child Trafficking.' He highlighted the major problems that lead to child trafficking. NCPCR official, Kapil Sharma highlighted the main objectives of the campaign. He stated that it is held to sensitize the key stakeholders on basic indicators to identify children at risk, and to combat child trafficking in the border districts of India. He stated that NCPCR is driving 25 days campaign in 75

bordering districts of India as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of progressive India.

In Noklak a one-day sensitization programme on 'Combating Child Trafficking' was observed on 5th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Noklak. Deputy Commissioner, Noklak Hiazu Meru stated that combating child trafficking requires the intervention and attention of a cross-section of stakeholders. Noklak being a new district, functional from 2020, has a porous International border with Myanmar, and there are many cases of children from poor families from across the border and within the district taken to other urban towns in the State to study and use as domestic help, DC stated. Additional Superintendent of Police, Noklak, Chinese speaking on the occasion as resource person elaborated on the vulnerable sections of people and preventive measures to be taken up. He requested civil societies to come forward for any case that arises and urged them to spread awareness about human trafficking.

The sensitization programme on combating

child trafficking was held at DC's Conference Hall, Tuensang on 8th August 2022. Guest speaker of the programme, NCPDR Consultant, Kapil Sharma spoke on the topic of human trafficking, where he said human trafficking

is one of the fastest growing organized crimes next to drugs and weapons. Superintendent of Police, Tuensang, Vishal Chauhan said human trafficking is a vicious cycle and this menace exists in every corner of our society. He also said there is the prevalence of domestic child abuse in our society of which some are exposed but many remain unheard of, and perpetrators of such crimes should be booked and persecuted as prescribed under the law. In times of missing child cases, information to the authorities should not be delayed, faster tracking is faster information he also added.

In Mon, the NCPDR in collaboration with District Administration Mon, organized a



Officials and participants during a sensitization programme on 'Combating Child Trafficking' held at the Conference Hall of the office of DC, Mon on 10th August 2022.

sensitization programme as part of 'Combating Child Trafficking' on 10th August 2022 at the Conference Hall of the Office of DC Mon. Resource persons, SP Mon, Imnalensa, IPS, and Consultant, NCPDR, Kapil Sharma provided a presentation on Preventing Child Trafficking where they both highlighted the various ways of trafficking, laws covering protection of the children, and objectives and goals of various bodies created by the government to tackle the issue. Imnalensa further challenged the gathering to look into the issue through the lens of Nagaland and not as an issue prevalent only outside the State.

MOKOKCHUNG SPECIAL DPDB MEETING HELD

A special Mokokchung DPDB meeting was held on 3rd August 2022. The meeting was held in the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Mokokchung under the chairmanship of MLA and Chairman of DPDB, Mokokchung, Imkong L Imchen. The meeting was attended by Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Sharingain Longkumer, Ministers, Tongpang Ozukum and Metsubo Jamir.

The meeting deliberated on the following agenda: On the Annual Plan 2022 to 2023 and the five-year prospective plan, the Board decided

to write to the concerned Ministry and submit the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK) scheme as per the project guidelines for the whole district before the deadline i.e. 6th August 2022. It will also request for extension of time for the formulation of the scheme.

In the meeting after thorough deliberation, the following recommendations were made: Upgradation of Lenjem Hospital was recommended; Judo – Association Society Mokokchung was recommended for registration.

DISTRIBUTE ALLOCATED FUNDS JUDICIOUSLY: ZHALEO RIO

Advisor, Sericulture, Excise and Minority Affairs, Zhaleo Rio, who is also the chairman of Chümoukedima District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) impressed upon the officers under the Chümoukedima district for distributing the allocated funds judiciously with transparency, during the 2nd DPDB meeting for Chümoukedima held on 3rd August 2022 in the Conference Hall of DC Chümoukedima. Rio further asked the concerned departments to keep the elected members of the area informed about the departments' activities so that they are aware of the schemes and projects that are undertaken by various departments for the welfare of the people.

MLA Azheto, who was also present in the meeting, urged the members to give their best effort and cooperation and thereby make Chümoukedima the best district in Nagaland.

The Board agreed to recommend the agenda of North Eastern Regional Multidisciplinary College of Paramedical Sciences at CIHSR and change of nomenclature of Vision Home Higher Secondary School to Vision Higher Secondary School. The Board also agreed to the proposal for shifting Kemnbay School from Diphupar B to Tenyiphe-I Chümoukedima. The Board also agreed for conducting the DPDB meeting on the 3rd of every month and the subsequent day if the specified date falls on Sundays or the second Saturday.

NBOCWVB CONDUCTS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN AT PUGHOBOTO

Nagaland Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (NBOCWVB), conducted an awareness campaign on building and other construction workers at Pughoboto Town Hall on 4th August 2022.

MLA, Vikheho Swu said participants from 24 villages under Pughoboto sub-division have enrolled for the training and registration in the Board. He lauded the State Government under CM, Neiphiu Rio for implementing various programmes to empower the youth in different skills, such as electrician, plumber, construction

worker, painter, etc. The MLA urged the workers to work hard and become champions by learning skills. He expressed gratitude to NBOCWVB and Labour Department for their concern.

Chairman NBOCWVB, Dr. Kekhrhie Yhome said the State Government is ready to give all opportunities at their doorstep and urged them to avail the benefits. He also appreciated Mokokchung district for having many local labourers, mostly from Konyak tribe, and urged them to emulate them to be successful construction workers.

WASTE SEGREGATION AND PLASTIC WASTE MANAGEMENT TRAINING HELD ACROSS DISTRICTS

Sensitization and awareness talk on management and segregation of household waste was held at the Conference Hall of ADC's Office, Bhandari on 3rd August 2022, and waste bins were distributed to the offices, schools and other educational institutions, Ward GBs,

churches, business community, etc.

Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) programme-cum-training on waste segregation and plastic waste management, conducted by LIFE NGO under SBN 2, was held on 3rd August 2022 at ADC's Conference



ADC Bhandari, Rohit Singh along with others during the sensitization programme on management and segregation of household waste held at the Conference Hall of ADC's Office, Bhandari on 3rd August 2022.

Hall, Aboi. Resource Person, Nicky Jamir and her team from LIFE NGO gave a PowerPoint presentation on waste segregation and plastic waste management and the role of community participation in it. The programme was attended by various organizations, civil societies, and stakeholders from Aboi.

Longleng district conducted IEC awareness programme-cum-training on waste segregation and plastic waste management for ULB staff and stakeholders under the State Mission Directorate on 5th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Longleng. The resource persons were Niksangla Jamir and Athungbeni from Living for Environment (LIFE) NGO. The programme was attended by public leaders, GBs, Ward Leaders, PSC, and church leaders.

An IEC awareness programme-cum-training on waste management with a special focus on

segregation of waste-at-source and plastic waste management was conducted by Niksungla Founder-Chairman, LIFE on 9th August 2022 at the DB's Customary Court Mangkolemba. It was attended by representatives from various NGOs and business unions of Mangkolemba town and

all Heads of Offices in Mangkolemba Division.

Urban Development Department under Swachh Bharat Mission conducted an IEC awareness programme-cum-training on waste segregation and plastic waste management for all ULBs (Urban Local Bodies) staff and stakeholders at the Purana Bazaar Council Hall (East Dimapur) on 26th August 2022.

An awareness programme-cum-training on waste segregation and plastic waste management was held on 30th August 2022 at Town Hall-cum-Indoor Stadium, Meluri town. As the resource person, Niksungla, Founder and Chairman of LIFE, stressed on the importance of waste segregation and plastic waste management. She highlighted the benefits of waste segregation and also demonstrated the use of waste such as domestic waste, electronics waste and hazardous waste.

PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly Sub-Division Planning & Development Board (SDPDB), Pughoboto meeting was held under the chairmanship of SDPDB, MLA, Y. Vikheho Swu at DB's Court Hall on 4th August 2022.

MLA, Vikheho Swu during the meeting proposed to write a letter to the Government to seek help for a skill development centre through Planning Department and Tribal Affairs. The MLA also sponsored a Laptop for the SDPDB.

CAB KIPHIRE DELIBERATES ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

Childline Advisory Board (CAB) Kiphire, conducted a meeting on 4th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire to discuss the issues relating to the welfare of children.

Childline Director, Tsusu Mary highlighted about the POCSO Act 2021. She also stated that it is very difficult for them to convince the parents when their children get abused, fearing that exposing the abuse to the organization may affect their career and bring a bad reputation in society and therefore many cases go unreported. She urged all the departments to support the Ministry in every aspect to bring positive change to the district.

DC Kiphire, T Wati Aier encouraged the Childline team to organize sensitization and awareness programme for church leaders and parents so that they can disseminate the

information to the children.

Childline Coordinator, Levi reported on their activities. He informed that they are collecting data about the children under the age of 18 years who are staying and working with foster parents and relatives, through the village council. Some of the agenda highlighted and discussed in the meeting were: No gynaecologist in Kiphire District Hospital; need for child-friendly room in the police station; conducting awareness programme for church leaders, and the students' bodies on child-related issues in collaboration with all the stakeholders as many cases go unreported; timely check up on major places where children hang out at night, as Kiphire has a good number of substance abusers among the children, leading to thievery.

CENTRAL TEAM ON JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN VISITS DIMAPUR DISTRICT

A two-member central team on Jal Shakti Abhiyan - 'Catch the Rain' (JSA-CTR) visited Dimapur district from 3rd to 5th August 2022. The team comprising of Central Nodal Officer, JSA-CTR & Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, New Delhi, Sukh Lal Meena and Technical Officer, JSA-CTR & Scientist-D (Hydrogeology) CGWB NER, Guwahati, inspected various projects and activities undertaken by various departments under JSA-CTR in Dimapur district.

JSA-CTR is a nationwide campaign focusing on saving and conserving rainwater with the theme 'Catch the rain where it falls, when it falls,' from 29th March to 30th November 2022, covering both urban and rural areas of all the district in the country.

JE, Water Resources & IC Jal Shakti Kendra, Dimapur, Nagaland, Er. Lokhashe Swu informed that an Information Centre called Jal Shakti Kendra has also been opened at the Office of the EE, Water Resources Department, 4th Mile Chümoukedima with helpline number+ 918798060866 and email:jsadimapur@gmail.com.

The debriefing of the schemes and activities with the District Level Committee on JSA-CTR consisting of Water Resources Department and 13 other allied departments, by the visiting team, was held at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, on 5th August 2022, where views and suggestions were exchanged to make the nationwide campaign on rainwater a success.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

The Tuensang District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held at DC's Conference Hall, Tuensang on 6th August 2022. The meeting was chaired by Vice Chairman DPDB and DC Tuensang, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS and attended by MLA and Chairman, Tuensang DPDB, Muthingnyuba Sangtam.

The members were enlightened on the project, Rural Developmental and Self Employment Training Institute (RSETI) by the SBI Bank Manager Tuensang, its establishment procedures, role of State Government, building infrastructure and staff composition. Regarding RSETI, Chairman DPDB also encouraged for joint efforts of the forum members, and to forward to the concerned authority for its establishment for Tuensang district.

The members also discussed on the agenda

of Longkhim Chari Goan Bura Union, proposal for Sub-Divisional Office of Horticulture, Soil & Water Conservation, Power and PHE departments. The Chairman, DPDB stated that Longkhim ADC Headquarter, being the oldest ADC Headquarter in the State, it is a necessity for the State as well as the District, for smooth functioning of the government departments to ensure welfare of the people.

Proposal for the upgradation of Police Outpost Chari to full fledged Police Station and PHC Chari to CHC Chari was also discussed. The departments were also asked to write a report on the proposal and forward to higher authority for approval. PowerPoint presentation was delivered by District Fishery Office on its departmental activities, and CWS Chang Students' Conference, on its activities.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

Longleng District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner and Vice Chairman, Longleng DPDB, Dharam Raj, IAS on 6th August 2022 at DPDB Hall, Longleng.

While reviewing the previous DPDB meeting, the Board took up the previous agenda for extension of playground and construction of rostrum at Yingli College and forwarded it to the Department of Youth Resources & Sports for necessary action. The Board also forwarded for

establishment of SDEO Office at Tamlu and HT line electrification at new site, Longleng.

The Board discussed on the application submitted by the Hope Youth Organisation requesting for financial assistance for renovation of Clock Tower at Longleng. After deliberation, the Board decided to discuss with Urban Development for fund.

Departmental activities through PowerPoint presentations were delivered by District Industry Centre and District Skill Committee.

YIMKHIUNG TRIBE CELEBRATES METÜMNYO FESTIVAL

The Yimkhiung Union Kohima celebrated 'Metümnyo,' the premier festival of Yimkhiung (Naga) on 8th August 2022 at the official residence of S. Keoshu Yimkhiung, Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Village Guards, with H.

Haiying, Advisor, Prisons, Printing & Stationery as the special guest.

H. Haiying, speaking at the occasion, urged the Yimkhiung community to be good decision-makers in every sphere of life, to enjoy the fruits



The Yimkhiung Union Kohima celebrated Metumnyo Festival at the official residence of Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Village Guards, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung, with Advisor, Prisons, Printing & Stationery, H. Haiying as the special guest on 8th August 2022.

of hard work, and also be thankful. He further appealed to the Yimkhiung community to make more positive contributions to Naga society and fulfill their duty as indigenous citizens of the country.

S. Keoshu Yimkhiung while acknowledging the gathering, explained that 'Metumnyo' has

a comprehensive meaning and interpretation which is beyond the 'soul-wrapping' feast. He encouraged all to preserve and acknowledge the proper and authentic history of their culture and tradition while educating and spreading awareness to the younger generation to keep their legacy alive.

The formal function was followed by a display of indigenous games like, top spinning, pole climbing, meat biting, Tug-of-War, etc.

Thousands at Shamator, the newest District also celebrated Metumnyo Festival with Deputy Commissioner Shamator, Thsuvisie Phoiji as the special guest, and Yanba Showuba as the Host at Local Ground, Shamator. The Festival was organized by Thüneo (Festival) Committee Shamator Town.

SENIOR SP KOHIMA LAUNCHES GOOD SAMARITAN AWARD AND ROAD SAFETY CELL UNDER DEF KOHIMA



Senior Superintendent of Police, Kohima, Kevithuto Sophie with officials and recipients of Good Samaritan Award at SP Office's Conference Hall, Kohima on 9th August 2022.

The award ceremony and launching programme of the Good Samaritan Award and Road

Safety Cell under DEF Kohima were held at SP Office's Conference Hall, Kohima on 9th August 2022.

The Good Samaritan Award was awarded to Tsiese Basa Youth Organisation and UBC Isilong Hau, DEF Kohima during the programme. Senior Superintendent of Police, Kohima, Kevithuto Sophie, IPS gave away the award to the

recipients.

Tsiese Basa Youth Organisation was awarded the Good Samaritan Award for their selfless act of kindness in stepping out to help the 27 victims of ill-fated Tuensang bound Dimapur bus, which met an accident on 5th June 2022 at around 7:45 hrs at Tsiesema village near Dzudza bridge. The organization not only administered first aid but shifted the injured persons to the nearby hospitals for medical attention, thereby potentially saving many lives.

UBC Isilong Hau, DEF Kohima was awarded the Good Samaritan Award for rushing a minor boy, who was knocked down by a car at TCP Gate, Kohima town to Oking Hospital for medical attention on 26th October 2021, despite him being off duty on that day.

Launching the programme, Senior SP Kohima, Sophie said that in his past 28 years of service, many unsung heroes who contributed to solving day-to-day social crimes and problems were left unnoticed or unacknowledged. He

said that the launching of the programme was a humble beginning to acknowledge such unsung heroes who took the extra mile in saving lives in times of unfortunate incidences, and expressed hope that it will reduce road rage and accidents in days to come.

Addl. SP (Pro. & Trf.) Kohima, K. Soriso giving a brief note stated that the Good Samaritan Award was instituted and launched under the initiative of Sr. SP Kohima and Dy. Sp. Traffic Kohima to celebrate and honor those heroes who are lending helping hands and creating a positive impact on society. He also said that the Road Safety Cell under DEF Kohima was also an initiative of Sr. SP Kohima to create awareness of basic rules and safety principles among the vehicle users to meet everyday road rages and also to sensitize the citizens about road safety issues. Soriso further highlighted the various responsibilities of the road safety cell during the programme.

NIULAND DPDB MEETING HELD

Niuland District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 9th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Niuland. DC and Vice Chairman, Niuland DPDB, Sara S Jamir chaired the meeting.

In her welcome address, the DC thanked the officers present and acknowledged the newly posted officers in the district, and also requested those heads of offices functioning from other districts to give equal importance to Niuland district.

The following agenda were discussed and approved during the meeting. Establishment of Government College with Arts and Commerce stream at Niuland town; Upgradation of SDO

(C) Khuhuboto to ADC Headquarter; Creation of Police Station at Khaghaboto; Creation of EAC Headquarter at Khaghaboto; Establishment of Public Health Centre at Khaghaboto; Appointment of doctor and nurse at Akito PHC; Appointment of manpower at Zutoi Sub-Centre; New school building construction of GMS Kuhoxu village; Renovation/ Major repair of school building GPS Hovukhu village; Upgradation of Hozukhe GPS School to GMS; Upgradation of Morung Christian Academy, Xelhozhe village; Opening of Shepherd Montessori at Showuba village; and Opening of Peniel Academy School at S. Vihuto village.

WOKHA DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly Wokha District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 9th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha. The meeting was presided by Chairman, Wokha DPDB and Advisor, Law & Justice, Dr. Chumben Murry. Advisor, Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan, Advisor, Information Technology & Communication, Science & Technology, New & Renewable Energy, Mmhonlumo Kikon also attended the meeting.

Discussing the status report under Wokha district and various road projects sanctioned/ submitted under R&B and National Highways, E.E (R&B) Wokha Division, Baghty Division, and SDO National Highways, presented in brief about the outlook on the status of road statistics, PMGSY projects and other schemes on roads constructed, and other upcoming road projects and several proposals submitted under Wokha district.

E.E (R&B) Baghty Division also apprised the Board that the stretch of road under Baghty Division, 69% of roads is motorable where 31% of roads are non-motorable, and stated that the cause of non-motorable roads is due to the absence of major schemes and works in the area. He also mentioned that the stretches from Bhandari to Yimpang village (PWD) roads were damaged mainly because of heavy logging and coal mining activities.

Reacting to the statement made by the E.E (R&B) Baghty Division, Advisor Mmhonlumo Kikon requested the ADC Bhandari, District Forest Officer, and E.E, R&B Baghty Division to initiate an investigation regarding damage to roads caused by plying of heavy laden vehicles/ truck which is involved in logging and coal mining

activities carried out in the area, and directed them to submit status report in the next meeting.

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman District Education Committee, Wokha, Ajit Kumar Ranjan, IAS while presenting the action plan for promotion of better HSLC results, stated that the Committee has decided to the adoption of one school in each Assembly Constituency by the DPDB for close monitoring, convergent action, and gap funding.

Deputy CMO, Dr. Zuben Kikon highlighted the status and attendance of MOs and medical staff, staff position in the health facilities, status of equipment and diagnostics, utilization of ambulances, and lack of technicians in the district. Mmhonlumo after hearing from Deputy CMO requested the District Administration to verify the attendance of doctors, nurses, and staff in all the health care centres.

Advisor, Mhathung Yanthan stated that the department should not allow doctors to be transferred or sent for study leave without replacement as the public is suffering due to the absence of MO in the health care centres. Supplementing on the statement made by Yanthan, Mmhonlumo also asked Deputy Commissioner to write to higher authority regarding doctors wanting to go for study leave without replacement, stating District Administration will not give NOC as there are good numbers of doctors who have gone for study leave and their reliever are not yet filled/ posted.

Mmhonlumo Kikon also said that all heads of offices in the district should ensure that 'No Work No Pay' should be imposed on the non-performing employees for better performance of

government establishments in the district.

The Board also approved the proposal for a circular road covering 4 Km at Wokha town.

Chairman, Wokha DPDB asked the Agriculture, Horticulture, KVK, and District Narcotic Cell to present their activities at the next board meeting.

PHEK DPDB HELD

The Phek District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) during its monthly meeting reviewed the last meeting minutes, followed by a discussion of the new agenda for the registration of Suhuto Kro Society, for which the Board agreed to recommend the matter to the Government for

approval.

In the meeting, Weche-u Kapfo, Senior Fishery Inspector gave PowerPoint presentation on the developmental activities being undertaken in Phek district by the Department of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources.

ZUNHEBOTO DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly Zunheboto District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held at DC's Conference Hall, Zunheboto on 11th August 2022.

ADC Atoizu highlighted on the need for a Sub-Treasury Office at Atoizu town, wherein the Board decided to have a meeting together with the Administration and Senior Treasury Officer, Zunheboto on the matter.

Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto and Vice-

Chairman DPDB, Rahul Bhanudas Mali, IAS highlighted on the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, and that 30,000 national flags were procured for the district, and the ADC and SDO of the district should ensure that public hoist flags in their respective jurisdictions.

SDO (C), Zunheboto highlighted on the exhibition match to be played between ZAPO Vs DC XI, and added that the district will set up an Officer's Club.

PEREN DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly Peren District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of August was held on 11th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Peren.

Chairing the meeting, Deputy Commissioner and Vice-chairman, Peren DPDB, Vineet Kumar, IAS reiterated the members to be present in their respective place of posting and carry out their works with sincerity.

In the meeting, the proposal for setting up of Health Unit at Peren Headquarter was approved to be forwarded to the higher authority for further action. On the agenda for increasing Aadhaar enrollment in the district, the DC asserted that Peren district is lacking behind as compared to

other districts and after discussion, the Board decided to organise Aadhar enrollment camps in all the sub-divisions where enrollment ratio is low, starting from the month of August.

The meeting also approved the proposals for opening of Hill Mission School at Peren Headquarter and registration of Gracious Society, Ahthibung. The Department of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources and Social Welfare gave PowerPoint presentations highlighting on the activities and achievements of their respective departments.

Peren District Task Force on COVID-19 meeting and a consultative meeting to deliberate on matters relating to Aspirational Block, Tening was also held.

KOHIMA DPDB RECOMMENDS SOCIETIES FOR REGISTRATION

Kohima District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held under the chairmanship of DPDB Chairman, MLA Keneizhakho Nakhro at DPDB's Conference Hall, Kohima on 12th August 2022. The meeting was chaired by ADC Kohima, Rhosietho Nguori.

Various societies presented the aims and objective of their societies for registration where the Board decided to recommend the following societies to the Government: the Association of Surgeon of Nagaland, New Market Kohima; Nagaland Society of Fine Arts and Employability Midland Kohima, and MMB Cyber School Kruoliezou Billy Graham Road Kohima. While for Nagaland Sports Association, Forest Colony

Kohima and Nagaland Development Board, Naga Bazaar Kohima, the Board decided to refer the matter for further clarification and necessary action.

The Board also decided to recommend the following schools for upgradation and recognition: Up-gradation of GPS (CWSN) to GMS, Lerie colony; opening of Bloom Academy (Private) at Upper Chandmari Kohima, and merger of Higher Secondary School of Modern College and Modern Academy into Modern Higher Secondary School.

A PowerPoint presentation on departmental activities was presented by Divisional Forest Officer Kohima, Rajkumar M, IFS.

KIPHIRE DPDB FACILITATE HSLC & HSSLC TOPPERS

The monthly Kiphire District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting-cum-felicitation programme for HSLC & HSSLC Toppers was held on 12th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire under the chairmanship of Minister, Geology & Mining, Soil & Water Conservation, V. Kashiho Sangtam.

The Chairman congratulated the students of 2022 toppers from Loyola Higher Secondary School and encouraged them to be dedicated in their studies and to excel more in the future. He also acknowledged the parents for guiding and supporting their children.

Two students from Loyola Higher Secondary School, Kiphire were awarded with certificate

for securing top positions. Tsipila Sangtam got distinction in Maths and Science (HSLC) and Puja Kumari Gupta got 4th position in HSSLC.

Later during the meeting the Board approved the agenda for further recommendation of the following: construction of Log Drum house by Kiphire Town GBs; construction of PHC at Sitimi town, EAC Headquarter; upgradation of Class 11 (Arts) in Agape School Kiphire; discussed the COVID-19 scenario in Kiphire district; National Helpline for elderly citizens; registration of Diasosi Tribal Society and Eastern Nagaland Sumi Students Union Society.

PowerPoint presentation were given by ZPC Principal and Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission.

DEPARTMENT OF ESD&E WITH ZYNORIQUE INITIATIVE SOCIETY HOLDS TRAINING ON SKILL DEVELOPMENT ACROSS DISTRICTS**ABOI:**

A demand driven skill development programme on tiling, plumbing and masonry for

youths of Nagaland in construction sector was conducted at Aboi Town Hall from 8th to 13th August 2022. The skill development programme

was organised by the Department of Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (ESD&E) with Zynorique Initiative Society as the training partner. Power tools were also distributed to the participants by the department during the programme. Altogether, 50 participants including 3 girls from all over Aboi sub-division attended the training programme.

PEREN:



Officials along with trainees during the skill development training conducted at Peren Town Hall on 27th August 2022.

In commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Peren Township, a demand driven skill development programme on tiling, plumbing and masonry for the youth of Nagaland in construction sector was conducted at Peren Town Hall on 22nd August 2022. The programme was graced by Deputy Director, Department of Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Er. Alongse Sangtam and Chairman, Zynorique Initiative Society, Ar. Richard Belho.

Er. Alongse Sangtam briefing the participants encouraged them to focus on achieving the required skills and take ownerships to uplift local economy through their skills. Sangtam also highlighted on various schemes and trainings imparted at district levels.

Chairman Zynorique Initiative Society, Ar. Richard Belho also spoke on the importance of skill training for educated and unemployment

youth of Nagaland. Belho also said that with skill development people can work effectively and achieve success in whatever they do, and skill development programmes are helping the youths to understand the prospect of skill training initiative and achieve more targets.

Altogether, 43 youths from all the wards of Peren Town participated in the programme.

DIMAPUR:

A week-long training for demand driven skill development programme for the youth of Dimapur district in construction sector started

at Dimapur Town Hall on 29th August 2022.

Addressing the inaugural programme, Joint Director, ESD&E, Er. K. Wati said that the training is being imparted based on the demand to ensure more employment opportunities for the Naga youths to be self-reliant.

Chairman, Zynorique Initiatives Society, Richard Belho who gave the introduction of the training programme, spoke about the importance of skill training for the youth to be self-dependent as unemployment problem is on the rise and the Government cannot provide jobs to everyone.

District Employment Officer, Dimapur, Gideon L. Sumi who chaired the programme, informed that at the end of the training programme, the participants will be given certificates and complimentary working tools. Altogether, 62 persons were provided training on plumbing and electrical works.

MON DPDB HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Mon District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) held its monthly meeting under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS at DC's Conference Hall, Mon on 16th August 2022.

Formal introduction of the new DPDB

members was done which was followed by a departmental activities presentation by Executive Engineer, Public Health Engineering Department. The meeting was attended by SP Mon, Imnalensa, IPS and other district heads of offices and officers.

DISTRICT LEVEL SOCIAL AUDIT PUBLIC HEARING UNDER MGNREGA HELD ACROSS DISTRICTS

KOHIMA:



District Level Social Audit Public Hearing under MGNREGA was held at DPDB's Conference Hall, Kohima on 17th August 2022.

District Level Social Audit Public Hearing under MGNREGA for nine (9) villages, Chedema Model, Dzulakema, Kiruphema Basa, Kiruphema Bawe, Gariphema Basa, Tseimekhuma Basa, Viphoma, Phekerkeima Basa and Thongsunyu under five (5) RD Blocks, Kohima, Sechu-Zubza, Botsa, Chiephobozou and Tseminyu district was convened at DPDB Conference Hall, Kohima on 17th August 2022.

The programme was chaired by C. Khanyang Imlong PD/ DPC, DRDA, Kohima while Vepo Keyho, State Resource Person, Social Audit Unit Nagaland highlighted on MGNREGA programme and the importance of social audit.

Representing the District Administration, SDO (C) Sadar, Kohima, Chonpenthung Ezung and EAC Kohima, Pichano Kikon attended the hearing

as the independent Observers. The programme concluded with reading out of village wise Gram Sabha resolution.

PHEK:

The 2nd phase District Level Social Audit Public Hearing under MGNREGA was convened on 17th August, 2022 at DRDA Conference Hall, Phek. Altogether, 15 villages viz. Chozu-Basa (Sekruzou Block), Chesezu Nasa, Phuyoba, Thenyizu (Chetheba Block), Phusachodu, Rihuba (Kikuma Block), Sumi, Chobama, Enhulumi, Gozuto (Chizami Block), Reguri, New Akhegwo, Molen (Meluri Block) and Yisisothe, Sutsu (Weziho Block) were audited for FY 2020-2021.

Assistant Director of Social Audit Unit, Nagaland, Imlirenla Sanglir, on her introductory speech highlighted the importance of social audit under MGNREGS. She reiterated the programme functionaries on following the guidelines, since compliance of the States with the audit of scheme rules and Ministry Action Plan on social audit will serve as a pre-condition for the release

of Central share to the State Governments under MGNREGS.

SDO (C) Phek, Tsenthungo E Ngullie represented the District Administration as an Observer. He appealed the programme functionaries to utilize fund judiciously for the benefit of villages. He reiterated on the importance of proper book keeping and to take corrective measures by implementing agencies as per the social audit findings.

The Social Audit Report was presented by District Resource Person, Toshimanen Jamir and Block Resource Person, Keneise Sopfü. The Resource Persons highlighted the audit findings whereby Open Action Taken Reports (ATRS) were being discussed and rectifications were produced in written by the concerned Block Development Officers during the meeting. Altogether an amount of Rs. 68,060/- were recovered during the social audit process under the category of financial misappropriation.

BHANDARI:

Department of Rural Development, Wokha conducted its 2nd Phase District Level Social Audit Public Hearing under MGNREGS for 12 villages under Bhandari Block for the Financial Year 2020-21 on 18th August 2022 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha.

Altogether, 12 GPs villages were covered during the second phase social audit. State Resource Person Social Audit Unit, Nagaland, Vepo Keyho in his introductory speech stated that while the direct objectives of social audit process is to deter corruption, the social audits are a critical mechanism through which it empowers citizens and strengthen democratic action thereby bringing about social transformation, community participation, and bring transparency and accountability. To attain its objectives, he encouraged the implementing agencies and the programme functionaries to judiciously follow the guidelines.

Independent Observer from the District Administration, EAC, Wokha, I. Yentinougbo who attended the social audit, stated that after the introduction of MGNREGA scheme in 2005, it has witnessed enormous amount of development throughout the country, and he urged the RD department and the VDBs of the villages to judiciously implement all the schemes under MGNREGA.

Deputy Project Officer DRDA, Wokha, Shuyhunle Nyethong urged the Village Development Boards of different villages to take corrective measures accordingly as per the social audit findings. She further reminded the VDBs to follow the MGNREGS guidelines while executing the projects.

GOVERNOR PROF. JAGDISH MUKHI VISITS WOKHA

Governor of Nagaland and Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi on 24th August 2022 visited Doyang, where he called on the staff and students of Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya (VKV) NEEPCO, Doyang and held an interaction with the students.

The Governor visited Doyang viewpoint and DHEP Dam Causeway and interacted with

NEEPCO officials and a meeting was held with the General Manager, Project Head NEEPCO and CISF. Another meeting was also held with NGOs, Village Council Chairmen, GBs, Fishery Union and Land Owners Union Doyang. Later the Governor had an interaction with Head of Offices of Wokha district at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha, to review the Centrally



Governor of Nagaland, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi along with Advisor, Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan and other officials during his visit to Doyang, Wokha on 24th August 2022.

Sponsored Schemes under Wokha district.

Advisor, Law & Justice, Dr. Chumben Murry apprised the Governor about the schemes and projects implemented in the district as well as the benefits and development experienced by the people of the district through various schemes. Dr. Murry also apprised the Governor regarding equitable distribution of funds for implementation of different projects/works at par with other districts.

During the meeting with the head of offices, the Governor enquired about the status of number of villages and household left-out/not covered with electricity, and reminded the concerned department to ensure that no village or household should be left out without electricity.

Executive Engineer, PHED, Wokha, informed the Governor, that under toilet facility for all in rural areas, so far 80% of work has been completed/ covered while the remaining works is in progress. On the work position under JJM which commenced in 2019, the EE informed that so far, 47 projects in different villages are completed covering about 8,999 Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTC) and the

remaining are in progress.

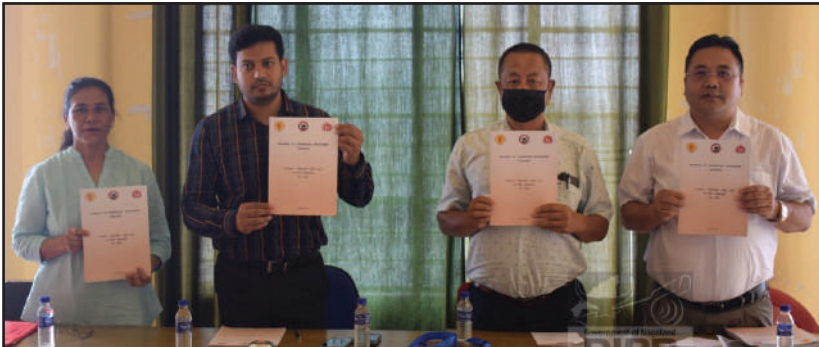
The Governor also stated that to increase and double the income of farmers various schemes and programmes are introduced, and asked the concerned departments to ensure that soil cards are provided to all farmers, seeds should be provided on time, manure and pesticides should be provided on time, and also help the farmers in their marketing produce.

Project Director, DRDA Wokha stressing on the Rural Housing apprised that 374 households have benefited under the project where 271 are under progress and 103 under waiting list.

Prof. Mukhi also mentioned that for educated youths willing to take up farming, the Government is willing to help in terms of providing modern technologies, machineries and equipment where he urged the educated youths to come forward and take up agriculture sector to become self-reliant.

The Governor also assured setting up two Sub-Divisional Agricultural offices at Sanis and Ralan. In regard to delay in sanctioning and disbursement of loan, especially SEP-I, under DUDA by the banks, he assured to take up the matter on priority.

DC LONGLENG RELEASES DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR TB FREE LONGLENG



Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, Dharam Raj, IAS along with other officials during the release of 'District Strategic Plan for TB Free Longleng' at DC's Conference Hall, Longleng on 26th August 2022.

The District Health Society and National TB Elimination Programme Longleng has come up with the 'District Strategic Plan for TB Free Longleng' which was officially released by the Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, Dharam Raj, IAS on 26th August 2022 at DC's Conference Hall, Longleng.

After releasing the Plan, Dharam Raj in his speech congratulated the District Health Society and National TB Elimination Programme, Longleng for coming up with the strategic plan for TB Free Longleng by 2025, and extended gratitude to the medical team for their special initiative and concern for the people of Longleng. The DC appealed to the stakeholders to come forward and extend their cooperation and support to the medical team in carrying out the strategic plan smoothly to achieve the goal. He also stated that due to prolonged use of medication for TB treatment, some patients avoid/skip regular medication leading to drug-resistant TB or extremely drug-resistant TB, threatening and ending their life. In this regard, he informed the medical team to give proper instruction and

awareness to TB patients.

CMO, Longleng, Dr. Obangjungla informed that Longleng is the first district to release the District Strategic Plan for TB Free District in the State, and acknowledged the sincere efforts of District TB Officer, Longleng, Dr. Temsusashi. She informed that due to stigmatization, people seldom come forward for

TB testing when approached, and suggested transparency in carrying out the strategic plan. She also highlighted the incentives and other benefits provided by the Government to TB patients besides free testing and treatment.

Medical Superintendent, District Hospital Longleng in his short speech, asserted that the medical team alone cannot achieve the target without the active participation and support of the churches, NGOs, and civil societies. He informed that mass awareness is required from all the stakeholders to disseminate to their respective community down to the grassroot level to fulfill the plan.

Chairperson, Dr. Temsusashi delivering the keynote address, informed that the alarming figure of morbidity and mortality of TB in India gave birth to the Revised National TB Control Programme (RNTCP) pilot project in 1993. Later, in 1997, RNTCP was launched as a national programme with a plan to scale up in a phase manner covering the entire country by 2006. Meanwhile, the Central TB Division, Ministry

of Health & Family Welfare has developed the National Strategic Plan to end TB by 2025. He

also highlighted the District Objects and Strategy Plan of the district.

2nd MILLET FESTIVAL HELD AT MELURI



Kiiritsechu Cotton Group of Meluri performing during the Millet Festival celebrated at Meluri Village Council Hall on 31st August 2022.

2nd Millet Festival was organised by the Meluri Millet Sisters, in collaboration with Millet Network of India and NEN (Northeast Network) with the theme 'Celebrating common heritage for a shared, resilient future' at Meluri Village Council Hall on 31st August 2022.

Phrumasie Nyuthe, SDAO, Meluri gracing the festival as a special guest, stressed on the importance of agriculture, without which, human sustenance and livelihood will be impossible.

Millet, being known as the most tolerable crop for human health, should be preserved and production should be promoted.

Velazonuo Kikh, Associate Project Leader, Northeast Network delivering the keynote address, ap-

pealed to the people of Meluri and Pochury as a whole to encourage and support millet farmers for the upliftment of the society.

Greeting messages were delivered by Kezunypeu Tsihah, Chairperson of Chizami Women Society, VCC Meluri and VCC Khumiasii. Head GB, Meluri Zuspa Kajiri spoke on the topic 'Millet and its cultural significance to Pochury community.'

TSEMINYU DPDB MEETING HELD

Tseminyu District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 30th August 2022 at the official chamber of DC Tseminyu under the chairmanship of Advisor, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services and Women Resource Development, R. Khing, who urged the officers to contribute to the welfare of the public.

DC, Tseminyu and Vice Chairman, DPDB, Dr. Zasekuolie Chusi, IAS while reviewing the previous meeting minutes stated that the DPDB

meeting will be held on 13th of every month. The Board also discussed internet connectivity/BSNL, review of CSS, welcomed the new officers posted at Tseminyu, and reminded the members to attend the DPDB meetings compulsorily.

Tumben, P. Tsanglao, EAC, Tsongi apprised the members about the importance of constitution of Tseminyu District Sports Council. Department of Health & Family Welfare presented the department's activities in the meeting.

PWD RENTAL HOUSING INAUGURATED AT MOKOKCHUNG

Minister, Public Works Department (Housing & Mechanical), Tongpang Ozukum inaugurated the PWD Rental Housing at Marepkong Ward, Mokokchung on 2nd August 2022.

Speaking in the programme, Tongpang congratulated the Contractor for the timely completion of the work. He also appreciated the EE PWD Mokokchung for their constant monitoring and supervision of the project. He also thanked the land owner for their free donation of

land for this project. The Minister also called upon the department to have a comprehensive plan on how to manage the rental house properly.

The rental housing project is funded by HUDCO and the project aims to accommodate government officers and staff, housing facilities on rental and also to generate departmental revenue. The technical report was given by Er. Nungsang Jamir, Executive Engineer PWD (H) Mokokchung Division.

ADVISOR KHUMO INAUGURATES BAILEY BRIDGE IN NOKLAK

Advisor, Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Evaluation, Economics & Statistics, L. Khumo inaugurated and unveiled the monoliths of Bailey Bridge, Cholo River, Pang village, and Choklou Bailey Bridge, Thsoiphu village under Noklak district on 2nd August 2022.

Khumo expressed gratitude to Chief Minister,

Neiphu Rio and all stakeholders for fulfilling the long cherished dreams of Pang and Thsoiphu village by building the bridge, which are the only lifeline road connecting to their villages, and was completed under PMGSY, 2019 - 2020. He thanked the public in general for their co-operation.

SUB-DIVISIONAL HORTICULTURE OFFICE INAUGURATED ACROSS SUB-DIVISIONS

The inauguration programme of Tening Town Hall and Tening Sub-divisional Horticulture Office was held at Tening town on 5th August 2022. The Sub-Divisional Horticulture Office was inaugurated by Advisor, Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan, who was the special guest, while the Town Hall was inaugurated by special host, Advisor, Water Resources, Namri Nchang. Advisor, Mhathung Yanthan while speaking at the inaugural programme urged the gathering to make use of the facilities provided by the Government. He also added that Peren district is a potential area where many kinds of vegetable can be grown, and encouraged the gathering to work harder even in the coming

days.

Advisor, Namri Nchang who also spoke at the programme, advised the gathering to focus more in the fields of farming so as to not waste the fertile lands. He informed that the newly inaugurated Town Hall will be managed and looked after by the Administration for the area people.

Advisor, Horticulture and Border Affairs, Mhathung Yanthan on 17th August 2022 inaugurated the Sub-Divisional Horticulture Office, Pfutsero, and also inaugurated the Sub-Divisional Horticulture Office at Meluri on 18th August 2022.

ZHALEO RIO INAUGURATES DEO OFFICE CHÜMOUKEDIMA

Advisor, Sericulture, Excise and Minority Affairs, Zhaleo Rio inaugurated the DEO Office Chümoukedima on 10th August 2022 at the DC's Office Complex, Chümoukedima.

Speaking at the occasion, Zhaleo Rio said that not all government schools function to the desired standards, while some are doing well, and added that the Department and the teachers

should improve the government schools with a collective effort since education is very vital for the future.

The inaugural programme was attended by Deputy Commissioner, Chümoukedima, Abhinav Shivam, IAS, Principal Director, School Education, Thavaseelan K, IAS, senior officials from the Department and teachers.

SAKHI-OSC OFFICE BUILDING INAUGURATED AT ZUNHEBOTO

Commissioner & Secretary, Social Welfare and Administrator NSSWB, Martha R Ritse inaugurated the Sakhi-One Stop Centre (OSC) office building at Zunheboto on 18th August 2022.

In the inaugural speech, Ritse expressed her concern about Zunheboto district by saying that, in the last three years, Zunheboto district has only 20 cases registered on violence against women and children, and if genuine, Zunheboto can be declared as one of the safest places for women and children. However, she added that if lesser cases are being filed against the bigger number

of crimes committed, it could be a serious issue. She further appealed to the DC Zunheboto to work with the concerned departments to get the inside of the actual scenario. She further exhorted the department to work with utmost sincerity.

Deputy Commissioner Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali, IAS while delivering his welcome address lauded the efforts of Sakhi-OSC even though it has been functioning in a rental building. The DC also added that the District Administration would always be approachable at any time.

RIO INAUGURATES GOLDEN JUBILEE BUILDING OF NSBSG

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the Golden Jubilee Building of the Nagaland State Bharat Scouts & Guides (NSBSG) at the State Headquarters, NSBSG, Bayavü, Kohima on 19th August 2022.

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio speaking at the inaugural programme stated that the Jubilee Building is a testimony of hard work, dedication and service rendered by all the NSBSG members, the past and the present. Rio encouraged that there should be more enrolment from the State, as the Scouts & Guides is an international

movement for the service of the people. He also called for district wise enrolment and asked the members to motivate others to join the movement. Rio further stated that the youth are the backbone of the society and urged them to propagate peace and harmony.

Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha addressing the gathering informed that the Bharat Scouts & Guides in Nagaland was first formed in the year 1967. He added that there are currently more than 3,000 Scouts & Guides and 400 plus Unit Leaders and officials,

spread over various districts of the State. He said that the NSBSG have been involved in many activities such as awareness programmes, mass cleanliness drive, community based projects, etc. Neikha hoped that new units will be formed for the newly created districts of Nagaland.

A brief note on the Jubilee Building

construction was shared by Convenor, Construction Committee & State Treasurer, NSBSG, K. Neibou Sekhose. The welcome address was delivered by State Chief Commissioner, Atuo Mezhür Sekhose while Director, YRS and Vice President, NSBSG, Akumla Chuba proposed the vote of thanks.

CLASSROOMS INAUGURATED AT GHSS NOKLAK

Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, Hiazu Meru inaugurated the new building of GHSS Noklak, constructed by Khiamniungan Students Union (KSU) at GHSS Noklak on 22nd August 2022.

Inaugurating the building, Meru congratulated the Khiamniungan Students Union for taking up the construction of classrooms at GHSS, Noklak. He said the Union has truly worked for the interest of the students' welfare which is praiseworthy and a fine example of community participation. Meru also elaborated on the importance of coordination amongst government departments and agencies, and encouraged them to work as a team for the welfare of the people of Noklak district.

As part of community participation, the District Planning & Development Board, Noklak

had also discussed on the poor HSLC, 2022 result of GHSS, Noklak and had decided to teach Maths and Science subjects to Class 6-10 which will start from 22nd August 2022. Officers with Science and Maths background with the assistance of NPSC aspirants having Science and Maths background will be volunteers for the special classes.

President, Khiamniungan Students Union, Shangjiu in his speech highlighted on the project of constructing classroom with 150 students sitting capacity at the lone GHSS in the district. Vice President KTC, TL Khaoshai, Principal GHSS Noklak Y. Khongkhao, and Imkhong, School Education department, Noklak also expressed their appreciation to the KSU for constructing the new building at GHSS, Noklak.

UNION FINANCE MINISTER INAUGURATES AXIS BANK MON BRANCH

Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, on 23rd August 2022 inaugurated Axis Bank, Mon Branch during her visit to Mon district.

Sitharaman in her address stated that it was her third visit to the District and narrated about her visit to Longwa during her tenure as the Defence Minister which had left a deep impression in her. After interaction with the Konyaks, Sitharaman stated that she was impressed by the way they

organised themselves and acknowledged that the people living in the international borders faced severe challenges. She stressed on the importance of financial inclusion and also on the importance of connectivity both physical and digital connectivity to ensure access to facility and security.

Sitharaman thanked and appreciated Axis Bank and its management for reaching out so far to provide space for financial inclusion and



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to the people to avail the facilities to the fullest and become productive units of the society as job creators.

MD & CEO, Axis Bank, Amitabh Choudhary on behalf of Axis Bank, thanked the Finance Minister for personally coming to dedicate the four branches in the Northeast. He stated that the flow of investments in the Northeast is just the beginning and asserted that the desire of the Bank is to expand even further and provide banking facilities in all parts of the region.

access all kinds of facilities. She also appealed

UNION FINANCE MINISTER INAUGURATES DIALYSIS UNIT IN DIMAPUR

Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the Dialysis Unit at Dimapur District Hospital on 24th August 2022.

The Dialysis Unit of the District Hospital has four functional dialysis machines with a capacity of up to 60 sessions per day. The Dialysis Unit was established under the aegis of the

Government of Nagaland, sponsored by Boeing India, and will be implemented by Doctors For You in collaboration with the Department of Health & Family Welfare and IDAN. The Dialysis Centre will be jointly managed by the Hospital Management Society of District Hospital Dimapur and Doctors For You, initially for 10 years.

DC LONGLENG INAUGURATES SENIOR CITIZEN'S HOME

Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, Dharam Raj, IAS inaugurated Senior Citizen's Home at Longleng on 24th August 2022 organized by the Good Samaritan Women Society in collaboration with Elderline, Nagaland.

In his inaugural speech, Dharam Raj appealed to the youths to respect and honour the elders. He said that the history, culture and identity are inherited from our ancestors through senior citizens, and that senior citizens are the source of wisdom and knowledge. The

DC further highlighted about the policies and facilities provided by the Government for the welfare of the senior citizens and urged them to avail the opportunities given. He also assured the District Administration's cooperation and support towards the Home.

Speaking on behalf of the Social Welfare Department, CDPO Longleng T. Longlang Kuckpan informed that out of 1,450 beneficiaries under National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) in the district, around 200 genuine

beneficiaries are yet to get their pension for the year 2021 – 2022, because the mode of pension payment is done through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT). In this regard, he requested the Deputy Commissioner to advise the Banks and Post Office to provide special provision for senior citizens to enable them to open their accounts and avail the pension payment.

In the welcome address, Kevinourheno Seyie, Good Samaritan Women Society

highlighted the gathering about various schemes and facilities provided for the Senior Citizens and also some of the initiatives taken by the Nagaland Elderline to provide separate counter in banks and separate wards in hospitals for Senior Citizens of the State. She appealed to all the stakeholders like District Administration, churches, NGOs and civil societies of the district to extend their full cooperation and support towards the Home.

CM INAUGURATES NSSB OFFICE

Chief Minister (CM), Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the new Nagaland Staff Selection Board (NSSB) Office at Speaker Road, New Capital Complex, Kohima, and also launched the official website of the NSSB on 25th August 2022.

Speaking at the event CM, Rio said that the NSSB should, as an institution, win the trust of the people of the State, and its members and officials led by the Chairman of the Board, should serve with utmost commitment and integrity as the people have a lot of expectations and hope on them.

The CM stated that the formation of the NSSB will finally bring justice to the educated unemployed youth of the State and provide just and fair opportunities to all. Rio also highlighted a number of suggestions which will help the Board to work efficiently. He said that the application submitted by the applicants should be scrutinized thoroughly and ensure that the eligibility criteria for the posts advertised are maintained, and encouraged the use of state of the art technology for all processes including submission of forms, payment of exam fees, scrutiny of applications, etc. He urged the Board to strictly follow the pre-existing service rules and reservation policy so as to avoid confusion and mistrust among the

people, and advised them to work together with all the government departments to ascertain the number of vacancies available well in advance. Rio also emphasised on the need to maintain high confidentiality in the entire examination and selection process, but also at the same time ensure that there is transparency and accountability within the Board.

Chief Secretary, J. Alam, IAS, in his speech congratulated the Chairman and his board members for successfully making the NSSB functional under such short period of time. He said that the NSSB is a pioneering institution in the State and that it should be nurtured and brought up during its nascent stage. He further added that it is the Constitutional mandate for the government to provide equality of opportunity to all, and that the sole purpose of the formation of the NSSB is to ensure that everybody gets a fair chance to be employed.

Chairman NSSB, Sedevikho Khro, in his opening remark assured that the newly appointed board with him as the Chairman is fully committed in ensuring fair opportunities to all the youth. He further urged the young people of the State to be patient and have faith in the NSSB and pledged that the Board is committed to excellence.

RIO FLAGS OFF DONYI POLO EXPRESS

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio flagged off the Donyi Polo Express Train at Shokhuvi on 26th August 2022.

In his address, Rio stated the second railway station is being established in the State after a long gap and added that it is a historic achievement and congratulated the NFR and its officials for completion of the first phase of the project.

Rio said, Molvon Station at Jornapani is expected to be completed by next March/April and Phase 2 - Pherima and Phase 3 – Zubza, are expected to be completed by 2023 and 2026, respectively. Rio stated that he is hopeful the railway line from Dimapur - Tizit and Dimapur – Khelma (Silchar) which is already being approved by the Government of India will be implemented soon. Rio said that the completion of the project has been delayed due to land

acquisition problem and appealed to all the GBs, public leaders and civil societies to cooperate with the Railway Department so as to get the benefit from the connectivity. Railways being the second cheapest means of transportation, the State will get immense improvement in trade and economy specially the Agriculture sector, stated the CM.

Meanwhile, Minister for PHED, Jacob Zhimomi in his speech acknowledged the vision of the Prime Minister in connecting the North Eastern states to the rest of the country. He also stated that the railway connectivity among the three states of Nagaland, Assam and Arunachal Pradesh will not only improve the economy but will also cater to new social relationships.

The daily passenger train will run from Shokhuvi via Dhansari-Diphu-Lamdang-Guwahati-Naharlagun (Arunachal Pradesh).

**NPRH EXTENSION INAUGURATED AND DGP
COMMENDATION DISC AWARD CEREMONY HELD**

On 26th August 2022, Director General of Police, T. John Longkumer, IPS inaugurated the Nagaland Police Referral Hospital (NPRH) extension and commissioned 850 LMP Oxygen Plant at Police Complex, which was followed by DGP Commendation Disc Award Ceremony and release of Crime Data 2021 at Rhododendron Hall, Chümoukedima.

Speaking during the inaugural programme, John Longkumer said that the extension of NPRH was taken up during the crucial COVID-19 crisis, but now, since COVID-19 cases have come down, it has decided to make it a medical service of excellence for Police Department. He

stated that having the ideal location, the Police Department has decided to tie up and signed MoU with the Dimapur Referral Hospital.

During the release of the 1st Nagaland Crime Data, John Longkumer acknowledged and appreciated all the officers who were involved in the compilation of this data. He stated that Crime Data Book is a very important document which will be used for reference in the future, and will be helpful especially to the field officers when it comes to predictive and other aspects of crime analysis.

During the press conference with the media team, Limasunep Jamir IPS, IGP (Range) highlighted that overview of law and order situation in the



Inauguration of the Nagaland Police Referral Hospital extension, DGP Commendation Disc Award Ceremony and release of Crime Data 2021 was held at Chümoukedima Police Complex on 26th August 2022.

State continues to be peaceful, and that has been reflected in the denotification of 15 police stations from the purview of AFPSA, which has reimposed faith in the State Police. As per 2021 Crime Data, 1525 cases have been registered out of which, 765 cases have been chargesheeted, and pending investigation is 553, conviction rate is 179 which is on trial case. Total number of persons arrested in 2021 is - Male - 1515 and Female - 71. He stated

that significant achievements have been made particularly relating to extortion where a total of 260 cases have been registered all over the State and 297 persons have been arrested from various UG factions and civilians and also from various other NE States of UG groups. In NDPS cases, 295 cases were registered in 2021 and significant seizures have been made, contraband gold of 290 gold bars worth Rs. 22.8 crore were seized by CID. In Armed Forces, 197 cases out of which, 139 arms were seized by the Police. Detection and recovery has been positive and laudable, and Nagaland Police assures to continue to combat crime.

Limasunep further mentioned that the creation of four districts has very positive impact in law and order situations, especially in the Eastern districts of the State. He appealed to the larger civil societies, right thinking citizens to come forward and support the Police in maintaining law and order in the State, and to ensure that peace and tranquility are maintained.

Earlier, DGP, T. John Longkumer gave away the DGP Commendation Disc to 63 officers and personnel for their exemplary services.



Secretary General, Nagaland Olympic Association (NOA), Abu Metha unfurling the NOA flag during the inaugural function of the 2nd Nagaland Olympics & Paralympics Games 2022 at Indira Gandhi stadium, Kohima on 17th August 2022.



Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio flagging off the Donyi Polo Express train at Shokhuvi on 26th August 2022.



Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio unfurling the national flag during the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav at the World War II Museum, Kisama, Kohima on 12th August 2022.

