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Nagaland CM, Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu laying a wreath at the Indian memorial at Neuve Chapelle, France on 31st May 2017.

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Governor of Nagaland, P.B. Acharya administering the oath of secrecy to Member, NPSC, Vipralhou Kesiezie at Raj Bhavan Kohima on 24th May 2017.



MLA, Mmhonlumo Kikon presenting the 9th OBT Champion's trophy and cash award to the Captain of team Taurus on 27th May 2017 at Khuochiezie, local ground, Kohima.



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FEATURES

CONCEPT OF VILLAGE/WARD ADOPTION COMMITTEE: AN INGENIOUS MODEL FOR DEVELOPMENT

To usher in all-round development at grass root level, the role of the highest planning body in the District/State and the active participation of the grass root people need to be taken into account. This idea is incorporated in the concept of Village/Ward Adoption Committee undertaken by the Kohima District Planning and Development Board (DPDB), and this novel initiative has been featured in "New Beginning," a book on innovations for the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence, released by Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, on 21st April, 2017.

It was in the year 2010 that the Kohima DPDB brought out a concept known as Village Vision Cell with the theme 'Back to the root' which was re-christened as DPDB Village/Ward Adoption Committee in 2014. Initially, it was conceptualized with the name/term "Village Vision Cell" under the theme "Back to the Root," by involving people from all walks of life including retired Government servants/officers, politicians, social workers and other intellectuals.

A group of responsible people from a particular village forms a team called Village Vision Cell (VVC), who collectively coordinates with village leaders to improve the system of village level governance and to submit its vision and plans to the Kohima DPDB. The DPDB members are grouped into 6 DPDB Village/Ward Adoption Committees consisting of 9-10 officers and it has set up a Core Committee headed by Additional Deputy Commissioner HQ to evaluate the works of the 6 (six) committees annually.

Each Committee is assigned a village

or a ward, as the case maybe, to adopt and study the Village/Ward in detail, to ascertain the status of Government programmes, to locate lacunae and suggest measures to be taken. They also help to design and implement innovative programmes of the Committee in the Village/Ward, and finally, a detailed report on the Village/Ward is presented to the DPDB.

Initially, an amount of ₹ 50,000/- was given from the Local Area Development Program Common Pool to each of the Committee, which was increased to ₹1,00,000/- in 2015. In 2016, it was further raised to ₹ 1,50,000/- in view of the positive impact of the programme on the adopted Villages/Wards and popular public demand. The amount so sanctioned is being used by the Committees for various expenses.

Till date, 20 (Twenty) villages in rural areas and 8 (Eight) wards in urban sectors have been covered under this Village/Ward Adoption Programme by the Kohima DPDB. Yearly competitions are also held to choose the Best Adoption Committee.

Objectives/Goals:

- To identify the needs of the villages, be it in economy, education, social, health and sanitation and assist them by using locally available resources.
- To create awareness of the activities of the DPDB.
- To develop cooperation and understanding and to inculcate team spirit amongst the member department for achieving synergy.
- To study the strength and weaknesses of the Village/Ward by gathering information on implementation of various Government schemes e.g. education, health, water supply and sanitation, power, forest conservation area,

transport and communication system etc.

- To address and to propagate the best practices of a Village/Ward to other parts of the district.

Village/Ward Adoption - A unique opportunity:

- Bringing perceptible improvements in process/systems and building institutions.
- Making public delivery systems responsive, transparent and efficient, particularly by leveraging technology.
- The activities also spread awareness about various schemes available for development to both administrative departments and citizens.
- Optimal utilization of resources is made possible due to coordinated efforts through the Adoption Committees.
- Departments are able to get work done, which hitherto were not possible or difficult, through community participation such as removal of encroachments, widening of roads where private lands had to be touched, etc.
- Preparedness/performance in emergent situations, disasters like cyclones, earthquakes, floods, etc.
- Through the report of Ward Adoption Committee in 2014, a number of old and dangerously corroded electrical poles were identified and replaced, such as in North Block ward, by the Power Department. Also, removal of carelessly dumped distribution pipes at Porterlane in 2014 and implementation of compulsory septic tanks for houses were carried out by the KMC and Urban Development.

Problems and hurdles faced:

- Lack of authority to take larger decisions.
- Insufficiency of funds.
- Insufficient time.
- High expectation of the villagers/ward members: As with any Government developmental programme, there is usually a very high expectation of the adopted Village/Ward from the Adoption Committee, and not being able to meet these expectations is a major reason for disappointment. However, if sufficient funds are placed at the disposal of the Committees, perhaps it would help to a large extent.

Suggestions and ways forward:

- It would be beneficial if budget provisions can be kept aside for the Committees to work on by every department similar in line with that of IT policy of the State wherein, every department is required to set aside 3% of its planned budget for Information Technology
- All convergence programmes, particularly for the adopted Village/Ward, may be brought under the ambit of the Adoption Committee on trial basis for at least 3 years and thereafter, make it a permanent feature if it is successful.

Conclusion:

This model of “Bottoms Up” approach to planning and reporting has proved to be successful and beneficial, as is seen in the case of Kohima DPDB. As rightly said by Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, “Innovation is no longer a choice but has become an imperative,” such models need to be emulated in other districts so as to fulfil the basic and priority needs of the local populace and also to bridge the vital gap between the Government and the grass root society.

AKSÜ BETWEEN AOS AND ANGAMIS DURING MOATSÜ 2017

Moatsü, the premier festival of the Aos was celebrated at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokochung on 2nd May 2017. This year the celebration was in a mega scale where more than 1000 delegates from Angami Public Organization (APO) participated in the day-long celebration. The most significant event of the Moatsü 2017 was the good-will gesture shown between the two communities (Angamis and Aos). On behalf of the Angamis, President APO, Dr. Vilhusa Seleyi, presented a traditional Angami warrior shield and a spear to Ao Senden, a customary practice of the Angamis to show honour and respect for a big brother who is looked up to defend and guide the people.

The Aos reciprocated with the customary practice of peace making, treaty and reconciliation which is known as *Aksü*. *Aksü* is generally observed occasionally at three levels such as: inter-clan, inter-village and inter-tribe. The literal meaning of *Aksü* is “pig dead”. *Ak* = pig, *sü* = died, meaning the slaughtering of a pig and sharing between two groups in order to reconcile and strengthen the bonds between the two groups. Therefore, *Aksü* is an act of reconciliation observed between two parties as re-affirming their old peaceful relationship or renewal of good-will.

This is perhaps one of the best traditional methods of peace making processes, established from time immemorial. The celebration of *Aksü* signifies a time of joy and happiness. On this occasion, a pig is slaughtered in a ceremonial way and is divided in equal halves between two parties. Apart from head and innards, the pig is cut into two halves vertically through the center of the backbone leaving the tail to the receiving party.

One of the most significant outcomes of *Aksü* is the breaking down the barriers of hatred, suspicion and hostility between two groups. In other words, through *Aksü*, two groups come to appreciate the possibility of understanding by accepting one another. It also facilitates the two groups to re-affirm their comradeship and brotherhood. This is a time tested practice though no written records are maintained. Holding steadfast to the customary practice of reaffirming good-weill relationship, *Aksü* was observed between Aos and the Angamis during Moatsü 2017, where a pig was slaughtered in a ceremonial way and split vertically into two equal halves (apart from head and innards) through the center of the backbone. Following the traditional way, the half with the tail was offered to the guest (Angamis) as a mark of mutual respect and honour. Thus, the coming together of the two tribes is not an alliance to dominate others, but to foster the spirit of brotherhood, to reaffirm their kinship and renew their bond to epitomize the need to forgive and forget differences and to work together for the betterment of the society, thereby setting an example for posterity to live in peace and in harmony.

(Meaning of Aksü: Source 1. Naga Society and Culture, N. Talitemjen Jamir and A . L a n u n u n g s a n g . 2. Journal of Tribal Studies, Department of Tribal Studies, ETC.)



OFFICIAL ORDERS AND NOTIFICATIONS

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTIFIES

In compliance to the Judgment Order dated March, 29th 2017 passed by the Supreme Court of India in the W.P.(C) NO. 13029 of 1985 (under Article 32 of the constitution of India) the Transport Department, Government of Nagaland has notified that vehicles whether two wheeler, three wheeler, four wheeler or commercial vehicles that are not Bharat Stage IV (BS-IV) compliant shall not be sold in the State of Nagaland by any manufacturer or dealer with effect from 1st April, 2017.

All the vehicle registering authorities under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 are prohibited from registering such vehicles with effect from 1st April, 2017 that do not meet BS-IV emission standards, except on proof that such vehicles have already been sold on or before 31st March, 2017.

RE-STRUCTURING OF CIVIL WORKS UNDER CHIEF ENGINEER PWD (HOUSING) AND CAWD

The Works & Housing Department has informed that the Government of Nagaland has notified the following arrangement for distribution of works for administrative convenience and smooth functioning of Civil Engineering under Chief Engineer PWD (Housing) and Civil

Administrative Works Department (CAWD) as under:-

- A Civil Works to be placed under CAWD
 1. General Administrative Branch.
 2. Border Affairs.
 3. Village Guards.
 4. Central Para Military Forces.
 5. Justice & Law (District Level)
- B. Civil Works to be transferred from CAWD to Chief Engineer (Housing)
 1. ATI.
 2. Justice & Law (State Level).
 3. Labour & Employment.
 4. Prisons.
 5. Taxes.
 6. Treasuries & Accounts.

STATE ROUND UP

CHIEF MINISTER NAGALAND GRACES MOATSU AT MOKOKCHUNG

Organized by the Ao Senden, Moatsu the premier festival of the Aos was celebrated in a mega scale at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung today (2nd May 2017) with the participation of the Angami Public Organization (APO) where 1220 delegates from the APO participated at the day-long celebration.

Speaking on the occasion as the chief guest, Chief Minister, Nagaland, Dr. Shurhozeli Leizietsu said, Nagas have suffered too long. Therefore if we do not want to pass down the same to our future generations we must come together and solve the protract Naga political problem amicably and honourably once and for all.

Bringing Moatsu greetings to all, the Chief Minister said festivals are not only for merry making but is the soul of our culture through which we preserve and

promote our culture.

On behalf of the Angami Public Organisation, President APO, Dr. Vilhusa Seleyi who was the Guest of Honour gave a shield and a spear to the Ao senden and said that coming together of the two community was not to dominate or manipulate others but to lead our society to a brighter future. He said that the exchange of gifts would foster brotherhood between the two communities thereby making history for posterity.

The chief Minister was accompanied by a host of Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, High officials (Civil & Uniform) and party workers. Moatsu greeting were delivered by Minister Imkong L. Imchen, Addl. Chief Secretary & Finance Commissioner, Temjen Toy, representatives from CNTC, ENPO and Watsu Mungdang. Welcome speech was delivered by President Ao Senden C. Angang Jamir.



Chief Minister, Dr. Shurhozeli Leizietsu speaking at the Moatsu festival at Imkongmeren Sports Complex, Mokokchung on 2nd May 2017.

**IPR PARLIAMENTARY
SECRETARY GRACES YOUNG
NAGA CLUB FOLK DANCE
COMPETITION**

Coinciding with the celebration of Moatsu Festival, the 43rd Young Naga Club Folk Dance competition was held at Babu Tsubo Amphitheatre, Ungma village on 1st May 2017. The Young Naga Club is known for their dedication and commitment for preserving and promoting rich culture and folk dances and songs in Mokokchung district. It is a platform allowing young people to perform their talents on the stage annually. Young boys and girls in their rich traditional garments participated in the competition vying to win the coveted trophy.

Parliamentary Secretary, Information and Public Relations, Imtikumzuk, who declared open the Moatsu celebration and the competition as the chief guest has expressed his deep appreciation to the Club for their commitment and dedication towards preserving and promoting folk dances and songs. He said it was through them that rich Naga cultures and traditions are being protected from the onslaught of unfamiliar cultures to the Nagas. He also expressed his happiness for their participation with zeal in different parts of the state and outside. He hoped that the Young Naga Club would continue to remain as a fruit bearing tree.

Performers from ten groups participated in the competition where United Soyim Club has emerged the winner and walked away with the certificate and cash prize.

Earlier welcome address was delivered by President YNC, Kikatamba and Imtitongba Jamir, Tatar exhorted the participants.

**KOHIMA SCIENCE COLLEGE
AWARDED A GRADE BY NAAC
WITH 3.42 CGPA**

In the 24th Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore, held on 2nd May 2017, Kohima Science College, Jotsoma (KSCJ), was awarded A grade with 3.42 Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA). The CGPA is as per the revised grading system which took effect from 1st July 2016.

The NAAC Peer Team visited the college during 11-12 April 2017. The Peer Team consisted of Prof. Mohammad Raziuddin from Jharkhand, Dr. K. N. Guruprasad from Madhya Pradesh, and Dr. Gourang Chandra Mohanty from Orissa.

Dr. I. Anungla Aier, the Principal of KSCJ, has expressed acknowledgement of the support and cooperation from various stakeholders, especially the State Government, Chairperson and members of the Governing Body, Alumni Association, Parents-Teachers Association, Jotsoma community, faculty members, non-teaching staff, and the KSC Students' Union.

**DEO NUKHU GRACES SEMINAR ON
FOREIGN TRADE**

Seminar on opportunities and challenges in Foreign Trade was held today 3rd May, 2017 at Hotel Acacia under the aegis of Confederation of Indian Industry. Parliamentary Secretary, Higher & Technical Education Nagaland, Deo Nukhu who graced the inaugural session as the Chief Guest urged upon the entrepreneurs and traders to focus on the challenges of export and import for development of Nagaland State and the North East by making quality local products which can compete with others on a global level. Towards this, he requested the concerned departments and agencies to find

global markets for export of such products. While informing that the policy of Government was to connect India to Thailand via Myanmar with international highway and better air connectivity, Deo Nukhu felt that the prospect of growing the volume of trade and commerce was not far away for potential entrepreneurs and traders. Terming the ongoing seminar as an eye opener, Deo was hopeful that it would create an interface with key stakeholders for general awareness on the issues which could provide the much needed impetus towards the growth of international trade, particularly in the South East Region.

Commissioner and Secretary, Vety & Animal Husbandry Government of Nagaland, M.K. Mero who also addressed the gathering observed that North East has plenty of fertile soil for cultivation of various agriculture and horticulture products and felt the need to focus in these areas with proper cold storage facilities.

General Manager Export Import Bank of India, Deepali Agarwal delivered the key note address while member, CII and Managing Director, Clairvoyance Technology, Neisakholie gave the welcome note. Regional Head EXIM Bank, Anirudha Barooah proposed the vote of thanks.

PANKAJ KUMAR INAUGURATES INDUCTION TRAINING FOR TECHNICAL SERVICES

The inaugural function of the 1st induction training for technical services was held at Multipurpose Hall, ATI on 4th May, 2017. Chief Secretary, Government of Nagaland, Pankaj Kumar, IAS was the Guest of Honour during the occasion.

Director, ATI, Lithrongla G. Chishi, IAS, calling the training programme as the 'pet project' of the Chief Secretary, appreciated his efforts in making the training

for technical services a reality. Lamenting the lack of 'resource persons' for imparting training, especially technical training in the state, she called on all the Heads of Departments to support ATI in its various training programmes by sending their officers for the same.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Secretary lamented the absence of a structured and extensive training for a large number of state services barring Nagaland Civil Services and Nagaland Secretariat Services. Pointing that there are expectations and responsibilities from government officials, he said the induction training will clarify on the role they will perform and the responsibilities they are expected of. He added that the training will equip the officials to bridge the gap between what was told and what is to be done in the field.

On project management at various levels, the Chief Secretary called on the engineers to have their view of the projects in their own divisions and speak as and when required, adding that this will enable them to see decisions at higher levels taken more in their way.

The programme was chaired by Additional Director (Admn) ATI, Kevekha Kevin Zehol, NCS, who also delivered the welcome address.

NEIPHIU RIO GRACES VICTOR 1ST NORTHEAST MASTERS' (VETERAN) BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP, 2017

Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) and former Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio graced the opening ceremony of Victor 1st Northeast Masters' (Veteran) Badminton Championship, 2017 as the Chief Guest on the 4th May, 2017 at Kuda Youth Indoor Badminton Stadium, Nagarjan, Dimapur.



MP Lok Sabha, Neiphu Rio launching the Victor 1st North East Championship on 4th May 2017 at Nagarhan Dimapur.

In his address, Rio termed sports as one profession which is admired by young and old and observed that in today's world, sports have become moral equivalence of war as it creates sense of national unity. "Politics, war and religion divides people but sports bring people together," he maintained. The importance of sports is huge as it brings happiness, friendship, team spirit, discipline and a sense of competition to excel, he added.

Rio, who himself is a passionate badminton player, observed that badminton is the most played game in India which is gaining popularity and mass participation even at the grassroots. He lauded Victor Company for being a responsible brand by taking its corporate responsibilities reaching all nook and corners promoting sports and sponsoring events including Dimapur. The chief guest later launched the Masters Veteran Badminton Championship 2017.

Deputy Commissioner Dimapur, Kesonyu Yhome who is also the Convenor of the organising Committee, was optimistic that the event would be a unifying force to bring together the people of the North East thus promoting sports in the region.

Participants from Arunachal, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram and

Nagaland has reported for participating in the championship. Five national umpires assisted by umpires from Nagaland will oversee the event. The players will be playing in 7 categories starting from 35 and above.

The event was sponsored by Victor and hosted by Dimapur District

Badminton Association under the aegis of Nagaland Badminton Association from 4th to 6th May 2017. MLA Zhaleo Rio, well-wishers and host of sports lovers attended the inaugural function besides the participants.

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Nagaland State Commission for Women in association with National Commission for Women, New Delhi conducted a legal awareness programme on Human Trafficking on 5th May, 2017 at De Oriental Grand, Kohima.

In her introductory speech, Dr. Temsula Ao mentioned that Nagaland State Commission for Women has been conducting Legal awareness programmes on Human trafficking in association with the National Commission for Women New Delhi since March and will continue till the end of May 2017. The first three programmes were held at college at Kiphire, Tuensang and Longleng followed by Meluri, Noklak, Tobu, Aboi and Longwa, Dimapur, Peren and Chiephobozou, and the programme held in Kohima was their 14th programme, she said.

She stated that only with a proper

networking of the Police, Child Rights agencies, Labour Department, Social Welfare, Mental Health and NGO's working in the field can Human trafficking be prevented and contained. In this effort, the role of the Church could be significant because even the parents of victims need counseling. Dissemination about the establishment of One Stop Centre (OSC) and helpline 181 (for women) also needs to be extended to remote areas. For all these to happen, she said that the government has to be the enabling partner to all the allied departments. She urged the Naga men and women to dedicate themselves to eradicate such social evil that is continuously growing in the society.

Central Administrator of One Stop Centre (OSC), Vikereno mentioned about SAKHI, OSC scheme which was introduced by Ministry of Women and Child Development funded from the Nirbhaya Fund. These centres will be to provide integrated support and assistance under one roof to women affected by violence, both in private and public spaces. It was launched in Dimapur of June 2016 and in Kohima on December 2016.

The OSC will be integrated with

women helpline 181. It provides specialized service to women affected by violence.

'Human trafficking is a crime' said Legal consultant NSCW, Kriesino Kire. Knowledge is power she pointed, adding that law empowers citizen to fight for one's right. She further stated that human trafficking is the 3rd largest organised crime in the world. She also maintained that human trafficking does not only effect the girls which is usually the misconception in our society but now even boys are also trafficked for sexual exploitation.

Member Secretary, Nagaland State Legal Services Authority, Neinu delivering a short speech said that human trafficking is a serious problem faced by our society today. The programme was chaired Member NSCW, Asangla Chalong.

YNP CONDUCTS FREE MEDICAL CAMP

The Young Naga Personalities (YNP) has taken the initiative for a social cause by organising a free medical camp today 5th May 2017 at half Nagarjan Indoor Badminton Stadium, at the ongoing Victor 1st NE Badminton Championship.

Reigning Miss India Elite,



Chairperson, NSCW, Dr. Temsula Ao speaking at the legal awareness programme on Human Trafficking at De Oriental Grand, Kohima on 5th May 2017.

Dr. Priyadarshini Bora who is the first beauty pageant in India working as a professional doctor came all the way from Guwahati to be part of the medical camp organised by YNP and treated several patients. Dr. Priya said that she was excited to be part of the medical camp and agreed to come to Nagaland without a second thought when the Naga beauty queen Imtibenla conveyed to her the message of the free medical camp to be conducted by YNP. The 25 year old beauty queen Dr. Priya expressed that she wanted to work for a social cause to give more meaning to being a beauty queen with a purpose.

During the medical camp, patients both young and old were treated and medicines distributed free of cost. Tooth brushes and dental gels were also distributed free of cost.

Besides Dr. Priya; Doctors who took part in the free medical camp were Dr. Temjennungsang Longchari (Recipient of Indian Health Professional Award 2016; Best practicing dentist of the year) Dr. Tiatula Longkumer (MPT Neurology) Dr. Thungbemo Humtsoe MBBS, Dr. Kihoto DNB, surgery, Dr. Abangdi Changkiri MBBS General Practitioner.

A member of YNP, Vicato Aye informed that a general meeting of the members has been slated tomorrow where various agendas helpful for the Naga society would be deliberated upon. The members are drawn from various fields including musicians, footballers, social workers; doctors etc.

6 DAYS COURSE FOR TRAINEE OFFICERS OF SPACE APPLICATION CENTRE CONCLUDES

NGISRSC UAV-RS training programme, a 6 day course for space application centers of North East region and Andhra Pradesh culminated on 6th, May 2017. The programme was held from 1st May - 6th May 2017, under 'Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Remote Sensing (UAV-RS)' for the states of North Eastern Region (NER), held at NGISRSC, Kohima Nagaland. It was a joint venture of North Eastern Space Application Centre (NESAC) and Nagaland GIS & Remote Sensing Centre (NGISRSC). The main objective of the project is to develop UAV infrastructure in all the states remote sensing and space application centers of North Eastern states for utilization of UAV-RS technology in all developmental planning activities.

In the concluding programme held at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall on 6th May, 2017, the Director, NESAC, PLN RAJU, presenting an overview of the utilities of UAVs said that UAVs can be used in enormous applications including, security and agricultural surveillance, landslide studies and a host of others.

Chief Secretary, Government of



Chief Secretary, Pankaj Kumar along with participants of the 6 day course for space application centers of North East region and Andhra Pradesh on 6th May 2017
Chief Secretary's Conference Hall Kohima.

Nagaland, Pankaj Kumar gave a remark on the need and use of the UAV technology and adopting to the technological advancements. He encouraged the participants from the various states to communicate with one another for technology building and transfer, so that the whole North Eastern states will establish itself as a 'cluster of excellence'. 20 participants (officers/engineers/scientists) from all the North Eastern states including Andhra Pradesh attended the training course. The concluding session of the training programme was chaired by Project Director, NGISRSC, Er. Mhathung Kithan, who also delivered the vote of thanks. Training Instructor, NGISRSC, Er. Atho-o presented the training course debrief.

AN OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS OF HSLC & HSSLC EXAMINATIONS 2017

The HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2017 commenced from 14th February 2017 to 6th March 2017 where a total of 37918 candidates appeared the examinations. In HSSLC Examination, there is an increase of 964 candidates. It took a period of 50 working days to prepare and declare the results.

A. HSLC Examination 2017:

Out of 22446 candidates, a total of 15754 candidates qualified the examination with a qualified percentage of 70.19%. The last time the pass percentage crossed 70% or above was in the year 2009.

The girls have again done better with 8178 girls qualifying and 7576 boys qualifying the examination. In the Top 20 list, there are 45 candidates out of which only 13 are boys and the rest i.e. 32 are girls.

72 schools secured 100% qualified/pass percentage, up by 5 in 2016. Out of 72, 66 are private schools and 6 are government schools. This year too, 32 schools have zero/nil result out of which 30 are government schools and 2 private schools.

Since 2012, this year's performance is the best for government schools with a qualified percentage of 42.60.

Government Schools qualified / pass percentage	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
	35.15%	37.25%	41.69%	34.55%	32.81%	42.60%

In terms of district wise performance for government schools, Kohima district again topped the table with a percentage of 57% followed by Mokokchung district at 51%. Longleng district is at the bottom with 7%.

In respect of private schools, Kohima and Phek districts are at the top with a percentage of 86% followed by Mokokchung at 85%.

The number of candidates who secured 80% and above in aggregate is 944, up by 30 from 2016. Out of 944, 13 candidates are from government schools.

B. HSSLC Examination 2017:

This year again, the performance of girls are better than the boys. The girls pass percentage at the HSSLC Examination 2017 stand at 82.21% and the boys at 74.58%.

11 (eleven) institutions under Arts stream, 4 (four) institutions under Science stream and 4 (four) institutions under Commerce stream secured 100% pass result.

1 (one) private institution of commerce stream got zero/nil result.

The performance of boys and girls streamwise in terms of pass percentage is:

	Arts	Commerce	Science
Girls	80.50 %	81.90 %	90.87 %
Boys	73.60 %	64.75 %	83.56 %

The number of boys and girls in the top 10 list streamwise is:

	Arts	Commerce	Science
Girls	7	6	3
Boys	5	5	7

In HSSLC Examination, a total of 271 candidates secured 80% & above in aggregate up by 57 from 2016.

Students securing 1st Division are as follows:

	1st Div in 2017	1st Div in 2016
Arts	2389	1398
Commerce	389	504
Science	1188	1140
Total	3966	3042
Percentage	32.66 %	28.25%

IRCS NAGALAND STATE BRANCH OBSERVES WORLD RED CROSS DAY

The Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS), Nagaland State Branch celebrated World Red Cross Day on 8th May, 2017 at Red Cross Complex, Kohima under the theme “Less known Red Cross Stories”. Director General of Police, Nagaland, L.L. Doungel, IPS graced the occasion as the chief guest.

The General Secretary of IRCSN Dr. Kepelhusie Terhüja presented the welcome address where he mentioned that World Red Cross & Red Crescent Day is an annual

celebration of IRC & Red Crescent Movement. It is celebrated on the anniversary of the birth of Henry Dunant, the founder of International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the recipient of the first Nobel Peace Prize. He created the community after he witnessed the deep sufferings of thousands of wounded soldiers and the lack of medical services.

L.L. Doungel in his address said that there should be partnership to promote peace and humanity between the people and the Police Department. He also mentioned that the significance of the Red Cross and signing of the different conventions we have now is something to go by although, we are not yet able to stop war permanently. We are at least being able to see the damages and pain caused by war, which makes us more humane adding that the Red Cross community



Director General of Police, Nagaland, L.L. Doungel speaking at the World Red Cross Day celebration at Red Cross Complex, Kohima on 8th May, 2017.

also lessens military conflicts and military impact during war time.

The students of Minister's Hill Baptist Higher Secondary School and Rev. Dr. Neiliezhü Üsou Memorial School and Little Flower Higher Secondary School presented songs. The programme was chaired by TCK, IRCSN, Abeni. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Member M.C. IRCSN, Dr. Neiphi Kire.

VIKHEHO SWU GRACES CLOSING CEREMONY OF VICTOR 1st NE BADMINTON TOURNEY

The closing ceremony of Victor 1st N.E. Championship 2017 was held on 6th May, 2017 at DDBA Indoor stadium Nagarjan, Dimapur.

Minister for Road & Bridges Government of Nagaland and President, Nagaland Badminton Association, Y. Vikheho Swu who graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour, suggested the North East representatives of Badminton Association for forming NE Badminton Association under one umbrella. He felt that forming such association was feasible as NE was a comparatively small region and such initiative would not only expand the horizon of the players of the region but also strengthen the bonds between them. He lauded the Victor International Brand for having a vision of delivering high quality sports equipment and expressed optimism that the association would further the promotion of badminton sport. Vikheho also thanked Ashwini for inspiring the players through her presence. He also expressed gratitude to the Convener and members of DDBA for organising the 1st Victor NE badminton championship with an aim to develop friendship through the game of badminton.

International Badminton star (Arjuna Awardee) and Brand Ambassador for Victor, Ashwini Ponnappa also graced the event as a Special Gguest. She termed badminton as a wonderful sport and promised to come back to Nagaland and share her skills if given the opportunity.

Director of Victor brand, Raman said that six months ago he had no connection with Nagaland but expressed that he had fallen in love with Nagaland through the present event and promised that he will do everything to support Badminton in Nagaland and North East. Except Tripura and Sikkim, all North East States including Nagaland comprising of 92 teams played in 7 categories.

IMTIKUMZUK INAUGURATES 1st NAGALAND FILM FESTIVAL AT KOHIMA

The 1st Nagaland Film Festival was held on 11th May 2017 at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima. Parliamentary Secretary for Information & Public Relations, Nagaland, Intikumzuk inaugurated the event as the chief guest.

Organised by the Department of IPR, Nagaland in collaboration with Dimapur based theatre group Dreamz Unlimited, the event was organized by the state government to promote the works of local filmmakers, while also bringing the film fraternity under a common platform to share and deliberate on films scenario in the state.

Speaking at the inaugural function, Intikumzuk said that such Festivals enable these direct exchanges and a direct dialogue between different ways of looking at reality which is very important. He said that culture is about the meanings we ascribe to the world and each culture describes the world in a different way. Therefore, he stated that it is vital to find ways to engage with each other

and to learn from each other.

He expressed pride in the quality and variety of the films and documentaries produced and directed by our local film makers who are also winning accolades not only in India but also in the international platform. He stated that we still have a long way to go but we are making a very good beginning with the limited or no facilities in our State.

The Chief Guest said that Nagaland has abundant natural beauty and cultural diversity which can be an excellent location for any kind of film. We have ample scope to discover hitherto uncharted places and yet in spite of these positive aspects Nagaland has not been able to exploit our potentials due to the insurgency problems, he said. But with the changing times and the changing social scenario he stated that there is no question as to why films cannot be shot in this part of the world. He welcomed film makers to explore our beautiful land and assured everything feasible to facilitate them.

The film screenings started with the feature film "Onaatah", directed by Pradip Kurbah. Besides the documentary "Oh my soul" by Kivini Shohe, short films that were screened included "The story of a river" by Yapangnaro Longkumer, "Story of a house" by Sesino Yhoshü and Sophy Lasuh, "Backward is forward" by Vito Sumi and "Blissful" by Bendang Walling, besides the best films of the Amateur Short Film Competition.

The programme also included "Discussion Hour" where Consultant from Film Facilitation Office, National Film Development Corporation, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, New Delhi, Leena Rani Narzary will highlighted the activities of the FFO, NFDC to the participants.

SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (PFMS)

The two day sensitization programme for implementation of Public Financial Management System organized by Finance Department, Government of Nagaland under the aegis of PFMS, CGA, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India was held from 15th-16th May, 2017 at the Directorate of Treasuries & Accounts, Kohima.

The resource person for the two day programme was Sr. Accounts Officer, K. Sridharan, who gave a brief powerpoint presentation of PFMS and its benefits to the State Government.

PFMS initially started in 2009 as a Central Sector Scheme of Planning Commission. It is an integrated financial management system of Controller General of Accounts, Govt. of India and will be used for transaction preparation, bill processing, payment, receipt management, direct benefit transfer, fund flow management and financial reporting. All the ministries functioning Grant in Aid shall register all implementing agencies on PFMS to track fund flow under all plan schemes of Govt. of India and real time reporting of expenditure at all levels of programme implementation.

The decision of Government of India is to upscale the coverage of PFMS for Central Sector (CS) and Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) to facilitate a robust system for ensuring 'just in time' releases in respect of CS and CSS and complete monitoring of utilization of funds under these two categories up to the end beneficiaries including information on end use of funds.

The biggest strength of PFMS is its integration with the Zone Braking System in the country. At present, PFMS interface is having interface in addition to the core banking system of all Public Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks, Major Private Sector

Bank, Reserve Bank of India, India Post and Cooperative Banks.

The programme was chaired by Principal Director, Treasuries & Accounts, K. Tiayanger Tzudir and the opening remark was given by OSD (General) Finance Department, V. Kezo. Sr. Budget Analyst, Finance Department, Ketoulhou Metha delivered the vote of thanks. Altogether 43 departments participated in the two day programme.

IPR CONDUCTS WORKSHOP ON COMPLEXITIES AND CONTRADICTIONS OF NEWS REPORTING

A workshop on the 'Complexities and contradictions of News reporting', organised by the Department of Information & Public Relations (IPR), Government of Nagaland was held on May 17 at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima.

The resource persons for the workshop were Pradip Phanjoubam, Founder of Imphal Free Press, who spoke on Basics of News Reporting; Dr. Aküm Longchari, Editor, The Morung Express who spoke on Reflections on Media in Nagaland and Dzüvinuo Theünuo, Joint Director, DIPR, who spoke on the dynamics of Government public relations.

Editor, Imphal Free Press, Pradip Phanjoubam said democracy would remain incomplete without the existence of fourth estate. Resource person Phanjoubam said this during the one-day workshop held on complexities and contradictions of news reporting, organized by department of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) at capital convention, Kohima Wednesday.

Speaking on the basics of news reporting, Phanjoubam said journalism was about telling the story of events coherently and articulately, whereby one should have the basic communication skills. He said while writing a news story, it should be an

inverted pyramid style stating that the headline and introduction of the story should capture the attention of the readers keeping in mind the five important Ws (who, where, when, what, why) and one H (how). Phanjoubam said a reporter must have the knowledge on the subject be it electioneering process, war or sports so that the key words were not missed. He also spoke on paid news, maintenance of neutrality etc.

Resource person, Joint Director Dzüvinuo Theünuo DIPR spoke on Dynamics of Government Public Relations. She said both the government press office and the media were fundamental to each other and share a common ground as their very existence were inter-dependent.

Speaking on ethics: code of conduct, Theünuo urged the journalists to be responsible, truthful, accurate and not to have conflicting interest but to work for public interest, be fair and be a steward of the public interest. She also explained how journalist and Government Public Relations Officers could work together to communicate information about the government to the citizens and respond to their concern.

She also dwelled on various other points like democracy and free press, empowering people, what press office does, link between the government and the people, journalists and government press officials, role of a press officer, government spokesperson, press conferences etc.

Resource person, editor of The Morung Express, Dr. Aküm Longchari spoke on "Reflections of media in Nagaland". Longchari said journalist or media houses should not let themselves be driven away by those at the helm of affairs, adding that neutrality should be maintained between the government and general public. He also suggested that routine coverage of events should not only contain the speeches of the

chief guest but should also focus on the other aspects as well.

Longchari was optimistic on the suggestion of specialization and beat journalism in the state while also opining that the protection of the journalist's identity during critical reporting should be maintained by the editors and publishers. Stating that media has the power to bring about the social change in the society, he also informed to do grass-root reporting and also asked the journalist to know where he/she stands.

Asangla Imsong Deputy Director DIPR chaired the programed and Director DIPR Limawati Ao delivered the introductory note. Journalists from Kohima, Dimapur, Mokokchung, Kiphiri, Mon, PRO defense and the department officials from across the state had attended the one day workshop.

NIPReSA HOLDS GENERAL MEETING

The Nagaland Information & Public Relations Employees Services Association (NIPReSA) held its general meeting on 18th May 2017 at the DIPR Conference Hall, Kohima.

Delivering the presidential address, President, NIPReSA, Dzuvinuo Theunuo gave a brief background on the history of the department where she stated that IPR department is one of the oldest departments in the state. She also reflected on how the association came about where she said that NIPReSA was registered as a society on 4th May 1994 with Yanger as the first President who retired as deputy director. She said that most of our senior officers and colleagues have been actively involved for the welfare of the association members and it is through their efforts that issues pertaining to the members, either directly or indirectly, have been taken up with the authorities or

addressed.

She commented on the Cadre Review taken up for the department and also some of activities that took place relating to the association including positive developments that have taken place in the department. Stating that IPR department is growing in visibility and importance over the years she called upon all to rededicate ourselves as PR professionals and as public servants.

Director, IPR, Limawati Ao while speaking on the occasion said that the main objective of having an association was to look after the welfare and to safeguard the interest of the members. It is the best platform where we can discuss issues confronting the interest of its members besides evolving innovative ideas so as to improve the image and functions of the department, he stated.

He expressed hope that the association would maintain its integrity and promote unity and cooperation among its members. He also urged all the members to work hard with renewed vigour and asked to maintain consistency of regularity and sincerity wherever they posted.

The programme was chaired by General Secretary, NIPReSA, Siewatho Nyusou who also gave the general secretary's report along with the report of the Treasurer, NIPReSA, Kepelhoutuonuo. Welcome speech was delivered by Executive member, NIPReSA, Asangla Imsong.

The new office bearers for the 2017-2019 tenure were elected as follows:

President	: Asangla Imsong
Vice President	: Ruopfülenuo Mepfhüo
General Secretary	: Nongozo Rikha
Joint Secretary	: Metevizo Sothu
Treasurer	: K. Zeliang

AHoDs AND HoDs MEETING

The meeting of the Administrative Heads of Departments (AHoDs) and Heads of Departments (HoDs) was held on 20th May 2017 at the Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Pankaj Kumar, IAS.

Highlighting about the secrecy of Aadhar data, the Chief Secretary said that government departments should be careful about protecting the secrecy of Aadhar data of any person, be it beneficiaries etc while uploading information on department websites. He said that departments cannot publish in any form the Aadhar number of any person. He also instructed that departments' websites should be made secure to protect from hackers.

The Chief Secretary also highlighted guidelines on the Do's & Dont's with regard to the usage of Aadhar data. With regard to 'Storage and data protection guidelines', an Agency using Aadhar must strictly follow all security guidelines specified by UIDAI. If an Agency is storing Aadhar number in database, data must be encrypted and stored. It should also be ensured that no Aadhar data is displayed or disclosed to external agencies or unauthorized persons. Regular audit must be conducted to ensure Aadhar number and linked data is protected, the guidelines stated.

Giving a presentation on "Land and Assets Management – encroachment and related issues", Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Rajesh Soundararajan highlighted the various issues with regard to government land. He said that encroachments take place due to various reasons such as delay in lodging complaints or not lodging any complaint at all. In certain instances, government officials are in connivance with private individuals, coupled with lack of data

base of assets and other documents such as survey maps etc. which pose a problem in protecting government land. He also said that government properties lack demarcation and protective fencing. He also highlighted about the eviction process followed, which normally takes upto two to three months.

T. Longri Ao, Managing Director, NSMDC gave a presentation on the products of the Nagaland State Mineral Development Corporation Ltd. that are produced through its three industrial units – the Decorative & Dimensional Stone Plant (DDSP) Chümukedima, the DDSP Wazeho and Mineral Industry Growth Centre (MIGC), Kiruphema. These units produces high quality slabs, artifacts, bricks, wall cladding, sandstone floor tiles, monoliths, pillars, hollow bricks, load bearing paver blocks and many others. Stating that the quality of products is in no way inferior to those brought from outside and that the rates are also very reasonable, T. Longri Ao suggested that government departments may encourage usage of these locally made products in all government initiated projects or constructions.

Earlier, the house took a Pledge in observance of Anti-Terrorism Day, which falls on May 21, but as the date falls on a Sunday which is a holiday for state government offices, the day was observed on May 20. The Chief Secretary led the house in taking the pledge to oppose all forms of terrorism and violence and to fight the forces of disruption threatening human lives and values.

PROFESSOR PARDESHI LAL ASSUMES AS NEW VC OF NU

Professor of Zoology, Nagaland University, Prof. Pardeshi Lal assumed office

as the New Vice Chancellor of Nagaland University (Central University) on Thursday 18th May, 2017.

It is the first time in the history of the university, that a Professor within the University was recruited to the post of the Vice Chancellor.

Prof. Lal was recruited as Professor of Zoology in the year 1997. Prior to his appointment as the Vice Chancellor he has served in different capacities from the Head of Department (HoD), Professor Incharge (PIC) in Lumami during Transit Headquarters in Kohima, Dean of School of Sciences, Controller of Examinations and Pro Vice Chancellor.

As per University Grants Commission (UGC) guidelines a person should have served as a professor for 10 years to be appointed as the Vice Chancellor. The tenure of office is for five years or till the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier. A person cannot be appointed as the Vice Chancellor of the same university for a second term.

TEAM LEADERSHIP & MOTIVATION TRAINING AT ATI

A three day program on experiential learning residential Training for election officers of Nagaland was inaugurated at ATI today with theme Team Leadership & Motivation (TLM) a psychological impetus. The programme was organised by Election Commission of India (India International Institute of Democracy & Election Management).

Dr. M. Parivallal, Director of the Training People, speaking at the inaugural function lauded the trainees for being nominated to attend the three days training program. He added that this training is the 1st ever special training held by the Election Commission of India in Nagaland for selective

district officials. He assured the trainees that the three day program will be multi-dimensional and unique.

He also said that this training programme is the brain child of the Director General of Election Commission, Sudip Jain IAS. He added that earlier the trainings conducted by Election Commission was focusing only in the system, procedures and conducting the election in the free and fair means but after 2015 focus has been shifted on people behind the systems. He said that the training program lined up will be unlike those training held previously but will be fun filled and with lots of interesting activities.

Additional Director, ATI, K. Kevin Zehol delivering a short speech said that he was disappointed to see very less participation from most of the districts as this kind of training will be beneficial for the upcoming 2018 election. Earlier inaugurating the training program candle was lighted by Dr. M. Parivallal, Director the Training People. Short speech was delivered by N Moa Aier, Chief Electoral Officer (officiating) and vote of thanks was proposed by Vekho Vero, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer. Administrative officers and election officers from the across districts participated in the ongoing program. The program was chaired by Khekugha Sema.



Dr. M. Parivallal, Director, and the Training People Lighting the candle at the inaugural function of Team Leadership & Motivation at ATI on 22nd May 2017.

STATE OBSERVES INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Nagaland State Biodiversity Board celebrated the International Day for Biological diversity on 22nd May 2017 at Capital Convention Centre Kohima with PCCF, I. Panger Jamir IFS as the special guest.

Addressing the gathering the PCCF mentioned that God has given us a rich place with so many biological diversity it is the responsibility of all to take care of the gift of nature. He said that the United Nations has proclaim diversity (IDB) to increase understanding and creating awareness the issue of biodiversity. The UN General Assembly, in December 2000 adopted 22nd May as IDB to commemorate the adoption of the text of the convention on May 22, 1992 by Nairobi. He added that the role of forest is not only to provide resources for humans but is very much vital for social, cultural, historical and most importantly maintaining ecological balance.

T. Lotha IFS (Retd) and Chairman NSBB in his keynote address said that Nagaland is a part of the Indo-Burma biodiversity hotspot because of the availability of rich biological resources. Nagaland has

floral diversity of about 2400 species of angiosperms, 9 species of gymnosperms, 340 species of orchids, 22 species of bamboo. The fauna diversity includes more than 100 species of mammals, 400 species of birds and a good number of reptiles.

Earlier the special guest PCCF & HOFF, I Panger Jamir gave away the prizes of the Essay and painting competition on the theme “Biodiversity”. Students from 16 schools from Kohima district attended the function. The programme started with an invocation prayer by pastor, Kohima Harvest Church, Swedesul Luho, special song by the Vineyard School and ended with a word of gratitude by Keneizeno Seletsu.

VIPRALHOU KESIEZIE APPOINTED AS MEMBER NPSC

Governor of Nagaland, P.B. Acharya inducted Vipralhou Kesiezie as a Member of the Nagaland Public Service Commission at a programme held at Naga Bhavan, Raj Bhavan Kohima on 24th May 2017.

The Governor Acharya administered the oath taking ceremony which was attended by the Chief Secretary Nagaland, Pankaj Kumar, Chairman and Members of NPSC.

Vipralhou Kesiezie hails from Kohima Village and has served the Government of Nagaland until his retirement as Director, SCERT in 2016. He is also the Anchor, Education Sector, Nagaland Vision 2030 and is an Advisory Member of the APO. Vipralhou



PCCF, I. Panger Jamir IFS speaking at the International Day for Biological diversity at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 22nd May 2017.

has a MA degree in Education from NEHU, Shillong and has done his PG Specialisation in Education & Vocational Guidance (NCERT, New Delhi)

URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ORGANIZES AMRUT TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS

A three day AMRUT: Training Programme for Municipal Officials of Nagaland, organized by Department of Urban Development, Government of Nagaland, in collaboration with Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Osmania University, Hyderabad began on 24th May, 2017 at the Conference hall, Department of Urban Development.

Secretary, Urban Development, Mhotsuthung Lotha, NCS delivering the inaugural speech called on the need to focus on Skill Development, Capacity Building and Human Resource Development for progress. Pointing that many foreign investors are willing to invest in various sectors in the country, he lamented the lack of capacity building and human resource, which are hindering our efforts to attract them to invest in the state.

Earlier, awareness on programmes were

imparted at the level of implementing agency or authority, but now the entire scenario is changing to mass participation, he said. Calling the trainees as the agents for propagation of the programmes in their respective areas and circles, he urged them put sincere efforts to skill, equip and build capacity of the people for success of the programme. He lamented the loopholes existing in the selection of the beneficiaries, and called for creating a system, to identify the needy core beneficiaries for any scheme.

The inaugural programme was chaired by Director, RCUES, Hyderabad, Prof. Y. Pardhasaradhi, and Director, Urban Development delivered the welcome address.

Highlights of the three days training will include orientation on issues including Urban reforms: challenges: Significance of leadership, introduction to AMRUT mission, components and process, preparation and updation of SLIP'S and SAAP'S, service level benchmarks, reform oriented projects; E-Governance best practices: Strategies, accountability and transparency; Urban infrastructure projects: Water, sewerage: Context of AMRUT; PPP Model of Parks; PPP: Significance and potential: Pilot projects of PPP; Stakeholder participation: Opportunities for convergence with other schemes and missions; Best practices of Solid Waste Management:

Preparation of DPR: Components: AMRUT; and Financing options for Urban Development; concept of CSR and strategies to mobilize funds.



Secretary, Urban Development, Mhotsuthung Lotha speaking at the inaugural of AMRUT: Training Programme for Municipal Officials at the Conference Hall of Urban Development on 24th May, 2017.

KHRIEHU LIEZIETSU TENDERS RESIGNATION

The Nagaland Legislative Assembly Secretariat has notified that the Speaker Nagaland Legislative Assembly has accepted the resignation tendered by Khriehu Liezietsu, from the Membership of the Twelfth, Nagaland Legislative Assembly with effect from 24th May 2017.

Consequent upon his resignation, the Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly hereby declare the seat of Khriehu Liezietsu of NPF from 10 Northern Angami-I (ST) as vacant.

SOLAR STREET LIGHT LAUNCHING PROGRAMME AT TUENSANG

Solar street light launching programme was held at Phinjang Sector Community hall, St. John A, Tuensang on 24th May, 2017, with Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang, Alem Jongshi as the Chief Guest.

The solar street installation was sponsored by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy MNRE, Government of India and implemented by Directorate of New and Renewable Energy DNRE, Government of Nagaland. The launching programme was attended by the officials of the DNRE, Government officials and citizens of the Sector.

Speaking at the function, the Chief Guest said that the solar street light is one of the many eco-friendly accessories, machineries, gadgets and appliances to check the menace of global warming. He advised the public to protect and preserve the community assets so that the maximum benefits can be achieved.

Deputy Director DNRE, Er. Inaho P. Awomiapprised on the usage and services of

the solar street light. He also highlighted the work activities of the department and on the going projects in the state.

The welcome speech was delivered by President St. John A, Bokei while Executive Chairman St. John A, Namang Chubou delivered a short speech.

9th OPEN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The 9th Open Basketball Tournament 2017 (OBT) organised by the Nagaland Basketball Association (NBA) and Suncity Club, Kohima was held from 24th to 27th May at Khuochiezie, Local Ground, Kohima.

Khekaho Assumi, Parliamentary Secretary for Youth Resources & Sports graced the inauguration as the Chief Guest. Zhaleo Rio, IAS (Retd), MLA and President, NBA gave the presidential address while welcome address was given by Lipok Pongen, Vice President, NBA. Twenty teams from five districts vied for the championship. MLAs Merentoshi R. Jamir and Neiphrezo Kreditsu were the match patrons on the second and third days respectively.

The finals were played on the 27th of May with the closing programme graced by Mmhonlumo Kikon, MLA as the Guest of Honour. Teisozhavi Theünuo, Convenor of the OBT and Hony. Secy, NBA welcomed the gathering.

Team Taurus from Kohima lifted the championship title, defeating team Amplified with a score of 61-52. Dorians and Werewolves were the other semi finalists. An exhibition match was displayed by sub-junior category from Kohima village. The most valuable player (MVP) of the

tournament was awarded to Vikuo Israel of team Taurus. Vote of thanks was given by Paul Rutsa, Advisor, Suncity, Kohima.

NAGA SOCIETY IS VULNERABLE TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING: Dr. TEMSULA AO

Naga society is vulnerable to human trafficking, so it is the responsibility of every parents and elders of every Naga village to keep close vigil and maintain proper record of its citizens especially of young boys and girls. This was stated by Dr. Temsula Ao, Chairperson Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW) at the Legal Awareness Programme on 'Human Trafficking' held at Town Hall, Phek on 24th May 2017. The programme was organized by NSCW in association with the National Commission for Women, New Delhi.

She stated that Nagas were very fortunate to have many unions and organizations which can directly or indirectly help us and can also assist in monitoring the progress and well-being of the children. On the same line, she urged them to make the welfare of the youths their foremost priority so as to check the exploitation of the children.

In the programme, Coordinator-cum-Master Trainer, NSLA, Akumla Longchari also spoke on the awareness and preventive measure of 'Human Trafficking'.

The programme was chaired by Member NSCW, Asangla Cholong and Associate Pastor, Phek Town Baptist Church, Moze Nyekha said the invocation prayer.

President, Chakhesang Mothers Association (CMA), Zaposhelu Venuh delivered welcome address.

CHAIRPERSON BCS CALLS ON GOVERNOR

Chairperson, Burma Campaign Society (BCS), Akiko McDonald called on the Governor at Raj Bhavan Kohima on 25th May 2017.

Apprising the Governor, Akiko said that BCS aims to collect historical data, war memoirs, photos, films, etc. and provide



Governor of Nagaland, PB Acharya with Chairperson, Burma Campaign Society, Akiko McDonald at Raj Bhavan on 25th May 2017

access to the international public. The society also aims to actively participate in war memorial services in Japan, India, Burma and UK.

The Chairperson of Burma Campaign Society had also met the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Shurhozelie Liezietsu on 24th May 2017.

GOVERNOR AWARDS AND FELICITATES TOPPERS AND RANK HOLDERS

A ceremony on presentation of Governor's Award and NBSE Awards to toppers and felicitation of rank holders of HSLC and HSSLC examination 2017 was held at Durban Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 26th May, 2017.

The Governor of Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh, P.B Acharya speaking on the occasion after giving away the awards, congratulated the students for their achievement while also adding that they will be called real achievers only when they share their knowledge and success with others. Pointing that the sole and ultimate goal of education is not acquiring degrees and making money or getting rich, he called for translating these knowledge into reality, adding that they have great responsibilities to take the state forward.

The Governor, while congratulating the Government for the introduction of mother tongue as the second language in schools from classes V – VIII, encouraged the people to be real and stand firm on the greatness of the Naga culture and society to preserve the same.

Principal Secretary, School Education and SCERT, F.P. Solo delivering short speech expressed hope that Nagaland Board of School Education will produce even better results in the future.

Earlier delivering the welcome address, Chairman, NBSE, Asano Sekhose while congratulating the students and teachers for their success pointed on the need to be happy in what one is doing. Today your success is your message to the other students, as you proceed further, make sure it is inspiring, she added.

Pastor, Union Baptist Church, Kohima, Rev. Dr. Rachülie Vihienuo said the thanksgiving prayer, while students from Minister's Hill Baptist Higher Secondary School, Kohima and HSCL 2017 Music

topper Neingusalie Yano enthralled the gathering with special song.

The list of recipient of the Governor's Award and NBSE Awards are: Deepa Mishra HSLC from Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Elozüo M. Saprüna of Arts Stream from Minister's Hill Baptist Higher Secondary School Kohima, Rajdeep Nath of Commerce Stream from Pranab Vidyapith Higher Secondary School Dimapur and Piklu Paul of Science Stream from Pranab Vidyapith Higher Secondary School Dimapur.

8th GENERAL SESSION OF SAKH AT PUGHOBOTO

Minister for Power, C.Kipili Sangtam inaugurated the 8th General Session of Sumi Ahuyemi Kukami Hoho in presence of the Minister for R&B, Y.Vikheho Swu and the Parliamentary Secretary for IPR, Intikumzuk at Pughoboto town hall on 26th May 2017.

Speaking on the occasion, Kipili called upon the GBs to change the system in administration for the future generation. He said Nagaland is a blessed place with a lot of potential and resources and we need to change our work culture and maintain food economy. He said that Nagas should practice 'work and eat' and 'eat to work'.

Expressing on the role of the GBs he said that GBs are the Judges of the Customary laws and therefore need to be careful to avoid bigger crimes. He lauded the R&B Minister for his leadership qualities and opening various development activities such as road, education, water supply, etc. for the area people. The chief guest appealed urged the gathering from 24 villages to think about Pughoboto as a god gifted place.

Minister for Road & Bridge, Y.Vikheho Swu mentioned that he hopes for Pughoboto to become one of the cleanest constituencies and urged them to actively

participate to bring about change. Dwelling the Skill development and entrepreneurship, Swu said that every individual has to engage according to their skills to generate their resources for more income.

The Sumi Aphuyemi Hoho President, Inavi Swu highlighted about the Importance of GBs. ADC Avelu Ruho also dwelled on how to play the vital role of the GBs and change the functioning system to keep their relevance in the village administration with good faith and continue to forward for the welfare of the people in their respective areas.

The programme was chaired by President SAKH Suhoje Kiho. Introduction and welcome speech was delivered by Advisor SAKH Kughakhu Shagi while the vote of thanks was rendered by Secretary Judicial SAKH Kihovi Swu.

ONE-DAY SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

The Sixteenth Special Session of the Twelfth Assembly was held on 27th May 2017. The list of Business started with the Obituary reference on the passing away of Late Anil

Madhav Dave, a sitting Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate. The house observed a two minutes silence in respect of the Late Anil Madhav Dave.

Commissioner & Secretary NLA informed on the assent of the Governor of Nagaland P.B. Acharya on the Nagaland Backward Tribes Commission Bill 2016, the Nagaland Appropriation No. 1 Bill 2017 and the Nagaland Appropriation No. 2 Bill 2017. Chief Minister Nagaland, Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu introduced the Government resolution to urge the Government of India to expedite the ongoing political dialogue to bring an early resolution before the schedule Assembly election due in early 2018. The Nagaland Goods & Services Tax Bill 2017 which was also introduced.

Advisor, Treasuries & Accounts, Relief & Rehabilitation, Dr. T.M. Lotha, referring to the Naga political dialogue said that Nagas should unite because unless we come together as one, there will be setbacks for an early solution to the political dialogue. He said that Nagas have suffered for a longtime and things have remained in the same position.



Chief Minister, Dr. Shürhozelie addressing the Sixteenth Special Session of the Twelfth Assembly on 27th May 2017.

The list of Business also included laying of report papers of the Nagaland Police Manual & Amendment Rules 2017 by Home Minister, Yanthungo Patton. Parliamentary Secretary for Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, S. Chuba Longkumer laid down the Nagaland Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Diseases in Animals Act 2009.

The house also discussed on the tenure of the

STATE ROUND UP



Governor, P.R. Acharya. Minister Yitachu and other officials with the toppers of the HSLC and HSSLC examination 2017 at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 26th May, 2017.



President, NIPReSA, Dzūvinuo Theūnuo addressing the NIPReSA general meeting on 18th May 2017 at the DIPR Conference Hall, Kohima.

STATE ROUND UP



Minister for Health & Family Welfare, P. Longon speaking at the inaugural programme of the two day workshop at Hotel Vivor Kohima on 30th May, 2017.



Minister for Roads & Bridges, Vikheho Swu felicitating Arjuna Awardee and International Badminton Star and also Brand Ambassador of Victor Ashwini Ponnappa during the closing ceremony on 6th May 2017.

DISTRICTS ROUND UP



Kohima DPDB felicitated Zebulun Pamai for securing First Division with highest aggregate marks in HSLC Examination 2017.



SP, Kiphire, Ben Longkumer NPS felicitating successful HSLC and HSSLC students on 15th May, 2017.

DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES



Chief Minister, Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu and other officials at the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony of Indoor Tennis Stadium at IG Stadium Complex, Kohima on 23rd May, 2017.



Commissioner & Secretary, NSDMA, Home Department, Khrienuo Metha along with other government officials, Principal, staff and village elders at the inaugural of the newly constructed Girls Hostel at Chiechama village, Kohima district on 20th May 2017.

Select Committee on the Nagaland Lokayukta Bill 2015 which was extended. The members who were included in the Select Committee are Parliamentary Secretary Er. Levi Rengma as the Chairman and other members include Parliamentary Secretary R. Tohanba, Parliamentary Secretary Apok Jamir, Parliamentary Secretary Pukhayi and Advisor Dr. T.M. Lotha. After finishing all the listed business Speaker NLA Dr. Imtiwapang adjourned the sixteenth Special Assembly Session of the Twelfth NLA session sine die.

LEGISLATORS DELIBERATE ON GST

Chief Minister and Minister In charge for Finance, Dr. Shurhozelie Liezeiestu, moved the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax Bill, 2017 today, the 27th May, 2017, in the 16th session of the 12th Legislative Assembly.

Participating in the discussion of the bill, Minister Roads and Bridges, Vikeho Swu apprised of the benefits of the GST regime. He pointed that the multiple layers of taxation will be eliminated, production at both national and international level will be boosted, the cost of production will be cut, goods and services will become cheaper besides the state gaining revenue. The GST regime will significantly improve the taxing system and boost the overall efficiency of tax in the state, he stated.

Also participating in the discussion, Parliamentary Secretary, Er. Levi Rengma, besides highlighting the benefits of the GST, called on the need for the state to gear up to be self-sufficient and independent in revenue. We should start assessing our self as a mature state especially in policies of taxes, he stated. The Parliamentary Secretary also appealed the concern department to make the system an all e-payment system.

Nagaland is a consumer state and when we have no system of revenue generation, the GST regime will create avenues for the same, said C. Apok Jamir,

participating in the discussion on GST. He pointed that the system will promote and inculcate professionalism in the business community.

Minister of School Education and SCERT, Yitachu said traders and business people register in the name of STs and SCs to avoid taxes, thus depriving the state exchequer from revenue generation. He expressed hope that the GST system will do away with this illegal practice. The Act East Policy will enhance the trading activities and open up opportunities for the youth, which he said is a dream come true for the youths. He however pointed that the same will fail without the active participation of the stakeholders. Let us create amenities and open up avenues, he said, referring to the saturated avenues for more employment under the government.

Chairman DAN and Advisor of Finance, T.R. Zeliang participating in the discussion called for eliminating corruption and black money through 'technology checking'. He said that e-billing ensures 100% collected taxes comes to the state exchequer adding that only 30-40% of collected taxes presently comes to the state exchequer.

He further apprised that under the GST all Central Sales Taxes will come to the state exchequer unlike the earlier regime when all Central Sales Taxes goes to the manufacturing state. With the introduction of GST, the total tax payable will drastically come down to 28%, with the elimination of taxes such as toll tax, excise tax, or entry tax etc., from the present 32%, he said, thus benefitting the consumers to a great extent. He further pointed that with 4% cut in the payable taxes, the introduction of e-billing, and 100% collected taxes coming the state exchequer, the revenue increase in tax collection can be expected to increase by 400-500%.

He appealed the people especially

with small business establishment in rural areas not to panic as the GST regime will cover only those firms will annual sale return of Rs. 10 Lakhs and above. OFC lines has been provided to all district headquarters, including four sub divisions, which will solve the problem of internet connection in rural areas in its effort to introduce e-billing. With, all these in place, the slogan of 'one government, one tax' will become a reality, he said.

CHIEF MINISTER REMARKS ON GST

Chief Minister Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu in his concluding remarks to introduce Goods and Service Tax (GST) said that GST regime is going to be a milestone for making the tax administration in the state more effective and transparent and would have beneficial effect on the consumers and the economy as a whole.

Chief Minister said with the collection of tax in the state, it would see a rise in GST regime, however in the event of loss of revenue, state would be compensated for the shortfall in collection by the central government for the next five years for which the revenue act has already passed by the parliament.

Liezietsu said there are multiple subjects on which taxes are being levied and collected throughout the country yet the various provisions of the Constitution of India provide the sanction and clearly define the subjects on which the Centre and the States can levy and collect taxes.

In the present tax regime, he said if all the sale points happen to be within the State, there is some relief in the form of Value Added Tax (VAT) wherein one was allowed to take the credit for the tax already paid in the previous transaction. However, he said the tax structure does not provide any relief in the form of tax credit, if the goods are manufactured somewhere else and reaches Nagaland after passing through many intermediate taxpaying sellers, located in some other state

or states.

CM informed that such a scenario will lead to avoidance of cascading of tax and bring down the cost of the product or service and finally benefit the end consumer and the system will also check tax evasion, since trade and industry will benefit by coming under the GST system through a "Self-Policing" mechanism. In the process, the tax base was likely to expand and lead to more revenue collection.

Further he said in the new tax regime, due to the "destination principle", where taxation was on supply and consumption and not on manufacturing, a State like Nagaland, which was pre-dominantly a consumer state will benefit and the introduction of the GST regime will open new era in the indirect taxation structure and administration in India.

SEMINAR FOR IMMUNIZATION AND MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES AT KOHIMA

The inaugural programme of the two day workshop with religious leaders to improve demand for immunization and maternal and child health services in Nagaland was held on 30th May, 2017 at Hotel Vivor, Kohima with Minister for Health & Family Welfare, P. Longon as the chief guest. The workshop is being organised by State Health Society in collaboration with UNICEF.

Minister for Health & Family Welfare, P. Longon in his inaugural speech said that, the government of Nagaland is trying its best to work towards the welfare of the people of Nagaland and continuously making efforts to build our generation fit for future challenges, be it their competence to excel in their careers, the economic life, social or spiritual life.

He further pointed that the state coverage in immunization programme is low, the reasons being the low demand for immunization services in the state, information gap and fear of adverse events

following immunization, parents and families do not know about vaccines, they do not feel the need for vaccination. He apprised that the government is making efforts to engage with communities in platforms such as village health and nutrition camps organized at villages by the health workers for community participations awareness.

Outlining the objectives of the workshop, Chief of Field Office, UNICEF, Assam, Dr. Tushar Rane said that UNICEF is supporting the respective state governments in the North Eastern states, and they have been doing so for the past 5 years. He spoke on the need to improve the infant mortality rate, which is 29 in the state.

General Secretary, NBCC, Rev. Dr. Zelhou Keyho mentioned that the church plays an important role not only in the faith matter of the constituents, but also in the social and health of its members.

Father Charles, representation from Catholic Association, Nagaland stated that the social mission of the catholic church is to enhance knowledge, skills and attitudes of the people in the village.

NSTC ORGANIZES SEMINAR ON RADICAL NITRIDING PROCESS

Seminar on Radical Nitriding process for improving the life of cutting tools for agriculture was organized by Nagaland Science and Technology Council (NSTC). The seminar was held at Nagaland Science and Technology Complex, Kohima on 30th May, 2017.

Resource person SG, Facilitation Center for Industrial Plasma Technologies (FCIPT), Institute of Plasma Research (IPR), Gandhinagar, Gujarat, Er. Dr. Alphonso Joseph, gave a powerpoint presentation on plasma nitriding system pointing that it is one of the best tools for farmer as it is more durable than other tools. She said that the plasma

nitriding system is a heat-treating process which diffuses nitrogen into the surface of a metal to create a case-hardened surface.

These processes are most commonly used on low-carbon, low-alloy steels but on medium and high-carbon steels, titanium, aluminum and molybdenum. In plasma nitriding, the reactivity of the nitriding media is not due to the temperature but the ionized state of gas. In this technique intense electric fields are used to generate ionized molecules of the gas around the surface to be nitrided. Such highly active gas with ionized molecules is called plasma. The gas used for plasma nitriding is usually pure nitrogen, since no spontaneous decomposition is needed (as is the case of gas nitriding with ammonia). There are hot plasmas typified by plasma jets used for metal cutting, welding, cladding or spraying. There are also cold plasmas, usually generated inside vacuum chambers, at low pressure regimes.

Usually steels are beneficially treated with plasma nitriding. This process permits the close control of the nitrided microstructure, allowing nitriding with or without compound layer formation. Not only the performance of metal parts is enhanced, but working life spans also increase, and so do the strain limit and the fatigue strength of the metals being treated. For instance, mechanical properties of austenitic stainless steel like resistance to wear can be significantly augmented and the surface hardness of tool steels can be doubled. This tools like Satellite and Textile Company etc. are made through plasma nitriding system, the resource person said.

WORLD ANTI TOBACCO DAY OBSERVED STATEWIDE

Kohima along with the rest of the world observed World No Tobacco Day on 31st May 2017 at Capital Convention Centre with the

theme “Tobacco-A Threat to Development”.

Parliamentary Secretary, Higher & Technical Education, Deo Nukhu speaking at the programme said that it was important to create awareness on tobacco among the people particularly more so as Nagaland is considered as the 2nd highest tobacco consumption in India. He encouraged the younger generations to abstain from consuming tobacco as tobacco cause premature death world wide and 6 million death are related to tobacco and higher cancer case in Nagaland are attributed to tobacco consumption. However, he said this can be prevented if proper awareness is created.

Deputy Commissioner & Chairman DLCC, Rajesh Soundararajan IAS stated in this speech that tobacco related illness and is one of the major preventable causes of deaths. He also mentioned that there is a rise among the younger generation to consume smoke from or smokeless form of tobacco which is turning out to be a habit. One of the main reason for this is due to peer pressure from friends.

Ambassador for tobacco smoke free Kohima, Sievituo Solo mentioned in his speech that he was influenced into smoking at an early age. But he made a decision that he should stop smoking tobacco and because of his abstinence he was able to take care of his health and be a fit young man which encouraged him to travel around the world in his bicycles for 6 years. As a brand Ambassador of tobacco smoke free Kohima he and his team will be collaborating with the Department of Health & Family Welfare to create more street art in and

around the districts to ensure awareness to the different groups in the society.

The program was chaired by Additional Director, H&FW, Tali Jamir. Toshimeren Walling of G. Rio School presented the voice of children and special song was presented by little flower school Kohima. 16 children who participated in the essay competition were given certificate and cash prizes by Dr. Hotokhu Chishi SNO, NTCD. Three tobacco free villages (Philimi, Khonoma and Jotsoma) representative highlighted their success story. The day was also observed in the districts across the state.

NARROW PAROCHIALISM SHOULD NOT DIVIDE US: CHOTISUH SAZO

Nagaland PHED Minister, Chotisuh



The 27th NSF General conference Monolith was unveiled by Nagaland Minister Chotisuh Sazo at Tsurangkong Range, Mokokchung on 31st May 2017.

Sazo said Naga society is going through rough and hard times as the Nagas have been fragmented on various fronts. He said that there are multiple organizations espousing the cause of the Nagas yet collective voice of the people are lacking.

Inaugurating the 27th Naga Students Federation General conference at Chungtiayimsen under Tsurangkong range of Mokokchung district on 31st May 2017, Chotisuh Sazo called on the Naga students community to uproot 'ills of our society' and to have effective discourse to bring about amelioration in Naga society.

“Narrow parochialism should not grip us and divide us” the Minister said adding the NSF should look beyond their village and tribe and view Nagas as a wholesome unit and act towards the unity. Recalling the formation of the NSF he said the vision of the founding leaders of the Federation as enshrined in the preamble was to safeguard the common interest, integrity and cooperation amongst the Nagas. He therefore called on the students to nurture and promote these ideals and principles as laid in the preamble. He also insisted that acquiring knowledge and ideas should remain steadfast commitment of the students saying it would enable them to become a responsible citizen and leader. Earlier, the Minister also unveiled the Monolith of the 27th NSF.

In his Presidential address, Zubenthung Kithan said that there is an urgent need to have a strong policy makers in our society. He said the progress of any nation or society is measured by the adaptation of right and relevant policy making.

The inaugural function chaired by

Kelhouneizo Yhome, COC convenor was also addressed by NESO Chairman, Samuel Jyrwa and Naga Hoho President, Chuba Ozukum.

Besides delegates from federating units of the NSF, student leaders and delegates from North eastern states attended the three day conference.

NAGALAND CHIEF MINISTER LAYS WREATH AT NEUVE CHAPELLE, FRANCE

On 31st May 2017, Chief Minister, Dr. Shürhözeli laid a wreath at the Indian memorial at Neuve Chapelle, France where a number of Naga Labour Corps names feature in the plaque installed in the honour of the Indian army and labour corps who fought in France during WWI. For the Naga labour corps, this year is significant as 2017 marks the 100th anniversary of the Naga Labour Corps participation in The Great War. The Chief Minister also visited the Indian cemetery at Alette and laid a wreath at the gravestone of one Shikhu (pic) of the Naga labour corps in remembrance of the entire Naga labour corps.

Liz Sweet, Director, External Relations of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission accompanied Nagaland Chief Minister.

DISTRICTS ROUND UP

CHANGTONGYA SUB-DIVISIONAL DEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION FORUM MEETING HELD

Changtongya Sub-Divisional Departmental Coordination Forum meeting was held on 28th April, 2017 at the Office Chamber of SDO (C), under the Chairmanship of SDO (C) Chumlamu Humtsoe. The meeting was hosted by APRO, Changtongya.

The chairman welcomed all the members present at the meeting. The house reviewed the meeting minute of the last meeting. The house also decided to extend financial aid to the victims of the 24th April, 2017 fire incident through the SDDCF welfare fund.

The Chairman encouraged all head of offices to perform their duties in serving the public. He also requested the Officer In-charge to ensure security to the public through the police personnel of the Town.

In the meeting, the house resolved to let the Town Hall only for public functions. The house also decided that the security personnel will be accommodated at the present BDO Quarter. On the issue of cash crunch faced by all government employees at SBI Mokokchung, the house decided to write to the Deputy Commissioner, Mokokchung. The meeting further entrusted the Electrical Department to look after the Street lighting of the police points.

After thorough deliberation, the meeting decided to propose setting up of a Fire Brigade Station at Changtongya in the next DPDB meeting through the chairman.

CHANGTONGYA SCREENING CAMP FOR HEARING IMPAIRMENT

Screening Camp for Hearing Impairment under National Programme for Prevention and Control of Deafness (NPPCD) under the department of Health and Family Welfare, Nagaland was held on 28th April, 2017, at Community Health Centre, Changtongya.

A medical team led by Dr. Theja Chase (ENT Specialist), Chinglem Yumnam (Audiometrist) and Mayang (Pharmacist) from Dr. Imkongliba Memorial District Hospital, Mokokchung conducted the camp. A total of 86 parents were treated and 32 hearing test were conducted at the camp.

TDLSA OBSERVES INTERNATIONAL LABOUR DAY

Along with the rest of the world, Tuensang District Legal Services Authority (TDLSA) observed International Labour Day, on 1st May, 2017 at CKS Hall Panel Lawyer, TDLSA.

Speaking on the significance of International Labour Day, N. Kano, Judicial Magistrate 1st Class & Secretary TDLSA informed how and where International Labour Day Started to be observed internationally and nationally. He also highlighted on the need for a free and competent legal services to the poor and marginalized people in the form of legal advices, drafting application, petitions and affidavits and court based cases.

Yampi, Programme Manager of IDS (NGO), highlighted on the services rendered to the beneficiaries under Nagaland Building and other construction workers in Tuensang.

Speaking on Nagaland Building and

other construction workers welfare schemes, Retainer lawyer, TDLSA, Yimtsusangla appraised that under the scheme the registered beneficiaries are entitled to get insurance cover, maternity benefits, grant for purchasing tools, and scholarships for the children.

Speaking on NALSA Scheme of legal services to the Workers in Un-Organised Sector, Master Trainer NSLSA, Cheliam Khamniungan appreciated the contribution made by the labourers towards the development of the country's economy. He added legal services institutions exist to provide a link or bridge the gap between the concern departments and the labourers. The programme was chaired by Antimangyang, Panel Lawyer TDLSA. Altogether 90 beneficiaries/Labourers along with the representatives from Social Welfare Department, Labour Department and Integrated Development Society (NGO) attended the programme.

ZDLSA OBSERVES INTERNATIONAL LABOUR DAY

Zunheboto District Legal Services Authority (ZDLSA), on the 1st May, 2017 observed International Labour Day at District Court Complex, Zunheboto.

Speaking as the resource person, Panel lawyer ZDLSA, Easter H. Yeptho spoke on the significance of International Labor Day.

She said that all occupation, whether involving intellect of physical labour, deserves equal respect and dignity. No job should be considered superior or inferior, as every job that is dutifully done with honesty and sincerity deserves appreciation, she added.

Earlier, introduction and keynote address was delivered by JMFC and Secretary ZDLSA, Atoka Achumi, while District & Session Judge Cum Chairman ZDLSA delivered a short speech on the Significance of International Labor Day.

The programme was chaired by Retainer Lawyer ZDLSA, Tovi Z. Yeptho, while Shikatoli Achumi pronounced the invocation. Public Prosecutor, J. Khetoholi Yepthomi delivered the vote of thanks.

4th INTER WARD FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT PFUTSERO

The 4th Inter ward football tournament began at Pfutsero on 2nd May 2017 under the theme 'Unity through Sports', with MLA Neiba Kronu as the Chief Guest.

Addressing the gathering, Neiba said that, sports brings unity, peace and help people maintain health and fitness. He advised players to be disciplined and maintain true



MLA Neiba Kronu at the 4th Inter ward football tournament at Pfutsero on 2nd May 2017.

sportsmanship. He further urged them not to misuse the talents but give their best in sports.

The programme was chaired by Vice President PTSA, Deko Chiero and welcomed note was delivered by President PTSA, Vekhosa Ruho. Altogether 11 teams are participating in the tournament.

LEGAL AWARENESS ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING AT PUGHOBOTO

Legal awareness programme on Human Trafficking was held at Pughoboto town hall on 2nd May 2017. The programme was organized by Nagaland State Commission for Women in association with the National Commission for Women, New Delhi.

To halt the human trafficking in our State, Dr. Temsula Ao and his team have been touring the districts including Pughoboto division 21st April 2017. The awareness programme will conclude on 31st May 2017. Dr. Temsula, speaking on the occasion, said that human trafficking for trade exploitation should be taken seriously by everyone, especially parents. Informing that one human beings are exposed for monetary gain, she said that first and foremost we should make the people aware about human trafficking, forced marriage, and organ trade.

OC Police Station Pughoboto Chubaonen also spoke on the occasion. Welcome speech was given by the president STH Kitoli while NSCW member Asangla Cholong summed up the programme.

ATMA KOHIMA DISTRICT RELEASES BOOKLET ON “DOCUMENTATION ON ZABO FARMING”

A booklet on “Documentation on Zabo Farming” at Jakhama village by ATMA Kohima district was released by Helie Rüpree, Director of Agriculture & SNO (ATMA), Nagaland on 2nd May 2017 at DAO conference hall.

The Director congratulated the ATMA team for the good work and exhorted the farmers' friend present, about the status of Agriculture production in Nagaland, stating that 70% of the population is employed in the farming community yet we are not able to produce self sufficiency. Taking the example of Pfustero people, he encouraged the farmers to take up “Zabo farming” as we depend only on seasonal rainfall. At the present scenario, the farmers are in need of market linkage, storage unit and processing unit as the surplus production are not wisely utilized.

A demo of right measurement was taught to the farmers adding that lower rates commodities at village level can attract customers. As machineries will be required to fulfil higher production, the crop areas need to be increased more and relay cropping has to be adopted.

The programme was followed by an



Booklet on “Documentation on Zabo Farming” at Jakhama Village by ATMA Kohima was released by Helie Rüpree, Director of Agriculture & SNO (ATMA) on 2nd May 2017 at Kohima.

orientation programme for the Farmers' Friends (FF). Earlier the programme was chaired by Vizonyü Liezie, DAO & PD (ATMA), Kohima. Altogether 32 FFs attended the programme.

KDLSA CELEBRATES INTERNATIONAL LABOUR DAY

The International Labour Day was celebrated on the 1st May, 2017 at Dobashi Court, SDO(C) office, Jakhama with Assistant Labour Commissioner, Directorate of Labour, Avile Vitso and Retainer Lawyer, KDLSA Kekhriengulie Theünuo as resource person.

SDO(C), Jakhama, S. Athsangla in her welcome address said that the programme was organised to disseminate information to the people regarding labour rights and various legal rights.

Highlighting the role of Labour Department, Avile Vitso said that the department oversees matters such as ensuring minimum and timely payment of wages; maximum 8 hours of work per day; safety of workers in hazardous environment; pay parity among men and women workers; maternity benefit; child labour etc. The department ensures that every worker whether contractual or salaried are not exploited, she added.

Kekhriengulie Theünuo explained the Nagaland Village Council & Tribal Council Acts/ Customary Practices in Nagaland and said that customary laws should not be codified as all villages have different

customary practices adding that it may get diluted in the process. He pointed out that the Constitution of India provides for the protection and preservation of the country's composite culture.

The International Labour Day programme was organised by the Kohima District Legal Services Authority in collaboration with Labour Department and District Administration SDO(Civil), Jakhama.

NEW PEREN VILLAGE DECLARED LED VILLAGE

New Peren Village in Peren District has been declared the first complete LED village in Peren District.

The Energy Efficient Peren under UJALA Scheme and initiative of District Administration Peren in collaboration with EESL, the Deputy Commissioner Peren adopted New Peren village and distributed free LED Bulb to every household in the village.

Speaking on the occasion the DC stated that the use of LED Bulb will consume less electricity which would drastically reduce electricity bill and save power consumption in the District. The DC hoped that the beneficiaries would extend the fullest cooperation for effective implementation of the scheme.

Further, the DC adopted Christian Servanthood Ministry Centre (Orphanage) and distributed free LED bulbs.



DC Peren, Zarenthung Ezung with New Peren villagers during the declaration of complete LED village in April 2017.

NSCW ORGANIZES LEGAL AWARENESS ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

A one day legal awareness on Human Trafficking organized by Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW) in association with National Commission for Women (NCW), New Delhi was held at Town Hall, Zunheboto on 3rd May 2017.

Speaking at the seminar, Chairperson, Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW), Dr. Temsula Ao said human trafficking is a global menace that affects not only the poor nations but also more affluent nations also. Lamenting that bulk of trafficked population comprised of those who are absorbed as labourers, slaves and workers in various mines factories, industries and brothels, she said that the issues involved in trafficking are many; legal, moral, political as well as financial.

Short speeches were also delivered by Additional SP, Relo Aye and legal consultant, NSCW, Khriesinuo Kire where they spoke on the role of police in seeking justice and legal aid and also provisions of judicial system in our country.

ADC, Nungsangmenla Imchen, women from all sectors, Students, public leaders, GBs and DBs attended the programme. Earlier the program was chaired by Asangla Cholong, Member, NSCW, while welcome address was delivered by President, Sumi Totimi Hoho (STH), Kitoli.

DIMAPUR DPDB MEETING

The monthly District Planning and Development Board meeting of Dimapur District for the month of May was held in DC's conference Hall Dimapur on 5th May 2017. The meeting was chaired by Revenue Officer, Dimapur, B. Henok Buchem.

During the meeting the board recommended registration of society of The Art of Living Nagaland at Pudumpukhuri, Dimapur and opening of Shemrock Primary School 4th

mile, Diphupar, Dimapur and Greenland School, Lotovi Village, Dimapur basing on verification reports.

Powerpoint presentations on the programmes and activities of Social Welfare Department under Dimapur District was given during the meeting. The Department of Geology & Mining also gave a presentation about the basic functions and it's activities and achievements of their department.

The Revenue Officer, during the meeting expressed concern and need of deterrent measures over the encroachment of government land by different parties and not vacating Government quarters after retirement or when asked to by the employees. He also asked the gathering to be cautious while buying plots and also explain the importance of timely payment of yearly taxes. The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the chairman.

DPDB MEETING KIPHIRE

The monthly meeting of District Planning & Development Board, Kiphire was held on 5th May, 2017 at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Kiphire. The meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, Sedevikho Khro.

Initiating the meeting the Chairman welcomed the members and newly posted Officers, SDEO, N. Janbeni Kikon; DHO, S. Sungka Jamir; Asst. Registrar Cooperative Societies, Lipoknungsang; E.E. Irrigation & Flood Control Er. Keduvizo Sophie and DSCO, Litemo Murry.

The Board reviewed the last meeting minutes and also discussed on the recommendation submitted by the SDEO for opening of Government Primary School at Kiuro & Ami Kiuro Villages. Recommending the opening of the same, the board also reminded the Government on opening of GPS in the newly recognised villages under Pungro Sub-Division,

documents for which have already been submitted in November, 2014. Proposal for repair & widening of the 3km, Maihpok Village road was discussed in the meeting, and decided to find avenues for the same within 2017-18.

The approval of the Board for registration with the government sought by the Citizen Welfare Society, Kiphire was discussed by the Board and decided to recommend to the Government for registration of the society.

The DIO, NIC presented a power point programme on the Pros & Cons of the Digital payment which the central Government has been emphasising.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the chairman.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING

Tuensang District Planning and Development Board meeting was held at DC Conference Hall Tuensang. The Meeting was chaired by ADC Tuensang, Manazir Jeelani Samoon, IAS.

The meeting discussed the proposal for setting up of Laboratories and Material Supplies in the New Science Block Building at GHSS, Tuensang and decided to forward the same to the concern department. The house also discussed for the recognition of private Mount Sinai School as proposed, and decided to forward proposal for its recognition to the government.

Discussing the issue of deteriorating road condition between DC office to Circuit House, Tuensang, the house appealed the concern department to check and take necessary steps on the same.

On power failure, the power department clarified that the failures were due to the damage of the electric poles and

tension wires at five location within Tuensang Town which they said is expected to be reinstate with a day.

The proposal of Financial Assistance by Sao Chang Government Collage for the renovation of the college infrastructure including the resumption of the newly constructed hostels for both boys and girls was also discussed. The house decided to forward to the concern department to look into the matter at the earliest.

The principal of ITI Tuensang highlighted about the Assistant Masonry (construction) scheme.

PEREN DPDB MEETING

The monthly Peren District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of May 2017 was held on 6th May 2017 at DPDB Conference Hall Peren under the Chairmanship of Advisor, Finance & Chairman DAN, T.R. Zeliang.

Officials from Power Department led by the Additional Chief Engineer also attended the meeting, where they highlighted about the ongoing 66 KV power transmission live from Ganeshnagar-Jalukie-Peren and 5MVA 33/11 KV Sub-station Jalukie and Peren. Additional Chief Engineer also said that the project would be completed by 31st May, 2017 and 15th June, 2017 respectively.

Reviewing the minutes of the last DPDB meeting on banning of logs/timber vehicles plying during the monsoon season w.e.f 30th April, 2017 to 31st October, 2017, the board deliberated at length and decided to relax the ban till 31st May for the current year on the condition of assurance given by the timber contractors to start repairing the road within seven (7) days, subject to review anytime by the special DPDB. Earlier, deliberating on the review, Zeliang who is also the Chairman of the DPDB maintained that apart from deteriorating road condition,

green coverage in the district has become a concern.

With regard to the society registration the board decided to forward the following societies for registration under Peren District Rifle Association- Peren Circle Rifle Club and Tening Circle Rifle Club.

The board welcomed the newly posted members including Horticulture Officer, Talimongba, CMO, Dr. Danis Hangsing, DEO, Atomi, SDEO, Mary, ASS NST, Jenito and BDO, Jalukie Kiengau Nda.

The Department of Youth Resources & Sports, Peren College and NERLP, Peren highlighted their departmental activities through power point presentation.

WOKHA DPDB MEETING

DC Wokha Wezope Kenya on behalf of the District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) members congratulated the successful students for bringing good name to the district in the HSLC & HSSLC results and added that the board will felicitate the toppers from the district in the next meeting. He stated this, while Charing the monthly meeting of the District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) Wokha on 9th May 2017 at DC's conference hall.

While reviewing the last meeting minutes, the board discussed on mass plantation at Mt. Tiyyi commemorating World Environment Day on June 5th Wezope urged the members to come forward and extend support for the success of the plantation for

healthier environment for the denizens of Wokha. He also said that very soon the district would experience improvement on road condition as the department concerned is doing its best for total implementation. Principal GHSS Wokha, Emilo Patton presented a brief report on district performance on HSLC & HSSLC results.

The Department of Food & Civil Supply presented power point on its activities in the district and the Department of Land Record & Survey (LRS) and Legal Metrological & Control Production (LMCP).

MOKOKCHUNG DPDB MEETING

The Mokokchung District Planning and Development Board meeting for the month of May 2017 was held today (9th May 2017) at the Conference Hall of ADC (Planning) Mokokchung with Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman DPDB Mokokchung, Sushil Kumar Patel IAS as the chairman.

In the meeting, Officers Club of Mokokchung felicitated two HSLC toppers from Mokokchung district. The two toppers were Nokinsangla T. Imchen, 14th position from Edith Douglas Higher Secondary School and Okten Jamir, 20th position from Queen Mary Higher Secondary School. The toppers



DC Mokokchung, Sushil Kumar Patel IAS, along with the HSLC toppers from Mokokchung district during the DPDB meeting at ADC (Planning) Conference Hall Mokokchung on 9th May 2017.

were awarded citation and cash which was handed by the Deputy Commissioner.

The house also discussed on the issue of those pensioners in the district who could not present themselves for verification as well as drawing money due to old age and ailment. It was decided that such cases would be listed out with the co-ordination of the Departments and the Bank. Deputy Commissioner also asked the Chief Manager SBI Mokokchung to submit a list of officials from which a manager would be appointed to verify such cases once in a year so that those pensioners who could not come to the office for verification could continue to withdraw their pension.

Agenda on Registration of Societies were discussed and two societies namely, Anava Welfare Society, Kitchutip Ward, Mokokchung and Mokokchung Lotha Hoho were forwarded for registration. Power point was presented by PO-Operation office DIO Mokokchung.

DC MON RELEASES BOOKLET ON 'PACKAGE OF PRACTICES OF LARGE CARDAMOM'

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, W.Honje Konyak released a booklet on 'Package of practices of large cardamom' in Konyak dialect at DC Conference Hall on 9th May 2017.

Speaking on the occasion, Honje said that the Konyaks are basically farmers and due to absence of advance technology and machinery the farmers are at lost. This booklet will help many Cardamon local farmers, he



DC, Mon, W. Honje Konyak releasing a booklet on 'Package of practices of large Cardamom' in Konyak dialect at DC Conference Hall on 9th May 2017.

said and further urged them to read and follow the guidelines.

'Package of practices of large cardamom' in Konyak dialect was translated by District Horticulture Officer, Mon, Y.Bongti Konyak, and B.Yanang Konyak from the book published by Spices Board of India, under Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

Senior Field Officer, Spices Board of India, Sandeep also spoke on the occasion. The programme was chaired by District Horticulture Officer, Mon, Bongti Konyak.

CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON CHILD RIGHTS UNDER MON DISTRICT

Consultative meeting on Child Rights under Mon District was held on 8th May 2017 organised by Child Welfare Committee in collaboration with World Vision India, Mon ADP at Walo Guest House, Mon.

Deputy Commissioner Mon, W. Honje Konyak said that the district has still a good number of underprivileged and deprived children who are not getting even their basic needs and for this sensitization

programme is very much needed to identify the issues and problems faced by children. The society should be prepared to tackle all the problems faced by the children and should be reported, he stated.

Chairperson of Child Warfare Committee, Mon, Tuishimla in her keynote address stated that children need care, protection and overall development. Child sexual abuse and child labour is becoming very common where most of the cases go unreported.

Programme Manager, World Vision India, Mon, Dr.L.Khobung also said that World Vision focuses on improving childrens well being through child focused transformational development, emergency response and promotion of justice (advocacy). And their goal is the sustained well-being of children within the families and communities, especially the most vulnerable. World Vision views the well-being of the children in holistic terms; healthy individual development, positive relationships and a context that provides safety, social justice and participation in civil society.

Member Child Warfare Committee, Bangshing chaired the consultative meeting on Child Rights.

PHEK DPDB MEETING

The monthly Phek District Planning & Development Board meeting was held at the DPDB conference hall on 10th May 2017. The meeting was chaired by DPDB Chairman and Parliamentary Secretary Higher & Technical Education Deo Nukhu. He exhorted the members to be punctual and regular at the meeting. Minister PHED Chotisuh Sazo, who was also present in the meeting, requested all the heads of the Offices to actively implement the activities of the Government.

Deputy Commissioner Phek

introduced new members of the DPDB and reviewed the last DPDB minutes. The following agenda were discussed and recommended to the government for necessary action.

1. Registration of Sutsu Women Welfare Society (SWWS) at Sutsu village under Meluri Sub- Division.
2. Registration of Sutsu Dahi Bevekro Society at Phusachodu village.
3. Grant in aid to Christian Model School, Dzulha.
4. Bio matric attendance at Govt. High School, Chetheba.

Annual report on the functioning of DPDB Phek 2016-2017 was highlighted by the District Planning Officer. Superintendent of Food & Civil Supply and Asst. Election Officer also highlighted their departmental activities.

PUGHOBOTO SDPDB MEETING

SDPDB Pughoboto meeting for the month of May was held under the chairmanship of Minister for R&B and SDPDB chairman Y. Vikheho Swu at the ADC office, Pughoboto on 9th May 2017.

Speaking at the meeting, he said that programme for launching of 'Beyond Books' is in the offing for interaction in schools. He said that eight members will sent to schools every month and necessary details will be worked out in the next meeting. The minister said that tree plantation drive in villages under his area under LADF last year was successful and the same will be continued from Friday i.e 12th May 2017. He directed all the officials to be in station and take part in the drive.

He also highlighted on the piglets that were distributed earlier for benefit of the farmers and said that 68 more piglets were purchased recently to cover more villages. The Minister informed the Veterinary & Animal Husbandry Department, Pughoboto to impart



Minister for Roads & Bridges, Y. Vikheho Swu and other officials during the plantation drive at the new mini Secretariat Complex, Pughoboto on 12th May, 2017.

training to the beneficiaries for rearing the piglets.

The Minister congratulated all the HSLC and HSSLC 2017 successful candidates said expressed happiness over the good results in the new HSLC provisional center Pughboto in its first attempt. Felicitation programme for the toppers and successful candidates will be held in the next SDPDB meeting, he said.

The house recommended the Little Explore School, Ghathashi for recognition and also agreed for setting up of a team for 'Clean Award 2017' under Pughboto. The SDPDB directed the SDEO Pughoboto to find out the shortage of teachers and others problems and hold meeting with the ADC to discuss with the Director of schools concerned.

DEO NUKHU INSPECTS WOKHA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Parliamentary Secretary for Higher & Technical Education Deo Nukhu inspected the ongoing Wokha Polytechnic Institute at Pangti village on 9th May 2017. The purpose of his visit was to oversee the progress of construction work which started since 2015. All the necessary infrastructure works including the administrative quarter and class room, staff

quarter, boy's hostels, principal's quarter have been completed.

The Parliamentary Secretary informed that the proposal for creation of post for the said institution has already been put up and expressed hope that the institution

is likely to commence from 2018 onwards. He also informed that for upgradation of the present institutions to higher level is under process and this is with the intention to include more viable subject like electrical and mechanical and other important subjects which will benefit the students. He also added that with the construction of NH Wokha-Merapani road Wokha Polytechnic will become a good centre of education for the district and the State as a whole.

The Parliamentary Secretary was accompanied by Department officials from Kohima and Wokha District Administration let by ADC, Bhandari, Orenthung Lotha.

'GREEN PUGHOBOTO' -A THUWU-NI PUGHOBOTO PROJECT

Focusing on the 'Green Pughoboto' - A Thuwu-ni Pughoboto project, citizens of Pughoboto division led by the Minister for Roads & Bridges, Y. Vikheho Swu planted varieties of saplings at the new mini Secretariat Complex, Pughoboto on 12th May, 2017.

Speaking at the programme, the Minister said that the idea is to make the entire villages under Pughoboto beautiful places and be the 'Cleanest Constituency'. He

pointed that the programme which was launched under LADF in the past few years, is being reviewed and will continue for the next coming years. The Minister also said the proposal for shifting all the offices to the new mini Secretariat Complex, Pughoboto was taken up in 2014. He said that the office of the ADC is under construction and IPR office and Industries offices have been completed.

The plantation drive was initiated aimed at economic growth, ecological balance and beautification of the area to promote tourism.

All the departments carried out the plantation drive at the surroundings of the mini Secretariat Complex under the supervision of ADC, Pughoboto, Avelu Ruho. About 280 saplings were planted in the new Pughoboto extension area.

SDO (C) Er. Namang, EAC Sulanthung, EAC Selemla, SDPO Akhito, EE (R&B), SDAO and 8th NAP Jawans and others participated in the programme.

DPDB KOHIMA FELICITATES HSLC TOPPER 2017

The felicitation programme for the 9th HSLC examination Highest Aggregate marks amongst the government high schools Kohima 2017 was held on 15th may 2017 with Dr. Neiphrezo Keditsu, MLA, 11th Northern Angami II A/C as the chief guest at DPDB Hall Kohima.

Delivering his address, the Chief said that despite the difficulties faced by the teachers and students, specially government schools, there are dedicated people who work hard and expressed his gratitude to the DPDB members for initiating a good cause to felicitate and encourage “the students specially to the students from the very low background, to help youngsters build a better future for all of us”. He assured that on behalf

of DPDB he would sponsor seven students from Ruzhukhrie GHSS, Kohima, this year for their studies in any stream. He added that the knowledge and education were the key to society and a better future for our student. He also encouraged the students to focus on career oriented instead of degree oriented which would be helpful in many ways in future.

The chief also gave away a cash award of ₹ 10,000 and a certificate to Zebulun Pamai, Ist Division with highest aggregate marks in HSLC Examination, 2017 from Ruzhukhrie GHSS, Kohima.

Dr. Kedo Punyü, President, Angami Gazetted Officers Krotho (AGOK), who spoke on behalf of the association, expressed his gratitude to the DPDB members for felicitating the students from government school and congratulate the parents for their children's great achievement. He expressed his hope that the DPDB member would continue to come up with more innovative ideas which would be suitable for the people in the district and assured all support from their end.

Vote of thanks was delivered by ADC (Planning) Ketoho Luho, short speeches were also delivered by Headmaster, Ruzhukhrie GHSS, Kohima, Kepelhou Chasi and parent of the awardee.

KOHIMA DPDB MEETING

The District Planning and Development Board meeting for the month of May was held on 15th May 2017 at DPDB Hall Kohima.

Reviewing the last meeting minutes on departmental profile, the ADC (hq), Convener Core Committee, DPDB Kohima, Lithrongla Tongpi reminded the members to submit their departmental profile to ADC (Planning) which would be incorporated in the LADP booklet 2017.

Regarding the installation of electric post at Gasie, she informed that DPDB Kohima has forwarded the letter to EE power for further government approval.

On village adoption program, she informed that in view of transfers and posting of many officers, there will be a changes in committee members and further stated that ARCS Co-operative will be the convener of 14th Southern Angami-I. Principal, Kohima College, Dr Watijungshi presented his departmental activities.

ZDLSA CONDUCTS LEGAL AWARENESS AND SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME

A legal awareness and sensitization programme was organized by Zunheboto District Legal Services Authority (ZDLSA) at Ao Baptist Church, Zunheboto on 12th May, 2017.

Officials from Observation Home Zunheboto besides the PLV, Panel Lawyers, Prosecutions, ZDLSA officials and participants from Ao Baptist Church Zunheboto attended the programme.

Delivering the introductory and short speech, JMFC/Secretary ZDLSA, Atoka Achumi, highlighted on the aims and objectives of Legal Services Authority and laid stress on the importance of being aware of the free legal services available for citizens in all the legal care and support centers in districts across the state.

Speaking as the resource person on the Topic “Statutory Provisions of Women Rights”, Panel lawyer ZDLSA, Easter H. Yeptho, gave a brief highlight on the Constitutional privileges, special Laws for protection of women and special initiatives for women.

Speaking on “Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015”, Retainer Lawyer ZDLSA, Tovi Z. Yeptho,

drew attention on the impact of the people being unaware of their rights and informed on penalties against children and penalties for the offences committed against children. The resource person lamented that when a juvenile comes in conflict with the law, the common citizens focus on the offence committed by the child but fails to recognize that the adults abets to commit such offence.

The programme was chaired by Assistant Public Prosecutor, Zunheboto, Bendanginla, invocation prayer was by Pastor Ao Baptist Church, Tuden Ozukum. Assistant Public Prosecutor, Zunheboto, gave the closing remark.

TDLSA ORGANIZES LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Tuensang District Legal Services Authority (TDLSA) organized a one-day legal awareness programme with church associations of Tuensang town at C.K.S Hall on 13th May 2017.

Delivering the introductory note Judicial Magistrate First Class, Tuensang and Secretary TDLSA, N. Kano highlighted the activities taken up by the District Legal Services Authority. He also informed on those who are entitled for availing the free legal services and how it has been helping the downtrodden people especially at the grass root level.

Speaking on the topic 'Consumer Rights and Motor Vehicle Accident Claims' APP Tuensang, Heroto Chishi, shared on how to file a complaint and avail reliefs and compensations.

Speaking on gender equality and human trafficking, Master Trainer NSLSA, Cheliam Khiamniungan, highlighted on the Constitutional provisions and the factors contributing to gender violence. Retainer Lawyer, Yimtsusangla Chang, spoke on cybercrime and its legal implications. She

highlighted some of the preventive measures and good practices for safe use of modern technology/network further urging the people not to misuse Internet.

Panel Lawyer, T D L S A , Antimangyang Chang shared on how to claim compensation under Victim Compensation Schemes, welfare and maintenance of senior citizens. Briefly discussing the POCSO, Act, Yimtsusangla Chang, cautioned the people to be careful and sensitive towards child sexual exploitation.

Para Legal Volunteers Tuensang, Hongsa Yemjong chaired the programme while invocation was pronounced by Pastor Chang Baptist Church, Saksi 3rd NAP Sector, Imlong.

MON DPDB MEETING

The Mon District Planning Development Board meeting was held under the chairmanship of Eshak Konyak, Parliamentary Secretary Art & Culture on 15th May, 2017 at DC's conference hall.

Deputy Commissioner, Mon, W. Honje Konyak welcomed the members present and introduced the new DPDB

chairman to the board members.

Addressing the members, Eshak Konyak called upon the heads of Offices of the district to adopt ways and means to control their subordinate officers and employees and ensure that they are present in their respective posting places and cater to the needs of the people. He lamented that many government employees are found to be absent from their posting place for months and enjoying their salary paid through the bank. If we continue with such attitude and corruption then our state will have no future, he added. He further appealed to the DPDB members not to take advantage of their subordinate officers by sending them to represent on their behalf during important meetings like DPDB, where important business takes place.

The new chairman also expressed his concern for starting of academic session in Polytechnic College, Aboi and functioning of 11th NAP (IR) Headquarter at Aboi. He apprised the house that all necessary constructions and infrastructure development have been completed for the college and appealed to the members to forward the matter to the concerned department for necessary action.

The Deputy Commissioner called on the new chairman and expressed his concern to felicitate the good performing schools and students in H S L C examination. He urged the chairman to proportion fund to felicitate the good performing Schools and students of the district. Poor performance of Government schools in the district was also discussed at length. In this regard the DC suggested



DC Mon, W. Honje Konyak welcoming new DPDB Chairman, Parliamentary Secretary Art & Culture Eshak Konyak at DC's conference hall on 15th May, 2017.

reviewing and completing the ongoing detail survey conducted by the administration on Government Primary Schools in the district to identify and understand the root cause of poor result in the HSLC Examination.

The EE. PWD (R&B) informed the members on the status and progress of Mon Namtola road and other roads under Tizit subdivision. The DIO, NIC, Mon, Ravi presented Power point on “Digital India” while the department of Food & Civil Supplies also presented their activities through power point. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by the ADC, Mon.

DC TUENSANG INAUGURATES YEAR OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

The inaugural session of the Year of Construction Workers 2016-2017 was held on 15th May, 2017 at Government ITI, Tuensang complex. The Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang, Alemjongshi, in his speech, urged the trainees to change their attitude, mindset and take up trades of their interest - masonry, electrician, plumber, painting and tiling, which are plenty in the district for self-employment. He also asked trainees to be serious in the training sessions so that they are benefitted.

Richard Belho from Zynorique Initiative Society gave the introduction to the training. The programme was chaired by Principal, Government ITI, Tuensang, Er, N. Nyaksham Phom. Pastor, Phom Baptist church, Tuensang, Yongkai Phom earlier pronounced the invocation prayer.

MDLSA ORGANISES LEGAL LITERACY PROGRAMME

Mon District Legal Services Authority (MDLSA) organised legal literacy



Mon District Legal Services Authority team with the participants at the literacy programme at Hongpoi Village on 17th May 2017.

programme at Hongpoi Village on 17th May 2017. The programme was attended by village council members, church leaders and students of Hongphoi and Wangla village.

Speaking on Village Council Act and Consumer Rights, Moba Konyak, Panel Lawyer MDLSA said that The Nagaland Village and Area Councils Act 1978 appraised on the powers and duties of the act. He said that the village council shall formulate village development schemes, to supervise proper maintenance of water supply, roads, forests, sanitation, education and other welfare activities.

Speaking on child labour and women rights, Mannon Panel Lawyer MDLSA said that the constitution not only grants equality to women but also empower the state to adopt measures of positive discrimination in favour of women. He also highlighted special initiatives for women such as National Commission for women, reservation for women in local self-government, the National Plan of Action for Girl Child (1991-

2000) and National Policy for the Empowerment of women, 2001.

Dominic Kaiba APP spoke on RTI Act and Arms Act. Earlier, Inalo Zhimomi, Secretary MDLSA delivered the keynote address, while Apham PLV chaired the programme.

PDLA CONDUCTS ESSAY COMPETITION AT ATHIBUNG

The Peren District Legal Service Authority(PDLA) conducted essay competition at the Government High School Athibung on 17th May 2017 where students were asked to write an essay on the topic Right to Education out of the many participants Seigoulen Haokip secured the 1st position Rosita Kujur(2nd) and Phaleneichong(3rd) respectively.

As part of the legal awareness program the Chief Judicial Magistrate Peren Somet C. Chang highlighted the need for legal awareness especially among the young students and also encouraged the participants to be vigilant about their rights and responsible towards their duties.

Speaking on the occasion PDLA retainer lawyer cum member Juvenile Justice Board JJB Peren advocate Asumbe spoke on the juvenile justice system and the importance of education as a compulsory right for the young participants also attending the programme government pleader Italang spoke on the functions and duties of the District legal service authority, Para Legal Volunteers and the means to avail free legal aid.

The programme concluded with vote of thanks from Robert teaching staff of the Athibung government high school and Hangsing para legal volunteer Athibung town.

CHIECHAMA GHSS FELICITATES SUCCESSFUL CLASS X AND XII STUDENTS

Govt. Higher Secondary School, Chiechama organized a felicitation programme cum inauguration of newly constructed girls hostel on 20th May, 2017 at Chiechama. Commissioner & Secretary, Home Department Khrienuo Metha was the Chief Guest on the function.

Addressing the gathering the Chief Guest encouraged the faculty members and village leaders to continue to work for the betterment of the student's community. She expressed hope that every student who reside in the newly constructed girls' hostel would understand the value of education and be determined to do well. Acknowledging the difficulties faced by the teachers in the rural areas, she pointed that the teachers in urban areas are lesser taxing as educated parents support them along. She thanked the Village Vision Cell Chiechama, teachers and village leaders for their contribution and efforts in constructing the hostel and timely completion of the same.

Principal, GHSS, Chiechama, Visetonuo Angami apprised that it was the first felicitation programme being held for class-X and XII successful students of GHSS, Chiechama since its up-gradation to Higher Secondary School. She expressed her gratitude to the Convenor and his team and all the members of the Village Vision Cell for their support in the upliftment of the school, building the girls hostel, and maintenance of the approach road from the highway till the school.

The function was chaired by Convenor, Village Vision Cell, Neilasa Sopfu. Short speeches were delivered by Chairman, Chiechama Village Council and officials from School Education Department. Special song was presented by students of GHSS, Chiechama. Earlier Rev. Sonei-u Metha pronounced the invocation.

SDO (CIVIL) OFFICE JAKHAMA CO-ORDINATION MEETING

A joint co-ordination meeting was held on 26th May 2017 at SDO (C) Office, Jakhama. Addressing the meeting, SDO (C) Jakhama, Alemyapang Longchar sought co-operation from all sectors for the development of the area. He also highlighted the issues with regard to Village Council Act and how to cohesively work with their own village practices and Inter-state issues and maintaining peaceful relations with the neighbouring state.

Representatives from SAPO, SAYO and Council members assured full support and co-operation to the District Administration. The meeting was attended by OC, Khuzama, officials from SAPO, SAYO, Village Council members and Head GBs. The SDO (C) also informed that he would be touring all the villages under the Sub-Division starting from next week. The meeting was chaired by Head DB Jakhama.

OPEN HOUSE DISCUSSION ON CHILD MECHANISM AT PEREN

District Child Protection Unit, Peren organized one day "open house discussion on child mechanism" on 25th May 2017 at Forest conference hall, Jalukie with Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, Society Director State Child Protection Society, Rampaukai, Asst. Conservator of Forest, Robin, SFO (C) Peren, JJB Members, CWC members, SJPU, CCI, village Councils, women organization, Stallholders and Village Level Child Protection Committee.

Speaking at the program the Society Director highlighted about the ICPS and further stated that every individual in the Society should be responsible in protecting the child rights to have a peaceful Society. He further stated that people should not adopt children from unrecognized agencies or

unrelated person because it is illegal. He also emphasised on the importance of CHILDLINE No:1089, a National 24 hours toll free services for children in need of care and protection. Resource person Asungbe spoke on the Juvenile Justice System & Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012. He urged that no child was discriminated, abused, abandoned, neglected and exploited in the Society as they are the fountain of life. He also stated that Children have rights like adult, Human rights are for all, Children needs extra care & protection by reason of his/mental immaturity, needs special care including appropriate legal protection before as well as after birth.

Nyuthe further emphasised on NALSA (child friendly Legal services to children & their protection) scheme, 2015. He further stated that POCSO Act is a gender neutral and it provides for child-Friendly measure at every stage of Legal process where the dignity and autonomy of the child must be respected. He challenge the participants to teach/educate the child to trust their feelings & that it is OK to say no when somebody they know does something they do not like and know the difference between safe and unsafe touch. Encourage child to build self esteem and confidence. Earlier the program was chaired by Muhiechu Ngori, PO (IC), invocation by Koliebizo Phizo, Counsellor, DCPU, Pere, Welcome address was delivered by Avika Zhimomi, DCPO, Peren and vote of thanks by Virtuoso, PO (NIC) Peren.

LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME AT PUNGRO

Legal Awareness programme on Human Trafficking organised by Nagaland State Commission for Women in association with National Commission for Women, New Delhi was held on 25th May 2017 at Youth Hall, Pungro.

Chairperson NSCW, Dr. Temsula Ao said that the commission is organising awareness programmes in all the districts to make aware the issues of human trafficking and to inform the people in remote areas with the full promise to have a better life outside the village and town.

Dr. Temsula Ao also said that human trafficking effects 4.5 million world wide. In Nagaland a person goes missing every 4th day, where 83% are below the age of 18 and 13% have been reported trafficking, 35% are untraced and such criminal activities cannot be handed by our traditional customary laws. She further emphasized on setting up village level child protection committee (VLCPC).

ADC Pungro, Kumla Longchar, Member NSCW Asungla Cholong, President YBA and President PPF Pungro also spoke at the function.

CHAKHESANG CULTURAL ORGANISATION GENERAL SESSION

The Chakhesang Cultural Organisation (CCO) held its General Session on 27th May, 2017 at Tourist Lodge, Near NAP Camp Pfutsero with Deputy Chairman, State Planning Board, Kuzholuzo Neinu as chief guest.

Addressing the gathering, the chief guest said that the Chakhesangs are known for their honesty, dedication and hard work. He however regretted that the younger generations are forgetting the traditions and cultures and therefore urged the people to preserve the rich cultural heritage, traditions

and values. He added that there is still room for improvement and advised the people to work hard to strengthen their culture. He lauded the CCO office bearers for their commendable works and encouraged them to continue with the same spirit and take the society forward. Azo further called on the community to change for a better tomorrow and lead an example of a God fearing Christian.

The programme was chaired by Kedoutsolhi Wetsah.

DEVELOPMENT ROUND UP

DEEP TUBE WELL COMMISSIONED AT CRBC ZUNPHA, TSEMINYU SUB-DIV

Director, Geology & Mining, Wanthang Rengma formally unveiled the monolith of the newly commissioned Deep Tube Well at CRBC Centre Zunpha in Tseminyu Sub-Division in the presence of the Executive Secretary CRBC Haiwalo Apon on 3rd May 2017, which was followed by a brief program at CRBC conference hall, conducted by Arhunlo Semp, Secretary Development CRBC.

Wanthang Rengma acknowledged all the responsible officers and staffs in Geology & Mining Department for their sincere studies in the task of the explorations of Ground water and constructions that are

taking place in the hilly terrains of Nagaland, during which Wanthang also informed that Geology & Mining was the concerned Nodal Department for ground water explorations in Nagaland.

The technical report of the commissioning Deep Tube Well was presented by Khikiya Kath Geologist. S.Manen Ao Jt. Director (Geology & Mining) for Ground Water Cell spoke about the Ground water scenario of Nagaland, during which he also disclosed that the Department of Geology & Mining has commissioned more than 200 Deep Tube Well in the State. He also informed that the Department of G & M has planned for commissioning another 6/7 Deep Tube Well



Director, Geology & Mining, Wanthang Rengma and other officials after unveiling the monolith of the newly commissioned Deep Tube Well at CRBC Centre Zunpha on May 2017.

in the current year 2017-18.

Vote of thanks was delivered by Haiwalo Apon Secretary CRBC.

DC, PHEK INAUGURATES GHSS ASSEMBLY CUM AUDITORIUM

The long awaited Assembly cum-Auditorium Hall was inaugurated by the Deputy Commissioner, Phek, Murohu Chotso as the Chief Guest on 11th May, 2017 at Government Higher Secondary School, Phek. The DC congratulated the teachers and the students

who successfully qualified the HSLC & HSSLC examination 2017.

While congratulating the successful HSLC and HSSLC candidates 2017, the school awarded the various subject teachers, besides awarding Shevelu Vero of class -12 (Arts) a cash prize for securing the highest marks in Geography.

The Programme was chaired by PGT, Luiluile Lungalang. A brief history of the Assembly Hall was given by Vice Principal, GHSS, Phek, Kewetshete Wezah and the vote of thanks was delivered by Principal GHSS, Phek, Y.P. Singh. The Managing Board Members, staffs and students attended the inaugural programme.

MINISTER VIKHEHO INAUGURATES SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Minister for Road & Bridge Y. Vikheho Swu inaugurated two new school buildings of GPS Akhumi school, Natsumi and GPS Heboluqa, Pughoboto on 20th May 2017.

Speaking at the GPS Natsumi, the Minister urged the people to continuously



Minister, Road & Bridges Y. Vikheho Swu with the village elders and staff after the inauguration of GPS Akhumi School at Natsumi on 20 May 2017.

improve their school children in the education field. He called upon for progress in socio-economic development such as self-sufficiency in meat production, etc. Swu encouraged the people to innovate 'Pughoboto products' and reach out to others outside the State as well. The Minister, who was also the NBA President, said that ongoing infrastructural developments like construction of mini-stadium in their area is to bring up the youngsters in the field of sports. He mentioned that Pughoboto is the center to connect other districts, and therefore he is giving efforts to link Pughoboto to Pangsha which is on the pipeline.

The Minister and others officials also planted tree saplings in the surroundings of

the school building, Natsumi. SDEO Pughoboto VikutoSema and others lauded the Minister for his various initiatives. ADC Avelu, EAC Selemla, teachers, DBs, GBs, Students and others were attended both the programmes.

In Natsumi, the school was dedicated by Asso.Pastor,Hotokhu. The program was chaired by teacher Kiyelho. Vote of thanks was proposed by VEC Natsumi chairman A c h u m i I n a t h a A c h u m i .

Besides, the New school building of GPS Heboluqa khel Pughoboto constructed under SSA was also unveiled and inaugurated by the Minister. ADC Avelu, speaking on the occasion, emphasised on the need to impart quality education and called upon the teachers and parents to give joint efforts.

KEJONG CHANG INAUGURATES NEW DHO BUILDING

A new building of District Horticulture Office was inaugurated on 20th May, 2017 at New District Hq. Peren by Parliamentary Secretary, Horticulture, Kejong Chang as the Chief Guest.



Parliamentary Secretary Horticulture, Kejong Chang with officials after the inauguration of the new DHO office building on 20th may 2017 at New District Hq. Peren.

Addressing the gathering after the inauguration, the Chief Guest lauded the officers and staff of the department for initiating the construction of the building.

A brief technical report on the construction of building was presented by Er. Vizodel Khatso, and the key note address was delivered by Director, N. Amos Ao. Deputy Commissioner, Peren, Zarenthung Ezung, Village Council Chairman, New Peren and Kejanglwa also spoke on the occasion. District Horticulture Officer, Talimongba proposed the vote of thanks. The programme was chaired by Secretary, Horticulture Alan Gonmei, IAS.

Dr. SHÜRHOZELIE LAYS FOUNDATION STONE OF INDOOR TENNIS STADIUM

Chief Minister, Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu graced the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony of Indoor Tennis Stadium as the chief guest at Indira Gandhi Stadium Complex, Kohima on 23rd May, 2017. The programme was organized by Nagaland Tennis Association.

In his address, the Chief Minister expressed his happiness to be a part of the ceremony saying that such construction is the first venture in the state capital.

Speaking on the history of Lawn tennis, he said the sport was started by the white people and it was played by the Royal families and the Aristocratic class during 12th and

13th Century. He highlighted on the gradual evolution of modern day Tennis with special emphasis on Federation Cup and Davis Cup. He added that many tennis players have become millionaires today because of the prize money involved in the sport.

Lamenting on the poor sports facilities in the state, Liezietsu emphasized on the importance of development of infrastructure and facilities for sports. Narrating his encounter with the Poumai Nagas in Manipur, he was disappointed to learn that no Naga was among the medal winners when Manipur became the Champion of the National Games some few years back.

Encouraging the Naga sports persons, he said 'you have the physical strength and intellectual capability but lack of facilities is hampering the growth of sports even if we have talents'. The government should focus more on providing facilities to the sports persons, he stated.

President NLTA, C. Apok Jamir, in his welcome address, highlighted the history and the evolution of Lawn Tennis in Nagaland. He said every year the NLTA conducts State Level Tennis tournaments. "We have also organized National Level Tournaments for the Juniors called the Talent Series and Championship Series. We have started a new initiative called the School Tennis where our coach is sent to the schools to provide coaching", he said.

The indoor stadium will be the second stadium in the State (the first one being in Dimapur) and the first in Kohima. Jamir also requested the Government to set up an Academy for Tennis in order to provide coaching to the youths at a young age. General Secretary NLTA, David Kire proposed the vote of thanks.





Director IPR, resource persons and participants at the workshop on 'Complexities and contradictions of News reporting', organised by the Department of Information & Public Relations, on May 17 at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima.



Parliamentary Secretary, H&TE, Deo Nukhu and other officials with the Tobacco Free village representatives at the World No Tobacco Day at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 31st May 2017.



Parliamentary Secretary for Information & Public Relations, Nagaland, Intikumzuk speaking at the inaugural of the 1st Nagaland Film Festival on 11th May 2017 at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima. Also seen in the picture are (L – R) Director, IPR, Limawati Ao; Consultant, Film Facilitation Office, National Film Development Corporation, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, New Delhi Leena Narzary and award winning Director from Meghalaya Pradip Kurbah.

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