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Indian National Congress (INC) candidate, S. Supongmeren Jamir receiving the winning certificate for the 1-Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency to the 18th Lok Sabha Election from Commissioner, Nagaland and Returning Officer of the 1-Nagaland Constituency, Sushil Kumar Patel IAS, at Kohima on 4th June 2024.



Advisor, Economics & Statistics, Information Technology & Communication, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam, Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam IAS and other officials during the release of the 1st Report of the District Domestic Product of Nagaland during the one-day state level workshop to promote User Product Interface on GSDP and DDP held at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 21st June 2024.







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RIMS AND NEIGRIHMS EMPANELLED UNDER CMHIS

The Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal, Manipur, and the North East Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health & Medical Sciences (NEIGRIHMS), Shillong, Meghalaya have been empaneled under the Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS).

Beneficiaries of the CMHIS can now seek cashless treatment at both RIMS and NEIGRIHMS. Beneficiaries can visit the respective hospital websites http://www.rims.edu.in & https:neigrihms.gov.in to check the full and detailed list of specialties and services provided.

For further inquiries, one can contact:

- 1. CMHIS Helpline: 8880515011 | 8880515012 | 8880515013 | 8880515014
- 2. Email: nagaland.nhpm@gmail.com

TREASURIES & ACCOUNTS SETS UP PENSIONERS' HELPLINE

The Directorate of Treasuries & Accounts has set up a dedicated Pensioners' Helpline, aimed at addressing the various challenges faced by pensioners across the State. This helpline serves as a specialized assistance platform designed to support pensioners in resolving issues that may arise following the finalization of their pensions by the Office of the Accountant General. Recognizing the diverse needs of pensioners, the helpline offers personalized assistance through regular telephonic calls with departmental personnel.

While the Department is already providing an online grievance registration facility on its website, the introduction of the helpline is envisaged to ensure faster access to assistance, particularly for pensioners who may lack internet access or face difficulties in navigating online services.

Pensioners have been encouraged to reach out to the helpline during normal office hours by calling the numbers 87987 47825 and 87987 47826 to speak with officials. Alternatively, grievances can also be submitted via WhatsApp to 87987 47800.

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT NOMINATES NODAL OFFICER

In the interest of public service and as discussed in the SLSC meeting held on 17.05.2024, Viwheto Thorie, Deputy Director, Agriculture (Mobile No. +91-8837475871, email - viwhetothorie@qmail.com) has been nominated as Nodal Officer, Public Grievance Redressal System for Agriculture Department to address the issues/grievances of the public.

DIGILOCKER SERVICE INTRODUCED AT OFFICE OF THE AG, KOHIMA

The Office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E) with technical support of National e-Governance Division (DigiLocker), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, New Delhi and NIC, Nagaland State Centre, Kohima has incorporated the annual GPF statement

for the year 2023-24 in the DigiLocker service.

The DigiLocker service is a flagship initiative of Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) under Digital India programme. DigiLocker aims at 'Digital Empowerment' of citizens by providing access to authentic digital documents to the citizen's digital document wallet. DigiLocker is a secure cloud based platform for storage, sharing and verification of documents and certificates. Steps to follow to avail the service:

- 1. One has to type https://digilocker.gov.in
- 2. Proceed to 'Main menu.'
- 3. Click on 'State Government.'
- 4. Click on 'State Nagaland.'
- 5. Click on 'GPF statement.'
- 6. Create user ID and set password.
- 7. After logging in, click on 'Search document' and fetch latest annual GPF statement by using personal login information.

The facility has also been made live on the following social media handles, viz. Twitter, Facebook, Instagram Threads, LinkedIn.

In case of any query or doubt, one can contact the following officers for assistance during office hours: Nitesh Kumar, Assistant Accounts Officer #8415830781; Shem, Assistant Accounts Officer #9089278188; Akum Chuba, Senior Accounts Officer #9436005112.

One can also write through email at agaenagaland@cag.gov.in or to Vivek Kumar Bhaskar, Senior Deputy Accountant General (A&E) at bhaskarvkcag.gov.in for any GPF related problems.

H&FW INFORMS ON DRUGS LICENSING THROUGH ONLINE PORTAL

In pursuance to the Government Notification VideNo.HFW-22/B-2/2009/250 Dated Kohima, the 13th May 2024, the Department of Health & Family Welfare has informed that effective from 1st April 2024, all drugs licensing processes shall be through online portal only, and therefore, no offline or physical application shall be accepted or entertained. Further, it is also informed to all licensees that renewal/retention and all other post approval changes shall be through online and not otherwise.

Therefore, all running Licensed Retailers and Wholesalers are also informed to get their firm/business on-board into the under given portal within 3 (three) months from the date of issue of this notice.

In this regard, necessary information and assistance can be sought from District Drug Control Officers in the respective CMO's Office:

Portal: www.statedrugs.gov.in | Helpline No. 7629875392

Whereas, Section-7 of the Drugs & Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954 prohibits any person from taking any part in the publication of any advertisement referring to any drug in terms which suggest or are calculated to lead to the use of that drug for:

- a. The procurement of miscarriage in women or prevention of conception in women; or
- b. The maintenance or improvement of the capacity of human beings for sexual pleasure; or
- c. The correction of menstrual disorder in women; or
- d. The diagnosis, cure, mitigation treatment or prevention of any disease, disorder or condition specified as given in the Schedule below:

Name of disease, disorder or condition				
1	Appendicitis	28	Hydrocele	
2	Arteriosclerosis	29	Hysteria	
3	Blindness	30	Infantile paralysis	
4	Blood poisoning	31	Insanity	
5	Bright's disease	32	Leprosy	
6	Cancer	33	Leucoderma	
7	Cataract	34	Lockjaw	
8	Deafness	35	Locomotor ataxia	
9	Diabetes	36	Lupus	
10	Disease and disorder of brain	37	Nervous debility	
11	Diseases and disorder of optical system	38	Obesity	
12	Diseases and disorders of uterus	39	Paralysis	
13	Disorders of menstrual flow	40	Plague	
14	Disorders of the nervous system	41	Pleurisy	
15	Disorders of the prostatic gland	42	Pneumonia	
16	Dropsy	43	Rheumatism	
17	Epilepsy	44	Ruptures	
18	Female diseases (in general)	45	Sexual impotence	
19	Fevers (in general)	46	Small pox	
20	Fits	47	Stature of persons	
21	Form and structure of the female bust	48	Sterility in women	
22	Gall stones, kidney stones and bladder stones	49	Trachoma	
23	Gangrene	50	Tuberculosis	
24	Glaucoma	51	Tumours	
25	Goiter	52	Typhoid fever	
26	Heart diseases	53	Ulcers of the gastro-intestinal tract	
27	High or low blood pressure	54	Venereal diseases, including syphilis, Gonorrhoea, soft chancre,venereal, granuloma and lympho granuloma	

It further stated that Section-7 provides a penal provision, wherein on conviction, with imprisonment which may extend to 6 (six) months, or with fine, or with both but on subsequent conviction, with imprisonment which may extend to 1 (one) year, or with fine, or with both.

Therefore, in the light of the above legal provision, it is hereby informed to all Print Medias, Publishers, Advertisement Agencies, Social Media users to desist from such publication and promotion or telecast of Drug/Medicine products in contravention to the provisions of the law as provided under Drugs & Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, and Rules made thereunder.

Strict legal action shall be initiated against such defaulters.

GOVERNOR APPOINTS GOVERNMENT SPOKESPERSONS

In addition to the existing Government Spokespersons viz. K.G. Kenye, Minister, Power and Parliamentary Affairs and L. Imkong Imchen, Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation, the Governor of Nagaland is pleased to nominate/appoint the following as Government Spokespersons with immediate effect:

- 1. Temjen Imna Along, Minister, Tourism and Higher Education.
- 2. C. L. John, Minister, Environment, Forests & Climate Change and Village Guards.

NSDMA ISSUES ORDER TO PREVENT AND CONTROL ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

In view of the need to take urgent measures for preventing and controlling the environmental hazards caused by the irresponsible disposal of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage, and as a matter of abundant caution, Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA) has issued the following order in public interest in pursuance to the provision of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 Section 22 (2) (b) (h) and (i);

- 1. The District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) are directed to examine the vulnerability of the different water bodies in the district and the environmental hazards caused from the irresponsible disposal of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage and bring out specific measures to be taken for its prevention or mitigation.
- 2. The District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) are directed to promote general education and awareness regarding the management of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage in the different parts of the district which are vulnerable and the measures that may be taken up by the community to prevent and mitigate the hazards which are caused by the irresponsible disposal of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage.
- 3. The District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) are directed to review and examine constituted committees, orders related to the use of plastic and non-degradable wastes and take measures to reinforce those orders to prevent and mitigate hazards caused by the irresponsible disposal of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage.
- 4. The District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMAs) may provide reports of the measures undertaken at the district level to prevent the environmental hazards caused by the irresponsible disposal of plastic wastes and non-degradable garbage.

NAGALAND POLICE FIGHTS AGAINST ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

The Nagaland Police has informed that it continues to launch State-wide Operations in all the districts of Nagaland in order to combat the menace of widespread availability and usage of synthetic drugs and psychotropic substances and IMFL (Indian Made Foreign Liquor) and its effects on the youth. Intensive checking of vehicles (MVCP), raids and checking of hotels, restaurants, etc. has been launched to prevent any such illegal activity.

Nagaland Police further appeals to the public to provide information on sale/distribution of any form of Narcotics/Drugs/IMFL etc. to the nearest Police Station or Narcotic Police Station. The CUG (Closed User Group) phone numbers of various Nagaland Police Officers and Police Stations are available in 'Call Your Cop' Mobile App. The identity of the informants shall be kept confidential.

WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY 2024 OBSERVED

LONGLENG:

District Tobacco Control Cell, Longleng observed World No Tobacco Day at Government High School, Namching on 31st May 2024, under the theme "Protecting children from tobacco industry interference."

District Nodal Officer, National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP), Longleng Dr. Nichukholie Vupru delivering a powerpoint presentation on the theme, emphasised on the various forms of advertising and deceptive marketing tactics adopted by the tobacco companies to lure and target young potential consumers. The students were sensitized on the harmful effects of tobacco which are inevitable in whatever form tobacco is consumed. He also encouraged and cautioned the students not to be victims of the advertisement presented through social media platforms about electronic tobacco products like e-cigarette.

The team was led by Dr. Nichukholie Vupru, District Nodal Officer, NTCP and Dr. Chumei Nyam, Dental Surgeon, Longleng.

PHEK:

Phek observed World No Tobacco Day with Deputy Commissioner, John Tsulise Sangtam as the special guest at Dr. Wethselo Mero Memorial Hall, District Hospital on 31st May 2024.

In his speech, the DC strongly advocated and urged the school and college authorities to maintain rules for strict prohibition of tobacco in their institutions. Sangtam also advised the children not to indulge and get influenced by tobacco or habit of smoking for their health and successful living.

Speaking on the theme "Protecting children from tobacco industry interference," Dr. Pfukrolo Koza, District Nodal Officer for National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP), narrated about the ill effects of smokeless and smoke tobacco on human health and economic life of the people.

Highlights of the occasion were a special song presented by Bishop Abraham Memorial School, Phek, and presentation of certificates to the students of Tobacco Free Schools by Nesülü, Social Worker, NTCP, Phek.

CEO, NAGALAND BRIEFS MEDIA AFTER COUNTING OF VOTES FOR 1-NAGALAND PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY TO THE 18th LOK SABHA ELECTION

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Nagaland, Vyasan R. IAS and Commissioner, Nagaland & Returning Officer, Sushil Kumar, IAS conducted a joint press conference with media personnel after the counting of votes for 1- Nagaland Parliamentary Constituency to the 18th Lok Sabha Election 2024 at AWO Ki, D-Block, Kohima on 4th June 2024.

Commissioner, Nagaland & Returning

Officer, Sushil Kumar IAS addressing the media, informed that out of 60 Assembly Constituencies, people voted for 40 Assembly Constituencies in Nagaland. Kumar stated that altogether, the total valid votes cast was 7,59,150, out of which, the winning candidate, S. Supongmeren Jamir of INC got a total of 4,01,951 votes and Dr. Chumben Murry of NDPP got 350,967 votes.

Independent candidate, Hayithung Tungoe Lotha got 6,230 votes. He added that there were 1,646 votes under NOTA while 2,392 votes were rejected.

Also highlighting the postal ballot votes, Sushil Kumar said out of 6,035 postal ballot votes cast by polling officers on duty

and service votes, 3,642 were valid votes while 2,393 were invalid votes. Kumar also said that all counting of votes were carried out at the District Headquarters including Pughoboto, and postal ballot votes were counted at the Office of the Commissioner. Nagaland, Kohima.

PRE-SUBROTO FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT 2024 AT KOHIMA

The inaugural programme of the Pre-Subroto Football Tournament 2024 was held at Indra Gandhi Stadium from 5th - 12th June 2024 at Kohima.

In his inaugural speech, MLA & General Secretary, Nagaland Football Association (NFA), Benei M. Lamthiu said the Department of Youth Resources & Sports and Nagaland Football Association has taken a good step by organising the state level Pre-Subroto-cum-Junior Football Tournament which will give a good platform and a big boost to the young football players.

Benei encouraged the players to take

sports not only as a hobby but as a future career. He informed that the Department of Youth Resources & Sports in collaboration with the Nagaland Football Association, will be organising the State Football League Tournament to identify young talents. More efforts will be put in to develop the standard of football in the State.

The Pre-Subroto-cum-Junior Football Tournament featured 13 districts competing in the U-15 boys category and U-17 girls category, with a total of 468 players and officials from all over the State.



Players being introduced to MLA, Benei M. Lamthiu at the State Level Pre-Subroto-cum-Junior Football Tournament held at IG Stadium, Kohima on 5th June 2024.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY OBSERVED ACROSS THE STATE

KOHIMA:

In commemoration of World Environment Day 2024, the Sustainable Development Goals Coordination Centre (SDGCC) under the Department of Planning & Transformation organized a 'Greening the Earth' initiative by planting tree saplings at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat in Kohima on 5th June 2024.

OSD (Planning) & SDG Nodal Officer, Nayantara Sasikumar, IES, during the event said that the key objective of this initiative is to highlight commitment and mobilize collective action towards addressing environmental challenges and promoting sustainability. Nayantara also emphasized the urgency of planting more trees and increasing greenery as our State is witnessing the increasing frequency and severity of heat waves. She added that in Nagaland, the impacts of climate change are felt not just in heat but also in landslides, storms, floods, droughts, biodiversity loss, and health issues.

Sasikumar also highlighted the importance of SDG 12 i.e, Sustainable Consumption and Production for protecting the environment. She also thanked the Department of Environment, Forests & Climate Change for providing the plant saplings to SDGCC to carry forward the 'Greening the Earth' initiative.

Nayantara Sasikumar, IES and Additional Development Commissioner, Planning & Transformation, N. Nlumo Murry planted Bauhinia tree saplings at Civil Secretariat Complex. SDGCC also distributed around 200 cherry saplings at the Secretariat.

ZUNHEBOTO:

District Administration, Zunheboto in collaboration with District Election Office organised and observed World Environment Day with the theme "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience" at Town Square, Zunheboto on 5th June 2024.

Earlier, before the formal programme, NBSE commemorating 50 years of its existence and with an aim to create awareness of a healthier environment, the Department of School Education in collaboration with DFO (Forest) organized Half Marathon.

Winners of the 'Rid Plastic' Inter-School competition - Seven Homes School, Government Higher Secondary School, Zunheboto and Government High School (South point) were felicitated with cash awards by ZTC in the function.

The celebration continued with large scale plantation and cleanliness drive across the town headed by Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali (IAS), Superintendent of Police, DFO, other concerned government offices, NGOs, student bodies and Zunheboto District Badminton Association.

NOKLAK:

'F' Company 3rd NAP Bn. Noklak observed World Environment Day in collaboration with District Administration Noklak and Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change on 5th June 2024 under the theme, 'Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience.'

In his speech, DC, Noklak, Arikumba stated that the focus of celebrating World Environment Day is to protect the environment and sustainable life in the future. While elaborating on how to keep the environment clean, the DC emphasized on the uses of plastic and its effect on the environment. He requested the gathering to spread awareness on the importance of planting trees and to start the habit of planting trees.

Assistant Commandant, 'F' Company 3rd NAP, Noklak, Tianungba Ao and Forest Range Officer, Noklak Range, Imtimar Walling also spoke on the occasion. To mark the occasion, plantation drive was held at 3rd NAP Camp, Noklak led by the Deputy Commissioner, Noklak.

PEREN:

Peren Forest Division in collaboration with schools under Peren district and Jalukie Town Youth Organisation celebrated World Environment Day under the theme "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience" at Jalukie Town Main Market on 5th June 2024.

activities included The marathon organized for 12 schools under Peren district. seeds distribution, plantation drive, mass social work and awareness programme.

Approximately 350 students and public took part in the event.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Dr. Prabhat Kumar, IFS in his speech highlighted the importance of conservation of forest, wildlife and the precious environment. He also emphasised on the importance of reduce, reuse and recycle in everyday habits and the importance of every individual student. He said that saving our environment and forest is not only the duty of the forest department, but is a collective responsibility of all the stakeholders, and especially the students and youth can play a significant role in protection of environment.

The Range In-charge, Jalukie, Kenlumtatei, Forest Range Officer motivated the students and public to adopt eco-friendly habits and jointly protect the available natural resources.

Vice Principal, Government Higher Secondary School, Namrenbe stressed on the importance of environment and motivated the participants during marathon.

The DFO also gave away the prizes along with certificates to the winners and other participants.



Peren Forest Division in collaboration with schools and JTYO observed World Environment Day at Jalukie Town Main Market on 5th June 2024.

TUENSANG:

In commemoration of World Environment Day, the District Level Half Marathon was organised at Loyem Ground, Tuensang town on 5th June 2024. The programme was held under the theme 'Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience.'

Speaking on the occasion, Khelen Singh IFS, DFO Tuensang said that our planet Earth is dying because of the destruction of forests due to which we are facing droughts and rise in temperature. He added that hunting of animals is banned and we should conserve and protect our forest before it is too late.

Thungchanbemo Tungoe, ADC, Tuensang in his short speech stated that we must all take a strong pledge to stop single use of plastic in the district and urged the educational institutions to educate students about the harmful effects of plastic.

KIPHIRE:

Kiphire Forest Division organised the World Environment Day celebration on 5th June 2024, in collaboration with nine (9) NBSE affiliated Schools (Loyola Higher Secondary School, Government Higher Secondary School, Good Shepherd School, El Beth School, Cambridge School, Saramati View Modern School, Trinity School, Agape Higher Secondary School and Holy Cross School) under Kiphire town and the District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), Kiphire.

The event commenced with the Half Marathon Race for the students, which was flagged off by Superintendent of Police, Kiphire, Chinese Chakhesang. The event was hosted by Loyola Higher Secondary School.

Deputy Commissioner, Kiphire,

Temsuwati Longkumer, as the special invitee of the programme, urged everyone to pursue for environmental conscious lifestyle and highlighted several environmental challenges as well as the contributions that can be made to mitigate them.

The programme culminated with plantation drives at the premises of the schools.

PHEK:

World Environment Day 2024-cum-Half Marathon in commemoration of 50 years of Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE), organised by the Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Phek Division and NBSE was observed at Phek district on 5th June 2024.

Dwelling on the theme 'Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience,' Deputy Commissioner, Phek, John Tsulise Sangtam said every person is aware of the consequences that have led to the destruction of our environment, which is leading to many adverse development affecting human life directly. He also called upon all to be aware of deforestation and focus on tree plantation for good environment.

Superintendent of Police, Phek, Dr. Pritpal Kaur Batra IPS in her speech called upon the students to maintain no pollution, no plastic wastage, no water pollution, no water shortage and practice afforestation to make the district clean and environmentally beautiful. She also mentioned that North East India being a hotspot of biodiversity, encouraged all to preserve the environment by way of tree plantation, avoiding hunting of wild animals and birds as it affects the eco-system, practicing integrated farming and be aware of the effects of pollination, global warming and mentioning sustainable

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environment.

Divisional **Forest** Officer, Phek, Enyiwekha Wezah also dwelled on the effects of land degradation, desertification, urbanization and drought which has made our land fragile caused due to deforestation of our environment, and called upon the students to take up the responsibility of taking care of our natural environment and restore the land through plantation.

The marathon race was flagged off by Superintendent of Police, Phek, Dr. Pritpal Kaur Batra IPS. The winners received cash awards and certificates.

MOKOKCHUNG:

In Mokokchung, the World Environment Day was celebrated on 5th June 2024, held at Shisalen Riju. The event was organized by the District Planning & Development Board, Mokokchung, in collaboration with the District Hub for Empowerment of Women, Mokokchung, under the aegis of BBBP on the theme 'Land restoration, desertification, and drought resilience.'

Commissioner & Secretary (Retd.) & Founder of Earth Alliance Thangi Manen addressed on the grim reality of environmental degradation, citing floods, landslides, air, and water pollution as consequences of human impact. With 50% of Nagaland's land already degraded, as per an ISRO report, she underscored the urgent need for action. A staunch advocate against plastic pollution, she shared her experiences in combating the issue and proposed solutions like multi-layer plastic segregation and utilizing single-use plastics as fuel in cement factories. She urged for rainwater harvesting and emphasized the importance of keeping the Milak River clean.

Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC)

& Mokokchung Municipal Council (MMC) Administrator, Chumlamo Humtsoe echoed the call for environmental stewardship, highlighting initiatives like waste segregation and composting at the household level in Mokokchung.

Representing ABAM, Maong Jamir emphasized humanity's responsibility to safeguard the environment. Village Council Chairman, Mokokchung Village Mapuyanger Longkumer commended DPDB's efforts and urged for continued collaboration.

To commemorate the occasion and promoting environmental awareness and action among the youth, a Half Marathon Green Run, organized by the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) in collaboration with the District Education Officer (DEO), saw participation from students representing 12 schools. Certificates and cash prizes were presented to the winners.

WOKHA:

Wokha district celebrated the World Environment Day on 5th June 2024 at Lotha Hoho Ki. The programme was organised by Wokha Forest Division and Doyang Planting Division in collaboration with Nagaland Board of School Education.

Assistant Conservator of Forests, Rajiv Shankar IFS, delivering the keynote address, said that to maintain a balanced ecosystem, we need to safeguard natural world by way of environment conservation, safeguard different species of animals, trees which can help to minimize environmental degradation and pollution which can help promote sustainable future for planet.

Divisional Forest Officer. Wokha and Doyang, Suman W.M. Sivachar (IFS) emphasised on the important aspect on conservation of our environment and biodiversity, stating that protection, preservation and restoration of ecosystem and natural resources are the critical aspect of sustainability to ensure long term wellbeing of both humans and the planet.

Skill Development Officer, Anuranjan Singh, who also spoke during the programme, encouraged the students to spread awareness about environment conservation.

Short story about the importance of Mt. Tiyi was presented by Longtsu Tungoe. Highlights of the programme include folk story telling competition and folk song competition. Around 11 schools from Wokha town took part in the competition.

Earlier in the day, "Walk for awareness" was held under the slogan "Our land, our future, we are generation restoration," for the students which saw participation from different schools under Wokha town.

LONGLENG:

On account of World Environment Day, Half Marathon for all the schools of Longleng was organized by Longleng Forest Division in collaboration with Nagaland Board of School Education and World Vision India on the theme, "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience" on 5th June 2024.

In his speech, Divisional Forest Officer, Longleng, Tokugha Chophy highlighted about the history and significance of World Environment Day to the gathering, and further elaborated on the role of students in spreading awareness to the general public. He spoke about the importance of planting trees and also asserted that it would be very fruitful if individuals plant few or more trees, and take proper care of it during the initial years, to create oxygen space for ourselves. He also spoke about the importance of preserving and conserving wildlife and its

species, as all the insects, birds and animals are interlinked. He then led the gathering in taking a pledge to protect the environment.

Prize distribution for the half marathon was done by Chepe-ü Koza, Forest Range Officer, Longleng Division. Students of Christian School Longleng performed a special number on the need for protecting our environment. The programme concluded with ceremonial plantation of saplings in Forest Colony by the department.

BHANDARI:

Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Bhandari celebrated the World Environment Day with the theme, "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience" at its school compound on 5th June 2024.

Lichambemo Odyuo, Senior Graduate Teacher speaking on the theme, emphasised that in order to ensure a safe future for the planet earth, the work of restoration of the environment should start now as a shared responsibility by one and all, and called on the students to be informed on the importance of having green and healthy environment.

Speech competition on safe environment, cleanliness drive, tree plantation and sensitization on waste management was also held.

The 45th Assam Rifles also took part in the celebration whereby they organized and sponsored a painting competition based on the theme.

MEDZIPHEMA:

In commemoration of World Environment Day, Medziphema Subdivision conducted a mass social work and carried out plantation drive at Medziphema Sub-division on 5th June 2024, which was participated by all offices, shops, residents, local bodies, educational institutions and public.

Plantation drive organized was by Chakhroma Public Organization in collaboration with Chakhroma Youth Organization, Chakhroma Students Union, Forest Ranger Medziphema, Forest Beat Dimapur Division, Medziphema Royal FC, SFS School and Ghaspani Bn. 7th Assam Rifles.

Plantation drive was carried out in the ADC's Office compound and along the roadside from ADC's Office to VFA Training Institute Medziphema. Ward-3 NGOs, Medziphema also planted saplings along the roadside of the town.

CHOZUBA:

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Chozuba, Dr. Diana Patton gave away the Award for 'Best Performing Wards under Segregation and Storage of Plastic Waste' to Phakuzho and Thujiba-Timeba wards as first and second respectively in commemoration of World Environment Day at ADC's office, Chozuba, Phek on 5th June 2024.

NIMSR, KOHIMA:

A joint collaboration plantation drive between the Government Industrial Training Institute, Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences & Research (NIMSR) and Divisional Forest Officer was conducted at NIMSR. Kohima to commemorate the occasion of World Environment Day on 5th June 2024.

Director-cum-Dean, NIMSR. Soumya Chakraborty exhorted the medical students and ITI trainees on the occasion. while a short speech was delivered by Forestry Graduates' Association of Nagaland. Principal, Government Enchiba ITI.

Longkumer delivered the closing remark.

DIRECTORATE OF ESD&E, KOHIMA:

Directorate of Employment, Skill Development, and Entrepreneurship (ESD&E) with the theme "Land restoration, desertification, and drought resilience" observed the World Environment Day at Kohima on 5th June 2024.

Additional Director, ESD&E, Savio Visa gave a brief explanation about how to conserve and protect our environment by planting more trees and to practice afforestation. The celebration was marked by taking a pledge along with staff and trainees of the Directorate of ESD&E.

Joint Director, ESD&E, H. Alongse Sangtam speaking on the occasion, gave a brief explanation about the theme "Land restoration, desertification, and drought resilience."

The event ended with tree plantation drive within office premises as part of the World Environment Day 2024.

LONGKHIM:

In Longkhim, World Environment Day was observed at the Government Higher Secondary School and private schools under the theme "Land restoration, desertification and draught resilience" on 5th June 2024.

Marking the day, the students and teachers from different schools conducted social work at their respective schools, and also carried out plantation drive at the school premises and alongside the road.

YINGLI COLLEGE, LONGLENG:

Yingli College, Longleng observed World Environment Day jointly organised by the Department of Environmental Sciences and NSS on 5th June 2024.

In his short speech, Jonathan S. Singsit, Assistant Professor, Environmental Sciences, Yingli College spoke on the theme, "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience". He also spoke on the importance of conservation forest and ecosystems.

Dr. B. Henshet Phom, Vice Principal, Yingli College stressed on the cultural, scientific and spiritual significance of caring for our land.

As part of the programme, saplings were planted by the students and teaching faculty, which were provided by the Forest Department, Longleng.

AUCHING VILLAGE, LONGLENG:

Lemsachenlok in collaboration with Eco Starch and Sutsung Enterprise Private Limited celebrated World Environment Day on 5th June 2024 with Superintendent of Police, DEF, Longleng, Yanger Jamir as the special guest at Etha Project Site, Auching village of Longleng district under the theme, "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience". The programme was hosted by Auching Village Council and Auching Baptist Church.

Yanger Jamir in his speech, spoke about his practical experiences of observing World Environment Day. He said when people hear about World Environment Day, they think about planting trees and saving trees, but he asserted that trees should not just be planted for media publication, instead, he said, we should ensure that the trees survive and benefit us in return. He added that each of us should realize the need to keep our surrounding clean and have a sense of responsibility towards our environment. He further suggested that it would be so beneficial if various Government Departments club together (in three or four

groups) to adopt a village for sustainable development.

Dr. Lanurenla, Principal, Sao Chang College, Tuensang, gave a speech on "Towards land restoration, a collaborative effort: mandate for the hour" and Dr. Y. Nuklu Phom, Team Leader, Lemsachenlok spoke on "Valuing land towards sustainability." Dr. Akumtoshi, Managing Director, Satsung Enterprise Private Limited promoted the partnership for sustainability.

During the programme, result for online essay and painting competition were declared and Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for collaborative research and development was signed between IQAC, Sao Chang College, Tuensang and Lemsachenlok. 'In solidarity with the land' was pronounced by Kaiyong, Village Council Chairman, Ukha Village and Voice of the Community was shared by Longcha P, Village Council Chairman, Tangha Village. This was followed by launching and promotion of biodegradable bags and distribution of equipment to all the invited Village Councils Chairmen. The day also witnessed a folk fusion by Alijo Cademia Yongphang Village and a play on theme depiction by Alijo Cademia Hukphang Village.

PUGHOBOTO:

Cleanliness and Plantation Drive for all departments and villages under Pughoboto Sub-Division was organised by the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pughoboto to commemorate World Environment Day on 5th June 2024. The drive resonated the United Nations Environment Programme's theme for World Environment Day 2024 "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience" under the slogan "Our land, our future."

A variety of saplings were planted at the government offices. All the villages and Adhoc Town Council and Student Bodies under Pughoboto Sub-Division also participated by cleaning their respective jurisdiction as directed.

The plantation drive started at six in the morning and a good number of participation was observed with the general public, student community along with various government department staff extending their active cooperation.

ATOIZU:

Atoizu Sub-division celebrated the World Environment Day with zeal and dedication across various offices and institutions. The Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Atoizu under Zunheboto spearheaded the celebration, with active involvement from Sub-divisional offices of the Forest Department, PWD (R&B), and numerous Government Schools throughout the towns and villages within Atoizu Sub-division, on 5th June 2024.

The event began with tree-planting ceremony at the Office of the ADC, led by Dr. Samuel Akho Konyak P, EAC, Atoizu. This was followed by planting of tree saplings in all the government offices. The Government staff under various departments participated in a cleanliness drive by removing plastic waste and promoting eco-friendly materials.

NEW MODEL COLLEGE, **MANGKOLEMBA:**

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Students at New Model College, Mangkolemba took a significant step towards environmental sustainability by pledging to adopt eco-friendly habits on World Environment Day 2024. The college community came together for a mass social work and plantation drive, aligning with the theme "Go Green: Embracing a Sustainable Campus." The event included with discussions on energy efficiency and waste segregation. Dr. Benjongkumba, Principal, emphasized the importance of waste segregation, educating students on effective techniques for segregating and recycling waste to preserve natural resources and support a healthier planet. Vice Principal, Dr. L.J. Neken Jamir urged the students to embrace energy-efficient practices in their daily lives.

In addition to academic pursuits, the college actively engages in social work, maintaining a nutrition garden where students and faculty cultivate local vegetables and fruits. This initiative aims to instill selfsufficiency in students and encourage them to replicate such practices at home.

Further, the college has launched its website, nmcmangkolemba.in, to provide essential information and updates about college activities.

FIRST MEETING OF RECONSTITUTED STATE COUNCIL ON AIDS HELD

The State Council on AIDS (SCA) was conducted on the 6th of June, 2024 under the chairmanship of the Minister, Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland, P. Paiwang Konyak. The meeting was attended by representative from the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Food & Civil Supplies, Higher and Technical Education, Rural Development, Transport, Labour and Employment, Social Welfare, Justice & Law, School Education and SCERT. The main objectives of holding the State Council on AIDS (SCA) meeting were:

- 1. To provide policy direction to the HIV & AIDS Programme in the State.
- 2. To mainstream HIV & AIDS in all departments by considering it as a development challenge and not merely a public health problem.
- To have a multi-sectoral response to HIV & AIDS in the State in partnership with civil society organizations, industry and donors.

The first body of the State Council on AIDS was formed on 11th June 2008 under the chairmanship of the Chief Minister, Nagaland. Two meetings have been conducted on 29th April 2009 and 12th October 2012.

SCA was reconstituted on 22nd June 2023 with the Minister of Health & Family Welfare as Chairman and this is the first meeting of the re-constituted SCA.

During the meeting, the Chairman emphasized the critical need to address drug use and addiction in the State and proposed the inclusion of the Home Department in the SCA for better coordination and support. He stressed the importance of early HIV testing and detection among pregnant mothers to initiate timely treatment and protect new born babies from HIV. The Chairman encouraged leveraging social media platforms and influencers for widespread dissemination of HIV awareness messages.

He also assured that the SCA will have its regular meeting from time to time to provide political and administrative support at the highest level for HIV/AIDS response in the State.

Dr. Ahu Sekhose, Project Director of NSACS, highlighted the on-going HIV prevention and control activities in the State. He mentioned the initiatives under the National AIDS Control Programme, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, which has signed MoUs with 18 departments at the Ministry level. In Nagaland, NSACS has rolled out MoUs with 12 departments, working closely with them to meet state-specific needs and requirements.

Dr. Bernice, D. Thapru, Joint Director (Prevention), NSACS provided an overview of the HIV and AIDS programme in the State.

The meeting also underscored the need to initiate specific social protection schemes and benefits for people living with HIV in Nagaland.

The meeting was followed by launching of 'Health on Bikes, reaching the unreached' by Minister, Health & Family Welfare. Seven (7) bikes which were launched are meant for seven (7) districts - Mon, Shamator, Kiphire, Zunheboto, Phek, Wokha and Peren to provide comprehensive service packages in difficult areas to fast track the achievement of the three 95s.

CANSSEA TRIENNIAL SESSION 2024 HELD

The Confederation of All Nagaland State Services Employees' Association (CANSSEA) held its Triennial Session 2024 at Hotel Japfu, Kohima on 7th June 2024.

Speaking at the event, Commissioner & Secretary, Transport and Director, Census

Operations, Nagaland, Dr. Zasekuolie Chüsi, IAS said that CANNSEA as an organisation, which voice for the welfare of the State employees, has immense responsibilities towards its members. He further said that CANSSEA should not just be a welfare



Officials of CANSSEA during its Triennial Session 2024 held at Hotel Japfu, Kohima on 7th June 2024.

organization but also act as a guiding force to the State Government. He urged the members to work with sincerity and dedication and guide the Government in policy making and to contribute and assist the Government in whatever ways possible.

President, CANSSEA, Dr. Ilang in his presidential address, highlighted the various activities and achievements of CANSSEA during his three (3) years tenure as the president and thanked his fellow office bearers for all their hard work and contribution towards the welfare of the employees of the State.

A new team of office bearers led by President, Zubemo Tsanglao and General Secretary Yhensenlo Kent was elected for the next tenure.

6th WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY 2024 HELD AT KOHIMA

Food Safety Wing, Department of Health & Family Welfare commemorated the 6th World Food Safety Day 2024, under the theme "Food Safety: Prepare for the unexpected" at the Government High School, PWD Colony, Kohima.

Dr. Akuo Sorhie, Mission Director (National Health Mission) gracing the programme as the special guest, emphasized that food safety is a critical issue regardless of age and that consumption of unsafe food results in food borne illness and longterm

diseases like cancer which is a global concern. She also stressed on maintaining a healthy hygiene which is not only the responsibility of the food business operators but also of the consumers.

Dr. Akuo asserted that with the advancement of technology and mass production of unseasonal fruits and vegetables, there is the presence of adulterated food in the market and that one should be vigilant of it. She also said that students can act as a great tool in generating safe practices of food in the community and within the family. With the variety of food products in the market, she requested all to always check the details on the labelling like manufacture date, expiry date, ingredients (in order for one to avoid any allergic reaction), veg/non-veg logo etc. to know what one is consuming and to maintain good health.

GOVERNOR FELICITATES ACHIEVERS OF HSLC AND HSSLC EXAMINATIONS 2024

The Governor's Award for various toppers, rank holders and achievers of HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2024 was held at Dr. Imkongliba Ao Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 12th June 2024.

Speaking at the felicitation programme, Governor La Ganesan acknowledged the achievements of the diligent students who have made their families, school, and society proud with their hard work, dedication, and perseverance. He said that the event is not just to celebrate the achievement of the students but also to give due credit to the teachers, families and friends for the unconditional and unwavering support that they have bestowed throughout the journey of the students.

The Governor further said that India is already the fastest growing economy in the world and there are many opportunities for growth not only in Nagaland but also across India. He wished to see the students present to be good leaders of today and tomorrow and be self-sufficient.

The Governor encouraged the students to think outside the box to boost their creativity and take up new challenges in this extremely challenging world and added that they are fortunate to have good facilities and infrastructures, and have been providing with quality education by trained and experienced teachers. The Governor also announced that cash awards for the students

will be enhanced from next year.

Advisor, School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome speaking at the programme, urged the successful students to work harder as the world is open to them and they can achieve even higher heights. He encouraged the students to strive towards excellence as they will be the future leaders who are going to lead the State and its people.

EAC, Mokokchung, Alemyim Isaac Solo also gave a brief inspirational talk to the students wherein she expressed that inspiration is something that make ideas evolve into actions and success. She further urged the students to find inspiration in the everyday things around them and not to get demotivated by challenges and difficulties they face, in pursuit of their dreams. She talked on the importance of mental health and how it affects and determines one's success in life and that one should not shy away from openly dealing with mental issues and seeking professional help if the need so arises. She encouraged the students to cultivate good habits and not to be afraid to move out of their comfort zones and try to have a positive impact on the lives of others.

Altogether 62 students from HSLC and HSSLC were felicitated at the programme. The formal function was followed by a short interactive session wherein Governor La Ganesan interacted with the successful students.

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WORLD BLOOD DONORS' DAY CELEBRATED AT KOHIMA

The Voluntary Blood Donors' Association Kohima (VBDAK) in collaboration with Nagaland Institute of Medical Science & Research (NIMSR) observed the World Blood Donors' Day at NIMSR, Kohima with a host of activities and blood donation camp.

Special guest of the programme, Director-cum-Dean, NIMSR, Prof. Dr. Soumya Chakraborty in her address said that there is no side effect of blood donation and she herself has donated 22 times. She said there is no substitute for blood so donation is the only way around to address the supply of blood in order to save human lives. The advantages of blood donor is that they are likely not to suffer from blood related

diseases.

Speaking on the importance of Voluntary Blood Donation, Medical Officer, Blood Center, NHAK, Dr. Avila Sangtam expressed happiness that more people are coming forward to donate blood knowing that their small deeds can save many lives.

Felicitation and induction of Life Members was done by VBDAK President, Ainato Yeptho, special number was presented by Nguvito Tsuipu and NIMSR students, short speech and Pledge was administered by Jentiren Jamir. Altogether 41 persons donated blood on the occasion of World Blood Donors' Day celebration.



Voluntary blood donors, officials and students of NIMSR on the occasion of World Blood Donors' Day at NIMSR, Kohima on 14th June 2024.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF GAUHATI HIGH COURT LAUNCHES WEB-BASED ONLINE eSERVICES PORTAL FOR KOHIMA BENCH

In a significant move towards transparency and efficiency, the Gauhati High Court, Kohima Bench launched its own web based "Online eServices Portal" https://hcnlservices.in designed and developed by the eCourts Team of Kohima Bench. The

"Online eServices Portal" was formally launched on 13th June 2024 by the Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Justice Vijay Bishnoi in the presence of Judge In-Charge, Administrative Department (JAD) Gauhati High Court, Justice Lanusungkum Jamir and

Judge Gauhati High Court and ICT In-charge of Kohima Bench, Justice Devashis Baruah amid officials of the Registry.

This innovative platform a significant marks modernizing towards the judicial administration and enhancing their service delivery. The online facility designed to enhance efficiency, transparency, and convenience for employees, job applicants, advocates and stakeholders. The key features of the portal are as follows:

- 1. Online Leave Management
 - System: This system simplifies the leave application process for employees, allowing them to apply for leave, check leave balances, and track the status of their applications seamlessly. This results in a streamlined workflow, reduced paperwork, and improved management of leave records, thereby ensuring a more efficient and transparent system.
- 2. Online Recruitment Portal: This portal streamlines job applications, data collection, and candidate screening processes. Applicants can easily submit their resumes and required documents online leading to a faster, more organized recruitment process. The portal will maintain a centralized database of applications and candidate information for easy access and management.
- 3. Online Inventory Management System: This system is designed for the meticulous record-keeping, tracking,



Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court, Justice Vijay Bishnoi and other officials at the launch of Online eServices Portal' on 13th June 2024.

and management of ICT assets and hardware procured by the High Court. By maintaining accurate inventory records and monitoring asset usage, resource allocation is optimized, reducing wastage, and ensuring that technological resources are effectively utilized.

A dedicated WhatsApp Channel was also launched namely "GHC Kohima Bench Info Channel." This channel will broadcast crucial information such as daily cause lists, case status, important notifications, VC links and related news. It benefits advocates, litigants, and interested stakeholders by providing real-time updates, enhancing accessibility, and ensuring that everyone stays informed about the latest developments at the High Court. These innovative features of the eServices Portal represent the commitment of Gauhati High Court Kohima Bench to leveraging technology for better governance thereby improving efficiency and accessibility.

INTERNATIONAL WIDOWS' DAY 2024 CELEBRATED AT NOKLAK

International Widows' Day 2024 was celebrated at Noklak town on 18th June 2024 with Principal, IETC & Director, SAMETI Dr. Watila Jamir as guest of honour and EAC, Noklak, Kathyinla as special guest. The programme was organised by Hope Channel in collaboration with NStCB and Noklak Town Baptist Church.

Dr. Watila Jamir speaking on the occasion mentioned that in our traditional societies, women find themselves in poverty when their husband dies. Many women find themselves denied of inheritance and rights, evicted from their rights and abused. She said that we need to create awareness on the problem of widows, their economic opportunities, health care

and legal rights. We need to enable them to create a life for themselves and their children following the death of their husband and ending a cycle of poverty.

Kathyinla in her speech mentioned International Widows' Day was that, launched by the United Nations in 2010 to raise awareness of the violation of human rights that widows suffer in many countries following the death of their spouse. As per the UN data, there are more than 258 million widows around the world. She said that the District Administration is ready to render all possible help in the days to come.

Earlier, special prayer for the single mothers was led by Pastor A. Penglang, Noklak Town Baptist Church.

IMKONG IMCHEN FLAGS OFF MULTI MEDIA MOBILE VEHICLES

A total of eight well equipped Multi Media Mobile Vehicles were flagged off by Advisor, Information & Public Relations & Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L Imchen at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 19th June 2024. The event was organized by the Directorate of IPR where eight District Public Relations Officers (DPROs) were handed over brand new vehicles equipped with multimedia facilities.

Advisor, Imkong L Imchen speaking at the event, said the field officers of the IPR Department are the nodal officers for various departments and through them, government policies and programmes are disseminated to the people. Imkong reminded the officers to function together for one single purpose which is to work toward the upliftment and development of our people. He also urged the officers to perform one's assigned duties diligently and utilize the brand new vehicles and other facilities provided for the service of the people and to disseminate government activities to the remotest part of the State.

Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo sharing briefly on the concept of the project, said that the Department felt the need to place these multi-media mobile vehicles in the districts and in the Directorate as a proactive role in stepping up its activities with the everincreasing requirements of dissemination of information to the people. She stated that the vehicles will cater to broadcasting of various awareness and educational videos, documentaries and other PSAs. Dzüvinuo informed that the vehicles are equipped with projectors and screens, laptops and all-inone sound systems for easy usage, adding that it will help in making announcements and dissemination of information in every part of the State in a timely manner.

Dzüvinuo Theünuo further mentioned that in the first phase, eight districts namely Tuensang, Mon, Kiphire, Longleng, Zunheboto, Mokokchung, Phek and Wokha are covered while the remaining districts including the Directorate will be taken up in the current year.

Development Commissioner and Principal Secretary, Justice & Law, R. Ramakrishnan, IAS, Secretary, Information & Public Relations, Bhagyashree B. Banayat, IAS and officers and staff of IPR Secretariat and Directorate attended the programme.

COFFEE TABLE BOOK 'ENGAGING COMMUNITIES, EMPOWERING LIVES' LAUNCHED AT KOHIMA

Coffee table book 'Engaging Communities, Empowering Lives' was launched by Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare (H&FW), V. Kezo at Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 19th June 2024, published by the Project Director, Nagaland Health project (NHP), Directorate of H&FW.

Speaking at the launching programme, V. Kezo congratulated all the officials and added that these days, Nagas have become more health conscious because of the awareness, improving health services and increase in its utilisation of target location across the State. Kezo said the project purpose is to improve the quality of

health care system which was implemented in Nagaland through numerous local initiatives and innovation cross sectorial coordination and intervention with other stakeholders. The community's capacity on governance, planning and institutional development were enhanced along with the mainstreaming of gender and inclusion was re-constituted through the project, he said. This coffee table book is a combination of the best practices and innovation from different parts of the State.



Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, V. Kezo with other officials during the launching programme of the coffee table book 'Engaging Communities, Empowering Lives' at Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 19th June 2024.

A brief description on reflecting on the project journey was delivered by Deputy CMO, Mon, Dr. Thomas Keppen, a brief description on conception to creation, unveiling the coffee table book experience was delivered by Senior Health Specialist Health, Nutrition & Population World Bank Group, Marion Jane Cros, and a short speech on the implementation of the project by Senior Health Specialist Health Nutrition & Population World Bank Group, Bathula Amith Nagaraj.

CS CHAIRS MEETING ON ELIMINATION OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC

Chief Secretary of Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam IAS convened a meeting with AHoDs of various departments to discuss the elimination of Single Use Plastic (SUP) and effective plastic waste management in the State at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall Secretariat, Kohima on 20th June 2024.

Chief Secretary while chairing the meeting, said that plastic waste has become a real menace and stressed on coming up with an effective action plan for the State. During the meeting, the members agreed in principle that below one liter water plastic bottles will be banned completely from 1st August 2024. Also citing Sikkim state as example for taking up steps to completely ban single use plastic, the members also decided that there will be complete ban on single use carry bags irrespective of microns in the State.

Dr. Alam highlighted the recent issue of Doyang reservoir which was flooded with plastic waste and complemented the Disaster Management, District Administration, volunteers and other agencies involved in that exercise for successful mission in cleaning the reservoir. He however reminded the concerned departments that Doyang mission is just an immediate measure and one must seriously deliberate on the systemic problem at hand and identify long term measures to effectively implement plastic waste management.

On awareness campaign, the Chief Secretary called on the departments to spread awareness through intensive media campaigns, seminars and workshops on the adverse affective of single use plastic for general awareness. He also reminded all the departments to properly document their activities through geo tagging and updating the department's website with pictures and videos.

During the meeting, departments including Urban Development, Municipal Affairs, Rural Development and Nagaland Pollution Control Board shared their views and opinions.

WEST BENGAL STATE FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATED AT RAJ BHAVAN, KOHIMA

The statehood foundation day of West Bengal was celebrated at Dr. Imkongliba Ao Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 20th June 2024.

Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan said that the gathering is to celebrate the rich cultural history and vibrant heritage of West Bengal, which is brought to life by the esteemed community members residing here in Nagaland, and he extended statehood day greetings to the people of West Bengal who have made Nagaland their home, and added that through songs, dances, and

colorful expressions of Bengali culture, they have brought the essence of their homeland, weaving a thread of unity and brotherhood.

The celebration is a testament to the spirit of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat – an initiative by the Government of India that aims to strengthen bonds and enrich the cultural fabric of our nation by promoting understanding and respect for the diverse traditions that make up our country. It is in occasions such as this that we truly appreciate the incredible unity in diversity that defines

India, the Governor said. The Governor further said that this celebration is not just an event but a reflection of the harmonious coexistence and mutual respect that we all strive for. It is through understanding and celebrating our differences that we find unity and strength.

Governor La Ganesan also welcomed the students and faculty from Don Bosco College, Kohima, and said that their presence symbolizes the bridging of cultures and the spirit of learning from one another, and believed that the rich cultural ethos of West Bengal that was showcased will be appreciated as such exchanges are invaluable in nurturing a mindset of appreciation and mutual respect for our diverse traditions.

The celebration saw various cultural presentations by the Bengali community of Nagaland. A video presentation on the goodwill message of the Governor of West Bengal, Dr. C.V. Ananda Bose was also screened on the occasion.

ADVISOR, SCHOOL EDUCATION VISITS NOKLAK AND SHAMATOR

Advisor, School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome along with officials of the Department of School Education visited Noklak on 19th and 20th June 2024.

On 20th June 2024, Advisor conducted a meeting with Khiamniungan Tribal Council, Khiamniungan Students' Union and landowners of GHSS Noklak and Model School which was held at KGBV Danlepdong Ward, Noklak. Two MLAs of the district, P. Longon and Benei M. Lamthiu also attended during the meeting. The Advisor also visited Government Higher Secondary School, Noklak and interacted with the teachers.

The Advisor was accompanied by Commissioner & Secretary, Kevileno Angami, Principal Director, Thavaseelan K, State Mission Director SAMAGRA, Temsunaro Aier, Additional Director, Razouseyi Vese, Joint Mission Director, SAMAGRA, Dr. Kevi Rio, Deputy Director, Erali Swu, Deputy Director, Avino Tase, Senior Accounts Officer, Lamnya Khiam and other officials as well.

The Advisor and his entourage also visited International Trade Centre, Dan



Advisor, School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome along with his entourage and other officials at KGBV Danlepdong Ward, Noklak on 20th June 2024.

and Straightway Mission School at Dan Village before a meeting with Village Council members and Pangsha Area Students' Union at Council Hall Dan.

Advisor, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome also visited Government Higher Secondary School, Shamator on 20th June 2024 and held a meeting, wherein he appealed to the teachers to give their best for the welfare of the students without considering the area of posting. He was accompanied by Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Keoshu Yimkhiung, Benei M Lamthiu, Commissioner & Secretary, School Education and SCERT, Principal Director, School Education, State Mission Director SAMAGRA and several officials of School Education Department.

NAGALAND FIRST IN NORTHEAST TO RELEASE DISTRICT DOMESTIC PRODUCT REPORT

JULY 2024

Nagaland has become the first state amongst the North Eastern states to release the report on the District Domestic Product (DDP). Advisor, Economics & Statistics and Information Technology & Communication, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam released the 1st Report on the DDP of Nagaland during the one-day state-level workshop to promote User Producer Interface on Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) and DDP held at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 21st June 2024, organised by the Directorate of **Economics & Statistics.**

Speaking as the guest of honour, Advisor Sethrongkyu Sangtam stated that GSDP is the most important indicator to know the level of development achieved by economy. He informed that the GSDP of Nagaland at present is estimated to be ₹39,566/- crore with a growth rate of 7.73%. Emphasising the importance of GSDP, he said the GSDP estimate is used by the Ministry of Finance for devolution of funds to the states, and as per the Finance Commission's recommendation, state governments are allowed to borrow 3% of the estimated GSDP from financial institutions. He added that the 16th Finance Commission will use the estimates to establish the principles governing the grantin-aid provision to the states. He stated that in order to avail grants, urban local bodies' revenue collection should be commensurate to the simple average growth rate of the state's own GSDP at current prices. He said that the availability of a reliable socioeconomic data is essential towards achieving the Prime Minister's vision of Viksit Bharat (Developed India).

Advisor Sethrongkyu stated that the DDP Report will help address the interdistrict economic disparity in the State and bring about balanced regional development and realize the economic potential of each district. He informed that as per the report, Dimapur district has the largest economy with a Gross District Domestic Product (GDDP) value of ₹5,43,611.00 lakh during 2019-20, while Longleng is the smallest with a value of ₹62,112.00 lakh. He also said that Dimapur district has the highest per capita income with a value of ₹1,54,002.00, while Mon has the lowest amongst the districts with a value of ₹77,738.00. Sangtam called upon the officers and staff to work diligently and usher the people to greater economic prosperity and social inclusivity.

Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS, acknowledged the significant improvement in the quality of data being published by the Department and commended their efforts. He highlighted the issue of regional disparity and mentioned that the DDP will help in dispelling the wrong perceptions about the State. He requested the Administrative Heads of Departments (AHoDs) and Heads of Departments (HoDs) to maintain a strong interface with the Statistics Department, ensuring that the data they supply is as accurate as possible and promptly provided.

Special invitee, Additional Director & Head, National Accounts Division, Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, Government of India, Dr. Prafulla Chandra Mishra, ISS stated that GSDP is the pulse monitor of a state's economy while the Gross Domestic Product is the pulse monitor of the economy. He stated that GSDP is an important criterion for devolution of funds to the states and added that it measures the performance of the state's economy. He said that the DDP Report will play a crucial role in achievement of the aspirational district and also in local development.

Addressing the gathering, Commissioner & Secretary, Economics & Statistics, Information Technology & Communication, Mohammad Ali Shihab, IAS emphasized the importance of accurate and quality data for

informed policy-making and development planning. He requested the officials from the line departments to provide full access to their official data. He added that through the DDP, the importance of data at the microlevel will be highlighted, and Nagaland should serve as a model for other states.

Delivering welcome the address. Director, Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Neidilhou Keditsu said that the State Government is making huge effort to create a system for robust estimation of GSDP. He said the efficiency in data collection, transparency in data utilization and transmission of data adequately is crucial for a sound economy. He stated to attain the targets of the State Government in making the state's economy sizeable, the workshop is organised to produce an impact to deliver the goods.

The workshop included three technical sessions with Deputy Director General, National Accounts Division, MoSPI, Dr. Subhra Sarker, ISS speaking on the importance of regional accounts and Joint Director, National Accounts Division, Shirke Shrinivas Vijay, ISS presenting the overview of GSDP. Deputy Director, Economics & Statistics, Vikosieto Krose spoke on the details of DDP.

OLYMPIC DAY RUN 2024 HELD AT IG STADIUM KOHIMA

The Nagaland Olympic Association (NOA) organised the Olympic Day Run 2024 at the Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 22nd June with the theme 'Let's move and celebrate.'

Secretary General, NOA & Vice president, Athletics Federation of India, Abu Metha during the prize distribution ceremony, encouraged the participants that they are not only participating in Nagaland but have become an ambassador and messenger of sports all over the world. He encouraged the children to dream big to become the champion in their future careers and added that anything is possible if one works hard with dedication. He assured that NOA will be organising more events in the future to promote games and sports, so

that they will represent Nagaland and India in the national and international level in future. While thanking the parents and the school authorities for allowing the children to participate, he said that sports strengthen a person's personality and develop him into a better person.

The Olympic Day Run included 50 meters for 6 years and below 8 years, 80 meters for 8 years and below 10 years, and 100 meters for 10 years and below 12 years.

All the winners were given cash incentives and certificates were given to all the participants.

Children from different districts participated in the Olympic Day Run 2024 celebration.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA OBSERVED

International Day of Yoga was observed at 24 Assam Rifles, Wokha on 21st June 2024, with NCC cadets from 19 different colleges from across Nagaland and 17 STR staff from 25 NL BN NCC, Mokokchung participating in the event. Cadets of 25 Nagaland NCC BN (Kohima Grp) also participated on the occasion. The occasion was graced by the Assam Rifles personnel and their families.

Experienced instructional staff taught the participants various asanas like Lotus Pose, Suryanamaskar, Camel Pose, Child Natarajasana, Pose. Warrior Pose. Extended Triangle, Butterfly Pose, Intense Side Strength Pose, Reverse Plank Pose and Savasana.



Participants during the International Day of Yoga observed at 24 Assam Rifles, Wokha on 21st June 2024.

RPO GUWAHATI AWARDED PASSPORT SEVA PURASKAR

Regional Passport Office, Guwahati was awarded the 'Passport Seva Puraskar' during the Annual Regional Passport Officers' Conference held at New Delhi on 22nd June 2024. Regional Passport Officer, Guwahati, Cherakung Zeliang, IFS received the award from Minister of State for External Affairs, Kirti Vardhan Singh during the programme.

The award champions the performance of Passport Offices from amongst 37 Regional Passport Offices across the country, which include various parameters set by the MEA

Minister of State for External Affairs, Kirti Vardhan Singh presenting the 'Passport Seva Puraskar' to Regional Passport Officer, Guwahati, Cherakung Zeliang, IFS during the Annual Regional Passport Officers' Conference held at New Delhi on 22nd June 2024.

like grievance handling, average print and distribution time, files granted on same day, per staff average productivity etc. Regional Passport Office, Guwahati presently caters to the states of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland.

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT LAUNCHES ONLINE COMPETITION ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

The Department of Social Welfare launched an online competition on substance abuse prevention on 24th June 2024.

Speaking at the programme held at the Conference Hall, Directorate of Social Welfare, Kohima, Director, Social Welfare, Tosheli Zhimomi stated that Nagaland is affected with the menace of substance abuse where hundreds of young people have fallen victims. She said the State Government has declared war on drugs and that the Department of Social Welfare has taken up various programmes as a measure of primary prevention and has reached out to various groups of people with the message on ill effects of substance abuse.

Zhimomi expressed her delight at the launch of the Creative Writing, Poster Making, and Reel Making Online Competitions in commemoration of International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, which targets the 13 to 25 years old age group, which is the most susceptible group to the dangers of substance abuse. She further expressed her optimism that a large number of young people would register for this competition and that their critical thinking and creative writing would aid in educating the public about the dangers of substance usage.

Briefing the gathering, Deputy Director, Social Welfare, Wango Langsym informed that in Nagaland alone, there are more than six lakhs substance abusers, out of which, thirty seven thousand are children and seventeen thousand are female.

The programme was graced by Miss Northeast 2023, Kenei Ritse, Miss Nagaland 2023, Neiketuno Sechü and Miss Nagaland 2022, Hikali Achumi who also addressed the

gathering. The online competition will be conducted under three categories: creative writing, poster making and reel making. One can check the official handle of the Social Welfare Department on Instagram @ socialwelfare ngl8 for more details.

WORKSHOP ON PROMOTION OF SCIENTIFIC CATTLE PRODUCTION IN NAGALAND HELD

ICAR-Central Institute for Research on Cattle, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh and ICAR-National Research Centre on Mithun, Medziphema, Nagaland in collaboration with Dimapur District Cooperative Milk Producers Union Ltd. Nagaland (DIMUL) organized a state level workshop on "Promotion of Scientific Cattle Production in Nagaland" on 25th June 2024 at ICAR-NRC on Mithun in Medziphema.

Gracing the programme as the chief guest, Advisor for Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Kazheto Kinimi opined that the workshop is one instance of initiatives which is essential for discussion through scientific platforms. He elaborated on the various reasons as to why it should be discussed, such as our local cattle being low yielded, elite cross breed cattle being expensive, total mixed ration, etc. He also suggested a very important issue to conserve Thutho cattle which is the local indigenous cattle available in the State. He specifically addressed his concern to ADG (Animal Health) ICAR, New Delhi on the frequent outbreaks of ASF (African Swine Fever) in Nagaland which is causing economic losses. He expressed hope that together through this



Advisor, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Kazheto Kinimi speaking at the State Level Workshop on Promotion of Scientific Cattle Production in Nagaland at ICAR-NRC on Mithun, Medziphema on 25th June 2024.

workshop shall go a long way in transforming cattle production in Nagaland.

In the first technical session, Director, ICAR-CIRC Meerut, Dr. A.K. Mohanty briefed on the role of cattle in food and nutritional security in India, Dr. Ashok Kumar, ADH (AH), ICAR, New Delhi briefed on common diseases of cattle and their control measures and Dr. S.K. Verma, PS, ICAR- CIRC, Meerut briefed on feeding practices for maximizing cattle production in North East India.

In the second technical session, advanced reproduction technologies for augmenting cattle productivity in NER was detailed by Dr. Suresh Kumar Dhoop Singh, Principal Scientist & Head, ICAR-CIRC Meerut, and valve addition technologies to enhance farmers' income and promote entrepreneurship in NER was presented by Rajeev Ranjan Kumar, Scientist ICAR-CIRC, Meerut.

A farmer-scientist interaction was also organized where many farmers actively raised their problems in livestock. Input materials were also distributed to the farmers. Farmers from various parts of Nagaland, representatives from the milk union of Nagaland, officials from the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services of Nagaland, Scientists and Directors ICAR, Veterinarians, progressive farmers, service providers in the dairy sector and different experts participated in the event.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE NOTIFIES

In continuation of "War against drugs," under the leadership of DGP, Nagaland, the State Level Anti Narcotic Task Force (ANTF) half yearly review meeting was conducted on 24th June 2024 at DGP's Conference Hall, PHQ, Kohima.

The meeting was attended by Sandeep M. Tamgadge, IPS, ADGP (L&O) State Head of ANTF, IGP (CID), Vikram M. Khalate, IPS, Investigation Head of ANTF, other senior officials of PHQ, District Police Chiefs and District Level ANTF Nodal Officers.

ADGP (L&O), Sandeep M. Tamgadge briefed on the structure and function of NCORD and ANTF in the State. He acknowledged the positive reports of all District Police Chiefs and encouraged them to conduct the NCORD and ANTF meetings on regular basis, and also reminded the District Chiefs to conduct awareness programmes/ events or campaign related to drugs and psychotropic substances.

During the meeting, reviews on various points i.e. total number of activities that was carried out for the functioning of Narcotic Coordination at district level, the number of meetings (NCORD and ANTF) conducted, the data uploaded on NIDAN Portal, fingerprints uploaded on NAFIS portal, number of cases registered, number of vehicles confiscated, number of persons arrested and total number of illegal drugs and contraband seized for the last six (6) months were discussed.

100 DAYS SPECIAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN UNDER MISSION SHAKTI

The meeting of the State-Level Committee for Mission Shakti was held under the chairpersonship of the Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam, IAS on the 25th



Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS with other officials during the meeting of the State-Level Committee for Mission Shakti held on 25th June 2024 at the CS's Conference Hall, New Secretariat, Kohima.

June of 2024 at the Conference Hall of the Chief Secretary, New Secretariat, Kohima. The meeting was attended by AHoDs and representatives from various converging departments.

Secretary, Social Welfare, Martha R. Ritse, IAS while giving an introduction to Mission Shakti, provided an overview of the 100 Days Special Awareness Campaign under SANKALP-Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW) on women centric schemes, launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, which will run from 21st June to 4th October 2024.

The key objective is to ensure that women across the country are made aware of initiatives of the Government, and to enable them to access the resources and support available to them. Under the banner of SANKALP-HEW and Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), special awareness campaigns are being carried out in all sixteen (16) districts of Nagaland.

The Chief Secretary emphasized that this 100-day awareness campaign should be effectively carried out on the ground.

Presentations were made on the status of the implementation of Mission Shakti Scheme in the State, and the Annual State Action Plan for Mission Shakti for the Financial Year 2024-25, which was approved. Joint deliberation was held to strengthen convergent action plan for implementation of various Mission Shakti Schemes which include SANKALP-HEW, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Sakhi-One Stop Centre, 181-Women Helpline, Pradhan Mantri Mantru Vandana Yojana, Palna, Sakhi Niwas, and Shakti Sadan.

GOVERNOR LA GANESAN ATTENDS THE 25th MEMORIAL DAY OF CAPTAIN N. KENGURUSE, MVC

Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan attended the 25th Memorial Day of Captain Neikezhakuo Kenguruse, MVC at Nerhe Phezha village on 28th June 2024.

Addressing the gathering, the Governor said Captain Kenguruse, who exemplified the highest ideals of duty and honour, stood steadfast in adversity. His commitment to protecting our values and way of life inspires us all. The Governor reflected on the immeasurable debt that we owe to Captain Kenguruse and countless others who have given their lives in service to our nation. The Governor paying tribute, said that we should reaffirm our promise to cherish and uphold the 'Nation First' values for which Captain Kenguruse so bravely fought to his last breath. His legacy lives on in our hearts and in the fabric of our nation, we should not forget



Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan laying a wreath on the occasion of the 25th Memorial Day of Captain Neikezhakuo Kenguruse, MVC at Nerhe Phezha village on 28th June 2024.

his sacrifice and may his spirit guide us as we strive for a better, more just world, he said.

The Governor acknowledged thanked the Assam Rifles and the Indian Army who have always been at the forefront of honouring the Late Captain N. Kenguruse, Mahavir Chakra, the brave heart of Nagaland. The yeoman service of Assam Rifles is known to all and they are aptly called "Friends of the North East." He also congratulated the efforts put in by Inspector General Assam Rifles North in renovating the memorial, as there is no better way to honour a brave heart than to follow in his footsteps and make sure that the nation remembers his name forever.

PROGRAMME FOR RELEASE OF GRANT-IN-AID TO 16 FPOs SUPPORTED BY FOCUS - NAGALAND

FOCUS Nagaland organized programme for release of grant-in-aid to 16 FPOs supported by FOCUS project, Nagaland on 28th June 2024, at Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima, chaired by Manager-Gender & Community Institutions, FOCUS-Nagaland, Hraveine David.

Advisor. Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan gracing the occasion as guest of honour, while acknowledging FOCUS for the initiative in supporting financial assistance to FPOs, encouraged the FPOs present to utilize the opportunity in reaching larger

markets and collectively achieve economic gains through the umbrella of FPOs. On a note of caution, he cited that many FPOs are formed only to exist, and urged the farmers present to strive in becoming performing FPOs which he believes will play a vital role in transforming the market and business scenario of the State. He ended his note with an encouragement to continue coming together and create a space where sharing of knowledge and experiences can take place.

Earlier, the State Project Director, Shanavas C, IAS in his welcome address,



State Project Director, Shanavas C, IAS and other officials at the programme for release of grant-in-aid to 16 FPOs supported by FOCUS Project, held at Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima on 28th June 2024.

appraised all the farmers present on the purpose and objectives of forming FPO, and urged them to become efficient service providers for farmers to access the larger markets. He encouraged the FPOs to promote the fellow farmers' business through value chain development and also promote the vouth farmers, while also encouraging them to be successful associations utilizing the grant-in-aid/seed fund in diversifying their business activities to expanding their operations.

URBAN LOCAL BODIES ELECTIONS PEACEFULLY CONDUCTED IN THE STATE

The State Election Commission (SEC) stated that the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) polling was peacefully held on 26th June 2024 in 24 Municipalities spread across 420 polling stations and 214 wards. A total of 523 candidates, including 325 males and 198 females were in the contest. It informed that the polls went smoothly in all polling stations except in 1 (one) under Dimapur Municipal Council, which was taken up by the SEC for further action.

SEC informed that a provisional poll percentage of 83.54% voter turnout was recorded at the time of updating reports received. Atoizu Town Council recorded the highest voter turnout with a poll percentage of 95.47% while Changtongya Town Council registered the lowest turnout with 67.70%.

DIMAPUR:

The Urban Local Bodies (ULB) elections in Dimapur were held on 26th June 2024 covering a total of 23 wards with 118 polling stations from the Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) and 7 wards with 11 polling stations from the East Dimapur Town Council (EDTC). The elections witnessed significant voter turnout across various polling stations.

The DMC has 60,281 registered voters, while the EDTC has 10,245 voters. Voters came out in large numbers to exercise their democratic rights, ensuring a vibrant and participatory election process. It is to be noted that two candidates from the Dimapur Municipal Council and four candidates from the East Dimapur Town Council were elected uncontested.

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

Chumoukedima Town Council poll day was carried out peacefully with no untoward incident reported in all the 24 polling stations under 11 wards held on 26th June 2024.

A total of 16127 electors turned out to cast their votes, out of which 7815 were males and 8312 females. In all the polling stations, security personnel were designated to conduct a smooth electoral process. All polling stations were equipped with standard voting compartments and necessary facilities for the convenience of voters who came to cast their votes.



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at a polling station in Chumoukedima on 26th June 2024.

KOHIMA:

The Kohima Municipal Council Elections which was held on 26th June 2024, witnessed a significant voter turnout, with an overall 75.36% of the total eligible voters. Out of the 42,178 registered voters, a total of 31,784 votes and 101 votes on election duty



A police personnel and volunteers on duty during the ULB election poll at GMS, Porterlane, Kohima on 26th June 2024.

voters were cast across the 14 wards that went to the polls in Kohima.

Ward 16, comprising NMH/Lerie/NST/Dairy Farm, recorded the highest number of votes cast, with 4,737 votes. In contrast, Daklane ward witnessed the lowest number of votes cast, with 986 ballots. In terms of voter turnout percentage, Naga Bazar led with 86.10%. While, NMH/Lerie/NST/Dairy Farm ward recorded the lowest turnout percentage with 68.59%.

PEREN:

Voting took place in a peaceful manner across Peren district with no untoward incident reported at any of the polling stations on 26th June 2024.

A large number of electors turned out to exercise their universal adult franchise on the poll day. District Administration along with Police Personnel were seen inspecting the polling stations in order to ensure that the voting process was conducted in a free, fair and peaceful manner.



A senior citizen after casting his vote for the ULB election at Polling Station No. 5, GHSS, Tening, Peren on 26th June 2024.

PHEK:

Election to Phek Town Council was conducted peacefully in all the 11 wards of the District Headquarter on 26th June 2024 without any untoward incidents reported from any quarter.

MOKOKCHUNG:

Election to the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) under Mokokchung district was held peacefully on 26th June 2024 with District Administration and Police Personnel covering all the polling stations under the district to ensure free and fair elections in the district.

Mokokchung Municipal Council election recorded voter turnout at 82%, Changtongya Town Council recorded at 67.7%, Tuli Town Council recorded at 81.7% and Mangkolemba Town Council recorded at 94.77%.

WOKHA:

The Wokha Town Council (WTC) Election which was held on 26th June 2024 was conducted peacefully without any untoward incident. Free, fair and smooth electioneering process was conducted in all the polling stations under Wokha district.

Overall poll percentage for WTC for the 11 wards is 89.77%, and it may be mentioned that out of 15 wards, 4 candidates were elected unopposed.

MEDZIPHEMA:

The first Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election for Medziphema Town Council was held on 26th of June 2024 without any reports of untoward incidents. The town has



Voters in queue to cast their votes for ULB election at Polling Station No. 6, Meluri, Phek on 26th June 2024.

9 wards with 11 polling stations out of which, Ward No.7 was declared unopposed. It has a total number of 5,474 electors with 2,736 males and 2,738 females. The overall voter turnout was recorded at 87.35%.

MANGKOLEMBA:

The residents of Mangkolemba actively participated in the Town Council Elections 2024, with a high voter turnout at 94.77%. The election took place across 6 polling stations representing 8 wards in the town, with a total of 2413 votes cast.

BHANDARI:

93.25% voters exercised their franchise

in the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election at Bhandari on 25th June 2024.

Out of the total 9 wards, polling was held in 7 wards as 2 Candidates from NPF Party were declared unopposed. Altogether, 6 women candidates from women reserved wards and 15 male candidates contested in the election.

CHOZUBA:

The Urban Local Bodies (ULB)Election 2024 for Chozuba Town Council was held on 26th June 2024. Altogether 28 candidates were in the fray under 9 wards. The 28 candidates include 9 females and 19 males.

NAGALAND STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER CONDUCTS PRESS CONFERENCE W.R.T. ULB ELECTIONS

State Election Commissioner, T. John Longkumer, IPS (Retd.) while addressing the press fraternity during the press conference with regard to the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election 2024 highlighted that the ULB election was conducted peacefully without any serious incidents, except for a few minor issues based on the complaints where a case been registered in Mokokchung district and a repoll conducted at Dimapur Ward 4 under the relevant Article of the Nagaland Municipal Act and a case been filed in this matter to be investigated thereafter.

The State Election Commissioner also highlighted that the police conducted a preventive detention of 553 individuals all over the State before the polling day, recovered arm from an abandoned vehicle, registered 21 cases due to shuffles and arrested 22 persons. He also briefed about cash amounting to Rs. 2,48,730/-seized from

the campus of polling station in Dimapur which, after proper verification, belonged to a businessman for his business.

The State Election Commissioner expressed his gratitude to the Civil Administration, Election Staff, Nagaland Police, NGOs, Church Organizations, Tribal Hohos and polling personnel who enabled the State Election Commission to carry out the election processes peacefully. He mentioned that for the first time in history, the reservation for the women had 198 women filing their nominations.

Additional Commissioner, State Election Commission, L. Jamithung Lotha, and Police Nodal Officer, PHQ, Rankathung Vikram Ezung, AIG also gave a brief overall report on the ULB election, while Under Secretary, SEC, Tsutsowe Kupaing highlighted the data statistic of the State ULB Election.

RESULTS OF THE 2024 URBAN LOCAL BODIES ELECTIONS IN THE STATE

KOHIMA:

The results of the 2024 Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Elections for Kohima Municipal Council was announced on 29th June 2024 after counting of the votes at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Kohima.

In Ward 3 North Block, Ruokuovolie Rutsa of the NDPP; Ward 4 Naga Bazaar, Zeneivono Nakhro, NDPP; Ward 5 Kitsubozou, Vimhalie Pienyii, IND; Ward 6 D-Block Thenusou Sekhose, NDPP and Ward 7 Daklane, Kazheli Tungoe of the NDPP were declared the winners.

In Ward 9 Midland, Kekhrieselhou Angami, NDPP; Ward 10 Hospital/Officers' Hill, Kevineü Sekhose IND; Ward 12 Chandmari Upper, Ahelie Theyo, IND; Ward 13 Lower Chandmari, K. Asangla Jamir, NDPP; Ward 14 Porter Lane/Old Ministers' Hill, Vizokhoto George Kirha, NPP; Ward 16 NMH/Lerie/NST/Dairy Farm, Ane U Khaming, NPP; Ward 17 Agri/Electrical/Forest, Khrielievi Chusi, NDPP; Ward 18Paramedical, Neikhozo Suokhrie, NDPP and in Ward 19 P.R. Hill, Medoviu Martin Suohu, NPP were declared the winners.

MOKOKCHUNG:

The Urban Local Bodies poll result for Mokokchung Municipal Council, Mangkolemba Town Council and Tuli Town Council and Changtongya Town Council were declared on 29th June 2024.

Out of 18 wards in Mokokchung town, 6 wards i.e, Ward No. 1,4,7,10,13 & 16 were reserved for women. Out of the 18 wards, NDPP won in 15 wards (Alongmen, Arkong, Kumlong, Kichutip, Majakong, Sangtemla, Salangtem, Tongdentsuyong, Marepkong and Mongsenbai) with uncontested win in

5 wards. i.e, Wards No. 1 (Alempang), Ward No. 5 (Aongza), Ward No. 6 (Dilong), Ward No. 13 (Penli) And Ward No. 18 (Lijba Lijen). IND won in 2 wards (Sungkomen & Yimyu) and INC won in 1 ward (Artang).

At Mangkolemba, out of 9 wards, NDPP won in 4 wards, IND won in 4 wards and INC won in 1 ward.

At Changtongya, out of 11 wards, NDPP won in 7 wards and IND won in 4 wards.

At Tuli, out of 9 wards, NDPP won in 2 wards, BJP in 3 wards, INC won in 3 wards and IND won in 1 ward.

DIMAPUR:

The counting of votes for the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Elections for Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) took place on 29th June 2024 at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Dimapur. The elections saw a contest across 23 wards in the DMC and 11 wards in the East Dimapur Town Council.

Out of the total wards, two candidates (Ward 5 & Ward 15) were declared elected unopposed from the DMC, and four candidates (Ward 1, Ward 2, Ward 4 & Ward 5) secured their positions unopposed from the East Dimapur Town Council.

The successful candidates from the DMC and East Dimapur Town Council are:

Result of Dimapur Municipal Council 2024: Ward-1 Chibeni Chishi, IND; Ward-2 Neingutoulie Kenguruse, NDPP; Ward-3 I. Sentinuklu Jamir, IND; Ward-4 Hemlu Rongmei, BJP; Ward-6 V. Khekato Awomi, BJP; Ward-7 Nikali Sumi Chophi, NPP; Ward-8 George Ayemi, BJP; Ward-9 Lanutoshi Steven Yaden, NDPP; Ward-10 H. Nikali Zhimo, NDPP; Ward-11 Phyobemo Odyuo, NDPP; Ward-12 Yimkumba, NDPP;

Ward-13 R. Chubazungla. NDPP; Ward-14 Achum Jami, NDPP; Ward-16 Nzanbeni Humtsoe, NDPP; Ward-17 Omega Yepthomi, BJP; Ward-18 Nampiebeu, NDPP; Ward-19 Kili N Sumi, NDPP; Ward-20 Lanuchuba, NDPP; Ward-21 Imlinaro Stephanie Ezung, NDPP; Ward-22 Kivikali H. Chishi, BJP; Ward-23 Jonathan Yepthomi, NPP.

Result of East Dimapur Town Council 2024: Ward -3 Kanato Sema, IND; Ward-Vicky Achumi, IND; Ward-7 Olotoli A. Yeptho, NDPP; Ward-8 Razuo Dozo, NDPP; Ward-9 Alemla Tovi, NDPP; Ward-10 Mughavi Swu, BJP; Ward-11 Krishna Mech, NDPP.

List of uncontested candidates for Dimapur Municipal Council 2024: Ward-5 Kuhoi Zhimo, BJP; Ward-15 Hukheto Yepthomi, NDPP.

List of uncontested candidates for East Dimapur Town Council 2024: Ward-1 Lireni Ovung, NDPP; Ward-2 Niuto Awomi, NDPP; Ward-4 Manna Zhimo, NDPP and Ward -5 K. Hokuto Murumi, NDPP.

PEREN:

The counting of votes to the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election to Town Councils of Peren district was held at the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner & Returning Officer, Peren town on 29th June 2024.

Result of Tening Town Council: Ward-1 Wikheng, NDPP; Ward-2 Kerang Dumtta, NDPP (Unopposed); Ward-3 Gengzin, NDPP; Ward-4 Nchikam, NCP; Ward-5 Hiasoyi, Independent; Ward-6 Pauzin Rentta, Independent; Ward-7 Rambin, NCP (Unopposed); Ward-8 Mairisi, NCP (Unopposed); Ward-9 Lungchui, NDPP

Result of Jalukie Town Council: Ward-1 Samzai, Independent; Ward-2 Ireuga Zeliang, Independent; Ward-3 Namdatbou, INC; Ward-4 Menailiu, NDPP; Ward-5 Hadi, NDPP; Ward-6, Adietpe NDPP; Ward-7 Raiyilungwangli, NDPP; Ward-8 Tingba Hegui, NDPP (Unopposed); Ward-9 Lathaingam Ruangmei, NDPP.

Result of Peren Town Council: Ward-1 Keheizuvile, NDPP: Ward-2 Hunganbo, NDPP; Ward-3 Ngimtalakpe Eheilung, Independent; Ward-4 Ilungrai, NDPP (Unopposed); Ward-5 Rammi, Independent; Ward-6 Sibeule, NDPP; Ward-7 Hungkiele Hegong, NDPP; Ward-8 Mireulung Sephe, NDPP; Ward-9 Gaigwang, NDPP (Unopposed).

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

The counting of votes for Chumoukedima Town Council Election was held on 29th June, 2024 at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Chumoukedima.

Elected candidates under Chumoukedima Town Council are Ward No.1 Khaderu, H. Kasheli Achumi (BJP); Ward No.2 Phetso, Lhousito Khro (NDPP); Ward No.3 Chate-I, Telsovillie Kire (BJP); Ward No. 4 Chate-II, Khriezovono Zhotso (BJP); Ward No. 5. Pheluo, Pelevire Luho (NDPP); Ward No .6 Dzude-I, Mhasivikho Shuya (IND); Ward No .7 Dzude- II, Moala Ao (NDPP); Ward No. 8 Seiru, K. Watiimchen (INC); Ward No. 9 Radeitsa, Sekho Thakro (NDPP); Ward No. 10 Chuhoutsa, Kevisenuo Kruse (NDPP); Ward No. 11 Chara, Keneisetuo Doze (NDPP).

TSEMINYU:

Tseminyu Town Council Election result was declared on 29th June 2024 at the office chamber of Additional Deputy Commissioner & Returning Officer, Tseminyu, Longasen Lotha.

The Returning Officer gave away winning certificates to the winning candidates: Ward No. 1. Senyile Woch, NDPP; Ward No. 2. Kegwalo Magh, JDU; Ward No. 3. Sole Tep, Independent; Ward No. 4. Tracy Kent, NDPP; Ward No. 5. Nathan Kent, JDU; Ward No. 6. Joshua Kath, JDU; Ward No. 7. Julie Kent, NDPP; Ward No. 8. Enock Wanth, JDU and Ward No. 9. Ruth Thong, NDPP.

ZUNHEBOTO:

The result of four urban town council elections under Zunheboto district concluded on 29th June 2023.

Zunheboto Town Council has 13 wards, out of which NDPP won 9 while independent candidates won 4 seats.

Satakha Town Council has 9 wards, out of which NDPP won 6 seats, LJP won 2 (two) seats and independent candidate won one seat.

Aghunato Town Council has 9 wards out of which NDPP won 6 seats and independent candidate won 3 (three) seats.

Atoizu Town Council has a total of 9 wards, out of which NCP won 4 seats, BJP won 2 seats, NDPP won 1 seat and independent candidates won 2 seats.

NIULAND:

Counting of votes to Niuland Town Council Election was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Niuland on 29th June 2024. Altogether 14 candidates contested in 6 wards, with BJP candidates winning in 6 wards and IND in 3 wards.

List of winning candidates in Niuland Town Council are Ward-1 Visheli Zhimo (BJP) (uncontested); Ward-2 V Samuel Holo (BJP) (uncontested); Ward-3 Ikhadu Zhimomi (BJP); Ward-4 Holika H Kiba (IND); Ward-5 Kakuto V Yeptho (IND); Ward 6-Tokishe Zhimo (IND); Ward-7 Vikheli Chishi (BJP); Ward-8 V Shihoto Zhimo (BJP) and Ward-9 Kakheka Zhimomi (BJP) (uncontested).

PHEK:

Counting of votes for the Urban Local Bodies Election to the Phek Town Council concluded peacefully at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Phek on 29th June 2024.

List of the successful candidates areWard-1 Wetsole Rhakho of NPF; Ward-2 Nuyi Hoshi of NDPP; Ward-3 Sevoto Rhakho of NPF; Ward-4 Aleno Nienu of NPF; Ward-5, Chetezo Akami of NPF; Ward-6 Keneizo Venuh, IND; Ward-7 Duniepalu Soho, NPF; Ward-8, Shevohu Nienu of NPF; Ward-9 Seyieveto Lohe of NDPP; Ward-10 Vekuvolu of NDPP; Ward-11 Shekhoveyi, NPF.

WOKHA:

Counting of votes for the 11 wards under Wokha Town Council Election was held on 29th June 2024 at District Economics and Statistical Officer's Office, Wokha. Earlier, 4 (four) candidates were declared unopposed.

List of the elected candidates are Lidemo Murry NDPP; Myingthung Kikon, NCP; Santsuthung, NCP; Nzanbeni Humtsoe, NDPP; Khozamo, NDPP; Zuthungbemo Ezung, NDPP; Thungjano Kikon, NDPP; Mhao Ngullie, NCP; Chonthungo, BJP; Hapenthung Ezung, NDPP.

Party wise result including the unopposed winners are 7 from NDPP, 5 from NCP and 3 from BJP.

MEDZIPHEMA:

Result of candidates who won under Medziphema Town Council are Ward No. 1 Neisaleno Khro (NDPP); Ward No.2 Thangminlen Singit (NDPP); Ward No.3 Mhasilevi Kuotsu (IND); Ward No. 4 Khelenge (NDPP); Ward No. 5 Asazo Talie (NDPP); Ward No. 6 Shikhuli Zhimomi (INC); Ward No. 8 Abel Thepa (NDPP); Ward No. 9 Vikehiepie Siria(NDPP).

PFUTSERO:

Counting of votes to the Urban Local Bodies Election of Pfutsero Town Council was held at Additional Deputy Commissioner's Office, Pfutsero on 29th June 2024.

The candidates who were declared winners are Nuvotsolu Kotso IND Ward 1; Vekhosa Puro IND Ward 2; Mikha Kenye IND Ward 3; Khazü Dukru NDPP (Uncontested) Ward 4; Vekhosa Ruho IND Ward-5; Kadielhi Mero NDPP Ward-6; Thungchanbeni IND Ward-7; Nuvezo Kotso NDPP Ward-8; Savizo IND Ward-9; Kum Wechu-u Kapfo IND Ward 10; Neikolo Mero IND Ward 11.

MELURI:

Under the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election to 9 wards of Meluri Town Council 2024, 4 candidates representing ward number 1 to 4 were declared uncontested earlier, and 5 candidates were declared winners after the election counting took place on 29th June 2024 at the Office Chamber of the Returning Officer, Meluri.

The winning candidates are Ward No.

1 Thsüvila Nyuthe (Independent); Ward No. 2 Sütsütho Nyusou(NDPP); Ward No. 3 Porütho Ngouri (NDPP); Ward No. 4 Zurhotshu Kajiri (NDPP); Ward No. 5 T. Peter (NDPP), Ward No. 6 G. Telu(NDPP), Ward No. 7 Kimrose (NDPP); Ward No. 8 Siechutho Nyuthe (NDPP), and Ward No. 9 Chülekhu Nyusou (NDPP).

BHANDARI:

Result for the Urban Local Bodies (ULB) Election to the Town Council Bhandari was declared at the District Economics and Statistical Officer's Office, Wokha on 29th June 2024.

Khonthungia Odyuo from Ward 2 and Renbilo Humtsoe from Ward 7, both from NPF (declared unopposed earlier), Nzanrhoni I. Mozhui of BJP from Ethung Ward; Khosathung Tsopoe of NPF from Chanka Ward; Chonchibeni O. Kikon, IND from Zuvotong Ward; Mhonchan of NPF from Likhya Ward; B. Elan Odyuo of NPF from Hayi Ward; T. Likao of NPF from Tsumang Ward and Yanrenthung E. Patton of JDU from Medical Ward were the elected candidates.

Twenty-two (22) year old Nzanrhoni I. Mozhui, who contested on BJP ticket from women reserved Ethung Ward, emerged as the youngest ULB elected member in the entire State of Nagaland.

THREE NEW CRIMINAL LAWS EFFECTIVE FROM 1st JULY 2024

Bureau Information (PIB), Press Kohima. Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India organised a one-day Media Workshop 'VARTALAP' on three new criminal laws at Ura Hotel, Kohima on 29th June 2024.

Editor, NEPS News, Oken Jeet Sandham, speaking at the workshop as the special guest, said that the three new criminal laws are almost same to the old ones as 70% to 80% of the laws are intact. Oken while highlighting the Special Status that Nagaland

State enjoys under Article 371(A), expressed the conflicts of criminal laws and customary laws needs to be understood properly. He also said that criminal laws are very different from civil laws in the process of enforcing law and order, and hoped that the new laws will benefit the people of the country.

DIG Range, Kohima, Uniel Kichu, IPS as a resource person, spoke on the three new criminal laws, namely Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) 2023, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) 2023 and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (BSA) 2023. Kichu while highlighting the details of the new criminal laws,said that BNS 2023 repeals and replaces the Indian Penal Code 1860 (IPC) and eliminates the age-based distinction for punishment in gang rape cases of a minor girl. The law mandates life imprisonment of the death penalty for the crime of a gang rape of a woman below 18 years of age.

BNSS 2023 replaces Code of Criminal Procedure 1898. This CrPC provides for the procedure for Arrest, Prosecution and Bail. BNSS law mandates forensic investigation for offenses punishable with seven years of imprisonment or more. The BSA law replaces the Indian Evidence Act of 1872 (IEA). It acknowledges the legal validity of electronic or digital records, equating them with traditional paper records in terms of admissibility and enforceability.

Kichu also informed that the three new criminal laws which were passed in the Parliament with the assent of the President of India on 25th December 2023 is to give justice on time, justice centric, not punishment centric, shifting priority towards crime against women and children etc. and will come into force from 1st July 2024.

Law students, Mass Communication students, Information & Public Relations officials, DDK and others media were in attendance at the workshop.



DIG (Range), Kohima, Uniel Kichu IPS and Oken Jeet Sandham, Editor, NEPS News with participants of the one-day media workshop 'Vartalap' held at Ura Hotel, Kohima on 29th June 2024.

ADVISOR WANGPANG KONYAK REVIEWS SCHEMES UNDER SOCIAL WELFARE IN MON

Advisor, Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak undertook a review of implementation of schemes under Social Welfare Department in Mon district.

Interacting with the officers and staff of Social Welfare Department, Mon, the Advisor encouraged them to work hard and called on them to dedicate themselves to bring better results. He stated that unlike in the past, the performance of the Department is now reflected in dashboards and every effort needs to be directed towards uploading of details in the dashboards.

The Advisor also visited the Anganwadi Centres under Mon and Aboi ICDS Project and interacted with the anganwadi workers, taking first-hand information on how the programmes are



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being implemented at the grassroot level. He also interacted with the beneficiaries.

CAPACITY BUILDING ON MEAT PRODUCTION CONDUCTED

NOKLAK:

A four-day training on capacity building on meat production commenced at Noklak on 3rd June 2024. The programme was organised by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Noklak.

During the programme, Dr. H. Pamingchuba i/c CVO Noklak spoke on care, management, housing, feeding and disease of pigs, while Dr. H. Puchaiu, VAS, Noklak shared on site selection, housing, breeds, brooding, feeding and disease of poultry.

MON:

A Four-Day Capacity Building Training on Meat Production under State Plan 2023-2024, sponsored by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Nagaland commenced on 5th June 2024 at Chief Veterinary Officer's Office, Mon. Altogether 50 progressive farmers from the district registered for the training programme.

Veterinary Surgeon, Mon, Dr. Lhuveta Nyekha, gave a brief introduction and keynote address on hygienic meat production and consumption. Resource persons of the programme were Dr. Manjan Konyak, Dr. Sikhambo, Dr. Y. Yawing Konyak and Dr. Pangdun Konyak.

The topics of the training includes Scope of Piggery and Poultry Rearing; Site Selection and Housing Management for Pigs; Selection of Breed in Pigs; Feeding Management in

Pigs; Care and Management of Gilt and Sow during Pregnancy and Furrowing; Care and Management of Newborn Piglets; Diseases and Health Care in Pigs; Housing and Floor Space Management in Poultry; Advantages of Commercial Chicks over Local Chickens; Feeding Management in Poultry; Management of Layers; Common Diseases of Poultry; Vaccination Schedule and Health Care in Poultry.

LONGLENG:

A four-day Capacity Building on Meat Production, organised by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Longleng was held at the KVK Conference Hall, Longleng on 5th June 2024. The training programme was implemented by the Chief Veterinary Officer's Office, Longleng with technical assistance from KVK Longleng.

Dr. Hari Charan Kalita, Senior Scientist & Head, KVK Longleng while welcoming the trainees, shared on the importance of the training and stressed on the importance of hygienic meat production, its preservation and value addition as a potential prospect for socio-economic income.

In the keynote address, Dr. Aoyimsen

Jamir, Veterinary Surgeon, Longleng elaborated on the importance of clean and hygienic meat production from the farm to the consumer's table. The training will cover not just on the care and management but also on the slaughter and processing of meat for table purpose. He cautioned the trainees that meat is indeed a vital source of protein for our nutrition but if not carefully processed, it may also be a potential source for spread of various parasitic, bacterial and viral diseases. He also informed that since Classical Swine Fever and African Swine Fever are endemic in Nagaland, pig owners should be very careful not to discard the leftover food to the pig feed, especially after consuming pork curry.

Dr. Lily Ngullie, SMS (Animal Science) presented on the care and management of pigs and poultry in respect to the geo-climatic conditions under Longleng district and on meat borne parasitic and zoonotic diseases.

Dr. Mophe B. Phom, VAS (MVU) presented on the prevention and control of common diseases of livestock and poultry prevalent in Longleng district.

A total of 52 trainees attended the training programme.



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IRCS ZUNHEBOTO VISITS SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY CARE CENTRE

The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS), Zunheboto Unit visited Senior Citizens' Daycare Centre, Zunheboto on 4th June 2024.

Secretary, IRCS, Zunheboto, Dr. Hokishe Sema while speaking on behalf of the Deputy Commissioner, conveyed his

regards and respect to all the senior citizens and also spoke on various activities of IRCS in the district.

As a goodwill gesture, IRCS presented blankets to all the senior citizens present at the Daycare Centre.

DIMAPUR HOLDS PLANTATION DRIVE UNDER NATIONAL CLEAN AIR PROGRAMME

The District Administration of Dimapur, in collaboration with local government schools, organized a programme-cumplantation drive under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) on 5th June 2024.

EAC, Dimapur, Imtijungla Lemtur speaking during the event, shared a brief overview of the NCAP and emphasized that the plantation drive coincides with World Environment Day, aiming to contribute to cleaner air. She expressed her delight in involving students from government schools, stating that everyone has the right to clean air and a clean environment. Highlighting that students and youngsters are the future,

Lemtur encouraged the children to plant more trees and take care of them in the future.

GHSS Lengrijan, GHS Sarbura, GMS Duncan Ao, GPS Phevima Kacharigaon, GPS Industrial Village, GMS Naga New Model Ao, GPS Naga New Model Lotha and GPS Naga New Model Angami took active participation in the mass plantation drive in different parts of Dimapur.

It may be noted that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change in January 2019, launched the NCAP with its aims to improve air quality in 131 cities across 24 States/UTs.

CHAKHESANG MOTHERS' ASSOCIATION ORGANISE AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON 33% WOMEN RESERVATION

An awareness programme was conducted on 33% Women Reservation under the Urban Local Bodies election by the Chakhesang Mothers' Association (CMA) at Clock Tower, Phek on 4th June 2024.

President, Chakhesang Mothers' Association, Zhonelu Tunyi in her speech, said the creation of the 33% Women Reservation in Nagaland is to provide high opportunity for the womenfolk in every field including decision making policies. She

called upon the intending women candidates not to contest in the election for their own benefit but for the welfare of every woman and give their best for the interest of the general public. She also asked the intending candidates not to indulge in money power to gain voters but through honest and sincere means. She appealed to all the candidates to ensure a healthy and peaceful contest that would bring development to the town.

Self-introduction and speeches were also

delivered by eight intending candidates from 33% Women Reservation from 4 Wards of Phek Town. Secretary, Chakhesang Mothers' Association, Kezevinuo Krome read out the CMA Resolution during the programme.

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Speeches were also delivered by President, Phek Town Public Forum, Convenor, Ward Chairman Forum, Head GB Union Phek Town and President, Phek Area Mothers' Association.

DLCC MEETING ON NTCP HELD AT TUENSANG

District Level Co-ordination Committee (DLCC) meeting on National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) was held on 5th June 2024 at DC's Office, Tuensang, with Toking Yimchunger, EAC, Tuensang chairing the programme.

Highlight of DTCC activities was presented by Sentilong Longchar, District Consultant DTCC, Tuensang, who said that the trainings and seminars that were conducted at villages, schools and college are to educate people about the ill effects of tobacco consumption and to promote tobacco free educational institute village. He informed that Kuthur village is the first free tobacco village under Tuensang district. He further informed that a bike rally IEC campaign was also held to spread the awareness of tobacco consumption.

GHS Kuthur, GHS Chingmelen, St. Joseph's School, GHS Hakushang and Loyem Memorial School were declared as Tobacco Free Schools and certificates were awarded to the schools.

SDPDB MEETING PUGHOBOTO HELD



MLA Dr. Sukhato A. Sema with officials and UPSC AIR 431 Tolino K. Chishi and HSLC/HSSLC Examinations 2024 toppers during the SDPDB Meeting-cum-Felicitation Programme held at Pughoboto, Zunheboto on 6th June 2024.

Sub-Divisional Planning & Development Board (SDPDB) meeting-cum-felicitation programme was held at Pughoboto held on 6th June, 2024. The programme was chaired by MLA, Dr. Sukhato A. Sema. UPSC AIR 431 Tolino K Chishi, CISF AC (EXE) LDC L Esther Sumi, HSSLC 8th Rank Jevi Futhena and HSLC 8th Rank Vini R Sheqi were felicitated by MLA, Dr. Sukhato A Sema and ADC, Tiameren Chang in the presence of Civil Society Organisations including Sumi Aphuyemi Totimi Hoho, Sumi Aphuyemi Kiphimi Kughakulu, Sumi Aphuyemi Kukami Hoho and other SDPDB members.

Tolino expressed her happiness and heartfelt gratitude to all Sumi Aphuyemis and entire Sumi community for the prayers and support throughout the three stages of UPSC examination that she went through with hard work, sacrifices and dedication. This achievement is not only a personal

milestone but a milestone of all Sumis and Sumi Aphuyemis, she said.

MLA, Dr. Sukhato A Sema congratulated Tolino for being the first amongst the Sumi Aphuyemis to achieve grand success in the prestigious UPSC Examination. Citing the exemplary achievement of Tolino, the MLA encouraged the HSSLC & HSLC Toppers to pursue greater achievements in the future too.

Congratulating the successful aspirant and the students, ADC Tiameren Chang expressed his pride and happiness with the grand academic achievements that occurred during his tenure and conveyed his best wishes for their future endeavour.

After deliberating on the agenda, the board recommended for construction of Veterinary Dispensary, construction of Veterinary Doctor & Staff Quarter and renovation of SATWO Guest House at Pughoboto. Rationalization of teachers within Pughoboto Sub-Division was also recommended and SDPDB Educational Trust Fund was agreed upon by all members for a monthly collection of minimum ₹500 for the welfare of the student community.

DIMAPUR DPDB RECOMMENDS VARIOUS PROPOSALS

The monthly District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting, Dimapur was held on 6th June 2024 at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner (DC), Dimapur. The meeting was chaired by the DC & Vice Chairman, DPDB, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang

In his welcome address, the DC expressing gratitude to all the Heads of Offices and officials for their unflinching services rendered during the recently concluded Lok Sabha elections. He also expressed gratitude for their generous contribution during the conduct of Nagaland Olympics and Paralympic Tournament held in the month of February 2024. He informed that with the contribution, the District Administrators could lend a helping hand to Better Dimapur Team for organizing the sports week for the

orphanage.

The agenda of the meeting included review of previous meeting minutes wherein the board agreed to forward the registration of Nagaland NGOs Forum for further necessary action. The other agenda included proposal for registration of societies pertaining to Usutomi Union Dimapur, Alashi Foundation Dimapur, Association of Naga Indigenous Games & Sports Dimapur and Recognition of Arok village under Dimapur district, change of nomenclature from Nagaland Film Association to Nagaland Movies and Broadcasting Industry, change of nomenclature from Public College of Commerce to Public College Dimapur were thoroughly deliberated, and the board agreed to recommend and forward to the Government for further necessary action.

MONSOON PREPAREDNESS MEETING HELD AT ZUNHEBOTO

Zunheboto District Disaster Management Authority (ZDDMA) held its Monsoon Preparedness-cum-First Quarterly (ZDDMA) meeting at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Zunheboto on 7th June 2024.

DC and Chairman, DDMA, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali, IAS chairing the meeting, highlighted that the main purpose of the meeting is to formulate action plans by all the concerned departments under Zunheboto district on disaster related matters and to be prepared for any impending disasters, to take stock on the available quantities of medicines and food-stock in the district to be utilized in case of disaster

hit situations, to identify hazardous areas and sign up awareness boards in various locations for public safety, the DC said.

The DC also appealed to the citizens of the district for restriction on public activities in and around the river banks in order to mitigate any loss of lives and materials during the monsoon season because of the active and frequent flash floods being reported from various sources.

WORKSHOP ON SOUND SYSTEM MANAGEMENT HELD AT NOKLAK

Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, Arikumba inaugurated Sound System Management Workshop at Noklak on 10th June 2024 which was initiated by Task Force for Music & Arts (TaFMA) Nagaland in collaboration with TaFMA District Partner. Noklak.

DC Arikumba speaking on the occasion, expressed his appreciation to TaFMA for giving an opportunity for the Sound System Management Workshop at Noklak.

Elaborating that sound system plays essential part in all functions and meetings, he encouraged the trainees to learn properly and make use of the training being imparted to them.

Sound Engineer, TaFMA. Marcus Geisuo and Assistant Sound Engineer, TaFMA, Merensuba were the resource persons during the three day workshop from 10th to 12th June 2024. Altogether 34 trainees attended the workshop.



Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, Arikumba with officials and participants during the Sound System Management Workshop at Noklak on 10th June 2024.

NHIDCL ASSURES TO REPAIR WOKHA-MERAPANI ROAD

Highlighting the status of Wokha-Merapani road progress during the District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Wokha on 10th June 2024, Deputy General Manager, National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd. (NHIDCL), Neeraj Khare assured that during the liability period, the damaged portion and maintenance work under Wokha-Merapani road shall be done by NHIDCL.

Chairing the meeting, Advisor for Agriculture and Chairman, DPDB, Wokha, Mhathung Yanthan thanked the NHIDCL for assuring the board for resuming the maintenance work at the earliest and said that the Government as well as all the stakeholders of the district will extend all out support for the successful implementation.

Director, Land Resources, Albert Ngullie while highlighting on ground water governance through springshed management in Wokha town, said that Nagaland is the leading state in the country on springshed management programme being initiated by the State Government. He highlighted that Land Resources Department has taken up three (3) major plantation crops for Wokha district, namely Rubber, Arecanut, Coffee and the other major project is springshed management. While speaking on the concept of springshed, Albert Ngullie said that it is a set of watersheds and aquifers that integrate into a system, supplying water to the spring in the springshed, and the case study is being done under six (6) step protocols -Comprehensive mapping of springs and springsheds; setting up a data management system; understanding the current social and governance system of spring; hydrogeological mapping layout development and recharge area identification; development springshed management protocol and measuring hydrological and other impacts of spring revival activities.



Advisor, Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan with officials launching the GPDP Booklet during the DPDB meeting held at DC's Office, Wokha on 10^{th} June 2024.

Albert added that it has been observed that most of the springs' potential hydrogeological recharge areas is in the Mount Tiyi. The landscape-based approach is well studied for addressing groundwater related issues and a multi-stakeholder partnership model is highly recommended. A robust step by step planning is needed to address the issues. He also said that this particular project will be successful through a convergence between state, technical experts and NGOs in the district, coordination among stakeholders, fund mobilization facilitation and supervision of works, monitoring & evaluation, and support from local legislators and district administration.

Scientist, ACWADAM, Mukesh Patil while highlighting springshed management for Wokha town, said the efforts need a holistic approach on understanding the current situation on the demand and supply aspect, and studying water quality and multistakeholders' partnership involving all line departments under Wokha district.

board also discussed The and recommended for approval to the State Government on the following agenda -Registration of Wokha District Electrical Goods Retailers Union; Establishment of Don Bosco School, Akuk; Government Primary School, Satsuphen, and Government Primary Health Care Centre (PHC) at Satsuphen, Wokha.

The Board Chairman also launched a booklet on preparation of GPDP, a preparation of Panchayat Development Plan 2024-2025 under the Department of Rural Development Agency (DRDA). The booklet is translated into Lotha local dialect.

DPDB MEETING HELD AT CHUMOUKEDIMA

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of June was convened at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Chumoukedima on 11th June 2024. The meeting was chaired by Advisor for Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, and DPDB, Chairman, Zhaleo Rio along with DC & Vice Chairman, Abhinav Shivam, IAS.

The Chairman emphasizing that DPDB being the highest body in the district and a platform where the policies are planned and outlined, requested the members to share the details of the activities being taken up in the district by their respective departments. He said that Chumoukedima district is one of the fastest growing districts and it is a privilege and an opportunity for the officers to be serving under this district. He encouraged the officers to serve their respective departments with sincerity for the welfare of the people.

After the review of the previous meeting minutes, the board discussed and deliberated on the agenda for Relocation of Element (World Bank) Project Zone-l (covering districts of Chumoukedima, Niuland, Tseminyu, Kohima, Peren and Phek) Office to Chumoukedima town was approved by the board and will be forwarded to the Government.

Opening of new school (Emerald School) at Ward-7, Chumoukedima; Registration Wheeler Association, of Two Taxi Chumoukedima, and Registration of V. Movi Institute of Fashion Designing Society, Tenyiphe-l were also discussed but deferred to the next meeting after proper verification is carried out.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

District Longleng **Planning** and Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 12th June at DPDB Hall, Longleng, under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, DPDB, Longleng, Dharam Raj, IAS.

After reviewing the previous meeting minutes, agenda for renewal of Yingli Community Development Society Phom Day Commission was discussed and forwarded for approval by the concerned department.

The board also discussed and deliberated on the proposal submitted by DPRO Longleng for the establishment of Assistant Public Relations Officer's Office at ADC Headquarter, Tamlu and Information Centre at Sakshi EAC Headquarter, to which the board agreed to recommend the proposal and forward it to the Government for further necessary action.

Cultural Officer, Longleng presented the departmental activities in the meeting. Department of Animal Husbandry Veterinary Services Longleng, was assigned to present the departmental activities in the next DPDB meeting.

CLEAN DOYANG MISSION SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES

The Clean Doyang Mission successfully completed on the 12th June 2024. The mission, which commenced on 7th June 2024, was initiated with the objective to counter the problem of plastic wastes which had accumulated at Doyang reservoir.

Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Ajit Kumar Ranjan, IAS while commenting on the successful completion of the mission, stated that the mission was initiated on a mission mode, where an area task force was constituted, headed by EAC Sungro, to assess the requirement of manpower, machineries and other logistic arrangements and officially started the work on 8th June 2024.

The DC expressed his appreciation to Advisor for Agriculture & Chairman DPDB Wokha, Mhathung Yanthan for personally visiting the area and encouraging the team for the successful completion of the Clean Doyang Mission. He also expressed his appreciation to all the teams and volunteers involved in the mission including Pangti, village, Thillong village and the neighboring villages around the Doyang, Englan Range Students' Union (ERSU). and Lotha Students' Union. He also thanked Team Better Dimapur Eco Warriors Nagaland and personnel from 7th NAP, DEF and SDRF who had played a vital role in successfully completing the mission.

The DC informed that segregation of waste was also done at the site before it was transported to various processing centres. He further stated that, to prevent such occurrence in the future, the District Administration will be in touch with the State Government and seek advice to counter such issue.

DC Ranjan requested the public and neighboring villages of the Doyang area to come up with certain resolutions in managing waste in order to keep the catchment area plastic-free and to make Doyang clean and beautiful.

LONGLENG DIVISIONAL MANAGEMENT UNIT MEETING HELD

The review meeting of Divisional Management Unit (DMU) Longleng was held at Divisional Forest Office complex, Longleng on 12th June 2024. Report on forestry intervention activities in Sitap Range and Longleng Range were delivered by Deputy Ranger-cum-FMU Head, Sitap Range, Bedangmongba Ao and Range Officer-cum-FMU Head, Longleng, Chepe-ü Koza respectively. Later, Joint Forest Management Committee (JFMC), Presidents of various villages spoke on the progress on forestry intervention activities and other success stories, their problems and issues.

During the meeting, Self Help Group representatives of each JICA village reported on the progress of their Income Generation Activities (IGA) and Sentivatet, Team Leader of FNGO highlighted about the work progress, SHG status and training updates. Other reports on SHG activities and profiling, JFMC Account, GIS and MIS, success stories and documentation were presented by Livelihood Expert, Account assistant, Data Entry Operator and Documentation Expert of DMU Longleng. Report on convergence activities for the year 2023-2024 was also presented by Convergence Expert of DMU Longleng.

In concluding remarks, DFO-cum-DMU Head, Longleng, H. Tokugha Chophy appreciated all the participants and shared about the benefits of planting trees. He said nature's reward is much higher than what we expect. He further assured that the department would always be there for the welfare of the people, but people should unite and work sincerely, rather than just depending on government funds. He encouraged the SHGs to work with dedication during the project period, since the NFMP, JICA Project is a means to teach and uplift their economic wellbeing.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION LONGLENG DISTRIBUTES ASSISTIVE AIDS

The District Administration Longleng in collaboration with Artificial Limbs Corporation (ALIMCO) distributed Assistive Aids to the beneficiaries of Longleng town under Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) scheme on 13th June 2024. The items distributed were of two categories - Generic items like walking stick, elbow crutch, hearing aids, artificial dentures, tripods/ tetrapods and special items like wheelchairs, chair with commode, silicon foam cushion, spinal support, lumbosacral belt.

The beneficiaries of RVY scheme are senior citizens (above 60 years) belonging to BPL category which aims to improve their social and economic life. The implementing agency i.e. ALIMCO will provide one year free maintenance of the aids and assisted devices supplied by them. The distribution programme was managed by the EAC, Longleng, Vitolu Chishi.

DC MON WARNS ON NON-**FUNCTIONING OF OFFICES**

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Kumar Verma, IAS said that it has come to the notice of the undersigned that some of the Heads of Departments/Offices/

prompting

officials.

Institutions are proceeding on leave without public and ad prior information and approval from the culture in gover competent authority, whereby hampering the normal functioning of the Office and Offices/Institution

other

It has also been noticed that some of the government office premises are not functioning/opening during scheduled office hours causing inconveniences to the general

amongst

indiscipline

public and adversely affecting the work culture in government offices.

Therefore, all Heads of Departments/ Offices/Institutions are hereby directed to be in station and ensure the proper functioning of the offices during scheduled office hours, failing which, disciplinary action shall be initiated as per the relevant provisions of the law.

TWO-DAY SKILL TRAINING ON FOOD PACKAGING AND HANDICRAFT INAUGURATED AT PEREN

Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Vineet Kumar inaugurated two-day skill training programme on packaging for export of food, handloom and handicraft products of Nagaland at SBI-RSETI, Peren on 14th June 2024. The skill was organized by training the Administration, District Peren in partnership with ATMA Peren and Indian Institute of Packaging, Kolkata.



Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Vineet Kumar with RSETI officials releasing the Annual Magazine of SBI Rural Employment Training Institute, Peren on 14th June 2024.

DC Vineet Kumar in his address, said packaging is an important part of a product as it enhances the aesthetic value of the products which are to be sold. He urged the participants to take the maximum advantage out of the training period and apply the acquired knowledge and skills to enhance the value of their products.

Deputy Director, ATMA Cell, Department of Agriculture, Rosemary in her short speech encouraged the participants to avail the opportunity which has been provided in the doorstep, and expressed optimism that the training programme would be highly beneficial for all the participants.

During the technical session, Dr. Bidhan Das, Deputy Director & Regional

Head, Indian Institute of Packaging, Kolkata Centre briefed the participants on the basic concepts and principles of packaging, packaging nomenclature, classification, positioning, cushioning, closures and ancillary packaging materials, while Dr. Asitava Sur, Guest Faculty, Indian Institute of Packaging, Kolkata Centre imparted training on the topics - Food Safety Act and FSSAI Guidelines for Food, Handloom & Handicraft Products of Nagaland.

Around 30 participants attended the first day of the training programme. The DC also released the annual magazine of SBI Rural Self Employment Training Institute, Peren district.

MON DPDB MEETING HELD

Mon District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Mon on 14th June 2024. DC & Vice Chairman, DPDB, Mon, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS chaired the programme.

The board discussed on the agenda for recognition of Hill Star School, Sheanghah Tangten village and registration of Mankup Memorial Foundation and decided to forward the application to the concerned department for approval.

The board also felicitated the medalists and winners of Nagaland Olympic & Paralympic Games 2024 from the district, with the Deputy Commissioner giving away the certificates. Principal, New Model College, Wakching and Agri & Soil Department delivered a PowerPoint Presentation of the College and Agriculture, Soil & Water Conservation Departments.

STUDENTS FELICITATED DURING PEREN DPDB MEETING

The Peren District **Planning** Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held under the chairmanship of Deputy CM & Chairman, DPDB Peren, T.R. Zeliang at DC's Conference Hall, Peren.

The members discussed on extension of land patta cancellation at Peren New HQ. wherein the board decided to extend the deadline up to the month of December 2024. In the meeting, the proposal for construction of water reservoirs at Peren New HQ. and proposal for SDRF personnel at Peren district was also approved to be forwarded to the higher ups for necessary action. The board also deliberated on the agenda of ban on hunting at Peren New HQ, wherein the DC said an order in this regard will be issued by the Deputy Commissioner's Office.

The board re-constituted the LADP Verification Committee for 6-Tening and 7-Peren Acs. For Tening AC: ADC Tening as the Convener, SDO PWD (R&B) Tening and BDO Tening as Members and for Peren AC: ADC Jalukie as Convener, SDO PWD (R&B)



Deputy CM & Chairman, DPDB Peren, T.R. Zeliang, Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Vineet Kumar with officials and students during Felicitation Programme organised by Peren DPDB held at DC's Office, Peren on 14th June 2024.

Jalukie and BDO Peren as members.

E.E. (PHED), Er. Bursenla Ao gave a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the status of water supply at Peren town and Peren New HO.

Deputy Chief Minister, T.R. Zeliang while encouraging the students, extended his heartfelt congratulations to the students and said that success is not merely measured by marks and ranks, but by the growth they have experienced and the knowledge they have gained. He also acknowledged the dedicated faculty and the respective institutions since their commitment to nurturing and educating the students has been exemplary. To the parents and guardians of the students, he said their unwavering support and belief in their children have played a pivotal role in their success, as they have been the pillars of their children strength, guiding

them through their academic journey and instilling in them the values of hard work and resilience. Further, Zeliang encouraged the students to be bold, curious and most importantly be kind and humble and carry forward the spirit of excellence and make a positive impact wherever they go.

After the meeting, the board also organized a felicitation programme for successful students of HSLC & HSSLC examinations, namely Asmita Mukherjee (Rank 11 & Subject Topper), Rebika Tamang (Subject Topper), Nambagwangle (Governor's Award for Government School). The Deputy Chief Mininster also felicitated Asenla Pongen, the Principal of Government Higher Secondary School Jalukie for her excellent service for consistently achieving above average pass percentage in HSLC Exams.

DDMA PHEK DISCUSSES MONSOON PREPAREDNESS

Members of the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Phek deliberated on the monsoon preparedness during a meeting held at the office chamber of Deputy Commissioner, Phek on 14th June 2024.

DC & Chairman, DDMA, Phek, John Tsulise Sangtam informed the members and asked the officials of line departments to take the exact assessment against any kind of damage of properties for assistance. He also reminded them to do away with false or exaggeration of quantities or amount while making assessment for property damaged or loss due to disaster, for assistance.

The DC enquired on the status of machineries and other resources from PWD, Roads & Bridges and National Highways. He asked the concerned officers to keep the machineries in good condition so that it can be used efficiently. He also asked the Food & Civil Supplies Department to ensure the availability of essential commodities. On health matter, officials from the CMO's Office Phek informed on availability of sufficient medicines in the district.

The members discussed the need for availability of medical supply for any animal related epidemic, to which the Chairman asked the officials of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services in the district to take up the matter. Responsibilities and duties of Home Guards & Civil Defense & SDRF for emergency operation and response preparedness was also discussed. Nodal Officer for DDMA, Phek, David Thupir highlighted about the India Disaster Resource Network (IDRN) at the meeting.

PUGHOBOTO SUB-DIVISION PROHIBITS DUMPING OF WASTES IN TAPU (DOYANG) RIVER

Pughoboto Sub-Division, Zunheboto being an upstream settlement through which the Doyang River flows, the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pughoboto on 14th June 2024, notified the general public on the 'Ban and Prohibit' of any form of dumping of plastic and other wastes into Tapu (Doyang) River and its tributaries Tsuvi, Kucho, Thaghu, Tsuli and Yeti and any other water body within the Sub-Division.

This comes in view of the recent exercise conducted under the theme 'Clean Doyang Mission' where the Government agencies have undertaken intensive 'Mission Mode' cleaning of Doyang Reservoir at Wokha to remove the accumulated plastic and other non-biodegradable pollutants, which are carried downstream by flow of water in Doyang River.

Taking cognizance of the ill effects

of waste disposal in the rivers and understanding the importance of collective efforts to avoid River Pollution, the District Administration appealed to all individuals, organisations, towns and villages under Pughoboto to ensure that the stretch of Tapu (Doyang) River along the Sub-Division is protected from anthropogenic pollution and avoid littering with and disposal of plastic and other wastes, commonly associated with picnics and gatherings along the river banks.

Administration The District encouraged and appealed to all citizens to act as guardians of natural resources by conscious prevention of river and environmental pollution. It was also informed that the Government Authorities shall take action against any individuals or groups found undertaking ill practices which causes pollution of the Tapu (Doyang) River within Pughoboto Sub-Division.

SENSITISATION PROGRAMME ON CLEAR MEAT PRODUCTION AND MEAT BORNE DISEASE HELD IN LONGLENG

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Longleng conducted a Sensitization Programme on Clean Meat Production and Meat Borne Diseases in collaboration with the Medical Department and the Longleng Town Council on 14th June 2024, at DPDB Hall, Longleng.

Veterinary Surgeon, Longleng, Aoyimsen Jamir dwelt on the sanitation and hygienic management of the slaughter areas to ensure clean meat production chain to the consumers after acquiring the animals from the farmers and suppliers. The stakeholders in the meat business were sensitized on the hygienic management of their retail meat shops which includes the maintenance of the transport vehicles and equipments used. He also cautioned the meat handlers on the occupational hazards of contracting infections, zoonotic as well as parasitic diseases through meat if proper personal hygiene and precaution is not followed.

Dr. Limasungle Imchen, Epidemiologist from the Medical Department highlighted on the meat borne zoonotic and parasitic diseases, and explained how commercial as well as domestic meat handlers at home can be infected with various diseases if hygienic handling and proper cooking of meat is not done. She also stressed on the personal

hygiene management and the precautionary measures to be followed while handling meat. The programme was attended by the registered meat stall owners, poultry dealers and fish vendors.

DPDB KOHIMA MEETING FOCUSES ON EDUCATION AND FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT

The monthly District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting of Kohima was held at the DPDB Hall, Kohima on 15th June 2024, under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS.

The meeting began with a review of the minutes from the previous session. Among the key agenda items, the Power Department's request for assistance from DPDB Kohima during vegetation clearance months was forwarded to the Chairman for consideration. The board agreed to forward the proposal to upgrade St. Luke School, Phezoucha to Class VIII, and Police Public School, Zhadima to Class VII, after all formalities and inspection report was found to be genuine with completed formalities.

The proposal submitted by St. Mary Cathedral Higher Secondary School seeking recommendation for a grant-in-aid from the School Education Department to establish a Dynamic Digital Lab, was directed to the District Education Officer (DEO) of Kohima for preliminary evaluation before further discussion.

District Fisheries Officer (DFO), Kohima, Sentinaro delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the activities of the Fisheries Department. She detailed the reliance on ponds and tanks for fish production, with subsidiary establishments of the department present in all districts and sub divisions. DFO highlighted the implementation of central schemes under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and the North Eastern Council (NEC) within the fisheries sector. She mentioned the distribution of motorcycles with ice box and the procurement of refrigerated vans to upgrade fish transportation facilities.

Further, the DFO discussed training and extension programmes, emphasizing the implementation of flagship schemes for women and practical demonstrations for farmers. The promotion of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in the fisheries sector was also mentioned. Conservation measures such as river ranching were presented, along with the potential introduction of new fish species like Amur carp and Gift Tilapia. She expressed optimism about the increasing interest of traditional agriculture farmers in fish farming.

DPDB Kohima also welcomed new members to its fold: Er. Obed Natso, E. E. Water Resource Department, and Abigail Solo, Tourist Officer.

ADIP DISTRIBUTION CAMP FOR DIMAPUR AND CHUMOUKEDIMA HELD

The District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC), Dimapur, in collaboration with the Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), Guwahati, organized a distribution camp under the Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchasing/Fitting of Aids/Appliances (ADIP) scheme. The event took place at Chapel Hall, District Hospital Dimapur on 15th June 2024. Supported by the District Administration, Dimapur and the National Career Service Centre for Differently Abled, Dimapur, the camp aims to provide essential aids and appliances to differently-abled persons, enhancing their physical, social, and psychological rehabilitation.

Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur and Chairman of the District Management Team (DMT), DDRC Dimapur graced the occasion as the chief guest. He emphasized the importance of the camp in empowering disabled individuals and improving their quality of life. Dr. Chang thanked the caregivers for their dedication and urged the gathering to inform other differently-abled persons about the facilities provided by the government. He also encouraged beneficiaries to obtain a disability certificate after assessment from the specialized board set up in District

Hospital, Dimapur.

Dr. Imlitemsu Ozukum, MD (PMR) and Senior Specialist In-Charge of DDRC, Dimapur, delivering the keynote address and welcome speech, highlighted the objective of the ADIP scheme in assisting needy disabled persons in procuring durable, sophisticated, scientifically manufactured and aids and appliances. He mentioned that 126 differently-abled individuals were identified in Dimapur and Chumoukedima, and 181 assistive aids, including smartphones, crutches, wheelchairs, and hearing aids were issued during the camp.

Short speeches were delivered by Vikili, a PwD beneficiary; Dr. Limatula Aier, Chief Medical Officer, Dimapur; Dr. T. Mohan, Assistant Director (Employment), NCSC for Differently Abled, Dimapur; and Mukesh Misra, Manager & I/C NorthEast Region, ALIMCO. Earlier, invocation was pronounced by Rev. Yhunlo Thong, Chaplain of District Hospital Dimapur. The event concluded with the distribution of aids and appliances to the beneficiaries.

BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES DISTRICT INDUCTION PROGRAMME HELD AT WOKHA

The Wokha District Bharat Scouts & Guides (BS&G) held an induction programme for the District Secretary and Treasurer at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Wokha on 15th June 2024.

Senior SDEO, Wokha, Myingthunglo Ngullie and IE Co-ordinator, T. Ezanthung Lotha were inducted as District Secretary and Treasurer respectively, in the presence of DC & President, BS&G, Wokha Ajit Kumar Ranjan, IAS.

EAC (Sadar), Wokha, Rosy Sangtam

speaking during the induction programme, stated that Wokha BS&G is amongst one of the best performing Bharat Scouts & Guides in the State, and urged the team to continue working for the betterment of the organisation.

The new inductees also spoke and assured to work together to have a positive impact and wellbeing of Wokha BS&G.

During the programme, Scout Captain, Sulanthung of Santsuo School and Guide Captain, Wonchibeni Kithan of Cistus School



Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Ajit Kumar Ranjan IAS with Wokha District Bharat Scouts & Guides officials during an induction programme held at DC's Office, Wokha on 15th June 2024.

were awarded with certificates in recognition for their valuable service and contribution towards BS&G.

After the induction programme, Wokha BS&G organised an awareness programme on blood donation for the senior Scouts& Guides, with Chief Team Metamorphosis, Thungdemo Kyong as the resource person of the event.

CANSSEA TSEMINYU UNIT CELEBRATES ITS 1st ANNIVERSARY

CANSSEA, Tseminyu Unit celebrated its first anniversary on 16th June 2024 at GHSS, Tseminyu. Setting up of proper CANSSEA Office, Tseminyu and matters related to delay in salary payment, office expenditures

were some of the issues raised and discussed in the form of suggestion.

The presidential address was delivered by Hechulo Semy, President, CANSSEA Tseminyu Unit.

NARCOTIC COORDINATION CENTRE LONGLENG CONDUCTS INSPECTION DRIVE

The Narco Coordination Centre (NCORD) Longleng district carried out an inspection drive on 18th June 2024, in all the drug stores/pharmacies within Longleng Town Council area.

The team consisting of EAC, Longleng, Vitolu Chishi, Drug Control Officer, Tsuniungrenla Jamir, Police personnel and Dobashis inspected 28 (twenty eight) drug stores for installation of CCTV and maintenance of register. During inspection, the team observed that most of the pharmacies are yet to install proper CCTV facilities, except P.J. pharmacy, Bahok Ward.

DISTRICT LEVEL COMMITTEE FOR NARCOTIC COORDINATION CENTRE MEETING HELD AT MOKOKCHUNG

The monthly review meeting of the Coordination Centre (NCORD), Mokokchung District Level Committee for Narcotic was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Mokokchung on 18th June 2024. The meeting was held under the chairmanship of DC, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji, IAS.

The chairman stressed on the significance of the monthly review meeting to address the issue of drug menace in the district. Reviewing the previous meeting

agenda, the CMO was asked to continue with the inspection of CCTV installation at pharmacies in the district.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Mokokchung also informed the board about the various activities carried out by the Police against drug menace.

DC MON INFORMS ON LOTTERY TICKETS

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS has stated that lottery games like Shillong Teer, Nagaland Arrow, Raja Rani etc. are being sold in various towns within Mon district which is illegal and in contravention to the Lotteries (Regulation) Act 1998.

Therefore, the DC issued an order dated 14th June 2024 that any person engaged in the sale, distribution or purchasing of the tickets of such lotteries shall be punishable with rigorous punishment for a term which may extend to 2 (two) years or with fines,

or with both. Further, such offence shall be cognizable and non-bailable.

In view of the above, all the Administrative Officers in coordination with security agencies are requested to immediately conduct verification within their respective jurisdiction and shut down all outlets where such illegal lotteries are being sold.

It further informed that the Order has been issued in line with Finance Department Lottery Branch Letter No.FIN/LOT-05/2023/27, Dated Kohima, 1st May 2024.

EIGHT SCHOOLS DECLARED TOBACCO-FREE IN ZUNHEBOTO

Eight schools were declared as tobaccofree schools during a programme organised by NTCP Zunheboto Unit at Deputy Commissioner's Office chamber, Zunheboto



Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali IAS gave away Tobacco-Free Certificates to eight schools during a programme organised by NTCP Zunheboto Unit at DC's Office, Zunheboto on 20^{th} June 2024.

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St. Clare High School, Akuluto; Hilto Children Home School, Akuluto; Government Higher Secondary School, Akuluto; Royal School, Akuluto; Unit school, Naltoga; GPS, Naltoga; Sparkle School Naltoga and St. Paul School, Naltoga were declared tobacco-free schools. Certificates were given away by the DC, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali, IAS.

Addressing at the programme, the DC expressed his concerned on the rise of tobacco usage, especially among the young group of citizens and the students in particular. Use of tobacco products gradually leads to dreadful diseases and ultimately results in deadly cancer which consequences to a painful death, he said. Further, he urged the students not to be misled by tobacco advertisements by celebrities, which is very unfortunate, and reminded them to be aware of things that benefit their health and others which are fatal.

The DC appealed to NTCP Zunheboto Unit to continue their efficient programmes and to come up with more activities to tackle the menace of tobacco usages in the town and the district with special targets on schools and its surroundings, in order to completely eradicate tobacco products from the district.

AWARENESS TRAINING ON 15th FC FOR VILLAGE FUNCTIONARIES HELD AT WOKHA

State Institute of Rural Development, Nagaland organised a one-day awareness training on 15th Finance Commission (15th FC) & Disaster Management for village functionaries for the RD Block of Wokha, Bhandari, Chukitong, Wozhuro, Champang and Ralan held on 21st June 2024 at VDB Hall, Wokha. Village Council Chairman and VDB Secretaries from all the blocks under Wokha district attended the training programme.

Course Director, Dr. Kidise Pucho, Principal, ETC Phek speaking on the concept of 15th FC, said it is a very important and specific grant to project the activities, programmes and schemes to bring about development in the rural local bodies. He said the objective is to augment the consolidated funds of the state and to supplement the resources of local bodies and recommend grant-in-aid. Dr. Kidise said 15th FC assures transfer to local bodies for planning and development of basic service smoothly and effectively within the functions assigned to them under relevant legislation. It ensures strengthening of primary functioning of local bodies to deliver basic service.

Later in the second session, Dr. Kidise highlighted on the concept and vision of Disaster Management, Centre & State Responsibilities, role of Village Council and Village Development Board and community, capacity building and personal safety.

SENSITIZATION WORKSHOP ON 'PREVENTING AND COMBATING CHILD TRAFFICKING HELD AT NOKLAK

As part of campaign on preventing and combating child trafficking in 100 bordering and adjoining districts of India, a sensitization workshop on 'Preventing Rights (SCPCR).

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and Combating Child Trafficking was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Noklak on 21st June 2024. The programme was organized by District Administration, Noklak in collaboration with National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) and State Commission for Protection of Child

DC, Noklak, Arikumba in his keynote address, stated that human trafficking is the violation of human rights where people of all genders, ages and background can become victims of human trafficking. He explained in detail the various forms of exploitation like sexual, labour, domestic servitude and child exploitation. He also explained the core elements of human trafficking such as recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons. Noklak district is located in the international boundary between India and Myanmar which is very vulnerable for human trafficking, that is why, such sensitization workshops on 'Preventing and Combating Child Trafficking' becomes necessary. The DC requested all the stakeholders who attended the workshop to learn well and to help in sharing awareness on human trafficking to one's family, village and the community.

Speaking on the occasion as resource person, Advocate, Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench Tongpang L Jamir stated that human trafficking is modern day slavery. He elaborated on some of the reasons of human trafficking like poverty, lack of awareness and lack of employment. He explained in detail the risk groups of human trafficking, features of trafficking, steps to take when we see trafficked victims or encounter human trafficking and other preventives measures. He also highlighted the legal provision under the different Laws and Acts.

The programme was attended by District Administration, Police, Teachers, Civil Societies, NGOs and Church organizations.

KIPHIRE DPDB MEETING HELD

Kiphire District **Planning** and (DPDB) Development Board meeting was held on 24th June 2024 at DC's Office Conference Hall under the chairmanship of MLA & Chairman, DPDB, C. Kipili Sangtam. The Chairman informed the Members to be in the station and make the public aware of different schemes and projects under their concerned departments.

Felicitation certificates were awarded to Zivi L. Jingru and Kumari Kiusvi K.M. of Loyola Higher Secondary School, Kiphire for securing highest marks in Mathematics and Science respectively among the schools under Kiphire district in the HSLC Examination 2024.

Certificate of appreciation was also awarded to Dariyali Goswami, Program Lead, Piramal Foundation, Kiphire for rendering her valuable service towards the Aspirational District Programme for Kiphire district.

Proposal for posting of Junior Engineer, Power and PHE Department at Seyochung; Construction of Road connectivity to GMS PHED Kiphire Town; Proposal for Road Extension from NH-202 to entrance of Hospital, Kiphire; District Adaptation of Schools; and Approval of Local Area Development Schemes 2024-25 discussed and forwarded to the respective authorities for final approval.

WORKSHOP ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING CHILD TRAFFICKING HELD AT TUENSANG

As part of campaign on Preventing and Combating Child Trafficking in 100 Bordering and Adjoining Districts of India, one day sensitisation workshop on 'Preventing and Combating Child Trafficking' was organised at Deputy Commissioner's Office Conference Hall, Tuensang on 24th June 2024, with Tongpang L. Jamir, Advocate, Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench as resource person. The workshop was organised by District Administration, Tuensang in collaboration with National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) and State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR).

A. Zibenthung Kithan, DC, Tuensang in his keynote address, said that human trafficking is a modern slavery where children are the victims of cheap labour, prostitutions and organ trade etc. Child trafficking is common especially in the illiterate and poor families of the society, and this can be prevented by educating children and creating awareness to the people, he said.

Speaking on the programme, resource person Tongpang L. Jamir stated that according to the United Nations, more than 50 million of people are trafficked each year and human trafficking is one of the fastest and profitable organised crimes. Nagaland is in a transition point where trafficking happen due to its geographical location with international boundary with Myanmar and state boundary with Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and Manipur, and the National Commission is trying to cover the 100 boundary and adjoining districts by creating awareness to the people. He added that the main reasons for human trafficking are poverty, lack of employment and pursuit of a better life. Jamir further stated that there is prevalence of domestic child abuse in our society, of which some are exposed but many remain unheard due to lack of awareness. The resources person explained in detail the features, preventive measures and legal provisions of the child trafficking.



Advocate, Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench, Tongpang L. Jamir with the participants during the one-day sensitisation workshop on 'Preventing and combating child trafficking,' organised at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Tuensang on 24th June 2024.

PLANTATION DRIVE PROGRAMME HELD AT DIMAPUR

As part of the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), a Plantation Drive Programme was held at Super Market in Dimapur on 27th June 2024. The event was graced by Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change and Village Guards, Nagaland, C.L. John, and Commissioner & Secretary, Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS.

Lhinghokim Touthang, IFS, FUO and IC DFO, Dimapur, who chaired the programme, highlighted that the plantation drive covered a stretch of approximately 690 meters with 440 plants. The NCAP was launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MOEFCC), Government of India, in 2019 with the aim of reducing the concentration of particulate matter by 40% from 2017 levels by 2026. The Dimapur Forest Division has been actively implementing pollution mitigating works under NCAP in previous years, including the installation of vertical gardens in areas with high traffic movement and air pollution.

However, Lhinghokim Touthang noted that there have been instances of pots being stolen and plants being uprooted from the vertical gardens. She appealed to the citizens of the district to take proper care of the gardens, emphasizing that reduced pollution and improved air quality would benefit everyone.

Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS expressed concern about the failure to adequately care for and protect nature. He stressed on the importance of creating awareness among the public about the rich biodiversity of our planet and the urgent need to address climate change. He emphasized that climate change has become a critical issue that could potentially disrupt our peaceful coexistence with the environment in the near future. He highlighted that Dimapur's air quality is below the national average, with an air quality index of only 96, and urged citizens to plant more trees to improve air quality for present and future generations.

Minister C.L. John, in his speech, emphasized the significance of clean air as the foundation of our existence. He called upon society and various council members to raise awareness among the people of Nagaland about the importance of protecting the air we breathe. To combat climate change, he encouraged the NCC and other societal members to actively participate in tree planting initiatives to safeguard our planet and the environment.

KDGBA ORGANISES PRESIDENT TOUR PROGRAMME FOR GBS' UNION OF KIPHIRE DISTRICT

The Kiphire District GBs Association (KDGBA) organised a president tour programme at GB's Union Hall, Pungro, Kiphire on 27th June 2024.

During the occasion, President of KDGBA, K. Tsilise emphasized the importance of unity in society and called upon the GBs to work for the welfare of the people and to perform their duties sincerely. He highlighted the pivotal role GBs play in bringing peace, progressing their respective villages, and guiding villagers in the right direction, as they are the guardians of the people.



The Kiphire District GBs Association organised a president tour programme at GB's Union Hall, Pungro, Kiphire on 27th June 2024.

Short speeches were delivered by the Presidents of the GB's Unions of Seyochung, Sitimi, Longmatra, Amahotor, Kiusam,

Khongsa Areas, and Yangsomong, Head GB of Pungro Town. A folk song was performed by the Pungro Sub-Division GB's Union.

'STOP DIARRHOEA' CAMPAIGN HELD AT NOKLAK

The District Task Force on Stop Diarrhoea Campaign was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office Conference Hall, Noklak under the chairmanship of the SDO (C), Noklak, Vikhoto Richa on 28th June 2024.

Chief Medical Officer, Noklak, Dr. Victor NC briefed about the 'Stop Diarrhoea Campaign' and its activities which is to be implemented through line departments and all stakeholders as per the Government of India guidelines.

The Members deliberated thoroughly on all the activities and decided to co-ordinate with all line departments and stakeholders involving the Ward Chairmen, Village Councils, Churches and Tribal Apex Bodies for proper implementation of the activities in the district.

WATER FOUNTAIN INAUGURATED AT LANDMARK COLONY DIMAPUR

Water Fountain at Traffic Intersection, Landmark Colony, Dimapur was inaugurated by K. Hukato Chishi, IFS, Member Secretary, Nagaland Pollution Control Board (NPCB) & State Nodal Officer, Clean Air Programme (NCAP) on 4th June 2024.

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K. Hukato Chishi stated that it is a privilege to have a Water Fountain at Dimapur, which will play a very significant role and maintained that good air quality will bring health benefits for the citizens. Pointing out that the air quality in Dimapur and Kohima did not meet the standards set by the Central Pollution Control Board and the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change has provided an opportunity for improving air quality in Dimapur and Kohima. He urged the public and residents to maintain the fountain and encouraged for creating more public gardens and fountain in residential areas.

Er. Bendangtola Walling, Executive Engineer, PHED, Urban Division Dimapur in her Technical Report, said that the fountain was constructed by Urban Division Public Health Education, Dimapur funded by National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), a programme launched by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change in the year 2019 to improve air quality at the city, regional and national level. The cost of the activity is Rs. 10.00 lakh from the year 2023 to 2024. She said that the main objective of construction of water fountain on the roadside under NCAP is to minimize and reduce dust pollution created on the roadside and for beautification of the city.

DR. SUKHATO INAUGURATES PROJECTS AT IGHANUMI

Taking the vision of 'A feasible and economically viable agriculture by 2030' of the Department of Agriculture in the State of Nagaland, three (3) prime projects were inaugurated at Ighanumi under Pughoboto Sub-division on June 6th 2024. MLA, Dr. Sukhato A. Sema inaugurated the Agri-Link Road, RKVY Power Tiller Path and Waiting Shed in the presence of ADC Pughoboto, Tiameren Chang and other officials.

MLA, Dr. Sukhato A Sema in his address, urged the farmers to mobilize effectively Mission Organic Value Chain Development (MOVCD) through cluster farming to promote self-sufficiency and food export from Ighanumi. He also urged the community to develop a sense of ownership with respect to all government departments and facilities and further encouraged them to stay united and cooperate for the progress and development of all.

Sub-Divisional Agriculture Officer, Kitoho Michael Swu highlighted the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) programme which was launched in the year 2007-08, under which comes RKVY Power Tiller Path as an important component to facilitate accessibility of agriculture mechanization, transportation and other agricultural activities and agri produce from the fields. He encouraged the farmers to work hard and ensure food security of the village thereby contributing to the vision goal of the department.



MLA, Dr. Sukhato A. Sema inaugurated the Agri-Link Roadat Ighanumi under Pughoboto Sub-division, in the presence of ADC Pughoboto, Tiameren Chang and other officials on 6th June 2024.

ADC, Tiameren Chang encouraged the farmers to preserve organic seeds and organic/traditional agricultural practices. He urged the public to take advantage of dynamic and efficient officers and leaders in the district for their welfare and betterment. Chang also appreciated the community's effective leadership at the village level for maintaining peaceful relations with neighboring villages.

The programme was attended by officials

including SDPO, Hankiumong, SDO (C), R. Daniel Angami, FM Sub-DIC Hekato K Jimo, SDHO, Ronlo Rengma and President, Sumi Aphuyemi Kukami Hoho (SAKH), Qhutovi Tenna. The Agri-Link Road was donated by Dr. Sukhato A. Sema, the Power Tiller Path to Ghu River constructed under RKVY 2023-24 was funded by the Department of Agriculture, and the Waiting Shed was constructed under LADPF 2023-24.

SCIENCE LABORATORY INAUGURATED AT GHSS, CHUMOUKEDIMA

Deputy Commissioner, Chumoukedima, Abhinav Shivam, **IAS** graced the inauguration of Science Laboratory at GHSS Chumoukedima on 6th June 2024.

Principal, GHSS, Chumoukedima, Karen Yepthomi in her welcome address expressed gratitude to the DC Chumoukedima S Abhinav Shivam, IAS for setting up the Science Laboratory equipped with a state-of-the-art infrastructure and required apparatus and chemicals on his own. She commended the DC for being a pillar of strength and support for the school over the years, adding that such rare examples of visionary leaderships are a boon to society and this benevolent act will usher in blessings for generations of **JULY 2024**

students ahead who will avail the resources of the lab facility in pursuing their education.

DC, Abhinav Shivam in his address to the students and teaching faculty, appreciated the endeavour of the school teachers and the Principal, GHSS Chumoukedima for providing excellent education, and motivated them to continue to reach forward with sincerity and dedication. It is to be noted that the school has an enrolment of more than a thousand students from classes A to 12. The school has been consistent in maintaining the best results among not only government schools but also private schools in Nagaland.

Shivam said that it was a matter of shame and embarrassment to learn that the best performing government school of the district and perhaps of Nagaland, did not have a science lab for the students. He recalled the collective efforts of the Principal, GHSS Chumoukedima, Chairman, Chumoukedima Village Council, Chumoukedima Town Youth Organisation and others which together had strived for the betterment of school and had demanded the science stream, but without a science lab, the students of science stream were suffering. The Principal had promised the parents of the students of science stream that she will arrange for the science lab for their children, the DC added, saying the society should come forward to support the promises of a good teacher, and that is what he has done by setting up a Science Laboratory.

The future of Nagaland is in the hands of the students and one must not underestimate what an individual can do to change the society, the DC said. He implored the students to have big dreams and encouraged them to work hard to achieve it, which is the key for success and progress of the society.

CHIEF SECRETARY'S RESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE HALL INAUGURATED

Chief Secretary, Nagaland, J. Alam, IAS inaugurated the Chief Secretary's Residential Conference Hall at the Chief Secretary's Residential Complex, Kohima on the 10th June 2024. Addressing the gathering, Alam stated that the new conference hall is designed to cater to the needs of the Government and development for its citizens.

Dr. J. Alam stated that no additional area was sought for the construction of the conference hall and appreciated the Civil Administration Works Division (CAWD), which is headed by the Commissioner, Nagaland, for the timely completion of the project. The Chief Secretary also added that the design of the conference hall was in line with the other buildings within the complex.

Assistant Chief Engineer (CAWD),

Er. Sungtiba Amer in his technical report, stated that the building was conceptualized during 2023-24 incorporating all requisite requirements of the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall. The project commenced on 20th November 2023 and completed on 22nd May 2024. He added that the RCC building slope roof structure with a conference hall and one pantry covers a plinth area of 840.72 sq. ft.

Commissioner, Nagaland, Sushil Kumar Patel, IAS, who chaired the programme, stated that the Conference Hall was the vision of the Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam. Earlier, Dr. J. Alam unveiled the inaugural plaque and Senior Pastor, Faith Harvest Church, Kohima, Shan Kikon dedicated the conference hall.

NEW DIRECTORATE BUILDING OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES INAUGURATED AT KOHIMA

Minister for PHED and Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi inaugurated the new Directorate Building of the Office of the Registrar, Cooperative Societies at Meriema, Kohima on 19th June 2024.

Jacob Zhimomi who graced the occasion as special guest, narrated how he met Central Department officials in Delhi and appealed to them to take the Department forward in areas where it lacks progress. He also appealed to the Department officials and invitees present on the occasion to give keen interest to entrepreneurship for local productions expanding our horizons with Agri and Allied Departments for product storage in the State.

The Minister also said that the Department is working on how to scrutinize all the Registered Societies whether it is functional with Nagaland State Cooperative Bank and other private banks for progressive aspects. He requested the gathering to put themselves to activate Registered Societies to lead to progress for our sustenance. He informed that discussions are on the run to give opportunities to educated Nagas in the State. He also requested the Department to judiciously utilize the newly inaugurated building for the service of the people of the State.

Earlier, the Minister unveiled the plaque of the new Directorate Building of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies office. Brief Technical Report was delivered by Abija Khing. Dedicatory prayer was pronounced by Rev. Keduolhoulie Shuya Baptist church Meriema. The special guest was accompanied by Advisor, Information Technology & Communication, Economics & Statistics, Evaluation, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam and Chairman MARCOFED, M. Chuba.

GOVERNOR LA GANESAN INAUGURATES WATER RESERVOIR AT GOOD SAMARITAN'S SENIOR CITIZENS' HOME

The Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan, inaugurated a water reservoir at Good Samaritan's Senior Citizens' Home, Meriema on 21st June 2024.

Speaking at the inaugural programme, the Governor said that this occasion is particularly close to his heart, not just because of the significance of the project, but because it encompasses the spirit of care and respect, we must hold for our elderly community. The water reservoir we inaugurated today is more than just a structure; it is a symbol of our commitment

to ensuring the well-being and comfort of the elderly residents of this esteemed home. Water is essential to life, and by providing a reliable supply, we are addressing one of the most fundamental needs, ensuring that our senior citizens live with dignity and without worry, the Governor said.

The Governor exhorted the residents of the home, stating that they are the pillars of our society, the bearers of wisdom and cherished traditions. He said that their contributions have shaped the society we live in today, and it is our duty to ensure that their golden years are filled with comfort, peace, and joy, so the water tank is a small gesture of gratitude for everything they have done for us. He further appealed that in our fast-changing world, it is crucial that we remember the values of compassion and empathy. Our elders deserve the best

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care and attention, and it is our collective responsibility to provide it. He expressed hope that the water reservoir will stand as a testament to our unwavering respect and commitment to our elders and that it serves its purpose well, bringing lasting joy and comfort to the residents.

LAYING OF FOUNDATION STONE FOR INDOOR SPORTS HALL AT POLICE RESERVE, DEF WOKHA

Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, District Sports Council, Wokha, Ajit Kumar Ranjan, IAS laid the foundation stone for the Indoor Sports Hall at Police Reserve, DEF Wokha on 28th June 2024.

Laying the foundation stone, DC Ajit Kumar Ranjan expressed appreciation to the State Government, DGP and others officials for the logistics and allotting the land for construction of the Indoor Sports Hall at Police Reserve, Wokha. He informed that the project was initiated under National Sports Development Fund, Khelo India, Ministry

of Youth Resource & Sports, Government of India, and will include two table tennis courts, one badminton court and two squash courts.

Ranjan also appealed to all concerned, including the sports association in the district, to extend support and co-operation so that the project can be successfully completed and implemented on time. He expressed hope that through the project, new talents will come and benefit the youth, and urged all to utilize it to the fullest.

Superintendent of Police, Wokha,



DC, Wokha, Ajit Kumar Ranjan, IAS, SP, Wokha, Aotula Imchen IPS and other officials during the laying of foundation stone for the Indoor Sports Hall at Police Reserve, DEF Wokha on 28th June 2024.

Aotula T. Imchen, IPS who also spoke on the occasion, expressed gratitude to the Deputy Commissioner for initiating and materializing the project in the shortest period of time and turning it into reality. She also expressed gratitude on behalf of the police fraternity to all the officials who had contributed in making the project a reality. Appealing for a collaborated effort, for the successful completion of the project, she also expressed hope that it will produce a lot of new talents in the years to come, enabling them to compete with the rest of the world.

MALARIA: KEY FACTS AND DETAILS

What is Malaria? Malaria is a disease characterized by fever which is caused by the bite of female anopheles mosquito. In Nagaland, two types of malaria are found: Malaria caused by Plasmodium Vivax and Malaria caused by Plasmodium Falciparum. Falciparum Malaria is the more severe of the two.

What are the signs and symptoms of Malaria? Fever with chills and rigor, associated with headache and vomiting, sweating after each episode of fever, feeling of weakness and tiredness, Danger signs of severe Malaria are a) high fever with change in behavior, consciousness, drowsiness, inability to sit or walk b) repeated vomiting; passage of small quantity urine/no urine/black urine c) severe diarrhoea and dehydration d) unexplained heavy bleeding from nose, gums, or other sites.

How is Malaria spread? When an infected female anopheles mosquito bites a healthy human being, the parasite spreads in the body of the individual and the person gets sick after a few days. When a mosquito bites such a malaria patient, the parasite enters the mosquito with the blood meal and multiplies there.

Where does the Malaria transmitting mosquito breed? Mosquito breeds in stagnant water. The female mosquito lays eggs on the surface of water. After a few days, larva emerges from the eggs which grow into adult mosquitoes. Mosquito breeding place

in the cities are overhead open water tanks, broken utensils, discarded tyres, utensils without cover, construction sites, clogged drains, potholes, etc. Mosquito breeding sites in the villages are paddy fields, ponds covered with grass/swamp, unused wells, wheel tracks, animal hoof marks, peridomestic water collections.

How do we care for patients who are suspected to be suffering from Malaria? First and most important is to take a blood test to diagnose Malaria. Testing facilities are available in all health center and Government Hospitals all over Nagaland free of cost.

If malaria is confirmed, early and complete treatment is essential. Medicines for both types of malaria are made available for free in all Government Health Centers and Government Hospitals.

How can we control malaria? Remove breeding site (stagnant water bodies) of mosquitoes as stated above, fit wire-netting (screening) of doors and windows of houses, use mosquito nets. Insecticide treated bed nets are available which not only act as physical barriers, but also reduce mosquito population, use mosquito repellent cream or coil/liquidator, wear clothes that covers the body while going outdoors in mosquito infested areas, rear larvivorous fishes (which eats up mosquito larva) in stagnant water bodies, spread awareness on control of vector and to seek early medical care.



Minister, Health & Family Welfare, P. Paiwang Konyak launching the 'Health on bikes, reaching the unreached' at Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima on 6^{th} June 2024.



Advisor, Information & Public Relations (IPR), Imkong L. Imchen, Secretary, IPR, Bhagyashree B. Banayat, IAS, Director, IPR, Pzipinuo Theimuo and other officials during the flagging off programme of the Multi Media Mobile Vehicles Lat Vagadana Chir Secretaria, Kohima on 19th June 2024. (Inset photo: Advisor, Imkong L. Imchen flagging off the Multi Media Vehicles.)



Volunteers of the Clean Doyang Mission cleaning the plastic wastes which had accumulated at the Doyang River Reservoir at Doyang, Wokha district on 12th June 2024. The Clean Doyang Mission which commenced on 7th June 2024, and successfully completed on 12th June 2024, was initiated to make the Doyang River Reservoir plastic-free.



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NAGALAND URBAN LOCAL BODIES ELECTION 2024 AT A GLANCE



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Tseminyu, 26th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Tseminyu Town Council with their winning certificates at Tseminyu, 29th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Medziphema Town Council with their winning certificates at Medziphema, 29th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Tening Town Council with their winning certificates at Peren, 29th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Chiephobozou Town Council with their winning certificates at Chiephobozou, Kohima, 18th June 2024.



Election officials returning with polling materials after the election to the ULB at Mokokchung, 26th June 2024.





Government officials on ULB election duty casting their votes through postal ballot at Mokokchung, 24th June 2024.



Material distribution and polling teams dispatched from DC's Office, Chumoukedima, 25th June 2024.



Counting of votes being carried out at DC's Office, Chumoukedima, 4th June 2024.

NAGALAND URBAN LOCAL BODIES ELECTION 2024 AT A GLANCE



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Zunheboto, 26th June 2024.



Government officials transporting EVMs and VVPAT from strong rooms to the counting halls under tight security at Pughoboto, Zunheboto, 4th June 2024.



A person with disability after casting her vote for the ULB election at Kohima, 26th June 2024.



An elderly person after casting her vote for the ULB election at Jalukie, Peren, 26th June 2024.



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Dimapur, 26th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Bhandari Town Council with their winning certificates at Bhandari, Wokha, 29th June 2024.



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Chozuba, Phek, 26th June



Elected candidates of Niuland Town Council with their winning certificates at Niuland, 29th June



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Niuland, 26th June 2024.



Voters in queue to cast their votes for the ULB election at Phek, 26th June 2024.



Elected candidates of Phek Town Council with their winning certificates at Phek, 29th June 2024.

DISTRICTS ROUND UP



Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Tinojongshi Chang with other officials during the Distribution Camp under ADIP scheme, wherein essential assistive aids and appliances were distributed to Persons with Disabilities at District Hospital Dimapur on 15^{th} June 2024.



Secretary, IRCS, Zunheboto, Dr. Hokishe Sema with officials and senior citizens during the visit of IRCS, Zunheboto Unit to Senior Citizens' Daycare Centre, Zunheboto on $4^{\rm th}$ June 2024.

DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES



A view of the newly constructed building of the Office of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies. (Inset photo: Minister for Public Health Engineering and Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi, Advisor, Information Technology & Communication, Economics & Statistics, Evaluation, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam and other officials during the inauguration of the new Directorate Building of the Office of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies at Meriema, Kohima on 19th June 2024.)



Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam, IAS and other senior officials during the inauguration of the Chief Secretary's Residential Conference Hall, Kohima on the 10^{th} June 2024.