



Governor, R N Ravi and other officials with rank holders and toppers of the High School Leaving Certificate (HSLC) Examination, 2020 during an interaction programme held at Dr. Imkongliba Ao Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021.





Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly (NLA), Sharingain Longkumer administering the Oath of Office to H. Chuba Chang, the newly elected member of NLA from 51 - Noksen (ST) Assembly Constituency, at the Speaker's Office Chamber, NLA Secretariat, Kohima on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



CEO, NITI Aayog, Amitabh Kant and Director, NITI Aayog, Soumitra Mandal at the meeting held at DC's Conference Hall during their visit to Kiphire district on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



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## OFFICIAL ORDERS AND NOTIFICATIONS

### NBSE INFORMS ON APTITUDE TEST FOR CLASSES IX & X

The Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) has informed all Heads of Registered Institutions that the Ministry of Education, Government of India has directed State Boards to administer an aptitude test for students of Classes IX & X.

This aptitude test titled, TAMANNA (Try And Measure Aptitude And Natural Abilities) developed by the National Council of Educational Research & Training (NCERT) and the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), aims to support students in making choices regarding educational/vocational courses as well as career related decisions and enable stakeholders to know the aptitude of students of Classes IX & X. The details about use of aptitude test, dimensions measured in the test, construction and standardization of the test, administration and scoring, and understanding the meaning of aptitude test scores are available in the following manuals:

- a) Test Booklet which contains items related to the seven dimensions, i.e. Language Aptitude, Abstract Reasoning, Verbal Reasoning, Mechanical Reasoning, Numerical Aptitude, Spatial Aptitude and Perceptual Aptitude.
- b) Guide for Teachers and Parents for administration, scoring and understanding the test scores.
- c) Technical Manual which provides details of test construction and standardization.

Two videos have also been prepared to familiarize School Principals and teachers with different aspects of the aptitude test. Soft copy (PDF) and videos are also available on <https://ncert.nic.in/tamanna/index.html>

A school-wise report about the students who have taken the test in the prescribed format may be furnished directly to the NCERT at [tamanna.ncert@ciет.nic.in](mailto:tamanna.ncert@ciет.nic.in)

All Heads of Registered Institutions have been requested to administer this test for the students of Classes IX & X in the interests of the students.

### AH&VS DEPARTMENT INFORMS

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (AH&VS) has informed the general public and piggery farmers that unusual mortality of pig population has been reported in Mon, Kiphire and Phek districts recently. Hence, general public and piggery farmers have been requested to remain vigil and observe the following advisories:

1. To report death of pigs to the nearest Veterinary Health Centre for necessary sero-monitoring.
2. Not to consume dead/diseased pigs, but carry out deep burial method and subsequent sanitization.
3. Refrain from importing live pigs for meat and piglets for breeding purpose from outside without knowing the health status.
4. Maintain strict bio-security measures in the farms.
5. Practice usage of footpath at the entrance of the farm.
6. Vaccinate your pigs against Classical Swine Fever.
7. Avoid feeding with feeds especially from hotels and other wastes which may be contaminated.



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## REVISED SOP FOR RETURNEES AND TRAVELLERS ENTERING NAGALAND

In supersession of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued vide notification of even number dated 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020, and in pursuance to the decision taken by the High Powered Committee in the meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020, the revised SOP for the returnees and other travellers entering the State will be as under with immediate effect:

**1. Designated Points of Entry:** As per the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Government of India directive, there should not be any restriction on inter-state and intra-state movement of persons and goods. No separate permission/approval/e-permit is required for such movements. Therefore, in line with the MHA directive, there shall not be any restriction on the entry of returnees and travellers into the State by flight, train, or road at any entry point except the normal Inner Line Permit (ILP) restrictions, wherever applicable, or any restriction, imposed for the timebeing, on law and order grounds by the competent authorities.

### **2. Installation of nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App and Aarogya Setu/Self Declaration:**

A. It is mandatory for every returnee/inbound traveller to install and register in the nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App and Aarogya Setu before entering Nagaland.

NB: (a) Both the mobile apps can be downloaded from Google Play Store.

(b) State Helpline 1800 345 0019 may be called for any technical assistance if required.

B. Every returnee/inbound traveller will be required to submit "Self Declaration Form" and for those opting for Home Quarantine, the "Undertaking for Home Quarantine."

(a) "Self-Declaration Form" can be submitted through either one of the following:

- \* nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App for Android smartphone users or

- \* Online at [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in) or

- \* By WhatsApp to the respective district helpline number.

- \* In hard copy at the office of the respective Chief Medical Officer.

- \* The prescribed form of the Self Declaration can be downloaded from [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in)

(b) "Undertaking for Home Quarantine" - the duly filled in form can be submitted through either one of the following:

- \* nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App for Android smartphone users or

- \* Online at [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in) or

- \* By WhatsApp to the respective district helpline number as given in the Annexure 4.

- \* In hard copy at the office of the respective Chief Medical Officer.

- \* The prescribed form of the Undertaking for Home Quarantine and the Guidelines/Instructions of Home Quarantine can be downloaded from [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in).

C. Every returnee/inbound traveller is advised to complete the submission of Self Declaration and Undertaking if opting for home quarantine in advance prior to arrival.

D. The returnee/inbound traveller may visit [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in) for getting updated information with regard to paid quarantine facilities and their availability on various dates, DTF/

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District Health Helpline phone numbers and their email addresses and other concerned information.

**3. At the Point of Entry:** Any returnee traveler if symptomatic on arrival will mandatorily report to the concerned district health authority or the district helpline number (as given in Annexure 4) for further management.

### 4. Quarantine Norms:

- A. Returnee/traveller who produces a negative report of COVID-19 test done not earlier than three (3) days prior to arrival in Nagaland through RT-PCR/TrueNat/CBNAAT shall be exempted from quarantine (if the person has to arrive on, say Thursday, the swab should have been given for testing not earlier than Monday). The returnee/traveller should carry the soft/hard of the negative test report and produce it whenever asked by the competent authority.
- B. Every returnee or traveller without the negative test report as mentioned above and asymptomatic will undergo quarantine for 10 (ten) days.
- C. The returnee/traveller may either opt for home quarantine or paid quarantine in the designated hotel/lodge.
- D. All persons in quarantine shall follow 3Ws (Wear mask, Wash hands, Watch distance) and avoid 3Cs (Crowded places, Close contact setting, Closed and enclosed spaces).
- E. All returnees/travellers shall self-monitor their health for development of any COVID like symptoms - fever, cough, difficulty in breathing etc. and shall update the status in nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App twice daily. In case of development of any of the above mentioned symptoms, they are advised to contact the respective District Health Helpline given at Annexure: 4 or State Helpline 1800 345 0019.
- F. The government servants entering the State on official tours, or returning after making a tour outside or coming back after availing leave will also be covered by the same quarantining provisions as above.

### 5. Testing:

- A. If the person in quarantine remains asymptomatic throughout the 10 (ten) days quarantine period, no testing will be required for release from quarantine.
- B. Returnees/travelers who produce a negative report (RT-PCR/TrueNat/CBNAAT) of test done not earlier than 3 (three) days prior to arrival in Nagaland, and remains asymptomatic, will not be tested.
- C. Returnees/travelers if symptomatic on arrival, will be immediately tested.
- D. Any person who develops symptoms during the course of quarantine will be tested immediately.
- E. Persons in quarantine who are asymptomatic and require or need to be released from quarantine prematurely due to urgent or emergency work may contact district health authority or helpline, may request for testing, and if tested negative, will be released from quarantine. This test done on request will be charged at the rates fixed by the Government.
- F. In addition to the above, COVID-19 tests shall also be chargeable for the following categories:
  - (a) All individuals undertaking travel to countries/Indian states mandating a negative COVID-19 test at point of entry.

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- (b) All individuals who wish to get themselves tested, subject to case load and capacity of the testing centres.
- (c) Patient for undergoing non-COVID treatment in the hospital (e.g. before surgical procedure or aerosol generating procedure, etc.)
- G. The rate of testing will be fixed by the Government which may be revised from time to time.
- H. Any government servant undergoing quarantining on entry into the State will also be covered by the same testing provisions as above. Further, the government servant will also be charged for COVID-19 test at the same rates as fixed for other returnees/travelers, and in case the travel made is for official reasons, the expenses for COVID-19 testing may be claimed for reimbursement by the Government servant from his/her office/department.
- I. COVID-19 testing strategy will be revised from time to time as per revisions issued by ICMR and/or State.

### 6. Release from Quarantine:

- A. On completion of the 10 (ten) days quarantine period and the person remaining asymptomatic throughout the period, the person will be released from quarantine without testing. However, the standard precautionary measures - 3Ws and 3Cs should always be followed.
- B. The medical team will issue a "Release Certificate" on fulfillment of above condition with a copy to the District Task Force.

### 7. Exemptions from quarantine on entry:

- A. If the duration of stay of any person entering the State by air or in self arranged conveyance is less than 48 hours, no advance testing will be required, and he/she will not be required to quarantine. The person concerned before his/her entry should however, install and register on Aarogya Setu, and during the period of stay, will follow all the health safety protocols and in case of night-halt in the State, will stay in a single room accommodation with attached bathroom.
- B. The person entering the State for less than 48 hours, may apply at least 1 (one) day prior to entry in Nagaland, online at [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in) or through email/WhatsApp to the DTF of the destination district with all the details. The WhatsApp numbers/email addresses of the DTFs in Annexure 5 (also available on [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in)) may be used for sending the communication. The DTF subject to fulfilment of the criteria for being considered for issue of Inner Line Permit, wherever applicable, will communicate its clearance for exemption from quarantine, through Whatsapp/Email or SMS if applied online, to the person concerned.
- C. If the duration of the stay of any person in the State is more than 48 hours, then he/she will be exempted from quarantine on entry in the State, only if he/she has tested negative on RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT not earlier than 3 (three) days of the proposed arrival date in Nagaland (if the person has to arrive on, say Thursday, the swab should have been given for testing not earlier than Monday). The person concerned, further while applying as mentioned in the para above, should attach a soft copy of the RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT negative test report done at his/her current location.
- D. Any government servant entering the State on an official tour and needing exemption from quarantine because of unavoidable reasons, will also be covered by similar provisions as above.

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- E. Any person who goes out of the State by road in self arranged conveyance and returns within 24 hours without night halt, and asymptomatic on arrival at the point of entry, will be exempted from quarantine and will carry on with his/her normal routine following all the health safety protocols. The concerned person before commencing the journey should obtain movement permit from the concerned DTF in which the point of exit falls.
- F. Any person, including the truckers and attendants of any goods vehicle, transiting the State without halting anywhere is exempted from quarantine. The truckers and attendants of any goods vehicle bound for Nagaland will also be not required to quarantine. All such categories of persons should also always follow the 3Ws and avoid the 3Cs. In case any trucker/attendant has to make a night-halt in the State, they should stay in single room accommodation with attached washroom.

### 8. Entry of dignitaries and senior government official and exemption from quarantine:

- A. The Home Department will continue facilitating the entry into the State, and exemption from quarantine, for the Constitutional Authorities/Council of Ministers/Dignitaries as specified by the Home Department, and senior government officials, broadly in line with the provisions of point G. 1/2/3 above.
- B. The rate of charges for COVID-19 tests for the above category of persons, wherever applicable, will be the same as fixed for other returnees/travelers, and the expenses for COVID-19 testing will be borne by their respective offices/departments.

### 9. Entry of Military/Para Military Personnel:

- A. The respective Military/Para Military formations/units will make own arrangements for their personnel entering Nagaland for reporting for duty at the point of entry, and thereafter for their transportation to their camps/units for undergoing quarantining for 10 days. In case any personnel on entry shows COVID-like symptom, he/she will be subjected to the SOP/medical protocols of the concerned formation/unit, and wherever required, the forces may take the assistance of the concerned DTF.
- B. Any personnel who develops symptoms during the course of quarantine will be tested by Rapid Antigen Test/TrueNat/RT-PCR, and if assistance is required, the concerned DTF may be contacted.
- C. If the personnel in quarantine remain asymptomatic throughout the 10 (ten) days quarantine period, there will be no testing required, and he may be released from quarantine.
- D. In addition, the personnel of Military/Para Military entering Nagaland will continue to be guided as per the provisions of the Advisory No. DHFW/COVID-19/2019-20/4074-77 dated 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020 issued by the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland, modified to the extent that the Notification No. DHFW/COVID-19/2019-20/1509- 15 dated 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020 mentioned therein will be considered as withdrawn.

### 10. Implementation of the SOP:

- A. This SOP will be uniformly implemented throughout the State without any deviation and will not be modified by District Task Force, Urban Local Bodies, village authorities or community based organizations.



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- B. Violator(s) of this SOP will be penalized as per the relevant section of the Disaster Management Act 2005, and the Nagaland Epidemic Disease (COVID-19) Regulations 2020.

### COVID VACCINE CENTRE SET UP AT NAGALAND CIVIL SECRETARIAT

To effectively control the spread of COVID-19, and facilitate all those who are eligible for COVID-19 vaccine the Health & Family Welfare Department in coordination with the Home Department is temporarily setting up Covid Vaccine Centre (CVC) at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima with effect from 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The CVC will function at the VIP Waiting Room in the Central Block of the Secretariat and will be open daily from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm.

All the officers and staff who are above 45 years of age, working in the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima, and not yet taken the COVID-19 vaccine, have been requested to avail themselves of the opportunity to get vaccinated at the CVC, Nagaland Civil Secretariat.

The officers and staff may need to provide their contact number and produce any of the following documents in original at the CVC for registering for the vaccination:

1. Government Identity Card
2. Driving License
3. Passport
4. Pan Card
5. Voter Identity Card
6. Aadhaar Card

All the Officers and staff of the Nagaland Civil Secretariat have been advised to continue following COVID-19 appropriate behavior even after vaccination, like wearing of mask, maintaining social distancing, regular washing of hands, etc.

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT (REVENUE BRANCH) NOTIFIES

The Finance Department (Revenue Branch) in a notification informed that in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 128 of the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 (4 of 2017), the Government, on the recommendations of the Council, hereby makes the following amendments in notification of the Government of Nagaland, Finance Department (Revenue Branch) F.NO.FIN/REV-3/GSTT/08(Pt- I)(Vol. II)/25 dated the 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020, namely:

In the said notification:

- i. in the first paragraph, for the figures, letters and words, '31<sup>st</sup> day of March,' the figures, letters and words '30<sup>th</sup> day of June,' shall be substituted;
- ii. in the first paragraph, for the figures, letters and words, '01<sup>st</sup> day of April,' the figures, letters and words '1<sup>st</sup> day of July,' shall be substituted.

### STATE GOVERNMENT ISSUES REVISED SOP

In view of the rapid surge in COVID-19 cases in the country, and the need for taking immediate measures for preventing the spread of COVID-19 in the State, and in partial modification of this office order of even number dated 19/03/2021 and in supersession of Order No. GAB-I/COM/GEN-4/2020 dated 13/02/2021, the State Government, in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 22 (2) (b) and Section 22 (2) (h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, in the capacity as Chairperson, State Executive

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Committee has ordered the following for strict implementation in the State of Nagaland with immediate effect:

1. Social/academic/entertainment/cultural/political/religious functions and gatherings is permitted outside the Containment Zones, but shall be limited to 50% of the seating capacity or 200 persons, whichever is lower, and with wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing, provision of thermal screening and use of hand wash or sanitizer, being mandatory.

In open spaces, the upper limit on the gathering shall be 50% of the seating capacity wherever there are seating galleries, and in other cases, the limit on the gatherings will be decided by the size of the ground/venue, and the requirement of strict adherence to social distancing, with wearing of face masks, provision of thermal screening and hand wash or sanitizer, being also mandatory.

In any public gathering, festivities of any kind shall be kept at the bare minimum, and in case the number of persons in the gatherings in open spaces is more than 200, prior permission of the concerned District Task Force (DTF) shall be taken which may depending upon on the local conditions impose additional restrictions.

2. In religious places/places of religious worship also, the upper limit on gatherings/congregations shall be 50% of the seating capacity or 200 persons, whichever is lower, and subject to strict adherence to all the provisions of this office order of even number dated 10/06/2020 for preventing the spread of COVID-19, particularly the provisions requiring adherence to COVID-19 behaviours like wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing and regular hand sanitization etc.
3. Any intra-district sports events shall require prior permission from the respective DTF, which shall ensure strict adherence by all concerned of all the provisions of the SOP for holding of sporting events for preventing the spread of COVID-19 issued vide Order No. GAB-I/COM/GEN-4/2020 dated 05/03/2021, and further depending upon the local conditions, may also impose additional restrictions. In case of bigger, or inter-district sports events, the requisite permission and necessary directions shall be given by the Home Department.
4. Theatres/Multiplexes/Cinema Halls are permitted to open outside the containment zones, with up to 50% of the seating capacity subject to strict adherence to the provisions of SOP issued by this office order of even number dated 19/03/2021.

### NAGALAND OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION INFORMS

The Nagaland Optometric Association (NOA), in a press release through its President, Nengneilhing Nakhro has informed that the NOA is the state representative of the Optometrist community in and around the State. The release stated that Association was formed in the year 2018 and got registered with the Government of Nagaland on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 with Registration No. HOME/SRC-7484.

The Association has informed every Optometry graduate from Nagaland to register with both the State and Central Council (Optometry Council of India). Any Optometrist from outside the State practicing in Nagaland has been requested to register with the State Association as per the directive of the Allied and Healthcare Professionals Bill 2021.

For further queries and registration with the State Association, one can contact the executives through phone: 8119974313 or via email: [nagalandoptometricassociation@gmail.com](mailto:nagalandoptometricassociation@gmail.com)

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### RELAXATION OF QUALIFYING YEARS OF SERVICE FOR PROMOTION AS HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

In partial modification to the P&AR Department's Office Memorandum No. AR-3/GEN 174/2007 (Pt) dated 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019, the Government of Nagaland has further reviewed the policy for relaxation of the qualifying years of service for promotion to the post of Head of Department as follows:

- (a) Since the post of Head of Department cannot be kept vacant, the following proviso to the OM No. AR-3/GEN 174/2007 (Pt) dated 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019 is added whereby, subject to the satisfaction of all related conditions, an Officer in the immediate lower rank, on completion of 6 (six) months regular-service in the grade, may be promoted on officiating-basis as Head of Department with the prior clearance of the P&AR Department.
- (b) It is reiterated again that in accordance with the Nagaland Rules of Executive Business, 2020 Part III regarding Departmental Disposal of Business (A)-General, Clause 34(1) Sub clause (ix) (e), the proposal for the appointment of Head of Department shall be submitted to the Chief Minister through the Chief Secretary for his approval before issue of such appointment order.

### TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTIFIES

As per the Advisory dated 26.03.2021 issued by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India, and in continuation to the Transport Department's Notification of even number dated 02.01.2021, the Transport Department has notified that validity of documents whose extension of validity could not be, or was not likely to be, granted due to lockdown and/or Covid-19 and which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, the same may be treated to be valid till 30.06.2021.

1. **Fitness Certificate:** Fitness Certificate of all motor vehicles which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
2. **Registration Certificate of Non-Transport Vehicles:** Registration Certificate of Non-Transport Vehicles which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
3. **Driving License:** Driving license which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
4. **Learner's License:** Learner's License which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
5. **Goods Carriage, Contract Carriage, Private Service and Educational Institution Bus Permit:** Goods Carriage, Contract Carriage, Private Service Vehicle and Educational Institution Bus Permit which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.

Validity of authorization issued under Chapter-IV of CMV Rules, 1989 for goods carriage and tourist vehicles is not extended as it relates to payment of annual composite tax.

6. **Stage Carriage Permanent Permits:** All Stage Carriage Permanent Permits and Permits issued by reciprocating states countersigned by STA, Nagaland on interstate routes which had expired since 01.02.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
7. **Reservation of Fancy Numbers:** In case where fees were paid for reservation of notified fancy

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registration number or other than the notified number on or after 01.02.2020 and the applicant could not produce required documents within thirty (30) days, it shall remain valid till 30.06.2021.

8. **Payment of Compensation from Solatium Fund:** The applicants who have not submitted application for compensation from Solatium Fund whose limitation expired on or after 22.03.2020 or would expire by 30.06.2021, such documents will be treated as valid till 30.06.2021.
9. No late fee/fine shall be imposed during the relaxation period.
10. **There is no extension to:**
  - (i) Validity of Insurance Certificate as the same is issued by Insurance Companies and it is not under the preview of this office.
  - (ii) Validity of Temporary Permit.

### DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION NOTIFIES

In pursuance to Government Order No.CSO/GAB-I/COM/GEN-I/2020 dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021, the Directorate of School Education has issued the following directives for strict compliance by all employees serving under the Department of School Education, Nagaland.

1. All categories of teachers, officers/staff serving in Government Schools, DEO/Senior SDEO/SDEO establishments shall remain in station and attend duties at respective establishments. No employee shall leave station without obtaining Station Leave Permission from competent authorities.
2. Teachers shall prepare explanatory notes, worksheets, assignments etc. for topics given in text books for Classes I to VIII.
3. School Heads shall make arrangements to distribute the notes, worksheets/assignments etc. to parents of students once or twice in a week on different days/timings for different classes so as to follow the SOP notified by the State Government vide Order No.CSO/GAB-I/COM/GEN-I/2020 Dated, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
4. Parents/students shall be notified for submission of the completed worksheets/assignments on specified days at different intervals of time for the different classes. Schools shall collect the completed worksheets/assignments and distribute new notes, worksheets/assignments etc. along with feedbacks of the previous worksheets/assignments submitted.
5. Parents may be encouraged to take keen interest in the worksheets/assignments of their children and assist in online/digital mode of education as far as possible.
6. School Heads shall ensure that only a reasonable number of worksheets/assignments which can be completed by students through self-study are given to students.
7. Use of digital/online mode of education shall be encouraged. The video lessons broadcast for classes V to XII during the lockdown period 2020 are still available in Department's Youtube Channel (DoSE Nagaland) and Facebook Page (School Education, Nagaland). Teachers and students are advised to make use of those videos as well. More digital/video lessons will be provided shortly by the department.
8. Regular classes shall continue to be conducted for students of classes 9 and above strictly following the SOP notified.
9. Teachers shall record details of notes, worksheets/assignments prepared, distributed and feedbacks given etc. in a note in the format given in Teachers' Diary and the same shall be checked



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and countersigned by the School Heads regularly (New Teacher's Diary will be issued soon).

10. School Heads shall upload daily activities in the Online School Monitoring Portal (<https://school.dosenl.in/>) w.e.f. 28/04/2021 before 4:00 pm of all working days along with attendance report of teachers.
11. It is mandatory for all government school teachers ( including School Heads) to register at the Teacher's App. School Heads shall ensure that all teachers serving under their establishment are registered at the Teacher's App.

Particulars of teachers who have not yet registered at the Teacher's App due to mobile number mismatch may be submitted to ([reports.dosenl@gmail.com](mailto:reports.dosenl@gmail.com)) through respective DEO/Senior SDEO/SDEO in the following format in MS Excel File before 26/04/2021.

Name	Designation	Gender	Name of School	Mobile Number	Email	Cadre (State/RMSA)	DEO/SDEO Est.
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### STATE ADVISORY BOARD ON DISABILITY RE-CONSTITUTED

In pursuance to Sub-section (1) & (2) of Section 66 (1) & (2) of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 and Sub-section (1) & (2) of Section 67 of the Nagaland Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019, the Government of Nagaland has re-constituted the State Advisory Board on disability to exercise the powers conferred on and to perform the function assigned to it under the provision of the aforesaid Act and Rules.

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| 1.  | Minister, i/c Social Welfare Department  | - | Chairperson, Ex-Officio      |
| 2.  | Advisor, Social Welfare, Nagaland  | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 3.  | 2 (two) Nagaland Legislative Assembly (NLA) members to be nominated by the NLA | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 4.  | Chief Secretary, Nagaland  | - | Vice Chairperson, Ex-Officio |
| 5.  | AHoD, Finance Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 6.  | AHoD, Health & Family Welfare Department                                       | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 7.  | AHoD, Information Technology & Communication Department                        | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 8.  | AHoD, Industries & Commerce Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 9.  | AHoD, Labour & Employment & Skill Development, Craftsman & Training Department | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 10. | AHoD, Personnel & Administrative Reforms Department                            | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 11. | AHoD, Rural Development Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 12. | AHoD, School Education Department  | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 13. | AHoD, Science & Technology Department  | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 14. | AHoD, Social Welfare Department  | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 15. | AHoD, Transport Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 16. | AHoD, Works & Housing Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 17. | AHoD, Urban Development Department   | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 18. | AHoD, Youth Resource & Sports Department                                       | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |
| 19. | State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Nagaland, Kohima.            | - | Member, Ex-Officio           |

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20. Members experts in the field of disability and rehabilitation: Representative from DDRC Dimapur District Hospital
21. Members to represent the districts: 1 (one) representative from the office of the Commissioner, Nagaland representing the District-level Committees on Disability.
22. Members to represent the NGOs concerned with disabilities: 1 (one) representative each from the 5 (five) groups of specified disabilities as mentioned in the Schedule of the Rights of Persons with Disability Act 2016, either an individual with disability or from an NGO working in the area of any specified disabilities.
23. Representative from Confederation of Nagaland Chamber of Commerce & Industry (CNCCI)
24. Director, Social Welfare - Member Secretary

Terms and conditions of service of members: A member of the State Advisory Board under Sl. No. 21 to 24 shall hold office for a term of 3 (years) from the date of nomination. Provided that such a member shall notwithstanding the expiration of his term, continue to hold office until his/her successor enters upon his office.

### REVISED RATE FOR COVID-19 TESTS

The State Government has notified the proposed new rates for the Government facilities/hospitals providing the respective tests:

Sl. No.	Type of Test	Existing Rates (Rs.)	Revised Rates (Rs.)
1	RT-PCR	1500/-	800/-
2	TrueNat	1500/-	800/-
3	Rapid Antigen Test	500/-	250/-

The following category of persons shall be exempted from the charges:

BPL Card Holders.

Elders above 60 years and children below 10 years.

Those who are Contact Traced.

With regard to private laboratories/hospitals, on account of the decreased cost of kits and consumables, and keeping in mind the prevailing rates in other states, it has been informed that consultation may be held with them and the revised rates notified by Principal Director.

### STATE LEVEL WAR ROOM CORE COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR COVID-19

Composition of the State Level War Room Core Committee Members for COVID-19 pandemic.

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| 1. | J. Alam, Chief Secretary, Nagaland                                  | : | Chairman |
| 2. | T. John Longkumer, DGP, Nagaland                                    | : | Member   |
| 3. | A.S. Bhatia, Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare           | : | Member   |
| 4. | Abhijit Sinha, Home Commissioner                                    | : | Member   |
| 5. | Rovilatuo Mor, Commissioner, Nagaland                               | : | Member   |
| 6. | Lhouchalie Viya, Secretary, NSDMA, Home                             | : | Member   |
| 7. | Dr. Kevichusa Medikhru, Principal Director, Health & Family Welfare | : | Member   |

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The following officers are attached to the State Level War Room to assist the core committee in carrying out its functions.

1. Shanavas C. Principal Director, School Education.
2. Manoj Kumar, SP (Crime)
3. Sachin Jaiswal, Joint Secretary, Agriculture.
4. Ajit Kumar Ranjan, Joint Secretary, H&FW.
5. Dr. Nyan Kikon, SNO, IDSP, H&FW.
6. Johnny Ruangmei, OSD, NSDMA, Home.
7. Er. Namang Sepong Chang, Deputy Secretary to Chief Secretary
8. Benjamin Longkap, Assistant Commissioner, O/o Commissioner, Nagaland
9. Dr. Longri Kichu, Consultant, H&FW.
10. M. Rollan Lotha, COO, NSRLM, RD.
11. Er. Daniel Krocha, Deputy Director, IT&C.
12. Er. Yanger Longkumer, Programme Officer, IT&C.
13. Rendemo, SERO, NSDMA.
14. Kozo Lasuh, UDA, School Education.
15. Lumdemo Kikon, UDA, School Education.

For any COVID-19 pandemic related assistance, the following numbers can be contacted:

Nagaland COVID-19 War Room

Email: warroomnagaland@gmail.com

03702270033

03702270010

State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC) NSDMA, Home Department.

0370-2291122/2291120

Toll free No. 1070.

Email: seoc.nsdma@gmail.com

### ENTRY OF VISITORS RESTRICTED AT THE NAGALAND CIVIL SECRETARIAT COMPLEX

In view of the recent surge in COVID-19 cases in the State and in the interest of public safety, the Home Department has informed that the entry of visitors in the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Complex shall be restricted and will be regulated in the following manner:

1. All the employees should have valid ID Card which they should display/produce to the checking staff while entering the Secretariat.
2. All employees within the establishment are advised not to entertain outsiders/visitors and to follow precautionary measures at all times of wearing mask, regular washing of hands and maintaining social/physical distancing to ensure general safety.
3. Apart from the Nodal Officers, officers and staff from the Directorates/Districts on official duty may enter the Secretariat after obtaining due permission from the concerned officer in the Secretariat not below the rank of Under Secretary. Any other visitors in exceptional cases will require permission of the Home Department (SAB 'A') for entry in the Secretariat.

This Order shall come into immediate effect till further orders.

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## DIRECTORATE OF AGRICULTURE ISSUES ADVISORY

In order to avoid the field level contagious spread of COVID-19 during farming activities, farmers have been advised to adopt the following precautionary and safety measures:

1. During manual field operations, maintain 4-5 feet space or line assigning one strip to one farmer or labour. This will ensure adequate spacing between the engaged labours by maintaining social distancing.
2. All the farmers should compulsorily use surgical mask or double layered scarf that adequately cover the nose and mouth. Ensure hand washing with soap and water frequently. Clothes must be washed after use every day.
3. Maintain safe distance of 3-4 feet during rests, taking meals and do not share meal with each other. Also, drink plenty of water during farm operations to avoid dehydration.
4. Plan in phase manner all the field activities wherever possible and avoid engaging more number of farmers on the same day in a given farm.
5. Engage only the healthy farmers or labourers to the extent possible and after reasonable enquiry so as to avoid the entry of any likely carrier during field activity.
6. All agricultural tools/implements or any other items used by one farmer should be sanitized and should not be exchanged in any manner.
7. Follow the standard safety guidelines during the visit to market for purchase of farm inputs or sale of products and avoid crowded areas.
8. If the farming operations require days to complete, please stay in your respective farms till the agriculture/agronomic practices are completed in order to save time and for the safety of you and your family members.

For any further advisories/queries, one may consult or contact the District Agriculture Officer/Sub-Divisional Agriculture Officer/ATMAs of your concerned Districts/Sub-divisions.

## DoH&FW INFORMS ON COVID-19 VACCINATION

In view of the upcoming vaccination for 18-44 years of age as notified by the MoHFW, the following points have been clarified by the Department of Health & Family Welfare as follows for eligible citizens:

All eligible and willing 18-44 years beneficiaries may start registration for availing COVID-19 vaccine by visiting [selfregistration.cowin.gov.in](https://selfregistration.cowin.gov.in) and Aarogya Setu App. Beneficiaries should book appointment only after State/Department announces availability of vaccines and sessions are made available on CoWIN portal.

The State received one lakh doses of Covishield from GMSD Kolkata on 26/04/2021. The allocation of vaccine to States/Union Territories will be based on three criterias (a) performance (seven-day rolling average of consumption) (b) number of active covid cases and (c) vaccine wastage, as per CoWIN data (including data base of covid-19 vaccines). The vaccine doses to be made available to the States/UTs will be communicated in advance to State/UTs for the next fortnightly.

The State is in contact with Gol and vaccine manufacturers to ensure maximum beneficiaries are vaccinated as early as possible.



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## DoSE NOTIFIES ON ADMISSION FOR CLASS I

In pursuance to the provisions of the RTE Act, 2009 and NEP, 2020, the Directorate of School Education has informed that admission to Class-1 shall be provided to children in the age group of 6+ years.

Further, admission to Pre-school/Anganwadi/Balvatika shall be provided to children in the age group of 3-6 years.

This notification comes in to force with immediate effect and children already admitted to Pre-schools/Class-1 in age groups below the above specified norms prior to the issue of the notification shall be allowed to continue with the same.

Head of Institutions of all schools functioning within the State of Nagaland have been directed to ensure that the notification is strictly complied with.

The issue is as per the Government directive vide Letter No.DSE/NEP-20/7-49/2020 Dated, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

## STATE GOVERNMENT ISSUES FRESH CONSOLIDATED GUIDELINES

The State Government has issued the following fresh consolidated guidelines for implementation throughout the State of Nagaland with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> of April till 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2021:

### A. The following activities shall be prohibited/closed across the State of Nagaland:

1. Summer break for all the schools and colleges shall be declared with effect from the date of issue of this order until further notice.
2. All coaching/vocational institutions/student hostels etc shall be closed. However, online/ distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
3. All cinema halls, swimming pools, gymnasiums, entertainment parks, auditoriums, theatres, assembly halls, sports complexes and stadiums, and similar places shall be closed.
4. All the public places in the State like parks, museums, libraries, re-creation centres, etc. shall be closed.

### B. Restrictions on public gatherings:

1. Social/political/sports/entertainment/academic/cultural/religious functions and other large congregations will be permitted outside the containment zones, but the gathering shall not be more than 30% of the capacity of the hall/venue/ground or 100 persons, whichever is lower, subject to COVID-19 appropriate behaviors like wearing of masks, social distancing, regular washing of hands by hand sanitizer/soap and water etc.
2. Religious places/place of worship will be permitted to open outside the containment zones subject to a maximum of 30% of the capacity of the hall/building at any point of time or 100 persons, whichever is lower, and with strict adherence to all the provisions of the SOP for preventing the spread of COVID-19, which may be seen at <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/SOP%20for%20religious%20places.pdf>. District Task Force can take suitable decisions as per the local situations to further reduce the maximum allowable capacities as mentioned above.

### C. Entry and exit points/routes on inter-state borders:

1. Any inbound traveller/returnee will be permitted to enter the State through Dimapur by Train, Air or by Road through the New Field Check Gate and the Dillai Gate, and by road through Khuzama, Kohima district, Tsutapela and Watiyongpang, Mokokchung district, Naginimora and Tizit, Mon district, Bhandari, Wokha district, Lanye and Akash Bridge in Phek district.

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2. Entry into the State through any other route, or by any other mode of travel will not be allowed, except under special circumstances with the approval of the Home Department.
3. Every inbound traveller/returnee on arrival will be required to produce a negative RT-PCR/TrueNat/CBNAAT test report for COVID-19 with the test done not earlier than 72 (seventy two) hours prior to entry into the State and such persons will be further required to remain in self-isolation/quarantine for 7 (seven) days. In other cases, the person concerned after entry will be required to self isolate/quarantine for 10 (ten) days. In addition, the person concerned will have to comply with the Revised Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for returnees and travellers entering Nagaland being issued separately.
4. Further each inbound traveller/returnee will be required to fill up the 'Self Declaration Form' available on <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in>. Necessary assistance will be made available at the entry points for those requiring help.
5. In case of a resident of any North East (NE) state other than Nagaland, who is arriving in Nagaland by road/air/train, and is a transit passenger, he/she shall fill in a self declaration form available on <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in> as a transit passenger, and shall proceed to his/her destination state directly from the point of entry strictly following COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and without halting in Nagaland, and further he/she should strictly adhere to the testing guidelines of the destination states.
6. The movement of goods vehicles entering or transiting through the State shall be allowed through the above mentioned points of entry, after proper medical screening of the drivers and attendants of those vehicles. All other roads/routes will remain closed.
7. The International Border of the State with Myanmar shall continue to remain sealed as before.

### D. **Movement of persons and vehicles in the State:**

1. Movement of people within the State will be permitted subject to adherence to COVID-19 behaviour at all times while moving from one place to another.
2. The intra and inter district movement of private and passenger vehicles of every category is permitted across the State subject to the occupancy in every kind of vehicle being limited to 50% of the total occupancy. Further, no standing passengers should be allowed to travel and there should also be adherence to all the provisions aimed at preventing the spread of COVID-19, which may be seen at <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/SOP%20for%20vehicles.pdf>
3. The District Task Force (DTF), if it considers necessary, for discouraging unnecessary movement of people, may consider for imposition of restrictions on non essential movement of public, and/or not allowing movement during certain hours of the day, or on certain days.

### E. **Shops/Markets/Other activities:**

1. Shopping malls will be permitted to open outside the containment zones subject to strict adherence to the provisions of the SOP for preventing the spread of COVID-19, which may be seen at [https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/SOP%20for%20Shopping%20Malls-1-merged\\_compressed.pdf](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/SOP%20for%20Shopping%20Malls-1-merged_compressed.pdf)
2. Shops and hawker stalls of all categories located in marketing complexes and crowded areas like Hongkong Market, New Market in Dimapur town, BOC Market in Kohima etc. are allowed to open and operate with the condition of only a certain percentage of the shops limited to 30% as decided by the respective DTF after making assessment of the location and layout may open in turns on any particular day, with other necessary measures in place in the markets to ensure that crowding is avoided, and all the social distancing norms and health safety protocols are strictly followed.

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3. A fine of Rs.200/- shall be imposed on the persons not wearing mask in public places, work places, and during transport.
4. The proprietors of the shops and establishments which are allowed to open will make arrangements for keeping hand sanitizers or provide facilities for hand washing with soap and water for the public as well as for their own staff/workers. The proprietors of the shops and establishments should also get the door handles, surfaces and other objects which are frequently touched by people cleaned and disinfected. Social distancing measures will also be adhered to at all the shops and outlets.
5. Hotels/Lodges will continue to be permitted to open and operate subject to adherence to conditions/provisions of the SOP for preventing the spread of COVID-19, which may be seen at <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/1700000235.pdf>
6. Restaurants will continue to be permitted to open outside the containment zones subject to adherence to conditions/provisions of the SOP for preventing the spread of COVID-19, which may be seen at <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/1700000235.pdf>
7. Barber shops and salons are permitted to open and function subject to the provisions of the SOP, which may be seen at <https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in/storage/advisories/SOP%20for%20salons%20and%20barber%20shops.pdf>
8. Private Banks, ATMs, Pharmacies, Medical Clinics, Nursing Homes, Private Telecom Services, Internet Service Providers, Media Houses, LPG, Petroleum outlets will continue to open/function as per the existing arrangements. All other kind of private offices/establishments may open/function subject to 50% attendance on any day and strict adherence to COVID-19 appropriate behavior.
9. All other activities not explicitly barred or prohibited in this order or any other order issued by the Government will continue to be permitted subject to strict adherence to COVID-19 appropriate behaviour like wearing of masks, social distancing and frequent washing of hands by sanitizers/soaps by all concerned.
10. All the activities are subject to adherence to National Directives for COVID-19 Management as specified in Annexure I.
11. The DTF, if it feels there is a requirement, may, for decreasing crowding in the markets consider opening of only 50% shops on any particular day in a market.

### F. Offices:

1. The Civil Secretariat and Directorates in Kohima and Dimapur and all the Government offices in the districts shall continue to function with attendance of officers of Deputy Secretary and above in the Secretariat, and Deputy Director and above in the Directorate and the Head of Office and immediate junior in the district offices being mandatory. For other categories of officers and staff, a roster system shall be worked out by the AHoD/HoD/Head of Office concerned whereby 50% staff attends office every alternate week. The entry of public visitors to offices, unless of essential nature, will be prohibited.
2. District Administration, Police, Security Forces/Agencies and Medical and Essential Service Providers like Treasuries, Fire & Emergency Services, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Prisons, Public Health Engineering, Power, NIC, Information & Public Relations, Postal Services, Food & Civil Supplies, Social Welfare, Information Technology & Communication, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Municipalities/Councils, AIR, Doordarshan, BSNL, Public Sector Banks, ATMs shall continue to operate as per the current arrangements.

### G. Protection of vulnerable persons: Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years are advised to take necessary precautions.

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- H. Use of Aarogya Setu:** Use of Aarogya Setu may continue on best effort basis on compatible mobile phones. This will facilitate timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.
- I. Containment Zones:**
1. Containment Zones will be demarcated by the district authorities after taking into consideration the guidelines of MoHFW with the objective of effectively breaking the chain of transmission. These containment zones will be notified on the websites by the respective District Collectors and by the States/UTs and information will be shared with MoHFW.
  2. In the containment zones, only essential activities will be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining supply of essential goods and services. In the containment zones, there shall be intensive contact tracing, house-to-house surveillance, and other clinical interventions, as required. Guidelines of MoHFW shall be effectively implemented for the above purpose.
  3. Activities in the containment zones shall be monitored strictly by the District Administration, and the guidelines relating to containment measures in these zones shall be strictly implemented.
- J. Instructions for enforcement of above measures:** All the DTFs led by the Deputy Commissioners shall strictly enforce the above measures and the national directives for COVID 19 Management, as specified in Annexure-I.
- K. Implementation framework for community containment/large containment areas:**  
The implementation framework for community containment/large containment areas shall be based on the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India vide DO No.Z.28015/85/2021 -DM Cell dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021 as forwarded by the Union Home Secretary to all states and enclosed as Annexure - III
- L. Penal provisions:** Any person violating these lockdown measures and the national directives for COVID-19 management will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at Annexure-II.

### NATIONAL DIRECTIVES FOR COVID-19 MANAGEMENT

1. **Face coverings:** Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places, in workplaces, and during transport.
  2. **Social distancing:** Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet (2 gaz ki doori) in public places. Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers.
  3. Spitting in public places will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed by the State/ UT local authority in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations.
- Additional directives for workplaces**
4. **Work from home:** As far as possible the practice of work from home should be followed.
  5. Staggering of work/business hours will be followed in offices, workplaces, shops, markets and industrial and commercial establishments.
  6. **Screening and hygiene:** Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash or sanitizer will be made at all entry points and of hand wash or sanitizer at exit points and common areas.
  7. Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc. will be ensured, including between shifts.



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8. **Social distancing:** All persons in charge of workplaces will ensure adequate distance between workers and other staff.

### OFFENCES AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF LOCKDOWN MEASURES

#### A. Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005

51. Punishment for obstruction, etc. - Whoever, without reasonable cause
- obstructs any officer or employee of the Central Government or the State Government, or a person authorised by the National Authority or State Authority or District Authority in the discharge of his functions under this Act, or
  - refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the Central Government or the State Government or the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority under this Act,
- shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine, or with both, and if such obstruction or refusal to comply with directions results in loss of lives or imminent danger thereof, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.
52. Punishment for false claim - Whoever knowingly makes a claim which he knows or has reason to believe to be false for obtaining any relief, assistance, repair, reconstruction or other benefits consequent to disaster from any officer of the Central Government, the State Government, the National Authority, the State Authority or the District Authority, shall, on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.
53. Punishment for misappropriation of money or materials, etc. - Whoever, being entrusted with any money or materials, or otherwise being, in custody of, or dominion over, any money or goods, meant for providing relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster, misappropriates or appropriates for his own use or disposes of such money or materials or any part thereof or willfully compels any other person so to do, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.
54. Punishment for false warning - Whoever makes or circulates a false alarm or warning as to disaster or its severity or magnitude, leading to panic, shall on conviction, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine.
55. Offences by Departments of the Government –
- (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by any Department of the Government, the Head of the Department shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.
  - (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a Department of the Government and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any officer, other than the Head of the Department, such officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
56. Failure of officer in duty or his connivance at the contravention of the provisions of this Act - Any officer, on whom any duty has been imposed by or under this Act and who ceases or refuses to perform or withdraws himself from the duties of his office shall, unless he has obtained

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the express written permission of his official superior or has other lawful excuse for so doing, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine.

57. Penalty for contravention of any order regarding requisitioning.—If any person contravenes any order made under Section 65, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

58. Offence by companies - (1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company or body corporate, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, and it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also, be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation - for the purpose of this section -

- i. "company" means anybody corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
  - ii. "director," in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.
59. Previous sanction for prosecution - No prosecution for offences punishable under Sections 55 and 56 shall be instituted except with the previous sanction of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, or of any officer authorised in this behalf, by general or special order, by such Government.
60. Cognizance of offences - No court shall take cognizance of an offence under this Act except on a complaint made by:
- (a) the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be, or
  - (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised as aforesaid.

- B. Section 188 in the Indian Penal Code, 1860

188. Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant - Whoever, knowing that, by an order promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, he is directed to abstain from a certain act, or to take certain order with certain property in his possession or under his management, disobeys such direction, shall, if such disobedience causes or tends to cause obstruction, annoyance or injury, or risk of obstruction, annoyance or injury, to any person lawfully employed, be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with

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fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both; and if such disobedience causes or trends to cause danger to human life, health or safety, or causes or tends to cause a riot or affray, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

Explanation - It is not necessary that the offender should intend to produce harm, or contemplate his disobedience as likely to produce harm. It is sufficient that he knows of the order which he disobeys, and that his disobedience produces, or is likely to produce, harm.

Illustration - An order is promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, directing that a religious procession shall not pass down a certain street. A knowingly disobeys the order, and thereby causes danger of riot. A has committed the offence defined in this section.

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### REVISED SOP FOR RETURNEES AND TRAVELLERS ENTERING NAGALAND

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The State Government on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 has issued the revised SOP for the returnees and travellers entering the State, with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 till further orders:

1. All the returnees and travellers entering the State of Nagaland, shall undergo COVID-19 Screening Test at the following Points of Entry (PoE):
  - a. Dimapur Airport
  - b. Dimapur Railway Station
  - c. Dimapur-New Field Check Gate and the Dillai Gate
  - d. Kohima-Khuzama
  - e. Mokokchung-Tsutapela and Watiyongpang
  - f. Mon- Naginimora and Tizit
  - g. Wokha-Bhandari
  - h. Phek-Lanye Junction and Akash Bridge
2. Every traveller/returnee shall be required to produce a Negative COVID-19 test report or COVID-19 Vaccination Completion Certificate (both the doses should have been taken) at the PoE. Negative Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) report irrespective of time of testing or vaccination of one dose only shall not be accepted.
  - a. Negative COVID-19 test report by RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT, done at ICMR approved Labs and Hospitals and not earlier than 72 (seventy two) hours prior to entry into the State. The returnee inbound traveller must produce in soft or hard copy the COVID-19 test report or SMS generated from ICMR portal showing SRF ID and the Test Result.
  - b. COVID-19 Vaccination Completion Certificate in soft or hard copy or SMS from AX-NHPSMS showing successful administration of second dose.
  - c. All returnees/inbound travellers:
    - i. Shall furnish an undertaking/declaration as given in Annexure-I at the above mentioned PoE. The undertaking can be downloaded from [covid19.nagaland.gov.in](https://covid19.nagaland.gov.in).
    - ii. Shall undergo either Paid Quarantine or Home Quarantine for a mandatory period of 7(seven) days and shall observe COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and norms at all times. However, any such person in quarantine, who are asymptomatic and require or need to be released from quarantine prematurely due to urgent or emergency work

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may contact the District Task Force (DTF) (contact numbers given in Annexure-11) for testing on the 4 day of arrival or later, on payment basis as per the Government approved rate, and if tested negative, will be released from quarantine.

3. In case the returnee/inbound traveller who is a resident of Nagaland but has arrived without the negative COVID-19 test report or COVID-19 Vaccination Completion Certificate:
  - a. Shall mandatorily undergo Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) at the PoE on payment basis as per the Government approved rate.
    - i. If the RAT test is positive, the traveller will undergo home isolation or get admitted in private hospital or Government health institution depending upon his/her medical condition.
    - ii. If the RAT test is negative, the traveller will have to undergo RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT COVID-19 test on payment basis as per the Government approved rate.
  - b. After the Swab Sample is collected, the traveller will be allowed to leave the PoE premises subject to mandatory quarantine and shall observe COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and norms at all times as stated above.
    - i. If the RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT test is positive, the traveller will undergo home isolation or get admitted in private hospital or Government health institution depending upon his/her medical condition.
    - ii. If the RT-PCR/Truenat/CBNAAT test is negative, the traveller will continue self isolation till completion of the mandatory quarantine of 7 (seven) days.
4. In case of a resident of any North East (NE) state other than Nagaland, who is arriving in Nagaland by road/air/train, and is a transit passenger and directly travelling onwards to any other NE State, the person concerned should have a negative COVID-19 test result through RT-PCR/TrueNat/CBNAAT, or COVID-19 Vaccination Completion Certificate, and should also satisfy the requirements of the SOP of the final destination state, failing which, the person concerned will not be allowed to enter the State of Nagaland.

Further, the person concerned should be asymptomatic and must produce (a) Ticket for the onward journey or proof of self arranged vehicle (b) Proof of address in the other state and (c) Observe COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and norms at all times.

In case of any person who cannot undertake onward journey, or is unable to go back because of non-fulfilment of the requirements of the SOP as mentioned above, he/she shall be required to undergo mandatory quarantine in a paid facility.
5. Any returnee/inbound traveller found to be symptomatic on arrival, even if he/she possesses a negative COVID-19 test report or COVID-19 Vaccination Completion Certificate shall be immediately tested on payment basis as per the government approved rate.
6. There will be no exemption from the requirement of having negative test report/COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate or from quarantining/self isolation as mentioned above, in case of any person entering Nagaland, and all the earlier exemptions in this connection are hereby withdrawn.
7. In case of dignitaries and senior government officials entering the State, the Home Department as required, will provide necessary facilitation and make arrangements for their COVID-19 testing after entry.
8. In case of officers/staff/personnel of military/para military entering the State, the respective military/para military formations/units will make arrangements at the PoE for transportation of their



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staff/personnel to their respective camps/units, for testing for COVID-19 on RT-PCR/ TrueNat/CBNAAT and for quarantining for 7 (Seven) days. The military/para military formation/ unit, wherever required, may contact the respective DTF for any assistance.

9. The Village Councils/Urban Local Bodies under the supervision of DTF:
  - a. Shall identify any inter-state traveller arriving in their respective jurisdictions
  - b. Shall inform such persons to immediately report to the DTF and to remain in self isolation while in quarantine
  - c. Shall monitor any breach of quarantine norms or COVID-19 appropriate behaviour by the person concerned and immediately bring to the notice of the local administrative officer/DTF for taking suitable action.
10. This SOP will be uniformly implemented throughout the State without any deviation and will not be diluted by District Task Force, Urban Local Bodies, village authorities or community-based organizations.
11. Any person violating the instructions in the SOP will be liable to be prosecuted against as per the relevant sections of the Disaster Management Act 2005, besides action under Section 188 of IPC and other legal provisions as applicable.

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## COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR 45 YEARS AND ABOVE BEGINS

COVID-19 vaccination drive for 45 years and above started at Naga Hospital Authority Kohima on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021. Senior Government officials including

Chief Secretary J. Alam and his wife were among the first to get the vaccination shot. Many residents of Kohima turned up to get the vaccination.

## FOUR ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH LAMHAINAMD I INCIDENT

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by a DIG constituted to investigate the State Crime Police Station - Case No. 02/2021 have arrested 4 (four) suspected persons on 30/03/2021 in connection with the firing and killing of three persons in Lamhainamdi Village on 22/03/2021. The four arrested persons are: 1) Zheshito Swu, GB of Kiyevi Village, S/o Late Yethoze, Village: Kiyevi, 2) Ghosheto Swu, VDB Secretary of Kiyevi Village, S/o Late Yelhozle, Village: Kiyevi, 3) Vikaho Kappo, S/o Khutokhu, Village: Kiyevi, 4) Lovito Swu, S/o Hokiqhe, Village: Diphuphar.

According to a release by the SP (Crime) & PRO, PHQ, a suo motto Case No. 2/2021 under sections 302/120 B/188/34 IPC R/W 251B/27 (3) Arms Act was registered on 23/03/2021 against unknown persons in the State Crime Police Station (SCPS) relating to the firing and killing of three persons in Lamhainamdi village on 22/03/2021. Subsequently, a SIT headed by a DIG ranked officer was constituted for investigation of the case. On

registration of the case, the SIT visited the place of occurrence on 24/03/2021. The team inspected the Scene of Crime and recorded the statements of the police personnel posted in the disputed area and also examined and recorded the statements of the eyewitnesses to the incident. On 25/03/2021, extensive raid and search operations were carried out by combined team of SIT, DEF, STF and special branch personnel, in the vicinity of scene of crime and neighbouring villages. Following this operation, many relevant materials and evidences were collected and seized including empty and live ammunitions of various calibres.

The arrested persons are currently in police custody. During the course of investigation, vital leads having a bearing on the case have emerged and more arrests are likely to be effected in the coming days. More details cannot be divulged now as it may hamper the course of investigation but the SIT is confident of unravelling the case to a logical conclusion.

## PDA HOLDS THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The People's Democratic Alliance (PDA) Government held a thanksgiving programme on alliance completion of three years governance in Nagaland and newly elected unopposed MLA H. Chuba Chang at State Banquet Hall Chief Minister's residential complex Kohima on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio delivering his message said that while progressive achievements were made, the Government has been bogged down with an entire year of battling the global pandemic. He commented that the remaining two years of the government tenure is most crucial and

important in fulfilling the promises of the manifestos and the Common Minimum Programme. He also stated that there are several crucial and important issues that need continue to be faced but most important is to deliver good governance under a spirit of transparency and justice. Rio further added that efforts like the establishment of the Staff Selection Board, removal of VIP culture, improved e-governance and use of technology to combat governance challenges remain at the core of the government's initiatives.



Rio congratulated H. Chuba Chang for being elected unopposed adding that it will be his 5<sup>th</sup> time entering the Nagaland Legislative Assembly from the 51 Noksen Assembly Constituency under Tuensang district. He also urged upon the Ministers and elected members and rank and file of the party organizations to rededicate towards the service of the people. Rio further reminded all that there is a need to make concrete efforts to ensure that the

policies and programmes of the government reach the targeted sections in letter and spirit.

Deputy Chief Minister, Y. Patton in his short speech stated that the PDA Government is committed for good governance and for all round development of the State.

Short speeches were also delivered by President, NDPP & Chairman, PDA, State BJP GS & Member PDA.

### SCREENING OF RETURNEES/ INBOUND TRAVELLERS AT DIMAPUR AIRPORT-REG

In view of the rapid surge in cases of COVID-19 in several parts of the country, the High Powered Committee (HPC) on COVID-19 in its meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 decided for placing teams from District Task Force (DTF) at Dimapur Airport for thermal screening of every incoming passenger and checking if he/she has a negative report of COVID-19 test done not earlier than 3 (three) days prior to arrival in Nagaland, or if he/she has completed the COVID-19 vaccination, and whether he/she has installed and registered in the nCOVID Nagaland Visitors App and submitted the 'Self Declaration Form' giving the travel details as well as the location where it is proposed to do home/paid quarantine as envisaged under the

provisions of the SOP dated 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020 for anyone entering the State.

Further, special attention may be given to people coming from any of the 11 states with the highest COVID-19 active cases in the country as on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021, namely Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Kerala, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Delhi. The details of such persons should be immediately shared with the respective DTFs where such persons propose to do their home/paid quarantine in case they are coming without a negative report of COVID-19 test or proof of having completed COVID-19 vaccination so that adherence to the provisions of the aforesaid SOP

### IMNA ALONG GRACES AOLEANG CELEBRATION AT MON



*Minister of Higher Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along, who was the Special Guest at the Konyak Aoleang Festival along with other dignitaries during the celebration at Local Ground, Mon on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Minister of Higher Education and Tribal Affairs, Temjen Imna Along graced the Konyak Aoleang Festival celebration as the Special Guest on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Local Ground, Mon. The event which was organised by Konyak Union had ENPO President, Sashi Naga as Special Invitee and Mon 46<sup>th</sup> AC MLA, N. Thongwang Konyak as Chief Patron.

Extending Aoleang greetings to the people of Mon, Imna Along stated that the Konyaks are one of the most fascinating tribes with the greatest warriors and forerunner of bravery and integrity. He added that it is time for the Konyaks to move ahead as a tribe while also being instrumental in the progress of Nagas as a whole. He appealed upon the people to part with the past problems and anti-national elements and sow seed for a developed, educated, innovative and vibrant Nagaland in the name of Aoleang.

Advisor, IPR, SCERT and Village Guards, Toshi Wungtung stated that Aoleang is a thanksgiving festival. He urged upon the Konyak people not to lose their culture, tradition and unity.

MLA N. Thongwang Konyak in his address stated that Aoleang is celebrated to seek blessings for good harvest and to part with the past. He urged the Minister to continue to work for the betterment of the district.

DC, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS, in his address stated that the greatness of a culture or society lies in its festival and appealed upon the people to reconnect with the past for a better future and to live a life of compassion and humanity.

President, ENPO, Sashi Naga urged upon the people to celebrate various festivals in its true and dignified manner. President, Konyak Union, S. Howing Konyak stated that Aoleang is celebrated to seek blessings and part with the departed souls.

The event was chaired by President KSU, Noklem Konyak and witnessed a welcome song by Mon Chamber Choir, a special presentation by Phom Community Mon Town and Cultural Dance Display. Prayer for Aoleang blessings was pronounced by Pastor, KBCM, Nahngom Konyak and Log Drum was played by Chen Nokten Union.

### SIRD BIDS FAREWELL TO RETIRING DIRECTOR, LIMASENLA JAMIR



Retiring Director, SIRD, Limasenla Jamir along with other officials during the farewell programme held in her honour at SIRD Auditorium, Kohima on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Farewell programme for retiring Director, State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD),

Limasenla Jamir was held at SIRD Auditorium, Kohima on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Limasenla Jamir retired



from service after having served as the Director of SIRD for nineteen (19) long years.

Advisor, SIRD, Fire & Emergency Services and Relief & Rehabilitation, Pohwang Konyak thanked the outgoing Director for her service and dedication for such a long period of time. Adding that the day of appointment and retiring day are two important landmark days in the field of one's service, he remarked that it is an achievement to retire in good health. He requested the outgoing Director to render her services to the department even after her retirement.

Commissioner & Secretary, Rural Development, Neposo Theluo described the outgoing Director as a humble, kind hearted and an efficient officer who is ever ready to render her service whenever required. He remarked that under her leadership, many infrastructure works have been carried out in the department including the new administrative building, the department auditorium, VIP Guest House etc. She also helped in implementing many innovative schemes, conducted many researches and trainings. Neposo mentioned that Nagaland SIRD is one of the best in the North East, and he said that all these are because of the efforts and right initiatives put in by the outgoing Director.

Incoming Additional Director & HoD, SIRD, Vesato called the outgoing Director, Limasenla Jamir as one of the most decorated and successful Directors of SIRD, and congratulated her for the 19 years of illustrious leadership she rendered. He stated that she took on the role of a mother, channelizing all her efforts and hard work in the department. She improvised significant training programmes, and conducted quality researches for

the target groups. It may be mentioned that in the year 2019, SIRD secured the third position in the category of 'Overall Performance in respect to Training Programmes,' under the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. Under her dynamic leadership, despite limited manpower, the department could also accelerate activities in the District Headquarters by creating infrastructure assets for the use of rural and general public.

Outgoing Director, SIRD, Limasenla Jamir thanked the Almighty for the 35 years of service without facing any insurmountable hardships. She also thanked her family for all the support without which she could not have made it so far. She joined service as EAC in 1986, was deputed to ATI, and joined SIRD in September 2002. She said that together with her officers and staff, they could build up a fair amount of infrastructure and challenged them to carry forward the department and make it known as a center of excellence with expert trainers. She thanked her officers and staff for all the love, care and support she received in her 19 years of service in the department, and also thanked the higher authorities for allowing her to run the department with minimal interference.

The programme was presided over by Joint Director, SIRD, Imlimenla Longkumer; invocation prayer was offered by Senior Lecturer, Dr. Juthsutho Phoni; special number was presented by the staff of SIRD; and vote of thanks was delivered by Senior Lecturer, Dr. Kedise Pucho. Short speeches were also delivered by Principal, ETC, Tuensang, Dr. W. Phola Konyak and Director, SAU, Imtitoshi I. Jamir. The programme was also attended by a host of senior government officials.

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## **CEO AND DIRECTOR, NITI AAYOG VISITS KIPHIRE**

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CEO NITI Aayog, Amitabh Kant and Director NITI Aayog, Soumitra Mandal visited Kiphire Aspirational District on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and held a meeting at the DC's Conference Hall.

Addressing the gathering, Kant said that for the success of Aspirational District and to become number one Aspirational District in the country, it

requires hard work. He also said that correct data is very important to measure improvement in the district developmental activities. On health and education sector, he stressed on the role of doctors and teachers and urged the State Government to post doctors, maths and science teachers at the earliest. Kant also sanctioned Rs. 5 crore for





appointment of Science and Maths teachers.

The CEO informed that among the Aspirational Districts in 2021, Kiphire district ranked first in Health and Nutrition and ranked second in Basic Infrastructure. He also said that the district can be developed if the various projects taken up in the district are properly implemented and managed. He added that for the district to prosper, health and nutrition sector, and action plan for skill youth must be improved. Kant assured of the Central Government's support in the developmental activities.

The CEO and Director also visited District

Hospital Kiphire, GMS Kiphire village, Anganwadi Centre, Kiphire village and ITI Centre, Kiphire. He also held a meeting with USLP, Yimchunger Tribal Council and Sumi Tribal Council.

The Department of Agriculture presented a PowerPoint presentation which was followed by interaction. The programme was attended by Additional Development Commissioner, Nosazol Charles, Principal Director, School Education, C. Shanavas Mission Director (WHM), Assistant Director, Social Welfare, Talitemsula Mengusalie, SP, Tribal bodies, DBs, GBs and Senior Government officials among others.

## **2<sup>ND</sup> STATE LEVEL INDIGENOUS GAMES COMPETITION HELD**

Commissioner & Secretary, Youth Resources & Sports, Alun Hangsing declared open the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Level Indigenous Games Competition at the Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2021. Hangsing encouraged everyone to give importance to Indigenous Games as it is deeply rooted to our culture. He said the Department has come up with different schemes and programmes relating to fitness of our body. He stressed on the importance of promoting games and sports in our State since the Government of India has come up with a policy of aiming a Sport Power House in the world by 2028 Olympics.

The event concluded with a short valedictory function on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at IG Stadium,

Kohima with Director, Youth Resources & Sports, Akumla Chuba as the special guest. Akumla encouraged everyone to play and be part of the indigenous games not just for the sake of the competition but to keep oneself healthy and to build friendship across cultural barriers among the Naga people. She also expressed her happiness to see the overwhelming participation of womenfolk including mothers who actively took part in the competition.

The two day event saw 209 participants from 11 districts compete against each other in a number of indigenous games, namely cock fight, stilt bamboo race, greased bamboo pole climbing and tug of war.

## **CAPACITY BUILDING-CUM-WORKSHOP PROGRAMME HELD**

The inaugural session of the two-day Capacity Building-Cum-Workshop programme for officers of Water Resource Department (WRD) was held at the Chief Engineer's Office, WRD, Kohima, on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Delivering the keynote address, Chief Engineer, WRD, Er. Hotovi Ayemi said that the capacity building-cum-workshop programme will enhance the abilities of the participants and will focus on understanding the obstacles faced by them. He mentioned that the objective of the two-day workshop is to discuss the achievements as well as

the failures of the divisions and the head office, to formulate strategies and to streamline and implement necessary acts from the discussions given by the participants.

Additional Chief Engineer, WRD, Er. Razouvolie Kelio, in his speech said that as the world is experiencing climate change, the department should be ready to meet any eventualities. He mentioned that there are challenges ahead and that they need to introspect their ideas, approaches and actions, which should be new and fresh. He asked the



participants to feel free and share without any reservations, which would help them map a way forward for the department. He hoped that the

workshop would motivate the participants with enthusiasm towards achieving their new goals and visions.

### CONSULTATIVE MEETING HELD WITH CSOs ON RIIN



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Chief Minister, Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio while delivering the keynote address appreciated the efforts of the NPF party led by Leader of Opposition, T. R. Zeliang for vigorously pursuing the matter with the ruling government leaving aside their differences. He said the State of Nagaland came into being in pursuance of the 16-Point Agreement. As such, the State has the legitimate rights to formulate its own laws and regulations for the interest and protection of its citizens. He said each tribe shall have its own Village, Regional and Tribal Councils in order to deal with issues pertaining to violating of customary laws and usages. He also added that such councils are legal and mandated by the Constitution by an Act.

On ILP issue, Rio said it should be introduced in Dimapur district after considering the

difficulties and problems of the district, Dimapur being a metropolitan city. In this regard, he mooted the idea of formulating a law which protects not only the Nagas but also the citizens of other states. He said identification of indigenous people amongst Nagas of Nagaland is not a problem due to involvement of village council but identification of indigenous Nagas in other states is a problem, citing the examples of Sikkim, Tripura and Assam where the indigenous people have now become a minority in their own states.

Rio also suggested formation of a smaller group to work on the issue having state and district level committee comprising of apex bodies like ENPO, TPO and CNTC at the state level, and Tribal Hohos and MLAs at the district level. The committee is mainly for the compilation of customary laws and usages and adjudication of disputes.

Leader of Opposition, T. R. Zeliang in his speech highlighted the progress and current position of the Naga Political Issue after meeting the Union Home Minister, Amit Shah. He said it is the





ardent prayer and desire of the NPF party to work together with the Government of the day when it comes to Naga Political Issue. He also stressed on the importance of working together leaving aside party colours on the Naga Political Issue, and called upon all the right thinking citizens including the CSOs to give a concerted effort on this issue.

Deputy Chief Minister, Y. Patton said that the issue of RIIN is to strengthen the entire process for issue of indigenous inhabitant certificate to protect the rights and privileges of indigenous inhabitant of Nagaland. On urban local bodies, he said Nagaland Government is under the constitutional obligation to adopt the new system of municipalities in accordance with provision of the

act, because of which, the Nagaland Municipal Act 2001 came into force.

Minister, Planning & Coordination, Land Revenue, Neiba Kronu stressed on the importance of working together as a team irrespective of party affiliation. On the issue of SARFAESI Act, he reiterated on the importance of banks for growth and development of educated unemployed youths in the state. He also added that banks will never come forward unless we mortgage our lands.

During the meeting, the Tribal Hohos took a collective decision to go for RIIN but insisted that Banuo Z. Jamir's Report should be made known to the general public before implementation.

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## **GOVERNOR INTERACTS WITH RANK HOLDERS AND TOPPERS OF THE HSLC EXAMINATION 2020**

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An interaction programme of rank holders and toppers of the High School Leaving Certificate (HSLC) Examination, 2020 was held at Dr.Imkongliba Ao Hall, Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The Governor congratulated the students and said that it is a matter of great satisfaction and delight in meeting the young achievers in whose hands the future of the country lies. He advised the young achievers to have a healthy routine, proper time management and stay away from social media and to be passionate with their targets. He encouraged the students to have self-confidence and believe in their hard work. He further requested the Chairman, NBSE to maintain a record of how the achievers are doing in life, so that they can keep track of what they have become in the future.

Advisor for School Education, K. T. Sukhalu while congratulating the students, advised them that education is not only about achieving a degree to get a job, but a medium to bring about changes and eradicate various problems. He urged them to value education while maintaining the same excellence they possess with high purpose for humanity and be examples for the next generation.

Principal Director, School Education,

Shanavas C, IAS in his speech encouraged the students to live life like a ladder, taking steps at a time but advised them not to get too confident as it is difficult to climb but easy to fall. He also said there are opportunities everywhere but many don't venture out due to lack of awareness. He also encouraged the students to have a career group where students can share ideas, interact about various subjects etc. as to be competent to compete with others from other states.

DCP-II, Dimapur, Aotula Imchen, IPS who also spoke on the occasion, said success gives confidence to shift forward and that their success is their first stepping stone of their achievement. She also encouraged them to work hard, to sacrifice more, make decisions, bear the pain, take in criticism, efforts to make dreams come true. She also advised them to thank their parents for their sacrifices, respect everyone that comes their way and make choices by oneself as life ahead has lots of challenges and pick oneself up from failures and never give up on oneself.

An interaction session was also held with the Governor. Altogether, 40 rank holders and toppers of the HSLC Examination 2020 from all the districts attended the interaction programme.





**CHIEF SECRETARY HOLDS MEETING WITH NIDA**

A meeting with the office bearers and representative of the Nagaland In-service Doctors' Association (NIDA) was held under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary Nagaland and other senior officers at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall, Kohima on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The meeting deliberated on the issue of superannuation age of the doctors and the proposed agitation of NIDA in this matter.

The Chief Secretary reiterated the appeal made on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021 not to go ahead with the proposed agitation in view of the present COVID situation in the State and the threat of second wave. The Chief Secretary informed that the Government is actively considering the matter relating to the increase in the superannuation age of the medical doctors, and offered to resolve the matter within a period not exceeding one year.

**AFRICAN SWINE FEVER DETECTED IN THE STATE**

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (AH&VS) has notified that outbreak of African Swine Fever (ASF) has occurred in the State of Nagaland. This was confirmed through RTPCR test by National Institute of High Security Animal Disease, Bhopal from the samples submitted from the districts of Phek and Kiphire.

Hence the public, pig farmers, pig traders, butchers, village functionaries, ward/colony members have been requested to remain cautious and vigilant and report any unusual mortality of domestic pigs and feral pigs to the nearest

Veterinary Institute and assist the Department of AH&VS and Environment, Forest & Climate Change for Sero-Surveillance, Control, Containment and Eradication as per the National Action Plan issued by Government of India.

The outbreak is notified as per the "The Prevention and Control of Infectious and Contagious Disease in Animal Act, 2009." Further, a radius of 1(one) Km from the epicentre of the disease outbreak at Phek and Kiphire is hereby declared Infected Zone (IZ) and a radius of 10 (ten) Km as Surveillance Zone with immediate effect until further notice.

**INAUGURAL PROGRAMME OF DR T. AO TROPHY**

The inaugural programme of the 21<sup>st</sup> Dr. T.Ao Inter-district Football Championship 2021 was held at Indira Gandhi (IG) Stadium, Kohima on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 with Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports, Er. Zale Neikha as the Special Guest of honour.

Speaking at the programme, Neikha called upon the participants to be disciplined and added that nothing can substitute hard work. He urged the players to follow the exemplary life of Dr. T. Ao, who rose up to the top in the list of football players. He

mentioned that the Government under the Chief Ministership of Neiphiu Rio is committed for the development of sports infrastructure and will provide all the necessary help to all the sportspersons.

An exhibition match was played between the women of IGS XI vs Kohima XI. The championship was held from 12<sup>th</sup> April to 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at IG Stadium, Kohima. All the 12 districts of the State took part in this year's edition.

**LRD AND KSC SIGNS MoU**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was inked between the Land Resources Department (LRD), Government of Nagaland and

Kohima Science College (KSC) on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 at the Directorate of Land Resources, Kohima. The MoU was signed by Director, LRD, T. Renben Lotha,





Officials during the signing of the MoU between Land Resources Department, Government of Nagaland and Kohima Science College on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 at the Directorate of Land Resources, Kohima.

and Principal, Kohima Science College, Dr. Lily Sema.

The areas of collaboration would specially be on:

1. Acquiring reagents and participate in undertaking water quality analysis of the springs through the Chemistry Department, KSC.
2. Undertake hydro-geological studies/surveys in all the 12 districts of the State of Nagaland of the identified springs/springshed through the Geology Department, KSC.
3. Bringing out the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the spring

inventory of the State. The Department has already brought out the 1<sup>st</sup> Edition of spring inventory of the State.

The partnership shall be for a period of one year initially and would be further extended if necessary. The partnership would open up opportunities for the academia to work with the implementers in real-time situations that would substantially enhance their field experiences, add value to their research works and even increase future career prospects. KSC can fit in as a very important channel between the research and student community and State Department, and bridge the gap between lab and land.

### AGOK HOLDS 'NOUSI KEHOU'

The Angami Gazetted Officers Krotho' (AGOK) held a 'Nousi Kehou' at the AGOK Badze, Meriema on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 with an appeal for the ongoing construction of the AGOK Badze Multi Utility Centre at Meriema, Kohima.

President, AGOK, Dr. Kedoze Punyü briefed on the Multi-Utility Centre project stating that the idea of initiating some concrete development project at AGOK Badze was mooted at a meeting of Angami AHOs, HoDs, Senior Engineers and

Architects in 2017. He stated that the foundation stone of the AGOK Badze Multi Utility Centre was laid by the then Additional Chief Secretary & Finance Commissioner, Lt. Temjen Toy on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2017, wherein he urged the AGOK to envision a high standard multi utility centre that can serve the government and non-government organizations or private citizens. He also stated that due to its proximity to the state capital, the Multi-Utility Centre will be an asset for the citizens of



*President, Angami Gazetted Officers Krotho (AGOK), Dr. Kedozezo Punyü speaking at the 'Nousi Kehou' of AGOK at Meriema on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021.*

Kohima and requested all the members that the ongoing project should not be halted till completion and urged all the concerned to contribute for early completion of the building

Advisor, AGOK, Daso Paphino narrated on the history of AGOK and the plan of our visionary leaders and pioneers to acquire the land at Meriema to develop for practical purposes. He also stressed on the importance of balancing the proportion of 'Time, Money and Transparency' for any project to sustain.

Advisor, AGOK, Er. Kezha Theünuo elaborated on the technical reports of the structure plan of the project and envisage the facilities consisting of a Main Hall with 700-800 seating capacity, Mini Halls for smaller meetings, Guest Rooms, Large Kitchen/Dining Area, Office Rooms, Parking Area for over 100 vehicles. He also reminded that with all the above facilities to be accommodated in the project, the project cost is

expected to be very high and mentioned that the project should not be stalled as much progress had been made since its initiation. He urged all the members to own up to the project and contribute as per one's own capacity, so that the work of the project can go ahead.

Representatives from CGOK, WAGOK, SAGOK also applauded the development made by the AGOK and assured to give maximum support in the activities of AGOK. They also shared their views and deliberated on electing new executive members of AGOK which they opined to elect a search committee in the next gathering.

A trio group led by Project Director, TaFMA, Dr. Hovithal Sothu presented an AGOK 'Giezo' (composition) which was composed by Forest Range Officer, Keneikrul Noswe. Later in the programme, Atso Chase and the Griots presented 'the strongest' with his newly introduced musical instrument 'Gei-ü.'





## DOYANG RHYTHMS “MUSIC BY THE LAKE” HELD



Advisor, TaFMA, Theja Meru along with other officials briefing the gathering at Tourist Resort Area, Doyang, Wokha on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Acoustic Club, Wokha in collaboration with Task Force Music & Arts (TaFMA) held a two-day music festival at Wokha on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021, with the theme “Doyang Rhythms, Music by the Lake” at Doyang Tourist Resort Area. Advisor to Chief Minister, Nagaland, Abu Metha graced the occasion as the special guest.

Speaking on the launching programme, Abu Metha thanked the Acoustic Club, Wokha and TaFMA for coming together and making the event a reality and expressed with optimism that with the fantastic venue, the music festival has a tremendous scope to become much bigger event in the years to come, with the potential to become one of the premier music festivals in the entire region and the country. Metha urged the Acoustic Club and the young people of Wokha district to ensure that the music festival grows more. He said that Nagaland has tremendous potential in the field of Arts and Music. He added that the State Government with the guidance of TaFMA is taking up various initiatives to ensure that the talent

reaches its potential.

Metha disclosed that Nagaland will be hosting the first ever Asia Music Festival Summit at Konia. Participants, experts, resource persons, music bands and renowned musicians will be participating in this global event, where over two dozen countries, not just from Asia but across continent, will be taking part in the music festival. He added that the best of Naga music will be showcased during the Asia Music festival in Konia, for that TaFMA will pick up the best musicians from Wokha. He challenged the musicians to hard work and use the talent and ability to achieve one's dream.

TaFMA, Advisor, Theja Meru thanked the Acoustic Club, Wokha and the GoN for coming together to make the music festival a reality and hoped to make many more such events across the districts of Nagaland to give opportunity to the local musicians and artists to make economic impact in the lives. 15 local artists and bands from Wokha and one guest band took part in the music festival.





## WORLD VETERINARY DAY CELEBRATED

World Veterinary Day was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 across all the districts of the State, with the theme "Veterinarian response to the COVID-19 crisis." The occasion was organized by Nagaland Veterinarians' Association (NVA) in collaboration with State Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services. The occasion was successfully celebrated by way of organizing awareness programme, free livestock, poultry and pet vaccination, distribution of de-wormers and other activities.

### KOHIMA:

World Veterinary Day in Kohima district was celebrated at Drill Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> NAP Thizama on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The programme was chaired by Deputy Commandant, Khruosutho.

Delivering the keynote address, Chief Veterinary Officer, Kohima, Dr. Rokozo Dolie said that World Veterinary Day is celebrated all over the world on the last Saturday of April every year. It aims to promote the veterinary profession and work on improvement of animal and human welfare, the environment, food safety and practices of animal transport and quarantine.



*Officials and participants during the World Veterinary Day celebration at Drill Hall, 4<sup>th</sup> NAP Thizama, Kohima on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

DDDO, Kohima, Dr. Akangnungla highlighted on some diseases and its prevention including Classical Swine Fever, African Swine Fever, Foot and Mouth Disease, and also the importance of controlling Rabies, Canine Distemper, and Parvovirus infection in dogs.

Nagaland Veterinarians' Association (NVA) Presidential address was read out by General Secretary, NVA, Dr. Keduzol Ltu.

VAS, Chiephobozou, Dr. Vikuolie Mezhatso spoke on the theme, "Veterinarian response to COVID-19 crisis" wherein he mentioned the activities carried out in Kohima district. Healthcare and veterinary service was provided in all the veterinary institutes throughout the lockdown. The veterinarians and para-veterinarians in the district assisted the medical staff in quarantine duty in Meriema and K. Badze quarantine centers. QCP Khuzama handled sanitization of all vehicles entering Nagaland at Inter-state Police Check Post, Khuzama as directed by administration. Names of veterinarians specialized in diagnostics were recorded and submitted to higher authority to back up BSL-3 in Kohima. He further stated that as and when required, the department is prepared to participate in the second wave too.

On the occasion of World Veterinary Day, free anti-rabies vaccination was provided to 89 dogs in Thizama.

### DIMAPUR:

Dimapur district celebrated World Veterinary Day with the farmers of Doyapur village. The programme was chaired by Deputy Director, Veterinary Hospital, Dimapur, Dr. K.N. Zubemo Humtsoe and President, NVA, Dr. Nsanthung Ezung, CVO, Dimapur delivered the keynote address. PowerPoint presentation on activities of the Dimapur District Veterinary during the pandemic was presented by VAS, Veterinary Hospital, Dimapur, Dr. Bacto Sumi. A short speech was delivered by Doyapur Village Council Chairman.

A short formal programme was followed by Livestock Mela, Farmer's Orientation, and distribution of mineral and vitamin mixture.

### ZUNHEBOTO:

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Zunheboto celebrated World



Veterinary Day on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Veterinary Hospital, Zunheboto.

The programme was chaired by VAS(PH), Dr. Vilitoli Y. Kiba. CVO Zunheboto, Dr. Meyatoshi Aier while delivering the introductory note, thanked the pet owners for participating and also spoke on the benefits of rearing pets. The NVA Presidential Address, on behalf of Zunheboto district, was delivered by VAS, Zunheboto, Dr. Vinoto H. Ayemi.

Altogether 113 dogs and 3 cats were vaccinated with Anti-Rabies Vaccine. Free distribution of de-worming tablets (Albendazole), multi-vitamin powder etc. were distributed to around 90 pig owners.

#### **MOKOKCHUNG:**

Mokokchung district NVA unit celebrated World Veterinary Day at CTC Camous, Aolijen. The programme was chaired by FM, State Poultry Farm, Dr. Wapangsashi Walling. CVO, Mokokchung, Dr. B.M. Sunep delivered the keynote address while short speeches were delivered by DFO, Mokokchung, Dr. Sentitula IFS and Principal, CTC, Rev.Dr. A. Temjen Jamir.

#### **WOKHA:**

Wokha district observed World Veterinary Day 2021 at Englan village, with EAC Englan Hq, Echunbemo Erui as the Guest of Honour. The programme was chaired by Deputy Director, Veterinary Hospital, Wokha, Dr. Hokato Yeptho, while CVO, Wokha, Dr. N. Thungben Yanthan delivered the keynote address. 'Veterinarian response to COVID-19 crisis' was delivered by Dr. Yenben Kikon.



*Anti-rabies vaccination was carried out on World Veterinary Day at Wokha on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Short speech was delivered by Echunbemo Erui. The formal programme was followed by anti-rabies vaccination.

#### **LONGLENG:**

Longleng NVA Unit celebrated World Veterinary Day 2021 at Pongo village in collaboration with the Pongo Baptist Church.

A brief programme on the World Veterinary Day was held in the first session which was chaired by the Pastor, PBC. Dr. Aoyimsen Jamir read the message from the NVA President and expressed gratitude to the church for hosting the World Veterinary Day.

The second session was training on 'Economics and management of backyard piggery' by Dr. Aoyimsen Jamir and 'Feed management' by Dr. Lily Ngullie, KVK Longleng.

The third session was on 'Important diseases of pigs with special reference to ASF' by Dr. L. Bongtok Phom and 'Management of backyard poultry' by Dr. Vilie Medoze.

#### **TUENSANG:**

In Tuensang district, the activity was restricted due to COVID-19 pandemic, however about 200 dogs were vaccinated with Anti Rabies Vaccine.

#### **PHEK:**

At Phek, the World Veterinary Day was celebrated by awarding paravets of the district with token of appreciation for their service, and discussion on ASF outbreak besides highlighting the theme of the day.

#### **PEREN:**

Peren district observed World Veterinary Day 2021 at Ngwalwa town. Awareness programme was conducted and items like hand sanitizers, face masks, vitamins, disinfectants etc. were distributed.

#### **KIPHIRE:**

Kiphire district observed World Veterinary Day 2021 at District Veterinary Hospital where





awareness programme was conducted and free anti-rabies vaccination were given.

**MON:**

Mon district Unit of NVA celebrated World Veterinary Day 2021 with students of DBS, Tizit, Mon. Due to COVID-19 precautionary measures, only students from class IX & X attended the celebration.

**WOKHA:**

With the objective to provide global leadership for the veterinary profession and promote animal health and welfare and public health through advocacy, education and partnership, World Veterinary Day was also observed at Wokha.

Keeping in mind the ongoing pandemic situation that took toll on animal welfare, the occasion was observed on the theme "Veterinary response to the COVID-19 crisis."

**APC NAGALAND ADDRESSES MEETING OF AGRI & ALLIED DEPARTMENTS**



*APC, Kikheto Sema, IAS addressing the Agri & Allied Departments meeting at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Agriculture Production Commissioner, Kikheto Sema, IAS called for a "need base" meeting of all Agri & Allied Departments of Nagaland to discuss the various difficulties and challenges being faced by the State on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat Conference Hall, Kohima.

The APC stated that Nagaland is facing a drought like situation with reports coming in from across the State. Seeds have not germinated due to shortage of water and shortfall of rain, and the few

seeds that have germinated have failed to survive. He also said reports of hailstorm and attack of crops by Fall Army Worm across the State have affected the crop production. Livestock farming has also been hit by the African Swine Fever, Foot and Mouth disease, he added.

Stating that extraordinary times call for extraordinary measures, the APC called on the Agri & Allied Departments to take the situation into stock and take up the challenges faced by the people of



the State. Immediate action should be taken in affected areas, he reiterated. Stating that 70% population of the State live in rural areas and are engaged in agriculture, he stated that it is time the qualified officers of the Agri & Allied Departments put their heads together and give solutions to the farmers. Agriculture cannot be stopped, even if there is a pandemic and we need to be prepared for any eventualities that may arise. He called for the four Cs - Cooperation, Coordination, Confidence and Contribution amongst the department to fight the issue that lies ahead. He also appealed to the citizens of the State to maintain a kitchen garden in their own backyards.

Kikheto Sema instructed the Agriculture and Horticulture Departments to assess the damage of seeds and to replace them on urgent need bases so that the farmers can use the season to replant and grow the crops. He also suggested on purchasing of seeds from other allotted funds because of the urgency. He also called on the Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department to

sensitize the people on alternate livestock farming such as goat farming and poultry. Fishery is also another alternative towards sustaining food production in the State, he stated, and called on the Fisheries & Aquatic Resources Department to encourage people to practice rearing fishes. He also urged the Sericulture Department to create awareness on the importance of silkworm, its importance and how easy and cheap it is to rear them.

The APC, who is also the Nodal Officer for Jal Shakti Abhiyan, stressed on water conservation and rainwater harvesting. He stated that Land Resource Department, Water Resources Department, PHED should work towards water conservation and water resource management. He also called for creating awareness and importance of rainwater harvesting to Village Councils, churches, NGOs and other organizations.

The meeting was attended by AHoDs and HoDs of Agri and Allied Departments. Discussions, suggestions and action plans were addressed during the meeting.

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*Commissioner & Secretary, Youth Resources & Sports, Alun Hangsing along with officials and sportspersons during the opening ceremony of the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Level Indigenous Games Competition at the Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.*



*Players lined up during the inaugural programme of the 21<sup>st</sup> Dr. T. Ao Inter-district Football Championship 2021 held at Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*





*To stop the spread of COVID-19 in the State, COVID-19 vaccination drive at Naginimora, anti-COVID-19 campaign at Shamator, and enforcement drive on wearing of face mask at Kohima, were carried out in April 2021.*



*A 101 year old man getting the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine at Tiru, Mon, and elderly persons taking the COVID-19 vaccine at Kohima on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*



*Training on mushroom farming was imparted to around 100 women at Noklak on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*



*Kharif seeds were distributed to the project villages under FOCUS-Nagaland at the District Agriculture Officer's Office, Longleng on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021.*





*Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inaugurating the RCC T- Beam Bridge over Dhansiri River, Dimapur on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*



*Advisor, Tourism and Art & Culture, H Khehovi Yephthomi along with officials during the inauguration of the new Police Station and SDO (C) Office at Suruhuto, Zunheboto on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

**DISTRIBUTION OF KHARIF SEEDS UNDER FOCUS-IFAD LONGLENG**

Fostering Climate Resilient Upland Farming Systems in Northeast-Nagaland (FOCUS Nagaland), an externally aided project funded by IFAD, distributed kharif seeds to the project villages under Longleng District on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at the District Agriculture Officer's (DAO) Office, Longleng.

DAO & DPM of FOCUS-IFAD, S. Yongchang Phom encouraged the farmers to work sincerely and implement the activities with full seriousness to ensure that they get full benefit from the project.

Phom also stated that despite the pandemic, FOCUS was able to provide seeds during the kharif season in April 2020, which is earmarked for their self-consumption, aided in distributing the products to nearby villages and markets during the nationwide lockdown.

Packages of the kharif seeds were given to the lead farmers, who received the allotted quantity on behalf of the villages and were also informed to ensure that the allotted quantity reach out to all the interested beneficiaries from the FIGs.

**MDFRA HOLDS INTRODUCTORY PROGRAMME**

The Mon District Football Referee Association (MDFRA) held its first ever Introductory-cum-pre-Aoleang Feast programme on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at Treasurer's Residence with the objective to strengthen the Association and motivate the youths for a 'Drugs Free

Environment.'

The programme was attended by the MDFRA, KSU, pioneers of Referees Association and some senior citizens of Mon town. The programme was chaired by T. Nokyam Khoiyem, General Secretary, MDFRA.

**4<sup>TH</sup> CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF SAKHI - OSC HELD AT WOKHA**

Sakhi - One Stop Centre (OSC), Wokha conducted its 4<sup>th</sup> Consultative Meeting at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 with the District Level Management Committee.

SDO (C), Wokha, Chonpenthung Ezung while giving the keynote address highlighted about the various services provided to the women affected by violence and also briefed about the guidelines to be followed by the converging departments under Sakhi - OSC, Wokha. He further encouraged the team of Sakhi - OSC to give more importance to conduct convergence programmes.

Mhathung Kikon, IT OSC gave a presentation on innovation and outreach covered by

OSC. He also highlighted about the awareness programmes conducted and cases received since its inception.

During the discussion hour, inputs and suggestions were given by various departments for smooth functioning of the Centre. Taking the inputs and suggestions given by various departments the team assured that the Centre will reach out to the unreached through all possible means.

Senior Advisor, President of Wokha Bar Association, Oren, representatives from Lotha Eloehoho, Women Cell Police Station, Wokha, Wokha District Legal Service and District Welfare Committee members participated in the programme.

**POSHAN PAKHWADA CULMINATES AT MON**

Social Welfare Department, Mon in collaboration with convergent departments conducted the Poshan Pakhwada Closing

Programme on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 at DRDA's Conference Hall, Mon.

During the programme, Deputy

Commissioner, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS and Project Director, DRDA Mon, Temjen Longchar emphasized on the importance of all the activities and encouraged the Anganwadi Workers and helpers to keep up with their good works in coming days. DPO, Mon, Tauhong Ngonyen thanked all the

convergent departments, Anganwadi Workers and helpers, Poshan Co-ordinators and Supervisors for their initiatives and hard work.

Report on the activities of Poshan Pakhwada 2021 was highlighted by District Co-ordinator, Poshan, Nokyam.

### CANDLELIGHT VIGIL HELD IN KOHIMA

A candlelight vigil was organised by Zeliangrong Students Union Kohima on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Hundreds of Kohima citizens assembled at the Local Ground, Kohima to pay homage to Late Itingwangbe Haikam, Late Peramhialungbo and Late Sikamwangbo, who were killed by unknown assailants on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021 at Lamhainamdi village in Peren District.

President, Zeliangrong Baudi, Kohima, Dr. Hiabe Zeliang in his speech urged all right thinking citizens to condemn 'gun culture.' He also urged the law enforcing agency to book the culprits and award

befitting punishment at the earliest.

Others who also spoke at the candlelight event included President, Angami Public Organisation, Dr. Kepelhusie Terhüja, President, Tenyimi People's Organisation, Timikha Koza, President, Lotha Hoho Kohima.

Solidarity speeches were also delivered by Zeliangrong Students Union, Nagaland, Rengma Students Union, Pochury Students Union, Chakhesang Student's Union, Angami Students Union and Ao Students Union. One minute silence was also observed for the departed souls during the programme.

### INTER COY SPORTS MEET 2021 CULMINATES



DC, Zunheboto, Peter Lichamo along with officials during the culmination of the 9<sup>th</sup> Inter Coy Sports Meet-cum-36<sup>th</sup> Raising Day 2021 at Zunheboto on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

The 8<sup>th</sup> NAP, Dynamic Eight Battalion, Naltoqa, Zunheboto District culminated its 9<sup>th</sup> Inter Coy Sports Meet-cum-36<sup>th</sup> Raising Day 2021 on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 with Deputy Commissioner (DC), Zunheboto, Peter Lichamo gracing the closing ceremony as Guest of Honour.

The DC stressed on the importance of discipline

not only in the field of sports but in all aspects of life. He also added that such kind of sport events brings out a common platform of friendship and often leaves fond memories behind. He further urged them to always remain sincere towards serving the people.

Commandant, 8<sup>th</sup> NAP and Organizing



Chairman, H Kuhovi Sema said that, the battalion which was one of the oldest battalions, established back in 1985, should always remain thankful to the pioneers and also the land donors from the neighbouring villages.

The closing programme began with general salute by the buglers and was followed by

presentation of bamboo dance by Unit School, weapon handling (blind folded) from the Unit, cultural dance from Women Department and march pass by the participating teams. Brief report of the event was presented by Deputy Commandant and Organizing Secretary, Y Kumtsu Yim.

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### **AOLEANG MONYU FESTIVAL CELEBRATED AT KISAMA**

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Konyak Union Kohima (KUK) celebrated its premiere festival, Aoleang Monyu on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 at Naga Heritage Village, Kisama with Advisor for Fire & Emergency Services, State Institute of Rural Development and Relief & Rehabilitation, Pohwang Konyak as the Special Guest.

Speaking at the function, Konyak said that Aoleang Monyu festival is the most important festival of the Konyak Nagas which is celebrated for six days, beginning from 1<sup>st</sup> April every year. He said that

Aoleang Monyu festival signifies invoking the divine blessings and marks the end of the old year and welcoming the new year.

Welcome speech was delivered by the President, Konyak Union, Kohima, Dr. W. Phola. Significance of the Aoleang Monyu festival was shared by State Chaplain, Reverend T.W.Yamyap. The programme also witnessed cultural dance presented by Longchang Unit, Tobu Unit, Aboi Unit, Chen Unit, Wakching Unit and Mon Circle.

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### **T.R. ZELIANG VISITS LAMHAINAMDI VILLAGE UNDER PEREN DISTRICT**

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Leader of Opposition, T.R. Zeliang visited Lamhainamdi village under Peren District on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and paid homage at the burial ground of the three persons who were mercilessly killed by unknown armed assailants on the fateful evening of 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021. A short prayer was also pronounced by Reverend Kuzierang Thou.

T.R. Zeliang stated that the merciless and inhumane massacre of the three innocent lives at Lamhainamdi village is a challenge to the Nagas as well as the District Administration and security personnel of Peren District. He encouraged the people to retrospect on the history of the village,

strongly uphold their rights and stand for it.

Stating that it is the responsibility of everyone to nab the culprits, he called upon the gathering, regardless of their political affiliations and denominations, to come forward and work unitedly and effectively with the administration and police personnel in order to ensure that the culprits be arrested at the earliest. He expressed confidence that the culprits will be given stringent punishment.

The Leader of Opposition was accompanied by the District Administration, Police Personnel and civil societies of Peren District.

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### **EXTEND THE BEST DELIVERY SYSTEM TO THE PUBLIC: ZHALEO RIO**

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Advisor for Sericulture, Excise and Minority Affairs, Zhaleo Rio who is also the Chairman of District Planning & Development Board (DPDB), Dimapur while welcoming the new members of DPDB, Dimapur advised them to give the best delivery system to the public. Addressing the Board's meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at the Deputy

Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Dimapur, Zhaleo impressed upon them to give their best for co-ordinating and co-operating with the District Administration, Police and also the elected members of Dimapur District so that together they could work for the welfare and upliftment of the general public.



Dubbing DPDB meetings as a common platform for sharing views and opinions for the betterment of the District, Zhaleo further impressed upon the HoDs under Dimapur District for more participation. He also made a special request to the legislators of Dimapur District for attending DPDB meetings.

Dwelling on the alarming scenario of second wave of COVID-19 hitting different States of India, Zhaleo reminded the District Task Force, Dimapur to further strengthen COVID-19 management protocols and not to be complacent.

DC, Dimapur, Rajesh Soundararajan appealed to all the HoDs to be ready and mentally prepared for fighting the second wave of COVID-19, considering the fact that Dimapur was the main transit district for travellers. He informed that DTF, Dimapur would start enforcement of COVID-19 protocols again on daily basis and directed Dimapur Municipal Council for ensuring that all shopkeepers observe COVID-19 protocols.

Aghunaka has been selected as the Aspirational Block under Dimapur District, and for which DC, Dimapur informed that a committee would be constituted at the earliest and notifications would be issued.

Agendas taken up during the meeting included recommendation for registration of societies, change of nomenclature of Concern Kids Montessori School to Concern Kids School, 4<sup>th</sup> Mile. The Board also approved and submitted to the higher authorities for approval the opening of new schools namely, Rising Montessori School, Toulazouma village, Dimapur, Sunrise Pre-school, 7<sup>th</sup> Mile Chumukedima, upgradation of Riverine School, Thilixu village, Dimapur and Quest Fulfill School, Model Colony, Purana Bazaar, Dimapur. Shifting of Ebenezer High School, Dhansiripar to Seloupe village and Logos School from Sovima F Khel to Kuda Nagarjan B Khel were also deliberated and approved by the Board and submitted to the higher authority for further action.

### **DTF KOHIMA CONDUCTS SURPRISE CHECKING AND AWARENESS DRIVE ON COVID- 19 PROTOCOLS**

To oversee the enforcement of COVID-19 protocols in the State Capital, especially the mandatory wearing of face mask in public places, the District Task Force, Kohima on COVID-19 conducted a surprise checking and awareness drive in the Capital's streets and shops at several locations on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Many violators were penalized as per the guidelines while face masks were also distributed to the people.

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, N Bhavani Sri, IAS said the surprise checking and awareness drive was initiated to sensitize the people on the usage of wearing mask. Sri said the drive was carried out by the District Administration, Police, Health & Family Welfare

Department and DBs.

SDO (C), Kohima, R Daniel Angami said citizens should be aware of how to take care of themselves. With the surge of the second wave and the rise of positive cases in the State as well, we have to go back to people and plea with them to wear mask, he stated. He said wearing masks is the least that citizens can do to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

The awareness drive was conducted at Police Headquarter - BOC Junction, Main Town, Old Tata Parking - Keziekie, Razhü Point - Super Market Area, Jail Colony Junction, High School Junction- Sanuoru Bridge, Mohonkhola - Dzüvüru Bridge and Tinpati - Census Office Road.

### **PEREN DPDB MEETING HELD**

The monthly Peren District Planning & Development Board meeting was held on 6<sup>th</sup> April

2021 under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC), Peren & DPDB, Vice-





Chairman, Sentiwapang Aier at DC's Conference Hall, Peren.

Regarding upgradation of Government High School at Ahthibung, the Board members agreed to approve and recommend to the higher authorities for further follow up action. Other agendas discussed in the meeting included constitution of District Level Aspirational Blocks Committee and ban on plying of log/heavy vehicles.

DEO (Evaluation), Peren, Erangnimbe Thou gave a thorough and a detailed presentation about the status and activities of the Department in the District. Nagaland State Biodiversity Board, Chairman in his PowerPoint presentation highlighted on the importance, role, structure of the State Biodiversity Board and also the roles of Biodiversity Management Board at the village level.

### PHEK DTF HOLDS MEETING



*Members of Phek District Task Force Committee for COVID-19 during an emergency meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DC's Chamber, Phek.*

The Phek District Task Force Committee for COVID-19 held an emergency meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Phek Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Chamber.

DIO, Phek, Dr. Kolhitso Khalo called upon the District Task Force Committee to give information to all sections of the people in order to

prevent COVID-19, and called upon everyone to co-operate in the effort. He urged everyone to be cautious and take proper precautionary measures to contain the disease.

DC, Phek, Razouvolie Dozo expressed his appreciation to the medical personnel and added that they are doing their best in the fight against the disease.

### 1<sup>ST</sup> NTU MARTYRS OPEN VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT HELD

The 1<sup>st</sup> Ntu Martyrs Open Volleyball Tournament kicked off on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Ntu Village under Tening Sub-Division in Peren District with Advisor for Water Resources Department, Namri Nchang as the Special Guest.

The tournament was organised in memory of five martyrs of Ntu village who sacrificed and laid down their lives in defending the village and the Nagas during the late 1950s'.

Namri Nchang emphasized on the

importance of sports in a person's life and encouraged the participating teams to do their best. He stated that sports is a part of self-education which improves health and motivates one in various walks of life. To be a good sports person, he urged the gathering to be physically and mentally fit. He also spoke on various policies of the Government to promote sports. Referring to Khelo India, Catch

Them Young tournament, he said these tournaments have been launched to encourage and discover young talents in the country, and he further urged the gathering to strive for excellence and work hard to be successful.

Short speeches were also delivered by K. Azanbo and Neiba Newmai. The programme was chaired by Papibo Pamai.

### **HEALTH CAMP HIGHLIGHTED AT LONGLENG DPDB MEETING**

The Longleng District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner (DC), M. Shayung Phom at DC's Conference Hall.

The DC briefed on the latest SOPs to contain and control the spread of COVID-19. The DC appealed to the members for strict implementation of social distancing, hand washing and compulsory use of face mask. The Board decided to enforce strict compliance of COVID-19 SOPs within the town by the combined force of District Administration and the Police by imposing fine on defaulters. In this regard, the DC urged the members to sensitize the people in their locality so that citizens can take precautionary measures to control the spread of the virus in the community.

The Board also discussed the participation of Longleng District in the Dr. T. Ao Trophy. President, Longleng District Football Association, Patham highlighted on the ongoing coaching of the players and financial constraints of the Association. He also thanked the officers for their cooperation and financial contribution in previous years.

CMO, Longleng, Dr. Obangjunga gave a PowerPoint presentation and informed that Charity

Screening Camp for Ear and Hearing will be conducted in the District after completion of registration drive in April. She appealed to the members to disseminate the information and asserted that it was necessary to present PowerPoint presentation before the screening camp for awareness purpose.

CMO highlighted on various causes of hearing loss and deafness, impacts of unaddressed hearing loss, and early identification and management. She further informed that registration can be done at Community Health Centre, Yachem and Tamlu, Primary Health Centre at Yongnyah, Shakshi, Pongo and other health centres in the District. The camp will be conducted only after the registration is done as medical equipment and facilities would be prepared accordingly, she added.

EE, Public Health Engineering Department, Longleng also spoke on the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and said that the mission was launched to provide safe and adequate drinking water through Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) to every rural household by 2024. He also informed on various committees formed at the State, District and Block level for strict implementation of the mission.

### **PUGHOBOTO SDPDB HOLDS MEETING**

Pughoboto Sub-Division Planning & Development Board (SDPDB) meeting was conducted under the chairmanship of MLA and SDPDB, Chairman, Y. Vikheho Swu at the DB's Court Hall, Pughoboto on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The Board decided to take up with the

authority for the immediate posting of Head Masters and Assistant Headmasters for schools running without them under Pughoboto Sub-Division. The Board deliberated on minority scholarship for Class I to X, which will be applied online. Replying to the deplorable road condition between Kashanyu to

Pughoboto, SDO, Akumyanger apprised the Board that the matter will be taken up after the completion of some works in the area. The Board also discussed about renovating offices.

SDEO, Grace Ashom in her presentation

informed that altogether there are 32 schools, 303 teachers and 1,213 students as per the latest data in the Sub-Division. Area Education Officer highlighted the duties, powers and functioning of schools in the Sub-Division.

### **TREE PLANTATION DRIVE HELD AT PUGHOBOTO**

MLA and Sub-Division Planning & Development Board (SDPDB), Pughoboto, Chairman, Y. Vikheho Swu initiated the tree plantation drive, after a gap of one year due to COVID-19 pandemic, from Mishilimi Gate to Mini Secretariat, New ADC Office, Pughoboto on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Swu has been supervising the plantation since the inception of Thüwü-ni 2014. He stressed on the need to maintain ecological balance and informed that a social work will be conducted after

one month.

Saplings were planted along the New Mini Secretariat vicinity to Government High School Road, SABAK, NCRC and Mishilimi Government Middle School with varieties of saplings. The saplings were supplied by the Forest Department and Vikheho Swu, under the Local Area Development Programme 2020-21.

Various officers along with their staff under Pughoboto Sub-Division took part in the drive.

### **FREE MEDICAL CAMP CONDUCTED FOR OLD AGED AND PENSIONERS AT PHEK**



*A free medical camp for old aged and pensioners sponsored by 22<sup>nd</sup> Assam Rifles, Phek Battalion and organized by the Phek District Pensioners' Association, was held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Local Ground, Phek.*

A one-day free medical camp for old aged and pensioners under the theme 'Op Sadbhavana' was conducted on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Local Ground, Phek town. The medical camp was sponsored and conducted by the 22<sup>nd</sup> Bais Bahadur Assam Rifles (AR), Phek Battalion and organized by the Phek District Pensioners' Association (PDPA).

The programme was led by President, PDPA, Yeveyi Sapuh. The medical team comprised of Captain Abdul Sharma, MBBS/RMO, 22<sup>nd</sup> AR,

Phek, Dr. Sivesh Varshan, Medicine Specialist, Dr. Ngupelo Koza, MO, Dr. Victoris Seb, Skin Specialist, Dr. Neikhrielie Khro and SDO(C), Phek, Samuel Thyug.

The camp was conducted to cater to the needs of old citizens by providing proper health information and nutrition. Medicines and other amenities were also provided to the beneficiaries. Vote of thanks was delivered by President, PDPA, Yeveyi Sapuh. A total of 290 citizens were registered during the camp.



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## KOHIMA DTF ON COVID-19 TAKES UP ISSUES PERTAINING TO COVID-19 SURGE

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Kohima District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 took up various issues pertaining to COVID-19 surge in the District during its meeting held at DPDB's Conference Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The meeting was attended by Minister-in-Charge for Kohima District on COVID-19, Minister for Public Works Department, Housing and Mechanical, Tongpang Ozukum and was chaired by Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, Gregory Thejawelie.

Deliberating on COVID-19 surge and the District's preparedness on the issue, the meeting decided to re-activate the sector officers and wards/colonies on COVID-19 to carry out COVID-19 related activities in their respective areas, as executed earlier. The meeting observed that this is necessitated because of the increase of positive cases and moreover to monitor the returnees from other States, in their respective areas as precautionary measure.

In this connection, Ozukum said that without the active participation of all wards, colonies and panchayats, the District would not have achieved what it have so far, and called upon all stakeholders to continue their support towards the successful implementation of the existing Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs).

For effective implementation of existing

SOPs on COVID-19 in all the wards and colonies, especially wearing of face mask, the meeting decided to recommend for authorisation of All Kohima Municipal Ward Panchayats (AKMWP) to High Powered Committee on COVID-19 to check and implement the SOP, especially wearing of face mask in their respective areas and also to penalise defaulters.

In this regard, the DC informed that the DTF comprising of District Administration, Police and Medical team conducted surprise checking to enforce COVID-19 protocols within Kohima town on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and defaulters were penalised. He said that DTF will continue to carry out such enforcement drive in coming days for the welfare and safety of everyone.

As entrusted by the Health & Family Welfare Department, DTF also decided to conduct random sampling and testing within Kohima town with some group of people involving their concerned unions and AKMWP organisations.

Chief Medical Officer, Kohima, Dr. Vezokholu Theyo highlighted on the recent spike of positive cases detected at St. Paul Training Institute and informed that all necessary measures for close contact of those who were tested positive were taken care of.

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## KHIAMNIUNGAN MENYIU HOIKAM EXECUTIVE MEETING-CUM-MUSHROOM TRAINING HELD

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The 13<sup>th</sup> Khamniungan Menyiu Hoikam (KMH) Executive Meeting-cum-Mushroom Training was held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at KMH Treasurer's Residence, Noklak.

Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, Reny Wilfred, IAS encouraged the gathering to take up various livelihood projects to help themselves and the society grow. He shared on the plans and programmes initiated by the District for promotion of women.

SDO (C), Noklak, C. Phuniang stated that KMH should continue to come forward and actively participate in peace making and decision making of the tribe in particular and the society in general.

He reminded to remain extra vigilant and foresee the fast social and other development that is going to come particularly in the wake of upgradation of Noklak to a full-fledged District, so as to maintain the dignity of the society. He also cautioned against taking any hasty decision but to have a rational approach in all matters. Further, he appealed to all for extending their co-operation to the Government.

The meeting was followed by training on mushroom farming under the initiative of District Administration of Noklak and KMH. More than 100 women attended the mushroom training from Village Level Units under Noklak District.





### TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

The Tuensang District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held at DC's Conference Hall on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner (DC) and Vice Chairman, DPDB, Tuensang, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS.

The members discussed the agenda on transferring Chingmelen, Helipong and Sipongsang villages from Sotokur EAC Administrative Circle to Tuensang District Administrative Circle, and decision was taken to forward it to the Government for further action.

The District Level Committee for the Aspirational Block, Chessore was set up with the following members - CMO, EE (Roads & Bridges), EE (Power), DAO (Agriculture), DHO (Horticulture), District Soil Conservation Officer, PD Land Resources, DEO (Education), DFO (Forest), PD, RD, DWO and President, YTC.

The Board deliberated on the upgradation of Class V to Class VIII of Mount Sinai School, Longkhim, improvement of road between Main Road to Imlong Theological College Campus and financial assistance in construction of

Badminton Court at Government Higher Secondary School, Thangjam was also discussed, and it decided to contribute for the same. The proposal for the registration of Grace Ministry Welfare Society at Chessore village was discussed and the Board agreed to send the proposal to the Government for registration.

The Board also discussed with the General Manager of State Bank of India on the loopholes in the functioning of the bank, its service policies and for better delivery of services in the District.

The representatives of NHIDCL were also invited to the meeting to discuss on the ongoing work between Mokokchung and Tuensang. The representatives gave the details of the work programme. NHIDCL was advised to complete the work with best workmanship and within the stipulated time.

District Welfare Officer presented a PowerPoint presentation on the departmental activities, where the cases of non-beneficiaries of eligible sections were discussed, and the Board agreed to write to the Government for the same.

### KIPHIRE DPDB MEETING HELD

The Kiphire District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall under the chairmanship of DC & Vice-Chairman, DPDB, T. Wati Aier.

The Board deliberated on setting up a

Carpentry Training Institute at Sangphure and the Board decided to put forward the proposal to the higher authorities for further necessary action. Power Department has been entrusted to present PowerPoint presentation at the next DPDB meeting.

### SPECIAL HANDLOOM EXPO 'HORNBILL' NERTPS INAUGURATED AT DIMAPUR



Director, Industries & Commerce, K. Hokishe Assumi inaugurating the Special Handloom Expo 'Hornbill' NERTPS at Urban Haat, Dimapur on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



Director of Industries & Commerce, K. Hosishe Assumi inaugurated Special Handloom Expo 'Hornbill' NERTPS sponsored by Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, under Development Commissioner for Handlooms, at Urban Haat,

Dimapur on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Altogether 30 stalls from three states -Assam, Manipur and Nagaland participated in the expo. The objective of the expo is to showcase the products of the weavers as well as to improve their livelihood.

### **JALUKIE SDTF MEETING HELD**

Jalukie Sub-Divisional Task Force (SDTF) on COVID-19 held a meeting at DB's Court, Jalukie town on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 under the chairmanship of ADC & Chairman, SDTF, Jalukie, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang.

DIO & MO, Community Health Centre, Jalukie highlighted about the vaccination for COVID-19 and urged everyone to avail the facilities on time.

The SDTF deliberated on the hesitancy of the public to receive the vaccine. In this connection,

the ADC asked the SDTF members to disseminate the right information to the public and the priority groups, about the safety of the vaccine. Dr. Chang also made an appeal to the general public to avail the facility provided by the Government through the Health & Family Welfare Department. Further, he asked for active participation and support from the members and public for successful and effective implementation of the vaccination drive.

### **STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD HIGHLIGHTED AT WOKHA DPDB MEETING**

The monthly District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for Wokha District was held on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha.

Chairman, Nagaland State Biodiversity Board (NSBB), S.P. Tripathi, IFS (Retired) highlighted on status of implementation of Biological Diversity Act 2002 & Rules 2004 in Nagaland. He said that under Wokha District, the Board has registered 133 villages as per the topography and vegetation. The villages had been selected to study on the secondary income they generate and detailed project reports or State Report is being prepared according to it. Tripathi also stated that training has been conducted for Wokha District in 2018.

While thanking the NSBB on the visit to the District, Advisor for Horticulture and Border Affairs & Chairman, DPDB, Wokha, Mhathung Yanthan said Biodiversity Management policy and the Act which has already been put in place all over the country will also be very beneficial for the State. Yanthan urged the State Board to ponder upon effective implementation of the Act for the benefit of the people and train the people on preservation of biodiversity. He opined that the used or unutilized land can be converted into Community Reserve

Forest. Yanthan urged all the Departments in the District to go to the villages personally and educate the village functionaries to register with the State Biodiversity Board for its effective implementation.

ADC, Planning, Nchumbemo Kikon highlighted that the State Government has selected Champang area as the Aspirational Block for Wokha District, where the DC will head the District Level Committee with District Planning Officer as Member Secretary. The Board also decided to set up a committee involving all the developmental departments for effective implementation of State Government's vision during the targeted period.

Mhathung Yanthan stressed on the importance of topography, natural resources and human resources survey for effective action plan and implementation process on the basis of convergence mode where all the departments will come together in the same line with the four aspirational villages in the District for successful implementation. He urged all the departments to put their resources through various programmes and schemes that are being implemented in the District. He added that the District should not only depend on funds from Government, but urged all the implementing agencies to come up with



comprehensive planning and put their best efforts with moral responsibilities.

MLA, Dr. Chumben Murry suggested that the Chairman or Vice-chairman, DPDB write to all the Head of Departments of the State, requesting them to give special consideration and allocate some fund to be used for Aspirational Blocks.

The Board also had interaction with following banks - LEAD, SBI, ICICI, Bank of Baroda, Central Bank to ascertain their performances in the District and how the banks are implementing individual schemes provided through various Gol schemes like PMS, Mudra loan, Startup India, KCC,

etc. The Board also decided to invite Indian Postal Service in the next meeting.

The Board discussed the following agenda - upgradation of EAC Headquarter, Chukitong to SDO (C) Headquarter, upgradation of Government Middle School, Liphayan to Government High School, upgradation of the road from NH-702D Chanki Junction to Woroku Ralan Junction via Sanis-Lotsu Single Lane to Intermediate Lane (103 Km), presentation and upgradation of British Bungalow at Chukitong, Yikhum, Sanis and Bhandari under Tourism Department. The Board recommended the discussed agendas to the Government for approval.

### WOKHA DTF MEETING ON COVID-19 HELD

Wokha District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 held a meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Wokha. The meeting was chaired by DC & Chairman, Wokha DTF, Orenthung Lotha.

The DC stated that the District needs reinforcement in screening and registration of people coming to the District from outside the State and to conduct screening and testing for COVID-19 on all shopkeepers and businessmen.

Chief Medical Officer, Wokha, Dr. C.W. Tungoe informed that COVID-19 testing for students pursuing studies outside the State is going on. He

appealed to the District Administration and Village Council leaders to co-ordinate during surveillance of suspected COVID-19 positive cases.

The DTF members decided that screening and registration for person entering the District will be done at Tiya Hall. Rest House will be converted into institutional quarantine, where inmates of quarantine centres are to arrange their own transportation, and COVID-19 Care Centre at the District Hospital will cater to positive cases. The DTF members agreed that the latest SOP be strictly reinforced such as wearing of face mask, social distancing in public places/gathering and hand washing.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST HELD AT KIPHIRE



Officials and participants during the public speaking contest jointly organized by the District Administration and District Level Centre for Women - Mahila Shakti Kendra, Kiphire at DC's Conference Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021.



The District Administration and District Level Centre for Women-Mahila Shakti Kendra, Kiphire jointly organised public speaking contest at DC's Conference Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The themes for the contest were 'Challenges faced by women of Kiphire District,' 'The rise of women is not about the fall of men,' and 'Gender balance is not solely a women's issue, but also an economic issue.'

In the Class IX to XII category, the first position was won by Thingrila A Sangtam and second and third prizes were won by Chumtila and Thsipongla L Sangtam, respectively. All the three winners are from Saramati View Modern School,

Kiphire.

In the other category, the first position was won by Thrilela I Sangtam, while Angali T Sumi and Sekhumla K Sangtam won the second and third position, respectively. All the winners are from Zisaji Presidency College, Kiphire. Altogether, 40 students participated in the competition.

The event moderator was District Co-ordinator, Mahila Shakti Kendra, Kiphire, Visuthong T. The judges of the competition were BDO, Longmatra Block, Dr. Ezao L Ezung, Assistant Professor, ZPC, Nekhotsolu Chozho, and Graduate Teacher, GHSS, Kiphire, Imlikokla.

### **TUENSANG DTF FOR COVID-19 MEETING HELD**

Tuensang District Task Force for COVID-19 held a meeting at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Tuensang on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The meeting was chaired by DC & Chairman, DTF, Tuensang, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS.

The members discussed about reviving the Check Gate at 3<sup>rd</sup> NAP Check Post, to collect the travel history and bio data for contact tracing purposes. The members also agreed to go for a

massive awareness drive for 'COVID-19 Appropriate Behaviours' to contain the pandemic.

The DTF also discussed on COVID-19 vaccination drive, where all the Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres are to be activated for the same purpose and also decided to host a Vaccination Mela at Tuensang Town Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

### **PHEK DPDB MEETING**

The Phek District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) monthly meeting was held on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner & Vice-Chairman, DPDB, Phek, Razouvolie Dozo at DPDB's Conference Hall, Phek.

Environment, Forests & Climate Change Department, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary

Services Department and Water Resources Department presented on the departmental activities taken up in the District. The members had an interaction with department officials for better co-ordination and implementation of activities. The registration of Lirhu Tro Society, Pfutseromi village was approved.

### **CM GRACES TIKKA UTSAV AT DIMAPUR**

Chief Minister (CM), Neiphiu Rio graced the Tikka Utsav (Vaccination Festival) and launching of new vaccination centres programme as Special Guest at District Hospital Dimapur, Chapel Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Addressing the gathering the CM congratulated all the doctors, nurses, health workers and the community for coming together in the fight

against COVID-19. He said that the State has so far been able to effectively control the disease due to co-operation among all, starting from government level to the village level. With the second wave of COVID-19 looming over the country, he urged everyone to be alert and continue to follow all necessary precautions. He said that despite huge spike of positive cases, countries do not want to go





for lockdowns due to adverse impact on economic activities, and therefore urged the public to be always on guard.

On vaccination, CM said that the State's vaccination number is very low compared to other States, which is believed to have been caused by rumours on social media, the people being misguided and not coming forward to take the vaccine. He therefore called the health workers and village authorities to create awareness among the masses to get vaccinated and also to come forward and get help if tested positive.

District Immunization Officer, Dr. Rebecca Y Sema, in her brief report on COVID-19 vaccination

highlighted that there are altogether 52 Vaccination Centres in the District and so far 3,003 healthcare workers, 13,244 frontline workers and 8,452 general public, a total of 24,699 persons, have been vaccinated. On availability of vaccine, she said that there are still 14,230 doses of vaccine available.

During the programme, Chief Medical Officer, Dimapur, Dr. Mereninla Senlem gave a report on COVID-19 management in Dimapur. Welcome address was given by Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Rajesh Soundararajan who also chaired the programme, while the vote of thanks was proposed by Assistant MS, Dr. Rokoliebi Khate.

### COVID-19 VACCINATION MELA AT TUENSANG



*A beneficiary receiving Covishield vaccine in the presence of DC & Chairman, Tuensang District Task Force (DTF) and DTF members at Tuensang on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

COVID-19 Vaccination Mela was launched at Town Hall, Tuensang by Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Tuensang District Task Force (DTF), Kumar Ramnikant, IAS in the presence of CMO and

DTF members on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The Vaccination Mela is scheduled for two days i.e. 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021. On the first day, 67 people who are above 45 years of age, got vaccinated.

### COVID-19 BTF MEETING HELD AT PFUTSERO

Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pfutsero & Chairman, Block Task Force (BTF) on COVID-19 chaired the BTF meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The meeting was held to discuss the measures for public safety and enforcement of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and guidelines issued by the State Government as a result of resurgence of

COVID-19 situation in the country and in the State.

The members were informed about the importance of public awareness on COVID-19 and necessary measures that need to be followed. It was informed that before strictly enforcing SOPs in public spaces, repeated announcements were made in Pfutsero town as part of public awareness,



which will soon be followed by enforcement of measures by authorities concerned.

The meeting discussed about strict enforcement of SOPs and guidelines, especially, mandatory wearing of mask in public places, gatherings, churches, both in Pfutsero town and in the villages. Similarly, all the shops are to install hand wash and hand sanitizer facilities as per the directive of the Government. In this regard, periodical checking will be done and defaulters will be penalized.

The members were informed about the random sampling with Rapid Antigen Test kit for

screening of COVID-19 to be undertaken by Health & Family Welfare Department for shopkeepers, drivers, bank officials, and persons with high risk exposure, for which, co-operation of concerned public leaders was sought.

A COVID-19 care facility at Community Health Centre, Pfutsero will be set up in co-ordination with SMO, Pfutsero. The meeting discussed on the vaccination drive and members were urged to get vaccinated in time. The Chairman also urged all the members to be prepared for any exigent situation.

### MOKOKCHUNG DPDB MEETING HELD



*Speaker, NLA & Chairman, Mokokchung DPDB, Sharingain Longkumer along with Minister, Rural Development, Metsubo Jamir and Minister, Housing and Mechanical, Tongpang Ozukum, addressing the DPDB meeting held at Mokokchung on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Mokokchung District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for the month of April was held on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 under the chairmanship of Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly & Chairman, Mokokchung DPDB, Sharingain Longkumer. Minister, Rural Development, Metsubo Jamir and Minister, Housing and Mechanical, Tongpang Ozukum attended the meeting.

The Board decided to re-examine the proposal on development of a Public Park at Mokokchung. Upgradation of Ongpangkong EAC Circle to the status of SDO (C), and creation of EAC Longsa post was approved. The proposal of upgradation of Alichen to Urban Station was

approved by the Board and forwarded to the Government. The Board also approved the proposal by Mokokchung District Football Association to host the Dr. T. Ao Inter-District Football Tournament, 2022 at Mokokchung. Construction of Multi-purpose Indoor Sports Hall Building at Mopungchuket Village and black topping of Chubayimkum Road was also approved. After thorough deliberation, registration of Serendipity Society, Dilong Ward, Mokokchung was approved and forwarded for registration.

Chief Medical Officer, Chubala Aier gave a report regarding COVID-19 vaccination in the District from 16<sup>th</sup> January to 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Nine new members of the DPDB were welcomed during the meeting.

**ZUNHEBOTO DPDB MEETING HELD**

The Zunheboto District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) held its monthly meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall which was chaired by DC, Zunheboto, Peter Lichamo.

The Board reviewed the selection of a location for setting up of Public Park at Zunheboto and the search committee brought forward a suitable location at LizuNaghuto. The Board agreed to take up the issue with higher authorities.

Dr. M. Nungshisangla Jamir provided information about the COVID-19 vaccination status in the District, and said that till date, 736 healthcare workers and 1,798 frontline workers have been vaccinated and 2,148 persons between 45 and 59 years of age have been vaccinated and 1,185 persons above the age of 60 years have been vaccinated. She added that Tikka Utsav (COVID Vaccination Mela) was organised from 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Zunheboto Headquarter, Pughoboto Community Health Centre (CHC), Suruhuto Primary Health Centre (PHC), Akuluto PHC, Satakha CHC, Atoizu PHC, church premises and COVID Vaccination Centres. She also added that though

State Government has not issued any direction to kick off COVID immunization activities at sub-centres/ village level, however on request by the Village Council of Phuye Old, Phuye New, Tichipami and Sapotomi, the Department conducted the activities during the Mela in these villages.

Superintendent of Police, Zunheboto, T. UnielKichu, IPS informed that henceforth any person roaming around without mask will be penalized with a sum of Rs. 100, and a sum of Rs. 500 for shops, hotels, etc. if found without hand sanitizer.

The agenda discussed included creation of Town Council at Akuluto town, where the Board concluded that it was an essential need and so decided to send the proposal to the Government.

PowerPoint presentation was presented by the Department of Land Resources, DPO, Vikugha Sema. He said that till date 98 villages have been covered under micro village watershed and under activities of micro enterprises, 28 carpentry materials, three blacksmith materials, one salon material, one sewing machine, one weaving material and brass cutter materials were provided to beneficiaries.

**EXIT PROGRAMME OF VAC-CUM-DPDB MEETING HELD AT KOHIMA**

Exit programme of Village Adoption Committee (VAC)-cum-District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DPDB Hall, Kohima. Altogether, six teams of VAC presented PowerPoint presentations on their activities for the past two years, 2019 to 2020. The six teams were 9<sup>th</sup> Kohima Town Assembly Constituency (Lower PWD Colony), 14<sup>th</sup> Southern Angami-I (Kigwema village), 8<sup>th</sup> Western Angami (Sechü-Zubza), 15<sup>th</sup> Southern Angami- II (Kidima village), 10<sup>th</sup> Northern Angami- I (Chedema Model village), 11<sup>th</sup> Northern Angami-II (Zhadima village)

ADC, Kohima, N Bhavani, IAS, declared best teams of VAC, where 9<sup>th</sup> Kohima Town (Lower PWD Colony) team was awarded first position, and

10<sup>th</sup> Northern Angami-I and 15<sup>th</sup> Southern Angami-II were the runners up.

Chairing the monthly DPDB meeting, Deputy Commissioner (DC), Kohima, Gregory Thejawelie acknowledged the VAC teams for converging in many activities for the benefit of adopted villages for the past two years.

Nagaland State Biodiversity Board, Chairman also gave a PowerPoint presentation on their departmental activities and highlighted the status on implementation of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004 in Nagaland, international efforts towards biodiversity conservation, and said that three main goals of the Act was for conservation of biodiversity, sustainable use of biodiversity, and fair and equitable sharing of the benefit arising from



*Exit programme of VAC-cum-DPDB meeting was held on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DPDB Hall, Kohima.*

the use of genetic resources.

The members also discussed and set up a new VAC Committee for 2021-22 and Aspirational Block Committee members for 2021-26.

Public Health Engineering Department, Urban in a PowerPoint presentation mentioned that under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), 479 households have been covered, supplying five lakh litres of water per day at Kohima Science College area. Adding that by 2021, water supply would reach Phesama, Chede Model village, Jotsoma village, Chedema village and Kohima village. The DC also

urged the Department to complete their work plan in time without any compromises and to ensure safe and clean drinking water to the citizens.

Advisor, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Dr. Neikiesalie Kire encouraged the VAC to continue to render full support and contribute, which will be helpful and beneficial, for the villagers. He also congratulated the VAC for their relentless efforts and sacrifices for the upliftment of villages.

Advisor, Youth Resources & Sports and Chairman, DPDB, Er. Zale Neikha also felicitated the best performing teams of VAC.

### MON DPDB MEETING

Mon District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) held its meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at the Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, chaired by DC, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS.

MLA & Chairman, Mon DPDB, N. Thongwang Konyak appealed to the Board to deliberate on ways to tackle the second wave of COVID-19 while also proposing for the Board to send suggestions to the State Level for closure of schools and institutions and banning of mass gathering amid the resurgence of COVID-19 cases in the State.

The Board unanimously passed the following proposals - Financial assistance to expand apiary; Creation of Medical Sub-Centre at Longphoah village; Shifting of Medical College Mon to Chah-yo area, Mon village; Creation of additional

Anganwadi Centre at Chingkao Nyaho village under Chen Circle, the Board agreed to pass the proposal brought out by ADC, Aboi, Chumlammo Humtsoe after completion of Social Welfare's departmental procedures; Creation of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Angjangyang and Tobu, the DC also highlighted that the upcoming EMRS, Longwa would be sanctioned by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs; Upgradation of Mount Longnam School, Longching to Class VII.

The proposal for Model College for Women, was put up by KNSK President, Ponglem Konyak, who informed that the location for the proposed college had been identified, which would be free of cost.

Chief Veterinary Officer, Mon, Dr. Vilatuo Rutsa highlighted the shortage of meat production in



the District as compared to the demand and stressed on the importance of boosting the production for self-sufficiency. He informed that a total of 1,450 households, focusing on women and 30-50 youths would be targeted in the first phase. Dr. Rutsa also highlighted the recent case of mysterious deaths of pigs in Tobu area and stated that samples had been sent to Bhopal for determination of the cause.

The meeting witnessed PowerPoint presentations by ECS representative, Vishak on permaculture. Principal, Wangkhao College, Mon, Wati Imchen presented on the challenges and problems faced by the college on its way to NAAC accreditation, and Executive Engineer of Public Works Department (Roads & Bridges), Mon and Executive Engineer of Power, presented on their

respective activities.

DIO, Mon, Shasinle Tep gave an update of COVID-19 vaccination in the District which stands at, 8,763 administered with the first dose and 2,303 administered with the second dose. He stated that there are 18 Vaccination Centres in the District which would increase to 36 Centres from 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021 onwards. She also highlighted that there will be COVID-19 vaccination sessions conducted at workplaces in both public and private offices and urged upon the members of the Board to co-operate with the Department for its success.

The meeting was attended by Superintendent of Police, Mon, Imnalensa Ao, IPS, administrative officers and District HoDs and members of the Board.

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### **CO-ORDINATION MEETING ON COVID-19 HELD AT LONGLENG**

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A co-ordination meeting on COVID-19 was held at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Longleng on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to discuss the measures for public safety and awareness and resurgence of COVID-19 situation in the State and the District. The meeting was chaired by SDO(C), Longleng, Trongdiba Tongpi.

Tongpi stated that some households in the District are sealed due to testing of COVID-19 positive cases and appealed to the citizens not to panic but to come forward for testing in the effort to contain the spread of the disease in the community.

The meeting discussed about strict reinforcement of the latest guidelines such as

compulsory wearing of face mask, maintaining social distancing and hand washing facility in all business establishments. The need to spread awareness in all wards/villages in the District was also discussed.

District Surveillance Officer, Dr. Maria Yaden informed that persons entering the District from different States must self-isolate for ten days and said that any person developing COVID-19 related symptoms must voluntarily come for testing at the District Hospital.

The meeting was attended by all ward representatives, church leaders, NGOs, DBs, and council chairman.

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### **DC ZUNHEBOTO VISITS HOSHEPU EAC HEADQUARTER**

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Deputy Commissioner (DC), Zunheboto, Peter Lichamo visited Hoshepu EAC Headquarter on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2021, accompanied by EAC (HQ), Zunheboto with additional charge of EAC, Aghunato, PD, DRDA, Senior DEO, Zunheboto, Superintendent of Prisons, Zunheboto, BDO, Tokiye Block, AE, DRDA, Zunheboto and host of other DRDA staff.

The officials had an interaction with the

GBs, elders and council members of the villages under Hoshepu range. During the interaction, Hoshepu Range Public Organization submitted a representation to DC, who assured them of the matter being taken up with the appropriate authority. Lichamo also visited the EAC Office Complex, Government Middle School, Hoshepu, Lower Primary School, Hoshepu village and dispensary, and took stock of the ground situation.



## WORKSHOP ON FIRE PREVENTION & PROTECTION HELD AT MON



*Department of Fire & Emergency Services, Mon organised a one-day workshop on fire prevention and protection at DC's Conference Room, Mon on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Department of Fire & Emergency Services, Mon on 17<sup>th</sup> April 2021 organised a one day workshop on fire prevention and protection at the Conference Room of the Office of Deputy Commissioner (DC), Mon as part of the Fire Service Week, being observed nationwide from 14<sup>th</sup> - 20th April 2021 with the theme, 'Maintenance of Fire Safety Equipment is Key to Mitigate Fire Hazards.'

OC, Fire Station, Mon, L. Yohan Konyak stated that the week was observed not only to showcase the fire safety measures but also to pay

homage to the lives lost by fire hazards.

SI, Tsarose S. Sangtam spoke on the concept of fire and highlighted the classifications of fire and extinguishing methods. He appealed to the public to extend their support and co-operation in times of emergency. 2<sup>nd</sup> OC, Fire Station, Mon, Soyhunla Kent highlighted the objectives of fire service.

The programme was followed by a demonstration of fire safety methods. The event was attended by administrative officers, various HoDs, staff of DC Office and GBs.

## PEREN DTF MEETING HELD

The Peren District Task Force (DTF) meeting was held on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall which was chaired by DC & Chairman, Peren DTF, Sentiwapang Aier.

The DTF deliberated on the second wave of COVID-19 and discussed about the restrictions of returnees to the District and COVID-19 Care Centres which needs to be ready for any eventuality. The DTF members also deliberated on strict enforcement of SOP and handling of positive cases in the District with arrangements in place at COVID-19 Hospital, Community Health Centre (CHC), Jalukie, COVID-19 Care Centres, District Hospital Peren and CHC, Tening.

The Health & Family Welfare (H&FW) Department have been asked to be prepared beforehand so as to avoid shortages and complications. Police Department have been entrusted to look into the enforcement of penalties on the general public for violations of SOP. The DTF also discussed on the closure of educational institutions and entry points to the District.

The DC requested churches and civil societies to disseminate information regarding the COVID-19 vaccination, which are made available in all Blocks in the District. The meeting was attended by representatives from NZPO, ZBCC, H&FW Department, Police and District Administration.

## FPO CONSTITUTES NEW TEAM OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS



*The new team of Board of Directors of Farmers Producers Organization, Zunheboto and other officials on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DAO's Conference Hall, Zunheboto.*

Farmers Producers Organization (FPO) constituted a new team of Board of Directors on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DAO's Conference Hall, Zunheboto. The team is headed by L Holuto Ayemi as its Chairman. Other office bearers include Aheto Sumi as Vice Chairman, Gideon S Yeptho as Secretary, Finance Committee headed by Kughavi Yeptho as Treasurer and Vihuto, Lashika T Sumi and Shitokhu Achumi as members. Marketing Committee members include H Hokuto Sema, Hekato Yeptho, Y Husukha Sema, Nivili Chella, Helena, H Vitoyi, Kahoto Achumi and Hukavi Shohe.

Speaking at the induction programme, DAO, Zunheboto, Hukhato Sema briefed the gathering about the inception of FPO, which is a centrally sponsored scheme. He said that Mission Organic Value Chain Development (MOVCD) is an organic farming scheme with special focus on the Northeastern States because of its availability of rich and fertile virgin forests across the region. He added that the main aim of the scheme is to help the farmers to produce more organic and healthy products for themselves and also to produce enough to provide others with surplus, for which the FPO acts as a bridging medium to communicate with other States of mainland India and beyond. Hukhato also congratulated the new team and expressed optimism of the success they would yield by working with sincerity for the betterment of the farmers and

the public.

Newly inducted Chairman, L Holuto Ayemi stated that the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare launched a central sector scheme, MOVCD for Northeastern region with the aim to develop certified organic production in a value chain mode to link growers with consumers and to support the development of the entire value chain starting from inputs, seeds, certification, to the creation of facilities for collection, aggregation, processing, marketing and brand building initiative.

Ayemi also said that till date, of the 14 clusters, a total of 1,100 farmers have registered under the organization. He also spoke about the main aims of the organisation which was to link producers to consumers and to work on developing infrastructures for post harvest management and other necessities of the farmers. He appealed to the government to continue to support the organisation with all possible means to work for prosperity of all farmers.

Agriculture Inspector, K Kikato Zhimomi said that the main reason behind the scheme was to counter the health threats being caused because of the consumption of non-organic products in the country and that MOVCD is being considered as a solution.

The programme was chaired by Secretary, FPO, Gideon Yeptho, while Treasurer, FPO, Kughavi Yeptho delivered the vote of thanks.





## KIPHIRE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION URGES PEOPLE TO BE VIGILANT

The Kiphire District Administration has called upon the people of Kiphire District to be vigilant on outbreak of the African Swine Fever (ASF). In a notification, Chief Veterinary & Animal Husbandry Officer informed that the disease is highly contagious with 100 percent mortality rate and there is no treatment for the disease.

Therefore in order to prevent further spread of the disease and in an attempt to control the outbreak, the District Administration has ordered

that any death of pigs in any village or town must be reported to the nearest Veterinary Health Centre without fail. Transportation of pigs/wild boar/ pork within the District, in any town or village is strictly prohibited until further order. Butchering of pigs/ wild boar/pork for consumption or sale is prohibited until further orders.

Further, non-adherence to the order by any individual, group or business will be punishable under the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897 with immediate effect.

## NOKLAK DTF MEETING HELD

Noklak District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 held a meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Noklak.

Chairing the meeting, DC, Noklak, Reny Wilfred, IAS informed the DTF on the alarming rate of pandemic in the country, he therefore urged all the DTF members to be well prepared in order to check and control the spread. He requested all the tribal apex bodies, sector leaders of Noklak town, village leaders and church bodies to play a major role in disseminating awareness and to effectively control the spread of COVID-19.

The DTF resolved to designate AYUSH Hospital as COVID-19 Care Centre. The DTF also deliberated on the issue of people coming from outside the State, for which they have to undergo mandatory home quarantine for ten days or COVID-19 test after three days, and for drivers and staff of essential commodities, separate precautionary measures have to be taken care of. The meeting also discussed on compulsory wearing of face

mask, social distancing and hand washing in all public places.

Superintendent of Police, Noklak, Dr. Pritpal Kaur, IPS encouraged the members to take COVID-19 vaccine and create awareness about the vaccine. Dr. Kaur also requested all the parents to encourage students to study at home and teach them various works in order to avoid anti-social elements by students during the time of school closure.

SDO (C), Noklak, C. Phuniang informed that the guidelines and SOP will be strictly enforced in the District.

President, Khamniungan Tribal, M. Thangou requested the DTF to start a COVID-19 vaccination campaign in all the villages in order to vaccinate all, specially where there is no health sub-centre.

Medical Officer, Noklak, Dr. Chongya highlighted on the vaccination status in the District and mentioned on the advantages of taking COVID-19 vaccine. Church bodies have been requested to educate and disseminate awareness to the masses.

## SKILL TRAINING HELD AT MON

A skill training for rural employment was organised by Global Concepts Nagaland (GCN) in collaboration with the Nagaland Khadi & Village Industries Board (NKVIB) at Town Council Hall, Mon on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS expressed his gratitude to GCN and NKVIB. He stressed on the importance of self-reliance and called upon the participants not to attend the training just to receive certificates but gain





skills for their livelihood. The DC requested banks to grant loans to genuine people to enable them to start their ventures.

Chief Consultant, Vikas Rao highlighted on the objective of the workshop and stated that the workshop was to help participants establish

business and skill development.

Four venues were selected for the skill training workshop, food processing at Mon Town Council Hall, carpentry at DRDA Hall, beekeeping at NPF Conference Hall and toilet & laundry soap making at KU Conference Hall.

### **KIPHIRE DTF HOLDS MEETING**

Kiphire District Task Force (DTF) held a meeting under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC) & DTF, Chairman, T. Wati Aier on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DC's Conference Hall. The DC informed that all medical officers and staff need to be in the station to carry out their duties. The DTF members deliberated on the strict enforcement the following guidelines - All public and religious gathering are permissible with 50% capacity with proper SOP; People coming from other Districts and States will have to home isolate for ten days mandatorily; Random testing will be taken at schools, colleges, government offices, taxi stand, etc.

The DTF also decided to activate COVID-19 Care Centre at Kiphire and Pungro town. Night curfew will be enforced starting from 7:00 pm to 5:00 am, and restrict the assembly of five or more person during the curfew.

The Village Guards have been informed to strictly monitor people coming from international boundaries like Myanmar. Any activities or gathering should get prior approval from the DTF. Paid quarantine will be activated in the District and Rs.400 will be charged per person. Citizens without mask will be fined Rs. 100 and shops without hand sanitizer and hand wash will be fined Rs. 500.

### **KOHIMA DTF EMERGENCY MEETING HELD**

Kohima District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 held an emergency meeting under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC), Kohima, Gregory Thejawelie at the DC's Conference Hall, Kohima on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The meeting was attended by invitees from Kohima Village Council, Angami Youth Organisation and Angami Students Union besides other DTF members.

The meeting discussed and deliberated on various issues pertaining to the status of COVID-19 positive cases, vaccination drive, preparedness level and preventive measures in the District. The meeting decided to set up Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at Meriema COVID-19 Care Centre by Naga Hospital Authority Kohima (NHAK). In regard to power and water supplies at the Centre, it was decided to entrust the concerned department officials to take care of the issues at the earliest.

For preventing the spread of COVID-19 in the District, the meeting decided that in co-

ordination with ADC, Kohima, N. Bhavani, an enforcement drive of wearing face masks and other COVID-19 appropriate behaviours will be carried out in all the wards and town with medical team, police, All Kohima Municipal Wards & Panchayats (AKMWP) and respective sector magistrates.

The Presidents of KVC, AYO, ASU and other members also shared their area of concerns and suggestions during the meeting. Issues in regard to random sampling and testing, shortage of manpower for COVID-19 Care Centre, requirement of ambulance for transporting COVID-19 patients, pending bills, monitoring of entry points were also taken up where it was decided to highlight and pursue the related matters with the Government at the earliest.

The DC also asked all his administrative officers to activate COVID-19 Task Force and to strictly enforce COVID-19 appropriate behaviour in their respective sub-divisions for prevention of the spread of COVID-19.





## **COTPA 2003 TO BE IMPLEMENTED WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT**

Deputy Commissioner (DC) & Chairman, District Tobacco Control Cell, Kohima, Gregory Thejewellie has notified that in exercise of the power conferred by Section 21, 24 and 25 of the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of Advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 2003 and for effective implementation of Section 4,5,6,7 of COTPA 2003, the following sections of COTPA 2003 will be implemented in Kohima District with immediate effect - prohibition of smoking in public places, prohibition of advertisement of cigarettes and other tobacco products, prohibition on sale of cigarette or other

tobacco products to a person below the age of 18 years, prohibition on sale of tobacco products in an area within a radius of 100 yards of an educational institution, restriction on trade and commerce in and production, supply and distribution of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

DC also directed all the concerned authorities to effectively implement it by putting up signage boards prohibiting smoking in public places during any public events and social gatherings and requested the concerned authorities to abide and follow the instructions with immediate effect, and said that report on action taken in this regard should be submitted to the DC's Office.

## **PADHNA LIKHNA ABHIYAN PROGRAMME CONDUCTED AT KIPHIRE**



*The inaugural programme of Padhna Likhna Abhiyan was held at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021.*

The inaugural programme of Padhna Likhna Abhiyan was conducted at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Kiphire on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

Delivering the keynote address, Director, School Education, Wonthungo Tsopoe said that the Department has invited teachers to the programme as they play an important role in transforming the society and can execute the programme effectively. He also encouraged the churches, Village Councils and Village Education Committees to assist the teachers in educating children. He urged the teachers to be

dedicated and sincere in their duties in order to give quality education to children and asked the teachers to update oneself. He added that many Government High Schools are facing problems due to shortage of headmasters, which he said the Department is trying to redress at the earliest.

SDO (C), Kiphire, James Khulu Tikhir in his short speech said that the purpose of the programme is to achieve total literacy by 2030. He said that through collective effort the target can be achieved and teachers can play an important role for transforming society.

## WEEKLY WEDNESDAY BAZAAR INAUGURATED AT SHAMATOR

The long awaited weekly Wednesday Bazaar was inaugurated on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 by EAC, Shamator, Chenithung Ovung. The Wednesday Bazaar is a Self-Employed Women Association Shamator (SEWA) project dedicated to the people of Shamator.

Women Welfare Officer, MSK, Tuensang,

Sangmao M expressed her appreciation and encouragement towards the venture. The programme was chaired by Secretary, SEWA, Shamator Unit, T. Tsurila, dedicatory prayer was given by Pastor, STBC, Reverend R.Thsankiu and vote of thanks was given by Convenor, SEWA, Shamator Unit, K. Ester.

## MON DTF ON COVID-19 HOLDS MEETING

A combined meeting of the Mon COVID-19 District Task Force (DTF) and Mon District Task Force for Administration of COVID-19 Vaccination was held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Conference Hall, Mon. The meeting was chaired by DC, Mon, Thavaseelan K, IAS.

DIO, Mon, Shasinle Tep highlighted that altogether 15,207 beneficiaries in Mon have been vaccinated in the first and second phases. She stated that the vaccination for 18 years and above

will be targeted to start by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021. She also urged upon the DTF to plan for lesser vaccination sessions with full capacity for maximum utilization and lesser wastage.

With the resurgence of COVID-19 in the State, the meeting deliberated on making it compulsory for Police personnel to be vaccinated, as directed by the Office of Director General of Police, Nagaland, and Anganwadi and ASHA Workers who have already registered as healthcare workers will be sensitized further to take the vaccine.

## COVID CARE CENTRE CHUMUKEDIMA ACTIVATED

Deputy Commissioner (DC), Dimapur, Rajesh Soundararajan, IAS lauded the support and co-operation rendered by civil societies, NGOs, churches and the District Task Force (DTF) and sought for their continued support to fight the second wave of pandemic with collective effort. Addressing the Dimapur DTF meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021, the DC said that any restrictions will definitely be inconvenient but in the overall public interest, all have to bear the little inconveniences to avoid a total lockdown scenario.

Commissioner of Police, Dimapur, Rothihu Tetseo urged upon everyone to take responsibility for successful implementation of the restrictions.

With the rise in the number of COVID-19 cases, the Covid Care Centre at Chumukedima has been activated, informed CMO, Dimapur, Dr. Mereninla during the meeting. She also said that contact tracing team has been carrying out random

testing in market places at various locations in Dimapur. Observing that many returnees do not report to the appropriate authority on arrival, CMO, Dimapur impressed upon the DTF members for taking strong active measures to ensure that returnees report to CMO's Office or the DTF as per Government directives.

Medical Superintendent, District Hospital Dimapur, informed that unlike previous time, out of 100 beds, 50 beds are dedicated for COVID-19 cases and the remaining 50 beds are dedicated for non-COVID-19 cases. He also informed that the Hospital has enough oxygen cylinders and lifesaving medicines.

District Immunization Officer, Dr. Rebecca while highlighting on the COVID-19 vaccination status of Dimapur District, informed that as on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021, a total of 35,731 beneficiaries have been registered, total of 46,787 doses administered in

session sites where 598 sessions have been conducted. She further observed an increase of beneficiaries turning up in the COVID-19 vaccination centres informing that 2,722 beneficiaries turned up on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Dr.

Rebecca informed that presently 4,790 doses are available in the District and for which session sites would be conducted only till 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021, and she maintained that they are in constant touch with the State so that the District do not fall short of vaccines.

### **KOHIMA DTF CONDUCTS CHECKING ON COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

Keeping in line with the directive from the State Government to take up measures for preventing the spread of COVID-19 in the District, the Kohima District Task Force (DTF) comprising of District Administration, Police and Dobashis carried out an enforcement drive on the implementation of COVID-19 Appropriate Behaviour, especially the mandatory wearing of face mask in public places within Kohima town on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021.

The enforcement and awareness drive was conducted to create awareness and sensitize the

citizens on the importance of wearing face mask, which is the most effective way to combat the virus and also to ensure that everyone follows the SOP in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

During the drive, which is the second enforcement drive in the capital's streets and shops, a total of 242 violators were found and penalized as per the Government guidelines.

The drive was conducted at four locations PHQ area, Main Town area, Razhü Point area and High School Junction area.

### **CLEANLINESS DRIVE AT PFUTSERO**

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Pfutsero Government College, conducted a cleanliness drive on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021, with the theme 'Plastic Free Pfutsero,' supported under Swachh Bharat Mission, ADC and Administrator, Pfutsero Town Council and assistance from the College authorities. Over 100 students participated in the drive along with several staff of the College.

The volunteers cleaned the main town area, Zhipa, Menyitsuda, Reku, PWD, Tese and Seed Farm colonies. The NSS Programme Officer, Nuveta

Khusoh expressed his gratitude to the unit for the social service carried out with such dedication, and thanked the District Administration and town community for their support. He added that such social service should be carried out occasionally as it will greatly benefit the community and will instill a sense of community hygiene and cleanliness.

The cleanliness drive is part of a series of innovative initiatives of Pfutsero Town Council, under Swachh Bharat Mission to engage community participation for a clean and plastic free town.

### **KOHIMA DTF MEETING HELD**

Kohima District Task Force (DTF) convened an emergency meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021, headed by the Deputy Commissioner (DC), Kohima, Gregory Thejawalie along with Legislators- in-Charge for Kohima, Minister, Public Works Department (Housing and Mechanical), Tongpang Ozukum and Advisor, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Dr. Neikiesalie Kire which was attended by Head of Offices and representatives from various organizations.

The meeting deliberated on the level of preparedness for the second wave of COVID-19 surge and discussed for the ICU facility at Meriema to be activated as soon as possible. Paid quarantine for the people to be isolated was also proposed as this has become a necessity with the rush of people coming from other states.

On the status of the vaccination in Kohima the concerned department pointed out that a total no of 27,775 (first dose – 21,878 and second dose–



5,897 vaccines) frontline workers, health workers and in the age group of 45 years and above have been vaccinated, however with the limited vaccine available in the State, the Department of Health & Family Welfare is anticipating the Government to provide more vaccines to enable the whole State to be vaccinated. In another area of concern, with the shortage of oxygen in the whole country, the DTF requested to inquire into the status and activities of the Oxygen Plant at Dimapur and to envisage an actual plant in Kohima too.

The DTF also decided to appeal to the area administrators, village authorities, blocks, wards, churches to regulate and streamline outsiders and follow necessary protocols laid down by the Government and further disseminate the information on the new COVID-19 SOPs and

enforce COVID-19 appropriate behaviours at all times in their concern area.

The members also deliberated on screening at the entry and exit point of the border areas, since it was observed that thermal screening is becoming a futile exercise. The recommendation to increase some temporary unit to test commuters was also discussed,

Later in the meeting, the DC also requested the Rengma Hohos to take up measures to assist the Kohima DTF to create awareness and sensitize the people on the vaccination progress.

The meeting concluded with suggestion from the members to enforce more sternly the COVID-19 protocols such as proper use of face mask and other COVID-19 appropriate behaviours.

### **SDO (C) SECHÜ-ZUBZA NOTIFIES ON CONSTITUTION OF VTF ON COVID-19**

Sub-Divisional Officer (C), Sechü-Zubza, Tiayanger Jamir has notified that all village councils under Sechü-Zubza Sub-Division, which are also the Village Disaster Management Authority (VDMA), have been constituted as the Village Task Force (VTF) on COVID-19, to plan the strategies at the local level, contain the spread of the virus and also assist the villagers, medical officers and staff posted in the village, and the frontline workers involved in the management of COVID-19 cases in their respective villages.

The notification stated that the VTF shall impose all the SOPs and standing instructions of the Government in the village and make wide publicity in their villages on regular basis to contain

the spread of the virus and shall work within the laid down guidelines of the Government issued from time to time. The VTF shall extend all possible assistance to the Health & Family Welfare Department in their respective villages and co-ordinate with the medical officers/ frontline workers even in the vaccination awareness drive in the villages.

In extreme cases, basing on the gravity of the situation, where the VTF wants to impose certain measures in their village to contain the spread of the virus, prior consultation with the concerned medical officers and approval of the DTF, Kohima through the Sub-Divisional Task Force, Sechü-Zubza shall be taken.

### **TRAINING ON PRE-MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME HELD IN TENING BLOCK**

Initiated by the Department of School Education (DoSE), a one-day sensitization programme for school teachers on Pre-Matric Scholarship Scheme was held at Education Block Resource Centre (EBRC), Tening on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021.

A team led by Deputy Director and State Nodal Officer for Scholarship Scheme, Limadangit Jamir along with technical support staff from DEO,

Peren and SDEO, Tening as resource persons launched the workshop.

Deputy Director, Limadangit Jamir delivered the welcome speech and the keynote address. Jangsem Tzudir from DoSE outlined the modalities under the Pre Matric Scholarship scheme and NSP 2.0 guidelines and eligibility criteria for applying and availing the scholarship under both



Minority and Tribal Scheme. Zürheto Nyuthe, Special Educator, DoSE gave a short PPT on the process for applying the Pre Matric Scholarship scheme through the NSP 2.0 portal and website, scholarship.Nagaland.gov.in, for the understanding of the trainees and designated Institutional Nodal Officers present.

Tumben P Tsanglao, EAC, Tening expressed gratitude to the DoSE for their proactive and prompt initiative to facilitate and enable the students to avail financial support for their

education, especially for the economically weaker sections which majority of the students from rural areas belong to. He further exhorted the teachers designated as Institutional Nodal Officers to be effective agents in their role, not only as government employees but as public servants while facilitating students to avail government financial aid.

Large numbers of teachers from both government and private schools turned up for the programme representing each village in the Sub-Division.

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### NIGHT CURFEW IMPOSED AT TUENSANG TOWN

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Deputy Commissioner & Chairman, Tuensang District Task Force (DTF) for COVID-19, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS has issued an order based on the decision taken during the DTF meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021 in view of the surge in the COVID-19 cases.

The order stated that night curfew will be imposed starting from 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 between 7:00 pm to 5:00 am. All shops, business establishments, restaurants, etc. shall be closed by 7:00 pm. However, during curfew hours, medical emergency, pharmacies and essential services shall be exempted. In addition, movement of essential goods through trucks, goods vehicles or any goods carriers including empty vehicles and movement of persons to facilitate the same are also exempted. There shall be strict restriction of the assembly of four or more persons during the curfew hours.

Social/academic/ entertainment/ cultural/ political/religious functions outside of containment zone shall be limited to 50% of the seating capacity or 200 persons whichever is lower. Festivals of any kind shall be kept at the bare minimum and in case the gathering in open space is more than 200, prior permission of the DTF shall be taken.

All colonies/wards shall identify persons

arriving from outside the State in their respective jurisdictions and report to the DTF. Returnees shall submit their personal information to the District Nodal Officer for COVID-19 (Contact No. - 8415840348). Returnees may also contact the Control Room (Contact No. - 9612724367) in case of any queries related to COVID-19.

Persons arriving from outside the State shall remain in self isolation for 10 days, if no negative RT-PCR/TrueNat/CBNAAT test report for COVID-19 (test done not earlier than 72 hours prior to entry into the State) is produced on arrival, or if the test result is awaited, or if the person concerned has not completed the COVID-19 vaccination.

The public is directed to observe COVID-19 appropriate behaviours such as maintaining social distancing, compulsory wearing of face mask, strict hygiene protocol, etc. and if eligible avail the COVID-19 vaccination.

The order will come into force with immediate effect from 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021. The order stated that violators of the order will be penalized as per the provisions under Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897 and relevant sections of Indian Penal Code.

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### ADVISOR TO CM HOLDS MEETING WITH HEAD OF OFFICES AT WOKHA

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Advisor to Chief Minister, Nagaland, Abu Metha held a meeting with Head of Offices of Wokha District on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 at Deputy Commissioner's

(DC) Conference Hall, Wokha.

While interacting with the officers of the District, the Advisor stated that the meeting was





convened with a view to share the challenges faced by the officers in the District level and to understand the problems and also to act as a bridge to connect them with the Government and the various Head of Departments so that the Government can improve governance and enhance the mechanism of service delivery. He said that it is also to ensure that whatever programmes and policies the State Government provides, it reaches the genuine targeted sections.

The Advisor assured all the officers in the District that the Government and its agencies will support them in implementing any government policies in a meritorious and just manner. Metha also stated that if officers in the District face any problem in implementing policies and programmes in a manner that is deviating with the laid down rules and regulation the Government is there to support them and ensure that officers are not under any duress while carrying out the government programmes.

Metha also added that the State Government has taken a decision last year to ban all appointment of government posts in view of the various factors primarily because of the COVID-19 pandemic and economic condition of the State, but recently the Cabinet took a decision that the ban of appointment will be lifted but on the condition that each department highlights specifically why the particular appointment has to be done and has to be approved through proper channel of Head of Departments and approved by Personnel &

Administrative Reforms and recommended by the Cabinet for appointment.

Highlighting on the various government policies, Metha also added that the State Government recently took a decision to institute Public Park in all the District Headquarters. He urged the District Administration to identify space, either available land or new government acquired land for establishment of Public Park and send report for the same at the earliest so that the policy can be implemented. He also stated that the Government is undertaking exercise for coming up with a blueprint for sports development in the State and appealed to the District Administration to identify space for creation of District Level Sports Centre that will have sports facilities for multiple disciplines which falls under the prioritized list of the State Sports Policy, and appealed to the District Sports Council that they must ensure that the policy and fund use of District Sports Council is in line with the State Sports Council and reminded them to be aware of the State Sports Council Policy.

Another area which the State Government announced is the budgetary provision for innovation fund to be implemented in each district, and Metha urged the District to come up with creative ideas for effective implementation. Stating that when COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, the Government will be hosting, this year the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the Nagaland Olympics and urged the District to prepare their team for participation in the event.



Addressing on the Register of Indigenous Inhabitants of Nagaland (RIIN) matter, the Advisor stated that the intention of the State Government for implementation of RIIN in Nagaland is not for anything else but to incorporate the interest of Naga citizens. He also stressed on having good quality education,

economic stability and he urged all sections of society to extend help and work for the good future and good destiny for the next generation.

The Advisor held a meeting with the members of various members of the civil societies under Wokha District.

### TSUKHENYIE-CUM-72<sup>ND</sup> YOUTH DAY AT PFUTSEROMI VILLAGE

Tsukhenyie-cum-72<sup>nd</sup> Youth Day started on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021, and culminated on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Pfutseromi village, Pfutsero. The festival was organised by Pfutseromi Youth Organisation.

On 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021, the inaugural programme was attended by Neiba Kronu, Minister for Planning & Co-ordination, Land Revenue and Parliamentary Affairs as the Guest Speaker. He highlighted on the Jal Jeevan Mission and also stressed on the management of developmental infrastructure on agriculture, pisciculture and coffee plantation, which he said is needed to improve with systematic and dedicated agriculture operations. He

also encouraged the youths to shift from government jobs to other private avenues and entrepreneurship.

The Minister also inaugurated the Pfutseromi village, blacktopped approach road and unfurled the Pfutseromi Youth Organisation flag and inaugurated the Tsukhenyie festival and 72<sup>nd</sup> Youth Day.

On 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021, fishing day was observed, on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021, Khel feast and on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021, wrestling day was held where Mhathung Khuvung, Branch Manager, Nagaland State Co-operative Bank, Pfutsero was the Guest of Honour.

### FREE ANTI-RABIES VACCINATION CAMP CONDUCTED AT KIPHIRE

In commemoration of the World Veterinary Day, Free Anti-rabies Vaccination Camp was conducted under the theme, 'Veterinarians Response to the COVID-19 Crisis.' The event was organised by Nagaland Veterinarians Association (NVA) in collaboration with the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Nagaland, on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Veterinary Hospital, Kiphire.

Conducting the programme, Deputy Director, Veterinary Hospital, Kiphire shared the message conveyed by NVA, President, Dr. K.N. Zubemo Humtsoe on the occasion. In its message the President said that the World Veterinary Day was founded by World Veterinary Association (WVA) to

highlight the lifesaving work carried out by veterinarians around the world, and the day is observed to recognize the contribution of veterinarians in the field of healthcare and medical science and to make the world a better and safer place for both animals and humans.

Dr. Humtsoe also said that the aim of World Veterinary Day is to promote the veterinary profession and work on improvement of animal and human welfare and environment. He said that during the COVID-19 pandemic, the veterinarians responded and played a crucial role in the service of public in taking care of animals. Many pets (dogs) availed free vaccine during the free vaccination camp.

### TRAINING ON POULTRY MANAGEMENT HELD

ATMA, Kohima District conducted a six days training programme on Poultry Management from 19<sup>th</sup> April to 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 in association with

State Agricultural Management & Extension Training Institute (SAMETI), National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE).





Resource persons and participants during the training on poultry management conducted by ATMA, Kohima from 19<sup>th</sup> April - 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The resource persons were Farm Manager, Dr. Thepfudithou Shüya and BTM, Tseminyu Block, Dr. Vibeille Keretsü. The main objective was to impart training to rural youths on agri and allied areas to promote employment of rural areas and creation of skilled manpower to perform farm and non-farm operations.

The two main sub-topics under Poultry Management covered during the training programme were on 'Poultry Feed Management' and 'Disease and Preventive Measures in Poultry Farming.' During the training sessions, the resource persons shared on their experiences, the precautionary measures needed to tackle any

disease, infections, and measures in feeding habits, to give the right feeds at the right stage. Dr. Shüya pointed out the poultry sector as one of the fastest growing and most profitable agri business in the current market scenario, and encouraged the youth to pursue poultry farming, starting from their own backyard, with their own labour instead of hiring labourers.

Field visit to poultry farm was also conducted where the resource persons gave a thorough explanation on pen maintenance. Different feeds and stages of poultry were also showed to the participants. The training programme was attended by 17 youths from different villages under Kohima District.

## WORLD MALARIA DAY OBSERVED ACROSS DISTRICTS

### CHANGTONGYA:

World Malaria Day was observed at Changtongya town on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Dobashi Court with the theme 'Reaching the Zero Malaria Target.'

Medical Officer, Community Health Centre (CHC), Changtongya, Dr. Imtimongba highlighted on how malaria is spread and how it can be prevented. He encouraged the gathering to use mosquito repellent and LLIM mosquito net regularly. He urged everyone to keep their surroundings clean

and to remove all stagnant water, which invites mosquito breeding, from their surroundings.

Short speeches were also delivered by SDO (C), Changtongya, Rorheu Peseyie and by All Ward Chairman, Changtongya, Putinungba Jamir. The programme was chaired by MO (Ayush), CHC, Changtongya, Limasashi.

### TULI:

World Malaria Day was observed at

Community Health Centre (CHC), Tuli with the theme 'Reaching the Zero Malaria Target' on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Resource person, MO, CHC, Tuli, Dr. Joshua elaborated on the significance of World Malaria Day. He encouraged everyone to spread

awareness on malaria at their respective community. He also expressed his gratitude to the public leaders for their continuous support.

The programme was chaired by SMO, CHC, Tuli, Dr. Imlinaro and was attended by public leaders, ASHAs and malaria surveillance workers.

### **45<sup>TH</sup> AR SHAMATOR CONDUCTS ANTI-COVID-19 DRIVE CAMPAIGN**

In view of the rise in COVID-19 cases in the country and State, 45<sup>th</sup> Assam Rifles, Shamator, Tuensang conducted Anti - COVID-19 drive at various locations in Shamator town including, SBI Office, ADC Office, Shamator College and market

places on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

Awareness campaign was also conducted at Leangkonger village on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The campaign was led by Dr. Jacob, 2<sup>nd</sup> I/C of 45<sup>th</sup> Assam Rifles, Miking.

### **SPECIAL HANDLOOM EXPO INAUGURATED AT URBAN HAAT**

A 14-days special Handloom Expo 'Spring' NERTPS, organised by Department of Industries & Commerce, Nagaland and funded by Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, under Development Commissioner for Handlooms, was inaugurated by Additional Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Nagaland, Vitsuthu Nyuthe at Urban Haat, Dimapur on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

According to officials, the objective of the expo is to enable the weavers to showcase their

products and to increase the handloom fabric production by ways of establishing market linkages, to encourage innovation in design and techniques for improvement in design capabilities, diversification of product lines and value addition, better access to domestic and export markets so that weavers get continuous employment and improve their living standards.

Altogether, 30 stalls have been set up, following all SOPs issued by the Government of Nagaland to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

### **KOHIMA DTF CONDUCTS COVID-19 RANDOM TESTING**

As per the COVID-19 guidelines issued by the State Government, Kohima District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 conducted a random sampling and testing on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at two locations - Paramedical and Ministers' Hill, Kohima. A total of 37 random samples were collected for testing from the public.

The random exercise started on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at AG Colony, where 20 samples were collected. Altogether, a total of 57 samples have been collected for testing within the two-days exercise. The activity was conducted to test the prevalence of the COVID-19 virus among the public in Kohima District.

### **KOHIMA DTF ON CONSOLIDATED GUIDELINES**

An emergency meeting of Kohima District Task Force (DTF) on COVID-19 under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner (DC), Kohima, Gregory Thejawalie in the presence of Minister in-charge of Kohima District, Minister, Public Works Department (Housing and

Mechanical), Tongpang Ozukum, was held in DC's Conference Hall, Kohima on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

The meeting was convened to decide certain measures to be implemented in the District by the DTF as per the consolidated guidelines issued by the State Government. On regulation of



entry point at Khuzama Check Gate, the DTF decided that the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kohima will regulate and implement necessary measures for the commuters.

For occupancy of passengers in vehicles, it was decided to allow 50% carrying capacity of vehicles. The DTF also decided to open ways for other organisations besides the All Kohima Ward Municipal Panchayats (AKWMP) to assist towards the implementation of COVID-19 appropriate behaviours in the District.

On opening and closure of markets, it was decided to curtail the movement of people in crowded places, for which the DTF entrusted Kohima Municipal Council(KMC) to work out the system for implementation. It was also decided to curtail the timing of the market at Old MLA Junction and KMC to strictly instruct the vendors to follow COVID-19 protocols.

On the preparedness level of ICU set up at Meriema Covid Care Centre (CCC), Dr. Sendimeren Aonok, Medical Superintendent (MS), Naga Hospital Authority Kohima (NHAK) informed on the status of ICU set up where few technical things have

been projected to the Department for necessary action. Meanwhile six ICU bedded facilities have been prepared in the Isolation Ward at NHAK as decided and was activated and functional where two critical patients were admitted at present.

In regard to power supply issue at Meriema CCC, the DTF decided to propose for uninterrupted power supply from the Power Department and also as highlighted by MS, NHAK, requirement of 80 KV Generator back-up was also decided to be taken up with the concerned department for fully setting up the ICU at the Centre.

The DC also informed that keeping in view with the second wave throughout the country, certain measures have been initiated by DTF in regard to enforcement drive on mandatory wearing of masks, random sample collection in the District and thanked all concerned officials involved in the exercises for making it possible. He also appreciated SDO (C), Sechü-Zubza for taking the initiative in checking COVID-19 appropriate behaviours along the national highway and expressed hope that other administrative officers will also take up such initiatives in their respective areas.

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**CIRCULAR ROAD INAUGURATED AT NOKYAN B VILLAGE**

Company Commander of 45<sup>th</sup> Assam Rifles, Noklak, COB, Major Ravindra Salunkha inaugurated the renovated Circular Road of Nokyan 'B' Village on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

On behalf of Nokyan B villagers, Head GB, L.Sulem expressed gratitude to 45<sup>th</sup> Assam Rifles, Noklak COB under the leadership of Company

Major, Ravindra Salunkha for renovating the Circular Road, which, he said, was deserted for many years. The Assam Rifles renovated the much needed road of the village which is now motorable and viable, he stated and also expressed his appreciation to the Assam Rifles for the help rendered towards the community.

**SHINGJUNG ROAD INAUGURATED AT NOKLAK**

*President, BJP, 56<sup>th</sup> Assembly Constituency, Noklak, M. Pushen inaugurating the Shingjung Road at Noklak on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

President, BJP, 56<sup>th</sup> Assembly Constituency, Noklak, M. Pushen inaugurated the Shingjung Road from KBCA Komking to Nokhu Main Road at KBCA Junction, High School B, Noklak on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

A brief report on construction of road was highlighted by Yamtsumong. He stated that, the road was constructed with help from voluntary donations,

which was initiated by High School B Sector. The road, which is more than 2 Km, is the shortest way to connect ranges like Nokhu, Peshu and Pathso, apart from all other linkage and connections.

Dedicatory prayer was pronounced by Pastor Thengio, Komking Baptist Church and the programme was chaired by Chairman, High School 'B' Sector, Noklak, Sangyang.

**KAPOKI MI PROJECT INAUGURATED AT ZUNHEBOTO**

Department of Water Resources launched the Kapoki Micro Irrigation (MI) project at Zunheboto village on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021 under the scheme Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana-Har Khel Ko Pani, 270 batch. The project is implemented under the Ministry of Jal Shakti (Ministry of Water Resources, RD&GR) with an estimated cost of Rs. 94,06,880. The work commenced in 2018-19 and was completed in 2019-20.

With the construction of this project and the improved irrigation facilities, farmers can now undertake multiple cropping. The project was implemented with active participation of farmers so as to promote Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM) in the irrigation system. As has been the practice of the Department, the project being completed will now be handed over to the beneficiaries for their use and future maintenance.



The programme was chaired by Er. Huskha Yepto, Executive Engineer, Water Resources

Department and Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Peter Lichamo was the Special Guest.

## TOVIHOTO INAUGURATES NEW OFFICE BUILDING IN PEREN



Advisor for Power, H. Tovihoto Ayemi with other officials during the inauguration of the new Executive Engineer (E), Peren Electrical Division Office building on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

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Special Guest, H. Tovihoto Ayemi called upon the gathering to work in true spirit and full enthusiasm for the public. He urged the public to take care of the property with a sense of belongingness, adding that the new building is one of the finest amongst the office buildings.

Advisor for Water Resources, Namri Nchang warned against theft of power. Nchang appealed to the public to utilize electricity judiciously.

Chief Engineer (D&R), Er. Moa Aier in his speech mentioned that the new office building is located at a prime location with various facilities. He appealed to the public for their co-operation in their future endeavours.

Engineer-in-Chief (Power), Er. N. Mozhui said the Department will serve the public by working for the betterment of the people. He also spoke on the need of the Department for sufficient power supply.

Principal Secretary, Power, K. D. Vizo said that the State has to strive for sustainable development goals and encouraged the private

enterprises to come forward in the ventures of the Government. Vizo also suggested for alternative power like solar and wind. He called upon the people to understand the difficulties faced by the Department in times of natural calamities. He lamented at the reluctance of the public in paying the electricity bills.

Additional Chief Engineer (Civil), Er. Visakho Therie in the technical report informed that it took 32 months for completion of the building. He said that the building was constructed at a cost of Rs. 3.11 crore, which includes the electrification, water and rain harvest.

Additional Chief Engineer (D&R), Er. Tiameren Walling presided the programme while Additional Chief Engineer (T&G), Er. Penrithung Yanthan delivered the welcome address. Words of gratitude was proposed by Executive Engineer (E), Er. Tsiamchi Ntang. The programme was attended by Neiba Ntang, former Speaker, Deputy Commissioner and Additional Superintendent of Police and heads of various department in the District along with public leaders.

### RIO INAUGURATES RCC T-BEAM DHANSIRI BRIDGE

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the RCC T-Beam Bridge over Dhansiri River, Dimapur on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The bridge is constructed by M/s Aien Meren Enterprises and funded under 10% Lumpsum Scheme, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India

Addressing the inaugural programme, Rio while congratulating the Department, the engineering wing and the contractor for successful completion of the project, reminded about the hardships and harassments faced by the citizens of Dimapur during the construction of the bridge and urged everyone concerned to be always sincere, dedicated and to make sure all the rules are followed and to execute in a transparent manner so that all works are completed successfully within the stipulated time. He also congratulated the citizens of Dimapur and further urged them to fully utilise the bridge, at the same time assist the administration and police for smooth functioning and maintenance of the bridge.

Expressing serious concern over encroachment of land at various locations such as Agri Expo and Dimapur Airport, Rio pointed out that the airport runway was too short for big aircraft and extension is not possible due to encroachment issues. He therefore urged everyone, when acquiring land, to do it legally and not to disturb the

harmony of the community and society.

Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (Housing) & in-charge Urban Engineering Wing, Er. Yanbemo Lotha in his technical report stated that the project was sanctioned in March 2009 under 10% Lumpsum Scheme for an amount of Rs. 981.36 lakh, under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Gol. However, due to objection raised by the BRO on non-issuance of No Objection Certificate from the ministry, the project got stalled for almost 5 years, he said. He further mentioned that due to delay of the work, the contractor requested to relook into the original estimate, stating his inability to carry out the work as per original agreed price for which the Department revised it from 981.36 to 1,374.85 lakh after which the work started in January 2018 and completed within 2 years, which the engineer termed as one of the most economical bridge of similar kind built in Nagaland.

Short speeches were also delivered by Advisor, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Dr. Neikiesalie Kire and President, East Dimapur GB Union, Niuto Awomi. The programme was chaired by Principal Secretary, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, I. Himato Zhimomi, while vote of thanks was delivered by Director, Urban Development, S. Takutoba Aier.

### KOHIMA SCIENCE COLLEGE WOMEN'S HOSTEL INAUGURATED



*Dr. Joyce Zinyu Angami, the first Lady Doctor from Kohima Science College (KSC) inaugurating the Alumni PG Women's Hostel at KSC Campus on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

The Alumni PG Women's Hostel, with a capacity for accommodating 40 Post Graduate students of Kohima Science College (KSC), was inaugurated by Dr. Joyce Zinyu Angami, the first Lady Doctor from KSC, on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Kohima Science College Campus. The Hostel is constructed by the Alumni Association Kohima Science College, Jotsoma.

Dr. Joyce Zinyu Angami while inaugurating the Hostel said that the completion of the Hostel has been a dream come true for all those involved in the project, and she expressed hope that the Hostel will not just be a place to find academic excellence but also be a place of safety, peace and serenity.

Principal, KSC, Dr. Lily speaking at the function pointed out that at present, Kohima Science College has four hostels, three boys hostels and one girls hostel, with a total capacity of 320 students. She informed that since 2016, after adopting the Choice Based Credit System, the College has seen a huge increase in the intake of students. The present session has enrolled around 2000 students with female students constituting 65% of the total students. She stated that the completion of the Hostel will be a huge relief for the College as many students are from the economically weaker section.

Dr. Lily expressed her gratitude to the Alumni Association for their contributions and support, and she further reached out to them for their support in

future development and improvement of the College.

General Secretary, Alumni Association, Avelu Ruho sharing a brief history on the hostel construction said that the Alumni Association, formed on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2009, initiated a project named Project Alpha 1 in 2009 during which the College's Local Area Network (LAN) of 100 Mbps and High Speed Broadband Service was operationalized. Emboldened by the success of the project, the Association decided to pursue the need for constructing a girls hostel and named it as Project Alpha 2 with an estimated budget of Rs. 1 crore, and the foundation stone was laid on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2011 by the then Minister of Urban Development, Dr. Shürhozelie Liezietsu.

Ruho revealed that the search for fund was not an easy one but after many setbacks faced in funding, the Association has received Rs. 90 lakh so far in donations and contributions alone from alumni, parents of students, college fraternity, well-wishers and also a raffle draw organized in 2017 have all contributed to the successful completion of the hostel. She thanked the faculty and staff of KSC, former Principals of the college involved with the project, for the successful completion of the project.

Reverend John Kamei delivered the dedicatory prayer for the Hostel and the inaugural programme was chaired by President, Alumni Association, Dr. N. Renthungo Jungio.

## KHEHOVI YEPTHOMI INAUGURATES POLICE STATION AND SDO(C) OFFICE AT SURUHUTO

Advisor for Tourism and Art & Culture, H Khehovi Yepthomi inaugurated the new Police Station and SDO (C) Office at Suruhuto town on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

On inauguration of the two buildings in a day, he termed it as a historic day for the people of Suruhuto and thanked Shivikhu Shikhu, the contractor of the SDO (C) Office building for completing the building despite facing many hurdles and also expressed his gratitude to former Parliamentary Secretary, Shetoyi, who initiated the project. The Advisor called upon the people to take good care of the office properties. He thanked the

State Government for catering to the needs of the people of Suruhuto and also requested the people to enroll themselves in the census list if they have not yet enrolled.

Superintendent of Police, Zunheboto, T Uniel Kichu, IPS thanked the Advisor for taking the initiative for setting up the Police Station at Suruhuto and added that the police will do its best to make the new police station very efficient for the people and called upon the people for their support. DIG (Range/NAP), Tuensang, Rajashekara N thanked the people of Suruhuto for making the inauguration ceremony of the Police Station and SDO (C) Office



Building a success and added that since Suruhuto is a tri-junction (Tuensang, Noklak and Zunheboto pass through this town), the Office has become a necessity.

Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Peter

Lichamo requested the public to co-operate with the administration and government and encouraged the people to give land so that developmental activities can be taken up.

### STATE OFFICIAL WEBSITE FOR PM-FME SCHEME LAUNCHED

The Department of Industries & Commerce launched the State official website ([www.pmfme.nagaland.gov.in](http://www.pmfme.nagaland.gov.in)) for PM-Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PM-FME) Scheme by Director of Industries & Commerce, K. Hosishe Assumi on 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2021.

K. Hosishe Assumi stated that the PM-FME Scheme had been launched by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI), Government of India in all the States and will be implemented for a period of five years till 2025. He further highlighted that the current scenario of the food processing sector is still in the unorganized sector where most of the locally manufactured food products are without proper packaging, labeling, registration, and licenses and also there is prevalence of sub-standard manufacturing practices and unregulated prices. Hence, the scheme, with its objective based on cluster approach through One District One Product

(ODOP) system, focuses to assist and streamline entrepreneurs at the grassroot level which are majorly un-organized. He therefore, exhorted the officers to help the local entrepreneurs in every step by roping in all existing units and prospective entrepreneurs and assist them for setting-up/ expansion of food processing units through the benefits available under the scheme. He further stated that the scheme is being implemented by collaborating with various line departments and therefore advised the officers to have constant co-ordination among all the concerned line departments to make the scheme a successful one in the State.

The website intends to act as a platform for prospective entrepreneurs and food processors so as to provide them with various scheme information, guidelines, video tutorials, handbooks, DPR templates and information related to food processing.

### DEDICATION AND ACTIVATION OF CCC AND COVID-19 HOSPITAL LONGLENG

The COVID-19 Care Centre (CCC) and COVID-19 Hospital, Longleng was dedicated by Executive Secretary, PBCA, Reverend Tialemba Phom on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at DIET Building, New Site, Longleng and became officially operational with immediate effect due to increasing COVID-19 cases in the District.

Speaking on the occasion Deputy Commissioner (DC), Longleng, M. Shayung Phom appreciated Bhumnyu village for coming forward and supporting the District Task Force without any reservations even as the current COVID-19 Care Centre and COVID-19 Hospital, which falls under its

village land, is being operationalized.

Medical Superintendent, Longleng, Dr. Lhouvizotuo presented the status report of the CCC and COVID-19 Hospital and asserted that the COVID-19 Hospital has a total capacity of 17 beds, 1 Operation Theatre (OT), 1 Labour Room, 1 Laboratory and 2 ICU beds while the COVID-19 Care Centre has a total capacity of 9 beds.

DPO (RCH & UIP) & District Media Spokesperson for COVID-19 Vaccination, Dr. Imnameren Phom highlighted on the ongoing vaccination programme.

### VDB BUILDING INAUGURATED AT KUTSAPO VILLAGE

The first Village Development Board Building, which was constructed in memory of Late

Vamuzo Phesao, former Chief Minister and A. M. Gokhale, IAS the then Deputy Commissioner,







*Minister for Planning & Co-ordination, Land Revenue and Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu along with officials during the inauguration of the first VDB building at Kutsapo village, Phek on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

Phek was inaugurated at Kutsapo village on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021 by Minister for Planning & Co-ordination, Land Revenue and Parliamentary Affairs, Neiba Kronu.

While appreciating the villagers for their tireless effort, Kronu called for whole round development. He urged the villagers to maintain drainage and road while maintaining cleanliness. He called for human resource development and also

urged for utilization of water resources, adding that the two need to go hand in hand.

The Minister said that the village is blessed as various development activities are taking place in the village and called upon the villagers to work for the welfare of the people.

The function was chaired by Zashevezo Rhakho and welcome note was delivered by VCC, Ketsapo, Shevotso Rhakho.

### **SUNRISE ROAD AT PUNGRO INAUGURATED**



*ADC, Pungro, Abhinav Shivam, IAS and others during the inauguration of 'Sunrise Road' at Pungro town on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*

The 'Sunrise Road' at Pungro town was inaugurated on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 by ADC, Pungro, Abhinav Shivam, IAS.

The much needed Sunrise Road at Pungro town connects the Forest Ward to Pungro

village and was constructed through crowd funding by various civil societies and individuals of Pungro town, headed by Yimchunger Tribal Council (YTC) and District Administration, Pungro.



## CM INAUGURATES 11<sup>TH</sup> NAP (IR) BATTALION HEADQUARTER, ABOI

Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the 11<sup>th</sup> NAP (IR) Battalion Headquarter, Aboi on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021 in the presence of Deputy Chief Minister & Home Minister, Y. Patton, MLA, Eshak, MLA, CL John, EE Pangteang and Thongwang.

Addressing the gathering, Rio said that despite all the hardships faced, since the laying of the foundation in 2005, the construction of building is completed, and for which he thanked the technicians, neighbouring villages and jawans.

The CM said that 11<sup>th</sup> NAP (IR) has a good name and fame, not only within the State but also in other states as they are well trained and people have much respect for them. He encouraged them, wherever they may be, to take more responsibility and continue to be sincere in their duty and protect the public.

Rio requested the Director General of Police (DGP) and the Unit Commandant of the 11<sup>th</sup> NAP (IR) Battalion, Aboi to plant variety of trees in and around their camp and also encouraged the jawans to remain busy through different activities and remain healthy.

Rio also called upon the public and the neighbouring villages to co-operate with the jawans and called for mutual understanding and adjustment for peace and unity in the society. The CM urged the public to be more careful with COVID-19, stating that the second wave is more dangerous and encouraged them to take COVID-19 vaccine.

Deputy Chief Minister & Home Minister, Y Patton lamented at the delay of the inauguration due to various reasons. However, he expressed happiness on the successful completion of the project. He also thanked the land owner for donating the land.

DGP, Nagaland, T. John Longkumer, IPS in his short speech urged the neighbouring villages and the public to be supportive and sought for their co-operation.

Short speeches were delivered by KU President, Howing, Langmeing Angh and Maopong. Welcome address was delivered by DIG (IR) South, Chumdamo Jamio. Pastor PBC, 11<sup>th</sup> NAP (IR) Baboi, Rendamo delivered the dedicatory prayer.

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Chief Veterinary Officer, Mokokchung, Dr. B. M. Sunep along with resource persons and other officials during the World Veterinary Day celebration on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at CTC Aolijen, Mokokchung.

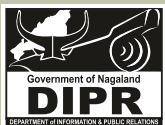


Resource persons and participants during the World Malaria Day which was observed under the theme 'Reaching the Zero Malaria Target' at Dobashi Court, Changtongya on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2021.





*Chief Minister, Neiphiu Rio along with Deputy Chief Minister, Y. Patton and other officials during the inauguration of 11<sup>th</sup> NAP (IR) Battalion Headquarter, Aboi, Mon on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021.*



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