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State Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha Nagaland, L Jamithung Lotha and Joint Secretary Department of School Education & Deputy Project Director- Nagaland Education Project (NECTAR), Avelu Ruho with other officials and participants during the State Level Kala Utsav 2025- 2026 organised by Samagra Shiksha Nagaland held at Mt. Tabor Retreat Centre, Kohima on 24th October 2025.



Governor of Nagaland, Ajay Kumar Bhalla addressing the gathering at the eight edition of the Naithu Sports Festival 2025 at Plaza, Zone Niathu by the Park, Chumoukedima on 11th October 2025.



Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of state for Personal, Public Grievances and Pension of India with Temjen Imna Along, Minister of Tourism and Higher Education, Government of Nagaland, Kapil Mishra, Minister for Tourism, art & Culture, Government of NCT Delhi and Abu Metha, Advisor to CM Nagaland & Chairman IDAN during the inaugural programme of Autumn Festival at Nagaland House, 29- Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi on 24th October.



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OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

NAGALAND GOVT PUTS POLICE RECRUITMENT FOR FOUR NON-NAGA TRIBES ON HOLD PENDING ENUMERATION EXERCISE

The Government of Nagaland has put on hold the recruitment process for police constable posts earmarked for the four Non-Naga Tribes - Garos, Kacharis, Mikirs (Karbis) and Kukis - until the completion of an Enumeration Exercise meant to determine the eligibility of members of these tribes as Indigenous Inhabitants of the State.

According to the Home Department, the Constitution (Nagaland) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1970, recognizes that apart from the Naga tribes, these four Non-Naga communities are also Scheduled Tribes of Nagaland, provided they are residents of the State. The order acknowledges the presence of these tribes who had been inhabiting Nagaland prior to its creation on December 1, 1963.

Members of the four Non-Naga Tribes and their direct descendants are thus entitled to obtain Scheduled Tribe (ST) certificates and subsequently Indigenous Inhabitant Certificates (IIC), which allow access to employment and other privileges available to Indigenous Inhabitants of Nagaland. However, the entitlement applies only to those who had settled within the boundaries of the State before its formation.

The Home Department pointed out that since these tribes also reside in other North Eastern States, many of which share borders with Nagaland, cases of migration into Nagaland after Statehood cannot be ruled out. It noted that some individuals may have been wrongly issued ST and IIC certificates, making it necessary to identify and verify those who had genuinely settled in the State before 1963 along with their direct descendants.

To address this, the Government, after detailed consultations and examination of the findings of the RIIN Commission, decided to conduct an Enumeration Exercise of the Kuki, Kachari, Garo and Mikhir tribes who had settled in Nagaland prior to December 1, 1963. The decision was notified vide Home Department Order No. CON/RIIN/50/2020 dated September 20, 2024. However, a writ petition was subsequently filed in the Gauhati High Court by the tribal organizations and bodies representing the four Non-Naga Tribes. Following this, a stay order was issued on the conduct of the Enumeration Exercise, rendering the matter sub judice.

The Department stated that the proposed exercise is crucial for identifying the genuine Indigenous Inhabitants among the four Non-Naga Tribes who are entitled to IICs and other associated rights, particularly for State Government employment.

As a result of the pending legal case, the Government has decided that the ongoing police constable recruitment, which is open to all Indigenous Inhabitants of Nagaland, will for now proceed only with the 1,176 posts allotted to the Indigenous Naga Tribes. The 24 posts reserved for the four Non-Naga Tribes will be taken up after the Enumeration-related issues are resolved.

OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

NLA NOTIFIES ON ELECTED LEADER OF NPF LEGISLATURE PARTY

The Nagaland Legislative Assembly has notified that in pursuance of the provisions in Rule 3(4) of the Members of Nagaland Legislative Assembly (Disqualification on Ground of Defection) Rules, 2019, the Speaker has been intimated that Dr. Neiphui Rio, MLA has been unanimously elected as the Leader of NPF Legislature Party to the 14th House of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly w.e.f. 18th October 2025.

And, in another notification the NLA has notified that in accordance with the provision of Paragraph 4(2) of the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution of India and in consonance with the Members of Nagaland Legislative Assembly (Disqualification on Ground of Defection) Rules, 2019, the Speaker has declared the merger of the 31 (Thirty One) Members of the Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) as mentioned below with the Naga Peoples Front (NPF) formally to the 14th House of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly w.e.f 18th October 2025.

The Members of the Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) are listed below.

| SN | NAME | ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCY |
|----|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Dr. Neiphui Rio | 11-Northern Angami-II (ST) |
| 2 | Taditui Rangkau Zeliang | 7- Peren(ST) |
| 3 | G. Kaito Aye | 36-Satakha (ST) |
| 4 | K. G. Kenye | 17-Chizami (ST) |
| 5 | Metsubo Jamir | 27-Mokokchung Town (ST) |
| 6 | C. L. John | 45-Tehok (ST) |
| 7 | Salhoutuonuo Kruse | 8-Western Angami (ST) |
| 8 | Wangpang Konyak | 43-Tapi (ST) |
| 9 | Zhaleo Rio | 5-Ghaspani-II (ST) |
| 10 | Tongpang Ozukum | 24-Angetyong-pang (ST) |
| 11 | K. Tokugha Sukhalu | 35-Zunheboto (ST) |
| 12 | Mhathung Yanthan | 39-Sanis (ST) |
| 13 | S. Keoshu Yimchunger | 58-Shamator -Chessore (ST) |
| 14 | Moatoshi Longkumer | 2-Dimapur-II 1 |
| 15 | T. N. Mannen | 23-Impur (ST) |
| 16 | Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome | 10-Northern Angami-I (ST) |
| 17 | Kudecho Khamo | 18-Chozouba (ST) |
| 18 | Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe | 20-Meluri (ST) |
| 19 | Hekani Jakhalu Kense | 3-Dimapur-III (ST) |
| 20 | Imkongmar | 25-Mongoya (ST) |
| 21 | Temjenmenba | 29-Jangpetkong (ST) |
| 22 | G. Ikuto Zhimomi | 34-Aghunato (ST) |
| 23 | W. Chingang Konyak | 42-Wakching (ST) |
| 24 | S. Kiusumew Yimchunger | 60-Pungro-Kiphire (ST) |
| 25 | Er. Picto Shohe | 32-Atoizu (ST) |
| 26 | P. Longon | 56-Noklak (ST) |
| 27 | Namri Nchang | 6-Tening (ST) |
| 28 | Y. Mhonbemo Humtsoe | 38-Wokha (ST) |
| 29 | S. Toiho Yeptho | 33-Suruhoto (ST) |
| 30 | Y. Mankhao Konyak | 46-Mon Town (ST) |
| 31 | A. Pongshi Phom | 50-Longleng (ST) |

NAGALAND CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS 2025

The state-level observation of the International Day of Older Persons 2025 and commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of the Senior Citizens' Association of Nagaland, with the theme "Older Persons Driving Local and Global Action: Our Aspirations, Our Well-Being, Our Right" was held at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima, on October 1, 2025.

Special Guest and Advisor, Social Welfare, Wangpang stated that the theme resonates deeply with the spirit of Nagaland since senior citizens are the pillars of our culture, carrying the rich traditions, stories, and wisdom of our tribes. He added that well-being is equally critical therefore he reassured them that the government is committed to a better support system, improved medical facilities through CMHIS and through social assistance schemes.

Konyak stated that on a global stage, Nagaland's unique blend of traditions and resilience can be a model for the world, showing how older persons can lead change in the community and as we mark the 25 years of the Senior Citizens' Association, reflecting on the milestones achieved and the work ahead so as to build a Nagaland where every senior citizen is honored, supported, and empowered.

Secretary of Social Welfare, Limawabang Jamir, IAS in his keynote address said that it is important to shed light on the issues affecting older individuals, to promote their rights, and to ensure that their well-being remains a priority. He stated that the State government has been working tirelessly to create an inclusive and equitable society for the senior citizens. With the establishment

of 12 Senior Citizens Homes across the State, implementation of schemes like Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY), IGNOAP scheme and Awareness campaigns ensuring that senior citizens have a safe place and support they need to live with dignity.

Meanwhile, the 'Distinguished Senior Citizen Award' was presented to Neidonuo Angami and Rev. Dr L. Anjo Keikung for their outstanding contribution towards society and the State.

Earlier, the Special Guest also released the Jubilee Souvenir of the Senior Citizens' Association of Nagaland.

WOKHA

At Wokha International Day of Older Persons was observed at VDB Hall, Wokha. The event was organised by the Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with the Senior Citizen Association Wokha. EAC, Wokha, Sangmou Khamniungan attended as the Special Guest. Sharing on the theme was given by Vice Principal, Mt. Tiya College Wokha, Dr Khyopenthung Tsoepoe.

District awards were presented to two senior citizens, one male and one female, namely Rev. M. Wosumo Humtsoe and Anymro Lotha.

SHAMATOR

Social Welfare Department Shamator observed its first-ever International Day of Older Persons at Cultural Hall, Shamator. District Programme Officer Renchano Odyuo gave a welcome and keynote address. While Mekato. J. Aye, was the theme speaker.

Two individuals were awarded Senior Citizen Award for their outstanding contribution to the district and the society.



Officials and participants at the International day of Older Persons celebration organised at Cultural hall, Shamator on 1st October 2025.

MELURI

The Department of Social Welfare, Meluri organised International Older Person's Day at Village Council Hall Meluri. Deputy Commissioner, Meluri, K. Mhathung Tsanglao, graced the occasion as the Special Guest. The occasion was marked by awarding District level Distinguished Personality to Rev. T. Kachüsie Phoiji and T. Machü Joshua.

KIPHIRE

The Department of Social Welfare Kiphire organised a district level program for observation of the International Day of Older Persons 2025 at the Auditorium Hall of Agape Secondary School, Kiphire. The program was held under the theme, "Older Persons driving local and global action; Our Aspirations, Our well - being, our rights", with Extra Assistant Commissioner Kiphire, Zavito NCS as the special guest.

NATIONAL VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION DAY CELEBRATED AT CRPF CAMP ZUBZA

National Voluntary Blood Donation Day was celebrated at Zubza with the theme "Give the gift of life, Donate Blood" on 2 October, 2025. Secretary Indian Red Cross Society, Akhlae Vizol Khamo, graced the program as the Guest of Honour. In her address, she highlighted the significance of the celebration and encourage people to undertake voluntary blood donation.

MD, Transfusion Medicine of Naga Hospital Authority, Kohima Dr. Avila Sangtam highlighted the importance of blood donation. She also mentioned that regular blood donation fosters a sense of community spirit and solidarity among individuals contributing to a common cause.

Technical supervisor NHAK, Vincent

Yhome chaired the program. A short note on motivational talk was shared by CMO SG (commdt), Dr. Sangita Mary Raja.

Altogether 21 donors donated their Blood during the National Voluntary Blood Donation Day celebration.



CRPF Personnel Donating Blood during the National Voluntary Blood Donors Day celebration at Zubza on 2nd October 2025.

ONE-DAY COORDINATION MEETING-CUM-WORKSHOP ON CIVIL DEFENCE HELD AT KOHIMA

In compliance with the directive of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), the Directorate of Home Guards, Civil Defence and State Disaster Response Force, Nagaland, organised a one-day Coordination Meeting-cum-Workshop on Civil Defence on October 4, 2025 at its Headquarters, Kohima.

Delivering the keynote address, Renchamo P. Kikon, IPS, Director General Home Guards, Civil Defence and SDRF, highlighted the changing geo-political landscape of the subcontinent in the wake of the Pahalgam attack, which has necessitated the mobilization and capacity building of Civil Defence volunteers across the nation. He informed that, in view of this, the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, has conceptualized the “Scheme for Training and Capacity Building of Civil Defence”, which is to be implemented by 31st March 2026.

As part of this initiative, MoU in this regard was signed on 9th June, 2025 between the Directorate General, Fire Service,

Civil Defence and Home Guards, MHA, Government of India, and the Directorate of Home Guards, Civil Defence and SDRF, Nagaland. Under the terms of the MoU, Nagaland has been entrusted with the responsibility to:

1. Train 20 Master Trainers at the Central Training Institute, Toluvi, Dimapur, and
2. 3600 Civil Defence Wardens and Volunteers across the 10 Civil Defence Districts - Kohima, Dimapur, Mokokchung, Wokha, Zunheboto, Phek, Tuensang, Mon, Kiphire and Peren.

In his remarks, Medozhalie Pienyu, Deputy Commandant General, underlined the vital role of Warden Service in the Civil Defence Organisation and urged the Deputy Commissioners and district officials to identify and appoint individuals of repute as Civil Defence Wardens.

An interactive Question & Answer session followed.

HEALTH FINANCING FORUM FOR CROSS-STATE LEARNING IN THE NORTHEAST REGION HELD AT DIMAPUR

The inaugural function of the Health Financing Forum for Cross-State Learning in the Northeast Region was held on October 7, 2025, at Zone Niathu, Dimapur. The two-day event (7 & 8 October, 2025) was jointly organized by the Government of Nagaland and World Bank.

T.R. Zeliang, Deputy Chief Minister of Nagaland and Minister for Planning & Transformation and National Highway, graced the occasion as the Special Guest. In his address, he underscored the importance

of financial reforms in ensuring accessible and equitable healthcare across the region. Highlighting the state government’s vision, Zeliang also said that Nagaland was committed to creating a robust and resilient healthcare system capable of meeting emerging challenges.

During the event, the Deputy Chief Minister also released the FinHealth Assessment Report and commended the World Bank and the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland, for their

concerted efforts in bringing together experts, administrators, and policymakers to deliberate on issues of shared concern.

In his welcome address, Commissioner & Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, remarked that the event aimed to promote cross-learning and exchange of ideas among states, highlighting the importance of adopting evidence-based policies to make health financing more responsive and efficient. He also elaborated on the Result-Based Financing (RBF) model and noted that this approach had improved financial discipline

and accountability, ensuring that public funds were utilized more effectively to deliver tangible results in the health sector.

Marion Cros, Senior Health Specialist, World Bank, delivered the context setting and outlined the objectives of the forum. She lauded the North-Eastern states for their resilience and innovation in addressing healthcare challenges despite difficult terrain, limited resources, and low per capita spending.

The programme was chaired by Principal Director, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mereninla Senlem.

MoU SIGNED BETWEEN CAPACITY BUILDING COMMISSION AND GOVERNMENT OF NAGALAND ON MISSION KARMAYOGI

The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Between Capacity Building Commission, Karmayogi Bharat and Government of Nagaland and a workshop on Mission Karmayogi organized by the Department of Personnel & Administrative Reforms, Government of Nagaland was undertaken at the Capital Convention Hall, Kohima on October 8, 2025

Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Sentiyanger Imchen, in his address highlighted that Mission Karmayogi was launched by the Government of India to build a competent and future ready civil service that works collectively to ensure the effective and efficient public service delivery. He noted that the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (DoPAR) and the Administrative Training Institute (ATI) have recently begun training programs for government officials an important step toward capacity building in the State.

Imchen said the registration and training modules will be through a digitalized platform called the iGOT Karmayogi, which



Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Sentiyanger Imchen with Dr. R. Balasubramaniam, member- HR, Capacity Building Commission and other officials after the signing of MoU between Capacity Building Commission, Karmayogi Bharat and Government of Nagaland at Capital Convention Hall, Kohima on 8th October 2025.

will enable officers in remote districts to access quality learning resources, making capacity building inclusive, attractive and impactful. Departments will maintain a database of officers and their training records, which will contribute to performance assessments, while the ATI and DoPAR will act as implementing and monitoring agencies. The Chief Secretary expressed optimism that the signing of the MoU will mark the

beginning of a long and fruitful partnership in strengthening governance and capacity building in Nagaland.

Director, Administrative Training Institute, Akunu S. Meyase, IAS in her brief summary on 'Capacity Building Initiatives and Capacity Building Infrastructures for State Department Officials' said the Government of Nagaland recognizes the importance of continuous learning and skilling for enhancing the efficiency, effectiveness and professionalism of its workforce. She further mentioned that ATI Kohima, in collaboration with the Information Technology & Communication Department, is developing a web portal that will record employees' training history and requirements through integration with the Personal Information Management System (PIMS), enabling more effective planning and delivery of training programs.

Dr. Balasubramaniam, Member-HR, Capacity Building Commission who briefed on the Orientation on Mission Karmayogi highlighted about the Mission's aim, its motives, means and opportunities, he also shared the outcome of the mission, its framework, its Capacity Building Plans (CBP Approach), Karmayogi Competency Model and also explained the NSCSTI-Eight Pillars for Standardisation.

The day-long workshop on Mission Karmayogi was attended by Administrative Heads, Heads of Department and senior officials of the state and the resources persons were Soumi Banerjee, General Manager, Strategic Alliance and Partnership, Karmayogi Bharat, Akshay Sharma, Program Manager, Karmayogi Bharat (KB) and Rahul Porwal, Consultant, Capacity Building Commission.

SETHRONGKYU SANGTAM PARTICIPATES IN STATE IT MINISTERS' ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE AT IMC NEW DELHI

Advisor for Information Technology & Communication, Economics & Statistics and Evaluation, Government of Nagaland, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam participated in the State IT Ministers' Round Table held as part of the India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025 at Yashobhoomi, New Delhi on October 8, 2025. The conference was chaired by the Union Minister for Communications, Government of India, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia. The Union Minister emphasized the need for States to work as equal partners in achieving India's vision of a digitally empowered, connected and resilient Bharat. He called upon States to adopt best practices, accelerate last-mile connectivity, ease RoW processes, and

leverage innovative models to bridge the digital divide and unlock the full potential of the digital economy.

The high-level meeting focused on the theme "Innovate to Transform" emphasizing transformation across telecom, industry, infrastructure, society, and sustainability, in line with the national vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

It may be noted that the Government of Nagaland has been actively working towards improving telecom infrastructure and services in the State through close coordination with the Department of Telecommunications, Government of India, and telecom service providers.

TIR YIMYIM CELEBRATES 22 YEARS OF SERVICE; LAUNCHES AI-POWERED 'AO LINGO' TRANSLATION WEBSITE

Ao vernacular daily Tir Yimyim celebrated its 22nd anniversary on Wednesday at the Business Association of Nagas (BAN) Conference Hall, DC Court Junction, Dimapur on October 8, 2025. The milestone celebration also marked the official launch of an AI-powered translation website, "Ao Lingo," designed to facilitate translation between Ao and English languages.

Delivering a short address, Ningsangwaba Pongen, President of Ao Senso Telongjem Dimapur (ASTD), lauded K. Temjen Jamir, Editor-in-Chief of Tir Yimyim for his humanitarian contributions and unwavering commitment to public service,

while also congratulating Tir Yimyim on completing 22 years of impactful journalism.

In his welcome address, K. Temjen Jamir reflected on the newspaper's journey over the past two decades, highlighting both its challenges and achievements.

The Ao Lingo website was officially launched by BAN President, Mongkum Jamir. As part of the anniversary celebration, SDO (Civil) Peren and co-founder of Bookipedia, Sentilong Ozüküm, facilitated the prize distribution for the "Yimdangjem Otsü Zulu Toktep" (Fiction Writing Competition) jointly organized by Bookipedia and Tir Yimyim.

NAGALAND LAUNCHES TOBACCO FREE YOUTH CAMPAIGN 3.0

State-level launch of Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 3.0, organized by the National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) under the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland was held at Baptist College, Kohima, on 9th October, 2025.

Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, officially launched the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign (TFYC) 3.0. In his address, he stressed the urgency of tackling tobacco use, which remains a major public health challenge. He called for stronger inter-departmental coordination, vendor licensing, and capacity building among stakeholders, emphasizing that every tobacco-free school and village and every youth choosing a tobacco-free life contributes to a healthier state. He also led participants in taking the Anti-Tobacco Pledge, reaffirming collective commitment to the cause.

In the Keynote Address, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, Principal Director of Health & Family

Welfare, highlighted that through TFYC 1.0 and 2.0, Nagaland achieved significant milestones declaring many Tobacco-Free Educational Institutions and Tobacco-Free Villages while strengthening enforcement of COTPA, 2003 and PECA, 2019. However, she noted that tobacco use remains a serious concern, citing surveys showing that 43% of school students aged 13–15 and a similar proportion of adults in Nagaland currently consume tobacco.

In his Opening Remarks, Mission Director, National Health Mission, Nagaland, Dr. Keveduyi Theyo, reiterated the Government's commitment to preventive health and behavioural changes among young people. Highlighting the importance of the 60-day campaign period, Dr. Theyo urged every district to demonstrate innovation and leadership through daily reporting, reviews, and field action.

Delivering the highlights of the campaign, Dr. I. Simon Sumi, State Nodal

Officer, NTCP, presented an overview of the objectives and strategies of TFYC 3.0.

WOKHA

The District Tobacco Control Cell (DTCC), Wokha officially launched the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 3.0 as part of a nationwide initiative under the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India.

The event was graced by Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Wokha, Renbomo Ezung, as the special guest. In his address, he highlighted both the immediate and long-term harmful effects of tobacco use, urging young people to abstain from tobacco consumption and addiction.

Chief Medical Officer, Wokha, Dr. Thungchanbemo Ezung delivered a brief speech highlighting the medical concerns associated with tobacco use, including addiction and its adverse health consequences. While Dental Surgeon, UPHC Wokha, Dr. Thungrhoni Kikon outlined the key objectives of the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 3.0.

LONGLENG

The National Tobacco Control Program (NTCP), Longleng, successfully launched the Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 3.0 at the PBCA Convention Hall, Longleng.

The program was graced by the Deputy Commissioner Longleng, W. Manpai Phom, as the Special Guest. In his address, he stressed that the commitment to remain tobacco-free should continue 365 days a year. He further urged students to take positive steps toward a healthy, tobacco-free lifestyle.

Delivering the keynote address, Dr. Nichukholie Vupru, District Nodal Officer, NTCP Longleng, highlighted the strategies of Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 3.0, emphasizing the risks associated with smoking, tobacco facts, and the importance of spreading awareness among the youth to prevent tobacco initiation.

A total of 286 students participated in the launching program, showing strong enthusiasm and support for the cause of a tobacco-free generation.

ZUNHEBOTO

District Tobacco Control Cell (DTCC) Zunheboto launched Tobacco Free Youth Campaign (TFYC)3.0 at Immanuel Higher Secondary School, Zunheboto.

Dr Chumei Nyam, Dental Surgeon District Hospital, Zunheboto spoke about the main objectives of TFYC 3.0

Dr. Vihuto Assumi, President, Sumi Hoho also encouraged students to be agents of tobacco free generations.

STATE LEVEL TRIBAL PAINTING COMPETITION HELD IN KOHIMA

The Tribal Research Institute, under the Department of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, organized a State Level Tribal Painting Competition in collaboration with the District Administration and District Education Office, Kohima at the Deputy Commissioner Office, Kohima on October 9, 2025.

In his speech, Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B Henok Buchem, NCS praised

the students' paintings as professional and beyond their age. He advised students to balance talent and interest when choosing careers. "Interest without talent won't last, and talent without interest won't bring joy," he said.

T.L. Kiusumong Tikhir, Joint Secretary for Tribal Affairs, emphasized the importance of encouraging tribal students to showcase



DC Kohima, B. Henok Buchem with D.L Kiusumong Tikhir, Joint Secretary Tribal Affairs and other officials during the State Level Tribal Painting Competition at the Dc's Office, Kohima on 9th October 2025.

their artistic talents while honoring India's revered tribal leader, Bhagwan Birsa Munda. He encouraged students to draw inspiration from Munda's legacy, treating the competition as a celebration of tribal pride and resilience.

The event was part of the celebrations for the Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh 2024-25, themed "My State My Pride". A total of thirty-six tribal students from eighteen schools under the District Education Office (DEO) Kohima showcased their creativity

during the competition.

The judging panel consisted of Y Ayem Kongyak, Khrieketounou Lizietsu, and K. Onglingaku Chang.

The culmination of the day included a program aligned with the Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh celebrations, attended by officials from the Department of Tribal Affairs, the District Administration, the District Education Office, and teachers and students from participating schools.

WORKSHOP ON THE LEGAL METROLOGY ACT, RULES, AND THE MODERNIZATION OF LEGAL METROLOGY HELD AT KOHIMA

A two-day workshop on the Legal Metrology Act, Rules, and the modernization of Legal Metrology commenced was held at Hotel Japfu, Kohima on October 9, 2025 organised by the Department of Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, Kohima.

The inaugural session was graced by the Secretary of the Department of Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection (LMCP),

Wonchio Odyuo. Dr. Rajeshwar Kumar, Director of the Indian Institute of Legal Metrology, Ranchi, Government of India was the resource person for the workshop.

The workshop was attended by enforcement officers and ministerial staff from the Department of Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection (LMCP).

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY 2025 OBSERVED ACROSS NAGALAND

In commemoration of World Mental Health Day 2025, various districts across Nagaland organized awareness programmes and interactive sessions to promote mental well-being and reduce stigma surrounding mental health on October 10, 2025.

KOHIMA

Mount Olive College, Kohima, observed World Mental Health Day 2025 at the college auditorium organized by the Kohima District Administration in collaboration with SANKALP-DHEW and the Centre for Integrated Counselling Services (CICS). The event brought together educators, counsellors, and students to highlight the importance of mental wellness and to destigmatize conversations around mental health.

In her welcome address, Principal Dr. Koseno reaffirmed the college's commitment to fostering an empathetic environment where students can seek help without stigma.

A session on the government initiative "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" was presented by Kesoneinuo, Gender Specialist at DHEW-Kohima linking mental health advocacy with gender sensitivity and empowerment. An interactive icebreaker led by Khrievotsonuo Terhase, Counsellor at CICS, encouraged participants to share their experiences and reflect on emotional well-being.

Atsonuo Thapo, Counsellor at CICS, spoke on "From Hiding to Healing: Your Story Matters and So Does Your Peace.". This was followed by a session on "Coping Strategies for Life and Academic Challenges: Practical Approaches" by Medoneilie Mechülho, Counsellor at CICS, who offered

practical tools for managing stress and academic pressures.

KIPHIRE

The District Administration and District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), in collaboration with the Health & Family Welfare Department, Brain Health Initiative (NITI Aayog), Mission Shakti, and Mission Vatsalya, observed World Mental Health Day at the DPDB Conference Hall, Kiphire.

DC Temsuwati Longkumer emphasized the need to create spaces for open dialogue on mental health and collaborations to reduce stigma, noting that mental well-being helps individuals cope with stress, realize their potential, and contribute positively to society.

Speakers included EAC (HQ) Takatemjen Pongen, Medical Superintendent Wathsutho Nyuthe, Clinical Psychologist Kedorianuo, Psychologist Alenria Maria, and KDLSA representative Limkiushi Thongliu.

DC Kiphire and Miss Kiphire Tsurenshe L. also presented awards to winners of the Poster Making Competition held alongside the event.

LONGLENG

District Mental Health Programme in collaboration with Longleng District Legal Services Authority observed World Mental Health Day at VCC & VDB Hall, Longleng, under the theme "Access to Services - Mental Health in Catastrophes and Emergencies".

Resource person Dr. Lipok Phom, Nodal Officer of DMHP, District Hospital Longleng, spoke on the theme, emphasizing the importance of ensuring access to mental health services such as counseling, psychiatric care, and legal aid during and after crises to

help individuals cope with trauma, stress, and other psychological impacts.

P. Monyei Phom, Deputy Legal Aid Defense Counsel, highlighted the rights

and legal services available to persons with mental illness and outlined the role of the LDLSA in offering legal support concerning mental health-related issues.

VIDEO CONSULTATION OF TELE- MANAS LAUNCHED

Observing the Mental Health Day, Special guest and Secretary, H&FW, S. Tainiu officially launched the 'Video Consultation of Tele MANAS' at the Conference Hall, Directorate of Health & Family, Kohima on October 10, 2025.

Tele-MANAS (Tele Mental Health Assistance and Networking Across States) is an initiative under the National Tele Mental Health Programme (NTMHP) to provide free, 24/7 mental health services to people across the country.

Speaking on the occasion, Tainiu noted that the theme 'Access to Services-Mental Health in Catastrophes and Emergencies' emphasizes the critical need to ensure and improve mental health support during the time of crisis, such as natural disasters,

conflicts and other emergencies.

She highlighted that the world is witnessing an increasing number of humanitarian emergencies such as wars, pandemics, natural disasters and social unrest. Which not only cause physical devastation but leave deep psychological scars.

She highlighted that in the State's context being prone to landslides, floods, and community tensions, the theme is highly relevant. Such emergencies affect not only physical safety but also emotional and social well-being. She called for widespread mental health awareness to reduce stigma, encourage early intervention, and promote resilience and societal harmony.

LAUNCHING OF PM DHAN DHAANYA KRISHI YOJANA AND MISSION FOR AATMANIRBHARTA ON PULSES HELD ACROSS NAGALAND

Nagaland joined the rest of the nation in the formal launch of the Prime Minister Dhan Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PMDDKY) and the Dalhan Aatmanirbharta Mission (Pulse Self-Reliance Mission), along with the inauguration and foundation stone laying of over 1,100 projects under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, and Food Processing sectors by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi on October 11, 2025. The national launch event, held at the National Agricultural Science Complex

(NASC), Pusa, New Delhi. The launch was broadcast live across the country, connecting districts virtually, including Nagaland.

KOHIMA

The Directorate of Agriculture, Nagaland, hosted the state-level launch at its Conference Hall on October 11, 2025. V. Shanshank Shekhar, IAS, Agriculture Production Commissioner, Government of Nagaland, spoke on the objectives of the new initiatives and their potential impact on the farming community. He said that under the

PM Dhan Dhanya Krishi Yojana, 100 low productivity districts including Mon district from Nagaland have been selected.

MLA and Advisor for Agriculture, Government of Nagaland, Mhathung Yanthan, underscored the importance of government's interventions in strengthening the agricultural sector and supporting farmers through sustainable policies.

At the District Agriculture Office, Kohima, the launching program was graced by Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) S. Spongmeren Jamir as the Special Guest. The keynote address was delivered by Viketuno Chusi, SDAO, Department of Agriculture. Seeds were distributed to farmers present at the event.

DIMAPUR

The District Administration Dimapur in collaboration with the Department of Agriculture and Allied Departments organized the launching programme.

Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS, Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Dimapur, stressed the need to focus on agriculture even in the largely urban District. Rokovotsolie Peseyie, Sub-Divisional Agriculture Officer (SDAO), spoke on PMDDKY aims to revolutionize Indian agriculture by making it more productive, sustainable, and financially rewarding.

CHUMOUKEDIMA

The District Administration, and Agri. & Allied Department, Chumoukedima organized the launching programme at DC's, District Agriculture Officer, Chumoukedima, Moianla Pongen gave a brief highlight of the PMDDKY scheme and Mission for Aatmanirbharata in Pulses.

Resource person, Meciesunu Sakhrie, Agriculture Officer delivered a presentation on the topic - Improved Package & Practices

of Major Rabi Crops. Topic on "Principles & practices of Natural farming", was presented by Avizo Virie, DPD, ATMA. This was followed by Distribution of Seeds/inputs by the Deputy Commissioner, Chumoukedima, Polan John, NCS.

NIULAND

At Niuland, DC Sara S. Jamir emphasized the program's role in enhancing agricultural productivity and infrastructure, noting the district's large area and forest coverage. District Agriculture Officer, Thepusa Nakro detailed the aims and objectives of the scheme.

WOKHA

The program at DC Hall, Wokha included participation from officials, stakeholders, and representatives from Self Help Groups. Dr. Sandeep Deshmukh, KVK Wokha, and SDO Echungbemo Erui highlighted the benefits of PMDDKY and the Pulse Self-Reliance Mission for farmers and rural communities.

TSEMINYU

The District Administration Tseminyu, led by DC, Japheth Woch organised the launching program at Tseminyu. The program was attended by the Agri & allied departments and officials from various department witness the live telecast of the launching event.

PHEK

In Phek, ADC Phek, Thejakhrienuo Nisa, delivered the keynote address, while Ruovilhou Tseibu Rulho, District Agriculture Officer, Phek spoke on Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses and it's benefits to the farmers.

KIPHIRE

Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Kiphire organised the Awareness program and live viewing of the launching of PM – DDKY at

Kiphire. The Program was graced by the Deputy Commissioner Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer NCS.

ZUNHEBOTO

In Zunheboto the launching programme was held at Zunheboto with EAC Zunheboto,

L. Chinglem Konyak as the Special Guest. SDAO, Kivika Choppy gave an overview of the two schemes. The programme concluded with the distribution of agricultural seeds by the Agri. & Allied Department, Zunheboto to the farmers.

NIATHU SPORTS FESTIVAL 2025 CONCLUDES

The eighth edition of the Niathu Sports Festival 2025 concluded on October 11, 2025 with a grand closing ceremony held at The Plaza, Zone Niathu by the Park.

The Special Guest, Ajay Kumar Bhalla, the Governor of Nagaland and the Chief Host, Dr. Neiphu Rio, Founding Member & Chief Minister of Nagaland along with Lt. Gen. A.S. Pendharkar, AVSM, YSM, GOC 3 Corps, attended as the Honoured Guest.

Ajay Kumar Bhalla, the Governor of Nagaland, in his address commended the Niathu Group and the Niathu Privilege Club for their commitment to promote sports through their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, which has now become one of Nagaland's most anticipated sporting events.

He remarked that over the years, the Niathu Sports Festival has transformed Dimapur into a "vibrant meeting ground of athletic talent," attracting participants from across India. Highlighting the role of sports in promoting peace, the Governor

stated that "sports break down barriers, foster understanding, and teach us to resolve differences through respect rather than conflict."

Reflecting on the deeper meaning of the festival, he said, "It is not only about medals or victories, but about promoting healthy lifestyles, nurturing young talent, and fostering a sense of belonging." He urged participants to uphold values of teamwork, perseverance, and respect beyond the sporting arena.

Concluding his address, the Governor expressed hope that the Niathu Sports Festival would continue to grow "as a beacon of youth, health, peace, and community spirit—not only in Nagaland but across the country." He called upon everyone to go forth as ambassadors of sportsmanship, fitness, and positivity, inspiring generations to come.

The ceremony also featured Prize Distribution to the winners and participants across various sporting categories.

SNID-POLIO DAY OBSERVED ACROSS SEVERAL DISTRICTS

NOKLAK

The Sub-National Immunization Day (SNID), Polio Day was observed in Noklak town on October 12, 2025.

The first drop of oral polio vaccine under the district was given by SDO(C) Noklak, Vikhoto Richa in the presence of Chief Medical

Officer (CMO) Noklak, Dr. Victor NC, and other district officials.

The medical department set up 54 immunization booths targeting 3,025 children, complemented by a house-to-house campaign to ensure that no child was left unvaccinated.



A child receiving a drop of oral polio vaccine during SNID- Polio Day observed at Noklak on 12th October 2025.

PHEK

The SNID IPPI (Polio Sunday) campaign, running from 12 to 14 October, 2025,

commenced at the District Hospital, Phek. ADC Thejakhrienuo Nisa, NCS, administered the first polio drop in the presence of CMO Dr. K. Chitala Hiese and DPO Dr. Khriekuolie Liezietsu.

The campaign was conducted across eleven polio booths in Phek town as part of the Universal Immunization Programme.

KIPHIRE

At Kiphire the SNID Polio Day was observed on October 12, 2025, immunizing all the children under the age of 5 years with two drops of Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) at five locations. The Polio Day was supervised by Dr. Yelo T. Mero, DPO.

NIRDPR & NITI AAYOG CONDUCTS HEALTH SECTOR TRAINING FOR ASPIRATIONAL BLOCK FUNCTIONARIES

The Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP) Refresher Training on Health was organized by the NIRDPR in collaboration with NITI Aayog, from October 13 to 15, 2025 at the NIRDPR North Eastern Regional Centre (NERC) in Guwahati.

Resource persons for the training were Dr R. Murugesan, Director, NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati, and Dr M. K. Shrivastava, Assistant Professor, NIRDPR-NERC.

During the course, participants worked in

groups to identify and present interventions for achieving saturation across health indicators, developed Block Strategic Strategies (BSS) using templates provided by NIRDPR / SIRD, and conducted peer reviews of each other's strategies. In the closing session, each group presented its BSS before a panel led by Dr. Murugesan and Dr. Shrivastava.

Dr. Samuel Akho Konyak P, Extra Assistant Commissioner, participated in the training as the representative of Nagaland.

NAGALAND LAUNCHES PHASE VI FMD VACCINATION MISSION



Director of AH & VS, Dr. BM Sunep administering the first FMD vaccine to mark the launch of the Phase VI of the FMD Vaccination Mission at the State Cattle Breeding Farm, Lerie, Kohima on 15th October 2025.

The Phase VI of the Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) Vaccination Mission under the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) was launched on October 15, 2025 at the State Cattle Breeding Farm, Lerie, Kohima.

Dr. B. M. Sunep, Director of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, administered the first vaccine to mark the commencement of the two-month mission, which will run from 15th October to 15th

December 2025.

In his address, Dr. Sunep emphasized the importance of timely vaccination and its direct impact on farmers, given the prevalence of economically important livestock diseases in the state. He stressed the need for effective control and eradication of FMD by 2030, in accordance with the guidelines of the

LHDCP, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India.

The mission aims to immunize around 60,000 cattle and other susceptible animals across Nagaland against FMD, a highly contagious disease that poses a major threat to livestock.

PEOPLES' DEMOCRATIC ALLIANCE (PDA) MEETING HELD

A meeting of the People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) was held at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex, Kohima, on October 15, 2025. The meeting was chaired by the Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, and attended by Y. Patton, Deputy Chief Minister and Leader of the BJP Legislature Party; Benjamin Yepthomi, President, BJP Nagaland; Abu Metha, Secretary General, NDPP; Rusemtong Longkumer, Senior Vice President, NDPP; Achumbemo Kikon, MLA and Secretary General, NPF and Apong Pongener, President, NPF.

After deliberations, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

1. The House expressed its appreciation to the Government of India under the visionary leadership of the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, for the continued support and commitment towards the all-round

development of the State of Nagaland.

2. The House called upon the Government of India and the negotiating parties in the Indo-Naga peace process to undertake sincere measures to carry forward the ongoing dialogue to its logical conclusion. The House urged that the settlement must be negotiated in a manner that is honourable, inclusive and acceptable to the people.

3. The House warmly welcomed the decision of the Naga People's Front (NPF) to officially join the PDA and resolved to accept the NPF as a full-fledged partner of the Alliance.

4. The House further extended its appreciation to the central leadership of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) for its guidance, support and positive decision in endorsing the inclusion of the NPF as a partner of the PDA.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio with dignitaries from the PDA alliance during the People's Democratic Alliance meeting held at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex, Kohima on 15th October 2025.

“WORLD OF WORK” WORKSHOP FOR PM SHRI STUDENTS HELD

A two-day workshop on the “World of Work (WoW)” for students from four PM SHRI schools of Nagaland was held on October 16 & 17, 2025 at Kuda Youth Hall, Dimapur.

The programme was conducted under the aegis of the Ministry of Education, Government of India, through PARAKH (Performance Assessment, Review, and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development), NCERT, New Delhi, in collaboration with Samagra Shiksha Nagaland and SCERT Nagaland.

The event seeks to orient students towards diverse and emerging career pathways, including those identified under the 36 job sectors mapped by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), while also introducing them to new possibilities in fields such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), green technologies, and creative industries.

Delivering the keynote address, Dr. Chumbeni Kikon, Joint Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha Nagaland, underscored the importance of empowering young learners through early vocational orientation and 21st-century skill-building. She highlighted how initiatives like WoW are enabling schools to

move beyond traditional academics and help students make informed choices about their future careers.

A special video message was also shared by Prof. Indrani Bhaduri, Head and CEO, PARAKH, NCERT, New Delhi. She emphasized the need for integrating skill-based learning, vocational education, and experiential assessments into regular schooling. She encouraged teachers and school leaders to provide students with opportunities for hands-on learning, internships, and project-based experiences that connect education to employability.

The workshop features interactive sessions and practical activities facilitated by resource persons Elangbam Ashakiran Chanu and Kavita Ghosh, who bring expertise in vocational pedagogy and youth development.

Over the two days, students engaged in activities designed to build career awareness, teamwork, innovation, and problem-solving skills aligned with the World of Work framework. Students from PM SHRI GHSS Chumukedima, PMSHRIGHSNaharbari, PM SHRI GHS Burma Camp, and PM SHRI GHS Thahekhu participated in the workshop.

DIMAPUR AND PHEK DISTRICT RECEIVES RECOGNITION AWARD AS BEST PERFORMING IN IEC CAMPAIGN AT THE AADI KARMAYOGI NATIONAL CONCLAVE

Dimapur and Phek districts of Nagaland were recognized as the best-performing districts in the IEC campaign for last-mile delivery under the Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan at the Aadi Karmayogi National Conclave held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi

on October 17, 2025.

The conclave organized by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, and was graced by the President of India, Droupadi Murmu, as the Chief Guest. The event was attended by Union Minister for

Tribal Affairs, Jual Oram, other ministers, officials, and representatives from tribal communities across the country.

During the conclave, President Murmu presented awards to the top-performing states, districts, blocks, and Integrated Tribal Development Agencies for their exemplary efforts in implementing the initiative. Madhya Pradesh was among the states recognized for its outstanding performance, while Dimapur and Phek districts stood out as the best-performing districts under the Abhiyan.

The Nagaland delegation, led by Angelina Tajen, IAS, Secretary, Government of Nagaland, included officials from the



Secretary for Tribal Affairs, Angelina Tajen, IAS with officials and representatives from Nagaland at the National Conclave on Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 17th October 2025.

Rural Development, Social Welfare, Health & Family Welfare, and Education departments.

NSLSA ORGANISED SEMINAR ON ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND THE HARMFUL IMPACTS OF POLLUTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION

The Nagaland State Legal Services Authority (NSLSA) organized a seminar on “Environmental laws and the harmful impacts of pollution and environmental degradation” in collaboration with Nagaland State Pollution Control Board at Japfü Hotel, Kohima on October 18, 2025.

NSLSA Member Secretary Neiko Akami emphasized the urgent need to conduct more programs aimed at raising awareness among the public and various stakeholders about environmental conservation. He underscored the importance of protecting forests, water resources, and other natural habitats from further degradation. He highlighted the increasing frequency of soil erosion, landslides, floods, water shortages, and heatwaves, as well as the impact of developmental projects on forests and wildlife. Akami called for government policies

supporting large-scale tree plantations, pollution control, prevention of forest exploitation, and effective implementation of the Wildlife (Protection) Act.

During the technical session, resource person, Sidramappa Chalkapure, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, Kohima Nagaland spoke on Legal Framework for Conservation of Forests, Wildlife & Environment and highlighted relevant acts and rules of the state.

Akangmeren Imchen, Scientist ‘C’, Nagaland Pollution Control Board spoke on the Environment (Protection) Act 1986 & the water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act 1974. Yanthung Kithan, Scientist ‘B’, Nagaland Pollution Control Board dwelled on the Air (Prevention & Control of pollution) Act 1981 and Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.

KEEPING HUMANITY ALIVE: IRCS NAGALAND MARKS 38th AGM

The Indian Red Cross Society, Nagaland State Branch, held its 38th Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the year 2024–2025 at the Conference Hall, Red Cross Complex, Kohima, on October 23, 2025 with Dr. Neiphiu Rio, Chief Minister of Nagaland and Vice President of the IRCS Nagaland State Branch, as the Chief Guest.

The programme included a ceremonial lamp lighting and an obituary tribute to the late Governor of Nagaland and IRCS State President, La. Ganesan, who passed away in August 2025.

In his address, Chief Minister, Dr. Rio emphasized the organization's vital role in providing relief to the vulnerable, promoting health and hygiene, conducting blood

donation drives, and responding to disasters across the State. He also commended Akhale Vizol Khamo for her exemplary leadership, which earned her the IRCS National Certificate of Appreciation for Women (2022–23).

Reflecting on the theme for World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day 2025, "Keeping Humanity Alive," the Chief Minister said it serves as a powerful reminder to uphold kindness, empathy, and voluntary service in a world facing growing humanitarian challenges.

Encouraging members and volunteers to engage more youth in the movement, Rio described them as the torchbearers of compassion and the future of the Red Cross in Nagaland. The Chief Minister also released the Annual Report of the Indian Red Cross Society, Nagaland 2025-2025 at the programme.

The General Secretary of IRCS Nagaland, Akhale V. Khamo, presented the annual report highlighting the Society's humanitarian activities and achievements across the districts. Experience-sharing sessions followed, featuring Albert, Chairman of IRCS Peren District, and Nyamto Wangsha, Honorary Secretary of IRCS Mon District, who spoke about their respective district initiatives and challenges.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and General Secretary of IRCS Nagaland, Akhale V. Khamo releasing the annual Report 2024-2025 of the IRCSN at the Conference Hall, Red Cross Complex, Kohima on 23rd October 2025.

ADVISOR NSDMA LAUNCHES SAFER NAGALAND WEATHER MOBILE APPLICATION

The Advisor, Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA) and New & Renewable Energy (NRE), Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, officially launched the "Safer Nagaland" weather mobile Application during a program held at the NSDMA

Conference Hall, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima on October 24, 2025.

The newly launched application will provide real-time weather updates, early warning alerts, and safety information to help citizens prepare for and respond

effectively to natural disasters and changing weather conditions across the State.

Speaking at the launch event, Advisor NSDMA, Z Nyusiethe Nyuthe said that timely information and public awareness remains the strongest tools in reducing disaster risks. He stated that through the Safer Nagaland app, citizens can now access real-time weather updates, location-based forecasts, and early warning alerts directly on their mobile phones, anytime and anywhere. He informed that the new app is an extension of the NSDMA Weather Portal launched earlier, forming an integrated system for weather monitoring, forecasting, and awareness across the State. He also mentioned that NSDMA plans to strengthen its network of automated weather stations, expand forecasting capabilities, and enhance public awareness through continued partnerships and education.

Joint Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Johnny Ruangmei, while briefing about the mobile application said that the app's long-term vision is to serve as a comprehensive disaster preparedness and early warning platform, making crucial information available directly at citizens' fingertips. With rising smartphone use across Nagaland, he urged the public to download it for real-time weather and safety alerts. He added that NSDMA will soon add more features under the "Safer Nagaland" initiative, including alerts for disasters, lightning, earthquakes, and emergencies.

Earlier during the program, Advisor NSDMA, Z Nyusiethe Nyuthe officially launched the Safer Nagaland mobile application and a short video presentation of the mobile application "safer Nagaland" was played.

56th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NAGALAND STATE COOPERATIVE BANK HELD IN DIMAPUR

The 56th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Nagaland State Cooperative Bank Ltd. (NSCtCB) was held on October 24, 2025 at the NSCtCB Conference Hall, Head Office, Dimapur. The meeting was chaired by H. Kashito Yephthomi, Vice-Chairman, NSCtCB Ltd.

During the meeting, the proceedings of the 55th AGM were confirmed, and the Annual Report of Directors and Auditors for 2024-25 was presented and approved. The revised budget for 2024-25, along with estimated budgets for 2025-26 and 2026-27, was also adopted.

Highlighting the theme of the International Year of Cooperatives 2025, Commissioner & Secretary, Department of Cooperation and IPR, Nagaland, Orenthung

Lotha said that the government's vision is to ensure that every village in Nagaland has at least one functional cooperative society that contributes to local livelihood improvement and self-reliance. He emphasized that cooperative institutions should not only pursue financial growth but also uphold values of transparency, accountability, and service to their members. He called upon the bank to introduce innovative financial products tailored to the needs of farmers, women entrepreneurs, and small business owners, thereby supporting inclusive and sustainable economic development.

Bokato Hesso, Registrar of Cooperation, Nagaland, Kohima, also spoke on the occasion, commending the bank's progress and encouraging cooperative societies to

adopt transparency, accountability, and sound management practices to further the cooperative mission. P. Bulte, General Manager (OIC), NABARD, Regional Office Nagaland, in his address, congratulated NSCtCB for its achievements and urged the bank and its affiliated cooperatives to continue innovating and implementing inclusive financial services that benefit rural communities.

As part of the AGM, awards were presented to the best-performing Cooperative

Societies, Self-Help Groups (SHGs), Joint Liability Groups (JLGs), and Bank Branches for their outstanding performance and management. Managing Director, Abhijit Kumar Deb, who was recognized by Indian Startup Times as one of the 50 Most Influential Leaders in Cooperative Banks, was also felicitated for his leadership in revitalizing the bank's operations, reducing NPAs, and achieving dividends after 26 years.

NAGALAND STATE LEVEL KALA UTSAV: CELEBRATING CREATIVITY, CULTURE, AND YOUTH EXPRESSION HELD AT KOHIMA

Samagra Shiksha Nagaland successfully organized the State Level Kala Utsav 2025-26 at Mt. Tabor Retreat Centre, Kohima on October 24, 2025. Kala Utsav, a flagship programme of the Department of School Education and Literacy (DSE&L), Ministry of Education (MoE), aims to foster and showcase the artistic talent of the student of Secondary Stage. The event celebrated the spirit of creativity, artistic excellence, and cultural heritage echoing the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasizes the integration of arts and culture into the educational framework.

Gracing the event as the special guest, Avelu Ruho, Joint Secretary Department of School Education and Deputy Project Director- Nagaland Education Project (NECTAR), commended the participating students and teachers for their dedication and creativity. She encouraged the youth to preserve their indigenous art forms and oral traditions, reminding them that culture is not merely a performance but a living legacy that connects generations. She also highlighted the importance of linking culture

with education as a means of fostering pride in local heritage.

The inaugural programme was chaired by Dr. Chumbeni Kikon, Joint Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha Nagaland, who highlighted the importance of Kala Utsav as a platform for nurturing aesthetic & creative sensibilities among students. The keynote address was delivered by L Jamithung Lotha, State Mission Director, who underscored that the initiative provides students with an opportunity to express themselves creatively, while strengthening their understanding and appreciation of India's cultural diversity.

The State Level Kala Utsav witnessed the participation of 79 students representing various districts of Nagaland, each showcasing exceptional talent in seven art categories ranging from visual arts and traditional crafts to storytelling, folk music, and theatre. The competition offered a vibrant space for students to express themselves through art and culture, blending creativity with a sense of identity and belonging.

The winners in each category are as follows:

2D Visual Arts: Little Star Higher Secondary School, Dimapur

3D Visual Arts: Government Higher Secondary School, Chozuba

2D/3D Indigenous Toys & Games/Local Crafts: Hovishe Government High School, Zunheboto

Traditional Storytelling: Whetstone High, Mokokchung

Regional Folk Dance: Senayangba Government Higher Secondary School, Mokokchung

Regional Folk Vocal Music: Hollotoli Higher Secondary School, Dimapur

Theatre: Sancho School, Wokha.

The winners of the State Level Kala Utsav 2025-26 will represent Nagaland at the National Level Kala Utsav 2025.

AUTUMN FESTIVAL 2025 HELD

The 4th Autumn Festival, serving as a prelude to the 26th Hornbill Festival, was held on October 24–25, 2025, at Nagaland House, 29 Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Road, New Delhi. The event was organized by the Tourism Department, Government of Nagaland, in collaboration with the Principal Resident Commissioner's Office, Nagaland House, New Delhi, and supported by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.

Kapil Mishra, Minister for Tourism, Art and Culture, Government of NCT Delhi was the chief guest for the inaugural programme with Chavanart Thangsumphant, Ambassador of Thailand in India as the Honored Guest. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions of India also graced the inaugural function.

Addressing the gathering, Kapil Mishra said that the relationship between Delhi and

Nagaland are like brothers, and expressed a desire to organise an annual festival celebrating the culture of Nagaland along with Delhi Tourism in future.

Temjen Imna Along, Minister of Tourism and Higher Education, Government of Nagaland who was the Chief Host invited all to visit the State and experience the unique culture of the Nagas especially during the Hornbill Festival. He added that getting an Inner Line Permit is not an obstacle anymore, as one can easily access it online.

Abu Metha, Adviser to the Chief Minister and Chairman IDAN and Arenla Jamir, Commissioner Secretary, Tourism Department also addressed the gathering.

The event also featured live performances from Naga artists such as Tiatemsu & Kiki, Colored Keys, The Eastory Project, The Mahila Band.

ASSOCIATION OF NAGALAND ARCHITECTS CELEBRATES 25th ANNIVERSARY

Association of Nagaland Architects celebrated its 25th Anniversary under the theme "Celebrating community, nurturing creativity" on October 25, 2025 at JP Park & Banquets, 4th Mile, Chumoukedima.

Speaking as a Guest of Honour, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, lauded the 25-year milestone as a testament to the vision and dedication of Nagaland's architectural community. He reflected on ANA's early

efforts to establish development controls and building bye-laws, marking a foundation for organized and sustainable urban growth. He emphasized architects' role as custodians of heritage and culture, whose work shapes Nagaland's identity by harmonizing tradition with modernity. He stressed the importance of earthquake-resilient and safe design, given Nagaland's location in Seismic Zone 5, and urged architects to lead innovation, promote skill development, and train local workers to strengthen both the profession and the state's economy.

Dr. Gauri Nitin Shiurkar, Member of the Council of Architecture, India, praised Nagaland's architectural heritage for its innate sustainability and respect for nature, noting that Naga architecture has

long embodied green design principles. She urged architects to balance tradition with modernity and to advance through curriculum reforms, capacity building, digital integration, and inclusive design. She also highlighted opportunities for Nagaland in eco-tourism, rural development, and sustainable infrastructure, urging young architects to innovate ethically while staying rooted in their cultural heritage.

The event featured a Material Expo, project presentations, insights from eminent Architects, a panel discussion on "Licensing and Regulating Construction Workers in North East India," and the release of a Jubilee Magazine along with a tribute to Nagaland's first architect, C. Yantsushan Murry, and other pioneers.

'VOICE OF THE YOUTH' FOLK SONG COMPETITION HELD AT RCEMPA, JOTSOMA



The Khamniungan tribe, winners of 'Voice of the Youth' folk song competition held at RCEMPA, Jotsoma, Kohima on 28th October 2025.

As part of the year-long celebration commemorating 90 years of radio broadcasting in India, Akashvani, Kohima in collaboration with the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC) and the Task

Force for Music and Arts (TaFMA), hosted 'Voice of the Youth' folk song competition at RCEMPA, Jotsoma, on October 28, 2025.

In her welcome address, Ella Kayina, Head of Programme highlighted the

significant contribution of Akashvani Kohima at both the regional and national levels. She remarked that the folk song competition serves as a tribute to the folk artists whose work has helped preserve the region's cultural heritage.

Encouraging the participants ahead of the competition, Kayina said that the event would be a journey of learning and self-discovery for many. She expressed confidence that through their participation, each group would gain something valuable — a new skill, a new song, and a deeper appreciation of their cultural heritage.

In his vote of thanks, Programme Executive, Khriesaniesia Rusta extended special appreciation to the North East Zone Cultural Centre (NEZCC) for sponsoring the prize money and conveyed gratitude to the Task Force for Music and Arts (TaFMA) for their support.

The Voice of the Youth Folk Song Competition featured captivating performances by 15 tribes of Nagaland each showcasing their distinct musical traditions and rich cultural heritage. The event celebrated the artistic diversity of the State while emphasizing the importance of preserving and promoting indigenous folk traditions for future generations.

Khiamniungan tribe emerged as the winner, securing the first prize of ₹50,000, followed by the Konyak tribe, which bagged the second prize of ₹40,000, and the Sangtam tribe, which received the third prize of ₹30,000. Khiamniungan and Zeliang tribes were awarded ₹20,000 each for best traditional attire in the special category, while consolation prizes of ₹10,000 were presented to the Chang, Yimkhiong, Kuki, and Angami tribes.

ANNUAL STATE LEVEL SCIENCE DRAMA COMPETITION HELD AT DIMAPUR

The Annual State Level Science Drama Competition (ASDC) 2025 was held at Innovation Hub-Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur on October 29, 2025 under the theme "Science & Technology for the Benefit of mankind". The event was graced by Bokavi Swu, Director, BZ Entertainment, Nagaland, who is also a prominent actor and decorated Director-filmmaker, as the Special Guest and Chief Judge.

The Nagaland ASDC 2025 was won by PM SHRI Government Higher Secondary School, Dimapur and the school will

represent the State at the Zonal Level i.e. the North-East Zone Science Drama Competition 2025 to be held at National Science Centre, Guwahati.

Science Drama Competition is an annual event which is organised across the country with a primary aim to showcase juvenile artistic creativity and to use the medium of drama as a potent tool for dealing with socio-scientific issues of current importance in the society. The competition is sponsored and organized by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of Nagaland.



LOK KALYAN MELA ORGANISED AT CHOZUBA

Lok Kalyan Mela was organized for Chozuba Town under PM SVANidhi Scheme at Vamuzo Memorial Town Hall, Chozuba under Phek district on October 2, 2025.

The Lok Kalyan Mela was held with

special focus to facilitate and access to micro-credit and ensures social-welfare linkages for street vendors. The State Bank of India, Chozuba Branch sensitized the participants on financial literacy during the campaign.

REEL-MAKING COMPETITION ON CLEAN AIR HELD AT KOHIMA

A video reel-making competition on the theme “Clean Air, Clean Future” was organized under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) 2024-25 as part of the action point “To intensify monitoring of industries to reduce emissions by industries”. The programme was jointly organised by the District Administration and the District Industries Centre for Information.

The prize distribution programme was held at the Conference Hall of the Deputy Commissioner’s Office on October 3, 2025 chaired by EAC, Dr. Riku.

Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS in his address, encouraged the participants to act as ambassadors of the clean air campaign. He urged them not to keep the message to

themselves but to spread it widely, stressing that the success of such initiatives depends on community participation. “In whatever way possible, spread the message. Take inspiration from leaders like Greta Thunberg, make a change, and be the change for a cleaner Kohima,” he said. Reminding the gathering that while people may have choices in many aspects of life, there is no choice in the air one breathes, he called for sustained efforts rather than one-time exercises. He also advised the youth to align their careers with both their talents and interests.

Altogether, 16 participants competed in the reel-making event, which reached over 3.52 lakh viewers online, successfully amplifying the message of clean and healthy air to a wider audience.

LI- NING 47th NAGALAND STATE SUB-JUNIOR & MASTERS BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP CULMINATES

Organized by the Nagaland Badminton Association, the 2nd phase of the Li-Ning 47th Nagaland State Sub-Junior & Masters Badminton Championship culminated on October 3, 2025 at K Kire, IPS Indoor Stadium, Nagaland Police Complex and Multi Disciplinary Stadium at Sovima, Chumoukedima.

Speaking at the closing ceremony as a Special Guest, Advisor DUDA, Geology & Mining, W. Chingang Konyak, extended his

heartfelt congratulations to the organisers, coaches, parents and young players. He mentioned that Badminton provides great opportunities across the world, evolving into a professional career that offers tremendous possibilities. He emphasized the need to cultivate a culture where sports are viewed not just as extracurricular activities but as promising professions that merit dedication, investment, and respect. He further encouraged everyone to continue

working together to make Nagaland a centre of sporting talent and excellence, and to create pathways that can turn young athletes' dreams into reality.

The championship showcased players from 17 Districts of Nagaland and organized in a broad spectrum of age groups and categories - from Under-9 year old to Masters 65+ Veterans - making it one of the most inclusive badminton tournaments in the region.

This championship witnessed 335 entries and 319 players (267 male and 27 female) participated in 48 categories. The tournament witnessed 311 matches with a total of 24 events taking place in 6 courts. The Youngest Player of the competitions was recorded at 5 years and 10 months, Jenibemo Jami from wokha, while the Oldest Player was Bendangukshi Jamir at 73 years from Chumoukedima.

POCHURY COMMUNITY CELEBRATED YEMSHE CUM MINI HORNBILL FESTIVAL AT MELURI

The Yemshe cum Mini Hornbill festival of the Pochury community was celebrated with Advisor, Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Zhaleo Rio, as the Special Guest on October 3, 2025 at Meluri.

In his speech, Zhaleo Rio expressed his happiness for celebrating Yemshe festival after a long season of hard work, ensuring to bring a bountiful harvest said that the idea of getting rich harvest without any labor is a misconception.

Advisor for New & Renewable Energy and NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, the chief host of the festival said that Meluri, the youngest district of Nagaland is rightly coined as the Land of Fortunes because of the fact that the district is filled with full of natural resources, which has potential and



Advisor for Urban Development & Municipal Affairs, Zhaleo Rio, speaking at the Yemshe cum Mini Hornbill festival celebration at Meluri on 3rd October 2025.

avenues for exploration, and opportunities for economic development.

Earlier, welcome notes and greetings were delivered by President of Pochury Hoho Chonpa Curry and Deputy Commissioner of Meluri, K. Mhathang Tsanglao respectively.

ANEMIA AWARENESS AND SCREENING PROGRAMMES FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS HELD AT WOKHA AND PEREN

As part of Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2025, the Department of Social Welfare, in collaboration with the Department of Health & Family Welfare, conducted Anemia Awareness and Screening Programmes for adolescent girls at Wokha and Peren districts.

In Wokha, the one-day camp was held on October 4, 2025 at the Urban Health Centre, organized under the CDPO Wokha Project and the CMO Wokha Office. Medical Officer, Wokha, Dr. Chonben Ezung, emphasized the importance of raising awareness on



Officials with Participants at the Anemia camp held at Wokha as part of Rashtriya Poshan Mah 2025 on 4th October 2025.

adolescent health, particularly menstrual hygiene. MO, Dr. Thungrhoni Kikon, also spoke on the importance of maintaining good oral hygiene and dental care.

Participating girls were successfully screened for Anemia with 14 adolescence girls referred for medical advice due to low haemoglobin and 6 adolescence girls were referred for Non Communicable Diseases (NCD). Later Sanitary pads were also distributed to the adolescence girls by the Department of Social Welfare.

In Peren, a district-level Anemia

Screening and Awareness Programme was held on October 7, 2025 at Inbung Village. District Programme Officer, I. Tsungrosangla Ao, stated that the initiative aimed to promote health awareness among adolescent girls through collaborative efforts of the Social Welfare and Health & Family Welfare Departments. Dr. Shebo Khing, Medical Officer, stressed the importance of menstrual hygiene and encouraged greater community involvement to ensure proper adolescent healthcare.

PEREN DPDB PREPARES FOR INTER-DEPARTMENTAL TOURNAMENT

The monthly meeting of the Peren District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) was held at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Peren on October 6, 2025, under the chairmanship of DC & Vice Chairman, DPDB Peren, Hiazu Meru.

The meeting discussed several key agendas, including the adoption of Peren Government College, various schools and hospitals, a review of off-season crop adoption, and the selection of one village under each RD Block as a pilot project.

The Deputy Commissioner urged Heads of Offices to ensure strict supervision of their staff, emphasizing that employees perform

their duties diligently to effectively serve the public.

ADC Peren, D. Robin, who is also the Convenor of the Inter-Departmental Tournament, outlined the disciplines, guidelines, and other necessary details of the upcoming Inter-Departmental Tournament to be held from 12th -14th November at Jalukie .

A PowerPoint presentation on “People, Forests & Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES)” was also delivered by Dr. Pentile Thong from Rongmei Baptist Association and Landstack Nagaland Team.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

The Tuensang District Planning & Development Board meeting was held on October 7, 2025, under the Deputy Commissioner & DPDB Vice Chairman, Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, NCS.

During the meeting, the house recommended the proposal for registration of Hak Village Development Society, Rural Farmers Society and Yangpi Nukenloba Mission Society, to the Government.

DC Tuensang emphasised on the deteriorating life line roads to Tuensang

before the members and urged upon the line Department for restoration at the earliest possible time. He lauded the Principal of Sao Chang College and Water Resource Department for their tremendous services rendered to the people of the district through various initiatives. He also acknowledged ATMA Tuensang for acquiring the best performing District in the state.

PowerPoint presentation was presented by Principal Sao Chang College Tuensang and Water Resource Department Tuensang.

ONE-DAY AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON CHILD RIGHTS AND CHILD PROTECTION

Nagaland State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NSCPCR) in collaboration with the District Child protection Unit, Tuensang organized a one-day awareness programme on Child Rights & Child protection on October 7, 2025 at Chang Khuli Setshang Hall, Tuensang.

Deputy Commissioner Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, NCS, in her address, emphasized the importance of upholding child rights and protection, stating that every child is unique and deserves care, support, and equal opportunities without any form of discrimination or abuse. She noted that unreported cases of family abuse persist in many communities and must be addressed urgently. Rutsa appealed the elders, public leaders, NGOs, students' organization and parents to adhere to Child Rights and child protection to the fullest in the District. She also acknowledged and extended her appreciation to all the participants for attending the awareness programme.



Secretary, Social Welfare & NSCPCR, Yongchingkumla, NCS addressing the participants during an awareness programme on Child Rights and Child Protection held at CKS Hall, Tuensang on 7th October 2025.

Guest resource speakers Legal Consultant NSCPCR, Lichani Murry; Member NSCPCR, Akumla Longchari and Member NSCPCR, Aying Wangsha spoke on The Juvenile Justice Act highlighting on Adoption Rules, Understanding and strengthening the POCSO Act towards a safer Future for Children and Rights of Children with regard to Education vis-a-vis Right to Education with emphasis on Child Labour.

Key note address was delivered by

Secretary Social Welfare and Secretary NSCPCR, Yongchingkumla, NCS.

A brief report on Child related cases in the District was delivered by DCPO Tuensang, Yangtriba Sangtam. Open Discussion on

Child Rights and Child protection was also held with the participants in order to enhance the importance of the awareness programme.

DISTRICT-LEVEL COORDINATION MEETINGS ON REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS & DEATHS HELD

District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) meetings on the Registration of Births and Deaths were recently held in Tuensang, Longleng, and Mon, to review and strengthen the implementation of the Civil Registration System (CRS).

In **Tuensang**, the meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner and DLCC Chairperson Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, NCS, on October 8, 2025. Members discussed the need for awareness programmes involving NGOs, village leaders, pastors, and teachers to promote the benefits of birth and death registration. The committee also emphasized training for medical staff on Medical Certification of Cause of Death (MCCD) and called for capacity-building of rural registration units to adapt to the upgraded online registration system. It was further suggested that Shamator and Noklak districts develop separate online portals for efficient CRS implementation.

In **Longleng**, the meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner and Chief Registrar of Births & Deaths W. Manpai Phom on

October 10, 2025. Deputy Director and District Economics & Statistics Officer Nyushotho Nyuthe gave an overview of CRS progress and thanked departments for their cooperation. The committee recommended including the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) and CDPO (Social Welfare) as DLCC members, strengthening coordination with the Education and Medical departments, and promoting awareness at the village level through timely submission of death reports and MCCD forms.

Similarly, in **Mon**, the DLCC meeting held on October 13, 2025, was chaired by ADC Pakon Phom. District Economics & Statistics Officer Yhunchilo Khing briefed members on CRS importance and highlighted areas for improvement. Key issues discussed included safekeeping of records, online registration, training for registrars, appointment of officials, and delayed registration cases. The committee stressed the need to create awareness among villagers through churches and civil organizations.

DISHA MEETING HELD AT ZUNHEBOTO

The District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) meeting for Zunheboto District was held under the chairmanship of Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) and Chairperson, DISHA, S. Supongmeren Jamir at the

Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Zunheboto, on October 9, 2025.

The meeting began with an address by the MP, who emphasized that all officials should work together as one family, in close coordination with the District Administration.

He stated that the Government of India has introduced numerous welfare schemes and urged all Heads of Offices in the District to work diligently, to ensure that the schemes reach the targeted beneficiaries and are effectively implemented.

The MP mentioned that certain crucial schemes for the district could be forwarded to the District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) for prioritization. He further stated that issues which cannot be resolved during the meeting could be addressed through close coordination with the Deputy Commissioner, who also serves as the Member Secretary, along with the concerned departments.

PowerPoint presentations were given

by the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA), Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), and Department of Social Welfare, showcasing various schemes and projects currently being implemented in the district. A report on PM POSHAN was also presented by the District Education Officer (DEO).

After the agenda items were discussed, the MP invited suggestions from DISHA members on various schemes and projects undertaken in the district. The meeting was followed with an extensive discussion led by the MP, who shared his observations and remarks on the ongoing schemes and their implementation in the district.

TABLE TOP EXERCISE CUM PREPARATORY MEETING HELD AT TUENSANG

Table Top Exercise cum preparatory meeting under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, NCS was held on October 9, 2025 at DC's Conference Hall Tuensang.

During the meeting, NDRF team from Itanagar presented power point presentation in the presence of DDMA members, representatives of Fire Services, Medical Department and Police Department as to how various agencies and stake holders should be well prepared before any disasters

or eventualities takes place.

Open discussions and interaction were exchanged with NDRF and DDMA Tuensang so as to enhance the preparatory plans and tips to reduce victims and casualties in times of any adversities in the District.

The main objectives of Table Top Exercise is to enable the stake holders and various Government and NGO's agencies to avoid casualties in the event of natural calamity and man-made disasters.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

The District Planning & Development Board, Longleng convened its monthly meeting at the DPDB hall, Longleng on 9 October 2025. The meeting was chaired by the MLA & Chairman DPDB Longleng, A. Pongshi Phom.

The MLA, Pongshi emphasized the importance of the Government employees and appealed to be sincere and work diligently for the upliftment of Longleng district.

DC, Longleng, W. Manpai Phom

reviewed the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting and highlighted the agendas of the day. While reviewing the agenda for grant-in-aid demanded by the Vision Vale School, Longleng, the board agreed to forward the proposal to the concerned department. The board also forwarded the proposal for the creation of Police Outpost at Yongnyah EAC HQ. under Longleng District. The DC informed the board members regarding the

visit of Union Minister of State for Power & Renewal Energy to the district and appraised all the department officers to be ready with their departmental activities.

Executive Engineer for Water Resources Department (WRD), Longleng Division, Sutemo Kikon presented the departmental activities through PowerPoint presentation. He outlined the department's initiatives under various villages of the district.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON PM-NAPS HELD AT PHEK

Awareness Program on PM-National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (PM-NAPS), was held at Town hall, Phek on October 9, 2025 with the ADC Phek, Thejakhrienuo Nisa as the special guest.

In her address, Nisa urged the participants and students to focus on both academic knowledge and skill development to enhance their future prospects. She also commended the Department of Employment,

Skill Development, and Entrepreneurship, Nagaland, for initiating the program aimed at empowering youth and students, who are seen as the future leaders of the state.

Pravin Yadav, State Coordinator of NSDE, provided insights on the PM-NAPS scheme and guided participants on the registration process for students and establishments on the PM-NAPS portal.

CHUMOUKEDIMA DPDB MEETING HELD

The Chumoukedima District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of October was held on October 10, 2025 at DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima, chaired by Advisor Urban Development & Municipal Affairs and DPDB Chairman, Zhaleo Rio.

Rio, in his address commended the District administration and other stakeholders for their full cooperation in managing the monsoon's impact effectively.

The meeting began with a review of the previous DPDB meeting, followed by a list of agendas. The board after thorough

deliberation approved several agendas for recommendation including- Nagaland State Pedal Association; Chumoukedima Two-wheelers Taxi Association; Introduction of Multi-disciplinary courses in GHSS, Singrijan; Introduction of Commerce stream at GHSS, Singrijan; Proposal for construction of Excise Department Office, Chumoukedima; and Change of Village nomenclature from Sirhi Angami Village to Medzhiphema 'A' Village.

While PowerPoint presentations was presented by DAO, Moainla Pongen.

ORENTHUNG LOTH, VISITED DPRO OFFICE MON

Commissioner & Secretary, Information & Public Relations, Orenthung Lotha visited the District Public Relations Office Mon, on October 10, 2025. During his visit, he encouraged the staff to be more sincere and responsible in their duty. He asserted that IPR being the Government media should built good relationship between the government and the citizens. He also extended his gratitude to the staff for their efficiency despite of challenges and shortages in the equipments.

Shiklong Konyak, LDA DPRO Office Mon chaired the programme, while the Information Assistant, M. Pelih delivered the welcome address and presented a brief note of the office in general.



Commissioner & Secretary, IPR and Cooperative Department, Orenthung Lotha with DPRO Staff of Mon during his visit to DPRO Office Mon on 10th October 2025.

CHIEPHOBOZOU SUB-DIVISION HOLDS COORDINATION MEETING

The monthly meeting of Heads of Offices under Chiephobozou Sub-Division was held on October 10, 2025, at the DB's Court, ADC Office, Chiephobozou, chaired by ADC Alemyapang Longchar.

During the meeting, Dr. Kekhrienizo, Medical Officer of CHC Chiephobozou, presented updates on the activities of the Medical Department. He informed that the Chiephobozou Block currently covers 24 villages, with a total of 13 health centres,

including one CHC (Chiephobozou), four PHCs at Zhadima, Ziezou, Botsa, and ToupHEMA, and eight Health and Wellness Centres (Sub-Centres) at Nerhema, Chiechama, Seiyhama, Gariphema, VipHoma, Chiechama, Tsiemekhuma, Tsiesema, and Phekerkriema. He also highlighted the healthcare services, hospital facilities, and various programmes being implemented across all health units in the sub-division.

COMPUTERIZED PRIMARY AGRICULTURE CREDIT COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES CONDUCTED AT MON

A Programme on Computerized Primary Agriculture Credit Cooperative Societies Ltd. was organized by the office of the Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies Mon on October 10, 2025 at DRDA Conference Hall,

Mon.

Commissioner & Secretary, IPR and Cooperation Department, Orenthung Lotha, highlighted the UN's International Year of Cooperatives 2025, emphasizing awareness

on cooperatives' role in sustainable development, youth leadership, and supportive policies. Addressing officials in Mon, he urged them to lead in implementing cooperative initiatives and stressed that computerization will enhance efficiency, transparency, financial inclusion, and faster loan delivery through digital rural banking.

Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Kohima, Nagaland, Vikosielie Nagi gave a keynote address on Computerized Primary Agriculture Credit Cooperative Societies. He encouraged them to take advantage of computers and work hard to upgrade their societies.

Chief Manager of Cooperative Bank Mon, W. Chemkai Konyak, emphasized that cooperative banks depend on cooperative societies, which are their true owners. He urged members to build confidence, stay committed, and ensure timely loan repayment.

Sub. RCS Mon, Tsjungse Sangtam, briefed on the development and working system of the society.

Out of 350 Primary Agriculture Credit Cooperative Societies, 9 (Nine) Primary Agriculture Credit Cooperative Societies were selected and trained for Computerization.

EARTHQUAKE DISASTER MOCK EXERCISE CONDUCTED AT TUENSANG

National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) along with the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Tuensang conducted a Mock Drills on October 10, 2025 at New DC Office Complex, Tuensang.

During the Mock Drills exercise, a simulating Earthquake scenario was conducted at New DC Office Complex for Fire Incident, building collapsed, search and rescue operation and Evacuation. The mock drill exercise was conducted as a preparatory measure and was jointly

organised by 12 BN NDRF, DDMA Tuensang and District Administration of Tuensang with participation from Home Guard & Civil Defence and SDRF Tuensang, Fire and Emergency Service Tuensang, District Executive Force (DEF) Tuensang, DPRO Tuensang, Medical Department and NCC Tuensang.

After the Mock Drill, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) gave a brief in hand training to the NCC Participants.

BRIGHT MORNING STAR CHILDREN HOME CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY

The Kohima District Administration, SINKALP District Hub for Empowerment of Women, Kohima, Social Welfare Department, in collaboration with Bright Morning Star Children Home (BMSCH), marked International Girl Child Day at the BMS Multipurpose Hall on October 10, 2025. The event celebrated the theme: "The girl I am, the change I lead: Girls on the frontlines of crisis."

Kesoneinuo, Gender Specialist, DHEW, Kohima, addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of empowering girls and promoting gender equality. She highlighted that International Girl Child Day, launched by the United Nations, seeks to raise awareness on girls' rights, education, and well-being globally. Emphasizing the active role girls play in society, the

speaker encouraged young girls to lead, support others, and create change in their communities. Programs organized by the team under the guidance of the District Administration and Department of Social Welfare include awareness campaigns, skills training, sports, and health initiatives, all

aimed at fostering a nurturing environment for girls to thrive.

The speaker concluded by urging all present to recognize the strength, resilience, and potential of girls and work collectively toward a future where their dreams can be fully realized.

RTI WEEK 2025 OBSERVED AT TSEMINYU

The Right to information week 2025 was observed at town hall, Tseminyu on October 10, 2025.

The programme was chaired by Deputy Commissioner Tseminyu, Japheth Woch, who also delivered the welcome address.

Chief Information Commissioner Kevisa Kense, IAS (Retd.), in his keynote address, outlined the objectives of the Right to Information Act, 2005, emphasizing that the Commission's role is to protect

citizens and address their grievances, while government departments must provide requested information within the stipulated timeframe. He urged departments not to harass applicants seeking information and cautioned NGOs against misusing the RTI Act or providing misleading information.

State Information Commissioner, Nosazol Charles gave detailed PowerPoint presentation on RTI and interacted with the participants.

DPDB WOKHA REVIEWS PREPARATIONS FOR 1ST EVER BANANA FESTIVAL 2025.

The monthly District Planning & Development Board meeting for Wokha district was held on the October 10, 2025 in the presence of Deputy Chief Minister & chairman DPDB Wokha, Y. Patton, Advisor for Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan and MLA, Y. M. Humstoe.

While appreciating the sincere and dedicated efforts of DC Wokha and DPDB members to host the 1st ever Banana Festival scheduled from 22nd to 24th October 2025, Patton advised for extending invitation to all the HoDs and Ministers of Agri. and Allied departments.

Mhathung Yanthan emphasised the vital role of Liaison officers in ensuring proper care and coordination for guests, dignitaries, scientists and officials from National institutes from outside the state. Yanthan

further informed that he has reached out to some renowned companies who have shown their interest to display their high tech tools and machineries, seeds, manures etc if the host district extends logistic support including accommodation.

MLA, Y.M. Humstoe also lauded and appreciated the efforts of all the committees under the leadership of DC Wokha for their efforts and ensure that the upcoming Banana festival would be celebrated in a grand manner.

DC Vineet Kumar, IAS, presented the festival plan, noting that over 30 premier technical institutions and marketing bodies will conduct workshops, demonstrations, and farmer training sessions, with several already confirming participation.

Lotha Eloë Hoho President, Thungbeni Ngully, announced that Miss Wokha 2025 will be held on 3rd November 2025, proposing its inclusion in DPDB activities, and sought members' cooperation.

Other highlights of the meeting included power point presentation by DAPCU highlighting the data of HIV scenario of

Wokha district, while the DEO Wokha highlighted on the Demerger of Government Primary School upper NST.

Land resource and Labour departments presented their PowerPoint highlighting on the activities and projects of their departments in the district.

AWARENESS PROGRAM ON POSHAN MAAH AT TETSO COLLEGE



Chairperson, Nagaland State Commission for Women, W. Nginyeih Konyak, with other officials during an awareness programme on Poshan Maah held at Lorin Hall, Tetso College, Dimapur on 10th October 2025.

The Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW) supported by National Commission for Women (NCW) and in collaboration with Women Cell of Tetso College organised an Awareness Programme on Poshan Maah on October 10, 2025, at Lorin Hall, Tetso College. The event sought to promote awareness on the importance of nutrition and to encourage collective efforts in fostering a healthier and more informed society.

In his introductory note, Kvulo Lorin, Chairman, Tetso College highlighted the institution's long-term vision of introducing academic programmes in Physical Science and Sports Studies, aligning with the college's commitment to holistic education and overall well-being.

Delivering the keynote address, W. Nginyeih Konyak, Chairperson, Nagaland

State Commission for Women (NSCW), emphasized the initiatives undertaken by the National Commission for Women (NCW). She also drew attention to critical issues such as sexual harassment in the workplace and domestic violence, underscoring the need for continued vigilance and institutional support to safeguard women's rights. Speaking on the significance of Poshan Maah, celebrated annually in September, Konyak stressed the involvement of men in nutrition and care giving, advocating for a shared responsibility in ensuring family and community well-being. She further reiterated the importance of supporting survivors of gender-based violence and called for stronger legal frameworks and effective enforcement mechanisms to create a safer and more equitable society.

Shreyansee Jain, IAS SDO (Civil), Chümoukedima, in her address, spoke on the

imperative of ensuring nutrition for all as a cornerstone of empowerment and societal progress. Urging the community to embrace the natural and organic produce abundantly available in the state, she encouraged the adoption of a balanced diet and healthy lifestyle.

The programme featured three technical sessions. Dr. Sosinle Kent, Medical Officer at CHC Dhansiripar, spoke on “Men Streaming – Involving Men as Active Stakeholders in

Nutrition and Caregiving.” Dr. Avitso Liegise, Senior Consultant and Head of the Department of Cardiology at CIHSR, Chümoukedima, delivered a session on “Addressing Obesity – Reducing Consumption of Sugar, Salt, and Oil.” Renthunglo Kikon, Centre Administrator of Sakhi–One Stop Centre, Chümoukedima, spoke on “Legal Rights” and also highlighted various Government of India initiatives for women and girls.

FREE CATARACT SURGERY EYE CAMP HELD AT DISTRICT HOSPITAL LONGLENG

A free cataract surgery eye camp was successfully conducted at District Hospital, Longleng from October 6 to 11, 2025. The camp was organized by National Programme for Control of Blindness & Visual Impairment (NPCB&VI), Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland in collaboration with Longleng Town Baptist Church on the occasion of its 75th Jubilee celebration.

The eye camp was held under the supervision of Dr. E. Phyantsuthung, State Programme Officer (NPCB&VI), Directorate

of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima. A team of medical officers and staff comprising Dr. Ramdeu Lungalang (Jr. Eye Specialist, DH Mon), Dr. Thejavitui Kire (Jr. Eye Specialist, DH Longleng), and supporting staff from IMDH Mokokchung, CMO office and District Hospital Longleng participated in the program.

During the camp, a total of 241 patients were examined. 45 successful cataract surgeries were performed, and 20 presbyopia glasses were distributed to patients in need.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SPORTS TOURNAMENTS 2025 HELD AT MOKOKCHUNG AND ZUNHEBOTO

The inauguration ceremony of the 3rd edition of Mokokchung district Inter-Departmental sports meet was held on October 11, 2025 at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, with Deputy Commissioner Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS as the chief guest. The three-day event featured a variety of sports disciplines.

In his address, the Deputy Commissioner emphasized that such events provides a common platform for government employees from different departments to come together, fostering team spirit and interdepartmental



DC Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma speaking at the opening ceremony of the third edition of the Mokokchung District Inter-departmental Sports meet 2025 held at the Multi-purpose Sports Stadium Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung on 11th October 2025.

coordination. He highlighted the importance of balancing work and leisure time to maintain better physical and mental health.

The program featured a special performance by Jubilee Memorial College and the oath-taking ceremony, was led by District Sports Officer Mokokchung, Zhopovi Zecho.

The ceremony also included the handing over of the championship trophy to the organizing committee from the reigning champion, the Education department.

Similarly, The 12th Zunheboto District Inter-Departmental Tournament cum Deputy Commissioner Cup, organized by the District Administration and the District Sports Council Zunheboto (DSCZ), commenced at DSCZ Indoor Stadium, Zunheboto on October 29, 2025. The three-day event features 50 participating departments competing in various sports

disciplines.

The tournament was officially declared open by the Special Guest, Deputy Commissioner and Chairman DSCZ, Dharam Raj (IAS).

Deputy Commissioner, in his address encouraged all participants to enjoy the event and foster teamwork among departments. He further expressed hope that participants would showcase their talents with enthusiasm and unity.

The tournament features a range of events, including penalty shoot-out, badminton, chess, carom, and arm wrestling.

L. Chinglem Konyak, NCS, EAC Zunheboto chaired the event, while Zakato, member of DSCZ led the oath-taking. The opening ceremony concluded with an Badmanton exhibition match between the Under-13 and Under-15 team.

DISTRICT-LEVEL AWARENESS-CUM-CAMPAIGN ON SETTLEMENT OF UNCLAIMED DEPOSITS HELD AT DIMAPUR

A District-level Awareness-cum-Campaign on Settlement of Unclaimed Deposits under the theme “Your Money, Your Right” was held on October 13, 2025 at the Deputy Commissioner’s office conference hall, Dimapur.

The meeting was chaired by EAC Dimapur, Imtjungla Lemtur, who stated that the campaign seeks to ensure that unclaimed deposits and investments are rightfully returned to their legitimate owners.

Speaking at the event, District Lead Manager, Rongsenyangla, highlighted the growing concern of unclaimed deposits and stressed the importance of financial awareness among the public. She stated that the ongoing campaign is structured around the three pillars of Awareness, Accessibility,

and Action (3 A’s) to make the process of tracing and reclaiming unclaimed funds simple, transparent, and citizen-friendly.

Rongsenyangla further informed that unclaimed assets in India as of 31 August 2025 amounted to ₹1.82 lakh crore. She added that the RBI has launched an online portal <https://Udhampur.rbi.org.in>, where individuals can check the status of unclaimed deposits.

The programme was convened under the initiative of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the State Bank of India (SBI) as part of a nationwide campaign launched by the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, to promote the quick and efficient settlement of unclaimed financial assets.

PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING-CUM- FAREWELL PRORGAMME HELD

The mothly SDPDB Pughoboto meeting cum farewell program in honour of outgoing ADC & Vice Chairman SDPDB Pughoboto, Tiameren chang, NCS was held on October 13, 2025 at ADC's office, Pughoboto.

After the review the last meeting minutes the members after deliberation recommended the application for registration of Sumi Anthropol Research union and forwarded to the concerned higher authority for approval. The members also constituted a committee for Inter-departmental sports meet.

MLA and SDPDB Chairman Dr. Sukhato A. Sema lauded outgoing ADC Tiameren Chang as one of Pughoboto's best administrators, thanking him for his dedicated service to the people.

In his farewell speech, the outgoing ADC, Tiameren chang thanked the people of the sub-division and the government officials for their cooperation and support rendered to the district administration during his tenure.

The member also welcomed the new ADC, Meyazungba Jamir to the board.

NIULAND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION ORGANISED SEMINAR FOR VILLAGE FUNCTIONARIES

Niuland District Administration organised a seminar for village functionaries at DC's Conference Hall, Niuland on October 13, 2025.

Delivering the keynote address, the Deputy Commissioner of Niuland, Sara S Jamir stated that the seminar aims to strengthen the role and functions of the GBs and Village Council Members at the village level. Asserting that the GBs and Village Council Members are the eyes, ears & hands of the government, Sara called upon the village functionaries to take proper care and efficient functioning at the village level.

EAC Sadar, Vitoka Yeptho highlighted the functions of the Village Council Act 1978, and emphasis on the role of the VDB, Village Administration, Policing and Village Court.

Avonuo Kire, SDO (Civil) Niuland, gave the detailed procedures and guidelines of

the Permanent Residence Certificate (PRC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and IIC.

EAC Aghunaqa, Khempa, presented in detail about the consolidated guidelines of the Home Department on the Inner Line Permit (ILP) Act, issued on August 14, 2025. while ACP Niuland, Nokwketba Longkumer, briefed participants on basic policing and law and order matters at the village level.

BDO Niuland, Atoka K. Sema, emphasized the importance of the VDB Model Rules. Er. Longchendi Wati Longchar, JE Kuhuboto (PHED), and Dr. M. Jangyukala, Horticulture Inspector from the DHO office, Niuland, highlighted various government schemes and projects being implemented in the district.

The seminar concluded with an interactive session and a question hour.

MELURI DPDB DISCUSSES CONSTITUTION OF VERIFICATION COMMITTEE FOR LADP SCHEMES/PROJECTS

The monthly DPDB meeting of Meluri district was held at DB's Court, Meluri on October 13, 2025, under the chairmanship of MLA & Advisor, New & Renewable Energy and NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe.

After reviewing the previous meeting minutes, the following Agendas were discussed and recommended to the concerned authority for approval: Constitution of

Verification Committee for Verification of LADP Schemes/Projects; Setting up of Krishi Vigyan Kendra and Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan in Meluri and upgradation of the Office of the Sub-Divisional Officer of Soil & Water Conservation Office in Meluri.

The Rural Development Department gave a PowerPoint presentation for both Meluri and Weziho blocks.

NITI AAYOG TEAM EXPLORES AI AND FRONTIER TECH SKILLING OPPORTUNITIES IN NAGALAND



DC Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang chairing a meeting with NITI Aayog team at DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur on October 14, 2025.

A team from NITI Aayog, led by Yugal Joshi, Programme Director, W&L Resources, Drinking Water & Sanitation and IT, Telecom, Tourism and Culture along with his team members visited Dimapur on October 14, 2025 to explore the possibility of introducing Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centre of Excellence for Skilling under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK) and frontier technology skill training for youths in Nagaland.

During the visit, the team also visited NIELIT and NTTCC, and held meetings with district head of offices at the DC's conference hall, Dimapur.

Yugal Joshi, Programme Director in

his opening remark said that the initiative aims to enhance employability and promote entrepreneurship among the youth by integrating AI-based learning into key sectors.

Some of the focus areas identified where AI skilling could make a significant impact include handloom and handicrafts, agriculture and food processing, automobiles (including EV and solar technologies), healthcare, and tourism.

The program Director was accompanied by Krishna Mohan Deevi, Global Head (C.S.R) (YIEVI), Ngayaipam A. Shimray, Young Professional NITI Aayog and Akshit Jain, CYIENT Foundation.

KOHIMA DPDB LAUNCHES ROAD SAFETY AWARENESS VIDEO

The monthly meeting of the Kohima District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) was held at the DPDB Hall, Kohima, under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS on October 14, 2025. The meeting was attended by Kohima DPDB Chairman and MLA, Kevipodi Sophie, along with other board members and officials.

During the meeting, the Board reviewed the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting. After deliberation, the board decided to recommend the Papa Foundation, and Nagaland Basha Parishad Society for registration.

An awareness video on road safety, produced by the Kohima District Road Safety Committee in collaboration with the Angami

Youth Organization, was officially launched by MLA, Kevipodi Sophie.

On the issue of restricting Heavy Load Vehicles (HLVs) in Kohima the board decided to constitute a study committee comprising representatives from the District Administration, Engineering departments, Legal Metrology, Transport, and Traffic Police, among others, to study the matter and present their findings.

DC Henok Buchem commended the District Task Force on Food Safety for its active inspection drives in the district.

A PowerPoint presentation was delivered by District Sericulture Officer, Vilhousieno Khro, highlighting the activities of the Sericulture Department in Kohima.

KIPHIRE DPDB TO ORGANISE TOUR PROGRAMME TO KHONGSA BLOCK

The Kiphire District Planning & Development Board meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman DPDB Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer on October 15, 2025 at DPDB Conference Hall, Kiphire.

Reviewing the previous meeting minutes, the DC emphasized on the implementation of PM Gati Shakti Portal and reminded the concerned departments to ensure timely coordination for holistic infrastructure and connectivity development.

While discussing the agendas of the day, the board decided to organise a Tour Programme to Khongsa Block in the month of November to strengthen coordination between the district administrations and block level functionaries.

The SP of Kiphire, Chinese Chakesang,



DC Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer, NCS chairing the monthly DPDB meeting at DPDB Conference Hall, Kiphire on 15th October 2025.

IPS, informed the Board about the circulation of adulterated medicines and unlicensed pharmacies in the district. Recognizing the public health risk, the Board decided to launch a special drive, assigning the Deputy Commissioner, SP, and Drugs Inspector to lead the operation effectively.

The DC also informed all concerned departments dealing with the Aspirational District Programme (ADP) to submit their report to the District Administration for timely processing.

A comprehensive PowerPoint presentation was delivered by DFO (Forest), Kiphire, Sundeep Rajgotra and the Water Resources Department, Er. Dichusie.

ASSESSMENT CAMP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES HELD AT BHANDARI

The assessment camp for senior citizens and persons with disabilities was organised by the District Welfare Office, Wokha at summer house-cum-guest house Bhandari, Changpang community hall and Ralan community hall from 13 to 15 October 2025. The program was held under the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) and Assistance To Persons with Disabilities (ADIP) Schemes.

The main objective of the camp was to identify and assess eligible beneficiaries for the provision to aid as assistive devices to improve the quality of life and to promote independent living. Registration and identification of eligible beneficiaries were carried out at Bhandari, Changpang and Ralan. A total of 76 beneficiaries were registered.

BHANDARI SDPDB MEETING HELD

Bhandari Sub-division held its monthly SDPDB meeting at the conference hall of the Summer House-Cum-Guest House, Bhandari, Wokha on 16 October 2025.

SDO (C) Bhandari, Arhomo Yanthan, NCS chairing the meeting reviewed the last DPDB meeting minutes. Er. Elithung Ovung, SDO PWD (R&B), Bhandari Sub-division, informed the house that construction of 3 (three) bridges has been completed at the Nagaland Foothill Road, while the other 2 more bridges are under construction.

Deliberating on the previous agenda on the upscaling of Baghty Sub-treasury to function as the centre of Bhandari Division for financial transactions of Government Departments by empowering them with drawing and disbursing officers (DDOs), the Chairperson urged the departments to write representations to their respective head of departments for further necessary actions on the matter.

In the meeting Dr. Kikali G. Sumi, Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (VAS) Quarantine Check Post, Merapani informed that suspected African Swine Fever which was first reported in the month of August 2025, has been brought under control. She also informed that no new cases of outbreak are reported currently, and advised the district administration to lift the ban imposed for the interest of the public. She further appealed to the public to remain vigilant and to report any symptoms or cases of suspected African Swine Fever to the competent department without further delay.

Nzanbeni N. Jami, SDO Soil & Water Conservation, Dr. Caroline, Senior Medical Officer, CHC Bhandari, and Dr. Kikali G. Sumi submitted their action taken report on the Aspirational Blocks Villages under Bhandari, and briefed the house on the on-going activities.

NATIONAL SEMINAR EXPLORES TRIBAL CULTURE AND IDENTITY AT YINGLI COLLEGE

A one-day National Seminar on 'Tribal Culture and Identity in India', was held at Borgohain Hall Yingli College, Longleng on 16 October 2025, sponsored by the Directorate of Higher Education, State Level Quality Assurance Cell (SLQAC), Nagaland with Dr. Parag D. Parobo, Associate Professor, Department of History, Goa University as the main speaker.

In his welcome address, the Principal, Yingli College, Dr. T. Temsu Imti, underscored the importance of cultural preservation. He encouraged the students to fully utilize such opportunities, stressing that it is very important for students of today to learn and preserve their tribal culture and

identity in this rapidly changing world. Dr. Imti also thanked the Department of Higher Education for their crucial sponsorship.

Dr. Parag D. Parobo, Associate Professor, Department of History at Goa University delivered a comprehensive lecture via Video Conferencing focusing on tribal culture and identity in both the pre- and post-colonial periods.

The academic sessions continued with two focused Technical Sessions. Session-1 delved into "The Phom Nagas' Culture, Oral Narratives, and Identity," and the Session-2 discussed the "Transition from Tradition to Modernity and Cultural Continuities".

POSHAN MAAH CONCLUDES AT LONGLENG

In Longleng, the 8th Poshan Maah 2025 was successfully concluded on 16 October 2025 with active participation of Anganwadis from various villages in the district.

Delivering a message on the significance of the program, the CDPO Longleng, Anuo Longho advised the Anganwadi Workers present to actively focus and engage in their daily activities diligently for the welfare of

the people.

Anganwadi Worker, M. C. Shaomei Phom shared her experiences as an Anganwadi worker at the program. Poshan Maah activities were reviewed by S. Longhong, District Coordinator, Poshan Abhiyaan, while T. Shanyu Phom, Senior supervisor distributed the awards to the best performing Anganwadi Workers.

CONSUMER AWARENESS PROGRAMME HELD AT GHS JAPAN RIBA, CHOZUBA

The Department of Legal Metrology and Consumer Protection conducted a Consumer Awareness Programme at Government High School, Japan Riba, Chozuba under Phek District on 16 October 2025.

Sekhotso Rokha, Advocate and Panel

Lawyer from the District Legal Services Authority, Phek, was the resource person. He elaborated on the rights of consumers under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019, and highlighted the issue of unfair trade practices. He urged consumers to carefully check



Officials and participants at the Consumer Awareness Programme held at Government High School, Japan Riba, Chozuba, Phek on October 16, 2025.

goods and commodities before making purchases and emphasized the importance of seeking redressal for consumer grievances.

Thepuletuo Keyho, Inspector, LMCP, delivered the keynote address, where he encouraged the gathering, especially students, to be aware of their rights in today's world of choices and technology. He also highlighted the reduction in prices of goods

and commodities following the reduction in GST by the Government of India.

Earlier, Assistant Headmaster of GHS Japan Riba, Vekhozo welcomed the gathering and expressed gratitude to the department for organizing the awareness programme. The programme was chaired by Kuthosü Tsutso and concluded with remarks from the chairperson.

TSEMINYU DPDB MEETING DISCUSSES DISTRICT PIGGERY PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

The monthly DPDB meeting of the Tseminyu was held on October 18, 2025 at DC's conference hall Tseminyu with Ar. Jwenga Seb, MLA & Chairman DPDB chairing the meeting.

previous meeting, the board discussed the rehabilitation measures for families affected by the landslide at the Veterinary Colony in Tseminyu. It was decided that financial assistance of ₹50,000 each would be

provided to the four affected families under the State Disaster Management fund. The MLA assured full support and cooperation for relief efforts in the affected areas.

Additionally, the board resolved to constitute a committee headed by the Deputy Commissioner to formulate action plans and organize training programs for the effective implementation of the District Piggery Programme.

TRAINING ON LIFE SKILLS HELD AT SHAMATOR

The District Administration, Shamator in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Yimkhiung Liberü Arihako, Shamator Area, successfully organised a training on Life Skills aimed at empowering local youths through traditional and practical skill development on October 22, 2025.

During the event, EAC Shamator, Kudazo Swuro emphasized that every young person should be trained and equipped with at least one trade or skill to become self-reliant and contribute meaningfully to the district's socio-economic growth. He further

highlighted the construction sector as an area with immense employment potential, encouraging youths to pursue training in this field to enhance job opportunities within the district and across the state.

The training programme centered on traditional basket making and indigenous cotton thread weaving techniques. To ensure quality training, one trainee coordinator and four experts were engaged as tutors, who provided detailed demonstrations and guided the participants throughout the sessions.

ORIENTATION ON BLCC AND BLGF HELD AT JAKHAMA



SDO(C) Jakhama, Vineikho Tetso, NCS with other officials during the Orientation of Line Department on BLCC for GPDP-VPRP and BLGF held at CMTC hall, Jakhama on 23rd October 2025.

An Orientation for Line Departments on Block Level Coordination Committee (BLCC) for Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) and Village Poverty Reduction Plan (VPRP) and an Orientation on Block Level Gender Forum (BLGF) program was held at the CMTC Hall, Jakhama, on 23 October 2025, organized by the Nagaland State Rural

Livelihoods Mission (NSRLM), BMMU, RD Block Jakhama.

Vilopi Angami, Block Development Officer, RD Block Jakhama, presented an overview and orientation on the BLCC, highlighting the importance of inter-departmental collaboration in the effective implementation of GPDP and VPRP. He

stated that the program involves convergence with schemes of all related central ministries and line departments concerning the 29 subjects listed in the Eleventh Schedule of the Constitution, which are highly relevant to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Vitsituo Mepfhü-o, Block Program Manager, NSRLM, BMMU, RD Block Jakhama, spoke on the objectives of the Gender Forum and its vital role in promoting gender equality and inclusiveness at the grassroots level. He emphasized that gender is socially constructed and also highlighted issues related to gender-based violence, the

Gender Resource Centre, and counselling rooms.

The second session featured the Block Level Gender Forum Meeting, chaired by Vineikho Tetso (NCS), Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil), Jakhama. The meeting discussed key gender-related issues, action plans, and strategies for empowering women through community-based interventions.

The program concluded with an interactive exchange among participants, marking a step forward in strengthening convergence and gender inclusion at the block level.

BANANA FESTIVAL 2025 CONCLUDES AT WOKHA



Deputy Chief Ministers T.R. Zeliang and Yanthungo Patton, along with other dignitaries, inspecting the stalls on the final day of the first Banana Festival at Public Ground, Wokha, on October 24, 2025.

The inaugural Banana Festival 2025 concluded on a high note with great warmth, enthusiasm, and strong community participation at the Public Ground, Wokha on October 24, 2025. The closing ceremony was graced by Mhathung Yanthan, Advisor for Agriculture, as the special guest.

The festival, which began on October 22, was inaugurated by T. R. Zeliang, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Planning & Transformation and National Highways, who

attended as the special guest. He was joined by C. L. John, Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change; Salhoutuonuo Kruse, Minister of Women Resource Development; and Tongpang Ozukum, MLA & Advisor for Water Resources.

Yanthungo Patton, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Home & Border Affairs, served as the chief host of the event, Y. Mhombemo Humtsoe, MLA, attended as hosts.

Over the three-day celebration, the festival featured a series of competitions and cultural performances that highlighted the versatility of bananas and fostered public engagement. Major attractions included the Banana Salad Making Competition, Banana Eating Contest, Quiz on Banana Cultivation and Nutrition, Banana Fancy Dress Competition, and Banana Stem Cutting Competition.

Alongside entertainment, the festival also placed strong emphasis on education and innovation through technical sessions

covering banana cultivation, value addition, branding, packaging, and by-product development. A National Workshop on Banana Plantation, Production, Value Addition and Marketing was held at Lotha Hoho Ki, Wokha, featuring an engaging panel discussion under the theme “Envisioning 360° Banana Hill Ecosystem – Science, Policy, Market and Finance in Action.”

More than 100 exhibition stalls representing villages, blocks, and departments showcased a wide range of banana species and varieties, as well as related machinery such as banana fiber extraction units. The event also witnessed several key launches, including: Yuthi Delights (local brand), Banana Growers Network, Banana Chocolate, Lotha Dialect Information Brochure and KVK-Wokha Information Brochure.

To encourage innovation and excellence, awards were presented for Best Stall, Best Value Addition, and other categories, with winners receiving cash prizes, certificates, and agricultural equipment.

A major highlight of the festival was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the District Administration Wokha and three premier national research institutions — ICAR–National Research Centre for Banana (Tamil Nadu), Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD) (Imphal), and CSIR–North East Institute of Science and Technology (Jorhat). The agreement seeks to build long-term partnerships for technological advancement, scientific farming, circular economy promotion, research collaboration, cultivation of medicinal and aromatic crops, farmer training, and sustainable agricultural practices.

The Banana Festival 2025 not

only celebrated Wokha’s deep-rooted connection to banana cultivation but also paved the way for sustainable agricultural transformation in the region. With dynamic community involvement, strong institutional collaboration, and a shared vision for progress, the festival stands as a model for grassroots development reaffirming Wokha’s growing role as a key agricultural hub in Nagaland and beyond.

PHEK DPDB DISCUSSES UPGRADATIONS OF DEPARTMENT OFFICES

DPDB Phek held its monthly meeting at Vamuzo Memorial Hall, Chozuba Head Quarter under the Chairmanship of Kudecho Khamo, Advisor for CAWD & Taxes on October 24, 2025. MLA, Kuzholuzo Azo Nienu was also present during the meeting.

After a lengthy deliberation, the board recommended the upgradations of the office of Executive Engineer (R&B) Phek to the office of Superintendent Engineer (R&B); SDO (R&B) Chozuba to Executive Engineer (R&B) Chozuba; Junior Engineer (Power) Chozuba to SDO (Power); and Upgradation of Government High School Chozuba to Government Higher Secondary School.

The board also constituted a Verification Committee for LADP Schemes 2025-2026 for the 16th Pfutsero A/C, 17th Chizami A/C, 18th Chozuba A/C and 19th Phek A/C during the meeting. Committee for selection of the cleanest Town and Village under Phek district was also constituted at the meeting.

The department of Water Resources, Mechanical Engineering (PWD) and Excise Department, Phek presented their departmental activities through PowerPoint at the meeting.

GMS XELHOZHE EDUCATIONAL TRIP

In a significant step towards promoting environmental awareness, District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) Niuland, under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative, organised a visit to the Nagaland Zoological Park for students of Government Middle School (GMS) Xelhozhe on October 24, 2025.

The initiative is part of the ongoing efforts by DHEW, Niuland to promote education and awareness among students, particularly girls, about various social and environmental issues. The educational trip aimed to raise awareness among students about the significance of wildlife conservation and preservation of natural habitats.

IDIA CONDUCTS LAW AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT SHAMATOR

The Increasing Diversity by Increasing Access (IDIA) Organisation, Kohima Law College Nagaland Chapter, conducted A Law for All Sessions under Shamator District on, October 27, 2025.

The session was held at St. Xavier Higher Secondary School and Government Higher Secondary School, where students were sensitized about the basics of law, legal rights, and career opportunities in the legal field. Resource person, four members along with the team leader from IDIA highlighted the importance of legal literacy in empowering young citizens and promoting justice. Interactive sessions were held to engage students in discussions on fundamental rights, the role of law in daily life, and the significance of pursuing legal education.

PM AWAS MELA–SHEHRI UNDER ANGIKAAR 2025 CAMPAIGN CONDUCTED AT CHÜMOUKEDIMA

The 2nd PM Awas Mela–Shehri under the Angikaar 2025 campaign was held on October 28, 2025 at Chümoukedima Town Council Hall. The event, organized by the Department of Municipal Affairs, aimed to showcase the achievements and implementation progress under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana–Urban (PMAY-U) and to promote the vision of “Housing for All.”

In his address, Advisor, Municipal Affairs & Urban Development, Zhaleo Rio said the purpose of the scheme is to provide a dignified standard of living to the poor residing in urban areas. He also encouraged all the ULB councillors, authorities and Department officials to work towards the upliftment of the weaker sections of the society and to spread awareness about the various government schemes, encouraging people to avail the benefits of these initiatives. He also distributed Completion certificates to PMAY(U) beneficiaries during the program.

State Mission Director PMAY-U & Additional Director (HoD) Directorate of Municipal Affairs, Temjenrenla Kechu, while delivering the keynote address, outlined the achievements under PMAY-U and new strategies under PMAY-U 2.0. She informed that under the mission, a total of nearly 30,000 dwelling units have been covered across the state, with a completion rate of about 96 percent, which is one of the highest completion rates in the North East.

Earlier in the program, presentations on innovative housing technologies and PM Surya Ghar was delivered by Proprietor Elmechent, Chonben Yanthan.

KHROKULO KHUTSO WINS WARD 11 ZIPA, PFUTSERO TOWN COUNCIL

Polling for the vacant Ward 11 (Zipa) seat of the Pfutsero Town Council was held on October 28, 2025, with vote counting conducted on October 31 at the ADC's Conference Hall, Pfutsero.

Independent candidate Krokulo Khutso won the election with 315 votes,

defeating fellow independent candidate Tewu Mero by 51 votes. ADC Pfutsero, Mhalo Humtsoe, presented the winning certificate to Khutso in the presence of Deputy Commissioner Phek, Rhosietho Ngouri, and Election Observer T.L. Kiusumong Tikhir.

AWARENESS PROGRAMMES ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS HELD AT PUNGRO AND ATOIZU

Awareness programmes on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) were held at Pungro, Kiphire on October 28, and at Atoizu, Zunheboto on October 30, 2025. The events were jointly organised by the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Ministry of MSME, Government of India, and the Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN).

The programmes aimed to educate entrepreneurs, SHGs, cooperative societies, and artisans on the importance of patents, trademarks, and innovation protection, especially in sectors like handloom, handicrafts, and food processing.

At both events, Pranjal Barua, Assistant

Director (NER), ICC, highlighted MSME schemes and the role of IPR in protecting and monetising creative ideas. In Atoizu, Dr. Samuel Akho Konyak P, EAC, stressed that intellectual property is vital for modern development and urged youth and entrepreneurs to use IPR tools to safeguard their innovations. Zabenthung Khuvung, IPFC Facilitator, conducted a technical session on filing IPR applications and clearing misconceptions.

The sessions included active participation from local entrepreneurs, cooperative societies, artisans, and community organisations, concluding with interactive discussions and Q&A sessions.



EAC Atoizu, Dr. Samuel Akho Konyak with officials and participants during the one-day awareness programme on Intellectual Property Rights held at Atoizu, Zunheboto on 30th October 2025.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON NASHA MUKT BHARAT ABHIYAN HELD AT TENING

An awareness programme on Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan with the theme “Drugs and Substance Abuse” was conducted at Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Auditorium, Tening, Peren, on October 29, 2025.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Tening, Fiiirhesie Nyuwi delivered an insightful speech emphasizing the importance of collective responsibility in eradicating drug abuse from the society.

He encouraged students to be ambassadors of change by making positive life choices and guiding their peers to stay away from harmful substances.

As part of the campaign a series of competitions centered on the theme was organized, including prepared speech, drawing, slogan writing and essay writing. Attractive prizes were awarded to the winners of each category to recognize and encourage their efforts.

NAGALAND HOSTS NATIONAL RED RUN 3.0 UNITES NATION IN FIGHT AGAINST HIV & AIDS

Nagaland joined the nationwide movement against HIV and AIDS by hosting the Red Run 3.0 at the Agri. Expo, 4th Mile, Chümoukedima on 30 October, 2025 organized by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS) in collaboration with the National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) and the Department of Health & Family Welfare (H&FW) Government of Nagaland.

Addressing participants at the event, Commissioner & Secretary, H&FW and Chairman, NSACS, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, described the Red Run as “not just about running, but running with purpose” a celebration of energy, awareness, and unity in the fight against HIV and STIs. He underscored that the national marathon aims to break stigma, spread knowledge, and promote prevention, while also encouraging a healthy lifestyle and empowering youth across the country. He also lauded the growing involvement of young people in such movements, saying it reflects the nation’s collective resolve towards a healthier and

more aware India.

Abu Metha, Advisor to the Chief Minister of Nagaland and Chairman of IDAN, urged athletes to see themselves as ambassadors in the fight against HIV/AIDS. Highlighting sports as a unifying force beyond language or background, he stressed that success comes only through merit, hard work, and perseverance.

Hekali Zhimomi, IAS, Additional Secretary and DG of NACO, emphasized the crucial role of youth in spreading HIV awareness and promoting health. Citing the India HIV Estimates 2023, she noted that about 2.5 million people in India live with HIV and expressed concern over rising substance use and unsafe relationships. She urged an end to discrimination and called for equal access to quality healthcare and dignity for all.

A total of 528 participants from 35 states and union territories took part in the event. Panchanan Bera from West Bengal won the men’s category, while Anisha from Uttarakhand clinched the women’s title.

MANGMETONG 'A' KHEL PUTU MENDEN AND OKOTSO VILLAGE COUNCIL TRIENNIAL MEET HELD AT MANGMETONG

Mangmetong 'A' khel putu menden and Okotso village council Triennial meet was held on October 30, 2025 at Senden Riju, Mangmetong. The event was held to continue and strengthen the age-old bond between the two villages.

Advisor Imkong L. Imchen emphasized the longstanding harmony between Okotso and Mangmetong villages, highlighting the gathering as a symbol of unity. Expressing concern over tribalism, he described it as a divisive force that hinders progress and weakens social unity. He urged collective efforts to overcome narrow affiliations, stressing that true development and peace can only be achieved through inclusiveness and unity.

Later in the day, a joint meeting was convened under the chairmanship of the

'A' khel Mangmetong putu chairman, Dr Longri Jamir. During the deliberation, the house unanimously resolved to construct a Multi-Purpose Community Building and a Friendship Monolith at the boundary shared by the two villages symbolising unity and mutual respect.

The meeting further agreed to initiate a cultural exchange programme between the two villages with the objective of strengthening the bond of friendship and fostering understanding among the communities.

In addition, the resolution on biodiversity conservation was reaffirmed with a ban on hunting to be implemented following consultation in their respective villages to ensure uniform enforcement.

DISTRICT-LEVEL PADAYATRAS HELD IN DIMAPUR AND ZUNHEBOTO TO CELEBRATE SARDAR PATEL'S 150th BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

As part of the Sardar @ 150 Unity March Campaign, district-level Padayatras were successfully organized in Dimapur and Zunheboto on October 31, 2025, to commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India. The events were coordinated by Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, in collaboration with the respective district administrations and local police departments.

In Dimapur, the march was flagged off by Khrua Keyho, Additional DCP, from City Tower and concluded at Dimapur Government College, covering a distance of

approximately three kilometers. Over 300 participants, including NCC cadets, NSS volunteers, and youth club members, carried messages of unity, discipline, and national integration throughout the march.

A brief programme at Dimapur Government College included a cultural performance by MGM College students, speeches by youth representatives Bendangnaro and Joilem Konyak, and an address by K. Manikanta, District Youth Officer, MY Bharat, highlighting the objectives of the campaign and Sardar Patel's leadership values.

Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur,

Dr. Tinojongshi Chang in his address, commended the efforts of the youth and participants, emphasizing the importance of unity, integrity, and perseverance as exemplified by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Drawing lessons from Patel's life, Dr. Chang urged the youth to embrace challenges, act with honesty, and uphold strong leadership guided by moral principles. He also highlighted Patel's major accomplishments, including uniting over 560 princely states, establishing the all India services, and

envisioning a united and efficient India.

In Zunheboto, the Unity March commenced from Amphiboto AOC Junction led by the Deputy Commissioner of Zunheboto, Dharam Raj (IAS), covering several stops en-route to the multi-purpose hall for a valedictory programme.

The march includes performances at various locations. Participants from different schools, youth clubs, and local organizations enthusiastically joined the Padyatra, waving flags and singing patriotic songs.

FLORAL ARTISTRY WORKSHOP HELD AT MEDZIPHEMA

A floral artistry workshop organised by farmer's cell, school of Agricultural Science, Nagaland University Medziphema Campus in collaboration with the District Administration Medziphema was held at the Multi-Purpose Hall SASRD, Medziphema on October 31, 2025.

ADC Medziphema, P. James Swu, expressed delight over hosting the first-ever floral artistry workshop in Medziphema, highlighting its creative, therapeutic, and entrepreneurial benefits. He emphasized how working with flowers can boost mental well-being and foster creativity.

Professor Dipak Sinha, Pro-Vice Chancellor of SAS NU, urged participants to engage actively in the workshop, noting its

value in developing new skills, creativity, and an entrepreneurial mindset.

The resource persons of the workshop- Dr. Rokolhuu Keditsu, Associate Professor Department of Horticulture SAS NU, and Dr. Nini R, Kuotsu, Assistant Professor Department of vocational studies and skill development, Abdul Rahman, Department of Horticulture SAS NU, spoke on essential topics like symmetrical equilateral flower arrangement, scalene shape, resin floral art, center piece arrangement, Ikebana flower arrangement, and contemporary flower arrangement.

This was followed by demonstration of various flower arrangement style and techniques.



INAUGURATION OF MSMEPCI DISTRICT OFFICE HELD AT INDISEN VILLAGE

The Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Promotion Council of India (MSMEPCI) inaugurated its Dimapur District Office at Orchid Square, near Trinity Tower, Indisen Village, on October 3, 2025.

Advisor for Transport & Technical Education, Temjenmenba, who graced the program as the Chief Guest, stressed the importance of strengthening MSMEs as a means to expand economic opportunities and reduce the state's dependence on government employment. According to him, the MSMEPCI office in Dimapur could serve as a gateway for entrepreneurs to learn about digital tools, financial literacy, and government schemes that can support their growth. He expressed confidence that the office would become a center of collaboration, connecting entrepreneurs with banks, industry leaders, and policymakers.

Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, praised the establishment of the MSMEPCI office as a timely initiative. He noted that several schemes, including the Chief Minister's Micro Finance Scheme, are designed to aid entrepreneurs and encouraged the youth to register with the MSMEPCI office to access training and guidance, while assuring that the district administration would extend support for sustainable and responsible entrepreneurship in Dimapur.

In his inaugural speech, Lanuakum Jamir, Nagaland State Chairman of



Advisor, Transport & technical Education, Temjenmenba addressing during the inauguration of the MSMEPCI Office at Orchid Square, Indisen Village, Dimapur on 3rd October 2025.

MSMEPCI, underlined that micro, small, and medium enterprises are the backbone of India's economy and called upon the youth of Nagaland to channel their energy into entrepreneurship instead of relying only on government jobs. He highlighted the council's plan to facilitate loans, consultancy services, registration and compliance assistance, and training in collaboration with financial institutions and government agencies.

Thungchanbemo Tungoe, CEO of Dimapur Municipal Council, assured that the Dimapur Municipal Council would collaborate closely with MSMEPCI to strengthen entrepreneurship at the grassroots level.

PM NARENDRA MODI LAYS FOUNDATION STONE FOR INTEGRATED AQUA PARK AT TZUDIKONG

The Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi laid Foundation Stone for Establishment of the Integrated Aqua Park at Tzudikong, Mokokchung district under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) on October 11, 2025 through a virtual video conference in the presence of Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan Singh and A. Pangjung Jamir, MLA & Advisor, Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Department, Government of Nagaland. The Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, Rongsennungba and Department Officials also participated in the programme.

This is the first Aqua Park in Nagaland that will serve as a center for showcasing of Fisheries related developmental activities. Its primary focus will be on fish and fish seed production and is poised to be a transformative force in Nagaland's fisheries sector. It will offer a comprehensive resource center for high quality inputs and will facilitate forward market integrations to ensure equitable pricing for fishery products. It will meet the needs of the fish farmers, where they can avail all the benefits within Nagaland and will empower the educated unemployed youths towards development of fisheries sector.



Officials during the Foundation Stone for Establishment of the Integrated Aqua Park Virtually laid by PM, Narendra Modi at Tzudikong, Mokokchung on 11th October 2025.

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT COMMISSIONS COMMAND AND CONTROL CENTRE

Advisor, IPR and Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen commissioned the Command and Control Centre (CCC) at the Directorate of Soil &

Water Conservation, Kohima on October 13, 2025. The CCC is funded by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, GoI and Government of Nagaland under the Soil

Health and fertility component of RKVY.

Speaking at the event, Advisor, IPR and Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen, emphasized the importance of such a centre to ease the burden of the field staffs, particularly the farmers to help decision making, identify, and address challenges related to soils and crops. He highlighted the need for accessible communication between gap between experts and the farmers to produce preferable results. He further urged the field officers and the farmers to foster trust from within, which will reflect the Department's progress and commitment to adopting innovative technologies for sustainable soil and water management.

Director, Soil & Water Conservation,

L. Chubaonen highlighted that the CCC was conceptualized and developed as a centralized digital hub to strengthen data-driven decision-making, real-time monitoring, dissemination and effective implementation of various activities under the Soil Health and Fertility programme. The centre is equipped with a dedicated server system, integrated GIS software, and video conferencing facilities, which will enhance efficiency, transparency, and accountability while facilitating timely dissemination of information to farmers and stakeholders.

Later, the Bio Fertilizer Production Units at Rotomi and Seyochung was virtually inaugurated by the Advisor.

SAKHI: ONE STOP CENTRE INAUGURATED AT MELURI

Advisor, New & Renewable Energy and NSDMA, Z Nyusietho Nyuthe inaugurated Sakhi: One Stop Centre at Meluri on October 13, 2025.

Nyuthe in his inaugural speech, urged the officials and staff to ensure that the Centre caters a home of miracle for the women, who are in distress can find counselling, hope and comfort. He also appealed particularly to the women civil societies, to take responsibility and extend cooperation to the Sakhi One Stop Centre's staff for the welfare of the

Meluri District.

In his welcome address, the Deputy Commissioner & Chairperson, DLC, Mission Shakti, Meluri, K. Mhathung Tsanglao said that, Sakhi: One Stop Centre, provides support and services to women affected with violence in private and public spaces. It offers assistance with legal and psychological support, including domestic violence etc.

The Inaugural programme was attended by all Heads of Offices under Meluri district, public leaders and Civil Societies of Meluri.

TWO WHEELER TAXI SERVICE FLAG-OFF IN PEREN DISTRICT

Two Wheeler Taxi Service ceremony was flag-off at the Deputy Commissioner Office, Peren New headquarter on October 15, 2025. The two wheeler's taxi service would benefit

the general public, and also the taxi runners, DC stated.

Flagging off the ceremony, the Deputy Commissioner Peren, Hiazu Meru stated that

the district is thrilled to launch and inaugurate the two wheeler Taxi service in the district. He said this is more than just a business, but a movement to solve transportation and communication challenges faster through the congestion and traffic delays. D.C also stated that this facility is an accessible and economical transport system for everyone and this beginning is empowering livelihoods beyond serving the passengers to create new earning opportunities for the community.

Hiazu Meru also encouraged them to use helmets to ensure safety and advised

the Scooty taxi drivers to be very gentle and humble to the passengers to earn a good image of the district. Hiazu Meru also urged all the taxi drivers to give their Cooperation to the Government and follow the advice and guidelines issued to them. He expressed his gratitude to the younger generation for their volunteering service rendered to the general public and wished them success in their business.

The Flag - Off programme was presided by Kum Mhashumi T.Ezung, EAC Peren.

IRON STRUCTURE HANGER INAUGURATED AT ZELIANGRONG HERAKA SCHOOL TENING

The inauguration of an Iron Structure Hanger at Zeliangrong Heraka School, Tening, Peren District, was held on October 28, 2025 with ADC Tening, Fiirhesie Nyuwi in the presence of N.I Jamir Manager (HR) NHIDCL. The project was carried out under the CSR activity of NHIDCL for the year 2024–25.

While delivering a short speech, ADC Tening, Fiirhesie Nyuwi lauded the school for its commendable HSLC results and overall performance. He acknowledged the contribution and legacy of the former Governor of Nagaland, late. La. Ganesan, under whose initiative the school achieved such infrastructural development.

The officer encouraged everyone to continue extending their support and contribution towards the growth of the school. He further congratulated the school authority for successfully organizing the inauguration programme.

ZHS Headmaster, Hiateibui chaired the programme, and the invocation prayer was proposed by Singku followed by a Hingde reading. A welcome note was delivered by Talamsi Newmai.

The event concluded with a closing song, Wang Nkhe (sung three times), and a congregational prayer, Dinkiuming (offered three times).





Director General of Home Guards, Civil Defence & SDRF, Renchamo P. Kikon, IPS and DC Kohima B. Henok Buchem, NCS with other officials during the one-day Coordination Meeting-cum-Workshop on Civil Defence held at Kohima on 4th October 2025.



Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family welfare Department, Anoop Khinchi with officials and Participants during the launching of TFYC 3.0 held at Baptist College, Kohima on 9th October 2025.



Addl. Secretary & Director General, NACO, MoHFW, Government of India, Hekali Zhimomi, IAS, fires the starting pistol of the National Red Run 3.0 held at Agri-expo, 4th Mile, Chumukedima on 30th October 2025.



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STATE ROUND-UP



Advisor, social welfare, Wapang Konyak along with the senior citizens and other officials during the State-Level observation of the International Day of Older Persons 2025 and commemoration of the 25th Anniversary of Senior Citizens' Association of Nagaland held at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 1st October 2025.



Deputy Chief Minister, T.R. Zeliang with officials from the Government of Nagaland, World Bank and participants during the two-day Health Financing Forum for Cross-State Learning in Northeast Region held at Zone Niathu by The Park on 7th and 8th October 2025.



Secretary of Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, Wonchio Odyuo with Director of the Indian Institute of Legal Metrology Ranchi, Dr. Rajeshwar Kumar and participants during the two-day workshop on the Legal Metrology Act held on 9th and 10th October.

DISTRICT ROUND-UP



DC Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa with officials from various departments during the Mock Drill Exercise at New DC's Office Complex, Tuensang on 10th October 2025.



Officials with participants during a Free Cataract Surgery Eye Camp held at District Hospital, Longleng from 6th to 11th October 2025.



DC Chumoukedima, Polan John, distributing seeds to the farmers during the Launching of PMDDKY and Mission for Aatmanirbharata on Pulses at DC's Office, Chumoukedima on 11th October 2025.

DISTRICT ROUND-UP



Teachers and Students of Government Middle School, Xelhozhe, Niuland during their visit to the Nagaland Zoological Park on 24th October 2025.



DC Zunheboto, Dharam Raj with other officials during the inaugural programme of the 12th Inter-Departmental Tournament cum DC Cup held at DSCZ Indoor Stadium, Zunheboto on 29th October 2025.



Addl. DCP, Dimapur, Khrusa Keyho flagging-off the unity march "Sardar@150 Ek Bharat, Aatmanirbhar Bharat at City Tower, Dimapur on 31st October 2025.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES



Advisor New & Renewable Energy, NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe inaugurating Sakhi: One Stop Centre at Meluri on 13th October 2025.



Advisor IPR, Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen along with officials after commissioning the Command & Control Centre at Kohima and virtual inauguration of Biofertilizer Production Units at Rotomi and Seyochung at the Directorate of Soil & Water Conservation, Kohima on 13th October 2025.



DC Peren, Hiazu Meru flagging off the Two Wheeler Taxi service at DC's Office Complex, Peren on 15th October 2025.