



A DIPR MONTHLY MAGAZINE

Vol. 53 No. 11

ipr.nagaland.gov.in

February 2025





Union Minister of State for Port, Shipping & Waterways, Government of India, Shantanu Thakur with Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Hiazu Meru and other officials during a meeting held at DC's Office Conference Hall, Peren on 12th January 2025.



Governor, La Ganesan with officers and staff of the Governor's Secretariat during Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti observed at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 23^{rd} January 2025.







CONTENTS

Editor: Ruopfulenuo Mepfhü-o Sub-Editor: Mhonlumi Patton

Published by:

Directorate of Information & Public Relations

Government of Nagaland IPR Citadel, New Capital Complex Kohima - 797001, Nagaland

© 2025, Government of Nagaland Directorate of Information & Public Relations

email: iprnagaland@gmail.com
For advertisement: dipradvert@gmail.com

Views and opinions expressed in the contributed articles are not those of the Editor nor do these necessarily reflect the policies or views of the Government of Nagaland.

Regulars

Official Orders & Notifications	4
State Round Up	7
Districts Round Up	47
Development Activities	63





Scan the code to install Naga News app from Google Playstore

OFFICIAL ORDERS and **NOTIFICATIONS**

ECONOMICS & STATISTICS DEPARTMENT INFORMS ON SLCC & DLCC

The Department of Economic & Statistics, in pursuance to the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) D.O. Letter No.M-13014/16/2024-EC(ESD) dated 19-11-2024, has constituted the State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) and District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) to monitor execution of the 8th Economic Census with the following members and terms of reference:

State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC):

SN	Members	Designation		
1	Chief Secretary, Nagaland	Chairperson		
2	Principal Secretary & Development Commissioner	Member		
3	Commissioner & Secretary, Industries & Commerce	Member		
4	Commissioner & Secretary, Rural Development	Member		
5	Commissioner & Secretary, Information Technology & Communication	Member		
6	Commissioner & Secretary, Labour & Employment	Member		
7	Secretary, Economics & Statistics & Charge Officer	Member		
8	Labour Commissioner	Member		
9	Director, Industries & Commerce	Member		
	Director, Information & Public Relations	Member		
11	Director, Information Technology & Communication	Member		
12	Director, National Statistical Office (FOD), RO, Kohima	Member		
13	Nodal Officer, 8 th Economic Census	Member		
14	Director, Economics & Statistics	Member Secretary		

Terms of reference:

- a) Monitor preparedness, progress and to resolve administrative and technical issues faced in conduct of Economic Census in the State.
- b) Review deployment of adequate number of enumerators and supervisor in the State.
- c) Review progress of field work on a monthly basis.
- d) Ensure complete coverage of the data canvassed through validation against existing databases such as State Business Register.
- e) Prepare report on data correctness based on supervision carried out by the State and NSSO (FOD) Supervisor.

District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC):

SN	Members	Designation
1	Deputy Commissioner	Chairperson
2	District Planning Officer	Member

OFFICIAL ORDERS and **NOTIFICATIONS**

3	General Manager, District Industries Centre	Member
4	District Information & Public Relations Officer	Member
5	District Informatic Officer	Member
6	District Economics & Statistics Officer	Member (Convenor)

Terms of reference:

- Monitor preparedness, progress and to resolve administrative issues in conduct of 8th Economic Census in the district on regular basis.
- b) Provide feedback to the State Level Coordination Committee to perform its roles and functions effectively at the district level.
- c) Sensitize/direct the local law and order agencies, local government functionaries at Panchayat/Ward level for cooperation in smooth conduct of Economic Census.
- d) Facilitate providing administrative unit maps of wards/villages for field work of Economic Census.

CEO INFORMS ON FINAL ELECTORAL ROLLS

In a press statement, the Chief Electoral Officer, Nagaland has informed that the Final Electoral Rolls w.r.t 01.01.2025 as qualifying date have been prepared and published on the 10th January 2025 by the respective Electoral Registration Officer of all the districts in the State.

The total electors in the State as per the Final Published roll is as follows:

General Electors				Service Electors			Total electors			
Male	Female	Third Gender	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Third Gender	Total
665489	672395	3	1337887	7196	114	7310	672685	672509	3	1345197

The final electoral rolls can be checked/downloaded from the Chief Electoral Officer, Nagaland website at www.ceo.nagaland.gov.in.

ECONOMICS & STATISTICS DEPARTMENT INFORMS ON BIRTH CERTIFICATES

The Department of Economics & Statistics has informed that it has come to the notice of the department that certain agencies and institutions are not accepting birth and death certificates issued manually for provision of services to the public. It may be reiterated that as per Section 17 (3) of the Registration of Births & Deaths Act 1969 (Amended in 2023), birth certificates issued electronically or otherwise shall be the only document used to prove the date and place of birth of a person, for the purposes of admission to an education institution, issuance of a driving license, preparation of voters' list, registration of marriage, appointment to a government post, issuance of a passport, issuance of an Aadhaar number and any other purpose as determined by the Central Government.

OFFICIAL ORDERS and **NOTIFICATIONS**

To facilitate access to Birth & Death Certificates through online modes, the Department of Economics & Statistics, Nagaland has launched the online registration of births and deaths in 2022. At present, the service is available only in the 12 District Headquarters of Kohima, Dimapur, Chumoukedima, Wokha, Zunheboto, Tuensang, Mon, Mokokchung, Kiphire, Longleng, Peren and Phek for the urban jurisdictions, and efforts are being made to extend the online registration of births and deaths to both the urban and rural registration units in the state, in a phased manner.

Therefore, these certificates issued manually by the Registrars of Births and Deaths shall continue to be recognized as legal documents along with the computer generated certificates to prove the date and place of birth of a person.

UNION MINISTER SHANTANU THAKUR HOLDS MEETING WITH DISTRICT OFFICIALS AT PEREN

The Union Minister of State for Port, Shipping & Waterways, Government of India, Shantanu Thakur visited Peren district and convened a meeting with the District Officials at Deputy Commissioner's Office Conference Hall, Peren on 12th January 2025. The meeting was also attended by Tribal Hohos, Town Councils and Village Councils.

The meeting began with a PowerPoint presentation on Profile of Peren District by DC Peren, Hiazu Meru, who highlighted the progress of various on-going projects/development works undertaken in the district under Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSSs) till date. Further, the DC apprised the Union Minister about the challenges and issues faced in various sectors and sought for his intervention.

The Union Minister, Shantanu Thakur while interacting with the District Officials took a detailed note of the activities and programmes implemented in the district under CSSs. He said all the challenges and issues highlighted have been duly noted, and assured that he would intervene as requested

and ensure that the issues are resolved.

In the meeting, NZPO President submitted the representation on proposal for construction of waterways shipping in Barak River as well as construction of AIIMs Hospital in Peren District. Kuki Inpi Nagaland, President submitted the representation on construction of road from Mongleu to Khelma. Peren Town Council, Chairman submitted representation on the proposal for proper water supply in Peren town. New Peren Village Council submitted representation on construction of museum at New Peren Village, while Kejanglwa Village Council submitted representation to grant financial assistances for the construction of

After the meeting, the Union Minister paid a visit to New Peren village and Jalukie town and interacted with the beneficiaries of PMAY-G, Jal Jeevan Mission and PMAY-U.

Later in the evening, cultural program in honour of the visiting Union Minister of State and his team was organized at Mongleu Resort, Samziuram village.

STUDENTS FROM NAGALAND ATTENDS THE NATIONAL KALA UTSAV IN BHOPAL

The National Kala Utsav 2024-25 under Samagra Shiksha was held at Regional Institute of Education, Bhopal from 2nd to 7^{th} January 2025. Altogether, 16 students

from both Government and Private Schools represented Nagaland. The students were accompanied by two Teacher Guides, Nzanbeni Lotha and Ireilungbe Samding.

NAGALAND TEAM REPRESENTS STATE AT NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL 2025

Team Nagaland successful participated in the National Youth Festival 2025, organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, from 10th to 12th January 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

A contingent of 31 participants and 3 officials represented Nagaland, taking part in various competitive events that highlighted their talent, creativity, and leadership. The team participated in Group Folk Song, Group Folk Dance, Painting, Declamation, Science Mela, Viksit Bharat Young leaders Dialogue.

The team demonstrated the vibrant cultural heritage of Nagaland through the group folk song and folk dance performances, while the painting, declamation and science mela contests allowed participants to display their creativity and intellect.

The Department of Youth Resources & Sports commended the participants for their hard work and dedication, which brought pride and recognition to the State. Such events not only celebrate the diversity and talent of India's youth but also foster unity, innovation, and leadership among participants. The Department has expressed its gratitude to the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports for providing the excellent platform for the youth to engage, learn, and grow and remains committed to empowering and nurturing the youth of Nagaland.

POANGLÜM HORNBILL FESTIVAL 2025 HELD AT TUENSANG

Poanglüm Hornbill Festival 2025 under the theme MOLO "Imagining the ultimate" commenced at Parade Ground Tuensang on 13th January 2025. On the first day of the festival, Minister for Tourism and Higher Education, Temjen Imna Along graced the occasion as the special guest and Minister for Housing & Mechanical Engineering, P. Bashangmongba Chang, as Host of the Festival.

Speaking on the occasion, Temjen Imna Along said that through the festival, local organic products should be promoted. He stated that many tribes are getting lost with the modernity and it is the time for the younger generations to know the rich cultural history. He said that Nagas should be tagged as hardworking and peace-loving community to others, and added that it is time to work hard and understand each other.



Minister, Tourism and Higher Education, Temjen Imna Along addressing on the occasion of Poanglüm Hornbill Festival 2025 at Tuensang on 13th January 2025.

On the first day, indigenous games such as tug of war, stilt bamboo race, go karting and wrestling were held. The event was attended by MLA, Imti Chuba, Director, Department of Tourism, Veyielo Doulo and Assistant Director, Department of Tourism, Khekishe Kapo.

Thejao Vihienuo, President of Angami Public Organisation graced the second day of Poanglüm Hornbill Festival 2025, Lamshok (Peace Treaty) as the Special Guest and MLA Imtichoba Chang as the Festival Host, at Parade Ground Tuensang on 14th January 2025. The programme was followed by a cultural show and an indigenous game of top spinning, Gogona, pork eating competition and fire making.

KHAUTSHAUHSIE FESTIVAL CELEBRATED AT PANSO

Pathso Shingtap celebrated the grand Khautshauhsie Festival on 14th January 2025 at Panso Headquarter with Minister for Rural Development and SIRD, Metsubo Jamir as the Special Guest.

Speaking on the occasion, Metsubo highlighted the significance of festivals as a time for reconciliation and unity, emphasizing that they go beyond celebrating the harvest. He addressed the aspirations for the Frontier Territory (FNT), Nagaland expressing optimism that the dream would eventually be realized. He urged the people to take leadership roles in bringing development to the region, stating that the remoteness of the area is not an excuse for underdevelopment. Jamir also assured to establish a State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD) training facility. Earlier, Jamir inaugurated the Block Development Office building at Panso Headquarter and unveiled the monolith.

Advisor for Tribal Affairs and Elections, Tovihoto Ayemi praised the diversity of the Naga people, who have coexisted harmoniously through the ages. Highlighting the government's commitment to equal development, he stated that efforts are being made to ensure justice for every district. Speaking about Noklak, one of Nagaland's youngest districts, he said that it has many areas for growth and development. Ayemi urged the people to place their trust in the government and the district administration whose collective efforts can bring better development.

Significance of Khautshauhsie Festival was briefed by M. Lusha, Convener, Planning Committee who stated that the festival is celebrated in the first month of the year, making an end to all agricultural activities. The name Khautshauhsie is from the word 'Khautshauh' meaning bamboo mug with a straw and 'sie' refers to brew of rice beer.

UNION MINISTER DURGADAS UIKEY HOLDS DIALOGUE WITH LOCAL LEADERS AT KIPHIRE

Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs, Durgadas Uikey held a meeting with various local leaders, administrative officials and other officials at Deputy Commissioner's Office Hall, Kiphire on 13th January 2025.

DC, Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer, requested that special consideration be given to the proposals submitted by Kiphire Aspirational District. He also pointed out that during the period 2023-2024, and



Union Minister, Durgadas Uikey with officials and staff at the Food Processing Unit at Khingkular Azakeh VLO, Amahator town on 14th January 2025.

2024- 2025, no allocation of fund had been extended from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for Kiphire, despite being an 'Aspirational District.' SP, Kiphire, Chinese Chakhesang also appraised for the establishment of a model women police station equipped with modern facilities at Kiphire HQ.

The Union Minister of State interacted with the local leaders, stakeholders, and departmental officials, reviewing the progress of key developmental initiatives and projects in the district which reflect the Government's commitment to address the needs of the communities, and on-going initiatives and challenges in the development of tribal areas, as well as to explore new avenues for collaboration in the district.

On behalf of four tribes residing in Kiphire, namely Sangtam, Yimkhiung, Tikhir, and Eastern Sumi, the United Sangtam Student's Conference (USSC) and United Sangtam Student's Likhum Pumchi (USLP) submitted a memorandum to the Union Minister of State, Durgadas Uikey.

ABF NITI Aayog Kiphire, Sukanya presented some success developmental works undertaken at Kiphire Aspirational District.

On 14th January 2025, Union Minister, Durgadas Uikey visited Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) in Kiphire and advised the Department concerned to set up a construction committee, wherein the members should monitor the construction project for quality works and for completion of works without delay. The Minister directed the Planning Department to give timely update on the progress of the construction works to the District Administration. He also visited the Food Processing Unit (FPU) at Khingkular Azakeh VLO, Amahator Town, Kiphire and District Hospital, Kiphire on the same day.

CELEBRATION OF SÜKRÜNYE FESTIVAL AT PHEK

Two-day celebration of Sükrünye Festival of Chakhesang tribe commenced with a cultural programme at Local Ground, Phek on 14th January 2025. Minister for Higher Education & Tourism, Government of Nagaland, Temjen Imna Along graced the occasion as Cultural Guest of the day.

Addressing the programme, Minister Imna Along strongly urged and appealed to the people of the district to come forward, and put efforts to maintain peace and unity among the people, and to live together and progress together for the betterment of the State as a whole. As the cultural guest of the occasion, Imna Along extended appreciation to the People of Chakhesang in particular and the Tenyimia in general for preserving rich culture and traditions. however, stated that since we have accepted Christianity, we should worship our Saviour Christ Jesus and in His name, we must put efforts to bring unity in the State besides our rich cultural heritage and practices.

Folk songs and dances from Bible Hill and Mission Compound Ward, competitions in folk song and Top fight, ululating and push of war were the highlights of the programme. A kind of traditional practice called Radebo was lifted by John Tsulise Sangtam, Deputy Commissioner Phek. MLA and Leader of NPF Legislators, Kuzholuzo (Azo) Nienu was the Sükrünye Host.

Sükrünye Festival concluded at Phek on 15th January 2025 with G. Kaito Aye, Minister for Road & Bridges as the Sükrünye Guest.

Addressing the gathering, G. Kaito Aye called upon the gathering for unity among the Nagas in the name of celebrating festivals, and asserted that there was unity, love and oneness through forgiveness even during the primitive times when there was no Christianity in the land. He therefore, challenged the Chakhesang people to stay united with one voice and set an example to the rest of the Nagas. He reiterated and said that till today, we have no common language for Nagas of various tribes due to lack of unity and oneness. He therefore, reminded the people at the celebration that unity for one voice is the most urgent need for the Nagas.

In his welcome address, Sükrünye Host, Kuzholuzo Nienu, MLA and Leader of NPF Legislators called upon the people to adopt unconditional love for one another through our culture, and also urged the upcoming students/youths to live with honesty and hard work to earn their livelihood.

Highlights of the celebration were folk dances by Jericho II Ward and New Ward, and also competitions like traditional fire making, weaving, matchbox bean game and greased bamboo pole climbing.

WORKSHOP ON CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PREPARATION OF CADRE OF PROFESSIONAL PAPER SETTERS HELD AT DIMAPUR

Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) in collaboration with Performance Assessment, Review and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development (PARAKH), NCERT, New Delhi, organised a three-day workshop on "Capacity building for preparation of cadre of professional paper setters" for Mathematics and Science teachers at AIDA Training Centre, Don Bosco Campus, Dimapur, for the districts of

Dimapur, Chümoukedima, Niuland, Peren and Mon districts from 13th to 15th January 2025. Altogether 49 Mathematics teachers and 44 Science teachers participated.

The resource persons for the first two days were Abhishek Kariwal, Co-founder of Open Door Education and Kamal Gurnani, Open Door Education. Open Door Education, headquartered in Bangalore, has been working with various schools across the country, conducting assessments and helping students to deep think by using innovative approaches to assessment.

The NEP 2020 emphasizes the importance of moving away from rote learning and fostering learning through conceptual understanding. A key step in achieving this shift is the inclusion of Competency-Based Questions (CBQs) in the

curriculum. Unlike traditional questions, CBQs focus on assessing students' ability to apply their learning in new and unfamiliar contexts, treating each topic as a skill rather than just a set of information. The primary goal of these questions is to evaluate whether students can effectively use their knowledge and skills to solve real-world problems.

Resource persons for the third day were Priyanka Singh and Vivek Gupta from PARAKH, NCERT, New Delhi. They dwelled on "Question Paper Standardisation" on 15th January 2025. Some topics covered were Equivalence of Boards Report Results, Characteristics and Foundations of a Balanced Question Paper, Steps to develop a Balanced Question Paper, Preparation of Assessment Design and Question Paper Blueprint.

SUKHALU APPEALS FOR A STRONG UNITED NAGA COMMUNITY DURING TSUNGKAMNYO FESTIVAL

The 2nd day of Tsungkamnyo-cum-Mini Hornbill Festival was celebrated at Yimkhiung Heritage, Pungro, Kiphire on 16th January 2025, with Advisor for Food & Civil Supplies, Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, K.T. Sukhalu as the Special Guest and S. Kiusumew, Advisor of Home Guards& Civil Defence, Fire & Emergency Services as the Host.

In his speech, K.T. Sukhalu said Tsüngkamnyo festival is a time to celebrate community and the cultural heritage of our people. It is thus an apt time to reflect on the meaning of community and asserted that Nagas as a community have coexisted together through the ages and must continue with the same spirit as brothers and sisters. We must look to the future and think about prosperity and progress, we as a community, must be the architect of our own destiny, he said.

Asserting that we cannot forget our history and tradition, Sukhalu said it is not just about our festivals, tradition attire and customs but our culture is rooted in the village ethos, an ethos marked by community, shared experience and generosity. No matter what tribe, all our festivals are marked by community festivals where everyone participates in the songs, dances and feast. Therefore, he urged the gathering not to allow false division in our community and appealed for bigger and stronger united Naga Community. He also advised the youths to work hard with determination and dedication, and also advised the parents to instill in their children, the integrity and discipline needed for them to succeed in life.

The Tsüngkamnyo-cum-Mini Hornbill Festival concluded at Pungro, Kiphire on



Advisor, Food & Civil Supplies, Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, K.T. Sukhalu addressing the Tsüngkamnyocum-Mini Hornbill Festival celebrated at Pungro on 16th January 2025.

17th January 2025 with Advisor of Youth Resources & Sports, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung as the Guest of Honour.

Yimkhiung in his speech said that the festival is a time where young ones learn about their traditions, culture and history of forefathers, and it is also a time where they learn to love and identify who they really are. He encouraged the gathering not to forget one's own culture and tradition. He emphasized that the realisation of the dream set forth by the pioneers is within reach if the community remain united and determined.

CS CALLS FOR INNOVATIVE SUGGESTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS AT AHODS /HoDS MEETING

The year's first meeting of the Administrative Heads of Departments (AHoDs) and Heads of Departments (HoDs) was held on 16th January 2025 at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima.

Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS in his opening remarks, lauded all the departments for doing a commendable job at the 25th Edition of Hornbill Festival which was a grand success despite all odds. He remarked that the traffic management, sanitation, power and water facilities during this edition of the Hornbill Festival was better than the

previous years. The departments had worked on a very tight time schedule of weeks to complete their assigned tasks.

Highlighting the Chief Secretaries' Conference held in December 2024 in New Delhi, chaired by the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, the CS informed the gathering that Nagaland's presentation during the Conference focused on the creative economy and tourism sector, and highlighted Nagaland's services sector including the music industry, Hornbill Festival, homestays and unique start-ups. The unique initiatives

of the State were appreciated by the Prime Minister, he informed.

Dr. J. Alam said that the Chief Secretary's Conference focused innovation. on Nagaland's initiative in setting up a Centre of Excellence in foreign languages where people are being taught Japanese, found resonance with the Prime Minister and other States. Dr. J. Alam hoped that the Centre would grow in strength and help many more Nagas acquire skills.

The Chief Secretary requested all the AHoDs to bring about improvement in attendance in their respective departments to improve service delivery to citizens. He also requested all the AHoDs and HoDs to constantly monitor and update their websites regularly, underscoring the significance of providing a positive user experience on departmental websites. Recognizing that citizens rely on these platforms for information, he stressed the importance of ensuring that the websites provide a userfriendly experience.

Home Commissioner, Vyasan R. IAS chaired the meeting where various AHoDs and HoDs shared their views during the meeting.

HOK-AH FESTIVAL 2025 CELEBRATED

Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, S. Supongmeren Jamir graced the 23rd Nokhu Range Public Organization (NRPO) Conference-cum-Hok-Ah Festival 2025 at Langnok village on 16th January 2025, under the theme 'Progressive Society.'

Speaking on the occasion, Supongmeren

Jamir emphasized that a progressive society requires a strong political vision, quality education, economic sustainability, and individuals with strong beliefs. He stressed the importance of maintaining peace and unity to achieve progress. Encouraging the gathering, he urged everyone to continue



MP, Lok Sabha, S. Supongmeren Jamir and others during the 23rd NRPO General Session-cum-Hok Ah Festival held at Langnok village on 16th January 2025.

working harder in all their endeavours. called Additionally, he for fostering admiration and respect among people from all walks of life.

While challenging the gathering, Jamir assured Nokhu Range Public Organization that he will reward a sum of Rs. 50,000 to all the successful NPSC aspirants specially EAC, DSP and Central Army Services during 2026-27 (for two years). He also assured to give a sum of Rs. 25,000 each for Best Entrepreneur and Master of Theology degree holders during the year 2026 to 2027.

On 17th January 2025, Minister of Housing & Mechanical Engineering, P. Bashangmongba Chang graced the Hok-Ah Festival at Langnok village under Noklak district which was organised by Nokhu Range Public Organization (NRPO) under the theme 'Progressive Society.'

In his speech, Bashangmongba Chang while extending the festival greetings, lauded the NRPO for maintaining peace and unity

and encouraged them to be the torch bearers which will continue for generations. Chang also advocated self-reliance through skill development programmes, noting the limited availability of government jobs. Asserting that people are specifically skilled in making handicrafts, he urged the area range people to polish and enhance their skills.

EAC, Nokhu, Menlom Phom emphasized the importance of viewing the day of celebration as a reflection of hard work rather than just a festive occasion. He encouraged the gathering to learn from experienced individuals and adapt to changes. Additionally, he stressed the sustainable and judicious use of natural resources while highlighting the need for development in the district.

President of Khiamniungan Students' Union, Shangchiu, Former President of Nokhu Range Students' Union, Talamong also spoke on the occasion.

22nd TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE AND 63rd ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF NBDA HELD AT MOKOKCHUNG

The 22nd Triennial Conference-cum-63rd Anniversary of the Nagaland Dobashi Association (NDBA) commenced on 16th January 2025 at P. Shilu Ao Park, Mokokchung town. The two-day event was held under the theme 'Strengthening the spirit of Naga customary laws and its practices.'

The introductory session was graced by Deputy Commissioner, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji as the Chief Host. In his address, Phoji highlighted the origins of the Dobashi institution, tracing its roots back to the British area. He emphasized the foundational qualities of Dobashis integrity, trustworthiness, and linguistic skills. Reflecting on their legacy, Phoji noted the sacrifices made by Dobashis in earlier times and urged the present generation to uphold those values while adapting to changing circumstances. He further called on Dobashis to steer clear of divisive "isms" and maintain the integrity of their role as custodians of customary laws and mediators of justice.

Vikheho Sema, President of NDBA delivered the presidential address, reinforcing the significance of the theme. A short speech was also given by the President of the GB's Association, Mokokchung. The Kohima District Dobashis enriched the session with the presentation of a traditional



Deputy CM, T.R. Zeliang speaking during the 63rd Anniversary of NDBA held at Mokokchung on 17th January 2025.

tune.

The second day witnessed Deputy Chief Minister, T.R. Zeliang attending as the Special Guest at the plenary session held at P. Shilu Ao Park in Mokokchung on 17th January 2025. Commissioner, Nagaland, K.S. Anden Konyak, IAS also graced the session as the Chieftain.

In his speech, T.R.Zeliang emphasized the special provisions granted to the Naga people under Article 371(A) of the Indian Constitution, and reiterated the importance of these unique rights, highlighting that no act of Parliament affecting Naga Customary Laws, ownership of land, and resources can be enforced in Nagaland without the resolution passed by the State's Legislative Assembly. Zeliang urged the Dobashis and Gaon Buras (GBs) to be aware of these constitutional protections and to stand united in safeguarding them. He stressed the need to strengthen the village council

and Area Council Act of 1978 to ensure the preservation of Naga Customary practice and usages. He also advocated for greater transparency in Dobashi judgement, noting, "if judgements are delivered with the highest transparency and without partiality, no court will be able to challenge them." He suggested the introduction of a basic Naga Law (Customary Law) in a three-tier system, which could be enacted through the Nagaland Legislative Assembly to establish a unified and untouchable customary legal framework.

Highlighting the importance of Dobashi in providing an accessible and culturally relevant justice system, Zeliang noted that Dobashi Courts could effectively resolve local disputes within the state, serving as an alternative to formal courts. He praised the Dobashis and GBs as the backbone of governance and administration in Nagaland.

IDSP REVIEW METING HELD AT KOHIMA

The State Review Meeting was convened to take stock of the State's preparedness on HMPV and other Influenza like Severe Acute Respiratory Illness (ILI & SARI) and general surveillance of outbreak prone diseases at the Conference Hall, Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP), Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima on 17th January 2025.

State Nodal Officer, IDSP presented an overview of the programme readiness and surveillance update of outbreak prone diseases in the State.

Commissioner & Secretary, Health &Family Welfare exhorted the District Surveillance Units to heighten surveillance and be vigilant on clustering of ILI & SARI. Further, adding that all hospitalized SARI cases have to be followed up with testing at the designated laboratory for Nagaland, (ICMR-Dibrugarh).

The programme also highlighted on the Pan-India Mock Drill carried out in 663 Public and Private Health Units across the State for preparedness and overall readiness to tackle any public health event. Key challenges and achievements so far were also discussed from all the districts during the review meeting.

The meeting attended was by Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland, Anoop Khinchi, Dr. E. Motsuthung Patton, Principal Director, H&FW, Dr. Akuo Sorhie, Mission Director, NHM, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, Program Officer, NHM, District Surveillance Officers, District Epidemiologists, District Microbiologist, District Data Managers, State IDSP Team and representative from Development Partner Nishtha Jhpiego.

CM, NEIPHIU RIO VISITS KONYAK HERITAGE SITE AT MON

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio visited the Konyak Heritage Site at Mon on 20th January 2025. The Chief Minister was accompanied by Minister of Forests, Environment & Climate Change and Village Guards, C. L. John, and President, NDDP, Chingwang Konyak.

Speaking at the gathering, Rio said unity and cooperation are essential for development in any society. Rio encouraged the people to cooperate and continue to support to complete the works in the heritage site. He emphasized on quality control to carry out the work properly and complete

it on time, and reminded the concerned departments for the electricity and water supply connectivity in the Heritage Site. Rio also informed that all the constructions will be completed within two months and is expected to be inaugurated in the first week of April 2025.

Konyak Union President, Tingtok Konyak shared the welcome address while Deputy Commissioner of Mon, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS thanked the Chief Minister and his team for their visit. Short speech was also delivered by the Konyak Heritage Management Community.



CM NEIPHIU RIO GRACES KHAOZAOSIE HOK-AH FESTIVAL AT THONOKNYU

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio graced the Khaozaosie Hok-Ah Festival of Feast & Rest at Thonoknyu town, Noklak on 21st January 2025.

Speaking on the occasion as the special guest, Rio extended his greetings to the Khiamniungan community on the occasion of Khozaosie Hok-Ah, a celebration that showcases the rich cultural heritage and traditions of the Nagas. In his message, he emphasized the importance of festivals in promoting peace, unity and harmony among communities. He called upon everyone to use such occasion to strengthen bonds, foster mutual respect and Noklak, the State's frontier district situated along the international boundary, to prioritize peace and harmony as the foundation for progress and development and contribute towards the overall development of the State.

Other highlights of the function included festival greetings by festival host, MLA Benei M Lamthiu, festival significance presented by former treasure KTC, M. Ngon and welcome address by President, KTC, Ngon. Short speech was also delivered by Deputy Commissioner Noklak, Arikumba. A folk fusion item was presented by Tupong &

Thango.

It was followed by inauguration of handicraft stalls and inspection of cultural troupes by the special guest. The event was attended by Minister of Forest, Environment & Climate change, Village Guards, C. L. John, Advisor, Geology & Mining, DUDA, W. Chingang Konyak, and Advisor, School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome. The festival was organised by Khiamniungan Tribal Council aided by the Government of Nagaland.

MLA P. Longon graced the closing ceremony of Khozaosie Hok-ah Festival of Feast and Rest, held at Thonoknyu Town on 22nd January 2025. Speaking at the occasion, MLA P. Longon described Khozaosie Hok-Ah as not only a time for feasting and rest but also an occasion for forgiveness and peace. He emphasized the festival's role in strengthening communal harmony and fostering unity among people.

At Khozaosie Hok-Ah celebration, 4th Handicraft Festival was celebrated with grandeur, showcasing the region's rich cultural heritage and craftsmanship, offering a platform for local artisans to display their skills and creativity.

STATE FOUNDATION DAY OF MANIPUR, TRIPURA AND MEGHALAYA CELEBRATED AT KOHIMA

The state foundation day of Manipur, Meghalaya, and Tripura was celebrated at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 21st January 2025.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan said that the day marks the establishment of these three states as distinct entities in 1972, each with its unique identity, history and contributions

to our great nation. It is a day to honor the resilience, diversity and spirit of the people of Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura who have enriched our country's cultural tapestry with their diverse traditions, art, music and festivals, said the Governor.

The Governor mentioned the shared history and bonds that unite the Northeastern

states of India. 'Though our geography, languages and cultures may differ, we are all bound together by our aspirations for peace, development and progress of our states and our country. The citizens of Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura residing in Nagaland exemplify this unity. Your contributions to the growth and progress of Nagaland have been noteworthy and for this, I extend my respect and gratitude on behalf of the people of Nagaland,' the Governor said.

The Governor further highlighted the role of the people from the three states who have made Nagaland their home. He said that their active participation in various fields, be it education, business, arts or social service, has strengthened the fabric of our society. They have enriched our communities and exemplified the essence of "Unity in

diversity" that defines India.

The Governor reiterated his heartfelt gratitude to the citizens of Manipur, Meghalaya, and Tripura residing in Nagaland for their dedication and contributions, stating that their efforts are a testament to the strong bonds of brotherhood and unity that exist among the people of the Northeast.

The foundation day celebration included various cultural items from the three states, such as cultural song by Maram Union, Manipuri Cultural Society, Manipuri Dance by Nabarum Laishram and Zeme and Zeliang Hoho. Speech on behalf of Manipur State was delivered by Dihe Mao, President of Mao Union, Kohima, on behalf of Meghalaya State by Dr. Luke Rymbal and Tripura State by Nabarun Ghosh.

10 YEARS OF BETI BACHAO BETI PADHAO CELEBRATED

KOHIMA:

The celebration of 10 years of Beto Bachao Beto Padhao (BBBP) under Mission Shakti, Social Welfare Department was held on 22nd January 2025 at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima, Nagaland.

Commissioner & Secretary, Social Welfare, Martha R. Ritse, IAS graced the event as the special guest. Emphasizing that behavioral and social change is of utmost importance in the way girl child is perceived and that even though Naga society is much ahead in terms of girl empowerment than the rest of the nation, she said there are still changes, even if subtle, that need to be made so as to achieve zero gender parity.

Ritse mentioned that around 1000 programmes have been conducted under the scheme and the impacts have been evident with the state being amongst the Top 5 States to perform exceptionally under the scheme,

and encouraged the women to break the glass ceiling in all avenues.

Secretary, Social Welfare & Mission Director, Mission Shakti, Bodeno S. Colo gave a brief introduction of the scheme, stating that the BBBP scheme was introduced at Sonipat, Haryana by Prime Minister, Narendra Modi in 2015 under the joint collaboration of Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Education. She emphasised on the objectives of the BBBP which includes improving sex ratio at birth, improving percentage of institutional deliveries, increasing enrollment secondary education, promote sport and skill development among girls. She informed that the scheme is operational in all the 16 districts of the State and has also shown increase in performance and impact over the years. She also administered a pledge to the congregation to eliminate gender based discrimination.

Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS emphasized that for India to attain the dream of a developed nation by 2040, there needs to be a collective effort from all stakeholders of the society and this can only happen when stereotypes in the society are addressed. He said that BBBP is such a scheme that aims to break those stereotypes at home and at work, and women can play a larger and active role in the nation building. He presented the gathering with the best practices that have been conducted under the BBBP scheme in Kohima district all through the years, showcasing workshops conducted in various fields like literature, computer, self-defence, baking, scientific temperament, career guidance, sensitivity to women and indigenous rights as well as free coaching classes for NSSB exam aspirants. He also mentioned that there has been increased collaboration with the Village Councils and Village Development Boards which also play a key role in implementing the scheme at the grassroots level.

The attendees were also encouraged to take home a plant and nurture it as sign of promise to work toward the empowerment of the girl child.

DIMAPUR:

A bike rally was organized on 22nd January 2025 by the Dimapur District Administration and Sankalp-District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) initiative, marking a decade of the campaign.

Flagged off by Stephen Ngullie, District Public Relations Officer, Dimapur, the rally began at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, and concluded at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Chumoukedima. The event promote the message 'Save the girl child: Educate the girl child.' Thirty riders from Dimapur participated in the rally, including members from renowned motorcycle clubs such as R.E. Brothers Nagaland, United Riders Motorcycle Club, United Royal Riders Motorcycle Club, Nagaland Motorcycle, Flying Falcons Motorcycle Club, and The C.R.E.W Motorcycle Club.

At Chumoukedima, the participants were received by Polan John, Deputy Commissioner, Chumoukedima, who praised the efforts of the bikers' clubs for their participation in the rally commemorating 10 years of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) initiative, and in raising awareness about protecting and educating the girl child. He launched the Menstrual Health Manual for Women and Girls and distributed Feminine Hygiene Kits, developed by the District Hub for Empowerment of Women, to promote menstrual hygiene and awareness.

The event also included a pledging ceremony overseen by Seyievilie Pfukri, EAC HQ. followed by a signature campaign.

WOKHA:

Wokha District Administration and the Department of Social Welfare, under Mission Shakti, organized an Oath Taking Ceremony and Signature Campaign from 22nd January to 8th March 2025. This event marked the 10-year anniversary of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme, held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office Complex in Wokha.

In his keynote address, Deputy Commissioner of Wokha, Vineet Kumar IAS and Chairman of DLC, Mission Shakti, emphasized the core values, objectives, and goals of the BBBP scheme. He highlighted the significant achievement of the 33% women's reservation in Urban Local Elections, demonstrating the growing recognition of the importance of women's empowerment in today's society. He also stressed the need to create awareness and educate target groups on the overall development of women across various sectors, including health, education, social, political, and economic areas, to build an inclusive and progressive society.

Dr. Wonjano E. Enny, DMC, DHEW provided a summary of the inception of the BBBP program in Wokha district and led the Oath Taking by reading the pledge, followed by all stakeholders. The Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign was launched in Wokha district in 2018, and the district has since achieved significant milestones. It has won two awards: one for Good Performing States and Districts and another for Commendable Work in Awareness Generation and Outreach Activities under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) programme.

MOKOKCHUNG:

To mark 10 years celebration of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, a launching programme was held at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Mokokchung on 22nd of January 2025 organized by the District Administration and Sankalp: District Hub

for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) - Mission Shakti, Mokokchung.

Deputy Commissioner Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji while speaking on the occasion, said encouraged all the concerned individuals involved in the mission to continue carrying out more initiatives to reach to the needy sections of the society.

Highlights of the day's programme include oath taking pledge which was administered by Deputy Commissioner, a short speech from Putuchiba Walling, Gender Specialist (DHEW).

SHAMATOR:

The 10th Anniversary of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) was observed at Cultural Hall, Shamator Town on 22nd January 2025, organised by the District Hub for empowerment of Women (DHEW), Shamator in collaboration with District Administration.

Oath taking ceremony was administered by the Deputy Commissioner & Chairperson DLC Mission Shakti, Chuba Temjen. Interward (female) song competition under the theme "Aliberu Mongshi Khun" was held to mark the occasion.

NERIWALM HOSTS WORKSHOP ON GIS AND REMOTE SENSING FOR WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

A specialized three-day training programme on "Remote Sensing and GIS Application in Water and Land Management" was inaugurated on 22nd January 2025 at the Conference Hall, Office of the Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department (WRD), Kohima. The event was organized by the North Eastern Regional Institute of Water and Land Management (NERIWALM), Tezpur. The training programme aims to

equip participants with knowledge and skills in Remote Sensing and GIS Applications, as well as Water Conservation and Water Management.

At the inaugural function, Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Er. K. Hutoi Sema stressed on the importance of effective water and land management in a region like Nagaland, where rivers, streams, and fertile lands are lifelines. He commended NERIWALM for its continuous efforts in enhancing knowledge and skills in water and land management across Northeast India. He said the training programme will focus on utilizing remote sensing and GIS technology to gain a better understanding of the region's water and land resources, and emphasized that these tools can provide real solutions to the challenges faced in water management. The second topic of the training programme, 'Water Conservation and Water Management' will focus on the importance of conserving water in a region prone to droughts.

He encouraged all participants to actively engage in the training sessions, learn from experts, and apply the acquired knowledge to their respective divisions and sub-divisions.

Er. Sobu Angami, Senior Engineer (S.E.-I), conducted a Power Point presentation

on the activities of the Water Resources Department, Nagaland, highlighting key projects and initiatives across Nagaland such as the Shiyong Micro Irrigation Project at Aliba village, Mokokchung, the Shemmei MI Project at Longleng, Dhansiri MI Project Dimapur, Developing Flood Forecasting Model, Rain Water Harvesting Projects in Kohima to name a few.

Moni Dr. Luna Das, Assistant Professor (S.Sc.) at NERIWALM, presented an overview of the institute's activities, showcasing their contribution to research, conducting international training. national workshops and seminars and policy formulation in the field of water and land management. This training marks a significant step towards effective water and land management, aligning with sustainable development goals in the region.

CM NEIPHIU RIO HOLDS REVIEW MEETING WITH IPR DEPARTMENT

Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio held a review meeting with the Department of Information & Public Relations, led by Advisor for Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen, at the Chief Minister's Office in Kohima on 25th January 2025.

The meeting focused on discussing ongoing projects and the consideration of new and upcoming initiatives. IPR officials also raised concerns and grievances regarding challenges faced in executing their activities.

The Chief Minister expressed his support and cooperation, assuring the department of his commitment to its efforts aimed at the state's progress and the welfare of its citizens.

The meeting was attended by Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam, IAS, and Development Commissioner, Nagaland, Ramakrishnan, IAS. The Advisor was accompanied by Commissioner & Secretary, IPR, Temsunaro Aier, IAS, Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo, and department officers.

NATIONAL VOTERS' DAY CELEBRATED ACROSS THE STATE

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

The 15th National Voters' Day (NVD) was celebrated with a state level programmeon 25th January 2025, at Patkai Christian College (Autonomous), Seithekema. The event was held under the theme "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure," aimed to promote electoral participation and raise awareness about the importance of voting.

The event was graced by Thavaseelan K, IAS, Principal Director of School Education, Nagaland as the special guest, Addressing the gathering, he highlighted the importance of youth participation in the electoral process and its role in strengthening democracy. He emphasized that the Lok Sabha elections are the cornerstone of the Indian Constitution, being the largest democratic exercise. He urged the youth to recognize the power of their vote, stating, "Every single vote has the potential to accelerate the democratic process. It is crucial not to be influenced by external pressures and to vote responsibly."

Thavaseelan also encouraged young voters to set an example by motivating their family members to participate in elections, fostering a culture of active citizenship. The event underscored the need to educate first-time voters and empower them to make informed decisions.

While following the detailed perspective on the background of NVD, DC & DEO of Chümoukedima, Polan John highlighted the vital role of young voters in strengthening democracy. He stressed on the importance of recognizing the youth's potential in shaping the nation's future through active voting.

The event also focused on spreading awareness about voter registration and the significance of choosing the right leaders. The programme showcased glimpses of the Election Department in Nagaland and featured short speeches by Dr. Rudowhelie Peseyie, Vice Principal of Patkai Christian College.

Vyasan R, IAS, Chief Electoral Officer of Nagaland in his short speech at the event, commended the intention behind hosting the celebration at Patkai, highlighting its significance in engaging the younger generation. He stressed that the nation's future is in safe hands when the youth understand the value of voting and take responsibility in choosing their leaders wisely. Vyasan also shed light on the extensive preparations undertaken by the Election Department to ensure smooth elections, mentioning the collaborative efforts of various departments. He acknowledged the crucial roles played by teachers and police personnel in the pre-election bonding process, ensuring an inclusive and transparent electoral framework.

The celebration concluded with a call to action for young voters to participate actively in the democratic process and contribute to a stronger, more accountable governance system.

The Message of the Chief Election Commissioner of India was also highlighted by Rajvi Kumar during the event. The ceremony included the presentation of awards and the felicitation of first-time voters by the special guest. The NVD Pledge was administered, emphasizing the commitment to strengthening democracy. A special presentation was also delivered by the Electoral Literacy Club (ELC) of Patkai Christian College.

KOHIMA:

The District Level Programme for the 15th National Voters' Day 2025, themed "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure," was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office Conference Hall, Kohima on 25th January 2025. The event commenced with a video message from the Chief Election Commissioner of India, highlighting the celebration of 75 years of India's democracy and the record-breaking participation of 64.6 crore voters in the 2024 elections, including a remarkable 65.78% turnout by women voters.

Deputy Commissioner & District

Election Officer, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS delivered the keynote address, emphasizing the importance of voter participation in strengthening democracy. Voting is not just a right but also a responsibility, a way to shape the future of our country and build a better society, he added. He expressed concern over urban and youth voter apathy and urged citizens to actively engage in elections.

District SVEEP Icon, Vihuzo Kense inspired the audience with a story of a 90-yearold woman's unwavering commitment to voting, calling on everyone, especially the youths, to honor their responsibility as voters.

Best BLO Award winner, Lhingboi Singson shared her journey of overcoming transform her challenges to station into an efficient electoral hub. The programme honored outstanding Booth Level Officers (BLOs) for their exceptional performance in Electoral Roll preparation during the Special Summary Revision and Continuous Updation. First-time voters were also felicitated during the event, and attendees took the Voter's Pledge, led by ADC & ERO Kohima, Rhosietho Ngouri.

DIMAPUR:

The 15th National Voters' Day was celebrated at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall in Dimapur on 25th January 2025 under the theme "Nothing like voting, I Vote for sure."

Zakabo V. Rotokha, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur highlighted that voting is not just a fundamental right but a responsibility that allows individuals to shape the future of their community and nation. He also encouraged all voters to make their voices heard and take pride in contributing to a brighter and stronger future through their participation.

The celebration featured the felicitation of winners from the Essay and Painting Competitions conducted in its honor. Additionally, the event recognized the efforts of the Best Booth Level Officers (BLOs) for 2025.

Tinojongshi Chang, Deputy Commissioner and District Election Officer, Dimapur, administered the Voter's Pledge and delivered a speech emphasizing the need for active electoral participation and the power of every vote.

Earlier, the programme commenced with the display of a message from the Chief Election Commissioner, Rajiv Kumar.

PHEK:

The 15th National Voters' Day was celebrated at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Phek with DC & District Election Officer, Phek, John Tsulise Sangtam as the special Guest.

Speaking on the importance of voting, the DC & DEO reiterated on why we celebrate National Voters' Day and how it is our responsibility to vote in the right manner and to vote for the right person who has the caliber and responsibility to change the society and the nation as a whole. He also encouraged the young voters to vote for change in the society

Administration of NVD Pledge was also conducted at the programme, led by Saratho Kaitry, SDO (C) and AERO, Phek. Best BLO Awards was also given out on the occasion.

KIPHIRE:

Celebration of 15th National Voters' Day 2025 under the Theme "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure" was held at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Kiphire with the DC & DEO, Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer as the special guest on 25th January 2025.

EAC & AEO Kiphire, Nitile Tep administered the Voter's Pledge to the officials, BLOs and first-time voters. Distribution of EPICs and Felicitation of BLOs was also held.

TUENSANG:

In Tuensang, the 15th National Voters' Daywas celebrated at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall on 25th January 2025 on the theme 'Nothing like voting, I vote for sure,' organised by the District Administration and District Election Officer in collaboration with Akashvani Kohima under BIND Scheme on the theme 'India of my Dreams.'

Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, DC & DEO, Tuensang stated that India is one of the largest Democratic Governments in the world where one has the power to elect or reject the candidates during election. She also thanked and appreciated the works done by the BLOs in their respective areas to keep the Electoral Roll clean.

Felicitation of first time voters and NVD Message by ECI, administration of Voters' Pledge was led by Er. Moasanen Imlong, EAC Tuensang were carried out. Best BLO, Essay Competition and Extempore Speech Competition winners were also felicitated on the occasion.

SHAMATOR:

District Election Office, Shamator celebrated the 15th National Voters' Day with the theme 'Nothing like voting, I vote for sure' at DB's Court, Shamator on 25th January 2025 with Deputy Commissioner & DEO Shamator, Chubatemjen as the special guest.

During the programme, Voter's Pledge was administered by Athrong, SDO (C), Shamator who also presented awards to the Best BLOs, winners of essay competition and distribution of EPIC to new voters.

WOKHA:

Wokha District celebrated National Voters' Day on 25th January 2025 at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall under the theme: "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure."

In his keynote address, DC & District Election Officer, Vineet Kumar, IAS highlighted the contrast between India's democratic system and the political regimes



DC, Shamator, Chubatemjen with other officials and participants during the National Voters' Day celebration at Shamator on 25^{th} January 2025.

in neighbouring countries, where citizens do not have the privilege of voting to elect their leaders. He also stressed the importance of every voter, particularly the newly enrolled young voters, in taking responsibility for electing their political representatives. He acknowledged the election officers for their efforts in promoting the ideal of equal opportunities for all citizens of India.

During the programme, Best BLO Awards first time voters were felicitated. from the Chief Election message Commissioner was also displayed, and ADC & Electoral Registration Officer, Wokha, Renbomo Ezung administered the Voters' Pledge.

NOKLAK:

The 15th National Voters' Day 2025 under the theme "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure" was celebrated at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Noklak on 25th January 2025.

Speaking on the occasion, DC & DEO, Noklak, Arikumba shared the importance of educating and spread awareness about the electoral process among friends and students. He also encouraged all the eligible voters

about the enrolment process and advised them to cast their vote for the capable leader who can lead and work for the community. He urged the youths not only to participate, but to use their votes wisely to change.

During the occasion, Best BLO Award 2025 was given out and winners of the essay competition were also felicitated. Voters' Pledge was administered by SDO (Civil) Noklak, Vikhoto Richa.

MOKOKCHUNG:

Mokokchung district celebrated the 15th National Voters' Day on the theme 'Nothing like voting, I vote for sure,' on 25th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Mokokchung, organized by District Election Office in collaboration with Electoral Literacy Club (ELC) Fazl Ali College(FAC), Mokokchung.

Speaking during the programme as the Guest of honour, L.S. Vinod Kumar, Vice Principal, Fazl Ali College, Mokokchung maintained that National Voters' Day has been celebrated since the year 2011 under various themes, to disseminate the importance of voting. This year, the theme 'Nothing like voting, I vote for sure'



DC, Noklak, Arikumba with officials and participants during the 15th National Voters' Day celebration at the DC's Office, Noklak on 25th January 2025.

is to encourage all the voters to exercise their fundamental rights to strengthen the democratic process of our country.

Deputy Commissioner, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji in his keynote address called for active participation of all the enrolled voters in the democratic process of the nation. Encouraging the young voters, he said they must be judicious while exercising their voting rights. Underscoring the role and responsibility of the BLOs, he said they are the backbone of the democratic process to enroll and bring out proper electoral rolls for a clean and fair election process.

L.S. Vinod Kumar felicitated the newly enrolled voters and administered the Voters' Pledge. During the programme, DC, Thsuvisie Phoji presented the Best BLO Award 2025 to 10 (ten) BLOs from Mokokchung district.

PEREN:

Peren district celebrated the 15th National Voters' Day under the theme "Nothing like voting, I vote for sure," at PTWWO Hall on 25th January 2025. The celebration was graced by Additional Deputy Commissioner and Electoral Officer, Peren, Keyirangding Hegui as the special guest.

In his speech, Keyirangding Hegui spoke on the significance of the National Voters' Day, and reminded the young electors that the constitution of India has given the privilege, the right for exercising adult suffrage, so one should be responsible and come for voting bravely during every election. He highlighted the status of the electors of the district and appealed for more enrollment specially the 18-19 years age group.

TSEMINYU:

The 15th National Voters' Day was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Tseminyu on 25th January 2025, with the theme 'Nothing like voting, 1 vote for sure.'

DC, Tseminyu, Rohit Singh, IAS said every vote has the potential to make a difference and it has the power for a better future. He also urged everyone to participate and to take the right decision for the future generations.

During the programme, the Best BLO Awards, newly registered voters and drawing competition winners were also felicitated.

LONGLENG:

The 15th National Voters' Day was held



DC, Tseminyu, Rohit Singh, IAS with other officials and participants at the 15th National Voters' Day celebration held at DC's Office, Tseminyu on 25th January 2025.

at DPDB Hall, Longleng on 25th January 2025 under the theme 'Nothing like voting, I vote for sure' with Deputy Commissioner & DEO Longleng, W. Manpai Phom as a special guest.

In his speech, Manpai Phom congratulated the Best BLO awardees, and acknowledged the efforts rendered by the BLOs to have a clean and genuine electoral roll to conduct free and fair elections in the district. The DC also urged the young registered voters to be agents of change and set a good example by casting their vote fearlessly without being influenced by others.

The DC administered the Voter's Pledge to the gathering and also carried out the felicitation of the Best BLO Awardees.

PRESS BRIEFING WITH THE MEDIA ON CAWD

Assistant Chief Engineer, Department of Civil Administration Works Division (CAWD), Er. Sungtiba Amer during the briefing with the press, highlighted the activities of CAWD, wherein he stated that CAWD is the executing agency overseeing all the construction works under the General Administration. In addition to this, CAWD also looks after the following Deposit Work Departments such as Law & Justice Department, Border Affairs, Village Guards, Election Department, NSO & spill over works of Treasury & Accounts and CPMF(CRPF).

Er. Sungtiba highlighted that Nagaland has 17 District Headquarters including the latest Meluri district, 24 ADC Headquarters, 17 SDO (C) and 65 EAC Headquarters. The state has approximately 1588 functional and non-functional buildings under General Administration and all allied departments.

Er. Sungtiba mentioned and lauded the Government of Nagaland especially the Chief Minister for giving utmost importance to the General Administration for giving the CAWD sufficient grants to construct and complete around 30 projects over a span of 4 years, such as the DC's Office Complex of Phek and Mokokchung and DC Bungalow at Tuensang, Phek, Wokha and Kiphire. Besides, a good number of ADC's Office Complexes, SDO(C) and EAC's Office and Residences, GA Rest House including the Chief Secretary's

Residential Conference Hall at Kohima which were duly inaugurated.

In addition to this, Er. Sungtiba informed that the CAWD is currently constructing 14 Pre- Engineered Residential Structures for 13 EAC and 1 ADC Headquarters as a pilot project for various Administrative Headquarters where the works are in good progress. Currently, the CAWD is constructing DC's Office Complex at Zunheboto, Tuensang, Noklak, Shamator, Niuland and Tseminyu and DC's Office Complex at Dimapur is on the pipeline where the project has already been sanctioned.

The DC Bungalow Mokokchung, ADC's Office complex Akuluto, GA Rest House Longleng, ADC Residence Chozuba are on the verge of completion and to be inaugurated within this current financial year, Er. Sungtiba added. A state-of-the-art Circuit House, Chumoukedima is sanctioned where the work is to be taken up within the first week of February 2025, adjacent to the Sammogooting Stadium Chumoukedima. He thanked the Government of Nagaland for giving CAWD the opportunity to construct the first ever stadium, as CAWD is involved mainly in constructing and maintaining functional and non-functional buildings of the General Administration.

Er. Sungtiba also pointed out that, outside the box of the General Administration,

the CAWD has constructed and inaugurated the District Court at Wokha, Tuensang and Zunheboto, Judicial Officers' Flat at Mon and Mokokchung. Village Guards Rest House at Thizama, the District Jail at Longleng and The Nagaland Olympic Association Office Complex at Kohima. Currently, the CAWD is constructing District Court at Mon and Noklak which is in good progress. Also, the CAWD is constructing the Flat Type Quarters for Law Officers at Kohima and Flat Type Officers and Staff Quarter for Border Affairs at Meriema which is nearing completion. The CAWD is also constructing the first ever Village Guards Commandant Office at Tuensang and Village Guards Training Centre at Sangphur, Shamator. The CAWD has completed the EVMs and VVPAT warehouse of Election Department at almost all the districts. The CAWD is also involved as an executing agency for constructing and maintaining all the semi- permanent and temporary structures of the CPMF (CRPF) centers all over the state.

In conclusion, Er. Sungtiba stated that the purpose of sharing this statement to the media is to highlight that the government is giving dire importance for all-round development and working earnestly so as to provide basic infrastructure to the General Administration and all the allied departments for effective implementation and all-round progress of the state.

76th REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATED ACROSS THE STATE

KOHIMA:

The 76th Republic Day celebration was at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 26th January 2025.

Addressing the people, Governor of Nagaland, La. Ganesan said to make our nation a developed country by 2047, concerted efforts are required by all concerned in the fields of education and human development, and our State is taking many initiatives in the education sector such as Pre-primary/Early Childhood Care and Education, Training programmes for ECCE teachers to ensure that they are wellequipped with the new curriculum, Teacher Learning Materials and documented audio visual in 5 (five) schools for supporting the implementation of the new Nagaland Early Childhood Care and Education Curriculum developed SCERT.

In the health sector, the Governor stated that the Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS) has been growing in strength with 65 hospitals, each from within and outside the State, have been empaneled under the CMHIS, under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, 76 AB PM-JAY hospitals are empaneled within Nagaland and 21,415 individuals have been benefited from the scheme. He also said that under the Chief Minister's Universal Life Insurance Scheme (CMLIS), a budget allocation of Rs. 15 crore was made and 13 families have availed insurance benefits under this scheme and Ayushman Arogya Shivir - a monthly Health Mela is being conducted regularly.

The Governor also mentioned that under Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, twenty-five (25) existing Anganwadi Centers were upgraded to Saksham Anganwadi under the Kiphire ICDS Project. Under Mission Vatsalya, 5 (five) District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) and 10 (ten) new Child Helpline Centers have been established across different districts. Under Mission Shakti, there are 11 (eleven) functional Sakhi Niwas (Working Women Hostel), and

The Department of Women Resources Development initiated the Protection and Promotion of Tribal Designs Project that aims to promote and safeguard the rich traditional attires and modern textile designs. The Governor pointed out that the Department of Rural Development, under MGNREGA, has generated employment at an average of 31.3 days and under the PMAY (Gramin), out of the cumulative target to construct 48,830 houses, 40.8% of the target has been completed.

now established in 16 districts.

The Governor mentioned that the Department of Water Resources in line with Jal Shakti Abhiyan Campaign, has successfully completed 29 Water harvesting structures/water harvesting ponds in 5 (five) districts while Soil & Water Conservation Department aims to distribute over 1,11,000 Soil Health Cards to our farmers during 2024-25 which will cover 370 villages across 16 districts. He stated that the fish production in the State is 9695.71 MT and under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), the Department of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources has developed 150 hectares of water bodies while 150 farmers are being benefited under the project "Cluster based Fisheries Development & Institutionalization of FPOs" covering seven (7) districts of the State. Under the State Plan, 50 lakhs of fish seeds at subsidized rates have been supplied to all the districts in the State.

In the Public Works Department (Roads & Bridges), the Governor also informed that North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) has projects completed three (3)under Tuensang, Longleng and Noklak districts amounting to Rs. 100.58 crore covering a total length of 35.12 Km. Under PMGSY, 5

(Five) bridges have been completed. While in the Power sector, he said to enhance the renewable generation capacity of the State, the department has constructed and commissioned a 2.4 MW Duilumroi Small Hydro Project in Peren district with a project cost of Rs. 40.29 crore.

Under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund (CMCF), the Governor informed that for 2024-25, a significant allocation of Rs. 10 crore was made to foster education, entrepreneurship and skill enhancement across different sectors. From the Annual Plan 2024-2025 onwards, the State Government has decided to allocate Rs. 100.00 lakh per Assembly Constituency for implementation of iconic projects under the Local Area Development Programme. He mentioned that at present, under the North Eastern Council, there are 74 ongoing projects in various sectors at different districts/locations in the State.

The Governor also stated that the Department of Industries & Commerce has established 16 Entrepreneur Development Centres (EDCs) across 16 districts, and 6 EDCs in colleges to foster and encourage entrepreneurship from an early stage, and that the Nagaland Startup Portal is currently hosting 330 startups, leading to the creation of over 1000 jobs and have generated approximately Rs. 58 crore in turnover during the fiscal year 2023-24. He mentioned that under the Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) scheme, six (6) Technology Clinics to promote technological adoption among local MSMEs and entrepreneurs were successfully organized. He also highlighted that under the Prime Minister Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme, 304 entrepreneurs were assisted in setting up micro-food processing units. 3,793 SHGs under NULM and NSRLM were provided Seed Capital Money. The establishment of a Common Incubation Center (CIC) for food processing is also on the verge of completion at School of Agriculture Science (SAS), Nagaland University – Medziphema Campus.

The Governor further declared that Nagaland State became the first North Eastern State in October 2024 to begin implementing the Biometric-Based Aadhar Authentication for GST Registration to ensure that the person behind the business entity is genuine and traceable. Under the e-Shram Portal, a National Database of Unorganized Workers (NDUW), he said a total of 2,31,533 unorganized workers have been registered so far in Nagaland. He mentioned that the Labour Department in collaboration with the Food & Civil Supplies Department organised Special Melas at all district headquarters for the issue of ration cards to all those e-Shram registrants who do not possess ration cards.

La Ganesan also informed that under the PMAY (Urban), out of 29,973 beneficiaries, 85% beneficiaries have completed house construction and the remaining 15% are at various stages of construction, while under the Rajiv Awas Yojana, Rental Housing Projects for the Urban poor has been completed in Chumoukedima town and Medziphema town. Under the PM SVANidhi Scheme, the Governor mentioned that the Urban Development Department has helped 4595 Street Vendors avail loans enabling them to diversify their business, and a statelevel tour campaign was organized with special focus on 14 ULBs. He also stated that the PWD (R&B) has handed over Urban Roads measuring about 1500 Km to Urban Development, where maintenance and upgradation works are being carried out.

The Governor said the Department

of Science & Technology has successfully commissioned Nagaland Science Mission and conducted the 1st Round Table Talk on Al (Artificial Intelligence) on 26th September 2024. The Nagaland GIS & Remote Sensing Centre (NGISRSC), successfully completed the Landslide Inventory Mapping for Post Monsoon 2023 using the Satellite Integrated Landslide Assessment and Alert System in collaboration with National Remote Sensing Centre, ISRO. A large-scale 3D Twin mapping of all District Headquarters in the State, enhancing urban planning and disaster management was also conducted by the Centre.

Under the Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, the Governor informed the Department that implementing the Nagaland Forest Management Project, which is assisted by JICA, Government of Japan. Under this project, an Eco-Park was inaugurated on 1st December 2024. This Eco-Park is being developed along with the Kohima Peace Memorial which will serve as a testimony to close ties between Japan and India and particularly with the state of Nagaland.

The Governor also mentioned that the Nagaland Police continued its fight against drugs, seizure of various drugs and the State Excise Department during the period from April 2024 – Nov 2024 has made seizures worth more than Rs. 1.16 crore.

Governor Ganesan also stated that Nagaland hosted the 4th Edition of the Asia Music Summit in February 2024, where representatives from 13 countries participated and MoUs were signed for partnerships and collaborations aimed at creating opportunities and platforms for artists and musicians from Nagaland. A Prefabricated Centre for Excellence in Music & Arts (CEMA) at TaFMA, Kohima was

A DIPR MONTHLY MAGAZINE

inaugurated on 1st December 2024.

Governor Ganesan mentioned Hokato Hotozhe Sema who made history at the Paris Paralympic Games by becoming the first athlete from Nagaland to win a Paralympic medal and brought laurels to the country and the State, where he won Bronze Medal in the Athletics event of Shot Put. The Government of India has also honoured him with the prestigious Arjuna Award.

The Governor said the 25th Edition of the Hornbill Festival witnessed one of the most successful editions with record number of events, participants, local, domestic and international tourists. The festival has grown from strength to strength impacting on the State's economy with a money flow amounting to more than Rs. 100 crores.

Governor La Ganesan inaugurated the exhibition stalls commemorating the 76th Republic Day in the presence of the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphui Rio and his colleagues, Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS, DGP, Rupin Sharma IPS and government officials at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on the 26th January 2025. Altogether, 17 stalls were set up representing various departments and displaying a variety

of state products.

The 76th Republic Day celebrations witnessed a vibrant march past, featuring parade contingents including the 13 Assam Rifles Battalion, 78 CRPF Battalion, 37 BSF Battalion, Arunachal Pradesh Police, DEF Kohima, 4th NAP Battalion, 10th NAP(IR) Battalion, 15th NAP (IR) Mahila Battalion, Home Guards & Civil Defence, SDRF and Ex-Servicemen, Nagaland Police Auxiliary Brass Band, Assam Rifles Pipe Band, 15th (IR) Mahila Pipe Band, NCC cadets and Bharat Scouts & Guides, led by Deputy Commandant, 4th NAP Battalion, Thizama, Limaonen, NPS and Dy. SP, Sara Tokiu, NPS as the second in-command. The highlight of the event was the cultural performances, featuring troupes from different tribes of Nagaland. The entertainment segment included a special presentation titled 'Medley' by Bright Lights, a Children's Choir based in Dimapur, and a dance performance 'Vande Mataram' by the Women Resource Department. A Taekwondo display was demonstrated by the Youth Resources & Sports Department.

The evening session of the 76th Republic Day was held with Commissioner, Nagaland, Anden Konyak as the special guest on 26th



Governor, La Ganesan accompanied by Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio at the ribbon cutting ceremony of the exhibition stalls on the occasion of the 76th Republic Day at Kohima on 26^{th} January 2025.

January 2025 at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima. During the programme, a football exhibition match was played between Aztecs and Zhadima Youth at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat ground, with the Aztecs emerging as the winner, beating Zhadima Youth by 7-6 through penalty shoot.

The Arunachal Pradesh Police won the Best Parade contingent, followed by 10th NAP (IR) Battalion and Home Guards, Civil Defence & SDRF and 78 CRPF as 2nd and 3rd respectively in the Uniformed category and in the Non-Uniformed Contingents category, NCC (Girls) bagged the 1st position while NCC (Boys) and Bharat Scouts & Guides won 2nd and 3rd positions respectively.In the Exhibition Stalls category, the 1st prize was bagged by Agriculture Department, and the Honey Mission and Horticulture Department won the 2nd and 3rd positions respectively. The day's programme ended with band display by 13 Assam Rifles Pipe Band and Nagaland Police Brass Band, PTS followed by Beating of Retreat by Nagaland Police Brass Band, PTS.

The 76th Republic Day was also celebrated at Jakhama Sub-division, Kohima on 26th January 2025 at the SDO (C) Office premises, Kohima with SDO (Civil), Jakhama, Nockpai Konyak as the special guest. Chiephobozou under Kohima district celebrated the 76th Republic Day at ADC's Office premises with ADC, Alemyapang Longchar as the honoured guest.

DIMAPUR:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at the Dimapur District Sports Council (DDSC) Stadium, organized by the District Administration, Dimapur on 26th January 2025. The event was graced by Minister, Environment, Forests & Climate Change and Village Guards, C. L. John, who unfurled

the national flag, inspected the parade and addressed the gathering.

highlight of the The celebration was the march-past comprising of the parade contingents - Dimapur Police Commissionerate led by ABSI Penlei, 15th NAP (IR) Mahila Battalion led by ABSI Vevolotu Curhah, Excise Directorate led by AIE Teisovizo Kense, Nagaland Home Guards led by ABSI Viboto H. Sumi, Ex-Servicemen led by Honorary Captain, Chembise Sangtam, Christian Higher Secondary School led by Pongwang, Zakiesato Memorial Higher Secondary School led by Priyojit, Neigulie Memorial High School led by Tanvir Rahman, 43rd Assam Rifles Band Platoon led by Havildar N. Adhikari. The march past was led by Parade Commander Zareni Yanthan (Probationer), NPS, assisted by second in command Solo Kath, ABI, Dimapur Police Commissionerate, and Parade BHM, Havildar Khekato Sema.

Students of Shri Digamber Jain Higher Secondary School and Pranab Vidyapith Higher Secondary School presented patriotic songs. Traditional dances were presented by the Sumi and Garo Cultural Troupes. Minister C. L. John also inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by various departments. The day concluded with a prize distribution ceremony for the best-performing contingents and beating of retreat led by the 43rd Assam Rifles Band Platoon.

MOKOKCHUNG:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung on 26th January 2025 with Deputy Chief Minister and Minister in-charge of Home and Border Affairs, Nagaland, Yanthungo Patton unfurling the national flag and delivering the Republic Day speech.

Altogether, nine contingents comprising

of DEF Mokokchung, 2nd NAP, 13 IRB, Home Ex-Servicemen, NCC MGHSS, Bharat Scouts & Guides and Pipe Band (2nd NAP) took part in the march past with Assistant Commandant, 2nd NAP Battalion, Alichen, Medemkala Tzudir as the Parade Commander and ABI, DEF Mokokchung, K. Meren Jamir as second in-command.

Other highlights of the programme include cultural presentation by Aosungkum Cultural Club, Mokokchung village and Longsalong Cultural Club, Mokokchung. The Deputy Chief Minister also inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by Agriculture Department, SARS Yisemyong, ATMA, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department, Cooperation Department, Horticulture Department, District Rural Development Agency, Mokokchung District Legal Service Authority, Land Resources Department, District Industries Centre and Health & Family Welfare Department.

the evening programme, exhibition football match and penalty shootout (ladies) were played between Agri & Allied Departments & Engineering Wing Department and Rest of the departments.

Mangkolemba Sub-division. Mokokchung commemorated the 76th Republic Day at the Public Ground on 26th January 2025, with ADC, Moakumzuk Tzudir as the special guest. Tuli under Mokokchung district also celebrated the 76th Republic Day at ADC's Office Complex with ADC, Tuli, Relise Sangtam unfurling the national flag and taking the rashtriya salute.

MON:

Advisor, Law & Justice, Land Revenue, T. N. Mannen graced the 76th Republic Day celebration 2025 at Mon Local Ground as the special guest.

The Advisor unfurled the national flag and inspected the parade contingents.

He addressed the public with Republic Day message which was followed by the ceremonial march past comprising of ten contingents, namely 6th NAP, Tizit, DEF Mon, Village Guards, Ex-Servicemen, Wangkhao Government College, Mon, Mon Vale College, GHSS, Mon Town-A, St. John Higher Secondary School (Boys), St. John Higher Secondary School (Girls) and 6th NAP Pipe Band. H. Pongloi, SDPO Tizit was the Parade Commander.

Advisor T. N. Manen also inaugurated the stalls set up by different departments and societies. Inter-ward Mon Town Best Christmas Decoration 2024 was awarded to Shantham ward, while Thamnan ward and Wagim Ward bagged 2nd and 3rd positions respectively. Highlights of the programme include cultural dance by Chen Area Nokten Union Mon Town and Shamnyu Ward, and Patriotic Songs by Samuel Konyak.

As part of the celebration, in the evening, an exhibition football match was played between DPDB XI and CSOs XI, with DPDB XI emerging as the winner. Deputy Commissioner, Mon, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS was the Match Patron. There was a display of band followed by 'Beating of Retreat' ceremony by 6th NAP Pipe Band.

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at ADC's Office Complex, Tizit, Mon on 26th January 2025 with ADC, Tizit, Zhoi Lohe as the special guest. Wakching under Mon district observed the 76th Republic Day with SDO(C), Wakching, S. Longnyei Konyak unfurling the national flag and taking the rashtriya salute from Nagaland Police. The 76th Republic Day was also celebrated at the Local Ground, Aboi, Mon with ADC, Phuleshe K Yepthomi as the chief guest. Tobu under Mon district also observed the 76th Republic Day with Shaying Sheu, ADC, Tobu as the chief guest.

NOKLAK:

Advisor, Treasuries & Accounts and Art & Culture, K. Konngam Konyak unfurled the national flag at Public Ground, Noklak Hq. on 26th January 2025 during the 76th Republic Day celebration. He took the rashtriya salute from nine parade contingents, namely 3rd NAP Noklak, Village Guards Yokao, Village Guards New Pangsha, GHSS Noklak, GHS Noklak, Christian High School, Noklak, St. Paul School Noklak, Holy Angel School Noklak and Assam Rifles Pipe Band, led by Assistant Commandant, 3rd NAP, Noklak, Tianungba Ao and second in command, ABSI Pengthong T. Parade review was carried out by Superintendent of Police Noklak, Thipuzhoyi.

Advisor Konngam also gave away the prizes to the meritorious girl students of HSLC & HSSLC Examinations 2023 and 2024 under Noklak district, in commemoration of 10 years of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP). The awardees are Choin M of GHS Noklak and Chongtie P of GHSS Noklak.

The Advisor also inaugurated the exhibition stalls which were set up by various government departments, Noklak District Handloom & Handicrafts Council and Self-Help Groups.

PEREN:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Deputy Commissioner's Office Complex, Peren on 26th January 2025.

The celebration began with unfurling of the national flag by the Minister of Public Health Engineering and Co-operation, N. Jacob Zhimomi, who also took the rashtriya salute from the parade contingents comprising of DEF, Peren, 9th NAP (IR), Saijang, Sainik School, Punglwa, All Saints Higher Secondary School, Peren, Peren Government College, Peren and Jawahar

Navodaya Vidyalaya, Jalukie, and led by SDPO, Jalukie, Disani Newmai as the Commander and ABI, Abi Viloto S. Chishi as second in-command, ASI, RampouGuing as the Platoon Commander.

Vibrant display of cultural presentation by Rongmei Cultural Troupe, Drum Ensemble by PM Shri Government High School, DC Colony Peren and a special presentation by Pauramdibe Mpom and Kenlumyile Ngia marked the highlights of the celebration. The special guest also inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by various Agri & Allied Departments and Self-Help Groups.

In Jalukie town under Peren district, ADC, Jalukie, T. L. Kiusumong Tikhir was the special guest during the 76th Republic Day on 26th January 2025. The 76th Republic Day was also celebrated at Local Ground, Tening town, Peren with ADC, Tening, K. Furhesie Nyuwi as the special guest.

TUENSANG:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Tuensang with Minister, Women Resource Development and Horticulture, Salhoutuonuo Kruse as the special guest on 26th January 2025 at Parade Ground, Tuensang.

The Minister unfurled the national flag and took the rashtriya salute from eight parade contingents comprising of DEF Tuensang, 3rd NAP Tuensang, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Village Guards, Tuensang, Village Ex-Servicemen, NCC, Sao Chang College, Saramati Scouts and Guides and 3rd NAP and Hauhyang Chuba Pipe Band, and led by Parade Commander, Hoping Chang, Dy. SP (Reserve). She also delivered the Republic Day speech.

Other highlights of the day were special presentation by Tuensang District

Taekwondo Association, Dog Show by the 29 Assam Rifles Tuensang, and cultural presentation by Changen Cultural Club, Sangli Cultural Troupe, Khiamniungan Cultural Club, Kemifu Club and Tikhir Liujong Pia Lui Dancing Troupe. Minister Salhoutuonuo also Kruse inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by various departments and organisations.

At Noksen under Tuensang district, the 76th Republic Day was observed on 26th January 2025 with SDO (C) Noksen, C. Phuniang as the special guest. Longkhim under Tuensang district also celebrated the 76th Republic Day at ADC's Office, graced by ADC, Anoka H Assumi as the special guest.

ZUNHEBOTO:

In Zunheboto, the 76th Republic Day was celebrated with Advisor for Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu as the special guest on 26th January 2025 at Local Ground, Zunheboto.

The special guest unfurled the national flag and took rastriya salute from the eight contingents, led by Parade Commander, Assistant Commandant, Nisazolie Zutso and ABI, Sihu Angami with Parade CHM, Honizhe Aye.

The highlights of the programme include a special number by Kihikali H. Zhimo, a folk song by the Department of Art & Culture, and an exhibition football match between DPDB XI and NGOs XI.

Aghunato Headquarter under Zunheboto district celebrated the 76th Republic Day celebration at ADC's Office on 26th January 2025 with ADC, Aghunato, D. Robin as the special guest. The 76th Republic Day was also celebrated at the office compound of the ADC, Atoizu, Zunheboto with Chief Guest, ADC, Atoizu, Nukutulu S. Venuh as the special guest. Pughoboto Sub-division under Zunheboto district also observed the 76th Republic Day at the Office of the ADC, Pughoboto with ADC, Pughoboto, Tiameren Chang as the guest of honour.

KIPHIRE:

Kiphire celebrated the 76th Republic Day on 26th January 2025 at the Local Ground Advisor. Agriculture, with Mhathung Yanthan as the special guest.

Yanthan Mhathung unfurled national flag, read out the Republic Day speech and took the rashtriya salute from



ADC, Aghunato, D. Robin taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration held at Aghunato on 26th January 2025.

six contingents led by Parade Commander, Assistant Commandant, E Company, 3rd NAP Kiphire and Pipe Band from 41 Assam Rifles Kiphire. The parade was reviewed by Superintendent of Police, Kiphire.

Yanthan also inaugurated and inspected the exhibition stalls set up by various government agencies and Self-Help-Groups (SHG). Other highlights of the programme were presentation of 'Vande Mataram' by Ase Jasmine, and 'India Waale' by Alvin Mongzar. Folk songs were presented by Sumi Totimi Kiphire, Tikhir Women Union Kiphire Town and a folk dance was presented by Kiphire Village Khudi Nyuchiru Mulung.

An exhibition volleyball match was played between Langzanger village and Kiphire village, Kisetong village and Longthonger village. Beating of retreat was presented by DEF Kiphire.

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at the ADC HQ. Office Complex, Seyochung, Kiphire on 26th January 2025 with ADC, Seyochung, Imsenperong as the special guest. Pungro under Kiphire district also celebrated the 76th Republic Day 2025 at the Public Ground with chief guest, S. Kiusumew

Yimchunger, Advisor, Fire & Emergency Services, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Relief & Rehabilitation unfurling the national flag and inspecting the parade contingents.

WOKHA:

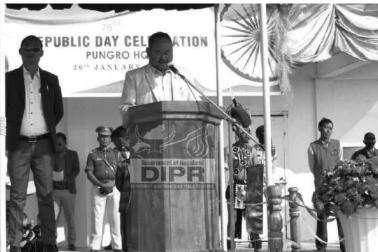
The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Local Ground, Wokha on 26th January 2025 with Minister for Roads & Bridges, G. Kaito Aye as the special guest, who unfurled the national flag, took the rashtriya salute and inspected the parade contingents.

Seven parade contingents took part in the ceremonial march. Cultural performances were presented by the Wokha Town Longsa Women Cultural Troupe, Wokha Town Akuk Cultural Club, and One Act Play by Santsuo School, Wokha.

The special guest inaugurated the exhibition stalls which were set up by various government departments and self-help groups from the district.

Bhandari Sub-division, Wokha district celebrated the 76th Republic Day on 26th January 2025 at the Public Sports Ground. ADC, Bhandari, Longasen Lotha unfurled the national flag as the chief guest.





Advisor for Fire & Emergency Services, Home Guards & Civil Defence, S. Kiusumew Yimchunger delivering the 76th Republic Day speech at Pungro on 26th January 2025.

PHEK:

Advisor for Transport and Technical Education, Temjenmenba graced occasion of the 76th Republic Day held at Local Ground, Phek Headquarter, on 26th January 2025 as special guest.

Advisor Temjenmenba unfurled the national flag and delivered the 76th Republic Day speech. He also inspected the parade contingents and also took the rashtriya salute from five parade contingents, namely DEF Phek, 5th NAP Battalion Phek, 39 Assam Rifles Phek, Home Guards and NCC, led by Parade Commander, Assistant Commandant, Vedehu Theluo, NPS, 5th NAP Phek, Secondin-Command, ABI, Keviletuo Soliezuo of DEF Phek, and Parade CHM, Havildar C. Chonbenthung Tungoe of DEF Phek.

The special guest also inaugurated the exhibition stalls put up by various departments. Highlights of the celebration programme were indigenous presented by Vesulu Tetseo & Shezovolu Chizo, felicitation of women and girls local champions in different disciplines by the District Hub for Empowerment of Women

(DHEW) Phek, special performance by Kukhruno Khamo, and a cultural dance by Bible Hill Ward.

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Chozuba under Phek district with ADC, Chozuba, Dr. Diana Patton as the special guest at GA Rest House, Chozuba, Phek on 26th January 2025. The 76th Republic Day was also observed at ADC's Office, Pfutsero under Phek district with ADC, Pfutsero, Mhalo Humtsoe as the special guest.

NIULAND:

Niuland celebrated the 76th Republic Day celebrations at the Public Ground on 26th January 2025 with Deputy Chief Minister and Minister in-charge of Planning & Transformation and National Highways, Nagaland, T. R. Zeliang as the special guest.

The event commenced with unfurling of the national flag by T. R. Zeliang and inspection of the parade contingents. Highlights of the day include presentation of District Awards, recognizing individuals and organizations for their exemplary contributions to the district. A special



District Administration and other officials headed by ADC, Pfutsero, Mhalo Humtsoe during their visit to SMO's Office on the occasion of the 76th Republic Day on 26th January 2025.

performance was presented by Kupuka Chishi, TaFMA Ambassador for Niuland district, a cultural folk song was presented by the women of Niuland town, while men from Tokishe village showcased a traditional folk dance, reflecting the region's rich cultural heritage.

The event also featured the inauguration of exhibition stalls by Deputy Chief Minister, T. R. Zeliang. At the evening programme, a tug-of-war match was played between the District Collector/DCP team and Heads of Offices. The celebrations concluded with the ceremonial beating of the retreat.

LONGLENG:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated in Longleng with Advisor, Tribal Affairs and Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi as the special guest on 26th January 2025 at the Public Play Ground.

The special guest unfurled the national flag and inspected the ceremonial parade contingents, delivered the Republic Day speech, and took the rashtriya salute from six parade contingents comprising of DEF Longleng, 12th NAP (IR) Chingtok, 12th NAP (IR) Band Party Chingtok, Village Guards, Bautung Government Higher Secondary School, Longleng, Yingli Government College, Longleng.

The special guest also inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by various departments. The highlights of the programme include Tug of war in 11 Wards and exhibition football match (DPDB 11 Vs CSOs, NGOs). The event culminated with beating of retreat by DEF, Longleng.

Tamlu Sub-division under Longleng district celebrated the 76th Republic Day at the Local Ground on 26th January 2025 with ADC, Tamlu, T. Lankonsen Tsanglao as the guest of honour.

TSEMINYU:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at RSA Ground, Tseminyu on 26th January 2025 with Minister for Housing and Mechanical Engineering, P. Bashangmongba Chang as the special guest.

Bashangmongba Chang unfurled the national flag and took the rashtriya salute



ADC, Tamlu, T. Lankonsen Tsanglao taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76^{th} Republic Day celebration at Tamlu on 26^{th} January 2025.

40 + THE WARRIOR

from the parade contingents comprising of 4th NAP (B Coy), GHSS-NCC, BHSS, DBS-NCC and Ex-Servicemen. He also delivered the Republic Day speech.

Other highlights of the day include cultural item presented by Terogvunyu Chupwe Tseminyu area. During the programme, the Minister also inaugurated the exhibition stalls set up by various departments under Tseminyu district. This was followed by the beating of retreat by 4th NAP (B Coy), Tseminyu.

CHUMOUKEDIMA:

On the auspicious day of the 76th Republic Day, the district administration of Chumoukedima district marked the day with great enthusiasm on 26th January 2025 at Sammogooting Stadium, DC Complex, Chumoukedima.

On arrival, Minister, Higher Education and Tourism, Temjen Imna Along unfurled the national flag and inspected the parade contingents, namely 15th NAP, 22 Assam Rifles, 15th Mahila IR, Ex-Servicemen, Patkai Army Wing, Patkai Air Wing, Tetso College and GHSS Chumoukedima. The parade commander of the march past was Ekant Jain, IPS and Parade Second in-command was Kahito, ABI, 15th NAP. The Minister also delivered the Republic Day address.

To mark the day, cultural presentation of folk dance and songs were presented by Kuki Cultural Troupe, Kachari Cultural Troupe, Lotha Cultural Troupe, Sumi Cultural Troupe, Chakhesang Cultural Troupe, Gorkha Cultural Troupe and Sangtam Cultural Troupe. Special presentations were also presented by Hebron Higher Secondary School, Sovima, followed by inauguration of exhibition stalls by Minister Temjen Imna Along. The day ended with beating of retreat by 22 AR, Medziphema.

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at ADC's Office Complex, Medziphema Subdivision under Chumoukedima district on 26th January 2025 with ADC, Medziphema, P. James Swu gracing the occasion as the chief guest.

MELURI:

At Meluri, the 76th Republic Day was celebrated on 26th January 2025 at the Public Ground with Advisor, New & Renewable Energy and Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe as the special guest.

Nyuthe unfurled the national flag and took the rashtriya salute from the parade contingents comprising of St. Xavier Higher Secondary School, Meluri, Christian Mission Higher Secondary School Meluri, VGs of Meluri and Akhegwo and VGs Pipe Band of Meluri, led by ABSI Nungsang Chuba as the parade commander and parade second- in command, Hav. Pongrhong Konyak.

The special guest also visited the various exhibition stalls displayed various departments and organisations. The highlights of the day include cultural dance by male and female cultural troupe of Meluri Area Public Organisation .

SHAMATOR:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated at Public Ground, Shamator on 26th January 2025 with Advisor, Minority Affairs and Sericulture, Imkongmar as the special guest.

The special guest unfurled the national flag, took rashtriya salute from six parade contingents and delivered the Republic Day speech.

Taekwondo Demonstration was presented by the Shamator District Taekwondo Association. Cultural presentation were performed by Mongtsüwong Cultural Troupe, Shamator town, Thopün Cultural Troupe, Shamator town, and Shamator Village Cultural Troupe. Advisor Imkongmar also inaugurated the exhibition stalls which were set up by various departments.

In the evening programme, there was an exhibition cricket match between DPDB Vs. 14th AR XI, and an exhibition football match between DC XI Vs. All Wards XI. The 76th Republic Day celebration programme culminated with the beating of retreat by 14th AR Shamator.

NAGALAND HOUSE, NEW DELHI:

The 76th Republic Day was celebrated with Resident Commissioner, Nagaland House (NH), New Delhi, Wennyei Konyak unfurling the national flag at NH, 29 Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi on 26th January 2025. Senior officers, staff of Nagaland House along with children were present during the celebration.

Resident Commissioner, Wennyei Konyak greeting the gathering on the special occasion, encouraged all the officers and staff of NH, New Delhi to give their best in their job and called for all to be efficient in their assigned duties.



Resident Commissioner, Wennyei Konyak along with senior officers, staff and others during the 76th Republic Day celebration at NH, New Delhi on 26th January 2025.

76th REPUBLIC DAY 2025 AWARDEES

On the occasion of 76th Republic Day 2025 celebration, various awards were given out by the Governor, Nagaland, La. Ganesan during the Republic Day celebration at the Secretariat Plaza, Kohima. The list of the awardees are as follows:

President's Medal for Distinguished Service (Police) announced on the occasion of 76th Republic Day celebrations 2025:

1. Imtiakum Pongen, Assistant Commandant.

President's Medal for Distinguished Service (Awarded):

- Rupin Sharma, IPS, Director General of Police, Nagaland as announced on Republic Day 2024.
- T. Tsenpemo Kikon, NPS, Assistant Commandant, 15th NAP(IR)Bn. as announced on Independence Day 2023.

Police Medal for Meritorious Service announced on the occasion of 76th Republic Day celebrations 2025:

- 1. Shouka Kakheto, Deputy Commandant.
- 2. Zasilie Angami, Sub-Inspector.
- 3. Metseirovi Sakhrie, Naik.

Police Medal for Meritorious Service (Awarded):

- 1. Sonia Singh, IPS, IGP (Vigilance) as announced on Independence Day 2023.
- 2. T.Y. Ngullie, NPS, Commandant, 11th (IR) Bn. as announced on Independence Day 2023.
- 3. Peter Shuya, SDPO, Meluri, DEF Phek as announced on Republic Day 2024.
- 4. Toshimongba Imchen, ABSI, 9th NAP (IR) Bn. as announced on Republic Day 2024.
- 5. Archer Phyobemo, ABSI, Int. Estt. as announced on Republic Day 2024.

Awardees of Governor's Gold Medal announced on the occasion of 76th Republic Day celebration 2025:

- 1. Suman Shivashankar Sivachar, IFS. Divisional Forest Officer, Wokha.
- 2. Tsutsowe Kupa, NCS, Under Secretary, State Election Commission.
- 3. Lanuchuba Longchar, NPS, Assistant Commandant, 12th NAP (IR)Bn.

List of Awardees of Governor's Commendation Certificate awarded on the occasion of 76th Republic Day celebrations 2025:

- 1. Dr. Hentok Phom, Joint Director & Nodal Officer, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland House New Delhi.
- 2. Dr. Vezokholu Theyo, Joint Director, Department of Health & Family Welfare.
- 3. Dr. Kevizakie Rio, Deputy Director, Department of School Education.
- 4. Takatemjen Pongen, NCS, EAC (HQ), Kiphire.
- 5. P.K. Wangpa Konyak, Assistant Commandant (VG) Mon.
- 6. Akoba T. Sangtam, ABSI, 3rd NAP Bn.
- 7. Siezo Zumu, ASI, INT Estt.
- 8. Thungchanbemo Lotha, Technical Supervisor, Department of Information & Public Relations.
- 9. Tsanthungo Lotha, Head Warden, District Jail, Wokha.
- 10. Y. Isawoto Jimo, Head GB, Nikhekhu Village, Niuland District
- 11. Krishna Mandal, Sectional Assistant, Nazarat Branch, Home Branch.
- 12. Y. Pongba Konyak, Burma Camp, Dimapur, Act of Bravery.

GOVERNOR LAUNCHES CM MOBILE OPERATION THEATRE DURING THE 76th REPUBLIC DAY AT KOHIMA

The Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan launched the Chief Minister's Mobile Operation Theatre during the celebration of the 76th Republic Day at Kohima, in the presence of Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio and Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS on 26th January 2025.

The Chief Minister's Mobile Operation Theatre has been established to deliver advanced surgical and healthcare services to rural and remote areas of Nagaland. Equipped with state-of-the-art keyhole surgery capabilities, this initiative aims to enhance access to specialized medical care, promote health equity, and reduce healthcare disparities in underserved regions.

The facility features a fully equipped mobile surgical unit, portable diagnostic tools such as ultrasound, X-ray, endoscopy, and blood testing equipment, with instruments for minimally invasive surgeries. A dedicated medical team from



Governor, La Ganesan in the presence of Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio flaging-off the CM's Mobile Operation Theatre on the occasion of the 76^{th} Republic Day at Kohima on 26^{th} January 2025.

Kohima Hospital, supported by doctors from both private and government healthcare establishments who are committed to serving underprivileged communities, will ensure the delivery of high-quality healthcare services directly to the doorstep of those in need. The Mobile Operation Theatre not only provides life-saving interventions but also serves as a model for innovative healthcare delivery, effectively bridging the gap between urban medical facilities and the healthcare needs of remote populations.

CAMPAIGN FOR ELIMINATION ON TUBERCULOSIS BY 2025

A meeting with AHoDs and HoDs on 100-Days TB campaign in collaboration with all line departments of Nagaland for eliminating TB with the theme 'TB Mukt Bharat' was held at the Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima on 27th January 2025.

Chief Secretary, Dr. J Alam, IAS while giving his opening remarks, said the 100 Day TB Elimination campaign has been launched by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi and this has been going on across the country. He said altogether, 347 districts were selected across the country, out of which, three districts namely Kohima, Mon and Wokha which are considered to be high incidence districts, are included for campaign in Nagaland.

Alam called on all the line departments for intensive outreach and awareness actions

required for the campaign to be successful. He also requested all the Deputy Commissioners to have proper review meetings and involve all the civil societies, church leaders and other influential people in the committee to devise strategies for successful campaign and to achieve the targeted outcomes.

Commission & Secretary, H&FW, Anoop Khinchi, IAS also speaking at the meeting, said that TB remains India's biggest public health challenge and causes the largest number of deaths among all infectious diseases. He stated that Nagaland has about 3843 TB patients and across the country, an estimated of 28 lakhs new cases occurs annually contributing to 26% of global burden to poor section of society.

Anoop said that the stratified 100 Day Campaign was launched on 7^{th} December

2024 with an approach to reduce TB deaths and prevention of new TB cases. He added that the active participation of the community will not only help in spreading awareness but also accelerate fight against the stigma attached with it. He also urged all the line departments to support the nationwide campaign and focus on strengthening collaborative activities in elimination of TB in our state.

Chief Secretary, Dr. J. Alam, IAS administered the TB Mukt Bharat Pledge, and the State TB Officer, National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP), Dr. Vezokholu Theyo presented PowerPoint presentation on 100 Days Campaign overview on TB campaign.

DEPUTY CM, T. R. ZELIANG REVIEWS PROJECTS EXECUTED BY NHIDCL IN NAGALAND

Deputy Chief Minister, and Minister in-charge of Planning & Transformation and National Highways, T.R. Zeliang held a meeting with NHIDCL, led by the Executive Director (P) Kohima, Nagaland to review and discuss issues related to the projects executed by NHIDCL in Nagaland. The Deputy Commissioners of Chumoukedima, Phek and Meluri, ADC Jalukie representing DC's Office Peren and Revenue Officer from DC's Office Kohima were also in attendance.

A total of 19 issues on various stretches of road were flagged and discussed in detail for resolution. Out of 19 issues discussed, 15 were related to land acquisition for which the Deputy Chief Minister directed the respective District Administration to immediately resolve within the month of February and submit action taken report. Zeliang also asked the District Administration to seek the assistance of the GBs and Village Council Chairmen wherever required to expedite resolution of land acquisition issues.

The Deputy Chief Minister also noted the unsatisfactory slope protection measures in the Dimapur-Kohima four-lane road. In this regard, the contractor M/s Maccaferri brought to attention that there are some issues related to RoW as NHIDCL Office do not have the record of the initial RoW issued back in 2013-14. In this regard, the Deputy Chief Minister directed NHIDCL to get in touch with NHAI Office and find the record as it was NHAI who initially carried out the land acquisition prior to the coming of NHIDCL in the State.

In cases where damage compensation has been paid and received by landowners however not allowing contractors to carry out work with one or the other reason, the Deputy Chief Minister directed the District Administration to give one final notice for evacuation and demolition, and upon expiry of the notice period, to use whatever means possible to demolish the structures and give a clear RoW to the contractors to carry out the work. Deputy CM also commented that the majority of the people cannot be made to suffer due to vested interest of few, as good road connectivity is the most important sector for State to grow in all aspect.

The road projects discussed in the meeting are Peren-Dimapur - Pkg-II & V, Dimapur-Kohima-Pkg-I, II & III, Kohima Bypass- Pkg - I, II, III & IV, Kohima-Jessami - Pkg-II, III, IV & V, Akhegwo to Avangkhu - Pkg-I & II.

In conclusion, the Deputy Chief Minister asked the ED (P) Kohima to coordinate with his office and finalize the tour programme of the National Highways under NHIDCL at the earliest.

PEREN DPDB MEETING HELD

The Peren District Planning and Development Board meeting for 2025 was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, DPDB Peren, Hiazu Meru at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Peren at New District Headquarters, Peren on 6th January 2025.

The board discussed on the Green Peren initiative and encouraged the positive impact of the farmers and entrepreneurs of the district in the near future. The Deputy Commissioner apprised the members on reports in regard to the work process of National Highway in the district. He also called upon the officers to clear their respective office areas in order to prevent jungle fires during the dry season.

PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING HELD

conducted Pughoboto SDPDB first meeting for 2025 on 7th January 2025 alongside the Doyang River at Kitami village. The meeting was chaired by MLA & Chairman SDPDB Dr. Sukhato A. Sema and co-chaired by ADC & Vice Chairman SDPDB, Tiameren Chang.

The SDPDB discussed construction of multi-purpose farmer road from Amishi-Kiki to Hane River which will serve the interests of Kitami village as well as the adjoining villages under Pughoboto sub-division.

SDO, PHED, Er. Yekiho presented a presentation on the Status of Jal Jeevan Mission and Swacch Bharat Mission in Pughoboto sub-division.

After the SDPDB meeting, Dr. Sukhato A Sema inaugurated the Secondary Storage Structure under PMKSY-PDMC 2024-25 with the vision of extending the coverage of irrigation 'Har Khet Ko Pani' and improving water use efficiency under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), Kitami Village under Zunheboto district in the presence of ADC, Pughoboto, Tiameren Chang and SDAO, Kitoho Michael Swu on 7th January 2025.

CO-ORDINATION MEETING HELD AT BHANDARI

The **Sub-Divisional** Planning and Development Board (SDPDB), Bhandari held its monthly co-ordination meeting at GA Summer House on 7th January 2025, under the chairmanship of MLA & Chairman of SDPDB, Bhandari, Achumbemo Kikon.

In his short address, Achumbemo Kikon urged the members to rededicate themselves in their assigned duties and responsibilities for the betterment and development of the society.

The meeting discussed on the proposal for the construction of Sub-Divisional Office complex Bhandari, where the landowner has agreed and resolved to give the required land to the Government of Nagaland as per Government prescribed rate and legal agreement shall be made after the selection of suitable land by the Government.

The board deliberated on the proposal made by SDEO Bhandari for revocation of downgrading GMS Yampha to GPS, which was agreed upon and forwarded to higher authority.

SDO (Electrical), Sanis highlighted on the activities and initiatives taken by the Department under the sub-division.

46 + THE WARRIOR

KVSU HOLDS GENERAL CONFERENCE -CUM-SACHÜ SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Kohima Village Students' Union held its General Conference-cum-Sachü Scholarship Award under the theme "Future Forward: Enroute to 100" with Director, Information & Public Relations, Dzüvinuo Theünuo as the theme speaker at Kohima Village Council Hall, Kohima on 8th January 2025.

Speaking on the theme, Dzüvinuo Theünuo lauded the KVSU for coming up with a 15 years' vision plan for the Union's 100th anniversary since it has already attained 85 years of its inception. She exhorted that today's students would be shouldering the roles and responsibilities of KVSU during the time of its 100th anniversary, and urged everyone to put their best efforts in their endeavours and look forward to the occasion.

The Union belongs to everyone - the past, the present, and the future so everyone can be part and parcel of the Union's activities and initiatives for the welfare and

well-being of the village as a whole, Theünuo said. She described the students' union as the union which oversees the Human Resource Development, wherein, upliftment and management of people in the right way is the paramount. She said that Human Resource Development does not mean striving in education sector alone, it also means to put our best efforts in whatever we do for the betterment of our people.

On the occasion, Theünuo also stressed on the enhancement of economy and climate change, and the importance of keeping our land sustainable despite of the situational challenges faced by the present-day society. The real meaning of life is fulfilled by someone who helps others as 'Service to others provides its own rewards,' she said. She urged the KVSU to uphold its motto 'March for the better,' and reminded them with a maxim 'Well done is better than well said.'



Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo and others at the General Conference of the Kohima Village Students' Union at Kohima Village Council Hall on 8^{th} January 2025.

On the topic "Leadership: Roles and Responsibilities," Former KVSU President, Keneingu Rutsa said that a leader is someone who has the ability to guide and influence others to achieve common goals. He added a leader should have the ability to delegate works to others on the basis of ability and talent, and should also know when and how to guide, encourage and motivate his fellow colleagues.

The 2nd Edition of Sachü Scholarship Award sponsored by Vikuonuo Sachü, former Miss Nagaland 2019 and founder of Mericulum Society, Noklak was given. The new KVSU team 2025-2027 will be led by Khriesaneikuo Kire as President and Kiyakhrienuo Solo as General Secretary.

36th GENERAL SESSION OF CHESSORE AREA GAONBURAS' ASSOCIATION HELD

The 36th General Session of Chessore Area Gaonburas' Association was held at Y. Anner village, Shamator on 10th January 2025 under the theme "Kingdom is the rock of foundation" with Richard Yimto, Retd. IPS & IGP as chief guest.

Yimto in his address thanked all the GBs for keeping the tradition alive, preserving the legacies of our beautiful forefathers' administration system, our culture and as a guardian of the village. Referring to the theme of the association, he exhorted that the village chief should know God and with His guidance, the village chief should discharge his duties through fair means.

Earlier, short speeches were delivered by Kiumukam, President of Shamator Area Ganburas' Association and Lakiumong, President of Yimkhiung Gaonburas' Association.

WOKHA DPDB APPROVES FOR CELEBRATION OF BANANA FESTIVAL

Wokha District **Planning** and Development Board meeting was held on 10th January 2025, where the Board approved for celebrating Banana Festival in the district as an annual event.

Deputy Commissioner, Wokha, Vineet Kumar IAS who is also the Vice Chairman, DPDB Wokha informed that the date for the Banana festival to be held this year will be finalized, after getting feedback from the farmers and Horticulture Department.

Oueried on the status of banana plantation at Wokha district by MLA and Vice-Chairman, DPDB Wokha, Y. Mhonbemo Humtsoe, the Horticulture Officer, Wokha informed the Board that presently, around 863 hectares of land are under banana cultivation with both commercial and local variety. He further said that Banana is grown in all the three regions (upper, lower and middle) of Wokha district whole year round.

During the meeting, the board recommended the proposal for creation of Health Sub-Centre at Nitsuyan village. OC, Fire, Francis Singsit highlighted on fire safety preparedness.

DUNCAN BOSTI CELEBRATES 75 YEARS OF COMMUNITY, UNITY, AND LEGACY

Duncan Bosti, one of the prominent localities in Dimapur, celebrated its 75th Anniversary under the theme "75 Years of Community, Unity & Legacy" at the Multi-Purpose Hall, Dimapur Ao Baptist Arogo (DABA), Duncan Bosti, Dimapur on 11th January 2025.

The event was graced by Yanthungo Patton, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister in-charge of Home and Border Affairsas the Special Guest and Imkong L. Imchen, Advisor Information & Public Relations, Soil &Water Conservation, along with R. H. Duncan Lyngdoh, Retired Professor, North-Eastern Hill University, as Guests of Honour.

Speaking on the occasion, Yanthungo Patton congratulated the residents of Duncan Bosti for their unity and progress over the years. He urged the community to continue fostering peace and inclusivity while striving for further development. He emphasized the importance of preserving the legacy built over the last 75 years and passing it on to future generations. Patton praised the unity and respect that Duncan Bosti has earned over the years, attributing it to the sacrifices made by the elders. He acknowledged the diversity of the community, with settlers from mixed tribes living harmoniously, setting an example for others.

Imkong L. Imchen, in his address, highlighted the significance of Duncan Bosti as a model community and praised the resilience and hard work of its residents and delivered an inspiring speech reflecting on the rich history, resilience, and contributions of Duncan Bosti. He highlighted the community's role in fostering unity, cultural heritage, and progress over the decades.

R. H. Duncan Lyngdoh expressed his appreciation for the unity and vision of the community, encouraging the younger generation to build upon the foundation laid by their predecessors. Lyngdoh recounted the vision and determination of the founders who laid the foundation for what has become a vibrant and thriving community. "Duncan Bosti was born out of a shared dream-of building a place rooted in unity, respect, and progress. Its creation symbolizes the hard work and dedication of our ancestors, who faced challenges with courage and determination," Lyngdoh He stated. elaborated on the history of the settlement, tracing its origins to a time when a handful of families came together to build a community based on cooperation and mutual support. Over the years, Duncan Bosti has grown into a symbol of resilience and harmony, preserving its cultural heritage while embracing modern development.

The programme commenced with a silent tribute to departed souls, followed by an invocation by Dr. Alem, Associate Pastor of Sangtam Baptist Church Duncan. W. Yanthan, Chairman of Duncan Bosti Council, delivered the introductory statement, highlighting the locality's journey since its inception in 1950. Rev. Kika Jamir of DABA led a prayer for the 75th Anniversary.

A commemorative plaque was unveiled by the Special Guest, Yanthungo Patton, to mark this historic milestone. The celebration also featured a special number by local groups Melophilia and Longrotchü, alongside the release of a souvenir documenting the locality's legacy. The program featured traditional dances, cultural performances, and an exhibition showcasing the evolution of Duncan Bosti over the years. Local leaders also paid tribute to the elders and founders who laid the foundation for the community's growth and prosperity.

WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS UNNATI 2024 AND EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES IN MOKOKCHUNG

A District Level Awareness Workshop the Utter Poorva Transformative Industrialization Scheme (UNNATI 2024) and Export Awareness was successfully organized by the Department of Industries & Commerce at Sangtemla Multipurpose Hall, Mokokchung on 14th January 2024. The workshop was graced by Thsuvisie Phoji, Deputy Commissioner of Mokokchung, as the special guest.

In her welcome address, General Manager of District Industries Centre (DIC) Mokokchung, B. Asangla highlighted the challenges in Nagaland's Industrial Development, citing infrastructural deficits as a significant barrier to progress. She described the UNNATI 2024 scheme, which targets industrial growth and economic development in the northeastern states, and aims to foster entrepreneurship as a driver of growth. Asangla underscored the need for awareness to breach existing gaps and encourage broader participation in economic activities.

Special guest, DC, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji in his keynote address, acknowledged the unique challenges faced by entrepreneurs in Nagaland, such as geographical isolation and infrastructure constraints, which have historically hindered the implementation of national-level schemes. He emphasized that UNNATI 2024 is tailored for the Northeast, urging participation to leverage its benefits. Phoji stressed the transformative potential of the scheme in promoting entrepreneurship and improving the district and state's economic standing.

The workshop included a presentation on export procedures and documentation by Renbenthung Kikon, Inspector, DIC, Mokokchung, and a session on the DAK Niryat Kendra by I. Narola Jamir from the Post Office, Alichen. Nongsheba Lamliu, Functional Manager, DIC, Mokokchung elaborated on the benefits and opportunities under the UNNATI 2024 scheme.



DC, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji with the officials from Department of Industries & Commerce at Sangtemla Multipurpose Hall, Mokokchung on 14th January 2025.

DPDB KOHIMA HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) Kohima convened the monthly meeting at the DPDB Hall on 15th January 2025 with its Chairman, Dr. Tseilhoutuo Rhutso, MLA, and Vice- Chairman, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Kohima.

DC, Ramnikant reviewed the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting and welcomed three new Board members, including Superintendent of Police, Kohima, Teisovise Metha, IPS. He also emphasized the importance of staff attendance of Kohima district offices at the upcoming Republic Day celebration.

Addressing the agenda, MLA Rhutso spoke on the need for construction of the Link Road at JNV Yakouke, Kohima, citing the requirement for proper security fencing of the JNV as the current footpath traverses the school premises. The Board agreed to

forward the proposal for further action.

The MLA urged district officers to present both challenges and success stories in their departmental PowerPoint presentations during DPDB meetings, where he emphasized synergy among departments for efficient project execution.

Er. Obed Natso, Executive Engineer of the Water Resource Department (WRD), Kohima Division delivered a detailed presentation. He outlined the department's initiatives, including PMKSY-HKKP, NFC projects, and the National Hydrology Project, aimed at enhancing irrigation potential and water resource management. Natso highlighted challenges such as calamities, site accessibility, manpower shortages, and tight project timelines. He elaborated on the district's implementation of the Jal Shakti Abhiyan, "Catch the Rain," in alignment with the Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari initiative.

DISTRICT LEVEL IMPLEMENTATION-CUM-MONITORING COMMITTEE MEETING FOR CMMFI HELD AT WOKHA

The District Level Implementationcum-Monitoring Committee (DLIMC) for Chief Minister's Micro Finance Initiative (CMMFI) meeting was convened on 15th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha.

The meeting chaired by DC,Wokha, Vineet Kumar IAS, focused on the updates, rules, and guidelines of CMMFI 2.0. The session saw comprehensive discussions among stakeholders, including officials from banks and government departments.

Skill Coordinator, District Administration, Anuranjan Singh delivered a PowerPoint presentation detailing the criteria, processes, procedures, and required documents for beneficiaries, as well as the sanctioned amounts under different schemes.

DC, Vineet Kumar addressed various issues and problems associated with applicants and concerned departments. He emphasized the importance of processing and approving only genuine applications to ensure the successful implementation of the schemes. Additionally, he directed that an awareness drive and general information be circulated to the public to achieve and celebrate success stories from the district.

According to the data provided by the banks, as of 15th January 2025, a total of 226 applications were received. Out of these, 80 were sanctioned, 85 were rejected, 42 were withdrawn, and 19 are currently under process.

WORKSHOP ON CAPACITY BUILDING FOR PREPARATION OF CADRE OF PROFESSIONAL PAPER SETTERS HELD

Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) in collaboration with Performance Assessment, Review, and Analysis Knowledge for Holistic Development (PARAKH), NCERT, New Delhi, organised a three-day workshop on "Capacity Building for Preparation of Cadre of Professional Paper Setters" for Mathematics and Science teachers at AIDA Training Centre, Don Bosco Campus, Dimapur, for the districts of Dimapur, Chümoukedima, Niuland, Peren and Mon districts from 13th to 15th January 2025. Altogether, 49 Mathematics teachers and 44 Science teachers participated.

The resource persons for the first two days were Abhishek Kariwal, Co-founder of Open Door Education and Kamal Gurnani, Open Door Education.

The **NEP** 2020 emphasizes the importance of moving away from rote learning and fostering learning through conceptual understanding. A key

in achieving this shift is the inclusion of Competency-Based Questions (CBQs) in the curriculum. Unlike traditional questions, CBQs focus on assessing students' ability to apply their learning in new and unfamiliar contexts, treating each topic as a skill rather than just a set of information. The primary goal of these questions is to evaluate whether students can effectively use their knowledge and skills to solve real-world problems.

Resource persons for the third day were Priyanka Singh and Vivek Gupta from PARAKH, NCERT, New Delhi. They dwelled on "Question Paper Standardisation" on 15th January 2025. Some topics covered were the Equivalence of Boards Report results, Characteristics and Foundations of a Balanced Question Paper, Steps to develop a Balanced Question Paper, Preparation of Assessment Design and Question Paper Blueprint.



Workshop on 'Capacity building for preparation of cadre of professional paper setters' for Mathematics and Science teachers was held at AIDA Training Centre, Dimapur from 13th to 15th January 2024.

NIULAND DPDB MEETING HELD

The Niuland District Planning and Development Board meeting for January was held at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Niuland on 16th January 2025 under the chairmanship of DC and DPDB Vice Chairman, Sara S. Jamir.

The board reviewed the last meeting minutes and deliberated on construction of office building for Department of Land Resources, and opening of new Government Primary school at Hokuto Village, with the board approving the proposals. The board also approved and recommended for construction of slab culverts at Khuboto town. Horticulture Department gave a PowerPoint presentation where they highlighted the ongoing projects, schemes and achievements under the district.

ZUNHEBOTO DPDB MEETING HELD



DC, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali IAS addressing the DPDB meeting held at DC's Office, Zunheboto on 20th January 2025.

Zunheboto District Planning & Development Board meeting for the month of January was held under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Rahul Bhanudas Mali, IAS at DC's Office, Zunheboto on 20th January 2025.

For the progress and development of the district, the DC appealed to the Heads of Offices to set specific targets set for the year 2025. He also appealed to all the members to regularly attend the DPDB

meetings and to remain in their respective place of postings.

MOKOKCHUNG DPDB MEETING HELD

Mokokchung District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of January 2025 was held at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Mokokchung under the chairmanship of DC and Vice Chairman Mokokchung DPDB, Thsuvisie Phoji on 20th January 2025.

Initiating the meeting, the chairperson, while thanking all the Departments for their participation in the 2nd Cherry Blossom Festival at Longkhum village, further urged the members for continuous participation

in the said annual event to encourage the growth of the festival.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mokokchung, Chumlamo Humtsoe while informing the members about the successful completion of first batch of the Free Coaching Class for NPSC & NSSB intending candidates from the district which was initiated by Mokokchung DPDB, also informed that the registration for the coming year will commence from the month of March.

Superintendent of Police, Mokokchung,

Vesupra Kezo, explained to the board members about the implementation of 218 BNSS (CrPC) for the protection of Government employees.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

District Planning and Development Board Tuensang held its monthly meeting on 20th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Tuensang under the chairmanship of DC and Vice Chairman, DPDB Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa.

The Chairman reminded the board

members for collection of cash amount so as to contribute nutrition to the TB patients in the district. The DC also appealed to the Heads of Offices to be in their respective place of posting and discharge their duties for the service of the public.

PHEK DPDB MONTHLY MEETING

Phek District Planning & Development Board held its monthly meeting at DPDB Conference Hall, Phek on 21st January 2025.

A detailed PowerPoint presentation on formation of co-operative societies, district profile, status of co-operative societies, and the schemes viable for co-operative societies in the State was presented by ARCS, Phek, Department of Cooperation, Jacob Rengma.

Advisor for New & Renewable Energy & NSDMA and Chairman, DPDB Phek, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe also attended the meeting.

MEETING ON LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOLS PROJECT HELD

DIMAPUR:

A stakeholder consultation meeting of the District Committee for Lighthouse Schools (LCS) under the Nagaland Enhancing Classroom Teaching and Resources (NECTAR) Project was held in the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Dimapur on 21st January 2025.

The meeting, chaired by Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi highlighted the selection Chang, Dimapur Higher Secondary School. Nagarjan, Dimapur for the project. In his address, Chang welcomed members and



DC, Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang with Deputy Project Director, Avelu Ruho and participants of the District Committee meeting during the NEP-The Lighthouse Project under NECTAR at the DC's Office, Dimapur on 21st January 2025.

representatives, expressing optimism about the transformative impact of the initiative. He assured that full cooperation would be extended to ensure the project's successful implementation and timely completion.

Deputy **Project** Director. NEP-(NECTAR), Avelu Ruho explained that the Lighthouse Schools Project aims to improve governance, teaching practices, and learning environments in government schools. She emphasized the project's significance as the first World Bank-funded education initiative in Northeast India, highlighting key milestones such as its proposal in 2019, approval in 2020, and implementation starting in 2021. Ruho outlined key components, including system management improvements, teaching enhancements, and technical assistance, and urged stakeholders to actively support the initiative for its success.

Ruho also stressed that the project, funded by the World Bank for five years, seeks to address specific challenges in Nagaland's education system, such as enhancing school governance, improving teaching practices, and creating better learning environment.

Social Associate, Ransom Lungleng presented the environmental and social aspects of the project. The meeting also reviewed the layout plan for the school, including the academic block and hostels for boys and girls.

The meeting was attended by district heads and representatives from various civil society organizations.

TSEMINYU:

The Nagaland Education Project, the Lighthouse (NECTAR) under the Department of School Education convened a consultative meeting with the members of the Tseminyu District Committee for Lighthouse School under NECTAR project on 24th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Office, Tseminyu, with regard to the upcoming lighthouse school complex construction in the district.

DC, Tseminyu, Rohit Singh, IAS assuring that the district administration will give all support as when required, urged the committee to monitor the project from time to time. The DC also informed that there is no report of objection for the land and has no issues for the construction.

Deputy Project Director, Avelu Ruho explained the structure of the school complex and the availability of the site that was required for school activities. Asserting the current rural education situation in the state, she said that many started their early education from government school in rural areas. She therefore requested the community to support the construction of the school complex in the district, expected to be completed within 18 months.

WOKHA:

The District Committee for Lighthouse School (DCLS) under the NECTAR Project convened a meeting for stakeholder sensitization on 27th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha.

centered on the upcoming construction of the Light House Complex (LCS). Joint Secretary and Deputy Project Director of NEP-NECTAR, Avelü Ruho provided an overview of the project's inception, emphasizing its objective to enhance educational institutions in the state, particularly in government schools struggling to meet quality standards. This lack of infrastructure and education quality disproportionately affects children and students from rural parts of the state, hindering their access to quality knowledge and education. Government Higher Secondary School Wokha is selected as the center of excellence under the project.

Deputy Commissioner, Vineet Kumar assured attendees of the district administration's complete support addressing suggestions and queries related to the project.

Supported by the World Bank, the Department of School Education launched the 'Nagaland Education Project - The Lighthouse – (NECTAR)', aiming to improve the quality and learning outcomes of government schools in Nagaland. This is the first-ever World Bank-financed education project in the north-east region of India to be directly implemented by a state government.

The NEP-The Lighthouse project aims to revitalize the state's education system by providing greater opportunities for students and teachers to realize their potential. The project addresses significant challenges faced by Nagaland's education system, evidenced by declining student learning outcomes as measured by the National Achievement Surveys (NAS).

TSEMINYU DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly DPDB meeting Tseminyu was held on 21st January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall under the chairmanship of MLA & Chairman, DPDB, Tseminyu, Jwenga Seb. The meeting was presided by DC & Vice-Chairman, DPDB, Tseminyu Rohit Singh (IAS).

The meeting commenced with review of previous meeting minutes, where the board discussed proposal of acquisition of 500 acres of land for establishment of government departments under Tseminyu district and set up a committee headed by DC, EAC and Rengma Hoho President.

In connection with scarcity of water supply in the district, the board discussed for construction of Check Dams at various places in the district. The KVK and Social welfare departments presented their various departmental activities and achievements initiated in the district.

ONE DAY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN HELD AT TSEMINYU

PM Vishwakaram Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium enterprise organised a one-day awareness campaign at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Tseminyu on 22nd January 2025.

In his speech, DC, Tseminyu, Rohit Singh (IAS) said that Tseminyu district is lacking behind in development activities and urged the Village Council Chairman to verify the schemes, identify the beneficiaries and recommend the proposal at the earliest.

State Level Team Leader.PM Vishwakaram, Yithule Krichena briefing on awareness of PM Vishwakaram, said the schemes consists of three stages - the Village level, District level and State level, and the training will be held for seven days on skill development.

The programme was attended by all Village Council Chairmen, craftsman and artisans.

ICDS WOKHA OBSERVES NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY

The Social Welfare Department, Wokha ICDS Project marked the National Girl Child Day on 24th January 2025 with the theme "Empowering girls for a bright future." The celebration included visiting Anganwadi Centres throughout the district, where participants committed to protecting and promoting the welfare of girls.

CDPO Wokha, Renchano Odyuo, emphasized that the district has 124 Anganwadi Centres, organized into 32 clusters to ensure grassroot-level celebrations, and these activities were conducted as part of the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative.

The celebration featured a variety of engaging activities, including sweet races and modding competitions, with prizes sponsored by Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, awarded to the winners. Parents and children from various backgrounds participated, making the event a resounding success.

MINISTER SALHOUTUONUO VISITS ATOIZU HORTICULTURE FARM

Minister of Horticulture, Salhoutuonuo Kruse visited the Atoizu Horticulture Farm on 27th January 2025 to review its progress and initiatives.

During her visit, she engaged in discussions with Dr. Alongba Tzudir, District

Horticulture Officer, Zunheboto, on various horticulture-related activities in the region. The visit was attended by personnel from the District Administration, Police and Horticulture Department.

OATH TAKING CEREMONY OF NEWLY APPOINTED GOVERNMENT NOMINEE MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL TOWN COUNCILS

DIMAPUR:

An oath of affirmation ceremony for the newly appointed government nominee members of the Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) and East Dimapur Town Council (EDTC) was held on 28th January 2025. The ceremony was conducted as per Section 60 A(1) and (2) of the Nagaland Municipal Act 2023, ensuring compliance with the stipulated format provided.

Highlighting the historic significance of the event, Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang remarked, "It has taken over two decades for this moment to materialize. With the collective effort of the Nagaland Government and the unwavering

support of the people of Dimapur, we have finally achieved this milestone." Dr. Chang emphasized the importance of unity and hard work among the newly elected members to address the needs of the people and bring about holistic development in Dimapur district.

The oath-taking ceremony marks a pivotal moment for Dimapur and East Dimapur, as the local bodies prepare to focus on initiatives that aim to improve infrastructure, governance, and overall quality of life in the district. The event concluded with a renewed sense of hope and determination to usher in a new era of growth and prosperity for the region.



DC, Niuland, Sara S. Jamir after the oath of affirmation of the newly appointed government nominee members of NTC held at DC's Office, Niuland on 27th January 2025.

NIULAND:

The oath of affirmation for the newly appointed government nominee members of Niuland Town Council was held on 27th January 2025 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Niuland.

DC, Niuland, Sara S. Jamir administered the oath to the three newly appointed government nominee members and highlighted the roles, responsibilities and limitation on the power of the government nominee members of Nagaland Municipal Act.

PEREN:

The oath-taking programme for the Government Nominees to the Town Councils of Peren and Jalukie was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Peren on 28th January 2025, with Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Hiazu Meru administering the oath of affirmation to the newly appointed members.

After the official oath taking programme, Hiazu Meru highlighted the importance of the municipal management and encouraged the members of their responsibility and functions in the Council. He also highlighted about the sanitation collection regulations and said that town sanitation involves the management of wastes, water, and human excretion to ensure the health of the community and to protect public health and prevent the spread of disease. The DC also encouraged both the members of Peren and Jalukie Town Councils to come together to solve the sanitation problems, and also to dedicate themselves and commit their time and create new things about the ecological sanitation.

KOHIMA:

In a significant event held at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Kohima, six newly appointed government nominee members of the Kohima Municipal Council (KMC) were administered the oath of affirmation.

In his address, Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS stated, "With your contributions, the Council can now function in full flow, and we look forward to greater achievements. Together, let us work for the welfare of the people and the community. Today marks an important occasion, and its success depends on our collective efforts"

Chairman of the Kohima Municipal Council, Councillor Neikhozo Suokhrie, also addressed the gathering, and described the event as a milestone and shared his vision for the newly constituted team. 'With collaboration and determination, we will

accomplish great things for our city. Let us use our collective wisdom to overcome challenges and seize opportunities to serve our people effectively,' Neikhozo said.

The six newly appointed government nominees for the Kohima Municipal Council are Vilaseto Soleho, Keneisezo, Thejapfutuo Khezhie, Dziesekhonuo, Vitso Rio and Kezhazer Angami.

NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY MONTH OBSERVED

ATOIZU:

The National Road Safety Month was observed at Atoizu Town, Zunheboto under the theme 'Parwaah Karenge, Surakshit Rahenge (Will take care to stay safe)' on 28th January 2025.

MVI, Zunheboto, Er. Akhamba Changspoke on "Road Safety Awareness" and a detailed presentation on "Violations and Penalties" was proposed by MVC, Zunheboto, Lanuyanger Ao. The program also witnessed healthy interactive session allowing participants to share their concerns and seek clarifications.

The event saw participation from the District Administration, Police, Atoizu Town Council, Civil Society Organisations, vehicle owners, drivers, and local community.

AGHUNATO:

The office of the District Transport Office, Zunheboto in collaboration with the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Aghunato organised a oneday awareness programme on road safety on 29th January 2025 at Dobashi Court (DB) Office, Aghunato town.

Speaking on road safety awareness, Er. Hukayi Awomi, ARTO emphasised on the importance of various rules and regulations to prevent road accidents, and dwelled on obeying road safety rules and the need of skillful and cautious driving so that passengers, pedestrians and drivers stay safe.

NIULAND:

In commemoration of National Road Safety Month, an awareness programme on Road Safety was held at Town Hall, Niuland on 29th January 2025 under the theme "Parwaah Karenge, Surakshit Rahenge."

Deputy Commissioner, Niuland, Sara S. Jamir presented a keynote address where she emphasised on measures that are to be taken to avoid road accidents and encouraged everyone to abide by the traffic rules and regulations.

Two sessions were conducted, where various Departments gave presentations on several relevant topics such as Good Samaritan, hit and run case, enforcement of traffic laws and rules under Motor Vehicle Act, registration of vehicles, road safety and training on first aid treatment, CPR, Dos and Don'ts at the time of accident.

The programme was followed by free eye check-up led by the CMO, Niuland and provision of free first aid kits to 50 drivers by the District Road Safety Committee.

AWARENESS AND SCREENING PROGRAMME CONDUCTED UNDER 100-DAY TB CAMPAIGN IN KOHIMA

An Awareness-cum-Screening Programme on TB was conducted at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Kohima, as part of the 100-Day TB campaign under the TB Mukt Bharat initiative. The campaign aims to accelerate efforts in identifying undiagnosed cases, reducing TB-related deaths, and preventing new infections through a stratified implementation strategy.

DC, Kohima, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS delivered the keynote address emphasizing the urgent need for increased awareness about Tuberculosis (TB). Describing TB as a "silent killer" that remains undetected without proper testing, he highlighted that while the disease is curable, a lack of awareness continues to hinder its eradication. He urged attendees to take an active role in spreading awareness, stating, 'Taking a pledge has no meaning unless each of us ensures that information reaches our family, friends, and neighbours. Only through collective determination can we eliminate TB,' he added.

District TB Officer, Dr. Chibenthung Kithan, in his address, described TB as a major public health challenge. He noted that one untreated TB patient can infect up to 10 people in a year and that India has the highest estimated TB burden in the world. Explaining the two types of TB-Pulmonary and Extra-Pulmonary, he underscored the importance of early detection and treatment. He also informed that the 100-day TB campaign was launched in Nagaland on 7th December 2024, with TB screening camps and awareness programmes being conducted in villages, urban wards, and government offices.

Dr. Chiben also spoke about the Nikshay Mitra initiative, which encourages community participation in supporting TB patients. Under this initiative, donors, known as Nikshay Mitras, adopt TB patients to provide nutritional support, help reduce stigma, and ease their financial burden during treatment. The initiative aims to increase societal involvement in the fight against TB, ensuring that patients receive adequate care and support.

The programme was attended by all officers and staff of the Deputy Commissioner's Office. As part of the event, a free TB testing camp was organized for all attendees.

COMMUNITY MOBILISATION UNDER PMKSY-WDC 2.0 PROGRAMME HELD AT KHEZHAKENO

Community mobilization PMKSY-WDC 2.0 programme was held at Khezhakeno village on 28th January 2025.

Gracing the function as a special guest, Advisor, Land Resources, G. Ikuto Zhimomi advised the youths to change the mindsets of differences, fighting and quarrelling among the Nagas which is destroying our societies, and also called upon the villagers to co-operate with the Government for all round development.

Short speeches were delivered by Kevekha Kevin Zehol, Commissioner & Secretary, Land Resources Department and Agnes Phewhou, DPO Phek. Secretary, Land Resources Department and officials accompanied the special guest.

AN AWARENESS CAMP ON PM VISHWAKARMA SCHEME HELD

One-day Awareness-cum-GP Onboarding Camp on PM Vishwakarma scheme was held at DB Court, Deputy Commissioner's Office, Meluri on 30th January 2025.

Yithule Krichena State PMU, PM Vishwakarma highlighted the importance and objectives of the scheme such as

recognition of artisans, skill upgradation, toolkit incentive, credit support, digital empowerment and market leakage.

The programme was attended by all the Village Council Chairmen, civil society organizations of Meluri district and State PMU PM Vishwakarma team.



Officials and participants during the one-day 'Awareness-cum-GP Onboarding Camp on PM Viswakarma Scheme' held at DB Court, DC's Office, Meluri on 30th January 2025.

GA REST HOUSE INAUGURATED AT HOSHEPU

Advisor for Land Resources, G. Ikuto Zhimomi inaugurated the GA Rest House at Hoshepu EAC Headquarter, Zunheboto on 8th January 2025 in the presence of Additional Development Commissioner, Aghunato, D. Robin and a host of dignitaries.

Addressing during the inaugural function, the Advisor appealed to the people of the area to have a sense of ownership and use the infrastructure judiciously for the benefit of the community.



Advisor for Land Resources, G. Ikuto Zhimomi and other dignitaries during the inauguration of GA Rest House at Hoshepu EAC Headquarter, Zunheboto on 8^{th} January 2025.

YAONGYIMCHEN WOMEN MARKETING SHED INAUGURATED

The Women Marketing Shed at Yaongyimchen (Sanglu) village, Longleng was formally inaugurated by Dr. M. C. Longai Phom, Joint Director, NSACS, Health & Family Welfare on 10th January 2025 in the presence of Village Councils and elders.

The project is an initiative of the Department of Tribal Affairs, funded by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India during 2023-24 under Article 275(1), and was implemented by the Department of Tribal Affairs, Government of Nagaland.

The dedicatory prayer was pronounced by Women Pastor, Yaongyimchen Baptist Church.

CM INAUGURATES SAMMOGOOTING STADIUM AT CHUMOUKEDIMA

Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the Sammogooting Stadium at Deputy Commissioner's Office Complex, Chumoukedima on 24th January 2025.

In his inaugural speech, Rio spoke about the historical background of naming the

stadium Sammogooting, highlighting that the name was favoured reflecting on the British Administrative Centre of Naga Hills Districts under the Assam Province in 1866. He said this British legacy lives with us, the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulation (BEFR) Act has given special protection to our land and its people. He therefore said, it is appropriate to name the stadium with the first and the most important historical background which has made Naga Hills into a full-fledged state, and Rio expressed hope that the villagers, the citizens of Chumoukedima district will understand and respect this historical event. Rio also appealed to the people of Chumoukedima, Niuland and Dimapur to share and avail the facilities provided by the Government, upholding unity and peace for development and progress.

Highlighting the Multi-Discipline Sports Complex at Dimapur, which is under construction for a long period of time, Rio said it was financed and sponsored by the Planning Commission of India. He informed that after the Planning Commission was replaced with NITI Aayog, funding was not received as expected. However, Rio said despite delays in funding challenges, an alternative source has been identified for the construction of the sports complex. If completed, Rio said it'll be the biggest sports complex, with various facilities such as astroturf, athletic tracks, swimming pool, wrestling arena, and all other facilities, and will facilitate not only Dimapur, but the entire state. He mentioned that all these developments are for our youth, where Government functions, private functions or district tournaments, all can be conducted in one place with ease. Therefore, Rio sought the support and cooperation of the citizens of all the villages, the officials, district administration and the contractors who have given their commitment to complete before

Minister of PHED and Co-operation, Jacob Zhimomi emphasized that the stadium is dedicated to the youth, providing them with a platform to excel in sports, music, and other creative pursuits, further enhancing infrastructure for the community.

Advisor for Urban Development, Zhaleo Rio stated that the Sammogooting Stadium would not only benefit the people of Chümoukedima but also those from Dimapur and Niuland. On behalf of the people of Chümoukedima, he extended his gratitude to the Chief Minister, the CAWD department, and the technical team for their hard work in bringing the project to fruition. He urged everyone who uses the stadium to maintain its cleanliness and ensure its proper upkeep, emphasizing the need for collective responsibility in preserving the infrastructure.

Advisor for Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu highlighted the importance of public cooperation with government stating that development initiatives. requires active participation from both the government and the people. Hekani appealed to the leaders and communities present to extend their support and ensure the programme's success.

In his technical report, Assistant Chief Engineer, CAWD, Er. Sungtiba Amer highlighted that the stadium was conceptualized during 2023-2024 as per the requirements of the district. The stadium was constructed by the Department of Civil Administration Works Division (CAWD) and executed by M/s J.K. Construction, and was completed in 21 months—three months ahead of schedule, at a cost of ₹9,51,51,766.

field, construction of blacktopped road from Main Highway to the stadium and inside the stadium with parking facilities, construction of Security Fencing around the entire stadium with three Gates, and construction of Deep Borewell with Overhead Water Reservoir.

as construction of Rostrum with a sitting capacity of 70 persons at the First Floor including two Players Rooms, Media Room and Pantry in the Ground Floor, construction of Gallery with a sitting capacity of 1000 persons with provisions for First Aid Room, Toilets for both gents and ladies with PwD friendly design, construction of Standard Size Football Ground with Internal and External Drainage System, which is probably the first public stadium with this technical specification, construction of Standard Track

It includes state-of-the-art facilities such

K. S. Anden Konyak, IAS, Commissioner, Nagaland, Zhato Kimho, President, Chakhroma Public Organization (CPO) and Razouvotuo Chatsu, VCC, Chumoukedima Village also spoke at the programme. The programme ended with an Exhibition Football Match between CTC XI & DC XI.

NEW BUILDING OF SDAO'S OFFICE, PUNGRO INAUGURATED

The newly constructed office building of the Sub-Divisional Agriculture Office (SDAO) was inaugurated by Mhathung Yanthan, MLA & Advisor, Department of Agriculture, on 27th January 2025 at Pungro town. The inaugural programme was attended by government officials and NGOs.

In his inaugural speech, Mhathung Yanthan appreciated the cooperation between the general public and the department, and expressed confidence in the potential of the region, citing the unity, enthusiasm and hard work of the people.

Advisor, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Fire & Emergency Services, S. Kiusumew Yimchunger in his brief speech, lauded the initiative and emphasized the importance of empowering the agricultural community.

President of Pungro Public Front, Kongsu expressed gratitude and hope for the positive impact the facility would bring to the farmers of the sub-division.

RIO INAUGURATES CHUMOUKEDIMA FOOTBALL STADIUM AND LAUNCHES NAGALAND SUPER LEAGUE

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the much-anticipated Football Stadium and launched the Nagaland Super League (NSL) at Police Complex, Chumoukedima on 28th January 2025.

Speaking at the inauguration, Rio acknowledged the collaborative efforts of the organizing committee, the Nagaland Olympic Association, the Nagaland Football Association, sponsors, and the state

government in bringing the league to fruition. He expressed his gratitude to Chaubey for his support and guidance in securing the necessary license for the league and his commitment to continue supporting and guiding the league's development towards the national level.

Rio emphasized the hard work and dedication that went into preparing for the league, commended the contractors for

finishing the project ahead of schedule, enabling the first match of the league to be played at the new venue, and also noted that the Indira Gandhi (IG) Stadium in Kohima will be utilized for league matches. Beyond the immediate needs of the league, he announced significant investments in football infrastructure across the state. Informing that six astro turf fields have been completed in six districts, Rio reaffirmed that his government is committed to equipping all districts with similar facilities within the next two to three years. He added that this initiative aims to provide equal opportunities for players across Nagaland and nurture talent capable of competing at the Northeast, national, and international levels.

Rio mentioned that the date of the inauguration, January 28th, was chosen deliberately to coincide with the legacy of Dr. T. Ao, who captained independent India's football team at the 1948 London Olympics. He invoked Dr. Ao's achievement as a source of inspiration for the young generation of Naga footballers, and challenged the players to follow in Dr. Ao's footsteps, urging them to cultivate focus, discipline with determination, and dedication to achieve excellence and bring Nagaland further recognition in the world of football

Further, Rio stated that the Nagaland Super League is structured to provide a pathway for teams to progress to higher levels of competition. The champion team will qualify for the Northeast League, followed by a chance to compete in the all-India league. Rio expressed his hope that the league would produce players who would bring laurels to the state and make football dreams a reality in Nagaland.

> President of All Indian Football

Federation & Joint Secretary, Indian Olympics, Kalyan Chaubey Association stated that traveling around the states to promote football and motivate footballer, he is proud to see how the Government of Nagaland is supporting in terms of their physical presence, logistics support and in terms of financial assistance to start NSL. He hoped that this super league will bring change to many young players of Nagaland who can make their living and make their state proud.

Secretary General, NOA and Vice President, AFI, Abu Metha during his briefing on introduction of NSL, said that Nagaland marked the beginning of a transformative journey in sports development with the launch of the "Football for Schools" initiative under FIFA. In collaboration with the All-India Football Federation, the first football, out of over 2,000 set to be distributed across schools in 17 districts, and this initiative aims to cultivate a robust sports culture in Nagaland, promoting various disciplines and fostering grassroots football talent.

Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Keoshu Yimkhiung speaking as an honoured guest, said that this league is not just about competition; it's about creating a platform for our youth to showcase their talent, inspire future generations, and put Nagaland on the national sports map.

The much-awaited match commenced after a grand ceremony, setting the stage with great enthusiasm to make a strong statement in their opening match, where the Barack Football Club took on Nagaland United Sports Club in a clash that marked the beginning of a new era for football in Nagaland.

M/S UMMEED PRISON WELFARE SERVICE STATION INAUGURATED AT DIMAPUR

In a groundbreaking initiative, the M/s Ummeed Prison Welfare Service Station was inaugurated at the District Jail, Dimapur on 28th January 2025, marking a milestone in prison reform and inmate rehabilitation. This first-of-its-kind petrol pump, operated by trained inmates under the supervision of prison staff, is a collaboration between the Prison Department of Nagaland and the Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme.

Advisor for Prisons and Printing & Stationery, Er. Kropol Vitsu unveiled the inaugural plaque as the special guest. In his address, Vitsu praised the innovative project, stating, "This service station is more than a business venture - it symbolizes hope, skill development, and the empowerment of

inmates to reintegrate into society." Vitsu stated that the project was designed to promote skill development, self-reliance, and confidence among inmates, providing them with a meaningful way to contribute to society. He highlighted that the revenue generated from the service station would go towards supporting prison welfare programmes such as vocational training and education, ultimately helping inmates reintegrate as productive members of society upon their release.

Nagaland DGP, Rupin Sharma, IPS shared the project's journey, explaining that it stemmed from his desire to create self-sustaining, reform-oriented programmes within the prison system. He added that discussions were underway to replicate the success at the Central Jail, Dimapur, and



Advisor, Prisons and Printing & Stationery, Er. Kropol Vitsu unveiling the inaugural plaque of the Ummeed Prison Welfare Service Station at District Jail, Dimapur on 28th January 2025.

emphasized that the initiative has marked a major shift in the prison system, focusing on rehabilitation and skill development for inmates. He expressed hope that this initiative would inspire similar projects other prisons, further promoting rehabilitation over traditional incarceration methods.

Also addressing the gathering, Director General of Prisons, Nagaland, Renchamo P. Kikon, IPS highlighted the project's significance, emphasizing the transition of prisons from spaces of confinement to avenues of reform and empowerment.

K.T. Gangte, Senior Manager (Retail Sales), Dimapur RDA, and IDCL Divisional Retail Sales Head, Tinsukia Division, applauded the collaboration, calling it a model of CSR-driven impact. "This project goes beyond fuel dispensing-it represents meaningful partnerships and change. Indian Oil is proud to be associated with this venture and will continue to support such endeavours," Gangte said.

Operational since 23rd December 2024,

the station, equipped with 8 nozzles and a fuel capacity of 12,000 liters, has already served over 17,900 liters of fuel. Managed by nine trained inmates, it aims to generate revenue for prison welfare activities and provide fair wages to the inmates for their contributions. The station is intended to generate revenue for prison welfare activities, including the provision of fair wages for inmates, as part of a larger effort to empower and reintegrate them into society. The project was conceived after discussions among prison staff and inspired by DGP Rupin Sharma's visit to various prisons.

In addition to the fuel dispensing services, plans for future expansion include adding infrastructure for lubricants, extending operational hours, and setting up an exhibition space for products made by prisoners.

The programme, chaired by Dozhoyi Cukhamu, Jailor of District Jail Dimapur, featured a detailed project report presentation by Imtiangshi Ao, NJS, Inspector General of Prisons, Nagaland.



Deputy Commissioner & District Election Officer, Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa with officials from Akashvani Kohima and participants during the National Voters' Day celebration held at the DC's Office Conference Hall, Tuensang on 25^{th} January 2025.



EAC, Atoizu, Dr. Samuel Akho Konyak with other officials during the National Road Safety Month observed at Atoizu, Zunheboto on 28^{th} January 2025.



Commissioner & Secretary, Social Welfare, Martha R. Ritse with other officials and participants during the celebration of 10 Years of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao held at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 22^{nd} January 2025.



Published by:

Government of Nagaland DIRECTORATE OF INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS

IPR Citadel, New Capital Complex, Kohima - 797 001 Nagaland

M iprnagaland@gmail.com 🚮 Dipr Nagaland 🧿 diprnagaland 🛛 DIPR Nagaland 🖸 DIPR Nagaland 🝃 DIPR Nagaland

A GLIMPSE OF THE 76TH REPUBLIC DAY 2025



Deputy Chief Minister, Yanthungo Patton inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Mokokchung on 26th January 2025.



Minister for Housing and Mechanical Engineering, P. Bashangmongba Chang taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Tseminyu on 26th January 2025.



Minister, Women Resource Development and Horticulture, Salhoutuonuo Kruse delivering the 76th Republic Day speech at Tuensang on 26th January 2025.



Deputy Chief Minister, T.R. Zeliang inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Niuland on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Tribal Affairs and Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Longleng on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Transport and Technical Education, Temjenmenba inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Phek on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Treasuries & Accounts, Art & Culture, K. Konngam Konyak taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Noklak on 26th January 2025.



Minister, Public Health Engineering and Co-operation, N. Jacob Zhimomi inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Peren on 26th January 2025.

A GLIMPSE OF THE 76TH REPUBLIC DAY 2025



Advisor, Minority Affairs and Sericulture, Imkongmar delivering the 76th Republic Day speech at Shamator on 26th January 2025.



Minister, Higher Education and Tourism, Temjen Imna Along taking Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day held Chumoukedima on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan inspecting the parade contingents during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Kiphire on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, New & Renewable Energy and NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe delivering the 76th Republic Day speech at Meluri on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Zunheboto on 26th January 2025.



Advisor, Law & Justice, Land Revenue, T. N. Mannen taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Mon on 26th January 2025.



Minister, Forest, Environment & Climate Change and Village Guards, C. L. John unfurling the National Flag during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Dimapur on 26th January 2025.



Minister, Roads & Bridges, G. Kaito Aye taking the Rashtriya Salute during the 76th Republic Day celebration at Wokha on 26th January 2025.

STATE ROUND UP



Additional Secretary, Ministry of Education, Government of India, Anandrao Patil, IAS with participants from Nagaland at the National Kala Utsav 2024-25 under Samagra Shiksha held at Regional Institute of Education, Bhopal from 2nd to 7th January 2025.



Team Nagaland at the National Youth Festival 2025, organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, which was held from 10th to 12th January 2025 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.



Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Er. K Hutoi Sema with Assistant Professor, NERIWALM, Dr. Luna Moni Das and other officials during the inaugural programme training on 'Remote Sensing and GIS Application in Water and Land Management' held at the Directorate of WRD, Kohima on 22^{nd} January 2025.

DISTRICTS ROUND UP & DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES





Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio with his collegues and other dignitaries at the unveiling of the plague during the inauguration of Sammogooting Stadium in Chumoukedima on 24^{th} January 2025.



Deputy Commissioner, Tseminyu, Rohit Singh, IAS and Superintendent of Police, Tseminyu, Talisunep Imchen, NPS with the Good Samaritans during their felicitation held at DC's Office chamber, Tseminyu on 22^{nd} January 2025.