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Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio delivering eulogies for Lt. Imkong L. Imchen during the State Funeral at his official residence, Old Ministers' Hill, Kohima on 12th November 2025.



Speaker of Lok Sabha, Om Birla addressing the 22nd Annual CPA India Region Zone-III Conference held at NLA, Kohima on 10th November 2025.



Dy. Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Harivansh proposing valedictory remark during the closing programme of 22nd Annual CPA Zone-II conference held at NLA, Kohima on 11th November 2025.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio receiving Air India Express' Tsungkotepsu livery aircraft at Dimapur Airport on 22nd November, 2025.



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OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CHUMOUKEDIMA CONSTITUTES MONITORING COMMITTEES TO REGULATE RIVERBED MINING

In a decisive move to ensure sustainable management of riverbed resources and curb illegal mining activities, the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Chümoukedima, has issued an order on 3rd of November 2025, with a series of regulatory orders forming the District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) and Sub-Division Level Enforcement Committees for the Chathe River and its tributaries.

The initiative follows growing concerns over the environmental degradation caused by indiscriminate riverbed mining and the use of heavy machinery for extracting sand, gravel, and boulders. The Deputy Commissioner, Polan John, NCS, stated that such unregulated practices have led to erosion, pollution, destruction of aquatic habitats, and threats to public safety and livelihoods.

Under the new directives, a complete ban has been imposed on the use of heavy machinery for extraction of riverbed materials within the jurisdiction of Chümoukedima District, unless proper licenses and permissions are obtained as per the Nagaland Ownership and Transfer of Land and its Resources Act, 1990 and the Nagaland Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2004. Violators will face stringent penalties including arrest, seizure of machinery, fines, and prosecution.

The District Level Monitoring Committee (DLMC) will be convened by the Deputy Commissioner, Chümoukedima, and will include members from key departments such as Geology & Mining, Police, Forest, Water Resources, PHED, and Agriculture, as well as representatives from the Chakhroma Public Organization. The committee will oversee and periodically review compliance with the regulatory order and ensure effective coordination between agencies.

To strengthen enforcement at the grassroots level, Sub-Division Level Enforcement Committees have also been formed for Medziphema and Seithekema. These committees, headed by respective administrative officers, will include representatives from the Police, Forests, Geology & Mining, local councils, and the Chakhrüma Public Organization. Their responsibilities include regular inspections, prevention of illegal extractions, awareness creation, and reporting compliance to the DLMC.

OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

LEANGHA VILLAGE CHANGE TO LOUNG VILLAGE

The office of the Deputy Commissioner Mon has notified that as per the notification issued by the Home Department, Nagaland, Kohima, NO.GAB-1/COM/GEN-13/2022/106, dated, Kohima the 2nd of June 2025, the name of “LEANGHA” Village has been changed to “LOUNG” Village under Mon Sadar, Mon District.

The notification informed that the name “LOUNG” should be used for all Official Communication.

GOVERNMENT DECLARES NSCN K AS UNLAWFUL ASSOCIATION

With reference to the Notification No S.O. 4241(E) dated 22.09.2025 published in the Gazette of India by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, the Government of Nagaland, Home Department (Political) has declared the National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Khaplang) (NSCN (K)), along with all its factions, wings, and front organisations as “Unlawful Association” under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, along with the Order dated 29.10.2025 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal in the matter of National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Khaplang) and the Notice issued by the Office of the Registrar, Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal dated 29.10.2025.

CHINGWANG KONYAK AND APONG PONGENER APPOINTED AS ADVISOR (POLITICAL) TO CM

The Government of Nagaland, Cabinet Secretariat, in a notification dated 27th November 2025, has notified on the appointment of Chingwang Konyak and Apong Pongener as Advisors (Political) to the Chief Minister of Nagaland, in the status of a Cabinet Ministers, with immediate effect.

The earlier appointment of Chingwang Konyak as Chairman of People’s Democratic Alliance (PDA) Coordination Committee, in the status of a Cabinet Minister, vide Notification of even number dated 13th April 2023, stand revoked with immediate effect.

RED RIBBON QUIZ GRAND FINALE HELD AT CHÜMOUKEDIMA

The Grand Finale of the Red Ribbon Quiz Competition was held at Tetso College, Sovima, Chümoukedima, on October 31, 2025. The event, organized by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS) under the aegis of the National AIDS Control Organisation and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, is a national-level event focusing on HIV awareness and youth health education. Students representing the four regional zones—Manipur, Telangana, Uttarakhand, and Kerala—participated as finalists, having emerged victorious in earlier rounds.

The Special Guest V. Hekali Zhimomi, IAS, Additional Secretary and Director General, NACO, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, described the event as not merely a competition but as a celebration of knowledge and compassion, highlighting the youth as both the future and the present drivers of change against HIV AIDS. She also highlighted the impactful work done by NACO through the Adolescent Education Program and the Red Ribbon Clubs, reaching over 68,000 schools across the country and establishing more than 15,000 clubs in

colleges to promote awareness, voluntary blood donations and promote healthy lifestyle behaviours.

Director NACO, Bharti Sahai, in her speech said that each individual has the power to make a difference by normalizing conversations about sensitive topics, challenging myths and supporting those who need understanding. She added that awareness is the first step towards prevention and compassion is the first step towards healing and that the goal is for a future where every person in India lives with dignity, accesses information without fear and supports others without prejudice.

The Quiz competition concluded with Telangana emerging as the champion, securing a cash prize of 1 lakh rupees along with a trophy. Manipur claimed the first runner-up position, receiving ₹75,000 and a trophy, while Kerala took the second runner-up title, winning ₹50,000 with a trophy.

Earlier, Project Director, NSACS, Dr. Ahu Sekhose delivered the welcome address and vote of thanks was given by Deputy Director, NACO, Dr. Bhawna Rao.

HOLY CROSS HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTS 32nd MAYANGNOKCHA AWARDS CEREMONY IN DIMAPUR.

The 32nd Presentation Ceremony of the Mayangnokcha Awards for Academic Excellence was held on November 1, 2025 at Holy Cross Higher Secondary School, Dimapur. The annual event, instituted by the Mayangnokcha Award Trust (MAT), celebrated outstanding academic achievers from across Nagaland.

Speaking at the function as the special invitee, Commissioner of Police, Dimapur, Aotula T. Imchen, IPS, reflected on her past experience of receiving the Mayangnokcha Award in 2005 and the lasting impact it had, describing it not just as a trophy, but a “trophy of faith” and courage. She stated that the greatest achievements and

happiness in life often come without external recognition, arising from choosing dignity, showing kindness to the undeserving, or overcoming failures. She emphasized the importance of authenticity, finding purpose in the convergence of personal drive and societal expectations, and developing character, integrity, and empathy. She advised the students to prioritize health through physical activities, and to constantly acquire knowledge to keep the mind fresh, to embrace discipline, not as a restriction, but as a path to freedom from feelings, diseases, distractions, and guilt, and she stressed on the importance of the power of prayer.

Earlier, Er. Moa Aier, Trustee of the Mayangnokcha Award Trust (MAT), highlighted the legacy of the Trust since its inception in 1993 and its role in motivating

generations of students across the state. He also delivered the vote of thanks.

The Mayangnokcha Award for Academic Excellence (Overall Topper) was presented to Lunghiyangle Nring of St. Paul Higher Secondary School, Dimapur. Nring also bagged the Award for being the subject topper in Mathematics. She was awarded a cash prize of 25,000 rupees along with a certificate and a trophy.

Other award recipients included:

Sunepbenla Imchen (Queen Mary Higher Secondary School, Mokokchung); Renbeni Odyuo (Patkai Hr. Sec. School, Chümoukedima); Moasanen Pongener (Fernwood School, Kohima); Limsen Imsong (Little Garden School, Tuli); Medovinuo Semou (Northfield, Kohima).

ADVISOR IMKONG L IMCHEN GRACES CHAVANG KUT CELEBRATION AT KISAMA

The Kuki Union Kohima celebrated Chavang Kut 2025 under the theme “Unity through Culture” on November 1, 2025 at Bamboo Hall, Naga Heritage Village Kisama.

The celebration was graced by Imkong L. Imchen, MLA and Advisor, Information and Public Relations, and Soil and Water Conservation, Government of Nagaland, as the Special Guest.

Late Imkong L. Imchen emphasized the distinct identity and rich cultural heritage of the Kuki community, acknowledging their historical contributions to Nagaland’s political journey, including representation in the Legislative Assembly. He also highlighted the significance of Kuki festivals,

Mim Kut and Chavang Kut, praising the well-organized celebration held at Kisama.

Convenor of the Chavang Kut Committee. Paokhokam Singson, spoke



Advisor Imkong L Imchen speaking during the Chavang Kut festival celebration at Bamboo Hall, Naga Heritage Village, Kisama on 1st November 2025.

on the Significance of Chavang Kut, while the Kūki Cha Kahiuve was coordinated by Hentinelun Vaiphei, Joint Secretary, Kuki Union Kohima.

Cultural performances included a traditional dance presented by the KSUK St. Joseph College Unit and a special song by Thanggoumin Haolai.

The celebration saw the presence of representatives from several public

organizations including the Angami Public Organization (APO), Kohima Ao Telongjem, SAYO, Sumi Union, Konyak Union Kohima, Nagaland Mizo Welfare Association, and Zeliang Union Kohima, among others.

The Union also acknowledged Advisor Imkong L Imchen and Dr. Tsielhoutuo Ato Rhutso, MLA for the assistance extended to the Union during the celebration.

STATEWIDE UNITY MARCHES MARK SARDAR PATEL@150 ACROSS NAGALAND

In November 2025, districts across Nagaland organised a series of Unity Marches, cultural events, and youth initiatives to commemorate the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India. Organized by Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) in coordination with local District

Administrations, these events sought to inspire youth, foster national integration, and celebrate India's unity in diversity.

From Chümoukedima to Mon, the Unity Marches brought together students, civil servants, ex-servicemen, and local communities.



DC Chumoukedima, Polan John flagging off 'Unity Walk' at CTC Office, Chumoukedima on 3rd November 2025.

In **Chümoukedima**, on 3rd November, the Unity March commenced from the CTC Office to Patkai Christian College under the theme *"Let Us Walk for Unity, Rise*

for Nation." The march was flagged off by Deputy Commissioner Polan John, who emphasized Sardar Patel's pivotal role in uniting over 560 princely states to form a

strong and independent India. Assistant Commissioner of Police Ninoto Zhimomi and District Youth Officer Korada Manikanta inspired participants, urging them to uphold the values of unity, integrity, and civic responsibility. Cultural performances and youth speeches by D. Chiluni and Nuvekholu Dozo further energized the event.

In **Shamator**, to mark the anniversary, the district held a District-Level Essay Competition at GHSS Shamator on 4th November and a Painting Competition on 6th November, organized in collaboration with the Shamator Town Students' Union.

In **Wokha**, The Unity March, aimed at promoting communal harmony and reflecting on Patel's legacy, began from Police Point to Mount Tiyi College.

In **Mokokchung**, a Unity Walk/Padyatra was held on 6th November 2025 from Town Hall to Imkongmeren Sports Complex.

The event was actively participated by the representatives from District Administration Mokokchung, Sr. Superintendent of Police Mokokchung, all head of offices, 12th Assam Rifles, CRPF, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Ex-Servicemen Association, Chairman and Councillors of Mokokchung Municipal Council, Ao Senden, Watsu Mungdang, Bharat Scout & Guides, NCC, National Service Scheme, Mokokchung Town GB's Association and all ward union Mokokchung.

At **Pungro**, the District level Padayatra was successfully conducted on 7th November 2025 at Government Higher Secondary School, Pungro.

The programme was initiated with the National Song and a floral tribute from the students of Government Higher

Secondary School, Pungro, beautifully showcasing various cultural performance. It culminated with flagging off Padayatra by ADC Pungro, Neilizo Tep, and unity March from Government Higher Secondary School, Pungro to ADC office, Pungro.

In **Longleng**, the District Level Padayatra (Unity March) was organized on 12th November 2025, under the theme « Sardar @150 Ek Bharat Aatmanirbhar Bharat ». The week-long programme includes essay writing competition, Painting, Debate and other related events. SP Longleng, Yanger Jamir, flags of the Padayatra 'Unity March', commenced from DC's office complex and concluded at public ground Longleng.

A short programme was held at DCs office complex. The event features cultural song and dance performed by the students of Bautung Government Higher Secondary school, Longleng and DYU, Mera Yuva Bharat Longleng, Hitesh Kumar, highlighting the objectives of the campaign.



Students participating in a debate commemorating 150th birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, held at Bautung GHSS, Longleng on 13th November 2025.

At **Niuland**, The Unity March to commemorate the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 13th November 2025. Deputy Commissioner Niuland, Sara S Jamir Flagged off the Unity March at Niuland Town Clock. During the Flagged off program, DC in her speech urged the youths to embody the quality that he has sown for the country and work together for integrity, security, safety and social harmony. Deputy Commissioner of Police Niuland, Manish Bhartiya, IPS in his short speech urged the youths to work beyond the limits to become the leaders of tomorrow.

The program also witnessed cultural performance from the students of GHSS Niuland, while Limeka from RHSM School and Vilotoli Yeptho from GHSS delivered short speeches.

At **Noklak**, the District-Level Unity March was organised at Noklak Town on 13th November 2025. The March was flagged off by SDPO, Noklak, Shikato Swu starting from traffic point to DC's office, Noklak.

A week-long activity including essay Competition at Christian High School, Debate Competition at St. Paul School, Talk Lectures at Government Higher Secondary school, Noklak, Poster/banner making at Holy Angel School, Yoga & Wellness at Ayush Hospital, Noklak, and cleanliness drive in all the Government departments and all wards under Noklak Town was organised.

At **Meluri**, Sardar@150 Unity March was organised on 15th November 2025.

Advisor N&RE & NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, speaking at the culmination programme, dwelt at length about the life of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who was responsible for shaping the history of present day India.

Earlier, the Unity March was flagged off by D.C Meluri, K Mhathung Tsanglao from Helipad Meluri to Hospital Junction Meluri. As part of the programme poster making competition and essay writing competitions were held.

At **Phek**, Unity March was held on 15th November 2025 under the theme Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat» (One India, Great India) and «Ek Bharat, Aatmanirbhar Bharat» (One India, Self-Reliant India). The Rally was flagged off by Special Guest, Capt. Yashdeep Sharma, Adjutant, 39 Assam Rifles, Phek from Clock Tower and culminated at Town Hall Phek. Students from various colleges, scouts and guides, NSS and many others from different walks of life participated in the Flag March carrying the message of Unity and national Integration.

A short program was held at Town Hall, Phek, where the Special Guest, Yashdeep address the gathering and emphasis on Togetherness and to show the world that we are united. He also wished that this feeling of unity and belongingness must be taken to a greater heights and stays with us forever.

At **Tuensang**, Unity March was held on 18th November with Minister P. Bashang Mongba Chang as Special Guest. He highlighted Patel's crucial role in uniting 560 princely states and urged citizens to uphold unity, peace, and shared progress. The event featured cultural performances and participation from officials, students, and community groups.

In **Longkhim**, the culmination programme was held on 18th November at DUDA Hall. EAC S. Chingmei spoke about Patel's contributions and leadership. Various competitions—essay writing, debate, and poster making—were successfully conducted,

with winners awarded. Cultural presentations and screening of a short film on Patel marked the celebration.

In **Kohima**, district-level Padayatras were held at Kohima College on 19th November. MLA Dr. Tseilhoutuo Rhütso encouraged youths to overcome tribal divisions and work towards unity. DC B. Henok Buchem shared lessons from Patel's life, stressing discipline, respect, and moral grounding. The Unity Pledge was administered before the march proceeded to the Secretariat Junction.

In **Tseminyu**, Unity March was conducted on 21st November from the DC

Office to Tseminyu Town Hall. DC Japheth Woch reiterated Patel's role in national integration. Cultural performances and wide participation from community organisations and government departments enriched the event.

In **Mon**, the district-level Padyatra and Unity March were held on 24th November. Speakers including Y. Chingkap Konyak and Chingkem Konyak highlighted Patel's legacy and called upon youth to march daily with the spirit of unity. Cultural items, youth speeches, and the Unity Pledge formed key parts of the programme.

ROBERT LONGCHARI APPEALS AIR INDIA EXPRESS TO CONSIDER HIRING MORE NAGA YOUTHS IN VARIOUS JOB OPENINGS

The Commissioner & Secretary, Transport Department, Robert Longchari accompanied by M. Ababe Ezung, OSD Transport, paid a visit to the Air India Express office in Gurugram, Haryana on 4th November 2025. They held a productive meeting with Alok Singh, Managing Director, and Shashi Chetia, Vice President.

During the meeting, the Nagaland officials expressed their gratitude to Air India Express for continuing flight operations to Dimapur, highlighting the importance of air connectivity for the state's growth and development. They also appreciated Air India Express's acceptance to partner with the

state for the Hornbill Festival, a significant cultural event that promotes tourism and showcases Nagaland's rich heritage.

The officials requested Air India Express to consider hiring more Naga youths in various job openings, further strengthening the partnership between the state and the airline. Additionally, they discussed potential opportunities for collaboration in areas such as tourism promotion and creating jobs.

The meeting concluded on a positive note, with both parties expressing their commitment to working together for the mutual benefit of the state and the airline."

IMKONG L IMCHEN VISITS CHUNGTIA, ALIBA AND SAPANGYA

Advisor, IPR and Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L Imchen visited Chungtia, Aliba villages and Sapangya

Compound on November 5, 2025.

Imkong L. Imchen, while meeting the Chungtia village council and elders ahead of

the Ao Kaketshir Mungdang (AKM) General Conference scheduled for January 12–15, 2026, assured full support to ensure the event's success. He thanked Nagaland Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio for approving funds to repair Chungtia's roads as part of the conference preparations, and urged villagers to cooperate with the concerned department so the work can be completed on time.

Imkong also inspected a landslide site

where over twenty homes were damaged during the monsoon. Chungtia Village Chairman Assamwati Longchar expressed gratitude for Imkong's consistent support, describing him as a guardian figure for the village, and thanked the Chief Minister and departments for their contributions to development. Later, the Advisor visited Sapangya Compound and Aliba village to interact with their village council members.

SCTE KOHIMA CELEBRATES GOLDEN JUBILEE

State College of Teachers Education, Kohima (SCTE) celebrated its Golden Jubilee (1975-2025) under the theme 'Empowering Teachers, Enriching lives' at Capital Convention Centre on November 7, 2025.

Principal, Mokokchung College of Teachers Education Dr. T Alemla Longkumer in her address emphasised self-empowerment as a crucial part in a teacher's life to meet the challenges of the changes and to respond to the unprecedented changes of the modern times. He noted that as education transitions from computer-assisted to computer-based and now AI-based learning, teachers must continuously adapt and upgrade their skills.

Principal Fazl Ali College, Dr. I. Wati Imchen, in his speech mentioned that SCTE has stood as a pillar of academic excellence and professional formation, preparing generations of teachers who have, in turn, shaped the moral and intellectual character of our schools and communities for five decades. He also said that the institution

has made an invaluable contribution to the progress of education in Nagaland through its role in teacher training, curriculum design, and pedagogical innovation.

Ex-Officio Director, Higher Education Department, V. Lovitoly Sema, NCS highlighted on the journey of the SCTE expanding in academic scopes. She said that through this five decades of dedicated service the college has produced a generation of teachers who has carried its values to every corners of that state bringing light and knowledge to the countless learners. She also said that with the advent of NEP 2020, the college will play a crucial role in imparting holistic education transforming this vision into reality.

Earlier, Sarita Yadav, IAS Secretary, Higher & Technical Education virtually unveiled the Golden Jubilee Monolith and Pro-Vice Chancellor, Nagaland University, Kohima Campus, Prof. N. Venuh released the Jubilee Souvenir and Memento.

22nd CPA CONFERENCE HELD AT KOHIMA

The 22nd Annual Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) India Region Zone-III was held from 10–11 November 2025 at the Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Kohima, with the theme “Policy, Progress & People: Legislatures as Catalysts of Change.” Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla inaugurated the conference, which brought together Presiding Officers, MPs, and MLAs from the eight Northeastern states.

In his inaugural address, Birla highlighted the role of legislatures in transforming public aspirations into policy, promoting transparency through digital initiatives, and embracing paperless governance. He emphasized regional development, industrial growth, and the promotion of local arts, culture, and traditional crafts.

Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio called for greater cooperation among Northeastern states to strengthen democratic institutions and foster inclusive development, while Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Harivansh stressed the region’s economic potential, climate resilience, and sustainable development initiatives.

The conference focused on two key sub-themes: Role of Legislatures in Achieving Viksit Bharat @ 2047 and Climate Change in light of recent cloudbursts and landslides. Harivansh urged a community-based, scientific, and policy-driven approach to climate challenges, citing initiatives like Mission Mausam and the Bharat Forecasting System.

The event also featured exhibitions by Nagaland government departments, showcasing developmental achievements and governance innovations. Om Birla formally

inaugurated a monolith commemorating the conference and highlighted the role of Parliamentary Committees as “mini-parliaments” ensuring accountability.

Concluding day highlights:

The final day of the conference witnessed the adoption of a comprehensive resolution reaffirming the commitment of Northeastern legislatures to democratic governance, inclusive development, regional cooperation, climate resilience, and ASEAN integration.

The House urged the Central Government to prioritize infrastructure, healthcare, educational institutions, connectivity projects like Chiethu Airport, and increased budgetary allocations for the region.

Deputy Chairman Harivansh praised the North Eastern states for their proactive approach to sustainable development and digital governance. Minister K.G. Kenye highlighted infrastructure, tourism, and health services as priority areas, while Speaker of Meghalaya Legislative Assembly Thomas A. Sangma and Deputy Speaker, Nagaland Legislative Assembly S. Toiho Yephtho lauded the deliberations and emphasized the lasting impact of the conference in strengthening democratic institutions and regional cooperation.

A cultural soirée and a Tree Plantation Drive marked the conclusion of the two-day event, celebrating Nagaland’s rich heritage and reinforcing the CPA’s vision of strengthening democratic institutions and regional cooperation.

The House also condemned the Red Fort bomb blast on 10 November 2025 and expressed condolences to the victims.

REMEMBRANCE DAY OBSERVED AT KOHIMA

The Remembrance Day ceremony was held at the Kohima War Cemetery, Kohima, to honour the brave soldiers who laid down their lives during the Second World War. The event held on 11th November 2025 was graced by Special Guest, Chief Minister of Nagaland Dr. Neiphiu Rio, and Honoured Guest, Deputy Head of Mission, British Deputy High Commission, Kolkata, Bhaarat Dave. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla also graced the occasion.

Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio said the 2024 ceremony marked the first official commemoration of Remembrance Day by the State Government, held in partnership with the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC). The Chief Minister announced that the observance will now be held as an annual State event to honour the shared legacy of courage and sacrifice.

Dr. Rio described the Kohima War Cemetery as a living testament to extraordinary courage, and said the stand taken by Allied, Indian, and Naga forces halted the eastward advance and changed the course of history. He highlighted stories of bravery, including soldiers who carved messages on ration tins during the siege, symbolising the unyielding spirit of Kohima. He stated that Remembrance Day holds a unique significance for Nagaland, where the bonds of sacrifice forged in 1944 continue to transcend generations and borders. He emphasised that Nagaland's story, once

shaped by battle, must now be a voice for peace, unity, and brotherhood, with Kohima standing as a beacon of hope and humanity.

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla paid homage to the soldiers who sacrificed their lives during the Second World War, describing the occasion as a day of remembrance and inspiration for all. He said that the courage and sacrifice of the soldiers who fought in the Battle of Kohima continue to inspire generations.

British Deputy High Commissioner Bhaarat Dave paid tribute to the British, Indian, and Allied soldiers who fell during the Second World War. Recalling the Battle of Kohima as a turning point in the war, he said the courage and endurance shown by the troops "safeguarded the freedoms we cherish today." He also reaffirmed the UK's commitment to peace, friendship, and the enduring partnership between the United Kingdom and India, and thanked the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and the Government of Nagaland for maintaining the cemetery.

The event began with the laying of wreaths by dignitaries and guests, followed by the sounding of the "Last Post" and two minutes of silence.

The day's programme also featured the flagging off of a Vintage Car Rally and in the evening, a conversation event titled "The Battle of Kohima - Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow" at Hotel Vivor.

ICAISUILE FROM PEREN DISTRICT AWARDED FOR HER ROLE THROUGH FISH FARMING AT HYDERABAD

During the World Fisheries India 2025 (WAI 2025) celebrated at Hyderabad from 11th to 12th November, 2025, Icaisuile hailing

from Peren district embracing fish farming for her livelihood was felicitated at the Fish Farmer's conclave on 11th November, 2025

by National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India as a Progressive Fish

Farmer for her role in driving community growth through fish farming and for her outstanding contribution to fisheries sector.

MASS SOCIAL WORK CONDUCTED ACROSS THE STATE



Citizens participating during a Mass Social Work organized by the District Administration at Medziphema town on 12th November 2025.

In preparation for the upcoming festive season, a state-wide Mass Social Work was conducted across Nagaland on 12th November 2025, with the objective of ensuring cleanliness, enhancing hygiene, and beautifying towns, public spaces, and government institutions. The initiative, spearheaded by the Home and Administrative Departments, witnessed active participation from government officials, civil society organizations, schools, institutions, and the general public.

In **Meluri**, the drive covered all schools, offices, and public areas under the guidance of the Administrative Department, aiming to improve hygiene and town aesthetics. Chümoukedima saw a joint inspection led by Deputy Commissioner Polan John (NCS) along National Highway 29 up to the Chathe River Bridge, with contributions from government departments, the town council, and local residents.

Mokokchung District undertook mass cleaning in line with directives from the Home Department, while **Medziphema**

Sub-division focused on clearing building materials, removing roadside latrines and pigsties, cleaning highways, and maintaining dividers along the Dimapur-Kohima route. Officers, village councils, and the public participated actively, overseen by a special supervisory team.

In **Tizit** Sub-division, emphasis was given to clearing roadside debris, cleaning drains, and ensuring proper signage, lighting, and cleanliness around shops and offices, with participation from residents, government employees, and institutions. Mon Town also witnessed a similar drive, where roadsides were cleared, drains cleaned, and shopkeepers advised on repainting and proper signboards.

Chiephobozou Sub-division engaged all departments, schools, institutions, and citizens to ensure cleanliness and beautification of public areas, while in **Dimapur**, the drive led by Deputy Commissioner Dr. Tinojongshi Chang involved clearing roadside debris, public spaces, and market areas with support from

civil society and village councils.

The **Longleng** District Administration also organized mass cleaning with all

departments, institutions, CSOs, and citizens actively participating.

NAGALAND BIDS FAREWELL TO LATE IMKONG IMCHEN WITH STATE FUNERAL IN KOHIMA

Nagaland bade an emotional farewell to late Imkong L Imchen, Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation as the State accorded a State Funeral in recognition of his distinguished service and contributions to the people at his official residence, Old Ministers' hill, Kohima on 12th November 2025, followed by final rites in his native village, Mangmetong, on 13th November.

Leaders, colleagues, family members, and well-wishers gathered to pay their final respects to the veteran leader, remembering him as a Statesman of integrity, vision, and deep commitment to the welfare of the Naga people.

In his message, Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio described Lt. Imkong L. Imchen as a man of clear mind, trustworthy, upright and a seasoned politician, who was never afraid to speak out his mind. Rio recalled how he worked with Imkong for decades in the service of the people, and how his trust in him was built over the years of their association. Despite political instability, Imkong was a survivor and ably handled the crisis in the State politics irrespective of ups and downs in the affairs of the government, Rio said.

Rio condoled his loss and lamented that the legacy and good deeds left by him will always be cherished in our hearts.

Speaker of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Sharingain Longkumer, described

Late Imkong Imchen as “a man of few words but immense depth, known for his strong vocabulary, mature reasoning, and unwavering dedication to the service of the people.”

Recalling his remarkable journey from a student leader to holding multiple portfolios in the Nagaland Legislative Assembly including Home, Health and Family Welfare, Education, and Environment the Speaker said Lt. Imchen exemplified integrity, wisdom, and selfless devotion to the welfare of the Naga people.

Chief Secretary, Sentiyanger Imchen, IAS who spoke on behalf of the State government said that Imkong L. Imchen displayed remarkable leadership qualities and a strong sense of public duty.

He was one of the meticulous politicians, always thorough with all cabinet memos and ensuring that all departments were kept on their toes, reflecting his disciplined approach and high standards of governance. He was a multi- faceted personality- a fearless leader, a scholar and tireless social worker.

In his passing, the State has lost not just a veteran leader but a voice of reason, a man of principle and a statesman whose life embodied the spirit of service.

Minister of Tourism and Higher Education, Temjen Imna Along described Lt. Imkong as a leader who devoted his whole life for public service be it in social or political. He was a leader who was highly respected,

regarded and loved by all. He brought positive changes and touched countless lives with his service. His sudden and untimely passing left an impeccable sign of leadership, he added.

Secretary, Soil & Water Conservation, Sarita Yadav, IAS delivering the condolence message remembered Late Imchen as a man of dignity, a towering figure of our time, and a down-to earth human inspiration. She also remarked that his life stands as a testament to how one man, through sheer courage and faith, can rise to challenges and make a difference in the lives of many.

She stated that Late Imkong Imchen took key initiatives in promoting resource conservation, sustainable practices, and community-based soil and water management which reflects his enduring passion for environmental stewardship and grassroots development.

Speaking on behalf of the Department, Director of Information & Public Relations, Dzüvinuo Theünuo said that Late Imkong L. Imchen was a veteran statesman and one of the senior most members among the State's legislators, a leader of stature whose long years of public service were marked by commitment and wisdom.

She said, as the Advisor to the Department of IPR, Late Imchen took

a deep and personal interest in its functioning and constantly encouraged the Department to evolve with the changing media landscape to strengthen its role as the voice and communication arm of the Government. His vision for institutional discipline, professionalism and the use of modern communication tools guided many of the Department's ongoing reforms and initiatives.

President Naga Students' Federation Mteisuding Zeliang said that Imchen's journey from a student leader to a seasoned statesman reflected his lifelong pursuit of justice and the collective aspirations of the Naga people. Recalling his tenure as the General Secretary of the NSF, Zeliang noted that late Imkong played a pivotal role in strengthening the foundation of the student movement.

The funeral programme in Kohima included a touching hymn, a "Time for the Family" segment, laying of wreaths, and a Guard of Honour by 10 NAP (Bn) IR, marking a solemn tribute to his life of service.

In Mangmetong, the Ao Senden organised a condolence programme attended by state legislators, senior officials, village elders, and community members, celebrating his contributions to governance, rural development, and the Ao community.

NORTH EAST ANTF CONFERENCE HELD IN CHUMOUKEDIMA

The Regional Conference of Heads of Anti-Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) of North Eastern States, Sikkim and West Bengal was held on 13th November 2025, at Police Complex, Chumoukedima. The two-day Conference aims to strengthen coordination and develop effective strategies to curb drug trafficking and substance abuse across the

region.

In his welcome address, R. Sudhakar, IPS, DDG (NER), NCB emphasized the need for constructive discussions in formulating effective strategies and a comprehensive roadmap to tackle the drug problem in the North-East, viewing the conference as an opportunity for States to unite in this common

cause.

While delivering the keynote address, Director General of Police, Nagaland, Rupin Sharma, IPS, stated that the long and porous 1,643 km border with Myanmar, combined with challenging terrains and the governance turmoil in Myanmar, and its close proximity to the Golden Triangle (Myanmar -Laos-Thailand) makes the north-east states, including Nagaland, extremely vulnerable. He informed that Nagaland has an estimated 1.2 lakh drug users who consume heroin locally known as 'shaanflower' or 'SF'.

Sharma reiterated that the solution lay in multi-agency coordination, targeted investments, and sensitive handling of unique regional concerns. He said that the police and other agencies present in this conference are the country's frontline defenders against a menace that threatens the very fabric of our society: the narcotics trade. He concluded his address with a call for collective action, cross-border cooperation, and the unwavering pursuit of a drug-free future for the Northeast and all of India.

Director General, Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Anurag Garg, IPS, in his address, highlighted the significance of coordinated efforts among the North Eastern states to strengthen enforcement mechanisms and intelligence sharing in the fight against narcotics. He informed the gathering that The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) has designated state-level Anti-Narcotics Task Forces (ANTF) in all the States and Union Territories of the Country as the first line of defense in the fight against the drug menace.

He outlined key discussion points to be deliberated during the conference such as ways to target drug kingpins, inter-agency integration and real-time intelligence sharing, addressing the issue of opium and cannabis cultivation, on utilizing digital platforms for intelligence, and improving prosecution of narcotics cases.

The Conference was attended by officials from the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE), and police departments from all the North- Eastern states, Sikkim and West Bengal.

UNION FINANCE MINISTER NIRMALA SITHARAMAN VISITS NAGALAND

Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, visited Nagaland from 13th–15th November 2025, during which she inaugurated several Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, skill development centres, and reviewed key infrastructure projects under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme. The visit focused on the aspirational district of Kiphire, as well as the state capital Kohima and Dimapur.

On 13th November, Sitharaman visited District Hospital Kiphire to ceremonially hand over medical equipment and facilities under the CSR initiatives of the State Bank of India (SBI). She flagged off five bike ambulances and handed over equipment worth over Rs. 84.81 lakhs, including hospital machinery and blood bank essentials. In her address, the Minister expressed gratitude to the state government and the district administration and highlighted the importance of modern medical facilities for precision diagnostics

and healthcare in the aspirational district.

On 14th November, the Minister visited the Anganwadi Centre 'A' at Kiphire, interacting with local workers, children, and reviewing the implementation of central welfare schemes. She also participated as the Guest Speaker at the Pungro-Kiphire Mandal Atmanirbhar Bharat Sankalp Campaign organized by the BJP.

Sitharaman also inaugurated the Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Centre at Kiphire, praising the district's cultural heritage, scenic beauty, and socio-economic potential. She acknowledged the significant role of CSR funds in driving local development and urged continued focus on education, skill development, and entrepreneurship.

Later the same day, Sitharaman inaugurated the Students Advancing Mindsets in AI, Robotics, Technology and Digital Hardware (SAMARTH) initiative at NIELIT Kohima, launching the SAMARTH portal and unveiling three AI training kits for students. Emphasizing youth empowerment, she highlighted the importance of financial literacy, AI education, and future-ready skills, particularly for women and rural communities in the Northeast. She also encouraged students to explore emerging industries such as semiconductors, green

energy, and advanced manufacturing.

On the evening of 14 November, the Minister was honoured at a State Dinner hosted by Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio, which included cultural performances and a review of the state's financial inclusion initiatives. Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen highlighted the significant progress in banking access and microfinance initiatives, while emphasizing the importance of SASCI funds for infrastructure development.

On 15th November, Sitharaman inaugurated the AI & Future Skills Centre of Excellence at NTTC Dimapur, highlighting the role of CSR-supported initiatives in enhancing vocational training and technical skills among youth. The Minister underscored the importance of AI-driven learning, handloom and handicraft innovation, and entrepreneurship for economic empowerment. MoUs were exchanged with industry associations, including Women Entrepreneurs Network Nagaland, to strengthen industry-academia collaboration and enhance skill-based employment opportunities.

Additionally, the Minister virtually inaugurated SASCI-funded projects, including the Multipurpose Hall at Phek and a Guest House for Administrative Officers



Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman with Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and Deputy Chief Minister's, T.R.Zeliang and Y. Patton and other officials during the virtual launching of SASCI at Niathu Resort, Chumoukedima on 15th November 2025.

in Zunheboto, followed by a review meeting with Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio, Deputy Chief Ministers T.R. Zeliang and Y. Patton, and senior officials. Sitharaman emphasized the Centre's focus on aspirational districts, socio-economic development, financial inclusion, and transparent project implementation, reaffirming the Government of India's commitment to Nagaland's holistic

development.

During her visit, Sitharaman was accompanied by Ministers, Advisors, and senior officials from the state and central governments, and the programme included cultural showcases, public interactions, and engagements with students, entrepreneurs, and civil society representatives.

WRD CONDUCTS TRAINING ON DRIVING SKILLS AND ETIQUETTE HELD

A one-day training programme on "Driving Skills and Etiquette" for the drivers of the Water Resources Department (WRD) was held on November 14, 2025, at the Conference Hall, Office of the Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Kohima.

In his welcome address, Er. Sobu Angami, Additional Chief Engineer spoke on the increasing number of vehicles and the challenges posed by bad road conditions. He highlighted the need to ensure the safety of both drivers and pedestrians, noting that many road accidents occur due to mechanical failures and carelessness.

Sobu also stressed the importance of smooth functioning among drivers and

encouraged them to use DigiLocker for proper digital documentation. He also urged the participants to develop skills for handling SOS and emergency situations.

The training featured three sessions:- in Session I: Rhyuzamo Ezung, Motor Transport Officer, District Executive Force (DEF) Kohima spoke on "Driving Lenience, Vehicle Maintenance, Traffic Rules & Road Safety", while in the session II, Er. A. Roland Jami, Superintending Engineer, WRD Kohima spoke on "Driving Skills and Driving Etiquette" and the Session III was led by H. Bushan Khaminungan, Registrar, WRD Kohima, who spoke on "Roles and Responsibilities of Drivers".

NAGALAND PAVILION INAUGURATED AT IITF 2025

The 44th India International Trade Fair (IITF) began at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi on 14th November 2025. Joint Secretary, Micro Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, Mercy Epao inaugurated the Nagaland Pavilion. She was accompanied by the Joint Resident Commissioner, Nagaland House, New Delhi, Sharon Longchari, Joint Director and Pavilion Director, Industries & Commerce Department, K. Hekavi Francis

and other department officials, OSD Planning & Transformation Department, Thomas Thailu, Senior Manager NHD, Koko Metha, Registrar NHD, Anup Rawat and UDA NHD, Atale Kezo.

Joint Secretary, Mercy Epao along with the officials visited the stalls set up at the State Pavilion. Interacting with the exhibitors, she encouraged them to also avail benefits provided by the Ministry of MSME in

branding and design schemes. Key highlights of the pavilion, includes, beautifully woven handlooms, finely crafted handicrafts, food products, dry flowers, etc. from the State.

The 14-day trade fair which concluded on 27th November 2025, had 12 countries,

including, United Arab Emirates, China, South Korea, Iran and Egypt, participating this year. Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, and Bihar are the partner states, while Jharkhand is the focus state.

JANJATIYA GAURAV VARSH PAKHWADA 2025 OBSERVED IN KOHIMA

Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada 2025 was observed from 10th to 15th November, organized by the Tribal Research Institute (TRI), Nagaland, under the Department of Tribal Affairs and funded by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India. The observance honored the rich cultural heritage, traditions, and contributions of tribal communities, while promoting awareness of tribal welfare initiatives.

The inaugural programme was held at the NSF Solidarity Park, with Imtichoba, MLA, as the Guest of Honour. The highlight of the day was a Tribal Tug-of-War Competition featuring 14 tribes from across Nagaland, where the Angami tribe emerged victorious. The event also included a Voluntary Blood

Donors Association Camp, supported by a medical team, and an Exhibition of Tribal Art & Crafts, moderated by Imsumerem.

On 15th November, A Tribal Walkathon was conducted from the Civil Secretariat to the NLA Junction, with around 450-500 participants representing 18 tribes.

H. Tovihoto Ayemi, MLA and Advisor for Tribal Affairs & Election, highlighted the significance of Birsa Munda's legacy and the enduring contributions of tribal communities in culture, art, music, and craftsmanship. Anjelina Tajen, IAS, Secretary of Tribal Affairs, emphasized the importance of collective efforts for tribal empowerment and upholding Birsa Munda's values of freedom, equality, and justice.



MLA, Imtichoba with Tribal Affairs department officials during the Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada 2025 observed at NSF, Solidarity Park, Kohima on 10th November 2025.

Following the Walkathon, a Tribal Cuisine Competition and an Exhibition of Tribal Paintings were organized at the DUDA Conference Hall, Kohima. The cuisines were

judged by senior chefs Asano Angami and Chenti Phom, with the Khiamniungan tribe winning first place, and the Phom and Konyak tribes securing the runner-up positions.

NATIONAL PRESS DAY OBSERVED WITH FOCUS ON SAFEGUARDING PRESS CREDIBILITY

Dimapur Press Club observed National Press Day on Sunday, November 16, 2025, at Ethnic Table, Notun Bosti, Dimapur, under the theme “Safeguarding Press Credibility Amidst Rising Misinformation.”

In her Presidential Address, Henly Phom said that National Press Day stands as a testament to the power of a free and fair press. Acknowledging editors, colleagues, and fellow journalists, she expressed gratitude for their tireless efforts in bringing truth to light.

Delivering the theme speech, Dr. Jamir emphasised that credibility remains the most vital asset of the press, calling it the “anchor of the profession”.

He highlighted the growing crisis of transparency in the media landscape, noting that many digital platforms operate without accountability, ownership details, or editorial structures.

Addressing the sensitive issue of money-for-coverage, he cautioned that undisclosed paid content results in “structural misinformation,” as the public remains unaware of why a story was selected. He stressed that sponsored content must always be labelled to maintain credibility.

The speaker also pointed to rising challenges such as sensationalism, pressure for speed, and ethical inconsistencies, which gradually weaken trust. He warned that AI-generated misinformation - through altered videos, images, or voice cloning - poses new risks, especially in a socially sensitive region like Nagaland.

Dr. Jamir proposed several practical steps, including stronger transparency, ethical guidelines for event coverage, separation of editorial and commercial roles, and rigorous verification practices. He also called for a common Media Charter, joint



Members of the Dimapur Press Club during the National Press Day observed at Ethnic Table, Dimapur on 16th November 2025.

ethics mechanisms, and increased media literacy programmes.

He concluded by urging journalists to protect credibility through consistent daily practice - verification, fairness, transparency,

and timely corrections - stating that journalistic professionalism must remain non-negotiable.

The programme also featured a Q&A session.

NAGALAND STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION CONDUCTS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN MON DISTRICT

The Nagaland State Human Rights Commission (NSHRC), led by its Chairperson Justice Songkhupchung Serto (Retd.) and Member Adv. R. Nzanbemo Lotha, conducted a series of awareness programmes, inspections, and interactive sessions across Tizit, Mon, Phomching, Longwa, and Aboi from 17th to 20th November 2025, focusing on strengthening human rights awareness and institutional accountability in the region.

Awareness Programme at Tizit

The Commission held an interaction

with officials of various government departments and stakeholders at the ADC Conference Hall, Tizit on 17th November.

Justice Serto briefed participants on the powers of the Commission empowered as a civil court and stressed that its justice process is simple and free of cost. He highlighted the importance of securing basic rights such as health, education and food, and stated that the Commission steps in whenever the State fails in its duty to protect these rights.

Member Adv. R. Nzanbemo Lotha, also



Chairman, NSHRC, Justice, Songkhupchung Serto and Adv. R. Nzanbemo Lotha with officials during their visit at Tizit, Mon on 17th November 2025.

briefed the gathering about the Commission and the purpose of their visit.

The team also visited the CHC, Government Higher Secondary School, and Police Station in Tizit.

Legal & Human Rights Campaign at Mon

Justice Serto graced a one-day Legal & Human Rights Campaign at the Konyak

Union Office Hall, on 18 November 2025, jointly organised by NSHRC, the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Mon, and the Konyak Students' Union.

He described the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as the most influential global document and urged tribes in Nagaland to translate it into their own languages for widespread understanding.

Advocate Moba Konyak, Deputy Legal Aid Defence Counsel, DLSA Mon spoke on “Right to Health & Education as human Rights”, while “Protection of Human Rights Act” was explained by R. Nzanbemo Lotha, Member of NSHRC.

This was followed by visits to the Mon District Hospital, District Jail, Police Station, and GHSS “C” Mon.

Human Rights Awareness at Wangkhao Government College

An awareness program on “Human Rights and the Role of Human Rights Commission in its Better Protection” on 19th November 2025 at Wangkhao Government College. The program was organised by the Nagaland State Human Rights Commission (NSHRC) in collaboration with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Wangkhao Government College, Mon.

While addressing students and faculty of the college Justice Serto emphasised that “human greed and selfishness are the

root cause of conflict, and there can be no development without peace.” He traced the historical evolution of human rights post World War atrocities and explained the powers of Human Rights Commissions in ensuring accountability and justice. He encouraged students to become ambassadors of human rights and echoed B.R. Ambedkar’s call: “*Be Educated, Be Organised and Be Agitated.*” The NSHRC team later visited PHCs and schools in Phomching and Longwa.

Official Visit to Aboi

On 20 November, the NSHRC visited Aboi, inspecting the Police Station, CHC and GHSS. An extensive awareness and interaction session was held at the ADC Conference Hall with GBs, CSOs, ward representatives, student bodies and line departments. The meeting included a briefing on the Commission’s powers and functions, and an in-depth discussion on challenges faced by the community.

NAGALAND COOPERATIVE CONCLAVE HELD

The Nagaland Cooperative Conclave was held from 18th–20th November 2025 at NBCC Convention Hall, Kohima under

the theme ‘Cooperatives – A catalyst for economic transformation’,

Day 1: Focus on Aatmanirbhar Bharat



Minister, PHED and Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi with the awardees and officials during the Nagaland Cooperative conclave held at NBCC Convention Hall, Kohima on 18th November 2025.

& Viksit Bharat Vision

Minister for PHED and Cooperation Jacob Zhimomi stressed the crucial role of cooperatives in driving local economic development and promoting the Vocal for Local and Aatmanirbhar Bharat missions. He highlighted India's economic trajectory towards becoming the world's second-largest economy by 2047 under Viksit Bharat, urging diversification of cooperatives into sectors like tourism and calling for increased youth involvement.

APC V. Shashank Shekhar, IAS, emphasised the significance of cooperatives in addressing agricultural challenges such as fragmented landholdings, weak market linkages, and high logistics costs. He highlighted ongoing initiatives like NRLM and the One Village One Cooperative Scheme, and advocated digital agriculture, transparent governance, and strong institutional coordination.

An MoU was also signed between NCEL and MARCOFED, and The NCDC Regional Award for Cooperative Excellence and Merit -2025 NCDC Awards were also presented.

Day 2: Strengthening Coordination & Market Linkages

Sessions featured presentations by NERAMAC, NCEL, and APEDA.

- NERAMAC highlighted initiatives to support farmers, reduce post-harvest losses, and promote fisheries through PM-MKSSY.
- NCEL detailed its export-focused cooperative ecosystem, urging greater participation from Nagaland.
- APEDA emphasised Nagaland's export potential—particularly

king chili, tree tomato, ginger, persimmon, and pineapple.

The day included a panel discussion on strengthening institutional convergence and a B2B meeting for direct stakeholder-cooperative engagement.

Day 3: Youth, Entrepreneurship & Future Roadmap

Commissioner & Secretary Orenthung Lotha, NCS, in the valedictory address, highlighted cooperatives as engines of community development and economic transformation. Reflecting on the conclave's theme, Cooperatives – a catalyst for economic transformation, Lotha said the insights and commitments shared over the past days strengthened the belief that the cooperative movement in Nagaland is poised to reach new heights. He expressed confidence that the partnerships formed during the event would continue to support farmers, artisans, entrepreneurs, youth, and communities across the state.

Joint Registrar, Bokato Hesso presented the three-day deliberation summary, stressing stronger coordination, inclusive planning, improved credit access, financial literacy, digital agriculture, and youth involvement. He called for harmonised policies, nodal officers for convergence, and long-term strategies to strengthen cooperative structures.

Best Exhibitor Awards were presented in three categories—Food Processing, Weaving & Handicrafts, and Agri & Allied.

The final day also featured sessions on youth roles in cooperatives, entrepreneurship, cooperative vision for Nagaland, and sectoral opportunities.

SAWAB-N HOLDS 7th BOARD MEMBERS MEETING

The 7th meeting of the State Animal Welfare Advisory Board Nagaland (SAWAB-N) was held on 18 November 2025 at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima, under the chairmanship of Advisor, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services (AH&VS) and SAWAB-N Chairman, Khazeto Kinimi.

The meeting reviewed ongoing animal welfare initiatives and outlined strategies to strengthen animal welfare mechanisms across Nagaland. In his opening remarks, Kinimi emphasized collective responsibility in building a compassionate society and highlighted SAWAB-N's statutory role under the PCA Act, 1960, functioning under the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI).

The Board noted that while most districts have constituted District SPCAs, newly created districts—Niuland, Chumoukedima, Tseminyu, Noklak, Shamator, and Meluri—are yet to complete registration under the Societies Registration Act.

National initiatives were highlighted, including the declaration of 14 January–13 February as Animal Husbandry and Animal Welfare Awareness Month by the Ministry of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, along with mandatory monthly reporting on the national dashboard. The Government of India has also approved financial assistance

for 2025–26 under the National Livestock Mission, including plans to organize a State-Level Dog Show during the Hornbill Festival to promote responsible pet ownership and humane animal treatment.

During discussions, the Board expressed serious concern over the continued illegal roadside slaughter of animals, particularly in Dimapur and Kohima, despite an existing ban. It unanimously resolved to recommend issuance of a fresh official order by the Commissioner of Nagaland directing all district administrations to immediately stop such practices.

On the issue of dog meat trade, it was clarified that although Nagaland had issued a ban in July 2020, the Gauhati High Court has quashed the order, allowing commercial import, trade, and sale of dog meat to resume.

The Board also decided to revise budget allocation proposals to ensure adequate funding for the State SPCA and inclusion of newly created districts. Collaboration with the Nagaland Tourism Association was proposed to promote animal welfare awareness in tourism destinations. Other discussions covered wildlife laws, post creation at Dimapur Zoological Park, and the SPCA animal shelter in Dimapur.

CIVIL DEFENCE VOLUNTEERS TRAINING PROGRAMME COMMENCES ACROSS NAGALAND

Nagaland witnessed the successful conclusion of the Civil Defence Wardens and Volunteers training programmes across multiple districts, which commenced on 18th November 2025 and were organised by the

Department of Home Guards, Civil Defence & SDRF, with support from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The week-long initiatives aimed to strengthen community-based disaster preparedness,

emergency response capabilities, and resilience-building at the grassroots level.

In **Kohima**, Additional Deputy Commissioner Alemyapang Longchar highlighted the importance of youth participation in disaster readiness, while District Commandant Wopenthung Kikon urged volunteers to take the practical training seriously. Around 200 volunteers from various wards are attending the seven-day programme.

In **Dimapur**, DC Dr. Tinojongshi Chang underscored the crucial role of trained civilians in an “incident-prone” region like Nagaland and encouraged volunteers to treat the training as a civic responsibility. Over 50 youths are undergoing training covering disaster management, first aid, firefighting and rescue techniques.

Addressing trainees in **Phek**, DC Rhosietho Nguori emphasised the need for intensive training to ensure that Civil Defence personnel are fully equipped to handle emergencies. 160 personnel and volunteers are attending the programme.

At **Mokokchung**, DC Ajit Kumar Verma called for stronger community preparedness, noting that early civilian

response can significantly reduce disaster impact before specialised forces arrive. The programme included a PowerPoint briefing and a mock drill demonstration.

In **Zunheboto**, DC Dharam Raj highlighted the growing need for sustained preparedness amid global uncertainties and urged volunteers to take maximum advantage of the training. Participants will undergo lectures, practical sessions and first-aid training throughout the week.

In **Kiphire**, the second phase of training began on 25th November, covering first aid, fire-fighting, rescue techniques, and community safety for 150 local trainees, with women outnumbering male participants. EAC Zavito Ltu and District Commandant Tokashe Sema encouraged participants to actively utilise the training for disaster preparedness.

Tuensang concluded its first-phase training on 25th November, focusing on advanced lifesaving skills, effective fire suppression, evacuation management, and incident command protocols. District Commandant Lidila Jinger lauded the trainees for their dedication and active participation.



District Commandant, Home Guard & Civil Defence, Lidila Jinger with the participants during a Civil Defence training held at Town Hall, Tuensang on 25th November 2025.

NDMSA CELEBRATES 50th ANNIVERSARY AT KOHIMA

The Nagaland Directorate Ministerial Service Association (NDMSA) celebrated its 50th Anniversary at the Capital Cultural Hall, Kohima under the theme “Serve and Progress” on 18th November 2025 with S. Supongmeren Jamir, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha as the Special Guest.

MP S. Supongmeren Jamir in his address reflected on his long association with the Directorate since 1989, acknowledging the support he received from its staff throughout his career. He praised NDMSA’s contributions over the past 50 years and urged members to serve with integrity, follow established rules, and uphold good governance, noting that Directorate employees are the backbone of the state administration.

Jamir also released the Jubilee Souvenir and virtually unveiled the Golden Jubilee Monolith.

NDMSA President T. Bendangsenla, in her address, honoured the founders and

highlighted the association’s growth from 32 directorates in 1975 to 57 today, with around 1,500 sanctioned posts. She recalled major challenges such as the 1994 “no work, no pay” policy and the 2007 mass retirement act, while also noting key achievements granted by the state government, including cadre upgrades, creation of new posts, amendments to service rules, and land allotment for an NDMSA building. She urged members to maintain dedication, integrity, and uphold the motto “Serve and Progress.”

Founding member Medoselhou Keretsu shared recollections from the Association’s early years, describing the pioneers’ vision to unite employees across directorates. He recounted past struggles, learning experiences and the development of the Association’s service rules. Congratulating the members on the 50-year milestone, he encouraged them to continue being torchbearers for the future.



MP, Lok Sabha, S. Supongmeren Jamir with the founding members and officials during 50th Anniversary celebration of Nagaland Directorate Ministerial Service Association (NDMSA) at the Capital Cultural Hall, Kohima on 18th November 2025.

STATE LEVEL SHG EXHIBITION-CUM-SALE HELD AT KOHIMA

The State Urban Development Agency (SUDA), Nagaland, organised a State Level SHG Exhibition-Cum-Sale under the DAY-

NULM and DJAY-S pilot initiative at Old NST Parking area from 19th November to 21st November 2025.

The exhibition aims to promote the SHG enterprise, enhance market exposure, support enterprise development & sustainable livelihood with particular focus on women – led SHGs from across the State.

Commissioner & Secretary, UD & Municipal Affairs Department & Chairman, SUDA, Kekhrievor Kevichusa in his address said that the new mission will be bigger in scope and in execution. He informed that all the 39 ULBs will be identified and SHGs will be formed in this new mission to expand the scope of activities. Kevichusa urged the SHGs to get engaged in converging with the other departments to strengthen and showcasing

their products as well as their skills to get more benefit and improve their economy.

Joint Director Petevilie Khatsü said the programme is part of the newly launched Deendayal Jan Ajeevika Yojana – Shehari (DJAY) under its Financial Inclusion & Enterprise Development component. DJAY aims to reduce the occupational, social and housing vulnerabilities of the urban poor. He added that the mission will cover all Urban Local Bodies nationwide and will focus on vulnerable urban workers such as construction, transport, gig, care, waste and domestic workers.

IMCT CONDUCTS THREE-DAY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT VISIT IN NAGALAND

The Inter-Ministerial Central Team (IMCT) from New Delhi commenced its three-day assessment visit to Nagaland on 19th November 2025, conducting briefings and field inspections across Dimapur, Chumoukedima, and Peren districts to assess damages caused by the 2025 monsoon-induced floods and landslides. The IMCT includes representatives from the Ministries of Home Affairs, Finance, Jal Shakti, Rural Development, Road Transport & Highways, and NRSC-ISRO.

The visit began with a joint briefing at Niathu Resort, Chumoukedima, chaired by Sentiwapang Aier, Additional Secretary, NSDMA. Deputy Commissioners of Dimapur and Chumoukedima presented detailed reports highlighting extensive damage to roads, houses, and community infrastructure. Team leader Gaya Prasad, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, stated that the IMCT aims to conduct on-the-spot assessments and would submit

a comprehensive report to the Central Government with recommendations for relief and long-term mitigation.

Earlier, the team, accompanied by district officials and NSDMA personnel, inspected several flood-affected locations in Dimapur, including Ragailong Colony, Burma Camp Pumping Station, Vilhume/SM Colony, and the Nagarjan School area. This team was led by Mahesh Kumar, Deputy Director (FCD), Ministry of Finance, along with Chahat Singh, Assistant Commissioner, Ministry of Rural Development, and scientist Nirmala S. Jain from NRSC-ISRO.

On 20th November, the IMCT visited Peren district, where a meeting was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall. DC Peren, Hiazu Meru, delivered a detailed presentation on damage caused by continuous heavy rainfall, including landslides in residential areas, extensive losses to agricultural and horticultural crops—particularly paddy and king chilli—

pest infestations, fire incidents, and destruction of irrigation structures such as dams and channels. He added that alternative routes used during NH-29 blockages were also severely affected.

Team leader Gaya Prasad acknowledged the severity of the destruction presented and urged departments to share their concerns

for accurate assessment.

The IMCT's goal was to carry out on-site evaluations of the damage caused by floods and landslides across Nagaland during the 2025 monsoon. A report with recommendations for relief measures and long-term solutions will be submitted to the Central Government.

ADVISOR TO CM, ABU METHA LAUNCHES DREAMS UNLIMITED'S NEW TRAVEL-THEMED VIDEO

Advisor to the Chief Minister, Abu Metha launched Dreams Unlimited's latest video on 22nd Nov 2025 at the Directorate of Information & Public Relations, Kohima. The video is a travel-adventure that follows the story of a missing tourist, taking viewers through some of the most stunning locations across Nagaland. The launch programme, chaired by Joint Director, IPR, Asangla Imsong highlighted the growing synergy between films, creativity and tourism promotion in the State.

In his address, Abu Metha praised Dreams Unlimited for their innovative approach to storytelling and their consistent contribution to the State's creative landscape. Drawing a parallel with the Hindi film *Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara*, widely credited for transforming Spain into a major tourism destination, he expressed hope that Dreams Unlimited's new film would similarly inspire travellers to explore Nagaland.

Abu emphasized that art, music and

films are powerful instruments to attract visitors to the State. He said that Nagaland offers experiences through its culture, landscapes, food and music. What we need is innovation, creativity and strong storytelling to take these experiences to the world, he added. Once this video is uploaded on YouTube, it becomes global. Audiences from far and near will discover Nagaland with just a click. We must use storytelling and creative innovation to promote our State, he said.

Director of Dreams Unlimited, Tiakumzuk shared insights into the making of the film, stating that the team's intention was not only to entertain but also to showcase Nagaland's unique beauty through a narrative that audiences can emotionally connect with.

The video was launched in the presence of the Dreams Unlimited team, Director IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo and Advisor, TAFMA, Theja Meru.

AIR INDIA EXPRESS NAMED OFFICIAL TRAVEL PARTNER FOR HORNBILL FESTIVAL 2025 WITH TSÜNGKOTEPSÜ-THEMED AIRCRAFT

The Government of Nagaland has announced Air India Express as the Official

Travel Partner for the Hornbill Festival 2025, marking a significant collaboration aimed at

boosting tourism, strengthening connectivity, and showcasing the cultural heritage of the state. As part of this partnership, the airline unveiled a Tsüngkoteṣü-themed livery on one of its new Boeing 737-8 aircraft, celebrating Nagaland's rich artistic legacy under its cultural initiative, 'Tales of India'.

The announcement was made on 17th November 2025 at the airline's headquarters in Gurugram by Abu Metha, Advisor to the Chief Minister and Chairman of IDAN, and Alope Singh, Managing Director of Air India Express. The specially designed aircraft was formally received and flagged off by Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio at Dimapur Airport on 22nd November 2025. Chief Minister Rio was accompanied at the event by Minister for Rural Development & SIRD Metsubo Jamir, Advisor for Tribal Affairs and Election H. Tovihoto Aye, and Advisor for Agriculture Mhathung Yanthan.

During the flag-off ceremony, Rio expressed pride in welcoming Air India

Express with the Tsüngkoteṣü livery as a cultural ambassador for Nagaland. Calling it a meaningful corporate collaboration, he noted that the initiative would create greater opportunities for cultural exchange, economic growth, and nation building.

Air India Express Managing Director Alope Singh stated that the Tsüngkoteṣü design on aircraft VT-BWD is a tribute to the creativity, energy, and cultural pride of Nagaland.

As part of its support for the Hornbill Festival, the airline will facilitate travel for performing artists and festival organisers, and set up a Hornbill experience kiosk at Dimapur Airport to welcome travellers with the colours and spirit of Nagaland.

To encourage travel during the festive season, the airline announced a 15% discount on direct and one-stop flights to and from Dimapur for bookings made between 20–30 November, later extended till 10 December 2025.

WEAVERS OF EMPATHY - NAGA ORAL HISTORY PROJECT HELD AT KOHIMA

A One-day gathering under the Naga Oral History Project - 'Weavers of Empathy' conducted by Project Empathy was held at Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 22nd November 2025.

Advisor to the Chief Minister, Nagaland, Chairman IDAN and Vice President AFI, Abu Metha, who attended as the Chief Guest, congratulated Project Empathy for its impactful work in preserving and sharing Naga traditions and oral histories. He highlighted the importance of passing on stories, values, and cultural knowledge to younger generations, emphasizing empathy as a core strength of Naga society. While acknowledging the richness of

Naga community life, he also urged the present generation to overcome negative tribalism and strengthen unity through shared traditions and empathy. Abu Metha stressed the need to truly listen and observe one another, noting that empathy remains the vital thread that connects people in an increasingly divided, technology-driven world. He also reflected on improved civil–military relations in Nagaland and encouraged collaborative efforts for the greater good of humanity.

Lt. General Vikas Lakhera, AVSM, SM, Director General of Assam Rifles, as Guest of Honour, shared his long association

with Nagaland since 1993. He encouraged Nagas to recognize how blessed they are, respect their past, and carry forward their ancestral legacy, likening life to a relay race where values must be passed on to future generations.

Abeni TCK, Author and Designer who was the other Guest of Honour remarked that 'Weavers of Empathy' reminds us of the beauty and depth of Naga oral culture, where every story is a thread and every thread carries life and wisdom and this tradition passed on from generation to generation. She also added that the power of Naga Oral Culture lies in its ability to carry emotions, identity, history and also valuable information, we have done so far for century, through stories, songs, folktales and ancestral narratives, by preserving a living archive, rooted in

community courage and a deep connection of our learning.

Founder of Project Empathy, Vibha Lakhere in her welcome note highlighted that her project 'Weaves of Empathy' on empathy drew to seek the wisdom, about care, community and the belonging already living in everyday life of the Naga people that has become the seat for the project Naga Oral History and stories of empathy.

The event also saw the screening of 'Weaves of Empathy' a documentary film of Project Empathy directed by filmmaker, Parasher Baruah. Exhibition Display of Naga tradition Tassle Dress and Painting, Discussion, Naga Oral Tradition live Storytelling/Singing, Display of photographs, artwork and paintings and artwork series.

CM LAUNCHES 24th DR. T. AO FOOTBALL TROPHY COFFEE TABLE BOOK; DPDB REVIEWS 'ONE CROP ONE VILLAGE' INITIATIVE

The Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, launched the Coffee Table Book of the 24th Dr. T. Ao Inter-District Football Trophy during the Kohima District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) meeting-cum-Advent Christmas held at Phezou Resort, Tuophema Village, Kohima on 24th November 2025. The publication captures the journey of the tournament and honours the contributions of players, coaches and officials who have shaped its history. The meeting, chaired by Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, also reviewed several agenda items, including a detailed assessment of the Chief Minister's 'One Crop One Village' initiative.

During the review, the Agriculture Department presented updates on the cluster-based farming model. The department highlighted ginger, potato, red rice, king chilli,

maize, millet, garlic, rice bean and Job's tears as crops showing strong market potential, with Kezoma cited as an example for its successful Millet Festival.

The Horticulture Department briefed the Board on crop suitability across different parts of the district. It informed the Board that the 'One Crop One Village' model was first piloted in Khonoma and that field visits have shown promising scope for expanding kiwi cultivation.

The meeting also discussed the proposal to conduct future DPDB meetings in alternative locations across the district. Members agreed that decentralising meetings would allow closer interaction with villagers, enable on-site departmental reviews, and strengthen service delivery and grievance redressal through subordinate officers.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief

Minister welcomed members to his native village and reflected on Tuophema's history. He emphasised the need to strengthen the 'One Crop One Village' initiative and expressed satisfaction with the progress of cluster farming.

He encouraged the promotion of avocado and persimmon, informing the Board that 12,000 avocado saplings had already been distributed, and urged expansion of coffee cultivation, particularly in the northern areas.

Dr. Rio reminded the gathering to work with the resources the land provides, emphasising that Nagaland's soil is fertile and ideal for organic production and also stressed the importance of fostering stronger relationships with farmers, urging officers and departments to understand the farmers, their interests and their land so that government initiatives can be implemented more effectively.

The meeting was attended by Minister, Women Resource Development and

Horticulture, Salhoutuonuo Kruse; Advisor, School Education and SCERT, Kekhrielhoulie Yhome; Advisor, Prison and Printing & Stationery, Kropol Vitsu; MLA and Chairman of DPDB Kohima, Kevipodi Sophie; MLA, Dr. Tsielhoutuo Ato Rhutso, along with departmental officials and DPDB members.

Followed by an Advent Christmas programme, extending his greetings, the Chief Minister wished everyone a blessed Advent Christmas and shared that the year 2025 holds special significance for him and his family, marking his 75th birthday, 50 years of marriage and 50 years of public service, now entering his 52nd year.

MLA and Chairman of DPDB Kohima, Kevipodi Sophie, described the occasion as refreshing and meaningful, enriched by the cultural and historical setting of the village. He encouraged departments to continue working in coordination for the welfare of the district.

MINISTER TEMJEN IMNA ALONG FLAGS OFF AERIAL EXPERIENCE HELICOPTER SERVICE FOR HORNBILL FESTIVAL 2025

Minister for Tourism and Higher Education, Temjen Imna Along, flagged off the Aerial Experience Rides - Helicopter Service for the upcoming Hornbill Festival 2025 at the Lerie Helipad, Kohima on 25th November 2025. Advisor to the Chief Minister and Chairman, IDAN, Abu Metha, Chairman, TaFMA, Theja Meru, OSD, Transport Department, Myingthungo Ababe Ezung, Captain Amitabh and officials from the Tourism Department were also present on the occasion.

The helicopter service has been initiated by Thumbay Aviation Pvt. Ltd in collaboration with the Tourism Department, Nagaland, with the aim of enhancing tourism experiences during the Hornbill Festival. The launch marks a significant stride toward offering chartered

aerial experiences and improved connectivity for tourists visiting the State.

The service will offer opportunities for sightseeing around Kohima, aerial views of the scenic Dzükou Valley, flights between Kohima and Kigwema and an exclusive bird's-eye perspective of the Hornbill Festival. Tourists will also be able to charter the helicopter to visit destinations across Nagaland.

Rates for the Aerial Experience Rides will be subsidized, encouraging participation from visitors within the State, domestic travellers, and international tourists. The helicopter service will operate from Dimapur Airport, Kohima Heliport and Kigwema Heliport, offering convenient access for tourists throughout the festival period.

NAGALAND LAUNCHES 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

The Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with Mission Shakti Nagaland and Nagaland State Rural Livelihood Mission observed the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women at Capital Convention Center, Kohima on 25th November 2025, also marking the launch of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence, a nationwide campaign to raise awareness, prevent violence, and promote women's safety.

Advisor Social Welfare Department and Chief Ambassador for "He or She" campaign against Gender based violence, Wangpang Konyak graced the occasion as the Special Guest.

Speaking at the event, Wangpang Konyak emphasized that violence against women is not only a women's issue but a societal concern, urging everyone to become ambassadors of women's safety and educate future generations on women's rights.

Secretary and AHOD Social Welfare Department, Limawabang Jamir, IAS in his keynote address gave a brief report on the efforts of the Department and the various initiatives undertaken to ensure the social and economic upliftment of women in the State.

Earlier, the Advisor also inaugurated eight new Gender Resource Centres in Kiphire, Longleng, Mon, Changtongya, Pfutsero, Wokha and Satakha.

In Several districts the campaigns were organized by respective district administrations in collaboration with the Department of Social Welfare, District Hubs for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), and Sakhi One Stop Centres (OSC).

In **Kohima**, the "Run to Rise: Together

Against Gender-Based Violence" marathon was flagged off by Deputy Commissioner B. Henok Buchem, emphasizing collective responsibility to create safe communities. Around 150 participants ran to raise awareness, followed by a prize distribution ceremony highlighting the importance of women's safety and OSC services.

In **Phek**, DC Rhosietho Nguori urged citizens to combat all forms of gender-based violence, including digital violence, and emphasized the importance of gender equality. Guest speaker Dr. Pritpal Kaur, IPS, highlighted cybercrime against women and shared helpline services, while participants engaged in a signature campaign under the theme "He For She."

Wokha District observed the launch with speeches from DC Vineet Kumar, IAS, stressing the need for collective societal action. Legal sessions on the POCSO Act 2012, Juvenile Justice Act 2015, and Child Marriage Act 2006 were conducted, and participants reaffirmed their pledge to end all forms of violence and discrimination.

In **Niuland**, a programme at Nikhekh Village engaged 50 youth participants, with EAC Kelengunuo Solo delivering the keynote address on gender equality and the importance of community action.

Meluri District organized a programme themed "UNITE to End Digital Violence against all Women," where SDO (C) Sakuchingmak highlighted the role of Mission Shakti OSC, and guest speaker Chiekerho Nyusou discussed domestic violence, digital abuse, workplace harassment, and legal safeguards. Heads of departments, civil society members, village councils, student leaders, and church

leaders participated, and the OSC pledge was administered.

In **Dimapur**, the Nagaland State Commission for Women, with the Dimapur District Administration organised a programme under the theme “Unite to End Digital Violence

Against All Women and Girls”, the event focused on online harassment, digital safety, and legal safeguards. DC Dr. Tinojongshi Chang and Advocate Vrinda Grover emphasized collective responsibility, digital literacy, and support for survivors.

WORKSHOP ON VIBRANT VILLAGE PROGRAMME (VVPII) HELD

A one-day workshop cum training programme (online mode) on Vibrant Village Programme (VVPII) was held on 25th November 2025 at the Directorate of Underdeveloped Areas, Kohima.

The workshop was attended by officials from the department and line departments,

Deputy Commissioners of the five border districts, Assam Rifles and the master trainer from MHA. The workshop was moderated by the Secretary DUDA, Asangla Imti, IAS while short presentations were presented by the Nodal Officer VVP II and the Deputy Commissioners from the five border districts.

NAGALAND OBSERVED CONSTITUTION DAY

Nagaland joined the nation in celebrating Constitution Day on 26th November 2025, commemorating the adoption of the Constitution of India and marking the culmination of the year-long campaign themed “Hamara Samvidhan – Hamara Swabhiman.” The observances aimed to promote awareness of constitutional values, democratic principles, and responsible citizenship among government functionaries, students, and the public.

At the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima, officers and staff gathered at the Secretariat Conference Hall for the celebration. Home Commissioner Abhijit Sinha, IAS, chaired the programme, highlighting the historic journey of the Indian Constitution, noting that the Constituent Assembly, established in 1946, took nearly three years to draft the Constitution, which was adopted on 26th November 1949 and came into effect on 26th January 1950.



Addl. Director, DIPR, Er. Kevizayieno administering the Constitutional Day Pledge during the celebration of Constitutional Day at DIPR Conference hall, Kohima on 26th November 2025.

Chief Secretary Sentiyaenger Imchen, IAS, led the pledge-taking ceremony, during which all attendees read the Preamble to the Constitution of India in unison, reaffirming their commitment to uphold its principles.

The Directorate of Information & Public Relations (DIPR), Nagaland, also observed Constitution Day under the chairmanship of Er. Kevizayieno, Additional Director, DIPR, with officers and staff participating in the pledge and discussions on constitutional values.

In Dimapur, GHS Padumpukhuri

marked the day as part of the nationwide campaign to encourage students to understand the Constitution. About 60 students participated in reading the Preamble, accompanied by discussions on its significance, historical context, and relevance to contemporary India. The school also shared the Preamble on its website, encouraged students to submit videos reading it, and awarded certificates upon completion, fostering patriotism and awareness of democratic principles.

METEOROLOGICAL CENTRE, KOHIMA, INDIA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, ORGANIZED A CURTAIN-RAISER EVENT

Meteorological Centre Kohima, India Meteorological Department organized a curtain raiser event ahead of The India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025 to be held during 6th to 9th December 2025 at Panchkula, Chandigarh on 26th November 2025 at National Institute of Technology (NIT) Nagaland as part of its efforts to foster scientific temper and raise awareness among science enthusiasts.

The event at NIT Nagaland commenced with a formal welcome and lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the Chief Guest, Dr. Manoj E. Prabhakar, Registrar of NIT Nagaland, followed by the felicitation of Dignitaries. A brief presentation about IISF 2025, highlighting its objective and importance was given by Shri. Nalnish Kumar Chaudhary, Scientist - D & Head, Meteorological Centre Kohima. A video

presentation on IISF 2025 was also screened, giving participants a glimpse of the upcoming national event at Panchkula.

Dr. Manoj E. Prabhakar, Registrar of NIT Nagaland, Dr. P Chinnamuthu, Associate Professor, NIT Nagaland, Dr. Jay Chandra Dhar, Assistant Professor, NIT Nagaland, and others also addressed the gathering about the objective and importance of science & technology in our daily life. Meteorological Centre, Kohima, also showcased various instruments of the Automatic Weather Station (AWS) and their functioning.

The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Chon Nitin followed by the National Anthem.

The Curtain Raiser served as a platform to inspire young minds and encourage participation in the forthcoming IISF 2025.

EK BHARAT SHRESTHA BHARAT: MADHYA PRADESH DELEGATION COMPLETES CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE TOUR IN NAGALAND

Under the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat (EBSB) programme of Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland welcomed a delegation from its paired state, Madhya Pradesh for an enriching cultural and educational exchange tour aimed at fostering unity, mutual understanding, and national integration. The delegation, consisting of 28 students and 7 officials, was led by Dr. Mahesh Jain, Joint Director, Samagra Shiksha Madhya Pradesh, and arrived in Nagaland on 24th November 2025 for a three days cultural And educational exchange tour.

Upon arrival, the team was received by officials from Samagra Shiksha Nagaland, who provided an orientation to the region's cultural landscape, its educational priorities, and the broader objectives of the EBSB initiative.

The delegation visited several key historical and cultural landmarks that highlight Nagaland's distinct identity including a visit to Khonoma Village, celebrated as Asia's first "Green Village", Nagaland State Museum Kohima, Kohima

Cathedral Church, Kohima War Cemetery and Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre in Dimapur.

A key component of the tour was the interaction with local schools enabling students from both states to engage in meaningful peer-learning. At Rüzühkhrie Government Higher Secondary School, the delegation participated in the morning assembly, interacted with students, and observed academic activities, particularly in the science classrooms.

At TM Government Higher Secondary School, students from Madhya Pradesh joined their Naga counterparts in kho-kho, traditional Madhya Pradesh games, friendly tug-of-war matches, and even participated in Naga traditional dances, creating an atmosphere of enthusiasm, camaraderie, and cultural appreciation.

The entire tour under the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat programme embodied the spirit of national unity by encouraging cultural appreciation, mutual learning, and meaningful interactions among the youth.

STREET FOOD VENDORS UNDERGO FOOD SAFETY TRAINING IN KOHIMA AHEAD OF HORNBILL FESTIVAL

A food safety and hygiene training programme for street food vendors was conducted at the Directorate of Tourism, Kohima, on 28 November 2025. The programme was organised by the Department of Tourism in collaboration with the National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI), with support from Food Safety Training & Certification (FoSTaC) and Nestlé India, as

part of preparations for the upcoming Hornbill Festival.

Commissioner and Secretary, Health and Family Welfare, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, attended the programme as guest of honour and emphasised the need for strict hygiene practices at all levels. He stressed that vendors must maintain personal cleanliness, ensure hygienic food preparation, keep their stalls and



Commissioner and Secretary, H&FW, Anoop Khinchi, IAS and officials with the participants of food safety and hygiene training programme for Street vendors at the Directorate of Tourism, Kohima on 28th November 2025.

surrounding areas clean, and practice proper waste disposal. He also noted that food safety should become a sustained practice and not be limited only to the festival period.

Commissioner & Secretary, Tourism, Dr. Zasekuolie Chusi, IAS, described the training as timely and essential, and acknowledged the contribution of Nestlé India in supporting the initiative. He also reminded vendors to strictly comply with government regulations and adhere to the notified food rates in the interest of public safety.

Director of Tourism, Veyielo Doulo, said that street food vendors play a vital role in shaping visitors' impressions of the State and act as frontline representatives of Nagaland. He pointed out that the festival offers a major platform for vendors to promote indigenous food traditions and noted that government support to vendors is aimed at strengthening local entrepreneurship and livelihoods.

Giving an overview of the training, Branch

Head, Corporate Affairs, Nestlé India, Surojit Mukherjee, said that the programme was specifically tailored for vendors who will be operating stalls during the Hornbill Festival. He explained that the initiative aims to strengthen safe food handling, hygiene practices and service standards, enabling vendors to deliver a safe and high-quality culinary experience to visitors.

The second session, conducted under Nestlé India's CSR initiative "Project Serve Safe Food", focused on building long-term capacity among street food vendors. On completion of the training, participants were issued FoSTaC certificates through the FSSAI platform.

The programme was implemented as a CSR initiative of Nestlé India with the support of the Food Safety Department and the Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland, to strengthen food safety standards and enhance the overall visitor experience during the Hornbill Festival.

COUNTRY PARTNERS KEEN TO COLLABORATE WITH NAGALAND ON DIVERSE SECTORS

The Inaugural Roundtable and Networking Dinner with Country Partners was held at the Banquet Hall of Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 30th November 2025.

The Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN) convened the Inaugural Roundtable & Networking Dinner with Country Partners, bringing together international representatives, government officials, and key industry stakeholders for a high-level dialogue.

The Roundtable follows the recent announcement by the Chief Minister designating six nations- Austria, France, Ireland, Malta, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom as Country partners for this year's Hornbill festival, an initiative that underscores the State's growing emphasis on global engagement. Reinforcing regional cooperation, Arunachal Pradesh has been named the State Partner, strengthening North East India's shared vision for development and collaborative growth.

With the participation of senior diplomats, including the confirmed attendance of the Ambassadors of France, Ireland, Switzerland and the High Commissioner of Malta, the Roundtable marks a significant milestone in Nagaland's outreach to the international community. Their presence signals a growing interest among foreign missions to explore Nagaland as an emerging interface for

economic, cultural, and strategic partnership in the North East.

This Roundtable signifies Nagaland's readiness to engage with the Country Partners on pragmatic investment opportunities and in positioning the State as an emerging player in regional diplomacy, economic partnership, and cultural engagement. The Hornbill Festival, already one of India's most prominent cultural festivals, is increasingly being broadened to catalyse cultural exchange into concrete economic and investment opportunities. By pairing national and international partners with Nagaland's entrepreneurs and institutions, the Roundtable engagements aim to be a platform where culture meets commerce, heritage meets innovation, and local aspirations meet international possibilities.

As the State is ready for the festive season, the Inaugural Roundtable is expected to set the tone for a series of high-level engagements, reinforcing Nagaland's vision of fostering meaningful, long-term relationships with both foreign partners and neighbouring states.

During the programme, Country Partners emphasized the importance and possibilities of collaborating and partnering with Nagaland in the areas of Education, Sports, Cultural, Health, Digital, Food Processing Industries, Infrastructure, Agriculture etc.



YUTOPIA 2025: A FUSION OF SPORTS, CULTURE AND TALENT HELD AT LONLENG

Yingli College hosted the first edition of 'Yutopia Fest' on the 28th to 31st of October 2025, a four-day celebration blending the thrill of sports with the vibrancy of culture. The campus came alive with energetic competitions, creative performances, and boundless enthusiasm.

The highlight was the Talent Extravaganza,

where students showcased their diverse skills alongside performances by three guest artists Anglong Konyak, Manchai Phom and Chingnyi Phom, making it a night to remember. Yutopia 2025 truly marked the beginning of a new tradition of passion, unity and youthful spirit at Yingli College.

SEMINAR ON DRUG & SUBSTANCE ABUSE HELD AT AHTHIBUNG

The District Administration, Peren under the initiative of Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan, organized a one-day seminar on "Drugs & Substance Abuse" at Government Higher Secondary School, Aithibung on 4th November 2025. Veineinem Singson Haolai, Miss Nagaland 2014 and Miss North East Jewel Queen 2016, graced the occasion as the Guest Speaker.

Veineinem Singson Haolai, who is also an active member of the Beauty and Aesthetic Society of Nagaland and a passionate

advocate for social causes, addressed the gathering on the growing menace of drug and substance abuse and its adverse effects on individuals, families, and society. She encouraged students to make responsible choices, practice self-discipline, and value their lives by staying away from harmful substances.

As part of the programme, a prize distribution ceremony was also held for the painting and slogan competitions.

SANSAD KHEL MAHOTSAV HELD AT TUENSANG

District Administration, Tuensang in Collaboration with BJP Tuensang District and Chang Sports Association, Tuensang organised Sansad Khel Mahotsav at Parade Ground Tuensang on 5th November 2025, under the theme 'Fit Youth For Viksit Bharat.'

EAC (Sadar) Tuensang, Toking, thanked MP S. Phangnon Konyak for her efforts to promote sports among Nagaland's youth. He

noted that government support has created more opportunities for athletes, with many now competing nationally. He encouraged the athletes to stay dedicated, disciplined, and uphold the spirit of sports.

A total of 150 athletes participate at High Jump, Long jump, 100 meter race, Shoot Put, Discus throw, top spinning, Stilt Bamboo walk and Cockfight.

TOKHÜ EMONG MINI HORNBILL FESTIVAL HELD IN WOKHA

The opening programme of the Tokhü Emong Mini Hornbill Festival was held at

Public Ground, Wokha on 5th November 2025 with MLA & Chairman of SDPDB Bhandari,

Achumbemo Kikon, gracing the occasion as the Special Guest.

Kikon in his address reflected on the historical significance of the Tokhü Emong Festival, which has been celebrated since time immemorial, and highlighted its role in fostering unity and progress within the Lotha community. He spoke on the need for societal transformation, improved relationships, and the nurturing of true brotherhood through enlightened minds. Stressing the importance of community development, he called for collective efforts to create social impact.

Following the formal programme, Achumbemo Kikon inaugurated the festival stalls, and various competitions and cultural activities were held, marking the beginning of the celebration.



MLA, Achumbemo Kikon addressing the inaugural program of Tokhü Emong Mini Hornbill Festival at Public Ground, Wokha on 5th November 2025.

Tokhü Emong is the premier harvest festival of the Lotha Naga community, celebrated annually in the first week of November. It marks the end of the agricultural season and is a time of thanksgiving, reconciliation, and renewal of bonds among families and villages.

WANGPANG KONYAK GRACE EYE CAMP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AT MON

Advisor for Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak graced the Eye camp for Senior Citizens as Chief Guest on November 6, 2025 at District Hospital, Mon. The programme was jointly organised by the Department of Social Welfare and Mercy Eye Centre Dimapur Supported by District Hospital, Mon.

Konyak in his address said that the Social Welfare department is to uplift vulnerable groups by providing social assistance, meeting nutritional standards, and protecting those at risk including the elders. He highlighted the government schemes provided by the department like Old Age Pension, Elderly Helpline and Charity Care for the elderly people, and also

informed that the government is planning to establish an Old Age Home in every district.

Deputy Commissioner Mon, Wennyei Konyak in his short speech, extended his gratitude to the Advisor Social Welfare Department, Mercy Eye Centre Dimapur and the District Hospital, Mon for organising the camp. He highlighted that blindness in society largely stems from inadequate facilities and low awareness. He urged everyone to undergo regular eye check-ups to ensure a healthier, more comfortable life.

Dr. Ngopole Keviechu, DTO Mon shared about the importance of eyesight and the medication of the eye problem, while Dr. Chingkup, Mercy Eye Centre, Dimapur explained on the overview of the camp.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL TOURNAMENTS HELD ACROSS SEVERAL DISTRICTS

PHEK
The Phek Inter-Departmental

Tournament 2025, held from 4th to 6th November at the Badminton Stadium,

concluded with finals in arm wrestling, table tennis, and badminton for both men and women. Special guest Enyiwekho Wezah, Divisional Forest Officer, appreciated the administration, organizers, and participants, emphasizing the importance of sports for relaxation and interaction beyond daily duties. Executive Engineer Yhunkolo Kath highlighted unity and friendship as the true spirit of the tournament.

CHIEPHOBOZOU

In Chiephobozou Sub-Division, the 1st Inter-Departmental Sports Meet was conducted on 7th November at the NAPO Multipurpose Hall. Director of Youth Resources & Sports, Kethosituo Sekhose, lauded the efforts of the administration in providing a platform to promote physical fitness and talent among citizens. Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, encouraged participants to carry the team spirit into their workplaces, while ADC Alemyapang Longchar emphasized fostering understanding and cooperation among government employees.

PEREN

The 11th Peren District Inter-Departmental Tournament, organized by the District Planning & Development Board, took place from 12th to 14th November at the Indoor Badminton Stadium, Jalukie Town. Deputy Commissioner Hiazu Meru stressed the role of government employees in the state's progress and urged dedication, discipline, and accountability in their duties. The tournament, involving 41 departments, featured badminton, table tennis, carrom, arm wrestling, futsal, and penalty shootouts. The closing ceremony, graced by DFO Chisayi, IFS, highlighted sportsmanship, teamwork, and the reflection of these values in professional life, with prizes awarded by DC Meru, DFO

Chisayi, and SP Igwangheing Hemang.

DIMAPUR

In Dimapur, the 7th Inter-Departmental Sports Meet was held from 13th to 15th November at the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex. ADC Zakabo V. Rotokha inaugurated the three-day event featuring badminton, table tennis, carrom, penalty shootout, and tug of war. The event aimed to foster unity, discipline, and cooperation among various government departments.

TUENSANG

The 5th Inter-Departmental Sports Meet at Tuensang was inaugurated on 25th November at the Indoor Badminton Stadium. DC Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa and SP Longpoksang Lemtur highlighted the event as a social gathering to promote talent, understanding, and coordination among departments. Participating departments competed in futsal, carrom, badminton, and table tennis.

WOKHA

The 8th Inter-Departmental Sports Meet in Wokha commenced on 28th November, featuring tug of war, penalty shootout, chess, carrom, table tennis, and badminton. DC Vineet Kumar, IAS, emphasized the importance of active participation, sportsmanship, and physical and mental well-being, while ADC Renbomo Ezung administered the welcome and oath-taking ceremonies.

Collectively, these tournaments across Phek, Chiephobozou, Peren, Tuensang, Dimapur, and Wokha highlight the government's commitment to fostering teamwork, healthy competition, and camaraderie among employees, while also promoting fitness, discipline, and mutual respect. The events serve as a model for combining professional development with social interaction and sports culture.

PEREN DPDB DELIBERATES ON DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

The monthly meeting of the Peren District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) for the month of November was held at DC's Conference Hall, Peren, on 7th November 2025 under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, DPDB Peren, Hiazu Meru.

Reviewing the minutes of the previous meeting, the DC informed that financial assistance had been extended to the adopted schools to organize programmes under the Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan on drug and substance abuse. Inputs were also gathered from the concerned officers on the progress of these initiatives.

The Board also deliberated on the preparations for the upcoming Inter-Departmental Tournament and decided to schedule the event in the months of September or October in the future to ensure maximum participation.

Highlighting the preparations for the Unity Mini Hornbill Festival, DC Meru expressed satisfaction over the active cooperation and support extended by all tribal bodies. He further appreciated the departments for regularly carrying out monthly social works within their respective

office premises and surroundings.

Regarding construction activities, the DC reminded all departments to obtain prior permission from the District Administration before undertaking any construction works, emphasizing the need to adhere to the district master plan.

During the meeting, the Principal of Peren Government College, Dr. T. Jamedi Longkumer, presented the agenda proposing the introduction of Sociology as a new subject in the college. After deliberation, the house unanimously approved the proposal and resolved to forward it to the government for necessary action.

The house also decided to apply for financial assistance to renovate the drainage and retaining wall of the Peren Town Local Ground after thorough discussion.

Another agenda taken up was the registration of the Tesen Baptist Churches School Society, which the house approved without further deliberation.

A PowerPoint presentation highlighting the activities of Pro Rural under Peren District, covering sectors such as Agriculture, Health and Skills, was presented by Kiusang S. Tikhir, Agriculture Expert, Pro Rural.

OMAI REBECCA KONYAK CROWNED MISS MON 2025

The Miss Mon 2025 pageant, organised by the Konyak Nyupuh Sheko Khong (KNSK) in collaboration with the Miss Mon Committee and supported by the Beauty and Aesthetics Society of Nagaland, culminated in a dazzling display of poise and talent at

Town Council Hall, Mon on 7th November 2025.

Prof. Rosemary Dzuvichu, Co-Convenor of the Global Naga Forum, graced the occasion as the Special Guest, while Miss Nagaland 2024, Anon Konyak, made a



KNSK officials with Miss Mon 2025, Omai Rebecca Konyak and runners up, Ngamyia P Konyak and Ngaplih Wangha during the Miss Mon 2025 pageant held at Town Council Hall, Mon on 7th November 2025.

special appearance.

On the occasion, Omai Rebecca Konyak from Tobu Unit was crowned Miss Mon 2025, while Ngamyia P Konyak from Chen

Unit secured the 1st Runner-Up title and also won Miss Best Ramp Walk. Ngaplih Wangha from Kohima Unit was named 2nd Runner-Up.

PHEK DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of Phek District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) was held at DC's Conference Hall, Phek on 10th November 2025,

Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman DPDB, Phek, Rhosietho Nguori, who chaired the meeting, stated that two days Commemorative programs on Sardar@Unity March will be held in Phek town by organising a cleanliness drive on 15th Nov. 2025. The DC also informed that the Patyatra:Sardar@Unity March Rally would be conducted in

the district on 19th November 2025, with participation of the Government employees, Colony/Ward leaders, Students Community and general public.

The board also decided to organise a pre-Christmas Celebration program cum DPDB meeting on 10th December 2025. The representative from the Evaluation Department and Transport Department highlighted their departmental activities through power point presentation.

SHAMATOR DPDB APPROVES ENGINEER INSTITUTE/ COLLEGE AT MUNDUN

The Shamator District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting was held at DB's Conference Hall, Shamator on 10th November 2025. The meeting was chaired by Athrong Yimchunger, SDO (C), Shamator.

The board discussed and forwarded the agenda for registration of societies namely Moyiyong Society Yakor, Rhimoru Welfare

Society Shamator, and Shothrumla library foundation to the concerned Department. The board also approved construction of town hall at Chessore town and Engineer Institute/College at Mundun, under Sotokur EAC.

The house also discussed for allotment of land for construction of new government offices and quarter in the district.

DPDB DISCUSSES ROLE OF ADI SEVA KENDRAS IN UPCOMING TRIBAL OBSERVANCE INITIATIVES IN CHÜMOUKEDIMA

The monthly meeting of the Chümoukedima DPDB was held on November 10, 2025, at the DC's Conference Hall, Chümoukedima, under the Vice-chairmanship DPDB, Polan John (NCS) Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Niuland.

Addressing the members, the DC stressed the importance of strong coordination among departments to ensure timely and effective implementation of developmental projects. He also encouraged departments to maintain clear communication, ensure transparency, and work collectively to resolve challenges for smooth delivery of public services.

The meeting also discussed a directive from the Tribal Affairs Department regarding upcoming tribal observance programmes. The Deputy Commissioner informed that Adi Seva Kendras (ASKs) will serve as local facilitation centers during the celebration period. Key proposed activities include Floral tributes and cultural observances on November 15 to honor tribal freedom fighters, Benefit saturation camps to promote

enrolment in welfare schemes, Grievance redressal camps for public concerns, Health and nutrition camps in collaboration with the Health Department and Community outreach programs such as agricultural input distribution and digital empowerment workshops.

All departments have been instructed to document activities and upload reports on the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) portal. Onglingaku Chang, Project Officer & State Nodal Officer, has been designated for overall coordination.

The DPDB also deliberated and approved several key proposals for the district where The Cornerstone Foundation, Urura Village – Approved for registration, Greenfield Academy, Ganeshnagar – Recommended for recognition, opening of a new Government Primary School at CHEN Village – Approved were placed before the board for consideration.

In the meeting, the Labour Department presented a PowerPoint briefing during the meeting.

DLCC MEETING ON REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS HELD AT ZUNHEBOTO

A meeting on the Registration of Births and Deaths (RBD) was held under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner, Zunheboto, Dharam Raj, IAS on 11th November 2025 at DC's Office Zunheboto.

In his welcome address, the DC informed emphasized that the registration of births and deaths shall be carried out only through the concerned Registrar (DSO). He also stated

that in cases where the delay in registration exceeds one year, the registration will be done only with the authorization of the DC or any competent authority duly nominated by the DC.

District Statistical Officer (DSO) Zunheboto, Rhan Kithan highlighted that the RBD Act 1969 (amended in 2023) designates the Department as the Nodal Department for registration purposes. Kithan further

stated that false information furnished for Birth and Death while obtaining certificate is punishable offence under RBD ACT 1969 .The meeting also discussed strengthening collaboration with the Education and Medical Departments for better coordination

and reporting.

The meeting concluded with a collective understanding to ensure timely and accurate registration of births and deaths across all administrative levels.

DISTRICT LEVEL TRAINING ON PAI 2.0 FOR BLOCK OFFICIALS AND CONCERNED DEPARTMENT HELD AT DIMAPUR

With the ongoing initiative for the implementation and data collection of the Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI 2.0) in the districts of Dimapur, Niuland, and Chumoukedima, a training programme was held on 12th November, 2025 at Tulip Conference Hall, Dimapur, organised by the State Institute of Rural Development (SIRD), Nagaland.

The program was attended by all the District Heads of Department of the concerned Line Departments and the Block with 2 (two) officials each from respective offices.

Project Director, Dimapur, Limameren Yaden in his inaugural address emphasized the relevance of PAI 2.0 as a scientific tool for bottom-up planning, enabling panchayats to identify local needs, monitor progress.

Consultant RGSA, Risuhli Rhakho, highlighted the concept of PAI 2.0 , where she stated that PAI is an assessment index of a village to measure advancement of a village to attain the 9 LSDG themes. She informed that PAI will have different users at the state/

district/block level by the Nodal Officers & at the village level by the VDB Secretary. All the Datas collected will be assess by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj and calculated for PAI Scoring which will be used for National Panchayat Award.

On the Role of line departments, he informed them to Nominate Nodal Officers at State/District/Block levels and ensure timely submission and validation of datas. .

In conclusion she said that, the training was organized to make the Block level officials and line departments officials as well as the VDB Secretaries to know their roles and responsibilities in PAI functioning & PAI assessment index as well as to know the status of development of a village in different sectors.

Resource persons also highlighted on topics - Process of Data collection & Validation and Road map for PAI 2.0 Version (Panchayat Nirnay App) presented by Consultant RGSA, Vepo Keyho; Local indicators Framework (LIF) across 9 Themes of LSDGs by Consultant RGSA, Risuhli Rakho.

TWO DAYS WORKSHOP ON HOSPITALITY HELD AT IMDH, MOKOKCHUNG

Dr. Imkongliba Memorial District Hospital, Mokokchung in Collaboration with Eagle Crest Training Academy and Consultancy, Dimapur organized two-day hospitalityworkshop from 11th-12th November 2025 under the theme “United in Purpose,

Caring Beyond Duty” at Multipurpose Hall, IMDH, Mokokchung.

In her keynote address, Dr. Ademla Tinu, Medical Superintendent, IMDH said “Communication gaps and other communication issues can lead to poor

overall health care efficiency, patient dissatisfaction and even patient safety risks.” She further stated, the workshop is not just to polish speaking skills but also to transform how health care workers interact at every level, boosting empathy, engagement, mutual respect and teamwork.

Dr. Ademla also mentioned that “our staff is the backbone of the hospital and investing in their communication and team work skills is an investment in patient’s wellbeing”. She added that the workshop will not only create a more positive work environment but also directly influence patient’s emotional and psychological health which is crucial for their recovery.

Allin Awomi, Operations Head &HR, ECTAAC mentioned that the workshop was first of its kind in a Government Health Care facility in the State.

Resource persons, Asheli, Aviation

Trainer cum Trainer Team leader, ECTAAC and Ayani Kikon, Soft Skill Trainer cum Editor-in-Chief trained the participants on patient priority handling, Clear communications skills, and team work to build strong connections, solve problems faster and achieve goals together.

The hospital anticipates that the programme will lead to improved patient satisfaction scores, better outcomes and a more engaged and unified team. The investment in this workshop is part of IMDH’s ongoing commitment to providing the highest standard of care for its community.

The Workshop focuses on the core principles of hospitality tailoring them to a health care environment. All hospital staff coming in direct contact with patients participated in the workshop including clinical, administrative and support teams.

MMWTC CONDUCTS TRAINING ON BASIC FIRST AID AND FIRE SAFETY AT CHUMOUKEDIMA

The Modern Mechanical Workshop cum Training Centre (MMWTC) of the PWD Mechanical Department conducted an intensive training on Basic First Aid and Fire Safety at Shokhüvi, Chümoukedima on 12th November 2025.

The comprehensive training session was led by Inspector Maongkaba along with a team of skilled trainers from the Central Training Institute of Home Guards, Civil Defence & State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), Dimapur, Nagaland.

The programme was designed specifically for Heavy Machinery Operators and Mechanics undergoing training at MMWTC. It was funded by the Nagaland Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Mission (NSEDMD), focusing on equipping participants with essential knowledge and practical skills to handle emergencies effectively. The session not only imparted technical and safety skill but also promoted a culture of alertness and preparedness among trainees.

GROUND NUT FESTIVAL HELD AT GHOKIMI

Ground Nut festival organised by Ghokimi Village Council under Pughoboto Sub-division was held at Local Ground, Ghokimi on 12th

November 2025, with MLA, Dr.Sukhato A.Sema as Special Guest.

Sema in his address asserted that the



MLA, Dr. Sukhato A. Sema with officials during Ground Nut festival held at Ghokimi on 12th November 2025.

festival is not just about the crop, but a story of the people, and stated that the festival is a reminder that prosperity comes not only from the soil but also from the heart that honours God and stand with faith, unity and abundance.

He also encouraged the general public to extend connection with government schemes that support small scale food processing, storage and marketing and form cooperative

society/farmers group to collect process, package and brand Ground Nut.

Yithachu Thur, EAC Pughoboto, in his short speech, acknowledged the ground Nut farmers of Ghokimi Village for their extraordinary contribution in the field of organic farming particularly the organic ground nut cultivation and for promoting the sub division in the field of agriculture.

ZUNHEBOTO DPDB MEETING DELIBERATES ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY ACT

The DPDB meeting, Zunheboto was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Zunheboto on 13th November 2025, under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Zunheboto, Dharam Raj, IAS.

The meeting began with a welcome address by the DC and review of the previous meeting minutes. The meeting then proceeded with a discussion on the adoption of the National Highways Act, 1956 (amended in 2017), which came into force on August 1, 2017. The DC highlighted that the new Act provides up to four times higher compensation to landowners compared to the previous Act.

Under Article 371(A), the State Government currently acquires land on

behalf of the Central Government. However, if the new Act is adopted, the Centre will directly acquire land, ensuring greater transparency and efficiency in the process. To facilitate this, the DC invited discussions with tribal bodies to reach a consensus before forwarding the matter to the concerned authorities.

The Board also emphasized the need for proper awareness campaigns to educate the public about the provisions of the new Act.

The Deputy Commissioner stressed that the purpose of the discussion was to educate and sensitize the people on the importance of embracing change for progress and development. He urged everyone to adopt a positive mindset towards new reforms that aim to benefit society as a whole.

ASSAM RIFLES CELEBRATES ITS RISING DAY AT JALUKIE

In a vibrant celebration of cultural unity and community bonding, the Assam Rifles, widely known as the Sentinels of the North East, commemorated its Rising Day on 13th November 2025 at Jalukie Town, Peren, Nagaland.

In his keynote address, Col. Mohit Kumar Bansal warmly welcomed all attendees and highlighted the supreme sacrifices made by the unsung heroes of the force. He emphasized the dedicated service of the battalions across the Northeast and beyond recalling the brave personnel who laid down their lives for the safety and

security of the nation.

The celebration was further enriched with soulful musical performances by the Assam Rifles Mahila Band and several talented local artistes, who added charm and excitement to the occasion. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from over 1,500 people representing various villages across Peren District.

Youth leaders from Tening and Ahthibung also graced the celebration, showcasing solidarity and support for the Assam Rifles and its longstanding relationship with the local communities.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) Longleng convened its monthly meeting at the DPDB Hall, Longleng on 13th November 2025. The meeting was chaired by Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, W. Manpai Phom.

The meeting commenced by reviewing the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting.

Addressing the agenda, the DAO (Agri.) on behalf of the Agri. & allied Committee informed that the actions of the new schemes will start from the next financial year. However the house discussed about the submission of the report of the action plan in the next meeting. The house also resolved to include the Water Resources Department in the Allied Committee.

The board resolved to hold the DPDB-cum-annual picnic in December and agreed to contribute towards Christmas street decorations in Longleng Town. It approved the formation of a verification committee for LADP 2025–26 for the 49th Tamlu and 50th Longleng Assembly Constituencies. The board also discussed the upcoming Taro Festival on 5–6 December 2025 at Pongo Village, with the DC urging the Agriculture and Allied Departments to extend support and inviting all HoDs to participate.

Nothongol Kera, Executive Engineer of the Public Health Engineering Department, Longleng Division delivered a detailed PowerPoint presentation about the department's activities in the district.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON SAFE AND DIGNIFIED BREASTFEEDING, GENDER BASED AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELD AT SHAMATOR

An Awareness program on Safe and Dignified Breastfeeding, Gender based and Domestic Violence was held at Cultural Hall, Shamator, on 13th November 2025 organised

by the District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) and Sakhi One Stop Corner (OSC) Shamator, with T. Yanhola, Gender Specialist, DHEW, A. Henry, Gender



Officials with participants during an awareness programme on safe and dignified breastfeeding, gender based and domestic violence held at Cultural Hall, Shamator on 13th November 2025.

Specialist, DHEW and Yantsula, Office Assistant, OSC as resource persons.

Yanhola emphasized that breastfeeding is a divine gift and the best nourishment for infants, highlighting the need for mothers to have a healthy environment and proper nutrition. She encouraged mothers to take pride in breastfeeding. She also addressed domestic violence, noting that many cases go unreported and that people are often

unaware of the rights protecting women and children. She urged society to prioritize safe homes, education, and respect for women to bring positive change.

Henry expressed appreciation for the level of gender equality in Naga society, pointing out that men and women share responsibilities equally in workplaces, with many departments even being led by women, reflecting significant progress.

AWARENESS ON DISEASE ECONOMIC EMERGENCY & ZONOTIC IMPORTANCE HELD AT BHANDARI

Free Anti Rabies vaccination under ASCD 2024-25 was conducted by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services Wokha, Nagaland. The district level awareness programme was held at Hayiyan village under Bhandari Sub-division on 13th November 2025 and at Merapani village on 14th November 2025.

Awareness on Disease Economic Emergency & Zoonotic Importance under Assistance to state for control of animal diseases (ASCAD) 2024-25 implemented during 2025-26 was held with VAS, Merapani,

Dr, Kikali G Sumi as the resource person of the programme.

She highlighted the importance of taking regular vaccination to protect Livestock and reduce economic loss for farmers and early disease reporting to the authority. She also emphasized controlling African Swine Fever (ASF).

A total of 18 farmers participated in the awareness programme. Basic Veterinary aids were disturbed and also free ARV vaccination conducted. A total of 42 pets were vaccinated.

MELURI DPDB MEETING HELD

Monthly DPDB Meeting of Meluri District was held at DB's Court, Meluri on

14th November 2025. MLA & Advisor, N&RE and NSDMA, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe chaired

the meeting and welcomed the members present.

After reviewing the previous meeting minutes, Z. Nyuthe requested the PHED Department for early restorations of the water pipe line to the district headquarter

damaged three months ago.

CDPO Meluri, Thorhosie Kajiri gave a PowerPoint presentation on the activities and Schemes of the department under Meluri district. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by the chairman.

COMMEMORATING CHILD RIGHTS WEEK: BLOCK-LEVEL SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME HELD AT ATOIZU

As part of the observance of Child Rights Week from 14th to 21st November 2025, the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Mission Vatsalya, Department of Social Welfare, Zunheboto, organized a Block Level Sensitization Programme on Child Rights & Protection and Legal Adoption on 15th November 2025 at Atoizu Town Hall, Zunheboto.

Addressing the gathering, Ruzonuo Rita Rutsa, District Child Protection Officer (DCPO), DCPU, spoke on Child Rights and Protection, highlighting the legal frameworks, responsibilities of stakeholders, and the need for community participation in safeguarding children.

This was followed by a session on Different Child Protection Mechanisms and Legal Adoption presented by Luaying Konyak, Legal-cum-Protection Officer,

DCPU, who briefed participants on the procedures, legal provisions, and the role of statutory bodies in ensuring safe and lawful adoption practices.

The discussion hour was moderated by Thujosayi Keyho, Social Worker, DCPU, allowing participants to raise queries and share concerns regarding issues related to child rights and welfare.

A similar awareness programme as part of Child Rights Week was held at Seitheke Basa Council Hall, Chümoukedima on 17th November 2025. Member Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Awala Jamir, spoke on “The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act and Child Marriage Act” while Chairperson, CWC Chumoukedima, Esther. K Aye spoke on Child Rights and the Right to Education.



Officials and participants during the Block Level Sensitization Programme on Child Rights & Protection and Legal Adoption held at Atoizu Town Hall, Zunheboto on 15th November 2025.

MOKOKCHUNG DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for

Mokokchung District was held on 15th November 2025, at DC's Conference Hall, Mokokchung under the chairmanship of Nuklutoshi Longkumer, MLA & Chairman DPDB Mokokchung.

The meeting commenced with a minute of silence prayer to pay tribute to Late Advisor, Imkong L Imchen. The DC & Vice Chairman DPDB Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS acknowledged the contributions of Late Advisor, Imkong L Imchen for the District and the state.

The DPDB meeting began with a review of the previous minutes, including preparations for the 25th Dr. T. Ao Trophy to be hosted by Mokokchung next year. The Deputy Commissioner (DC) encouraged members to adopt TB patients under the NIKSHAY MITRA initiative and urged all departments to work collectively for holistic development. He also stressed the need to identify and record cultivated areas, water conservation sites, and irrigated land.

The board approved the registration of the Rionsanger Cultural Society, the upgradation of Chuchuyimlang Block to Sub-Divisional status under the Agriculture Department, and a proposal to construct a food-grain godown at Chuchuyimpang Town. It also decided to recognize and award outstanding officials to encourage cooperation and healthy competition.

The meeting coincided with Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas on 15th November. Assistant Commissioner Ajay Moktan delivered a detailed presentation on the contributions and sacrifices of tribal communities, the objectives of the observance, and activities under DAJGUA, Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan, and the Jan Sunwai grievance redressal mechanism.

The Agriculture Department presented its departmental activities.

Later, the MLA and Chairman of DPDB, along with senior officials, inspected the ongoing construction of Dr. Imkongliba Memorial Hospital to review progress.

SOYBEAN FESTIVAL CELEBRATED IN WOKHA

The Nrung Longidang Village Women Organisation organised the Soybean Festival at Tiyi Hall, Wokha town, on 15th November 2025 under the theme "One seed, many stories: Honouring the past, feeding the future."

District Public Relation Officer Wokha, Lolano Patton, praised the women of Nrung Longidang village for their innovative idea and acknowledged the equal support of the men. She said the theme highlighted soybean as a symbol of nutrition, resilience, and hope, and reminded the community of its heritage while encouraging them to embrace future opportunities such as food security and economic growth. Patton urged that the festival

be held annually and advised farmers to adopt large-scale farming with modern technology, noting that the event could one day feature at the Hornbill Festival.

Guest of Honour and NSCB Branch Manager, R. Asenla Ao, commended the women for introducing a promising concept and stressed the importance of financial literacy. She encouraged participants to take advantage of low-cost insurance schemes and said the festival embodied women's empowerment, which she called essential for family, financial, and national progress.

The festival also featured sales and exhibitions of soybean and its by-products.

DMC LAUNCHES DIGITAL RATE BOARD

The Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) has officially launched its Digital Rate Board, displaying updated pricing information, offering customers real time access to essential rate details on 17th November 2025 at New Market, Dimapur.

CEO Thungchabemo Tungoe highlighted the Municipal Council's commitment to modernising public services. He said the boards will provide clear, updated price information to ensure fairness and accountability, and encouraged councillors to initiate similar improvements. Tungoe added that businesses and event organisers can advertise through the boards, helping DMC generate revenue for further development.

Market Review Committee Convenor

Neingutoulie Kenguruse stressed the role of digitisation in streamlining market operations and giving consumers accurate daily price updates. He stated that digital boards have been set up at Supermarket, New Market, and Murki Pati to promote transparency and convenience. He encouraged businesses to use the boards for low-cost advertising and urged all establishments to beautify their shops for the upcoming festive season to enhance Dimapur's appearance.

The Digital Rate Board was formally inaugurated by Chairperson, Hukheto Yepthomi, who noted that the initiative reflects DMC's broader goal of improving public convenience through technology-driven solutions.

G. RIO MEMORIAL VOLLEYBALL TROPHY 2025 HELD IN KOHIMA

The 12th edition of the G. Rio Memorial Volleyball Trophy, Kohima Open Tournament, was held at Kohima Local Ground (Khuochiezie) from 17th to 20th November 2025. Organized by the Kohima District Volleyball Association (KDVA), the tournament featured men's and women's teams from Nagaland, Assam, and Manipur, with strong participation and competitive spirit.

The event was inaugurated on 17th November by Zhaleo Rio, IAS (Retd.), MLA and Advisor for Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Government of Nagaland. In his address, he highlighted the significance of the tournament as a memorial to his late father, Guolhoulie Rio, who served the Naga community with humility and dedication. Zhaleo Rio emphasized discipline, focus, and

hard work in sports, urging participants to aspire for excellence at state, national, and international levels.

The tournament has been revived and renamed by KDVA as the G. Rio Memorial Trophy, with the family sponsoring trophies and cash prizes. Visasielie Suhu, President of KDVA, expressed satisfaction over the increasing participation, particularly from women players.

The prize structure included:

Men's	Category:	Champions	– ₹1,50,000;
Runners-up	–	₹80,000;	
Semi-finalists	–	₹25,000	each
Women's	Category:	Champions	– ₹80,000;
Runners-up	–	₹50,000;	
Semi-finalists	–	₹15,000	each
Individual Awards: Best Spiker and Best Setter – ₹5,000 each			

The tournament concluded on 20th November 2025 with Zing-zing Kezo Town winning the men's category after defeating MH-10 Kohima 3-0, while MADFA claimed the women's title with a 3-0 victory over Teen Star. Individual awards went to Mani (Best Spiker) and Joyson (Best Setter) in the men's category, and Sangita Das (Best Spiker) and Lhingpichoi (Best Setter) in the women's category.

C. Manpon Konyak, MLA, graced the closing ceremony as the Guest of Honour. He paid tribute to the G. Rio family for their contributions to Nagaland and emphasized volleyball's role in fostering unity and discipline. Addressing the youth, he encouraged them to build a future rooted in identity, purpose, and responsibility while preserving cultural heritage and community values.

FREE ASSISTIVE DEVICES DISTRIBUTED ACROSS TUENSANG DISTRICT

Programme on Distribution of Free Assistive Devices was held at Town Hall, Tuensang on 18th November 2025, organised by the Department of Social Welfare, Tuensang and Chief Medical Officer, Tuensang in collaboration with Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Co-operation of India (ALIMCO) with P. Bashang Mongba Chang, Minister for Housing and Mechanical (PWD) as Special Guest.

Speaking on the occasion, Chang said that the Government firmly believed that every citizen deserves equal opportunities to live with independence and respect, Assistive Devices represent mobility, empowerment and hope. He also stated that the

Government is committed to strengthening welfare programmes, improving accessibility and expanding support system for vulnerable group. The Minister extended his appreciation to ALIMCO for their continued partnership in serving person with disability with their technical expertise and commitment ensuring that essential device reached even the remote corners of India.

Keynote address was presented by T. Longlang Luckpan, DWO Tuensang. Short speeches were proposed by Sanjeev Kumar Hajoary, JM RMC and N.Y. Choba, President of CKS.

Following the formal program, Chair, Crutches and Gearing Aids were distributed to person with disability and senior citizens under ADIP and RVY scheme.

The Social Welfare Department, CMO Tuensang, and ALIMCO further extended the distribution of assistive devices across **Longkhim, Chare, and Noksen.**

At **Longkhim**, the programme was held on 22nd November 2025 at Town Hall with Advisor H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam as the guest.

A total of 413 beneficiaries in Longkhim (ADIP: 47, RVY: 366) and 205 in Chare



Advisor, It & Communication, Economics & Statistics and Evaluation, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam with DC Tuensang, Lithrongla and others during the distribution of Assisted Devices at Town hall, Longkhim on 22nd November 2025.

(ADIP: 32, RVY: 173) received assistive devices. The Advisor also inaugurated the PHSNS Range Hall at Longkhim town.

At **Noksen**, MLA, Lima Onen distributed free Assistive Devices on 25th November 2025 at the office premises of SDO (C), Noksen. Speaking on the occasion the special guest appreciates the department

of Health & Family Welfare Department and the Social Welfare Department headed by the CMO and DWO, Tuensang for providing the facilities for the needy citizens of Noksen sub-division. He also thanked the ALIMCO for helping the unfortunate people in making their life easier

NOKLAK DPDB MEETING HELD

The District Planning & Development Board of Noklak held its monthly meeting on 18th November 2025 at DC's Conference Hall, Noklak. The meeting was chaired by MLA & Chairman DPDB Noklak, P. Longon, and MLA Bunei M Lamthio also attended the meeting.

The meeting opened with a review of the previous minutes, during which the chairman

reminded departments to promptly submit their proposals and status reports regarding land acquisition for government offices in the district.

The Department of Agriculture and ATMA presented their developmental activities during the meeting. The meeting concluded with a word of thanks from the Chairman.

BHANDARI SDPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the Bhandari Sub-Divisional Planning & Development Board was held on 18th November 2025 at the conference hall of summer House-Cum-Guest House, Bhandari Wokha.

The meeting was chaired by Longasen Lotha, ADC & Vic Chairmen SDPDB Bhandari who reviewed the minutes of the previous SDPDB meeting.

The Deputy Director, Seed farm Merapani highlighted the activities of the seed farm. VAS, Merapani, Dr, Kikali G Sumi briefed about the Awareness on Disease Economic Emergency & Zoonotic importance under Assistance to the state for control of animal diseases conducted

at various villages. VAS also said that free veterinary aids were distributed and pets were vaccinated, and informed the board that the situation is now under control.

In the meeting, LLRPO President appealed to the authority that the foothills road work be completed early and urged the people to cooperate with any developmental activities undertaken in their land. He also appreciated MLA, Achumbemo Kikon for taking the initiative for the betterment and welfare of the people.

ADC, informed the board that the programme for the Pre-Christmas cum SDPDB Meeting for the month of December 2025 will be held at Ralan.

5th NASHA MukT BHARAT ABHIYAAN CAMPAIGN HELD AT KOHIMA SCIENCE COLLEGE

The 5th Nasha MukT Bharat Abhiyaan (NMBA) campaign was held at Kohima Science College (A), Jotsoma Auditorium on 18th November 2025 with MLA and Advisor for Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak, as the Special Guest.

The programme was organised by the Department of Social Welfare, Government of Nagaland, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).

In his address, Konyak stated that drug abuse has become a major health concern not only in Nagaland but across the country. He said the NMBA, launched in 2020, aims to address the growing challenge of substance abuse through a comprehensive framework focusing on preventive education, awareness, counselling, treatment, and rehabilitation. Encouraging the students, he urged them to “be a change maker and the future of Nagaland” and reminded them to “be smart, not to start.” He also appreciated the efforts of law enforcement agencies in tackling issues

related to delinquency and substance abuse.

Delivering the keynote address, Secretary of Social Welfare, Limawapang Jamir, IAS, said that the menace of drug abuse is not only a law-and-order issue but a deep socio-psychological challenge that threatens the future of youth. He highlighted that the NMBA initiative continues to operate through its three-pronged strategy - Supply Reduction, Demand Reduction, and Treatment & Rehabilitation. Officials also noted that thousands of young people have taken pledges, both online and offline, committing to a drug-free life.

The programme also featured a short speech by Dr. Temjenwapang, Principal of Kohima Science College. Imsutoshi Lemtur, IO, Narcotics Control Bureau, highlighted the drug scenario in Nagaland, while Dr. Ayangla, Psychiatrist at NIMSR, spoke on the five years of NMBA celebration in the state. The programme was chaired by Tosheli Zhimomi, Director of Social Welfare.

DISTRICT WATER AND SANITATION MEETING HELD AT NOKLAK AND CHUMOUKEDIMA



DC Chumoukedima, Polan John chairing DWSM meeting held at Dc office, Chumoukedima on 28th November 2025.

The District Water and Sanitation Mission Noklak held its meeting on 18th

November 2025 at DC office under the chairmanship of P. Mono Khiamniungan,

Deputy Commissioner and Chairman DWSM Noklak.

SDO PHED presented updates on the Jal Jeevan Mission (JIM) and Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin), reporting that 48 out of 50 habitations under JIM are completed, with 2 ongoing, and 32 villages under SBM(G) have been declared aspiring, rising, or model villages.

Decisions included expediting documentation for remaining villages, submitting DPRs for sustaining water supply in select habitations, issuing orders to safeguard rural water infrastructure, and adding the District Welfare and Education Officers as DWSM members.

The Deputy Commissioner also requested security fencing around Noklak town's water source to prevent contamination.

In **Chumoukedima**, the District Water and Sanitation Mission (DWSM) convened on 28th November 2025 under Deputy Commissioner Polan John to review the implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) Phase-II and Jal Jeevan Mission. Updates on sanitation, waste management, groundwater quality, and village-level initiatives were presented, along with the launch of the "Hamara Shauchalay, Hamara Bhavishya" campaign highlighting the importance of toilets for public health and environmental cleanliness.

KIPHIRE DPDB MEETING HELD

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for Kiphire, chaired by Deputy Commissioner and Vice Chairman Temsuwati Longkumer, was held on 19th November 2025 at the DC's Conference Hall.

The Deputy Commissioner reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting and outlined the agenda, including the formation of a Verification Committee for implementing LADP 2025–2026. He reminded members to submit proposals three to four days before each DPDB meeting and instructed

Heads of Offices to ensure that project sites are free of encumbrances. He also directed line departments to submit their Key Performance Reports by 15th December 2025.

The board decided to hold the next DPDB meeting along with a Pre-Christmas picnic on 12th December 2025. Additionally, AUDIO Vivose Kepa (Urban Development) and DCO Moses Newmai (Art & Culture) presented detailed PowerPoint reports on their departmental activities.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING CUM ANNUAL PICNIC HELD

Tuensang District Planning & Development Board meeting cum Annual Picnic was held at Konya Village, Tuensang on 19th November 2025 under the Chairmanship of P. Bashang Mongba Chang, Minister for Housing & Mechanical (PWD) and Chairman DPDB Tuensang.

After reviewing the last meeting minutes the board discussed on the nomenclature

change of St. Xavier School to Langba Academy and was approved by the board. The board also discussed on the Maintenance of BRO Road in Tuensang Town. In this regard, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, Deputy Commissioner, Tuensang highlighted about a joint meeting to be held with tribal bodies and the Department along NH 202 in the days to come.

Earlier in the morning, Minister Bashang Mongba inaugurated Sikai Water Body construction under PMKSY-HKKY by Water Resources Department. Er. Chingmak, WRD Tuensang highlighted the activities of the department, and stated that

the water shed project has been taken up by the department and the first phase has been completed successfully. He also urged the line Department like fisheries, Forest and Tourism to take initiative and come forward in making Sikai Water Body a Tourist Spot.

TSEMINYU DPDB MEETING HELD

The District Planning & Development Board meeting of Tseminyu was held on 20th November 2025 at DC's conference hall, Tseminyu under the chairmanship of MLA & Chairman DPDB Tseminyu, Ar. Jwenga Seb.

The Chairman extended his gratitude to the members for their kind presence and welcomed the new member, Mhomo Tungoe, ADC Tseminyu to the board.

The Deputy Commissioner, Japheth Woch proceeded with the activities of the board by reviewing and announcing the agendas for the session.

Reviewing the last meeting minutes,

the board discussed the proposal for establishment of DIET centre at Pholozun. After a brief deliberation the board decided to forward the case to the concerned department. The house also discussed regarding implementation of National Highway Act 1956 in the district. In this regard the house instructed the Rengma HOHO to deliberate on the issues and report to the District Administration at the earliest.

The DEO Tseminyu, Asao Seb presented the activities of the Education Department in the district through Power Point presentation.

TULI ADMINISTRATION TAKES GOVERNANCE TO VILLAGES



ADC Tuli, Imsenperong Wati with officials during the two day tour of villages under Tuli Sub- Division, Mokokchung on 20th & 21st November 2025.

With an aim to ensure grassroots penetration and effective implementation of various Central Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and other flagship programmes, the administration of Tuli Sub-Division, Mokokchung undertook a comprehensive two-day tour covering villages

under its jurisdiction on 20th November 2025.

The initiative was carried out in close coordination with key departments including Rural Development, Agriculture & Allied, PHED, Food & Civil Supplies, PWD (R&B), Information & public relations, School Education and Social Welfare.

Throughout the visit, the team provided a platform for the rural citizens to openly express their grievances, highlight challenges in accessing government schemes and share suggestions for improving service delivery. The team assessed the ground realities of various ongoing programmes such as PM-KISAN, the NECTAR project, Jal Jeevan Mission, PDS, MGNREGS, Old Age Pension,

PMGSY, status of educational institutions, electricity supply, immunization coverage and overall road connectivity.

ADC Tuli, Imsenperong Wati assured that all grievances and issues raised would be taken up with the concerned authorities and addressed at the earliest.

The tour completed on 21st November 2025 and over the course of two days, the team visited a total of ten villages which includes Merangkong, Chubarongpang, Asangma, Aopenzu, Wamaken, Kangtsung, Anaki, Anakiyimsen, Anaki C, and Kangtsungyimsen.

JOB FAIR HELD IN KOHIMA; 74 CANDIDATES SHORTLISTED

A one-day Job Fair was successfully organised on November 21, 2025, at the Regional Employment Exchange, Kohima, bringing together job seekers, employers, and key placement agencies under a single platform. The event was jointly conducted by the Regional Employment Officer, Kohima, the Sub-Regional Employment Officer (National Career Service for ST/SC), Kohima, and Don Bosco Placement Network (AIDA), Dimapur.

The Job Fair aimed to create direct engagement between recruiters and candidates, promote employment opportunities, and support the state's skill development initiatives. The organisers highlighted that Nagaland continues to face

a high unemployment rate, with over 74,500 individuals registered in Employment Exchanges across the state as of July 2025.

Regional Employment Officer, Kohima, T Yimlikhumzuk informed that a total of seven companies participated in the fair, offering more than 500 job openings across various sectors within Nagaland and other states. The participating employers included Reliance Jio, Chilli Breeze, Talent Acquaintance, Kin Ventures, Apex Motors Dimapur, SBI Life PR Hill Branch, and SBI Life Secretariat Branch, Kohima.

More than 250 candidates attended the fair, out of which 74 were shortlisted for employment opportunities across different sectors.

TWO-DAY FISH FESTIVAL CONCLUDES AT TULI SUB-DIVISION

The Tuli Area Fishery Cooperative Farmer's Producer Organization Ltd. (TAFCFPOL) launched the second edition of the TAFCFPOL Fish Festival organized in collaboration with Community Educational Centre Society (CECS) and supported by NABARD. The two day festival was held at Arrow Club Ground, Tuli sub division, Mokokchung which culminated on 21st Nov 2025 commemorating the World Fisheries Day.

In his welcome address, Subonenba Longkumer, Chairman of TAFCFPOL

expressed appreciation for the dedication showed by TAFCFPOL members and highlighted the growing relevance of fisheries as a stable and promising livelihood in Tuli area.

Short speeches were delivered by Tatong Longkumer, District Fisheries Officer, Mokokchung; Poji, District Development Manager of NABARD, Mokokchung; Imtiomen, Town Councillor of Tuliyoung Ward. The messages collectively emphasized the value of capacity building, collaboration, and market expansion for fish farmers in the region

The festival was officially inaugurated by Nukshimatong, SDO (Civil), Tuli, who acknowledged the consistent efforts in mobilizing, training and uplifting farmers by TAFCFPOL. He encouraged the organization to continue building a strong foundation for sustainable fisheries through community driven initiatives.

Throughout the two day festival, visitors

experienced a wide range of attractions, including live fish stalls, value-added fish products, informative booths, and technical sessions on marketing, branding, and packaging. The event also featured buyer seller meets, interactive sessions with FPOs and SHGs, angling activities, and showcased fish farming initiatives facilitated by TAFCFPOL, local entrepreneurs, and SHGs.

AWARENESS AND REGISTRATION DRIVE ON PM-NAPS HELD AT ITI, KOHIMA

An Awareness and Registration Drive on the Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (PM-NAPS) was conducted at Government Industrial Training Institute, Kohima on 21st November 2025.

Director of Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Savio Visa, in his address said the programme marks an important milestone in strengthening the skill ecosystem of Nagaland. He noted that the state has a talented and motivated youth population, but continues to face a gap between formal training and real-world industry experience. He stressed that apprenticeship helps bridge this gap by taking learning beyond the classroom and into the workplace, where skills are refined and aligned with industry needs.

He highlighted that under PM-NAPS, the Government of India has introduced a strong framework to encourage industries to engage apprentices, offering financial incentives, flexibility, and digital support through the PM-NAP portal. For a state like Nagaland, where industry exposure is growing but still

limited, Visa said the scheme provides an important opportunity to equip youth for meaningful employment while supporting local industries with trained manpower.

Describing apprenticeship as an investment in the future workforce, Visa emphasised that building a strong apprenticeship culture in Nagaland will help create a generation of confident, skilled and employable youth. He encouraged the establishments present to participate actively, noting that the success of NAPS depends on the involvement of industries and service sectors - whether small enterprises, growing businesses or large institutions.

Visa said that the session includes presentations, hands-on registration on the PM-NAP portal and networking interactions with Sector Skill Councils and Third-Party Aggregators were designed to provide clarity and support to all stakeholders.

The programme also included a presentation on PM-NAPS by Assistant Project Officer Menguzelie, followed by a discussion with the resource persons and interaction with the participants.

VIGIL FOR TB CONTROL MEETING HELD IN CHOZUBA

Chozuba Block TB Forum meeting was held in Additional Deputy Commissioner's office, Chozuba on 21st November, 2025.

ADC Chozuba, Dr. Diana Patton gave opening remarks urging the TB control officials to give the best resources with technical equipment. Dr Patton also assured that the administration is ready to support in coordination and in need of any service to control TB in the district.

Dr. Ebenezer Phesao, DPO CD- II, Phek highlighted the objectives of the Block TB Forum and informed that India is the highest number of TB victims in the world. Eight cases of TB were detected under Chozuba Block in the current year 2025. The DPO CD- II shared the challenges faced by the office especially for testing TB due to lack of full equipment. Dr Phesao appealed to the officials to work for free TB district, and asserted that Phek district is the best performing district to eliminate TB in the state

While Dr. Phesao stated that the leadership of PM Narendra Modi has provided good health care to control TB in India. TB patients required support from family and society, he added.



ADC Chozuba, Dr Diana Patton, addressing the Chozuba Block TB Forum meeting held at ADC's Office Chozuba, Phek on 21st November 2025.

The testimony of TB survivor/ champion was shared by Masune Tetseo. Tetseo said he was a TB patient, but survived with the assistance provided by the government hospital. He said the hospital provided free medicines, good food and cash money to support his diet. Expressing gratitude to the Government, doctors and staff of the hospital, he informed the gathering how he took his medicines as prescribed by the doctors in a specific scheduled timing lead him to cure from TB.

Dr. Lolekhol Pucho, SMO of CHC, Chozuba informed about cashless treatment available in CHC, Chozuba and appealed the gathering to register with health card and avail free health services.

WORLD FISHERIES DAY CELEBRATED AT PEREN

World Fisheries day 2025 was celebrated at Peren district on 21st November 2025 at Kevipele Fishery, Jalukie town. The event was organised by Jalukie Valley Fishery Co-operative Society in collaboration with the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Peren.

Deputy Commissioner Peren, Hiazu Meru graced the occasion as Special Guest. In his address, the DC commended the District

Fishery Officer Peren, C. Dory Yanthan for undertaking different activities in the District and fulfilling her role as a Public servant.

He also highlighted the importance of sustaining fisheries management in the District and encouraged the gathering to nurture and conserve the aquatic ecosystem..

During the event, President of Anglers Association Nagaland, Mhonbemo Ngullie, and Neitho-o Kuotsu, Joint Director of

Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, encouraged citizens to increase fish production to support livelihoods and promote awareness of fish farming. The day's activities included

angling and snail-eating competitions.

The Chief Guest officially launched the Peren District Anglers Association (PDAA).

MEDZIPHEMA SUB-DIVISION ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

Medziphema Sub-division level enforcement committee held a meeting to discuss issues pertaining to monitoring regulation and enforcement of river bed mining activities in Chathe River and its tributaries at the ADC's Conference Hall, Medziphema on 24th November 2025.

The meeting was chaired by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Medziphema, P. James Swu, where he welcomed all the members and highlighted the need to strengthen the monitoring regulation and enforcement of riverbed mining activities in Chathe River and its tributaries. He deliberated on the responsibilities of the enforcement committee citing that their goal should be to protect and revive Chathe River and its tributaries.

The representatives from the Department of Geology & Mining, Forest Department also clarified their roles and responsibilities at the meeting. Pherima

Gaon Bura voiced their grievance and explained how mining is affecting the local communities and agriculture sector in the area. The meeting discuss the current status of riverbed mining in Chathe River, the ongoing mining and review of existing permits and licenses and action against the illegal mining activities.

The meeting also discussed community concerns and grievances, and the impact of mining in the local communities and its effects on agriculture and livelihoods. Key discussion point also includes routine inspection on Chathe River bed, action plans and assigned responsibilities to specific department.

The meeting also decided to clean and decorate all villages under Medziphema sub-division for beautification during the festive session. The meeting was attended by all members of enforcement committee

DIMAPUR DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) Dimapur was held on 26th November at the DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur, under the chairmanship of Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS, Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, DPDB Dimapur.

Briefing under the agenda for registration of societies, the Board agreed to recommend all eight applicant societies for registration.

The societies included Dimapur Sumi Baptist Church, The Family Tree, The Lovely Society, Shree Shree Laxmi Mandir (Naharbari), Street Vendors' Association, M. P. & GS Road Business Welfare Society, Nagaland Safety Alliance for Everyone (N-SAFE), and the Business Consultancy Network.

For Grant-in-Aid, the Board resolved to forward the proposal for completion of the semi-built Ignite Nest by Can Youth

Organization to the Government for further consideration.

Advisor for Tribal Affairs & Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi, while addressing the members, encouraged line departments to bring forward their agendas actively for discussion in the DPDB meetings. Commenting on the PowerPoint presentations made by the DMC and Chief Veterinary Officer during the meeting, he appreciated the initiatives of the Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) and advised the Department of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry to strictly monitor checkpoints, remain vigilant against the entry of dead animals into the state, and stay alert.

Regarding African Swine Fever cases, DC urged that any such cases be promptly

reported to the administration, noting that government compensation provisions are available. He also reminded departments to extend necessary support for the upcoming Hornbill Night Carnival scheduled from December 6 to 10.

PowerPoint presentations were delivered by Boka Rochill on behalf of the Dimapur Municipal Corporation (DMC) and by Dr. Eyekhweshe Kepfoh, Chief Veterinary Officer for Department of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry.

The board members also observed the National Constitution Day by taking a pledge honouring the framers of the Constitution and reaffirming the nation's commitment to justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity.

KOHIMA DISTRICT TB FORUM, AIDS PREVENTION COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE GROUP HOLD JOINT MEETING

In a first of its kind, a joint meeting of the Kohima District TB Forum, the District AIDS Prevention and Control Committee, and the District Community Resource Group was held on 26th November 2025 at the DC Conference Hall, Kohima with ADC Kohima Ruopfukuotuo Noudi chairing the programme.

During the meeting, health officials presented updates on immunization achievements, maternal and child health reviews, and tuberculosis control activities in the district.

Dr. Khrielhoukho reported that the district achieved 87.3% coverage for MR1 (measles-rubella vaccine) in 2024–2025, noting that the figure appeared low because many children born in Kohima return to their home districts for vaccinations. From April to August 2025, however, the district recorded 106% coverage, reflecting

significant improvement. Penta-1 vaccination coverage reached 89.5% in 2024–2025 and 109.2% between April and August 2025. He highlighted the need for continued collaboration to ensure full immunization for every child.

The meeting also reviewed the Maternal and Child Death Surveillance and Response (MPC-DSR) proceedings held in July, where three maternal deaths and five child deaths were examined. Several corrective measures requiring state support were shared, including the need for cardiac monitors for NHK's OBG department, establishment of an obstetric HDU, supply of essential neonatal and maternal equipment, improved diagnostics, and training for health workers.

Dr. Avonu presented a detailed case report of a preterm infant born at 30 weeks and 6 days who died due to prematurity and respiratory distress. The discussion

highlighted the unavailability of surfactant therapy - an essential but costly treatment for preterm babies - as a major gap. She appealed for surfactant to be included under PMJAY/CMHIS to benefit economically weaker families.

Dr. Chibenthung briefed the forum on TB-related initiatives, noting that free diagnostic services, free anti-TB drugs, nutritional support under Nikshay Poshan Yojana (now enhanced to ₹1,000 per month), and TB preventive therapy continue to be provided. Under the intensified TB campaign, the district conducted 149 screening camps, with over 5,000 individuals screened and 815 sputum samples tested. Kohima recorded 540 TB notifications so far this year, with a

treatment success rate of 72.42%.

Presenting a recent maternal death case, Dr. Rosemary reported that a pregnant woman admitted with a 36-week gestation developed rapid complications. Despite ICU care, emergency caesarean section, and extensive resuscitation, the patient passed away the same day due to cardiopulmonary arrest resulting from Streptococcus infection and ARDS. The newborn, a healthy female weighing 2.3 kg, was safely delivered and shifted to the SNCU.

The meeting concluded with a call for improved health infrastructure, and continued community engagement to enhance maternal, child, and public health outcomes.

WORKSHOP ON TOBACCO CONTROL HELD AT TSEMINYU

An initiative of National Tobacco control program, Nagaland for State Level orientation workshop on Tobacco control for state holders was held on 26th November 2025 at DC's conference hall, Tseminyu with DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch NCS as special guest.

In his address, the DC declared 8 Schools as Tobacco Free Schools in the District, namely - GHS Chunlikha, Jireh School Chunlikha, BHSS Tseminyu, GHSS Tseminyu, AG School Tseminyu, GHS Tseminyu, and GHS Sendinyu. The DC also launched Smoke-free campaign in the District Headquarter and declaration of Tobacco Free office in the District.

Deputy Director & State Nodal Officer NTCP, Dr. I. Simon Sumi, in his keynote address said the National Tobacco Control Program aims to strengthen COTPA 2003 and to promote Tobacco Free Schools, Offices and Public Places to support people who

want to quit Tobacco and to build capacity of enforcement for staff, Teachers, Village Councils and community groups.

Highlighting the guidelines for Tobacco-Free Educational Institutions, Dr. I. Simon said District leadership is crucial as consistency in enforcement, documentation and community mobilization determines of NTPC success on the ground. Simon further stressed on Tobacco-Free Educational Institutions and Tobacco-Free offices supporting Tobacco Free Village declaration, continuing capacity building for enforcement and community group for ensuring strong convergence between Health, Police, Education, Municipal bodies, Church and Civil Society so that collective efforts translate into lasting change.

DTCC Consultant NTCP, Dr. Linoka Awomi address the legal provisions and policy preventing Minors access to Tobacco COTPA -2003, PECA 2019 and Juvenile

Justice (JJ Act).

Joint Director & State Program Officer, National Oral Health Program, Dr. Reyosalu Lase chaired the program and

also delivered the welcome address. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks pronounced by EAC Tseminyu, Molosangla Ozukum (NCS).

WOKHA DPDB MEETING REVIEWS KEY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for Wokha district was held on 26th November 2025 at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, chaired by Deputy Chief Minister Yanthungo Patton and attended by Advisor Mhathung Yanthan, MLA Mhonbemo, DC Vineet Kumar, and SP Relo Aye.

One of the main discussions was the proposed redevelopment of Tsumang Lake, presented by Senchumo Lotha, President of District Angler Wokha Nagaland (DAWN). The plan aims to restore and beautify the lake into a recreational and tourism hub, improve sewage management, prevent land encroachment, and promote aquaculture. Yanthungo Patton suggested that if government-related hurdles persist, DAWN could lead the project for effective implementation.

The meeting also deliberated on the adoption of the National Highway Act 1956 for highway construction in Nagaland. Mhondamo Ovung, Chairman of Lotha Hoho, emphasized that the Act should be harmonized with Article 371A and the Right to Fair Compensation Act to safeguard local

rights. The acquisition of Wokha Town Public Ground was discussed, with DC Vineet Kumar reporting that 4.2 acres had been purchased at ₹270 per sq. ft. with no encroachment detected. Plans include maintaining separate grounds for public events and sports, and a joint inspection with Lotha Hoho is planned.

The need for a shelter home for children in conflict with the law was highlighted by District Child Protection Officer Moasenla Imchen, citing the absence of a dedicated facility.

The DC also reviewed the recently held Banana Festival, noting its economic impact, MoUs with research institutions, launch of the local brand "Yuthi Delight", formation of the Banana Growers Network, identification of 28 banana varieties, and implementation of a credit outreach program.

Departments including Water Resources, PWD, and Roads & Bridges presented updates on ongoing and upcoming development projects across the district. The meeting concluded with the observance of Constitution Day, featuring the reading of the Preamble of the Indian Constitution by the DC.

KOHIMA DISTRICT CONDUCTS ONE-DAY WORKSHOP ON SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE ACT, 2013

The Kohima District Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), under Mission Shakti, organized a one-day workshop on the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal)

Act, 2013 (POSH Act) at the DC Conference Hall, themed "Unite for Safe Workspaces: Transforming Work Culture Through Awareness and Behavioural Change." ON 27th November 2025.

DC Kohima, B. Henok Buchem addressing the participants at the one-day workshop on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Phrohibition & Redressal) Act, 2013 held at DC's Conference Hall, Kohima on 27th November 2025.

After reviewing previous meeting minutes, DC highlighted the agendas proposed by MLA & Advisor for DUDA, W. Chingang Konyak regarding the Wakching settlement under Mon District as Urban Station Committee. The house recommended

and forwarded to the concerned department for consideration.

Regarding the creation of Primary School at Tobu Village, the board directed the SDEO Tobu to submit detailed information in the next meeting.

The house also deliberated on the Cabinet meeting minutes held on 16th October and forwarded the case to the Konyak Union for further verification and recommendation.

The chairman of Mohung Changai also submitted a proposal for creation of Anganwadi Centre at Mohung Changai. After deliberation, the houses directed the CDPO,

Aboi for further verification and submit through proper channels.

The proposal of Little Flower School, Tizit to Change the School name to Kano Memorial School, Tizit was recommended and forwarded it to the higher authority.

The house also discussed the constitution of the Committee for Village Adoption and approved it to work out by January 2026. Constitution of Committee for LADP 2024 - 2025. Chief Medical Officer Mon shared about awareness and precaution on Malaria in the District.

AYUSHMAN AROGYA SHIVAR A HEALTH CAMP HELD AT NOKLAK

Ayushman Arogya Shivar health Camp was successfully conducted on 28th November 2025 at Nokyan Village under Noklak District with 120 participants ranging from 9 months old baby to the oldest attendee who was 103 years old.

Medical Officer, Dr. Meyachungla Jamir gave an enlightening introduction on

benefits of medicines and role in promoting overall wellness.

In addition, Yoga sessions was held, encouraging participants to practice simple techniques for physical well-being. The camp proved to be meaningful and impactful uniting people of all ages and inspiring them to take a step towards a healthier lifestyle.



Healthcare Personnel during the Ayushman Arogya Shivar health Camp conducted at Nokyan Village, Noklak on 28th November 2025.

MOCK DRILL EXERCISE HELD AT MON

The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) along with District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Mon conducted an Earthquake Mock Drill Exercise on 29th November 2025 at DC office complex Mon.

The disaster scenario of fire incident and collapse structure were simulated at the DC office complex, where rescue operation trap inside the office building and evacuation of

injured were displayed during the mock drill

The mock Drill exercise was conducted by 12 NDRF from Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh; DDMA; Home Guard, Civil Defence; Fire and Emergency Service; Medical Department and SDRF Mon.

District Administration, Police and stakeholders also took part in the mock drill exercise.

15 DAY TERRITORIAL ARMY MEGA RALLY IN DIMAPUR CULMINATES

The 15-day, multi-state Territorial Army recruitment rally conducted by 113 Infantry Battalion (Territorial Army) Rajput, concluded on 29th November, 2025, culminating one of the most meticulously planned, flawlessly executed, and widely attended military recruitment initiatives witnessed in the Northeast in recent years.

From 15th to 29th November 2025, the rally drew an exceptional 6,000 aspirants from across the Seven Sister States, as well as West Bengal, Sikkim, and the Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The vast turnout — including youth from remote, high-altitude,

and previously sensitive regions — reflected not only strong national aspiration but also the prevailing atmosphere of stability and assured movement across the region.

The rally was praised for the professional planning, transparency, and operational precision of 113 TA Rajput, supported by the Dimapur Civil Administration, Police, and local communities. Candidate-friendly measures included assistance counters, documentation support, crowd management, and provision of food, hydration, and rest facilities.



Participants at the Multi-State Territorial Army recruitment rally held from 15th to 29th November, 2025.



DC NIULAND INAUGURATED SAKHI ONE STOP CENTRE AT NIULAND

DC and Chairperson Mission Shakti Niuland, Sara S Jamir inaugurated Sakhi One Stop Centre (OSC) at Niuland near Community Health Centre, Medical Colony Niuland on 11th Nov. 2025.

During the inaugural program, the DC appreciated the Government & Social Welfare Department for establishing the OSC in the district, stating that it will provide 24×7 integrated support to women. She noted that only two unregistered cases

were reported in the past three and a half years but emphasized that many cases may go unreported due to reluctance in coming forward.

In her keynote address, SDO (Civil) Avonou Kire highlighted the role of the OSC, explaining that it will offer integrated support services including police assistance, medical care, legal aid, temporary shelter, and psychosocial counselling.

MULTI SKILL LAB UPGRADED AND INAUGURATED AT GHSS DIPHUPAR 'A'

The upgraded Multi Skill Lab at Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Diphupar 'A', Chümoukedima, was inaugurated on 17th November 2025.

Abhinav Das, CSR Regional Lead of LIC Housing Finance Ltd., expressed appreciation for participating in a youth empowerment initiative in Nagaland, noting that the need for a dedicated skill-development program arose from field observations of rising dropout rates and the growing importance of practical, AI-based, and hands-on learning. He reaffirmed LIC HFL's commitment to strengthening the

skill ecosystem in the Northeast through CSR initiatives, stating that the upgraded lab reflects their vision of linking education with sustainable livelihoods.

Mission Director of Samagra Shiksha, L. Jamithung Lotha, described the upgraded lab as a symbol of the state's commitment to future-ready education, highlighting its role in bridging classroom learning with real-life application while fostering creativity, innovation, and problem-solving skills.

The program concluded with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, a tour of the multi-skill lab, and live skill demonstrations by students.

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED PATIENTS KITCHEN INAUGURATED AT DISTRICT HOSPITAL PEREN

District Hospital Peren inaugurated its Patients' Kitchen on 20 November 2025, with Deputy Commissioner Hiazu Meru as the special guest.

Addressing the attendees, Meru, commended the efforts of the hospital management and staff for prioritizing patient needs. He emphasized that healthcare

institutions must focus not only on medical treatment but also on overall patients' well-being, including access to hygienic and timely meals. He further assured that the district administration would continue supporting initiatives aimed at strengthening public health services in Peren district.

Medical Superintendent Dr. Niriehthono

Zetsuvi, highlighted the kitchen's role in improving patient care and thanked all contributors.

The event included short speeches from

contributors, a cultural presentation by OPD staff, and concluded with a vote of thanks by SMO Dr. M. Tentennok Jamir.

PHSNS COMMUNITY HALL INAUGURATED AT LONGKHIM

The inauguration programme of PHSNS, Range Community Hall constructed under UDAP Scheme was held at Longkhim town, Tuensang on 22nd November 2025 with Special Guest Advisor, Information Technology & Communication, Economics & Statistics and Evaluation, H.Sethrongkyu Sangtam.

Sangtam, in his address, emphasized that landowners should extend full cooperation instead of demanding land tax from contractors to ensure better regional development. He credited the day's achievement to the unity and blessings

of the four villages Phir Ahi, Holongba, Sangsomong, and New Sangsomong and urged the people of PHSNS Range to maintain this unity for faster development and future progress.

The President of PHSNS Range, while exhorting the gathering, highlighted the visionary leadership of Advisor H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam for driving progressive development in the Longkhim–Chare area.

The Advisor also inaugurated Ahotsi Village Community Hall constructed under LADP- ICONIC Project.

MLA NAMRI NCHANG INAUGURATES HIGH SCHOOL SECTION BUILDING OF YETTRANG SCHOOL AT AHTHIBUNG

MLA of 6 Tening A/C, Namri Nchang, inaugurated the newly constructed second-floor High School Section Building of Yettrang School at Aththibung, Peren, on 22 November 2025, with a dedicatory prayer led by Rev. Lamkhotong Singson.



MLA, Namri Nchang inaugurating high school section building of Yettrang School at Aththibung, Peren on 22nd November 2025.

Nchang commended the collective efforts of the Kuki Baptist Association Nagaland (KBAN) and Jesus Mission, South Korea, in developing the institution and encouraged continued commitment toward quality education for future generations.

Emphasizing the importance of education, values, unity, and community participation, he urged parents, teachers, and leaders to support meaningful learning, nurture responsible citizens, and guard against substance abuse. He highlighted that development is a shared responsibility of all community stakeholders.

The programme also included a brief history of Yettrang School presented by Rev. David Vaiphei.

ADVISOR KUDECHO KHAMO INAUGURATES ADC'S OFFICE AKULUTO



Advisor CAWD and Taxes, Kudecho Khamo with Advisor Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Kazheto Kinimi and other officials during the inauguration of ADC's office, Akuluto, Zunheboto on 27th of November 2025.

The new Additional Deputy Sub Division. Commissioner's office was inaugurated by Advisor, CAWD and Taxes Government of Nagaland, Kudecho Khamo in the presence of Advisor, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Kazheto Kinimi on 27th of November 2025.

In his address, Kudecho Khamo expressed his gratitude to the department and the contractor- M/s Start-Up for timely completion of the office construction. He informed that the construction of the new building cost Rs. 7.81cr and asked the government employees to utilise it carefully as their own. The new office building will now housed 8 departments under Akuluto

In his speech, Kazheto Kinni thanked the advisor CAWD for fulfilling the needs of its people and citing as one of the best office constructed under Zunheboto District.

Er. Sangti Amer, Assistant Chief Engineer CAWD, Commissioner's Office Nagaland gave a brief account on construction of the new ADC Office and thanked the Advisor for the allotment of fund for Akuluto for the construction of new ADC Office.

The program includes - short speeches by Viketoulie Metha, EAC VK town and Toniho Chophi, President of Akuluto Area GB Association.

DY. CM YANTHUNGO PATTON INAUGURATES ENGLAN PHC

Deputy Chief Minister, Yanthungo Patton inaugurated the newly established Primary Health Centre (PHC) at Englan, Wokha, on 27th November 2025. The inaugural program was held at the PHC premises with Deputy Commissioner Wokha, Vineet Kumar, IAS as the guest of honour.

In his address, Patton stressed the need to resolve land acquisition and border

demarcation issues that hinder development and urged the district administration and police to cooperate in demarcating land for public infrastructure.

He appealed to citizens to exercise civic responsibility by protecting public property and cooperating with PHC staff to ensure quality healthcare services. Emphasizing community involvement, he entrusted local

elders and Goanburas with safeguarding and maintaining the facility.

DC Vineet Kumar highlighted healthcare infrastructure challenges in

the district but noted that Englan Range is fortunate to have a well-equipped PHC, urging public support to ensure access to essential healthcare services.

DEPUTY CM YANTHUNGO PATTON INAUGURATES MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING AT YIKHUM

Deputy Chief Minister, Yanthungo Patton inaugurated the Multipurpose Building at Yikhum Village on 27th November 2025.

As the inaugural guest, Deputy Chief Minister Yanthungo Patton expressed satisfaction with the quality and design of a newly constructed building at Yikhum Village, praising the workmanship and contributors. Emphasizing education and human resource development, he announced cash incentives of ₹5 lakh for villagers qualifying the UPSC

examination and ₹3 lakh for those clearing NPSC as EAC or DSP. He also acknowledged the contributions of the Yikhum Women Hoho and donated ₹25,000 for women's welfare, in addition to contributing ₹7 lakh towards the building's construction. The plaque was unveiled by Patton.

On the same day, Patton inaugurated the Thillong Students' Union Office built under LADP 2024-25, in the presence of DC Wokha Vineet Kumar, IAS, and SP Wokha T. Relo Aye.

MORUNG EXPERIENCE CENTRE INAUGURATED AT KHONOMA UNDER FBMP PROJECT

The Morung Experience Centre (MEC) at Khonoma was inaugurated on 29th November 2025 under the Forest & Biodiversity Management in the Himalaya (Nagaland) Project, funded by German Development Cooperation through KfW Development Bank.

Dr. Florian Wieneke, Senior Portfolio Manager, Natural Resources & Climate Asia, KfW Development Bank, graced the occasion as the Special Guest.

In his address, Dr. Florian Wieneke noted that the inauguration of the MEC signifies the successful culmination of a two-year journey following the announcement of the 25 Years Community Conservation celebrations in 2023. He commended the villagers of Khonoma for more than 25 years

of exemplary community-led conservation initiatives, making the village a model for Nagaland and the entire country.

Dr. Wieneke expressed hope that the Centre will continue to inspire conservation, learning and community development for generations to come. He also stated that the MEC will serve as a knowledge hub for visitors to learn about the cultural values and ecological significance of Khonoma, while contributing to eco-tourism, environmental awareness and the preservation of traditional knowledge systems.

Short speech was delivered by Rokovisa Chase, President, Khonoma Ruffuno Nagaland, and Rokongulie Meyase, Chairman, KNCTS, highlighting the vision of MEC.

AUDITORIUM AND BASKETBALL CUM BADMINTON COURT INAUGURATES AT WANGKHAO GOVERNMENT COLLEGE MON

The Open Auditorium and Basketball cum Badminton Court of Wangkhao Government College, Mon was inaugurated on 29th November 2025 at the college campus. Deputy Commissioner, Mon & Chairman of Wangkhao College Advisory Board, graced the occasion as a guest of honour.

Wennyei Konyak in his address appreciated the support of DPDB members and college faculty, noting that the new facilities mark a milestone and will promote holistic education beyond the classroom.

While proposing a welcoming

address, Dr. Tialila, Principal of Wangkhao Government College highlighted that the auditorium, built through crowdfunding initiated by the DC, symbolizes community solidarity, while the sports court was constructed through collective efforts of the college authority and teachers.

The programme was chaired by Rongsennungla pongen, Asst. Professor, Department of Sociology and a dedicatory prayer was done by Rev. Yeangphong Konyak, District Chaplain.

CHIEF MINISTER DR. NEIPHIU RIO INAUGURATES KOHIMA PEACE MEMORIAL & ECO-PARK

The Kohima Peace Memorial & Eco-Park was formally inaugurated on 29th November 2025 by the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio in the presence of dignitaries, senior officials, and invited guests.

Dr. Rio described it as a landmark reflecting historical significance, courage, and resilience from the Battle of Kohima, while also symbolizing Japan–Naga friendship. He shared personal reflections on the war, emphasized the importance of preserving history, promoting peace, and encouraging educational visits to the memorial. He acknowledged Japan's support in projects

including livelihood initiatives, conservation efforts, and an upcoming 400-bedded hospital.

PCCF & HoFF Vedpal Singh highlighted the timing of the inauguration ahead of the Hornbill Festival and the venue's potential as a popular public space.

Minister C. L. John noted the Eco-Park as a symbol of enduring peace and friendship, while Advisor Abu Metha presented the site's historical significance.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen.

END-TO-END MODEL FACILITY AND SCAN & SHARE FEATURE LAUNCHED AT DISTRICT HOSPITAL DIMAPUR

The Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), Nagaland, inaugurated the End-to-End Model Facility along with the Scan & Share feature at District Hospital Dimapur on 29th November 2025.

Speaking at the programme, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare and State Mission Director, ABDM Nagaland, said that the launch marks a transformative step toward

strengthening Nagaland's healthcare system. He stated that the new digital initiatives will make healthcare more accessible, efficient, transparent, and patient-centric. The integration of such digital tools, he said will empowers citizens to take charge of their health while enabling healthcare professionals to provide coordinated and timely care.

Earlier, Dr. Toska Sumi, Nodal Officer, e-Hospital, Dimapur, highlighted that the new facility would greatly ease patient services and improve operational efficiency within the hospital. He acknowledged the support of the National Health Authority (NHA), NIC, and the Department of Health

& Family Welfare under the leadership of Health Minister, Paiwang Konyak for advancing digital healthcare in the state.

As part of Nagaland's digital health advancement, District Hospital Dimapur has been selected as the state's first End-to-End Digital Health Model Facility under ABDM. The initiative aims to fully digitize its services, integrating key ABDM building blocks such as ABHA, Health Facility Registry (HFR), Health Professional Registry (HPR), and digital health records. With interoperability through the Unified Health Interface (UHI) and assisted services for ABHA creation, the model facility will serve as a benchmark for state-wide digital health transformation.



Commissioner & Secretary, H&FW and State Mission Director, ABDM, Anoop Khinchi inaugurating the End-to-End Model Facility at District Hospital Dimapur on 29th November 2025.





Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, GoI, Nirmala Sitharaman and other dignitaries during the inaugural of Government Industrial Training Institute, Kiphire on 14th November 2025.



Advisor to CM, Abu Metha, launched Dreamz Unlimited's latest Video "The Missing Tourist" on 22nd November 2025 in the presence of TaFMA Chairman, Theja Meru; Director IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo and other officials.



Lok Sabha speaker, Om Birla; Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio; Deputy Chairman Rajya Sabha, Harivansh with dignitaries from eight North Eastern States during the 22nd Annual CPA India Region Zone-III Conference held at NLA, Kohima on 10th November 2025.



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STATE ROUND-UP



Civil defence Wardens & volunteers training at the Office of the District Commandant, Home Guards, Civil Defence & SDRF, Kohima on 19th November 2025.



DGP, Nagaland, Rupin Sharma, IPS with DG (NCB), Anurag Garg, IPS and dignitaries during the Regional Conference of Heads of ANTF of NE States held at Police Complex, Chumoukedima on 13th November 2025.



Inter- Ministerial Central Team from New Delhi visiting flood- affected areas in Dimapur on 19th November 2025.

STATE ROUND-UP



Samagra Shiksha Madhya Pradesh, delegations led by Dr. Mahesh Jain, Joint Director, Samagra Shiksha Madhya Pradesh during their visit to Nagaland on 24th-27th November 2025.



DC Wokha, Vineet Kumar with other officials administering pledge during the launching of the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha on 25th November 2025.



SP Phek, Dr. Pritpal Kaur, addressing during the International Day of Elimination of Violence against Women and launching programme of 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence held at Phek, 25th November 2025.



Country Partners for Hornbill Festival 2025 with Advisor to CM, Abu Metha other dignitaries during the Inaugural Roundtable at Hotel Vivor, Kohima on 30th November 2025

DISTRICT ROUND-UP



EAC Tuensang, Toking along with other official and participants during the Sansad Khel Mahotsav held at parade Groung, tuensang on 5th November 2025.



DFO Phek, Enyiwekho Wezah with the winning team of the Phek Inter-Departmental Tournament 2025 held at Phek from 4th to 6th November 2025.



Director YRS, Kethosituo Sekhose NCS addressing during the inaugural programme of the 1st Inter-Departmental tournament at NAPO Multipurpose Hall Chiephobzou on 7th November 2025.



MLA, Lima Onen with officials and beneficiaries during the distribution of free assisted devices held at SDO(C) office, Noksen, Tuensang on 25th November 2025.

