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Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav along with Advisor, School Education, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome and other officials with recipients of various Governor's Awards in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026 during a felicitation programme held at Lok Bhavan, Kohima on 17th June 2026.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, highlighting the State's key development priorities during the interaction with Chief Ministers of North Eastern States convened by NITI Aayog in New Delhi on 12th June 2026.



Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu along with Director I&C, P. Tokugha Sema and other officials after MoU signed between T-Works and Government of Nagaland during World MSME Day 2026 celebrated at Directorate of Industries and Commerce, Kohima on 26th June 2026.



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STATE GOVERNMENT APPOINTS/RE-ASSIGNS ADVISORS

The Cabinet Secretariat (Cabinet Cell) has notified that the Chief Minister of Nagaland has appointed/re-assigned the following Members of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly as Advisors to the Chief Minister and assign the following department with immediate effect:

SN	Name	Department
1	Kuzholuzo Nienu	Science & Technology
2	Puthai Longon	Taxes
3	Er. Picto Shohe	New & Renewable Energy
4	Achumbemo Kikon	SCERT & Food Processing
5	Nyusietho Nyuthe	NSDMA & Inland Waterways
6	Daochier I Imchen	Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation

NSSB INFORMS ON CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

In pursuance of Selection 13 (1) Clause (a) of the Nagaland Staff Selection Board Regulations 2020, 1st Amendment dated 27th June 2023, it has informed to all concerned Departments that all official correspondence to the Board may be addressed to:

The Secretary,
Nagaland Staff Selection Board,
Below Nagaland Public Service Commission,
Nagaland Kohima
Pin-797004.

HOME DEPARTMENT ISSUES SELF-ENUMERATION GUIDELINES FOR CENSUS 2027

The Home Department, Government of Nagaland on 25th May, 2026 has issued a notification detailing the step-by-step process for Self-Enumeration (SE) under Phase-I of Census 2027. The online self-enumeration period will be conducted from June 16 to June 30, 2026, ahead of the House-to-House Houselisting Operations (HLO). Citizens and government officials have been encouraged to complete the process accurately within the notified 15-day period.

Self-Enumeration allows residents to submit household data online through <https://se.census.gov.in>. The process takes approximately 15–20 minutes, and successful submission generates a unique 11-digit Self-Enumeration ID (SE ID) prefixed with “H”.

According to the guidelines, users must first access the portal, select Nagaland from the dropdown menu, enter the captcha, and register the household using the name of the Head of Household and a mobile number. An email address may also be provided for receiving the SE ID.

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After selecting a preferred language and verifying the registered mobile number through OTP, users must enter residence details, including district, village/town, locality, and nearby landmark. They are then required to pinpoint the exact location of their residence on a digital map using an interactive marker.

Applicants must complete the Houselisting and Housing Census questionnaire, using the available notes, tooltips, and FAQs for guidance. The system allows users to review entries, edit information, and save drafts before final submission.

Once satisfied, users must click “Final Submit”, after which no further edits can be made except by the Enumerator. The generated SE ID will be displayed on-screen and sent via SMS and email (if provided). Provision has also been made for retrieval of the SE ID later through the registered mobile number. The last date of submission will be displayed on the marquee in all pages. If not finally submitted before the state/UTs closing date, the Self Enumeration will not be considered complete.

During the Enumerator’s field visit, households must provide their SE ID for validation. If the ID matches the data available on the Enumerator’s device, the self-enumerated data will be accepted. If not, household details will be collected afresh.

The Government stated that the detailed User Guide and Flow Chart have been enclosed to facilitate accurate and seamless participation in the Census 2027 Self-Enumeration process.

ER. TIAMEREN WALLING, SWORN IN AS CHAIRMAN-CUM-MEMBER OF NAGALAND ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Er. Tiameren Walling, was sworn in as the Chairman-cum-Member of the Nagaland Electricity Regulatory Commission (NERC) at a ceremony held at Dr. Imkongliba Ao Hall, Lok Bhavan, Kohima, on June 16, 2026.

The Oath of Office and Oath of Secrecy were administered by the Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav in the presence of Chief Secretary, Nagaland, Sentiyanger Imchen, IAS, senior government officials, dignitaries, and invited guests.

CHANGE OF ICIT MOKOKCHUNG NOMENCLATURE

The Higher & Technical Education Department, Nagaland has informed that in pursuance of the decision of the Cabinet conveyed vide Cabinet Secretariat (Cabinet Cell) Letter No. CAB-1/14/2023 dated 15th June, 2026, regarding approval for the change of nomenclature of the Institute of Communication & Information Technology (ICIT), Mokokchung to Government Polytechnic, Mokokchung from the date of issue of this Notification.

The change of name shall apply for all official purposes and administrative matters.

All concerned Departments and establishments have been requested to take necessary action accordingly.

OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION INFORMS ON TIMELINE FOR OPENING AND CLOSING OF NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL (NSP) FOR ACADEMIC SESSION 2026-27

The Directorate of Higher Education, Nagaland has informed all the Educational Institutions and Students that the timeline for the Academic Session 2026-27 in respect of the CSS-Post Matric Scholarship (PMS-ST) for the ST students of Nagaland via the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) i.e., <https://scholarships.gov.in> and the State Merit & Research Scholarship via the Common Scholarship Portal (CSP) i.e., <https://scholarship.nagaland.gov.in> is to be followed as: -

FOR POST MATRIC SCHOLARSHIP (PMS ST)

PROCESS	FRESH/RENEWAL
Registration for the Students	1 st July, 2026 till 30 th September, 2026
Completion of verification by the Institutions	31 st October, 2026
Correction of defective applications by the Students & the Institutes	15 th November, 2026
Completion of verification by the State	30 th November, 2026

FOR STATE MERIT & RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

PROCESS	FRESH/RENEWAL
Registration & Application submission for the students	1 st July, 2026 till 30 th September, 2026
Completion of verification by the Institutions	31 st October, 2026



NAGALAND COMPLETES TRAINING OF FIELD TRAINERS FOR CENSUS OF INDIA 2027

As part of the preparations for the Census of India 2027, the State of Nagaland has successfully completed the training of Field Trainers for all 17 districts. A total of 130 Field Trainers from across the State underwent a three-day residential training programme, conducted in four batches.

The trained Field Trainers will subsequently impart training to Census Supervisors and Enumerators during June 2026 across Nagaland, covering 157 sub-districts, municipalities, and towns.

The training programmes, held between 20th May and 29th May 2026, witnessed 100 percent participation and were successfully organized under the leadership of the Deputy Commissioners of Dimapur, Mokokchung, Kohima, and Phek.

More than 6,000 government officials will be engaged in the conduct of Census

2027 in Nagaland. The Census will be carried out in two phases.

The first phase, the House-Listing Operations, will provide citizens an opportunity to enumerate their households through online self-enumeration facility from 16th to 30th June 2026. This will be followed by verification of the self-enumerated data and enumeration of households that could not complete self-enumeration, by Census Enumerators and Supervisors.

The second phase, scheduled for February 2027, will involve the Population Enumeration, during which population data will be collected across the State.

The Directorate of Census Operations, Nagaland, appeals to all citizens to actively participate and extend their full cooperation in ensuring the successful conduct of Census 2027.

DNRE KOHIMA HOLDS CLIMATE ACTION COMPETITIONS FOR STUDENTS

As part of the pre-campaign activities under Mission LiFE in commemoration of World Environment Day 2026, the Department of New & Renewable Energy (DNRE), Kohima, organised Essay Writing, Slogan Writing and Drawing Competitions for high school students on the theme "Climate Action" at the Directorate of New & Renewable Energy, Kohima on June 2, 2026.

Delivering the keynote address, Director Er. James Khala highlighted the importance of protecting the environment and preserving natural resources amid increasing developmental activities. He encouraged students to take an active

role in safeguarding the planet for future generations.

In the Slogan Writing Competition, Anguni Nagi of Baptist Mission School, Jotsoma secured first prize, followed by Neisavono Nagi of the same school in second place. Chozi Rose of Oking Christian School and Muluseto Swuro of Alderville Higher Secondary School shared the third prize.

In the Drawing Competition, Ketoubi Semo of Baptist Mission School won first prize, while Thejaser Sano secured second place and Suman Teron of Alderville Higher Secondary School bagged third prize.

In the Essay Competition, Neilakieü Miachieo of Don Bosco Higher Secondary School, Kohima won first prize. Kethoseno Nakhro of Alderville Higher Secondary School secured second place, while Thejasier Nagi of Baptist Mission School stood third.

A total of six schools participated in the event. Joint Director Lhuobeizo Kesiye invoked God's blessings, while

Additional Director Er. Inaho P. Awomi welcomed the participants. Deputy Director, Neizenso Peseyie briefed the students on the competition guidelines.

Prizes were distributed to the winners, and the programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Joint Director Er. Renilo Nuh.

RIO PRESENTS NAGALAND'S DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES AT 73rd NEC PLENARY, SEEKS GREATER CENTRAL SUPPORT

Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio presented Nagaland's developmental priorities and key policy interventions during the 73rd Plenary Session of the North Eastern Council (NEC) at Shillong on 4th June 2026. He highlighted critical infrastructure requirements, fiscal concerns, connectivity projects and long-term economic transformation initiatives aimed at achieving the vision of Viksit Nagaland @2047.

Emphasizing that Nagaland is presently facing a serious fiscal challenge following the discontinuation of Revenue Deficit Grants under the 16th Finance Commission the Chief Minister urged the Government of India to provide annual special grants during the award period to ensure fiscal stability and continuity in governance and essential public service delivery.

Rio reiterated the State Government's push for the construction of the proposed 364-km Trans-Nagaland Highway (Foothill Road) describing it as a critical infrastructure project with the potential to transform economic activity, improve connectivity and enhance access to essential services across seven districts of the State. He sought support from the Centre for land compensation requirements to facilitate declaration of the

road as a National Highway. Highlighting the need for improved air connectivity, Rio pointed out that Kohima remains the only State capital in the country without an operational airport. He informed the gathering that the State is pursuing a phased strategy involving development of smaller airstrips at Ciethu, Mokokchung, Mon and Tuensang while continuing efforts toward establishing a full-fledged airport at Ciethu in the future.

On education and healthcare infrastructure, Rio informed that the State Government would soon submit a proposal for establishment of an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) at the proposed Nagaki City in Chümoukedima district. He also reiterated the State's proposal for establishment of a greenfield AIIMS in Nagaland while seeking support for strengthening and upgrading the Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (NIMSR), Kohima.

The Chief Minister also highlighted the proposal for development of Nagaki City, a proposed 39 sq km greenfield incubation city in Chathe Valley envisioned as a future hub for education, healthcare, innovation and economic growth. He said the city would host major institutions including the proposed

IIT and AIIMS and sought central support for creating core infrastructure.

Calling for enhanced railway connectivity, Rio sought extension of the Dimapur-Kohima railway project beyond Zubza into Kohima city and eventually towards Imphal, while also advocating for prioritization of the long-pending Dimapur–Tizit railway line project.

The Chief Minister further underlined the importance of urban infrastructure development, proposing flyovers and elevated corridors in Kohima, Dimapur and Chümoukedima to address increasing traffic congestion alongside investments in strengthening power transmission infrastructure and hydropower development.

On economic development, Rio stressed the importance of diversifying agriculture

through expansion of plantation crops including coffee and agarwood. He stated that the State aims to expand coffee cultivation from 12,000 hectares to 50,000 hectares by 2047 while promoting sustainable livelihood opportunities through agri-allied sectors.

Concluding his address, the Chief Minister reaffirmed Nagaland's commitment towards the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047 and emphasized that investments in connectivity, infrastructure, youth empowerment, education and sustainable economic growth would be central to building a self-reliant and prosperous Nagaland.

Nagaland Chief Secretary, Sentianger Imchen, IAS and Principal Secretary & Development Commissioner, Kikheto Sema, IAS also attended the meeting.

NAGALAND GOVERNOR CALLS FOR GREATER CONNECTIVITY, YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND REGIONAL COOPERATION AT 73rd NEC PLENARY

Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav called for enhanced regional cooperation, improved connectivity and greater investments in infrastructure, youth empowerment and sustainable development while addressing the 73rd Plenary Session of the North Eastern Council (NEC) on 4th June 2026 at Shillong.

In his speech, the Governor reaffirmed Nagaland's commitment towards building a prosperous, sustainable and inclusive Northeast and emphasized that regional collaboration remains central to achieving the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047 and Viksit Nagaland.

Highlighting agriculture as the backbone of Nagaland's economy, Yadav noted that more than 70 percent of the population lives

in rural areas and depends on agriculture and allied activities for livelihood. He underscored the importance of strengthening value chains, certification mechanisms and market access for the State's organic products, including pineapple, cucumber, persimmon, Naga King Chilli, coffee and agarwood while advocating for integration of modern technology with traditional agricultural practices.

On infrastructure and connectivity, the Governor stressed that improved connectivity remains essential for economic growth and regional integration. He highlighted the need for expediting development of the proposed airport at Ciethu along with additional airstrips at Mokokchung, Tuensang and Mon. He also advocated for development of the Foothill Road and railway connectivity

projects, stating that such initiatives would unlock industrial, mineral and agricultural potential across the State.

Emphasizing education and youth empowerment, Yadav expressed concern over the absence of premier educational institutions in Nagaland, which compels many students to pursue higher education outside the State. He urged consideration for establishment of national or regional institutions in Nagaland while highlighting entrepreneurship, innovation and skill development as key pathways for the State's youthful population. The Governor also highlighted the establishment of Nagaland's first Drone School and Centre of Excellence under the Nagaland Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Mission as an important step toward creating new livelihood opportunities.

The Governor also highlighted Nagaland's progress in sustainable development noting that three districts namely, Mokokchung, Kohima and Dimapur are ranked among the top ten performers in the North Eastern Region District SDG Index 2.0, reflecting advances in inclusive growth and governance.

On industrialization and energy security, he called for enhanced support for scientific mineral exploration and sustainable resource development while reiterating the State's

commitment towards renewable energy initiatives including the Nagaland Solar Mission aimed at meeting 15 percent of energy requirements through rooftop solar systems.

The Governor further highlighted sports, culture and tourism as important pillars of socio-economic growth noting Nagaland's growing profile in hosting sporting events and promoting cultural tourism through initiatives such as the Hornbill Festival and community-based tourism models. He stressed that stronger last-mile connectivity, eco-sensitive infrastructure and digital promotion would be key to unlocking the region's tourism potential.

Calling for strengthening of the North Eastern Council, Yadav advocated for enhanced powers, greater funding support and equitable distribution of resources among all eight Northeastern states to bridge developmental gaps and accelerate regional progress.

The Governor reaffirmed Nagaland's commitment to working closely with the NEC and Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, reiterating the State's guiding principle of "Peace for Development and Development for Peace" while envisioning a peaceful, progressive and self-reliant Nagaland by 2047.

CHIEF MINISTER NEIPHIU RIO PRESENTS PROGRESS ON HANDLOOM AND HANDICRAFTS, CALLS FOR 'BRAND NORTH EAST' VISION

Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio presented the progress of deliberations of the High-Level Task Force (HLTF) on Handlooms and Handicrafts during the 73rd Plenary Session of the North Eastern Council (NEC) at Shillong on 4th June 2026. He highlighted on a regional

roadmap aimed at transforming the Northeast into a globally competitive and sustainable hub for handlooms and handicrafts.

The Chief Minister emphasized on transformation of the handloom and handicraft sector considering the Northeast's

rich heritage, skilled artisan base and diverse product ecosystem. He highlighted that the region is home to more than 16 lakh artisans, produces nearly all of India's Muga silk and a significant share of Eri silk, while also possessing more than 34 GI-tagged products. The region also has immense potential in natural fibre-based products derived from bamboo, banana, nettle, pineapple leaf, cane and ramie.

The Chief Minister noted that despite these strengths, the sector continues to face challenges including outdated technology, inadequate quality-testing infrastructure, fragmented supply chains and limited access to markets which constrain growth and competitiveness.

Outlining the vision of the task force, Rio said the objective is to build a complete ecosystem that integrates cluster development, skill enhancement, raw material support, Common Facility Centres (CFCs), quality testing mechanisms, sustainability measures and stronger linkages to e-commerce platforms and global markets. The roadmap envisions a phased approach beginning with strengthening inputs and infrastructure, followed by scaling up production capabilities and eventually driving value addition, certification traceability and market integration.

He informed that over the next three years, the initiative aims to train more than 50,000 artisans, establish over 30 Common Facility Centres and achieve significant expansion in market access through digital platforms and export-oriented strategies. The programme also targets supporting over 16 lakh artisans across the Northeast, doubling artisan incomes, generating two lakh additional jobs and achieving an export target of ₹5,000 crore by 2030.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio presenting the High-Level Task Force report on Handlooms and Handicrafts to Union Home Minister and NEC Chairman, Amit Shah during the 73rd Plenary Session of the North Eastern Council in Shillong, in the presence of senior leaders and dignitaries on 4th June 2026.

The Chief Minister further stated that implementation would be supported through funding from the Central Government, State Governments and private sector participation under the PPP model, with a proposed outlay of ₹501.70 crore for targeted state-wise investments focused on infrastructure, innovation, skills and market development.

Highlighting the broader vision, Rio underscored the importance of creating a unified regional identity through the concept of "Brand North East," aimed at positioning the region's unique craftsmanship and traditional knowledge systems in domestic and international markets. He said stronger market linkages, strategic partnerships and coordinated institutional support would be essential in building sustainable livelihoods and enhancing global visibility for the region's handloom and handicraft sector.

The presentation also outlined the establishment of a High-Level Steering Committee on Handlooms and Handicrafts to oversee implementation of recommendations, review progress periodically and ensure coordinated execution across the region.

NAGALAND OBSERVES WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2026

KOHIMA

World Environment Day 2026 was observed at the Kohima Peace Memorial & Eco Park, Kohima on June 5, 2026 under the theme, “Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future.” The programme, held at the Open Air Theatre, was graced by C.L. John, Minister for Environment, Forests & Climate Change and Village Guards, as the Special Guest.

Addressing the gathering, Minister C.L. John called upon citizens, particularly the younger generation, to take an active role in protecting the environment.

The Minister stressed that environmental awareness must begin with the younger generation and encouraged students to develop a strong commitment to safeguarding nature. “Let us not destroy what God has blessed us with,” he said.

The Minister further pointed out that rising temperatures in Kohima, Dimapur, and other parts of the state were visible effects of global warming. He urged citizens to adopt responsible habits and work collectively towards maintaining a cleaner and greener Nagaland.

Vedpal Singh, IFS, PCCF & HoFF, urged citizens, especially the younger generation, to adopt sustainable practices such as reducing plastic use, conserving resources, and minimizing waste. Emphasizing personal responsibility, he called on everyone to contribute towards building a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable future.

The event was chaired by M. Senthil Kumar, IFS, APCCF (E&CC). The programme also featured official release of the Nagaland State Biodiversity Board logo.

The observance concluded with a ceremonial tree planting by the Special Guest, reaffirming the commitment to environmental conservation and sustainable development.

NAGALAND CIVIL SECRETARIAT, KOHIMA

World Environment Day 2026 was observed at the NSSA Park, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, under the aegis of the Eco & Beautification club and NSSA. The programme was graced by, Home Commissioner, Nagaland, Abhijit Sinha, IAS.

The programme also featured the distribution of free plants and seeds along with stalls and eco-friendly products and initiatives.

WASTE-TO-RESOURCE EXCHANGE

Marking World Environment Day 2026, the Municipal Affairs Department organised Waste-to-Resource Exchange - a step towards circular economy programme at the Secretariat Plaza, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima, under the theme “Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future” on 5 June 2026.

As part of the programme, government departments exchanged e-waste generated in their offices for coloured waste bins to encourage waste segregation and proper disposal practices. Members of the public were also invited to exchange recyclable plastic waste for reusable shopping bags, promoting alternatives to single-use plastics.

The event witnessed active participation from various Secretariat departments, Directorate offices and individuals.



Director, Municipal Affairs, Temjenrenla Kechu with officials and staff during the Waste-to-Resource Exchange programme held on World Environment Day 2026 at Nagaland Civil Secretariat Plaza, Kohima on 5th June 2026.

Departments deposited broken and obsolete electronic items, including air conditioners, batteries, chargers and other unused electrical equipment. Individuals contributed recyclable materials such as plastic bottles, cosmetic containers, and other household recyclables.

The department further informed that e-waste collected during the programme will be handed over to e-CIRCLE for proper recycling and environmentally sound disposal.

PEREN

The Nagaland Zeliang People Organisation (NZPO), in collaboration with Ntangki National Park, Peren Forest Division and Mt. Pauna Biodiversity Conservation Forum, Peren, observed World Environment Day under the theme "Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future." at Beisumpuikam Village, Peren, on 5th June 2026.

Deputy CM and Minister for Planning

& Transformation and National Highways, T.R. Zeliang addressed the gathering as the special guest, While DC Peren, Hiazu was the guest of honour.

ZUBZA

As part of the observance, 78 Battalion, CRPF, Zubza, organized a series of environmental awareness and conservation activities in collaboration with Don Bosco School, Zubza. A tree plantation drive was conducted at the Unit Headquarters of 78 Battalion CRPF, where officers, personnel of the battalion, teachers, and students of Don Bosco School actively participated in planting saplings. A special plantation drive also took place near F/78 Bn. Chedema camp and surrounding area where more than 150 plants were planted by Jawans of F/78 Bn. CRPF.

In addition, a cleanliness drive was carried out along National Highway-29 (NH-29) in the Zubza area.

SHAMATOR

Shamator Town observed World Environment Day by planting saplings in all the offices and along the roadside led by the district administration, Police, NGOs and Village Guards. The saplings were distributed from the office of Deputy Commissioner and the plantation drive started from DC office to Nagaland Village Guard (NVG) Training Camp.

AGHUNATO

To commemorate the World Environment Day 2026, a mass social work was conducted at all government offices, educational institutions, business establishments and private residences across Aghunato Town. Tree saplings were also planted during the day.

PFUTSERO

Pfutsero Town Council along with Administrative officials led by the ADC Pfutsero, Mhalo Humtsoe and Executive Officer Pfutsero Town Council observed the World Environment day by planting trees saplings at PTC dumping site landfill which will enhance the aesthetic of the landfill, prevent soil erosion and green spaces and create peaceful environment, reduce stress and improve the quality of life.

PUNGRO

The International Border Area People's Welfare Organization (IBAPWO) and Yimkhiong Youth Organization (YYO) in collaboration with 30th Assam Rifles Battalion, Frontal organizations, CRISIL Foundation, State Bank of India (SBI), Pungro Area College Students' Union (PACSU), Pungro Town Students' Union (PTSU), Centre for Financial Literacy (CFL) and Achomang Society celebrated World

Environment Day at Traffic point, Pungro Town by organizing a programme.

EAC Khongsa, Pauding Disuang, in his addressed, insisted on viewing environmental protection as a way of life and not merely a social obligation.

Pelenuo of Züb Züb India conducted an awareness session on waste management.

The programme concluded with planting of saplings provided by the Forest Department, Kiphire at designated locations and schools.

ABOI

At Aboi, the Environment Day celebration was jointly organised by District Administration, Forest Department, Agriculture Department, KU, KNSK, AASU & ATSU at Town Hall, Aboi.

During the programme, ADC Aboi, M.S. Thangpong, NCS, spoke on the significance of the celebration, while President, KNSK, Aboi Unit, Lamlen delivered the keynote address.

After the formal programme, a plantation drive was carried out.

NOKLAK

As part of the observance of World Environment Day 2026, the District Administration Noklak, in collaboration with Noklak Town Council and the District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), organized a tree plantation drive at Noklak on June 5, 2026.

Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, P. Mono Khiamniungan and ADC, Relise Sangtam addressed the gathering.

CHIEPHOBOZOU

As part of World Environment Day celebration, a mass social work was carried out within its jurisdiction on 5th June 2026 at

Chiephobozou Town, Kohima.

The ADC Office, Chiephobozou initiated cleanliness drive and plantations of tree saplings in all Government offices and Schools under the sub division.

As part of the celebration, a short formal culmination program of “Swachh Goon Surakshit Jalvayu” was also organised by PHED, Kohima Rural Division in collaboration with Chiephobozou Town Council at DIET, Conference Hall, Chiechama.

BHANDARI

GHSS Bhandari observed World

Environment Day on June 5, 2026, with the theme “*Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future.*” Zuchobemo Odyuo, Sr. GT, spoke on the theme, while Principal Tiameren Longkumer administered the Environment Day pledge.

The celebration began with a mass social work and tree plantation drive on the school campus. The programme included a painting competition.

The District Administration also organized a plantation drive, with Heads of Offices across the subdivision planting saplings at their respective office premises.

NAGALAND UNIVERSITY POULTRY TRAINING EQUIPS ENTREPRENEURS TO STRENGTHEN LOCAL PRODUCTION

A five-day hands-on training on Poultry Production Technology was organised by the Farmers’ Cell of the School of Agricultural Sciences (SAS), Nagaland University, Medziphema Campus, from 1st to 5th June 2026 to train aspiring poultry farmers and entrepreneurs in modern poultry production practices.

Speaking at the valedictory programme, Dr. Mary N. Odyuo, Associate Professor and In-charge of the Farmers’ Cell said that the training was organised to equip farmers, youth, and aspiring entrepreneurs with scientific knowledge and practical skills in poultry production, enabling them to pursue poultry farming as a sustainable livelihood and enterprise in Nagaland.

She noted that despite the growing demand for poultry products in Nagaland, farmers and entrepreneurs often face challenges such as limited access to technical knowledge, disease management practices,

inadequate housing and feeding systems and lack of exposure to modern poultry production technologies and so the training sought to bridge these gaps.

Prof. Dipak Sinha, Pro Vice-Chancellor, NU Medziphema Campus expressed the need to include financial institutions in such programmes to create awareness about credit facilities and loan schemes available to aspiring entrepreneurs and proposed the establishment of a community radio platform or similar communication mechanism through which experts could directly engage with farmers, address their queries, and disseminate timely information to support agricultural and livestock development.

The five-day Training was conducted on poultry housing, brooding and chick management, feeding practices, disease prevention, vaccination, record keeping, and enterprise management.

NLA CONDUCTS ONE-DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEES

A One-Day Orientation Programme for Members of the Financial Committees of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly was conducted by the NLA Secretariat at K. Shikhu Conference Hall, NLA Secretariat on 5th June 2026.

The resource person, Devender Singh, Former Additional Secretary, Lok Sabha, Secretariat, highlighted the mandate of the Financial Committees, core functions, working procedures, powers, limitations and responsibilities of the Financial Committees Viz, Public Accounts Committee (PAC), Estimates Committee (EC) and Committee on Public Undertakings (COPU), suggesting economies and selection of subjects.

OSD (Budget) Finance Department, Government of Nagaland, Ketoulhou Metha gave a PowerPoint presentation on the financial architecture of the State, Scheme implementation and fund flow mechanism including CSSs, PFMS, procedural irregularities and non-compliance by implementing departments. He also highlighted the present scenario of state's financial position, and how it is budgeted and allocated to different heads of accounts.

Sr. Deputy Accountant General, Kahoto J Yepthomi, IA & AS presented

a PowerPoint presentation on C&AG process of Audit Mandate including Audit reports and compliance by departments, what evidences the committee should look for in departmental replies and effective examination techniques.

During the orientation programme, the members of the Financial Committees had a fruitful and productive Q&A session and clarification on practical issues with the resource persons including Deputy Secretary, Lok Sabha, Secretariat, Malvika Mehta and Deputy Director, Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE), Jitender Kumar.

PAC Chairman & Advisor, Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan, COPU Chairman & Advisor, Water Resources, Tongpang Ozukum, Advisor, Labour Employment & Skill Development, Excise, Moatoshi Longkumer, Advisor, School Education, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, Advisor, Urban Development, Municipal Affairs, Zhaleo Rio (Retd. IAS), Advisor, NSDMA, Inland Waterways, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe, Advisor, Land Resources, G. Ikuto Zhimomi, Advisor, SCERT, Food Processing, Achumbemo Kikon and MLA, Neisato Mero attended the one-day orientation programme.

DIPR OFFICIALS CALL ON ADVISOR DAOCHIER I. IMCHEN

Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation, Government of Nagaland, Daochier I. Imchen was called on by the officials of the Department of Information & Public Relations at his official residence, Kohima on 8th June 2026.

At the outset, Commissioner & Secretary, IPR, Orenthung Lotha, IAS and Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo congratulated him on his victory to the Nagaland by-election from the Koridang Assembly Constituency under Mokokchung district. Both the



Advisor, IPR and S&WC, Daochier I. Imchen with Commissioner & Secretary, IPR, Orenthung Lotha, IAS, Director, IPR, Dzüvinuo Theünuo and senior officers at his official residence, Kohima on 8th June 2026.

AHoD and HoD apprised him the ongoing projects and activities of the Department, and assured him to extend full support and cooperation to his leadership as the Advisor to the Department.

Imchen thanked the Department's

officials for their support during this difficult time and urged them to continue guiding his leadership. He also requested the Department to expedite projects initiated by his father to honor and preserve his legacy.

WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY 2026 OBSERVED IN DIMAPUR

The 8th World Food Safety Day 2026 was observed at Hotel Saramati, Dimapur on June 8 under the theme, "From Burden to Solutions – Safe Food Everywhere." The programme was organised by the Food Safety Wing under the Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland, in collaboration with the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) and Eat Right India.

The special guest S. Tainiu, Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Government of Nagaland, in her keynote address highlighted the significance of World Food Safety Day in raising awareness about the importance of safe food and the collective responsibility

of ensuring food safety from production to consumption.

Tainiu stressed that hotel owners, food handlers, and hospitality establishments have a crucial role in maintaining food safety standards. She called for greater awareness regarding food allergens, urging food establishments to clearly identify allergen-containing foods and train staff to respond appropriately to customers with dietary restrictions and allergy concerns. She further urged all stakeholders, including government agencies, food business operators, hoteliers, and consumers, to work together in promoting a culture of food safety.

A presentation on the theme, "From

Burden to Solutions – Safe Food Everywhere,” was delivered by Dr. John Kemp, State Programme Officer & Food Safety (DHFV). He stressed the need for strengthening food safety surveillance systems, promoting science-based decision-making, improving traceability across the food supply chain, and enhancing public awareness to ensure safe and nutritious food for all. He urged all stakeholders to work together in adopting safe food practices and building a healthier society.

Vikie Nagi, Secretary Finance,

Nagaland Hotel & Restaurant Association, in his speech noted that the theme “Food Safety, Everyone’s Business,” highlights the collective responsibility of all stakeholders involved in the food chain—from production and processing to transportation, storage, preparation, serving and consumption.

After the formal programme, a hands-on training session was conducted for hoteliers and stakeholders. Food Technicians provided practical demonstrations and awareness on clean hands, food adulteration, and food contamination.

H&FW CELEBRATES 10 YEARS OF PMSMS

P. Paiwang Konyak, Minister of Health & Family Welfare launched the 10th year celebration of Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMS) at the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima on 9th of June 2026.

During the program Paiwang stated that, over these ten years of PMSMA sessions in the State more than 23,000 pregnant women have received antenatal care and most importantly 2303 high-risk pregnancies were identified and received early treatment. While celebrating this milestone, Paiwang appealed to renew our commitment to reach even more mothers, in even the most remote corners of our State. He also released a short video on the ten years of PMSMA in Nagaland.

As part of the 10 years celebration on

the 9th of June, a nationwide Special PMSMA session was organized across all designated PMSMA facilities by specialist as well as in all Public Health facilities. Besides, additional PMSMA days (under Extended PMSMA) will be organized during the month of June. In Nagaland at present, there are 60 designated Health Units providing PMSMA facilities comprising of District Hospitals, CHCs, PHCs and HWCs across the State which will be providing the specialized services along with the rest of the Health Units. Apart from that all functional Health & Wellness Centers (HWCs) in the State totalling to 336 will also be providing the services. Not only that, HWCs will also facilitate tele -consultation wherever required with specialist through Sanjeevani- National Telemedicine Service.

WRD ORGANISES AWARENESS PROGRAMME UNDER M- CADWM SCHEME AT BEISUMPUIKAM VILLAGE

A one-day awareness programme under the Modernization of Command Area Development and Water Management (M-CADWM) Scheme was conducted at Council

Hall, Beisumpuikam Village, Peren on 11th June 2026.

In his inaugural address, DC Peren Hiazu Meru acknowledged and lauded the

Ministry of Jal Shakti, RD&GR, & WRD for taking up M- CADWM as a pilot project for Jalukiekam and Beisumpuikam Village. He also urged the participants and farmers present to make effective use of the project for the benefit of the villagers and the district as a whole.

SE & Nodal Officer of MCAD Scheme, Er. Khrotso Koza, gave an overview of the implementation strategy and expected outcomes of the scheme. He highlighted on the development of irrigation in the state through centrally sponsored schemes such as AIBP and PMKSY-HKKP.

He stated that although the schemes have created huge irrigation potential, utilization remains low, to address these issues, the Government has introduced MCAD Scheme which is expected to revolutionize agriculture by providing irrigation water through pipes and solar powered pumping system using. He also added that the state Project Management Unit, District Level Implementation Committee, Water Users Society, Farmers Relationship Agency have been constituted and sought full cooperation from the farmers for successful implementation of the project.

Representing the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Deputy Director, Shubham Pachauri highlighted that to address the current problem of leakage in irrigation system, the New System: Samridhi (M-CADWM) scheme which will deliver water to every field through a pipeline, ensure timely irrigation and provide equal distribution of water with proper water management. He added that the scheme will help the farmers by way of giving them opportunities for multi cropping and more cultivation throughout the year, which will in turn increase the crop yield and help them increase their income. He

also emphasis on the importance of Water User Society (WUS) and its benefit, as the farmers become the owner and manager the irrigation system through WUS after the Operation and Maintenance period of the project. He further highlighted another main focus of the scheme is women participation in the WUS. In conclusion, he called upon the farmers to join the WUS, Save Water and adopt the new technology which will help them become a prosperous farmer towards a Developed India.

James Kikon, Chief Technical Officer, Soil Science, KVK Peren, spoke on the role of KVK Peren in transferring the latest agricultural technologies. He said that given the village fertile lands and water resources, the scheme offers strong potential for improving water use efficiency, increasing cropping intensity through multiple crops, and boosting overall production and productivity.

Earlier delivering the welcome address, Executive Engineer WRD Jalukie, Er. Teiheile Hegeu, spoke about the MCAD scheme, under which the Mongleu-Jalukie cluster has been selected. She informed the farmers that the scheme is designed to supply irrigation water through pressurised pipes, and that it aims not only to develop irrigation infrastructure but also to educate farmers on increasing crop production and improving market linkages.

Technical Inputs on efficient water management, irrigation practices and field-level implementation was shared by Manpal Singh, Assistant Director, CWC Guwahati while Team Lead, M/s KPMG, Vaibhav Daure highlighted on the Progress of Cluster-Level activities and implementation frame work and project for Mongleu Cluster at Jalukiekam and Beisumpuikam Village.



DC Peren, Hiazu Meru with other officials and participants during one-day awareness programme under Modernization of Command Area Development and Water Management (M- CADWM) Scheme held at Council Hall, Beisumpuikam Village, Peren on 11th June 2026.

CHIEF MINISTER SEEKS ENHANCED FISCAL SUPPORT AND KEY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR NAGALAND AT NITI AAYOG MEETING

Nagaland Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio highlighted the State's key development priorities and sought continued support from the Government of India and NITI Aayog during the interaction with Chief Ministers of North Eastern States convened by NITI Aayog in New Delhi on 12th June 2026.

Expressing gratitude to NITI Aayog for its continued support towards Nagaland's development initiatives, Rio acknowledged the institution's contribution in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals, the Aspirational Districts and Aspirational Blocks Programmes, the Sampoonata Abhiyan and the establishment of the Nagaland Institute of Transformation (NIoT).

The Chief Minister stated that despite significant progress achieved over the past two decades, Nagaland continues to face fiscal and infrastructural challenges as a resource-constrained and revenue-deficit State. He expressed concern over the

discontinuation of Revenue Deficit Grants under the Sixteenth Finance Commission and requested NITI Aayog's support for provision of annual Special Grants during the Commission's award period to ensure fiscal sustainability and continuity of essential public services.

Highlighting connectivity as a key driver of economic transformation, Rio sought support for the Foothill Road (Trans-Nagaland Highway), strengthening of air connectivity through development of short landing strips at strategic locations, extension of the Dimapur-Zubza railway line up to Kohima, early sanction of the Dimapur-Tizit Railway Project and development of inland waterways in the State.

The Chief Minister also sought support for major urban infrastructure projects, including the construction of flyovers and elevated corridors in Dimapur, Kohima and Chümoukedima to address growing traffic

congestion and urbanisation challenges.

In the areas of education and healthcare, Rio requested support for establishment of an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) in Nagaland and strengthening of tertiary healthcare infrastructure in the State. He also sought financial assistance for the Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences and Research, Kohima.

Highlighting the proposed Nagaki City in Chümoukedima district as a major economic transformation initiative, Rio sought special consideration for development of core infrastructure to facilitate investment and accelerate implementation of the project.

The Chief Minister further sought support for expansion of coffee cultivation, promotion of agarwood-based livelihoods, implementation of hydroelectric projects and enhancement of sports infrastructure and youth development programmes across

the State.

Rio also informed the gathering about the signing of a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding involving Nagaland, Assam and the Government of India to facilitate mineral oil operations in the disputed area belt along the Assam-Nagaland border. He expressed optimism that the initiative would unlock economic opportunities and contribute to the country's energy security. He further stated that efforts are underway for the resumption of petroleum and natural gas exploration and production activities in Nagaland.

Reaffirming Nagaland's commitment to the vision of Viksit Bharat @ 2047, the Chief Minister said the State looks forward to continued partnership with NITI Aayog, the Government of India and other North Eastern States in advancing inclusive and sustainable development.

GOVERNOR CALLS FOR STRENGTHENING VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION MOVEMENT

Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav, called upon youth, educational institutions, civil society organisations and citizens to come forward and become regular voluntary blood donors, stating that every unit of blood donated is a gift of hope, compassion and life.

The Governor was speaking at the early observance of World Blood Donor Day 2026 at the Capital Convention Centre, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima on June 12th, 2026 under the theme, "One Drop of Humanity: Give Blood, Save Lives."

Addressing the gathering as the guest of honour, Yadav said the theme serves as a reminder that a simple act of donating blood can make the difference between life and

death for someone in need. He noted that the global initiative emphasises the importance of building a reliable and sustainable blood supply through regular, voluntary and unpaid blood donations rather than relying solely on emergency collections.

MLA & Chairman DPDB Kohima, Kevipodi Sophie, described voluntary blood donation as a reflection of the values of compassion, selflessness and solidarity. He said blood donation transcends tribe, religion and social status, reminding people of their shared humanity.

Speaking on the significance of the day, Dr. Margaret Yhome, Director, Nagaland State Blood Transfusion Council, highlighted the importance of regular, voluntary and

unpaid blood donation in ensuring a safe and sustainable blood supply. She said the observance seeks to raise awareness about the need for safe blood and blood products while recognising the invaluable contribution of voluntary blood donors.

The programme also witnessed the felicitation of VBDAN patrons, namely Governor Nand Kishore Yadav, MLA Dr.

Tseilhoutuo Rhutso, Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, Joint Secretary, Art & Culture, Atosheli Zhimomi, and President, NCSU, Pele Khezhi, in recognition of their support towards strengthening the blood donation movement in the state. Partners felicitated on the occasion included Imprint, Vertex Construction, Imagi Nation, Ete Coffee, NK Square and 8 & 8 Restaurant.

WORKSHOP ON CULTIVATION AND TRADE OF AGARWOOD HELD IN DIMAPUR

An Awareness Workshop on Cultivation and Trade of Agarwood was held at the Forest Office Complex, Forest Colony, Dimapur, on June 16, 2026. The programme was organized to create awareness on the cultivation, processing, certification and trade of agarwood.

Delivering the inaugural address, C. L. John, Minister for Environment, Forests & Climate Change and Village Guards, highlighted the importance of promoting agarwood cultivation as a sustainable livelihood opportunity.

Referring to recent government initiatives, he stated that the State Cabinet has approved the Nagaland Agarwood (Conservation and Promotion) Policy, 2026, aimed at encouraging cultivation on private and community lands, generating employment opportunities, strengthening rural livelihoods, and conserving the endangered species in its natural habitat.

Addressing trade-related issues, he said the state currently has a limited export quota for agarwood chips and oil and urged the Central Government to consider revising the existing quota to enable farmers and traders to reap greater benefits from the expanding market.

He further assured that the Forest

Department would provide technical guidance and support to growers, including access to quality planting materials, inoculation techniques, processing methods, and marketing assistance. He added that collaboration with institutions such as the Rain Forest Research Institute (RFRI), Jorhat, and central agencies would help ensure effective implementation of the policy.

A plenary address was presented by V. Kikheto Sema, Principal Secretary, Department of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, where he called for a shift towards sustainable agroforestry-based livelihoods in Nagaland, highlighting coffee and agarwood cultivation as key sectors for rural employment, higher farmer incomes, and forest restoration.

Highlighting the success of the state's coffee mission launched in 2016, Sema said the government aims to expand coffee cultivation to 50,000 hectares by 2030. He highlighted the potential of agarwood cultivation in Nagaland, calling for higher export quotas, greater market access, and increased awareness among farmers about its commercial value and scientific cultivation. Sema also proposed developing cultivation clusters and providing technical support, quality planting materials, and awareness

programmes.

The workshop included technical sessions on procedures for cultivation, registration, inoculation, harvesting and processing of agarwood, led by P. L. Agrawal, PCCF & Managing Director, TFDPC, Tripura.

Another session focused on certificates of origin and other compliances required for agarwood trade, while a panel discussion was held on facilitating agarwood cultivation and trade with participation from various agencies and stakeholders.

GOVERNOR FELICITATES TOPPERS, RANK HOLDERS AND ACHIEVERS OF HSLC & HSSLC EXAMINATIONS 2026

The Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav, felicitated the toppers, rank holders and recipients of various Governor's Awards in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026 during a programme held at Lok Bhavan, Kohima on 17th June 2026.

Addressing the gathering, the Governor congratulated all the award recipients for their outstanding academic achievements and stated that their success was a reflection of their determination and dedication towards achieving their goals.

The Governor highlighted that the Governor's Award for Meritorious Students was instituted not only to confer recognition but also to celebrate academic excellence among the youth of Nagaland. He noted that the occasion was a celebration not only of the students' achievements but also of the effort, devotion and sacrifices that made their success possible.

Describing education as a powerful tool for progress, the Governor encouraged the students to uphold values such as integrity, humility and service as they pursue higher studies and future careers. He urged them to

dream big, work hard and use their talents for the greater good of society.

Earlier, Advisor for School Education, Dr. Kekhriehoulie Yhome, felicitated the student toppers and underscored the importance of education, hard work, humility and leadership in building a developed Nagaland and contributing towards the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. He described education as vital human capital for the State's development, expressed concern over school dropout rates and encouraged students to remain humble, work diligently and prepare themselves to become future leaders who will contribute to the growth and prosperity of Nagaland and the nation.

Secretary, School Education Department and Chairman-in-Charge, Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE), Rangumbuing Nsarangbe, stated that the Governor's Awards have, over the years, played a significant role in promoting a culture of academic excellence in the state. Speaking at the programme, he informed that 63 achievers across various categories would be honoured this year.

DIRECTOR OF CENSUS OPERATIONS CALLS FOR PUBLIC COOPERATION FOR ACCURATE CENSUS 2027 DATA IN NAGALAND

A press conference on Census 2027 was held at the Kohima Press Club on 17th June

2026, the programme was jointly organised by the Directorate of Census Operations,

Nagaland, and the Press Information Bureau (PIB) Kohima, to brief media representatives on various aspects of the upcoming Census exercise.

Addressing the media, Director of Census Operations, Nagaland, Dr. Kenie Miachio, IFS, provided an overview of Census 2027 and its significance. He informed that Census is a Union subject listed at Serial No. 69 of the Union List in the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution and is conducted under the provisions of the Census Act, 1948 and the Census Rules, 1990. He stated that individual information collected during the Census is kept confidential under Section 15 of the Census Act and that the exercise is conducted in collaboration with State Governments and Union Territories. He further noted that the last Census was conducted in 2011 and that Census 2027 will be the 16th Census in the country and the eighth since Independence.

Responding to queries from media persons regarding the accuracy of Census data, Dr. Miachio expressed confidence that extensive awareness campaigns and cooperation from the public, community organisations, village authorities and other stakeholders would contribute towards the collection of accurate and reliable data during Census 2027.

He also informed that furnishing false information during the Census is punishable

under the provisions of the Census Act, 1948. Highlighting the digital initiatives being introduced in Census 2027, he stated that data would be collected through a mobile application, while an option for Self-Enumeration is also made available to the public. He further informed that a web-based portal would be used for monitoring and management of Census activities, and House Listing Blocks would be created through a web-mapping application.

Dr. Miachio informed that in Nagaland, the Self-Enumeration period will be from 16 June to 30 June 2026, while the House Listing and Housing Census will be conducted from 1 July to 30 July 2026.

Speaking on the preparations undertaken by the State Government, ADC, Office of the Commissioner, Nagaland, Kelevituo Nisa, highlighted the administrative arrangements and training programmes conducted across the State. He informed that Nagaland presently comprises 17 districts, 118 sub-districts, 39 statutory towns, 5 census towns and 1,606 villages for Census 2027. He further stated that training programmes for Principal Census Officers, District Census Officers, Charge Officers, Master Trainers and Field Trainers have been completed across the State. A total of 6,134 census personnel, including enumerators and supervisors, have been deployed for the Census exercise in Nagaland.

CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP ON 'STRENGTHENING CYBERSECURITY FRAMEWORKS FOR STATE DATA' HELD AT KOHIMA

A one-day State Consultative Workshop on 'Strengthening Cybersecurity Frameworks for State Data' was held at the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication,

Kohima on 17th June 2026 under the Chairmanship of Commissioner & Secretary IT&C and State CISO, Arenla Jamir.

In her keynote address, Jamir said



Commissioner & Secretary, IT&C and State CISO, Arenla Jamir along with other officials and participants during State Consultative Workshop on 'Strengthening Cybersecurity Frameworks for State Data' held at the Directorate of IT&C, Kohima on 17th June 2026.

Nagaland has made significant strides in digital governance through platforms such as CMHIS, CM Alliance Online Scholarship, PIMS, and e-Treasury, improving service delivery and administrative efficiency. She, however, stressed that the growing use of digital systems has heightened cybersecurity risks, making data protection a shared responsibility of all government departments and employees.

Referring to the Prime Minister's directive at the 5th National Conference of Chief Secretaries in December 2025, she said states have been asked to assess their cybersecurity preparedness and contribute to the National Cyber Security Policy. She noted that the State-Level Workshop would help shape recommendations for the national policy and urged participants to actively share practical inputs based on ground realities.

Sr. TD & SIO, NIC Nagaland, Er. I. Lanusungkum Aier stressed the importance of

collecting only essential beneficiary data with consent and ensuring that information across departments is accurate and consistent for effective analysis. He highlighted the growing role of artificial intelligence, cautioning that its effectiveness depends on clean and reliable data and warning that AI can also be exploited by cybercriminals. He also urged government departments to collaborate and share data to improve efficiency and avoid duplication of efforts.

Deputy General Manager, CB, NeGD, MeitY Pooja Kandpal also briefed virtually on the National Overview, while Deputy Director, IT&C Er. Daniel Krocha projected the Core Accountability Mandates.

The workshop was attended by representatives from various government departments, administrations, technical sectors, and law enforcement agencies. The workshop culminated with vote of thanks by Additional Director, IT&C, Er. Asono Mor.

IDAN HOSTS ROUNDTABLE MEETING WITH ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DU BENGALE ON CREATIVE ECONOMY, TOURISM & HOSPITALITY, SPORTS & PREVENTIVE MEDICINE AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA & PROMOTION

A Five-member French delegation led by Marc Boudin, Director, Alliance Francaise

du Bengale visited Nagaland from 12th – 17th June during which a series of high-level

meetings were held with discussions centred around Culinary, Culture & Traditions; Tourism & Hospitality, Sports & Preventive Medicine, French Language and Professional Development, International Media and Promotion, Corporate and Institutional Partnerships etc. Other French members included individuals with prominence in their respective sectors namely Linda Myriam Bortoletto, traveller and explorer; Olivier Karim Thienot, Founder of l'École du vin de France; Damien Laurent Marie Monnot, Chief Medical Officer, Olympique de Marseille; and Moitrayee Dhar, Cultural Manager, Alliance Francaise du Bengale.

Abu Metha, Chairman IDAN chaired a Roundtable Meeting held on 16th June 2026 with the French delegation and senior Government officials and relevant private stakeholders. He stressed on establishing partnerships and collaborations, strengthening people to people ties, diplomacy and other mutually beneficial ideas.

Advisor, IPR & Soil & Water Conservation, Daochier I. Imchen, graced the occasion and emphasized on promoting local culture and convert it into a viable economy. He spoke about IPR initiatives such as the cine fest, film festivals, animation and gaming, and invited the French delegation to

collaborate.

Marc Boudin, Director, Alliance Francaise du Bengale resonated on the similarities with Nagas and called Nagaland a 'region of culture'. He highlighted that this visit is not only to promote French culture but to link Naga and French culture and promote Nagaland in France through partnerships and exchanges.

Other attendees included Theja Meru, Chairman, TaFMA; Kvulo Lorin, Chairman NIDC; Rajeev Ranjan, CEO, Niathu Group of Hotels, and senior officials from Art & Culture, IPR, Tourism, Horticulture, Youth Resources & Sports, Industries & Commerce, Nagaland Olympic Association, Nagaland Tourism Association, WENN, Heritage Beverages of Nagaland, The White Owl etc.

Together with Industry Partner for French Delegation Visit, Niathu Group of Hotels (NGH), a series of activities were organized like the Culinary Appreciations & Food Pairing Knowledge; Football Enthusiasts Panel Discussion and Inauguration of the Football Corner, Ruby Café 24x7.

It may be highlighted here that the delegation's visit is an outcome of the Country Partner Business Roundtable held during the Hornbill Festival last year.

STATE-LEVEL INAUGURAL WORKSHOP FOR ABDM MODEL DISTRICT & MODEL FACILITIES INITIATIVE HELD AT CHUMOUKEDIMA

The National Health Authority (NHA), in collaboration with the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, organized a one-day State-Level Inaugural Workshop Programme for the "Model District & Model Facilities Initiative" under the Ayushman

Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) at Zone Niathu by The Park, Chumoukedima, on June 18, 2026.

Officially launching the Model District initiative, CEO National Health Authority (NHA), Dr. Sunil Kumar Barnwal, IAS,

observed that healthcare services in the country had traditionally functioned through fragmented systems and said ABDM provided an opportunity to integrate healthcare facilities, healthcare professionals and patients through a consent-based digital platform. He said that the initiative was not only about treatment but also about promoting preventive healthcare and wellness through evidence-based planning and use of health data.

Dr. Barnwal further stressed the need for healthcare institutions to transition from paper-based systems to end-to-end digital systems. He said digital registration and billing alone were insufficient and called upon healthcare facilities to fully integrate clinical records and service delivery systems with ABDM. He added that successful implementation would require both technological adoption and a change of mindset.

Stressing the importance of digital health data, he said the availability of quality digital records would support better planning, informed decision-making and the development of innovative technology-driven healthcare solutions in the future. He also urged all empanelled hospitals under AB-PMJAY and CMHIS to adopt complete digital processes and become part of the national digital health ecosystem. Dr. Barnwal called upon all stakeholders to work collectively towards creating a robust,

transparent and patient-centric healthcare system in Nagaland.

Principal Director, Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, described the occasion as an important landmark in Nagaland's digital health journey and reaffirmed the Department's commitment to building a more connected, efficient and patient-centric healthcare system through ABDM. She said the selection of Dimapur as the Model District and District Hospital Dimapur as the Model Public Health Facility presented an opportunity to demonstrate how digital health solutions could strengthen healthcare delivery, improve continuity of care and enhance health outcomes.

DC Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS, called upon healthcare professionals to shoulder the responsibility of ensuring that quality healthcare services reached the grassroots and that every citizen benefited from the initiative.

The programme aimed to support the transition of healthcare institutions from conventional administrative systems to a secure, integrated and paperless digital healthcare ecosystem. The inaugural session was followed by technical sessions on the objectives of the Model District Initiative, implementation of NextGen e-Hospital, District Health Information System (DHIS), stakeholder responsibilities, support requirements and strategies for accelerating digital health adoption across the State.

NGSSMA 2026 RECOGNISES ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

The Directorate of School Education felicitated meritorious government school students who excelled in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026 during the Nagaland Government School Students' Meritorious

Award (NGSSMA) 2026 felicitations service held at the Morung Conference Hall, DoSE Kohima, on 18th June, 2026. The occasion also recognized 22 government schools that achieved a 100 per cent pass percentage in

the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026 in Nagaland.

Addressing the programme, Advisor for School Education & SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, congratulated the awardees and stated that government schools had shown significant improvement over the years and are now at par with private schools. He highlighted the Vidyadhan Scholarship Programme for government school students, urging those who scored 75% and above to apply. He said that the state possessed immense human resource potential and noted that girls had been outperforming boys in recent years. He also acknowledged the achievements of the 22 government schools that recorded a 100 per cent pass percentage in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026.

In his address, Principal Director, School Education, Shashank Pratap Singh, IAS, said that the Government remained committed to strengthening the education system and encouraged the students to continue striving for greater heights and reminded them that true success lay in using their knowledge, skills, and values for the

betterment of society.

Awards were presented to the top-performing government school students in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026.

A presentation on the Vidyadhan Scholarship Programme was made by Programme Associate Balarilhun Lyngkhoi of the Sarojini Damodaran Foundation, Bengaluru. The Vidyadhan Scholarship in Nagaland is an initiative of the Sarojini Damodaran Foundation (founded by Infosys co-founder S. D. Shibulal) in partnership with the Department of School Education, Nagaland. The programme supports meritorious students from government schools belonging to economically disadvantaged families.

Certificates were presented to the 22 Government Schools that achieved a 100 per cent pass percentage in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations 2026.

Sharing of best practices was conducted by Headmistress, Government High School, Maova, Uno K. Dolie, and Principal, PM Shri Government Higher Secondary School, Thangjam, Imkongsenla Sangtam.

PM-VBRY PROGRAMME HELD AT CHUMOUKEDIMA; YOUTH ENCOURAGED TO EXPLORE DIVERSE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Ministry of Labour and Employment organised a programme under the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PM-VBRY) at the LG Hall, CIHSR Hospital Campus, Chumoukedima, on June 19, 2026 as part of a nationwide event aimed at promoting formal employment, supporting first-time workers and encouraging employment generation.

The regional programme was graced by Commissioner & Secretary, Labour &

Employment and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Robert Longchari NCS, as the special guest. A total of 277 participants, including 65 beneficiaries, 15 employers, representatives of industry associations, public representatives, senior State Government officials and officers and staff of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) attended the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Longchari stressed the need to adapt to changing times,

he said every sector today requires skilled professionals and specialists and called upon young people to contribute towards the vision of a Viksit Bharat through productive engagement in the workforce.

Describing the scheme as a reflection of the Prime Minister's vision of a self-reliant India, he said PM-VBRY seeks to make formal employment more organised and accessible. He highlighted that workers entering the formal sector become eligible for benefits such as provident fund coverage, pension and insurance protection, which provide long-term financial security.

During the regional programme, nine employment letters were distributed by employers to newly recruited workers.

Earlier, welcome address was delivered by Regional PF Commissioner S. Das. Short speeches were also delivered by Labour Commissioner, Avile Vitso, Dr. Bendangtoshi Jamir, Medical Superintendent, CIHSR, on behalf of employers, and John Magh Rengma, representing employees.

The regional programme was followed by the live streaming of the national event from Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, where Prime Minister Narendra Modi disbursed



Commissioner & Secretary, Labour & Employment, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Robert Longchari, NCS, speaking during the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana programme held at the LG Hall, CIHSR Hospital Campus, Chumoukedima, on 19th June 2026.

incentives amounting to ₹2,400 crore to more than 15 lakh beneficiaries across the country. The event formed part of a nationwide outreach initiative conducted simultaneously at around 200 locations across India.

PM-VBRY is a flagship Employment-Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme aimed at promoting formal employment, supporting first-time entrants into the organised workforce and incentivising employers to generate additional jobs.

ACADEMIC LEAD WORKSHOP FOR LSC TEACHERS AND SCHOOL LEADERS CONCLUDES

The Department of School Education under the Nagaland Education Project-The Lighthouse (NECTAR), with support from the SCERT, conducted a three-day Academic Lead Workshop for teachers and school heads from all seventeen Lighthouse School Complexes (LSCs) from 17 to 19 June 2026 at SCERT, Kohima.

The workshop was initiated as part of the School Transformation Strategy that

is being implemented in the LSC 'hub and spoke' schools to strengthen instructional leadership and support effective implementation of the Annual Curriculum and Pedagogical Plan (ACPP).

Conducted for 73 Academic Leads, the capacity building programme included sessions on ACPP design, tools for academic monitoring, the quarterly review mechanism, teacher mentorship, academic and co-

curricular activities, and leadership, among others.

During the inaugural programme, Sentinenla, Joint Director, Directorate of School Education, introduced the objectives of the workshop, which are to strengthen teaching and learning, inculcate reflection and improvement, and develop a vision for the future. She stated that effective academic leadership is the engine of sustainable improvement, as it will translate policy into practice in each school and classroom.

Delivering the welcome note, Vikedono Sesa, Joint Director, SCERT, stated that LSCs are not limited to physical infrastructure but also serve to improve teaching and learning practices. To this end, she emphasised that the ACPP will help strengthen lesson

planning and improve learning outcomes. She urged the participants to encourage good practices so that academic plans are effectively executed.

On the concluding day, Shashank Pratap Singh (IAS), Principal Director, Directorate of School Education and Project Director of NECTAR, stated that good results can be achieved despite infrastructural deficiencies as demonstrated by some toppers from remote areas. Singh stated that more than physical infrastructure, ACPP will be crucial in bringing about improvement in Government schools. He mentioned that Academic Leads will play a significant role and exhorted them to handhold students so that no one is left behind.

ONE-DAY ORIENTATION ON NSQAAF PILOT PROGRAMME HELD AT KOHIMA

A one-day Orientation on Nagaland School Quality Assessment and Accreditation Framework (NSQAAF) Pilot programme with Head of Institutions/Proprietors of 100 selected schools and 90 selected external evaluators and supported by Central Square Foundation was held at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 19th June 2026.

Advisor for School Education, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, in his speech spoke on the importance of the NSQAAF in bringing positive changes to Nagaland's education system. He informed that the NSQAAF is represented by 100 selected schools from the both private and government sector and pointed out that Nagaland having roughly 1900 government schools and 880 private schools and a dozen of central schools has

about 34,000 teachers in both the private and government sector, with a ratio of one teacher for every 12 students. He also shared that our state has many confronting issues such as schools with zero students or very less students and to clearing these issues, many government schools have to be amalgamation, but in response to give children the 'Right to Education', many schools are also being opened and regulated and re-authoring the school system.

Commissioner & Secretary, School Education and Chairperson of Interim NSSA, Kevileno Angami in her speech, highlighted that the NSQAAF was a proposal for standardized criteria for all private and government schools, to evaluate, assess and see whether the schools are to make improvements. She stated

that this framework is not just a one-time exercise but will be a permanent independent regulatory governing body. She explained the NSQAAP piloting is critical as the information gathered through this pilot will provide the primary information to know whether the school is heading in the right direction. As this framework is grounded in the National Education Policy, she said it would shape the state's own schools and urged the schools to regularly carry out these exercises for ravishment and improvised of the schools.

Additional Secretary, Department of School Education and SCERT, Vikhwen Chale, while highlighting on the Introduction to NSQAAP, NSSSA and the Pilot, stated that the NSQAAP Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPA) and National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 introduced a tagging shift in how school quality compliance and accreditation has to be managed and how the framework prioritize learning outcomes, transparency and self-assessment by following the National Assessment Program (NAP) developed by the NCERT in collaboration with various stakeholders. She said this framework has been adapted under the Ministry of Education that will be used to assess the performance of our schools, having five domains, 53 sub domains and 338 standards, and each group has to perform those criteria, standards as this standard setting is to provide a health check-up of overall education system which contains essential quality standards.

She also mentioned that each domain is assigned with three levels that will apply from preschool to class 12 and the Nagaland State School Standards Authority response to maintain minimum quality and professional

standards. She also asked parents not to judged schools based on hearsay but informed that with the framework, one can have access to reliable information about the quality of schools, as NAP 2020 has set a correction technique for the school system namely self-assessment for continuous improvement, transparency and accountable and called upon the schools to contextualize this framework with honesty and sincerity while responding to this pilot so as to develop a good framework.

Director SCERT and Member NSSSA, Keruupfeu Rupreo in her welcome address said to strengthen the quality of school education in Nagaland and to provide every child with meaningful, inclusive and high-quality learning opportunities, she stressed that NSQAAP has been developed as a framework to help schools reflect on their practices, identify their trends, and recognize areas of growth designed not as a tool for judgment, but as a tool for continuous learning improvement to encourage schools to engage in all self-reflection to the journey towards excellence. She also encouraged the participants to seek clarification and engage in discussions as their inputs will be crucial in shaping framework so as to serve the needs of schools and learners.

The programme was chaired by Under Secretary, Department of School Education, while the vote of thanks was proposed by NBSE Secretary and Member Secretary, Interim NSSSA, Rangumbuing Nsarangbe. The resource persons for the orientation programme were Niharika Suresh, Prasuti Sharma and Zephyr Pegu from the Central Square Foundation.

SENSITIZATION PROGRAMME ON BIS CERTIFICATION FOR MSMEs HELD IN DIMAPUR

A Sensitization Programme for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on Quality Standards and Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) Certification was held at the Conference Hall of the Nagaland Industrial Development Corporation (NIDC), Bank Colony, Dimapur, on 20th June 2026. The programme was organised by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Guwahati Branch Office, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, in association with Nagaland Industrial Development Corporation (NIDC) Ltd.

Addressing the participants, Shouvik Chanda, Director and Head, Guwahati Branch Office (GHBO), BIS, stated that the programme was organised to promote the culture of quality among MSMEs and create awareness about BIS certification, consumer rights and quality assurance mechanisms. He encouraged entrepreneurs to adopt quality standards to improve product competitiveness and access wider markets within and outside the country.

Chairman, NIDC, Kvulo Lorin, who was the chief guest of the programme emphasized the need to move beyond awareness programmes and focus on achieving tangible results. He urged MSMEs to take advantage of BIS certification opportunities, stating that quality standards and certification were essential for businesses seeking to

expand beyond local markets and compete at the national level. He highlighted that while infrastructure had been developed to support enterprises, its full potential could only be realized when businesses adopted recognized standards and quality systems.

The NIDC Chairman also announced that NIDC would serve as a single-window facilitation point for MSMEs interested in pursuing BIS certification. He assured entrepreneurs that the corporation would assist them in navigating the certification process, accessing financial support where required, and following up until the certificates were obtained.

As part of the programme, Sessions on overview of BIS, BIS Product Certification (ISI Mark) and Management System Certification Schemes and other support mechanisms available for MSMEs were covered by Dr. Shasanka Sekhar Borkotoky, Consultant (Standardization Activity), BIS, Rahul Roy, Scientist-B, Guwahati Branch Laboratory, BIS, and Shouvik Chanda respectively.

An interactive session on questions, clarifications and experience sharing was also conducted, enabling participants to engage directly with BIS officials and experts on certification-related issues and quality compliance requirements.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY TRAINING FOR INTERNS AT DIPR

The Department of Information & Public Relations (DIPR) commenced a three-day Photography and Videography Training

Programme for its interns at the Directorate Conference Hall on 22 June 2026. The training will continue until 24 June 2026 and

is aimed at equipping students with practical skills in visual storytelling and digital media production.

Recognizing the growing importance of vocational and skill-based education, the Department has designed an intensive, hands-on and interactive training programme to provide interns with valuable exposure to the professional aspects of photography and videography. The sessions are structured to blend theoretical knowledge with practical exercises, enabling participants to gain firsthand experience in handling cameras, composing visual content, capturing impactful images and videos, and understanding the fundamentals of media documentation.

The training covers a wide range of topics, including camera operations, framing and composition, lighting techniques, photo and video documentation, visual storytelling, editing basics, and best practices in media production. Through demonstrations, field-oriented exercises, and interactive discussions, interns will have the opportunity to enhance their technical and creative abilities.

A total of 16 interns representing various universities and educational institutions from across the state, along with a few participants from outside the state, are currently undertaking their internship with the Department. The programme serves as an important platform for these students to develop practical skills and gain insights into the role of visual communication in public information dissemination.

The resource persons for the training programme comprises of the Department's experienced and professionally trained photographers and videographers, who bring with them extensive field experience and technical expertise. Their guidance is expected to help the interns understand industry standards and develop competencies that will be beneficial for their future academic and professional pursuits.

Through initiatives such as this, the Department of Information & Public Relations continues to support youth development by providing meaningful learning opportunities and fostering skill enhancement in emerging areas of communication and media.

ONE-DAY TECHNICAL WORKSHOP HELD AT NAGALAND GIS & REMOTE SENSING CENTRE KOHIMA

Nagaland GIS & Remote Sensing Centre, Kohima organised a one-day technical workshop attended by officials of the Directorate of Census Operations, Nagaland on 23rd June 2026.

Opening the session, Mhathung Kithan, Senior Project Director, stated that the Centre possesses over 350 map layers of the State. He informed that maps of all villages and urban local bodies have been georeferenced

and digitized. Emphasizing the importance of GIS tools in ensuring greater accuracy in Census operations, Kithan stated that detailed mapping of every household can be carried out using the latest GIS technologies and UAV imagery.

He further added that the Nagaland GIS & Remote Sensing Centre is an A+ rated institute and is expected to become a licensed training institute for UAV drone pilots in the

coming weeks.

Sanen, Data Manager, provided an overview of the database maintained by the Centre, while Atho-o Kesiezie, UAV Engineer, showcased some of the Centre's major projects and achievements. The officials also visited the Drone Centre of Excellence, where demonstrations on 3D printing of drone parts, drone assembly units, and training facilities were conducted.

Mhathung, Assistant Director, Directorate of Census Operations, Nagaland,

demonstrated the use of technology in India's first digital Census and stated that the department would require significant technical support from the Centre in the coming months. Both departments agreed to explore avenues for future cooperation and collaboration.

The session also witnessed discussions on urban and rural mapping, as well as the application of artificial intelligence in mapping and spatial analysis.

NAGALAND DELEGATION STUDIES TRIPURA'S RENEWABLE ENERGY SUCCESS

A 10-member delegation from the Department of New & Renewable Energy, Government of Nagaland, led by Adviser for New & Renewable Energy, Er. Picto Shohe, undertook a two-day study visit to Tripura from June 23rd to 24th to study the state's successful implementation of renewable energy programmes, with particular emphasis on the PM-KUSUM Scheme.

The delegation, which included Secretary Linda Solo, Director Er. James Khala and other departmental officials, visited several renewable energy installations implemented by the Tripura Renewable Energy Development Agency (TREDA). The projects inspected included off-grid solar water pumping systems, solarisation of existing grid-connected agricultural pumps, an 80 kWp grid-connected solar PV power plant under the Virtual Net Metering Arrangement, a community solar water purification plant, solar high mast and street lighting systems, a 500 kWp grid-connected solar PV power plant developed under the RESCO model at Tripura University, a biogas

plant at the Ramakrishna Mission Complex, Amtali, and a 100 kW solar power plant at the Land Port, Agartala.

At Sathdubai Gram Panchayat and Rangacherra Gram Panchayat, the delegation interacted with officials and beneficiaries to gain first-hand knowledge of the implementation of off-grid solar water pumps, solarised irrigation systems and the Green Village initiative, including the operation of a community solar water purification plant.

During the visit, the Adviser called on Tripura's Minister for Power, Ratan Lal Nath, to discuss avenues for strengthening cooperation in the renewable energy sector. The delegation also participated in a review meeting chaired by Abhishek Chandra, IAS, Secretary, Power Department, Government of Tripura, in the presence of Director, TREDA, Debabrata Sukla Das, and other senior officials. Discussions centred on project implementation, policy initiatives, financing mechanisms and opportunities for inter-state collaboration.

On the second day, the delegation met the Vice-Chancellor of Tripura University, Prof. Shyamal Das, to explore collaboration in renewable energy awareness, research, skill development and capacity-building programmes for the North-Eastern Region. The team also inspected the University's solar power plant and the biogas facility at

the Ramakrishna Mission Complex.

The visit is expected to strengthen cooperation between Nagaland and Tripura and support the adoption of innovative clean energy solutions in Nagaland, contributing to sustainable development, energy security and a greener future for the North-Eastern Region.

IDAN SECURES 30 CR CSR COMMITMENTS AT NAGALAND CONNECT 2026-DELHI; CHIEF MINISTER DR. NEIPHIU RIO PITCHES THE STATE AS INDIA'S NEXT CSR FRONTIER

The Nagaland Connect 2026, a CSR Conclave organised by the Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN) has secured commitments for CSR initiatives in Nagaland to the tune of more than ₹30 crores. 15 Letters of Interest and commitments were handed over to IDAN in the presence of Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and Deputy Chief Ministers, TR Zeliang and Y. Patton.

The conclave was themed "Forging Partnerships, Creating Impact" and was held at Jacaranda Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The roundtable, organised

by IDAN in collaboration with CSRBox, brought together more than 40 companies for an event designed to formalise Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) partnerships, with several MoU, Letters of Intent and Statements of Commitment signed in the Chief Minister's presence. Along with both Deputy Chief Ministers of Nagaland, other members of the Council of Ministers and Advisors to the State government, were present at the event.

Addressing the conclave, Nagaland's Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, called on India's corporate sector to treat the



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and Deputy Chief Ministers, TR Zeliang and Y. Patton handing over 15 Letters of Interest and Commitments over to IDAN during The Nagaland Connect 2026, a CSR Conclave organised by IDAN held at Jacaranda Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on 23rd June 2026.

Northeastern State as “a destination for opportunity” rather than aid. He listed education, livelihoods, healthcare, sports, environmental sustainability, women’s empowerment and youth development as the government’s priority areas, and said the State had built a “single-window platform” through IDAN to facilitate, support and monitor CSR partnerships. “Today, I invite you not merely to invest in projects, but to invest in people and possibilities,” he said, while closing his address.

Addressing the conclave, Abu Metha, Chairman of IDAN and Advisor to the Chief Minister of Nagaland, positioned Nagaland as a frontier State playing an important role in India’s growth story. He stated that despite several challenges, Nagaland had made significant contributions in the journey of India and in the nation building process. He called upon the corporate fraternity to focus their CSR initiatives in the far-flung regions like Nagaland where there were several development gaps and highlighted the disproportionate CSR funding in Nagaland when compared with more developed states.

Emphasising the immense potential for collaboration, he described Nagaland as “fertile ground for innovative partnerships that can transform communities while contributing to the broader vision of inclusive national development.”

Metha reiterated his call to the corporate sector to actively participate in the journey towards Viksit Bharat, underscoring that

India’s aspiration to become a developed nation cannot be realised without investing in and empowering its frontier regions.

The programme featured a context-setting session by CSRBOX, highlighting emerging trends and opportunities for impactful Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) partnerships. This was followed by the formal exchange of partnership commitments and collaborative agreements in the presence of the Chief Minister of Nagaland, marking a significant milestone in strengthening multi-stakeholder collaboration and advancing long-term, sustainable development initiatives for the State.

The event concluded with closing remarks by Vineet Kumar, IAS, Additional Secretary to the Government of Nagaland. The evening concluded with a networking dinner, providing an opportunity for meaningful engagement between corporate leaders, development partners, and government representatives.

The roundtable was structured to focus corporate engagement around six priority areas aligned with the state’s development agenda: health, nutrition, WASH and sanitation; education, livelihoods and skilling; rural development; sports and youth development; environment, biodiversity and climate resilience; and gender equality, inclusion and digital access, the last of which IDAN flagged as currently the most under-served.

MoU SIGNED BETWEEN T-WORKS AND GOVERNMENT OF NAGALAND ON WORLD MSME DAY 2026 CELEBRATED AT KOHIMA

The Department of Industries & Commerce celebrated the World MSME Day

2026 with entrepreneurs, policymakers, industry representatives and stockholders to

recognize the vital role of MSMEs in driving innovation, employment and economic development on 26th June 2026 at the Conference Hall, Directorate of Industries & Commerce, Kohima.

Speaking as the special guest, Advisor for Industries & Commerce Hekani Jakhalu said the MoU with T-Works reflects the government's commitment to providing Naga MSMEs with access to expert support and strengthening the sector. She encouraged entrepreneurs to take pride in their role in boosting the local economy and generating employment. While acknowledging the growing influence of AI, she stressed the importance of keeping human values at the heart of entrepreneurship and assured continued government support to ensure MSMEs are not left behind.

Deputy Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Chonpenthung Ezung said Nagaland has made significant progress in formalizing MSMEs, with over 2,000 enterprises registered under UDYAM. He noted that global buyers seek trusted products and emphasized the state's rich native talent and traditional knowledge as key strengths for enhancing brand visibility. Highlighting to resolved challenges faced

by many producers he informed that the Nagaland aims to create a government-subvert brand framework that promotes authentic natural and indigenous product.

Chairman, NIDC Kvalo Lorin, gave an overview of the RAMP scheme. He informed that over 49,000 MSMEs have directly benefited from the initiative, and more than 35,000 entrepreneurs been trained during 882 focus workshops and awareness programs in all districts, 55 subdivisions and 63 rural RD blocks for an inclusive growth.

During the programme, an MOU was signed between T-Works and Government of Nagaland undertaken by CEO, T-Works, Government of Telangana, Joginder Tanikella and Director, Industries & Commerce, P. Tokugha Sema in the presences of Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu and officials from Industries & Commerce and T-Works team.

Success stories from the RAMP Programme were also shared by Tsachola Sangtam - HillCraft Co and Neivi Khieya - Karmel Timber. The welcome address was proposed by Joint Director, Industries & Commerce, Cholzo Sophie, while the vote of thanks by Joint Director, Industries & Commerce, Hojeto K Suqhe.

OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING 2026 ACROSS NAGALAND

The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking was observed across Nagaland on June 26, 2026 under the theme "World Drug Problem: Persisting Issues, New Challenges, Innovative Responses" by organising awareness programmes, rallies, seminars and public pledges to promote a drug-free society.

KOHIMA

The state level celebration of The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking was observed at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima.

Addressing the celebration as the special guest, Advisor Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak, said that the theme for

this year strikes at the very heart of modern reality when we face a complex frontier of highly addictive synthetic drugs and sophisticated, technology-driven trafficking cartels that infiltrate our towns and villages right through the smartphones in our children's hands. He lauded the efforts of the NMBA Committee and law enforcement agencies in combating drug abuse and called for stronger community, faith-based, and institutional support through counselling and rehabilitation initiatives.

5 KM AWARENESS RUN IN KOHIMA

The Nagaland Police organised a 5Km Awareness Run Against Drugs under the theme "One Run, One Voice, A Drug-Free Nagaland - Choose Life, Not Drugs", from High School Junction to Police Headquarters (PHQ) at Kohima to mark the observance. A total of 308 participants joined the run, reflecting public support for the anti-drug awareness campaign.

The run was flagged off by ADGP (Adm), Renchamo P. Kikon, IP, while Director General of Police (DGP), Rupin Sharma, IPS, addressed the participants.

The event recognised outstanding performers across various categories including Men's Open category, Women's Open category, Under-15 category and Above 50 Years category.

WOKHA

At Wokha, a programme was organized by the Department of Social Welfare, was held at Town Hall, Wokha under the theme "World Drug Problem: Resisting Issues, New Challenges, Innovative Response".

DC Wokha, K. Mhathung Tsanglao, NCS, in his address spoke on the grave issues surrounding drug abuse, noting its

destructive impact on society, family life, and the future of young people.

Sessions also covered the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Act, 2017, and the theme of the day, while a bike rally and awareness programme was organised at GHSS Chukitong encouraged youth participation in the campaign against drug abuse and trafficking. under the theme "Ride Against Drug Abuse and Trafficking: Step Up for a DrugFree Future."

NOKLAK

At Noklak, International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking was observed at White Hall, Noklak.

EAC Apuloka H. Sumi called for a renewed commitment to a drug-free district, while NSACS Cluster Prevention Officer Chubainla Longchar urged the public to end stigma against drug users and support their rehabilitation.

The programme concluded with a testimony from a recovering addict who encouraged others to make use of Opioid Substitution Therapy (OST) to overcome addiction.

TSEMINYU

In observance of the day, the District Administration and the Department of Social Welfare, in collaboration with the Tseminyu Village Youth Organisation organized a public rally, awareness programme, and a mass signature campaign under the Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan.

Deputy Commissioner Japheth Woch called on civil society organisations, alongside youth groups, to take a firm stand against substance abuse. Sessions on stress management, peer pressure, and substance abuse reinforced the importance of preventive education among young people.

MON

In Mon the day observed at Town Council Hall, Mon with the theme “Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan – Viksit Bharat Ki Pechaan”.

SP Mon, Kanchan Kumar Kanpal, IPS, while exhorting the gathering said that self-awareness is a protection wall for oneself. He also urged the people to cooperate with the Police to fight against drugs, and stated that together we can eradicate the drug from our society.

Dr. Tingthong, MO, DH, Mon in his speech briefed on the functioning of OST Centre in District Hospital Mon, CHC Aboi and PHC Tizit.

PUNGRO

The Yimkhiung Youth Organisation, in collaboration with the district administration and various security agencies and civil society organisations, organised an awareness programme followed by a rally at Traffic point, Pungro Town.

Speakers discussed the harmful effects of drug abuse on health and society and stressed the need for sustained efforts to combat illicit drug trafficking. A testimony by a recovering addict further highlighted the possibility of recovery through timely intervention and support.

EAC Pungro, Er. H Aloto Shohe, NCS spoke on the use of Drugs and its ill effects on health and society and the persistent fight against illicit trafficking at both local and global level.

MOKOKCHUNG

In a continued effort towards the observance of Nasha Mukh Bharat Saptah, the culmination programme of weeklong activities creating awareness to address substance abuse, commemorating the

“International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking,” was convened at the DC’s Conference Hall, Mokokchung on 26th June 2026.

Speaking on the occasion, DC Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS, emphasised that tackling drug abuse requires a coordinated approach involving the government, churches, and community organisations.

SSP, Vesupra Kezo, highlighted the severe impacts of drugs on individuals, families, society, crime, and law and order. Stating that awareness is the key to combating this menace, Kezo briefed the gathering on the NDPS Act of 1985.

During the event, Chungpongchila, an OST Counsellor, spoke on “Drug Addiction: Symptoms and Availability of Treatment.”

The programme concluded with a collective Drug-Free Pledge and a vote of thanks delivered by Assistant Commissioner and Nodal Officer of NMBA, Mokokchung, Dr. Madhavi R, IAS.

NOKLAK

At Noklak, a two-day badminton tournament was organised by the District Administration and Social Welfare Department, Noklak, to mark the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

Special guest of the event Advisor for Taxes, P. Longon, lauded the organizers for promoting drug awareness through sports and urged youth to avoid substance abuse by making positive choices and participating in constructive activities.

DC Noklak, P. Mono Khamniungan, said the observance highlights the importance of a drug-free life and emphasized that combating drug abuse is a shared responsibility.

DPO, Social Welfare Department,

Noklak, Ajongla Temjen, observed that drug trafficking has become increasingly widespread and urged young people to resist and overcome every temptation associated with substance abuse.

PHEK

In Phek, the programme was held under the theme “Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan – Viksit Bharat ki Pehchaan,” organized by the District Administration and Social Welfare

Department in collaboration with ELPIS Society and Eureka Life Foundation.

Deputy Commissioner Rhosietho Nguori called on youth to spread awareness about the harmful effects of drugs, while speakers from Eureka Life Foundation and ELPIS Society highlighted the links between substance abuse, HIV, community health, rehabilitation, and the importance of supporting recovery over punishment.

P. PAIWANG KONYAK ATTENDS 16th CONFERENCE OF CENTRAL COUNCIL OF H&FW



Minister for Health & Family Welfare, P. Paiwang Konyak at the 16th Conference of the Central Council of H&FW at New Delhi on 29th June 2026.

State Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Nagaland, P. Paiwang Konyak attended the 16th Conference of the Central Council of Health & Family Welfare at New Delhi on 29th June 2026.

The conference was graced by Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, J. P Nadda, attended by Ministers of Health & Family Welfare from states and union territories.

Acknowledging the central government under the leadership of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Minister J. P. Nadda, for the continued support extended towards strengthening healthcare services in Nagaland, Paiwang reaffirmed the State Government's commitment to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Good Health and Well-being).

The minister in his address highlighted

Nagaland's efforts in building an equitable, resilient and accessible healthcare system and placed key issues before the Council.

Paiwang sought Central support for enhancement of modernization and upgradation of ageing health infrastructure across primary, secondary and tertiary levels, particularly in view of Nagaland's first batch of MBBS, expected to graduate in 2028. He also put forth for an adoption of region-specific budgeting under Centrally Sponsored Schemes to reflect the higher construction and logistics costs in hilly and remote States.

Further, he appealed for a review of the

National Health Mission resource allocation formula by giving greater weightage to terrain, remoteness, population dispersion and the minimum cost of sustaining essential health services, instead of relying predominantly on population.

The Minister also appealed to the Union Minister to favourably consider the mentioned issues in the spirit of cooperative federalism and equitable development. He expressed confidence that the Conference would further strengthen India's collective commitment towards building a more resilient, inclusive and equitable healthcare system.

NATIONAL STATISTICS DAY 2026 CELEBRATES AT DIRECTORATE OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

The Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Nagaland celebrated the 20th National Statistics Day on the theme "Unlocking the Potential of Administrative Data" on 29th June 2026 at the Directorate premises.

National Statistics Day is celebrated every year on 29th June to commemorate the birth anniversary of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis, the eminent statistician and architect of India's modern statistical system, in recognition of his pioneering contributions to the field of statistics and economic planning.

Director, Economics & Statistics, Neidilhou Keditsu, speaking on the theme noted that the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has launched a four-stage consultative process, namely National agenda-setting, National Level Consultative Workshop, State Level Internal Workshop and National Deliberative Summit, to build a shared vision and actionable roadmap for harmonization of administrative datasets at the State level

and for making data machine readable, interoperable and AI ready. As a preliminary step to achieve this vision, the Directorate of Economics and Statistics has initiated the preparation of Metadata of its publications in line with the National Metadata Structure 2.0. Further, he encouraged all officers and staff to remain committed to the generation of quality, reliable and timely statistical data.

As part of the celebration, the District Economics & Statistics Office (DESO), Wokha was awarded the Best Performing District Office in recognition of its exemplary effort and outstanding performance during the Special Drive on Online Registration of Births and Deaths held from 5th to 20th February 2026.

The celebration reaffirmed the Department's commitment to promoting quality statistics, strengthening administrative data systems, and supporting informed decision-making for the socio-economic development of the State.

ONE-DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAMME ON 15th FINANCE COMMISSION HEALTH GRANTS HELD

A one-day orientation programme on the effective implementation of the 15th Finance Commission Health Grants Components was organised by the Directorate of Municipal Affairs in collaboration with the National Health Mission (NHM), Nagaland, at De Oriental Grand, Bayavü, Kohima on 30th June, 2026.

Director of Municipal Affairs, Temjenrenla Kechü in her Keynote address, explained that the 15th FC Health Grant aims to strengthen healthcare through coordinated implementation by the Rural Development, Municipal Affairs, and Health & Family Welfare departments. Under the Municipal Affairs Department, the grant supports the establishment of new Urban Health and Wellness Centres (UHWCs) through new construction, facility upgrades, or rented buildings where land is unavailable. She added that the state Government has integrated the scheme with existing health units such as Sub-Centres and Primary Health Centres, and six additional health centres are planned this year.

MD of Naga Hospital Authority

Kohima, Dr. Imotemsu, presented an overview of Universal Health Coverage (UHC), describing it as a system that ensures everyone has access to quality health services without financial hardship. He also outlined India's progress through initiatives such as Ayushman Bharat, Health and Wellness Centres, digital health records, telemedicine and expanded immunization. He stressed that strengthening primary healthcare, increasing public health spending, and leveraging technology are essential to achieving universal health coverage in the country.

Technical sessions were conducted on the non-recurring and recurring cost components under the 15th Finance Commission Health Grants, and a session on polyclinic services was later conducted with Joint Director, Municipal Affairs & Nodal Officer, 15th FC Grant (Urban), Wachusie Katiry, Deputy Director, NHM Nagaland, D&FW, Dr. Thomas Keppen and Joint Director, H&FW, Dr. Manyau Phom as the resource persons.



SCHOOL SHINE 2.0 PROJECT LAUNCHED AT PM SHRI GHSS JALUKIE

School Shine 2.0 Project launched at PM SHRI GHSS Jalukie Town for Class 10 & 12 Students leading social enterprise, on 23rd May 2026, marking a significant step forward in vocational education in Nagaland.

This initiative builds on the success of its predecessor and continues to align with the National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) and the National Education Policy 2020, with a renewed focus on the Electronics Sector in vocational education for Class 10 and Class 12 students.

The project was officially carried out at PM SHRI GHSS, Jalukie Town with the presence of school leadership, educators, and stakeholders. Addressing the gathering, the school administration welcomed the initiative and underscored the vital role of practical, hands-on learning in preparing students for real-world careers. It was noted that School Shine 2.0 goes beyond conventional classroom instruction by embedding green energy principles directly into the curriculum.

Under the guidance of Vocational Trainer K. Vekope Ladu, students are being trained to build sustainable, portable chargers using solar energy. This applied learning process equips them with essential hardware skills including soldering, circuit design, working principles of electrical systems, and battery management. The core components of the project include a 5V solar panel, a charger module, a 3.7V lithium-ion battery (2600mAh), a USB boost converter, a switch board, and connecting wires.

The working mechanism is both elegant and practical. A small solar panel captures sunlight and channels it into a battery

charging module, which regulates the flow of energy to a rechargeable 3.7V lithium-ion battery. This stored energy is then routed through a USB boost converter that steps up the voltage to a standard 5V output sufficient to charge modern mobile devices. Students learn the complete workflow from energy capture to final output, gaining an end-to-end understanding of renewable energy applications.

This approach not only imparts technical know-how but also nurtures a culture of innovation and self-reliance, encouraging students to develop viable business ideas that can make a tangible difference in their local communities.

School Shine 2.0 represents more than just a training program. It is a model for how vocational education can evolve to meet the demands of a rapidly changing world where green technology, entrepreneurship



Students given hands-on training hardware skills during School Shine 2.0 Project launched at PM SHRI GHSS, Jalukie, Peren on 23rd May 2026.

and practical competence go hand in hand. Through initiatives like this, AISECT and Samagra Shiksha are fostering a generation

of young innovators in Nagaland who are ready to build sustainable solutions for their communities and beyond.

SENSITISATION PROGRAMME ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND SOURCE SUSTAINABILITY HELD IN DIMAPUR

The PHED Urban Division, Dimapur, in collaboration with the District Administration, Dimapur, conducted a sensitisation programme for WATSAN Committee members under Dimapur district on the provisions of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026, source sustainability, and the observance of World Environment Day 2026 at the Office of the Superintending Engineer, PHED Dimapur Circle, on June 1, 2026.

Held under the theme “**Swachh Gaon, Surakshit Jalvayu**”, the programme formed part of the World Environment Day 2026 and Environment Week observance. Participants were sensitised on the key provisions of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026, including segregation of waste at source, scientific processing and disposal of waste, prevention of littering and open dumping, community participation, and the responsibilities of local institutions in maintaining a clean and healthy environment.

Officials also highlighted the directions of the Supreme Court regarding the effective implementation of the Rules, stressing

the importance of source segregation, stakeholder accountability, and strict enforcement at the grassroots level to ensure sustainable waste management practices.

The session further focused on source sustainability and the need to protect drinking water sources through catchment area protection, groundwater recharge initiatives, afforestation, pollution prevention measures, rainwater harvesting, and community-led conservation efforts. Participants were informed that safeguarding water sources is essential for ensuring long-term water security for present and future generations.

As part of the observance, the programme also emphasized environmental conservation, sustainable living practices, and the collective responsibility of communities in preserving natural resources.

The programme concluded with a call for Village Councils and WATSAN Committees to actively promote waste segregation, protect water sources, and strengthen environmental stewardship in their respective villages, contributing towards a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable future.

WOKHA DISTRICT BHARAT SCOUTS & GUIDES HOLDS INDUCTION AND AWARD CEREMONY

The Wokha District Bharat Scouts and Guides held its Induction and Award Ceremony at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha on 1st June 2026.

DC Wokha, K. Mhathung Tsanglao, was formally inducted as President of WDBS&G, while Senior SDEO Wokha, Nchumbemo Jami, was inducted as Secretary of WDBS&G.

The Deputy Commissioner urged educational institutions in Wokha to actively participate in the Bharat Scouts and Guides movement, highlighting its role in fostering character, leadership, life skills, community service, and civic responsibility. He said it also creates career opportunities and encouraged students to support and learn from one another.

Secretary WDBS&G, Nchumbemo Jami, also delivered a short speech, assuring full support and cooperation for the growth of the movement in the district.

Awards were presented during the programme: Scout Master of Cistus School, Zuben Tsopoe, received the award for Best Unit Leader (Scout Master), while Guide Captain of LMS, Areni Humtsoe, was awarded Best Unit Leader (Guide Captain). The Best Unit Award was conferred on Cistus School, Wokha.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Scout Master of GMS Wokha Town, and the programme concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

CONSUMER AWARENESS PROGRAMME HELD AT TSEMINYU

The Department of Legal Metrology and Consumer Protection and the office of the Assistant, Controller Kohima in collaboration with Tseminyu District Administration held a consumer awareness programme on 4th June 2026 at Christian School Auditorium, Tseminyu. Students and staff from Baptist Higher Secondary School, Tseminyu attended the programme.

The program was chaired by Lucy, while the Dy. Controller (LMCP,) Shiloh Kath serve as the resource person.

The resource person highlighted on Smart and Responsible Consumer and said a smart consumer is someone who knows his or her rights and responsibilities, should be well

informed, take careful decision in purchase of goods and services, avoid misleading advertisement and fraudulent offer check label and declaration, financial and quality conscious and asserts his/her right, using consumer protection Act and mechanism.

The program witnessed active participation from students. During the interaction session the participants raised questions on Legal Metrology Act 2009, where the resources person clarified and adequately addressed.

The programme concluded with words of appreciation by Dr. Jochuhyulo Tsela administration for Christian School, Tseminyu.

MOKOKCHUNG LAUNCHES COMPREHENSIVE 2026 ACTION PLAN TO COMBAT SUBSTANCE ABUSE

In a major push to create a drug-free society, the District Administration of Mokokchung has officially approved the District Action Plan for the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA) Campaign 2026. The localized initiative directly aligns with the Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment's nationwide mandate to

eradicate substance abuse at the grassroots level.

To tackle the crisis effectively, the district's comprehensive action plan deploys a strategic, four-pronged approach:

- Supply Curbing Strategy to choke illicit drug trafficking networks.
- Demand Reduction Report to

evaluate and systematically lower dependency.

- Outreach & Awareness Programs to educate vulnerable demographics.
- Monitoring & Documentation to ensure accountability and track progress.

District officers and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) have been assigned targeted, time-bound duties. These stakeholders will work in tandem to eliminate substance abuse networks and foster a healthier, drug-free community environment across the district.

NPCB TEAM VISITS PUNGRO AND HOLD AWARENESS ON ENVIRONMENT ISSUES

Nagaland Pollution Control Board (NPCB) team comprising of Akangmeren Imchen, Scientist 'C', Limitsa S Sangtam, Scientist 'B' and Nikato Swu, Junior Engineer visited Pungro on 4th June 2026.

The team organized Awareness Programme on various Environmental issues at Government Middle School (GMS), Pungro Village, followed by another programme at Additional Deputy Commissioner Office, Pungro.

ADC Pungro, Hotolu Sema, NCS, welcomed the team with gratitude and introduction. Akangmeren Imchen, Scientist 'C' delivered a power point presentation on waste management and segregation. The programme was attended by Chairman of all Wards and GBs of Pungro Town.

The visit ended with spot inspection of the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) and Town dumping site.

INTEGRATED HEALTH CAMPAIGN AND SENSITISATION PROGRAM ON HIV/AIDS PREVENTION HELD AT TSEMINYU

An Integrated Health Campaign with a sensitisation program on HIV/AIDS prevention and control Act 2017 was launched at the DC's Conference Hall, Tseminyu on 4th June 2026. The program was organised by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society in collaboration with the District Integrated Strategy for HIV/AIDS (DISHA) Kohima.

DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch, (NCS) emphasized the need for greater public awareness and community participation in health initiative, while proposing the welcome address. Chairing the program, Vituozolie Kuotsu, District ICTC Supervisor (DISHA), Kohima, highlighted the importance of collective efforts in addressing HIV/AIDS

related issues. Dr. Bernice D. Thapru, JD (prevention) NSACS presented an overview of the Integrated Health Campaign followed by the formal launching of the campaign by DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch.

During the program, DPO Kohima (DISHA), Sentimongla Tsudir spoke on the role of community participation in strengthening the HIV response. A key session on the HIV/AIDS (P&C) Act. 2017 was delivered by Asangla Walling, Panel Lawyer, Kohima District Legal Services Authority, who explained the legal rights and protections available to persons affected by HIV/AIDS.



DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch, NCS with other officials at the launching of Integrated Health Campaign cum sensitisation program on the HIV/AIDS prevention and control Act 2017 held at DC's Conference Hall, Tseminyu on 4th June 2026.

The program concluded with discussion followed by closing remarks by Metevinuo Sakhrie, JD (IEC & MS) NSACS. The campaign aimed to enhance public

awareness reduce stigma and discrimination and to promote a coordinated approach to health and HIV/AIDS prevention across the communities.

SWM HANDBOOK RELEASED IN KOHIMA

Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS, released the Solid Waste Management (SWM) Rules Handbook 2026 issued by PHED Urban Division, Kohima during a programme held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office Chamber, Kohima, on June 5. The handbook, prepared in both English and Hindi, was distributed to representatives from 10 villages of Kohima district.

Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner said that waste was often disposed of indiscriminately in the past, leading to environmental and public health concerns. He informed that the Supreme Court has now mandated proper segregation

of waste at source and that failure to comply with the guidelines is punishable under the prescribed regulations.

Buchem stressed the importance of adopting scientific waste management practices and creating awareness at the community level. He highlighted the four categories of waste segregation and urged village representatives to disseminate the information among the public to ensure effective implementation of solid waste management measures across the district.

The programme was attended by Executive Engineer, PHED, officials and village representatives.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the DPDB Tuensang was held on 8th June 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Tuensang under the Chairmanship of Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa,

DC and Vice Chairman DPDB, Tuensang.

After reviewing the last month's meeting minutes, the board discussed and recommended for registration of the

Society of Leap of Faith Foundation and Mt. Sinai Development Society Tuensang. The chairman also requested the Department to segregate the office waste and minimum uses of plastic in the office. While H. Berimong, ADC, Tuensang informed the members that under Solid Waste Management Rules 2026 and its provisions.

Er. Chingting, EE PHED highlights the departmental activities on Jal Jeevan Mission and Swatch Bharat Mission implemented in the District through PowerPoint presentation. SDPO, DEF Tuensang, Dr. Akash Sinha, IPS gave a detailed presentation on Cyber Safety and Security.

PEREN DPDB MEETING BANS SINGLE USE PLASTIC ON PRIORITY

Peren DPDB meeting was held at DC's Office conference Hall, Peren on 8th June 2026 under the Chairmanship of Deputy CM T.R. Zeliang, Planning & Transformation and National Highway. The meeting discussed to form Officers' Club in the district in order to bring more officers of different departments closer to a common platform.

Discussing on the topic of the Ntangki National Park, the board urged the forest department to coordinate with Director of Ntangki National Park and DFO Peren to properly function the Director's office at Ntangki National Park at forest camp.

While the board was deliberating a total ban on single use plastic, the Deputy CM apprised the meeting that single use plastic dominates our economy due to their incredibly low production cost, and the board decided to ban single use plastics in

the district because it severely affects the environment and creates health hazard.

After a lengthy deliberation the house unanimously resolved to setup a committee headed by Deputy Commissioner as Convener, UDO as Member Secretary, EE PHED as Member, DRDA as Member, and CMO as Member.

Deputy Commissioner Peren, Hiazu Meru opined and entrusted Town Council and Ad-hoc Town Council under Peren district to educate the general public to minimize the use of single use plastics.

Earlier, the board reviewed the previous meeting minutes on adoption of Peren Government College and Hospitals in the district. Later, Selco Foundation highlighted their activities under Peren district through PowerPoint presentation.

DPDB ZUNHEBOTO DISCUSSES RESOURCE UTILIZATION, INFRA SHORTAGES, AND LOCAL TRADE

The monthly meeting of the Zunheboto DPDB was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall on 9th June 2026. The session was chaired by K. Tokugha Sukhalu, Advisor for Food & Civil Supplies, Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, and Chairman of the Urban Local Bodies &

Village Council Committee and DPDB.

While welcoming the board members, Sukhalu reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting and urged all officials to actively participate in discussions and raise district-specific issues without hesitation.

Further, Addressing the gathering,

the Advisor emphasized that government departments and officials must work diligently to ensure the proper and efficient utilization of available resources for public benefit. He also stressed the need to conduct public awareness programs at least once or twice a year.

Highlighting infrastructure challenges, the Advisor acknowledged the acute shortage of government quarters for officers posted in Zunheboto. To mitigate this issue, he informed the board that the General Administration Guest House currently under construction at North Point Colony will provide temporary accommodation for government officials, thereby improving public service delivery.

During the meeting, Khehoshe H. Yephthomi, President of the NPF Zunheboto Division, pointed out that while the district produces a sufficient quantity of local vegetables, farmers still struggle to market their produce due to inadequate infrastructure. He called for the construction of a Rural Marketing Shed to provide better marketing opportunities for local farmers



Advisor & Chairman DPDB, K. Tokugha Sukhalu chairing the DPDB meeting held at DC's Conference Hall, Zunheboto on 9th June 2026.

and entrepreneurs.

After brief deliberations, the board approved several developmental proposals. It recommended the registration of the Taekwondo Society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, and the upgradation of The Cedar School in Aghunato for further approval. The board also approved the transfer of the Multi-Purpose Hall to the Zunheboto Town Council (ZTC) on a one-year trial basis as part of the proposed transfer of unassigned public properties from the District Administration.

WARD 16 ADOPTED UNDER DPDB KOHIMA WARD ADOPTION PROGRAMME

The launching programme for the adoption of Ward 16 comprising Lerie, Lerie Chazou, New Minister's Hill and New Reserve Colony under the Ward Adoption Programme (2025-26) of the District Planning and Development Board (DPDB), Kohima for the 9th Kohima Town Assembly Constituency was held at Lerie Junction Waiting Shed, Kohima on June 10, 2026.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Dr. Tseilhoutuo Rhutso acknowledged the limited resources available under the Ward

Adoption Programme but appreciated the efforts of the various departments for coming together and contributing their part towards carrying out developmental and welfare activities in the ward, which would help bring meaningful improvements to the community.

Describing Ward 16 as the backbone of the constituency, Dr. Rhutso thanked the residents for their continued support and cooperation. Assuring his continued support, he said he would contribute to the

best of his ability towards the development of the ward and other areas of Kohima. He further informed that a mega medical camp would be organised in the ward on June 27 and invited all residents to avail themselves of the services.

Delivering the keynote address, EAC Sadar and Convener of the Ward Adoption Committee, Dr. Riku Khutso, said the Ward Adoption Programme is a unique initiative of DPDB Kohima under which various departments undertake developmental and welfare activities in selected wards every year. He presented the Action Plan for

2025-26, highlighting various activities to be undertaken in the ward.

Ward Councillor Ane-Ü Khaming described the initiative as a commendable step towards strengthening grassroots development and improving the welfare of the ward community.

Speaking on behalf of the ward, Chairman, New Reserve Colony, Vikehiekho Kintso, said Ward 16 is the largest ward comprising four colonies and assured full support and cooperation from the residents to all departments implementing activities under the programme.

SELF DEFENCE TRAINING CULMINATES AT NIULAND

The 3 days self-defence training culminates at the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Stadium, Niuland on 10th June 2026. The training was organised by the District Administration, District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW) Niuland under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Niuland, in collaboration with Niuland District Pencak Silat Association.

The training, held from 8th to 10th June 2026, was conducted by an elite team of instructors from the Nagaland Pencak Silat Association, all of whom are official Guinness World Record Holders from Nagaland. The team was led by Deep Kumar, General Secretary/Head Coach Nagaland Pencak Silat Association, along with H. Vikishe Choppy, Vice-President, Nagaland Pencak Silat Association. The training team

also included decorated athletes - Kevin, National Gold Medalist, Kitenlo K. Thono, International Silver Medalist and National Gold Medalist and Liike Kibami, National Gold Medalist.

The program aimed to equip young girls and women with practical self-defence skills through Pencak Silat, while building confidence and safety awareness under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

DC Niuland, T.L Kiusumong Tikhir NCS, commended Niuland District Pencak Silat Association and the trainers for bringing world-class expertise to the district and urged participants to become ambassadors of safety.

Certificates were presented to all participants who successfully completed the training.

CHUMOUKEDIMA DPDB REVIEWS CENSUS PREPARATIONS, DISCUSSES SANITATION AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

The monthly meeting of the DPDB Chumoukedima, was held at the DC's

Conference Hall, Chümoukedima on June 10, 2026 under the chairmanship of Advisor

for Urban Development & Municipal Affairs and Chairman, DPDB, Chumoukedima, Zhaleo Rio.

The meeting began with a review of the minutes of the previous DPDB meeting. The board also deliberated on the agenda items placed before the house and approved the registration of Yimkhiung Baptist Borü Society, Naga United Village. In the case of K.S. Yimchunger Society, Vidima, the board directed the representatives to continue functioning and advised them to approach the board again after completion of three years along with a No Objection Certificate from the concerned tribal body for further consideration.

The board then deliberated on various issues relating to sanitation, solid waste management, environmental conservation, traffic management and Census preparations.

Addressing the members, Advisor Zhaleo Rio called upon all departments to effectively implement government schemes and policies to ensure that benefits reach all targeted beneficiaries.

On sanitation and waste management, he encouraged the Chümoukedima Town council to undertake awareness programmes on waste segregation and proper waste disposal practices and assured continued support from the government in implementing solid waste management initiatives.

On traffic management, the Advisor

called for strict enforcement of traffic regulations and urged the concerned authorities to take action against all violators in accordance with the law.

DC Chümoukedima, Polan John, NCS, highlighted the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls and the Census exercise currently underway. Stressing the importance of accurate data collection, he urged all enumerators and supervisors to carry out their duties diligently and ensure an error-free Census.

The DC also informed the board that the revised Solid Waste Management Rules cover both urban and rural areas and provide for segregation of waste into four categories. He said that bulk waste generators are being identified and that coordination meetings have already been conducted with line departments for effective implementation of the rules.

During the meeting, DPO, DISHA, Orenthung Ngullie, presented a PowerPoint presentation on AIDS Suraksha and highlighted the programme's objectives and activities being implemented in the district.

Field Trainers Alongba Ao and Arenla also presented a detailed overview of the Census process and self-enumeration procedures. The presentation covered planning and mapping exercises, recruitment procedures and training activities undertaken for the Census.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

The Longleng DPDB meeting was held on 10th June 2026 at DPDB hall, Longleng under the chairmanship of DC & Vice-chairman DPDB Longleng, W. Manpai Phom.

Reviewing the previous meeting minutes,

proposed by the MLA, & Chairman DPDB, A. Pongshi Phom for presentation of meritorious awards to the topper of HSLC and HSSLC, the house agreed to felicitated the students during the Independence Day celebration along with

deserving Government officers.

The DC also informed the house that a plantation drive will be carried out along the highway stretch, starting from Alayung towards Longleng town with involvement of all the Government Departments and Village Council Members on 20th June 2026.

The board discussed the installation of smart meters and transformers, during which SDO (E) Power, Moiching Shembu, highlighted the need for additional transformers and power infrastructure,

particularly for EAC Yachem and Toiching Village. He also noted that rising development in Longleng town has increased power demand, straining the existing infrastructure. The Chairman informed the house that the EE (Transmission), Mokokchung, would be invited to the next DPDB meeting to present a detailed report on the district's power status.

District Horticulture Officer Longleng, Talimeren and Department of Medical (MS/CMO/DIO) highlighted the department's projects and schemes implemented.

SDPDB BHANDARI FELICITATES MLA AND ADVISOR, SCERT, ACHUMBEMO KIKON

The Bhandari SDPDB felicitated and congratulated MLA and Chairman SDPDB Bhandari, Achumbemo Kikon, for his appointment as Advisor to the Chief Minister, SCERT & Food Processing, Nagaland during its monthly meeting held on 10th June 2026.

ADC, Bhandari, Longasen Lotha, NCS who chaired the meeting in his opening remark lauded Advisor, Achumbemo Kikon for his active role in representing the people.

Speaking at the meeting, Achumbemo emphasised on the Nagaland Foothill Road, and said that he has carried out inspection visits, and expressed satisfaction for the completed portions of the road and further reiterated that the remaining works should be executed for timely completion by adhering to the prescribed specifications and quality work.

JE Power, Bhandari, Er. Mhaden Murry, highlighted that the department has been carrying out sensitization programme on installation of Smart Meters within the sub-division.

Dr. Kikali G. Sumi, Veterinary Assistant

Surgeon (VAS) & Quarantine Check Post, Merapani, said that the department has been conducting house to house surveillance including sample collection and testing of African Swine Fever (AFS) in pigs at the sub-division level, and informed that no cases of the ASF has been found or reported from any area of the sub-division till the day. She also enlightened the house on National Livestock Mission and Livestock Insurance Scheme.

SDO (C) Ralan, Tsenthungo E. Ngullie informed that a Police Outpost is urgently required at Tchujanphen Village, Ralan area, while the SDPO Bhandari, R. Philips Yanthan informed that Bhandari Police is also in need of a permanent Police Station at Champang, which covers around 18 villages and is situated at the State Border area.

The house reviewed the performance of government schools, focusing on the 2026 Class 10 and 12 results, and decided that the district administration would conduct regular monitoring visits from the current academic year to improve teaching standards and student outcomes.

DPDB WOKHA REVIEWS DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES UNDER NEW CHAIRMAN

The monthly DPDB meeting of Wokha for the month of June was held at DC's Conference Hall, Wokha on 10th June 2026, chaired by newly appointed DPDB Chairman and Advisor for Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan. MLA Mhonbemo Humtsoe and Vice Chairman DPDB & DC Wokha, K. Mhathung Tsanglao, also attended the session.

The meeting began with a review of last DPDB meeting agendas, which included discussions on identifying a feasible location for the construction of a District Hospital in Wokha, addressing the drying problem and rejuvenation of the Etsutchukha water pond, and the formation of a highpower committee to study soil conditions in Doyang for two weeks, particularly in areas where landslides pose a threat to institutions. The shortage of Nagaland State Transport (NST) bus services within Wokha district was also deliberated, with the house resolving to request the government to look into the matter at the earliest possible time.

Proposals for establishing SubCentres at Pyangsa and Aree New villages were taken up, with CMO Dr. Thungchanbemo Ezung

highlighting the hardships faced by villagers in accessing basic health facilities, Advisor Yanthan also said that establishing PHC is the utmost need of the hour at the villages as peoples from the areas are facing hardship even to access basic medical facilities.

A PowerPoint presentation was delivered by EAC Wokha, Sangmou Khamniungan, on behalf of the District Administration, outlining the administrative setup, its roles and responsibilities, interdepartmental coordination, Inner Line Permit (ILP) regulations, and various government schemes etc.

Chairman Mhathung Yanthan directed that all administrative officers posted outside Wokha town but within the district must attend DPDB meetings regularly to ensure effective governance and public service.

Assistant Commissioner of Taxes, M. Chibeni Lotha, presented departmental activities, explaining tax laws implemented in the state, the functioning of the department, and revenue growth targets. Wokha Town Council member, Habenthung Ezung, also gave a presentation highlighting ongoing solid



Advisor, Mhathung Yanthan; MLA, Mhonbemo Humtsoe, DC Wokha, K. Mhathung Tsanglao and DPDB members of Wokha along with DIET faculty and trainees during the visitation on 10th June 2026.

waste management, traffic regulation, and the vision plan for Wokha town's development.

Yanthan also commended the Lotha Youth Hoho for its mission to eradicate drug abuse in Wokha. He informed that DPDB members will visit deaddiction centres in the district during the next meeting. Upcoming departmental presentations will be given by

the Police, Labour, and Prison departments.

As part of institutional visits, the Chairman and Advisor Agriculture, MLA, DC and DPDB Wokha members toured the District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) and Bailey Baptist College on the same day.

MELURI DPDB MEETING HELD

The Monthly DPDB meeting of Meluri district was held at the DB's Court, Meluri on 11th June 2026, under the chairmanship of the Advisor, NSDMA & Inland Waterways and DPDB Chairman, Meluri, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe.

Z. Nyuthe, welcomed the members present in the meeting and reviewed the previous meeting minutes. While discussing on various development issues concerning the district, he expressed concern over the shortage of teachers in some Government Schools under Pochury Area, emphasizing the need to induct additional teachers to address the problem.

DC Meluri, Phuleshe K. Yepthomi, emphasized the need to establish a Red Cross Society in Meluri for the welfare of the general public. He also requested all departments to submit their LADP proposal at the earliest.

During the meeting, the board also recommended the proposal submitted by the Khumiasu village requesting for Regional Taxi Permit to ply from Khumiasu to Dimapur. Later SDO PHED, Rangan Nyuwi, highlighting the department's activities and various scheme and programmes implemented under Meluri through PowerPoint presentation.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM UNDER ULLAS HELD AT TSEMINYU

One day orientation and mobilization program for community leaders under Understanding Lifelong Learning for all in Society (ULLAS) was held at EBRC Training Hall, Tseminyu on 11th June 2026.

DC Tseminyu Japheth Woch, (NCS) in his keynote address, highlighted that ULLAS is a centrally sponsored scheme to empower adults aged 15 and above who missed out on formal schooling. The main target was for non-literate citizens above 15 years, with foundational literacy and critical life skills and to transform fully educated and self-reliant society. He also sought

active participation and cooperation of the communities for successful implementation of the program.

Supervisor Adult Education (AE) Kohima, Alesh Thong spoke on the role of community in implementation of the program, he said that every community leader must come forward to render their services with the spirit of voluntarism to eradicate illiteracy in the society.

The program was chaired by Rushulo Khing (EBRC) Coordinator Tseminyu while vote of thanks was pronounced by Francis Magh ToT, (EBRC) Tseminyu.

FREE MULTI SPECIALITY HEALTH CAMP AT TIZIT

A free multi-speciality Health Camp organised by the Tizit Town Council under 15th Finance Commission Health Grants, was held at PHC Tizit on 12th June 2026.

SDC(Civil) Tizit, Tumben P Tsanglao, in his welcome address, appreciated the doctors for their commitment in participating at the health camp. He expressed optimism that the camp would benefit many residents

especially those living in remote areas.

Doctors who offered their services included Dr. R. Wonashi Tsanglao, Sr. Consultant, Pediatrics, from CIHSR (Referral Hospital, Dimapur), Dr. Benithung Ngullie, Sr. Consultant Medicine from Nikos Hospital Dimapur, Dr. Nyamnyi Konyak, Medical Officer, MD, District Hospital Mon and Dr. Wangba Konyak, Sonologist, MO, PHC Tizit.

SCIENCE EXHIBITION ON “WOMEN IN SCIENCE: CATALYSING VIKSIT BHARAT” HELD AT GHSS SHAMATOR

Science Exhibition under the theme “Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat” was held at Government Higher Secondary School (GHSS), Shamator on 15th June 2026, with enthusiastic participation from various schools across the district. The programme was graced by Mekato J Aye, NCS, EAC Shamator, as the Special Guest.

Addressing the gathering, Mekato J Aye highlighted the importance of curiosity and critical thinking as the foundation of innovation. He remarked that every invention begins with a question and that science is not confined to laboratories or textbooks but is deeply connected to everyday life. Referring

to the theme, he underscored the significant role of women in science and technology and their contribution towards building a developed India. He further encouraged students to nurture their ideas, remain curious, and continuously seek solutions to real-world problems, noting that today's ideas could become tomorrow's innovations.

The programme concluded with the inspection of exhibits and interaction with the participating students, during which the Special Guest appreciated the efforts of the young innovators and the teachers who guided them.

AWARENESS ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE HELD AT PHEK

An awareness programme on the environmental issue, organised by the Phek District Administration in collaboration with Nagaland Pollution Control Board was held at DC's Conference Hall, Phek on 12th June 2026.

Deputy Commissioner Phek, Rhosietho Nguori, while speaking at the programme stated that the responsibilities of pollution control is a major subject for which every

citizens should improve habit of better waste management system as one's own responsible job in daily life.

Awareness presentation on Ambient Air Quality & Impact and Solid Waste Management & its responsibilities was delivered and highlighted by Rongsenben Longkumer, Junior Scientific Assistant, NPCB and Yanathung Kithan, Scientist 'B' NPCB.

Shevohu Nienu, Chairperson, Phek Town Council chaired the programme, while the ADC Phek, Thejakhrienuo Nisa delivered the welcome addressed.

CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME ON KHET BACHAO ABHIYAN HELD AT PORBA

ICAR- KVK Phek, organised a Sarpanch Sammelan: Capacity Building Programme on Khet Bachao Abhiyan, on 13th June 2026 at Porba Campus, Phek, where Dr. Pritpal Kaur (IPS), SP Phek graced the occasion as special guest.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Pritpal Kaur encouraged village leaders to actively participate in community development programmes and support farmers in adopting sustainable and climate resilient livelihood practices. She further urged the participants to work collectively towards strengthening the agricultural sector and improving the socio-economic well-being of farming communities in the district.

During technical session, Dr. T Esther

Longkumer, CTO, Soil Science delivered a lecture on Natural Farming, where Dr. Hannah K Assngla, CTO Agronomy and Dr. Manjunath K S, SMS Horticulture spoke and delivered on Integrated Farming System for Sustainable Agriculture and Organic Nutrient Management in Horticultural Crops respectively.

Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Singh, Senior Scientist and Head, KVK Phek highlighted the objective and importance of the ongoing campaign of “Khet Bachao Abhiyan”.

The Program concluded with a collective commitment from all stakeholders to work together for the protection and sustainable management of agricultural land.

NASHA MukT BHARAT ABHIYAAN LAUNCHED ACROSS DISTRICTS

The Nasha MukT Bharat Abhiyaan (NMBA) was launched and observed across several districts of Nagaland in June with awareness programmes, pledges, and public outreach aimed at promoting a drug-free society under the theme “Nasha MukT Bharat Abhiyaan – Viksit Bharat Ki Pehchaan.”

MOKOKCHUNG

In Mokokchung, the district-level launch was held at the DC’s Conference Hall on 15th June, 2026. ADC Atsungba Walling called for collective efforts to combat substance abuse through awareness, prevention, and community participation.

Participants also took the NMBA pledge, while District Welfare Officer I. Mangliyangba delivered the keynote address.

NIULAND

In Niuland, Deputy Commissioner T.L. Kiusumong Tikhir virtually launched the campaign on 17th June, urging parents, teachers, students, and community leaders to work together to build drug-free communities.

The district campaign included awareness programmes, pledge events, student competitions, outreach activities and social media campaigns.



Students participating in a District Walkathon, in observance of the Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan on the theme "NMBA: Viksit Bharat ke Pehchaan" held at Mokokchung on 24th June 2026.

MELURI

At Meluri, an awareness programme organized by the CDPO Office on 17th June focused on the harmful effects of drug and tobacco abuse.

Deputy Commissioner Phuleshe K. Yeptthomi emphasized that tackling drug abuse is essential for the development of society, while speakers from the police and health departments highlighted the links between substance abuse, crime, and public health, stressing prevention, rehabilitation, and community cooperation.

TSEMINYU

In Tseminyu, the District Administration and Social Welfare Department observed Nasha Mukti Bharat Saptah, with Deputy Commissioner Japheth Woch appealing for a united effort to make the district drug-free through awareness and community participation. Participants also took the NMBA pledge, reaffirming their commitment to the campaign.

Across all four districts, officials emphasized that combating drug abuse requires collective responsibility and

sustained public participation to create healthier, safer, and drug-free communities.

MANGKOLEMBA

A Two-day Programme on Drug Free India (Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan) was held at Mangkolemba on 25th and 26th June 2026 at ADC Conference Hall and Town Hall, Mangkolemba respectively. The Programme was organised by the District Administration and Department of Social Welfare, Mangkolemba.

On 25th June, the representatives from Mangkolemba Town Council, Village Councils, CSOs and GBs attended the programme with Resource Persons: Dr. Sentimental, SMO, CHC, Mangkolemba and Rongsensashi, SDPO, Mangkolemba. While the SDO (C), Mangkolemba, Rohbi Sangtem was the Special Guest.

On the second day, the students, Youth and Person with Substance Use Disorder participated in the programme with Dr. Mungro Imchen CHC, Mangkolemba and Inspector Sashi, OC, PS Mangkolemba as the resource persons.

EAC Alongkima, Mhathung Ngullie addressed the gathering. During the two-day Programme, Topic on “Talk on Drug

and Substance Abuse” and “Legal Provision Relating to Drugs and Narcotics” were presented by the Resource Persons.

STOP DIARRHOEA CAMPAIGN 2026 LAUNCHED AT LONGLENG

The STOP Diarrhoea Campaign 2026 was officially launched at the CMO Conference Hall, Longleng on 17th June 2026 under the theme: “Stop Diarrhoea through Hygiene and ORS” by W. Manpai Phom, NCS, Deputy Commissioner, Longleng.

In his address, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted that the campaign mainly focuses on preventing diarrhoeal diseases among children through increased awareness, proper understanding of preventive measures, and community participation. He emphasized the importance of spreading awareness through CSOs, ASHA workers, and coordinated efforts of all line departments, especially during the monsoon season when diarrhoeal cases are more common.

He also stressed the role of teachers and educational institutions in educating young

students about hygiene and preventive practices. Further, he encouraged the ASHA workers to strengthen community coverage and awareness activities.

Y. B Angam, Phom Peoples Council President, in his short speech, advised the medical department to use the church and community platforms in disseminating information on Diarrhoea particularly on the importance ORS and Zinc tablets in the management of diarrhoea. He also urged the Education Department to play an active role in spreading awareness to the student community.

The programme was chaired by Burnemla, DEO (IDSP). Keynote address and presentation on the objectives and importance of the campaign by Dr. Imtijungshi Aier, DPO (RCH & UIP).

DWSM MEETING HELD AT MELURI

The District Water and Sanitation Mission (DWSM) meeting was held at the DC's Office Chamber Meluri on 17th June 2026.

Deputy Commissioner Meluri, Phuleshe K. Yeptomhi chaired the meeting and discussed the implementation of DWSM programmes and strategies for effective



DC Meluri, Phuleshe K. Yeptomhi chairing during the District Water and Sanitation Mission meeting held at DC's Office Chamber, Meluri on 17th June 2026.

sanitation, waste management, and water supply initiatives in the district.

During the DWSM meeting, the DC urged all concerned departments to extend full cooperation in sanitation and waste management initiatives. He emphasized the importance of active participation and coordination among departments in all related activities for the welfare of the general public and the overall development

of Meluri District.

SDO PHED, Meluri, Rangam Nyuwi, elaborated on the various schemes and projects being implemented by the Government under Meluri District. He highlighted the progress, objectives, and importance of these initiatives in improving public services and promoting the overall development of the district.

TRAINING FOR SUPERVISORS AND ENUMERATORS HELD AT PUNGRO

The training of Supervisors and Enumerators for Census 2027 for Khongsa Block under Pungro Subdivision under Kiphire District officially commenced on 18th June 2026 and will go on till 20th June 2026 at the Sub Divisional Planning & Development Board (SDPDB) Conference Hall, Pungro.

The programme began with a formal introduction of the 6 Supervisors and 27 Enumerators. In his welcome address, EAC Khongsa, Pauding Disuang, NCS remarked that this census will be India's first fully digital census and that it is being conducted after 17 years. He emphasised on the key role Supervisors and Enumerators plays

in realizing the dream of Census 2027. He urged them to maintain integrity and professionalism while collecting data and to co-ordinate and support each other with clarity and integrity.

District Field trainers, Sonal Yimchunger, GT and Throngso Yimchunger, PT summarised on the three crucial points to be focused on during this training sessions such as Introduction, Concept and Theory, and App Practice, while also encouraging them to come forward with any queries to ensure smooth transition of theories into practice.

KOHIMA DPDB RECOMMENDS JAKHAMA TOWN COUNCIL PROPOSAL, SCHOOL UPGRADATION

The monthly meeting of the Kohima DPDB was held at the DPDB Conference Hall, Kohima on 18th June 2026 under the chairmanship of MLA and outgoing Chairman of DPDB Kohima, Kevipodi Sophie. Advisor for School Education and incoming Chairman of DPDB Kohima, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, and Deputy Commissioner Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, also attended the meeting.

Welcoming the members, Kevipodi Sophie thanked all board members for their support and cooperation during his tenure as the DPDB chairman during 2025-26.

Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome congratulated the outgoing chairman for completing a successful tenure and called upon all departments to remain familiar with their responsibilities and make information on departmental activities accessible for the

benefit of the public. He further observed that certain improvements may be required in the implementation of LADP schemes and the Village Adoption Committee concept to enhance their effectiveness. To enable members to better understand ground realities, he proposed that future DPDB meetings be conducted in different constituencies with dates fixed in advance to ensure wider participation.

On the agenda, the Board deliberated on the proposal for upgradation of Jakhama Headquarters to Jakhama Town Council. SDO (Civil), Jakhama, Vineikho Tetso, briefed the members on the background of the proposal. After discussion, the Board

agreed to recommend the proposal to the State Government for further consideration.

The Board also recommended the upgradation of Vision Hill School, Kohima, from Class VII to Class VIII and decided to forward the proposal to the concerned department for necessary action.

ADC Kohima, Ruopfukuotuo Noudi, presented a brief report on the observance of World Blood Donor Day 2026 and the blood donation camp held on June 12 at the Capital Convention Centre.

The presentation on Solid Waste Management Rules by the Kohima Municipal Council was deferred to the next meeting.

PHEK DPDB DELIBERATES ON POOR RESULT OF GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS IN HSLC AND HSSLC EXAMINATIONS

The Phek DPDB held its monthly meeting at DC's Conference Hall, Phek on 19th June 2026 under the chairmanship of K. G Kenye, Minister for Power & Parliamentary Affairs, Nagaland, and Chairman DPDB, Phek. The board had a lengthy deliberation on poor result of Government Schools in the HSLC and HSSLC Examinations.

Addressing at the meeting, K. G Kenye encouraged the department officers to continue to attend all official meetings regularly. He also requested the officers of developmental departments to ensure that funds meant for development or for beneficiaries are judiciously utilize for the welfare of the people in the district.

The Senior SDEO, Phek, highlighted factors contributing to poor HSLC and HSSLC results in government schools. The board discussed adopting schools by DPDB members to improve performance. The house also discussed installing a video

conferencing facility in the DC's Conference Hall, the agenda was recommendation to the Government for final approval.

DC & Principal Census Officer, Rhosietho Nguori, NCS and EAC & Census Nodal Officer, Er. Mechietsho Koza, highlighted categorically on Census operations at the meeting. Later, the board discussed the ongoing preparation and activities for the Census 2027 in the district.

The status of Pfutsero-Phek Road which is under process for handing over to the State R&B Department from NHIDCL was also discussed during the meeting. In this regard, the Executive Engineer (R&B) of Pfutsero and Phek Divisions updated the present status to the members. At the same time, Minister, KG Kenye apprised the Executive Engineers (R&B) of Pfutsero and Phek that he will take the initiate to approach the Government for sanctioning of fund for current maintenance of Pfutsero-Phek road.

The Department of Social Welfare & Women Development and Food & Civil Supply presented their departmental activities initiated in the district through PowerPoint.

MEGA JOB FAIR HELD IN DIMAPUR; DEO CALLS FOR SHIFT TOWARDS PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT

The District Employment Exchange, Dimapur, under the Department of Employment, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of Nagaland, organised a Mega Job Fair at the District Employment Exchange, Purana Bazar, Dimapur, on June 19, 2026, providing employment opportunities to educated unemployed youth in the private sector.

The job fair was conducted in collaboration with Talent Acquaintance, Dimapur, and AIDA–Don Bosco Job Placement Network, India. More than 1,200 vacancies were offered by a leading healthcare BPO company based in Bengaluru. Candidates aged between 18 to 32 years possessing qualifications of 10+2, diploma, or any graduation degree (except BE/B.Tech) were eligible to participate.

District Employment Officer (DEO), Dimapur, Gideon Sumi, called for a change in the mindset of educated youth and parents towards private sector employment. He said that government jobs alone could no longer absorb all educated job seekers and urged the youths to explore opportunities available in the private sector.

Sumi stated that the job fair aimed to bridge the gap between employers and job seekers through partnerships with placement agencies and companies. He highlighted that

the employment package offered an annual salary of around ₹3.25 lakh, with a starting monthly salary of approximately ₹30,000 along with several benefits.

Expressing concern that many candidates who secured placements often returned home due to homesickness, food habits, or climatic differences, he said the government had put in place measures to monitor placements and ensure accountability among private placement agencies.

The DEO also encouraged parents to support their children in pursuing employment opportunities outside the state, stating that exposure to different work environments helped build experience, confidence, and career growth. He urged youth to view employment outside Nagaland as an opportunity and make the best use of such platforms to build successful careers.

According to the organisers, selected candidates would be posted in Bengaluru to handle customer interactions, resolve queries, and ensure customer satisfaction. They would also receive benefits including free two-way cab facilities, family health insurance, attractive incentives, rotational shifts, performance-based promotions, night shift allowances, reimbursement of train fare, seven days of hotel accommodation, and weekly offs on Saturdays and Sundays.

RESULTS OF ULB BYE-ELECTION DECLARED

Results of the bye-election to Ward 11 (Chaarā) of Chumoukedima Town Council, Ward 8 (Tsumang 'B') of Wokha Town Council and Ward 9 (Samba Ghoki) of Atoizu

Town Council, which was held on 16th June 2026 were declared on 19th June 2026.

State Election Commissioner, Nagaland, T. John Longkumer, IPR (Rtd) through a press communique informed that in Ward 11 of Chumoukedima Town Council, Neichú-u Kuotsu, NPF defeated his opponent Kezhangutuo Zhotso, BJP by a margin of 90 votes, securing 58.01% or 326 votes of the total valid votes cast. The BJP candidate polled 236 votes with a vote share of 41.99 % of the total valid votes. Out of 566 votes, 4 were declared invalid.

Under Ward 8 of Wokha Town Council with 565 votes polled and 10 invalid votes,

NPF candidate Ar. Aling Lotha emerged the winner by a margin of 37 votes, bagging 296 valid votes with a vote share of 53.33%. His rival candidate, Mhomo Humtsoe of BJP, polled 259 valid votes or 46.67% of the total valid votes.

Longkumer also informed that in Atoizu Town Council Ward 9, Independent candidate Inaka Z. Chishi secured victory over his rival NPF candidate G. Shikavi Kiba by a margin of 17 votes. Out of a total of 188 votes cast, with 1 invalid vote, the winner got 102 valid votes or 54.55% of the total valid votes, while his opponent received 85 valid votes or 45.45%.

NIULAND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION FELICITATES HSLC & HSSLC TOPPERS

Niuland District Administration in collaboration with the District Hub for Empowerment of Women (DHEW), BBBP Niuland, felicitated the HSLC & HSSLC Girl Toppers of 2026 at the DC's Conference Hall, Niuland, under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) scheme on 20th June 2026.

A total of 5 girl toppers from HSLC and HSSLC 2026 examinations were felicitated with certificates and gift hampers.

The event witnessed participation from District Administration officials, DHEW staff, parents, teachers, students, Sumi Totimi Loka (STL) and Niuland Area Students Union (NASU).

The programme was graced by DC Niuland, T. L. Kiusumong Tikhir. District Project Officer, DHEW, T.Y. Peter Yanthan, and SDEO Niuland, Kitoshi Z. Swu, also addressed the gathering.

PLANTATION DRIVE INAUGURATED AT LONGLENG

The Inaugural programme of a plantation drive, an initiative of Lemsachenlok in collaboration with the District Planning & Development Board (DPDB), Longleng, was held at Orangkong Junction along NH-702A on June 20, 2026.

The plantation drive was formally inaugurated by Thungchanbemo Tungoe, ADC Longleng. In his address, he stressed the need for collective responsibility in protecting the environment and urged all sections of society to actively participate in

tree-planting and conservation initiatives.

R.S. Prasad, IFS, Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Longleng, spoke on the significance of plantation drives in maintaining ecological balance and combating climate change. He encouraged citizens to actively contribute towards environmental protection through tree plantation and conservation activities.

Y. Nuklu Phom, Chairman, Lemsachenlok and Y.B. Angam Phom, President, Phom People's Council (PPC) also spoke at the programme.

The district-wide plantation drive is being organized jointly by DPDB Longleng and Lemsachenlok and covers a stretch from New Medical Site to Lemsachenlok Office Junction (Approx. 12 km) along NH-702A.

A total of 41 Government Departments participated in the plantation drive along with Orangkong Village Council (OVC) and Phom People's Council (PPC). The participating departments and organizations

were assigned specific stretches of the route to undertake plantation and maintenance activities under the supervision of designated officers.

The programme concluded with the ceremonial plantation of saplings, marking the official launch of the district's plantation drive aimed at promoting a greener, healthier, and more sustainable environment.

CONSULTATIVE MEETING HELD ON DIGITAL CENSUS AND SELF-ENUMERATION IN MOKOKCHUNG

A crucial consultative meeting was held on 22nd June 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Mokokchung to boost awareness and ensure active stakeholder's participation in the ongoing census operation and the newly launched self-enumeration phase.

Chairing the meeting, DC Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS, underscored the absolute importance of the census as the foundational database for national planning, policy formulation, resource allocation, and implementation. He highlighted that this marks India's first-ever census conducted in a fully digital mode, aiming to empower citizens and ensure a smooth, efficient workflow for field enumerators. Verma urged all attending officials to focus on accurate data collection and appealed to stakeholders to vigorously promote self-enumeration while extending full support to the exercise.

Providing a progress report, Additional Deputy Commissioner Mokokchung, Atsungba Walling detailed the training programs already completed for master trainers, field trainers, supervisors, and enumerators. Walling announced that the House Listing phase is scheduled from 1 to 31 July 2026 and will feature 33

specific questions, while the second phase - population enumeration - will commence in February 2027. For Mokokchung district, a deployment infrastructure of 13 Charge Officers, 83 supervisors (including 10 kept in reserve), and 447 enumerators has been finalized.

Addressing the ongoing self-enumeration period running from 16 to 30 June 2026, the ADC informed the house that the digital process takes less than five minutes to complete. He urged leaders to spread awareness so that no household is left out.

Senior Superintendent of Police for Mokokchung, Vesupra Kezo, also addressed the house, cautioning officials against the unauthorized disclosure of personal information. Kezo reminded attendees that under the Census of India Act 1948, all individual-level data collected remains strictly confidential and legally protected.

The meeting concluded with an open discussion, where the DC and ADC clarified queries from members. Both officials also conducted a live demonstration of the self-enumeration portal to encourage wider public adoption.

Citizens wishing to self-enumerate can log in directly to the official portal at se.census.gov.in. The questionnaire can also be

downloaded in advance at https://se.census.gov.in/assets/SE_Question.pdf.

KIPHIRE DISTRICT NCORD MEETING HELD AT KIPHIRE

The Kiphire District Narcotics Coordination Committee (NCORD) meeting was held at the DPDB Conference Hall, Kiphire, on 23rd June 2026. The meeting was chaired by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kiphire, Longdiba L Sangtam, NCS.

ADC Longdiba, along with Superintendent of Police, Kiphire, Chinese Chakhesang, NPS, briefed on the agenda for the meeting and reviewed the overall law and order situation relating to narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in Kiphire District. The meeting assessed enforcement action taken by the Police, Excise, and other agencies since the last NCORD meeting, including detection of NDPS cases, seizures, asset attachment, prosecution status, and follow-up action.

Discussions focused on strengthening inter-departmental coordination and intelligence sharing among the Police, District Administration, Excise, Health, Education, Social Welfare, and other line departments for timely detection, prevention, and response to drug-related activities. The house also reviewed preventive and awareness measures undertaken in schools, colleges, villages, and communities, including sensitization programmes, youth outreach, and the involvement of village councils, churches, CSOs, and student

bodies.

The status of counselling, de-addiction, rehabilitation, and treatment support mechanisms available in the district was reviewed, along with the referral system in place for persons affected by substance abuse. The meeting also took stock of monitoring efforts on pharmacy sales of prescription and controlled medicines, and misuse of pharmaceutical drugs, in coordination with the Health Department and law enforcement agencies.

District-level action against illicit cultivation, trafficking, transportation, and local peddling of narcotic substances was reviewed, along with measures for intensified surveillance and enforcement. The house also discussed strengthening check gates and verification mechanisms to curb the inflow and transit of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances through the district.

Further discussions covered community-based vigilance and public participation, including the role of village councils, GBs, ward authorities, NGOs, women's groups, and youth organisations in reporting and preventing drug-related activities. The meeting also reviewed decisions taken at the previous NCORD meeting and the Action Taken Report (ATR), including compliance by all concerned departments and agencies.

AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON “LIVESTOCK INSURANCE SCHEMES HELD AT MERAPANI

Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary services, Bhandari Sub-division

Wokha organised an awareness campaign on “Livestock Insurance schemes under

National Livestock Mission (NLM) 2025-2026, at Merapani village and Bhandari Town summer house-cum-guest house on 23rd June 2026.

Deputy Director, Dr. Gwazenlo Tep, VS, Veterinary Hospital Wokha, highlighted the Livestock Insurance schemes under the National Livestock Mission. He said that the schemes encouraged farmers to ensure their animals and adopt better livestock management practices and reduce the

economic burden caused by unexpected losses. He also informed on how to avail Insurance policy, List of GPS photograph of the Livestock and documents required. The schemes provide compensation to insured Livestock owners.

In the programme the farmers were distributed free basic Veterinary aids. Earlier, the programme was chaired by Dr. Kikali G Sumi, VAS Merapani.

DPDB MEETING HELD IN DIMAPUR; HEKANI JAKHALU CALLS FOR UNITY AND TEAMWORK

The monthly meeting of DPDB Dimapur, was held on June 24, 2026 at the DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur, under the chairmanship of Advisor for Industries & Commerce and Chairperson DPDB Dimapur, Hekani Jakhalu.

DC and Vice-Chairman DPDB Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS, welcomed the new Chairperson of DP&DB, Hekani Jakhalu, Advisor for Industries & Commerce and Chairperson DPDB Dimapur.

Addressing the meeting, Jakhalu emphasized the importance of collective effort, she urged officers and members to support one another and work in close coordination and contribute positively towards the district's growth and progress.

During the meeting, the Board deliberated on several agenda items. Applications for registration of societies, including Dimapur Athletic Association, Rise and Lead Foundation, and Nagaland E-Sport Association and was approved and recommended. Registration of Covenant Foundation was deferred to the next DPDB meeting.

The change of nomenclature of ITIKI Montessori School to ITIKI School,

Darogapathar, Dimapur and the proposal for upgradation of Grace Fountain School, Duncan Bosti, from Class V to Class VIII (Upper Primary Level) was deferred to the next meeting.

Commissioner of Police, Dimapur, Aotula T. Imchen, IPS, highlighted the activities undertaken by the Police Department on preventive awareness and coordinated action for girl child and children safety in the district.

Calling for stronger collaboration, Aotula emphasized the need for a unified child protection system linking police, Childline, welfare agencies, schools, health institutions, and community leaders. She stated that building a culture of prevention, accountability, confidentiality and collective responsibility is key to safeguarding children and securing their rights, dignity, and well-being.

Speaking on local trends, she noted that reported POCSO cases increased from seven in 2022 to fifteen in 2025, while traced missing children reached 216 in 2025. She said that many missing-child cases were linked to runaway cases or elopement patterns and urged stakeholders to identify early warning signs such as absenteeism, school dropouts,

and behavioral changes to prevent children from becoming vulnerable.

The meeting also discussed issues relating to traffic congestion in Dimapur and a power point presentation was given by Meren Chenth, DCP (Traffic).

The Deputy Commissioner thanked the

DCP Traffic and the Naga Council Dimapur (NCD) President for highlighting proposals aimed at easing traffic congestion in the district and assured that the proposals would be forwarded to the higher authorities for approval for the benefit of the general public.

CHIEPHOBOZOU MONTHLY HEAD OF OFFICES COORDINATION MEETING HELD

Sub-divisional departmental Head of Offices Coordination Meeting was held on 24th June 2026 at ADC Office Chamber, Chiephobozou, Kohima.

Chairing the Meeting ADC, Chiephobozou, Vekusheyi Rhakho, NCS stressed on the need of improvement of staff attendance and requested all the department under the Sub-division to ensure offices remain open to redress the public grievances and to perform their duties efficiently for the citizens.

The ADC also requested all the department to continually carry out cleanliness and plantation drives, both within and outside their respective offices as a

collective commitment towards maintaining a clean and green environment.

He reminded all the departments to submit their departmental activities report before the end of the month. The ADC further discussed about the monsoon preparedness with the members where he requested the SDO (R and B) Chiephobozou; to clear the Tsiesema landslide that occurred at the National Highway, to put up a reflector at the High Court bypass road and to install speed breakers at the DIET Junction, Chiechama. Solid waste management rules 2026 and Census enumeration at respective posting places were also discussed at the meeting.

TOBU SDPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly SDPDB Meeting of Tobu was held at the EBRC Hall, Tobu Town on the 24th June 2026 with Naiba Konyak, MLA, gracing the meeting. He welcomed the SDPDB members, the village representatives, ward chairman and others present at the meeting. He thanked the members and stated that during his tenure, there was a cordial relationship among the members and all public development works that was entrusted to him were executed smoothly.

He also handed over the functioning and responsibilities of the SDPDB office to the

new SDPDB chairman, A Nyamnyei Konyak, MLA. Subsequently, L Samuel (NCS), ADC & Vice- Chairman SDPDB, Tobu graced the meeting and extended a warm welcome to the new SDPDB Chairman, Tobu.

The new SDPDB chairman, Tobu, A Nyamnyei Konyak, addressed the members present and insisted that coordination amongst the departments should be a precondition for ensuring smooth governance at all levels of government. He assured that for any development works he is ever ready to extend cooperation to initiate



Tobu SDPDB Meeting for the month of June 2026 underway at EBRC Hall, Tobu Town, Mon on the 24th June 2026.

its progress and asked the members to bring forward any such pending works. After this, the meeting proceeded with the agenda hour.

The meeting was chaired by the SDPDB Secretary, Er. R Mhao Humtsoe, EAC Tobu.

MOKOKCHUNG DPDB TAKES HISTORIC DECISION TO ADOPT TB PATIENTS FOR NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT; APPROVES NEW SOCIETIES

The monthly meeting of the Mokokchung DPDB was successfully conducted at the Deputy Commissioner's conference hall on 26th June 2026. The meeting was chaired by the Deputy Commissioner of Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS.

The proceedings commenced with a thorough review of the minutes from the previous meeting, followed by an official discussion on the Action Taken Report.

In a landmark humanitarian initiative, the house took a historic decision to adopt Tuberculosis (TB) patients to provide critical nutritional support. Members unanimously agreed that every department within the district will adopt a minimum of two patients.

To streamline the funding for this welfare initiative, it was resolved that: The financial contributions for nutritional support will be collected through District Planning Officer, N. Chuba Phom. The collected amount will be officially handed over to the Medical

Department through the DPDB.

During the session, the board officially reviewed and approved applications for the registration of three new local societies: Society for Economic Elevation and Development (SEED), Changdang Village; MI-Tzü Sustainable and Conservation Society, Alongkima and Falcon Club, Mangkolemba.

The session featured an informative presentation on social awareness and drug prevention alongside regular departmental updates: Dr. Madhavi R, IAS (Assistant Commissioner and Nodal Officer for the Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan-NMBA, Mokokchung) highlighted on observation of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. While the Executive Engineer, Water Resources Department delivered a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation detailing their ongoing departmental activities and infrastructure projects.

The house entrusted the Rural

Development Department to present their departmental activities during the next board meeting.

The meeting concluded productively with a vote of thanks from the Deputy Commissioner.

NIULAND DPDB MEETING HELD

Niuland District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) was held on 26th June 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Niuland.

DC Niuland, T L Kiusumong Tikhir, while chairing the meeting welcomed the new board members and reviewed the last DPDB meeting minutes.

The board members deliberated on the problems of road and bridge connecting 8 villages in Aghunaqa Area. In this regard, the DC endorsed the Executive Engineer, Road & Bridge to come up with comprehensive planning in the next DPDB meeting.

Dr. Benchilo Ngullie, District TB Officer, gave a presentation on the TB status in the district and highlighted the various centrally sponsored schemes that are being implemented in the district. She also elaborated on the achievements and challenges faced by the department.

Kivitoli Sema, Field Trainer (Niuland District) for census 2027, briefed the

gathering on the role and functions of the enumerators and Supervisors, in regards to the ongoing self-enumeration. Sema clarified that the ongoing self-enumeration is solely voluntary and said the designated enumerators will begin from 1st July 2026.

The meeting also witnessed a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation from Hokato Yeptho, Chief Veterinary Officer (CVO). During the presentation members of the house raised the status of African Swine Flu (ASF) in the district. Yepthomi replied that the department has tested the pigs both dead and alive from the district and found them to be positive. He clarified the question raised by the members on insurance schemes that are being implemented in the district, stating that the insurance in collaboration with National Insurance Company Limited (NICL) Scheme covers 85% of the Premium of the sum insured and 15% to be borne by the owner of the animal.

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION DAY OBSERVED ACROSS LONGLENG AND DIMAPUR

The National Immunization Day (NID) Polio Campaign 2026 was observed across Longleng and Dimapur districts on June 28th with the launch of the Pulse Polio Immunization Campaign to protect children below five years of age from poliovirus.

In **Longleng**, the District Health Society launched the campaign at NST Junction. Delivering the keynote address, Dr. ImtiungshiAier, DPO (RCH/UIP), Longleng, emphasized the importance of administering two drops of the Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) to

every child below five years, irrespective of previous immunization status.

Er. Vinoh Swu, EAC HQ, Longleng, called for public cooperation to ensure the campaign's success and formally launched the district-wide immunization drive.

Awareness activities, including public announcements and the display of IEC posters, were carried out across the district, while NID Polio Sunday was observed in all health units.

In **Dimapur**, the district-level

launch was held at the District Hospital, Dimapur. Welcoming the gathering, District Immunization Officer Dr. Anungla Longkumer noted that although India has remained polio-free for over a decade, continued vaccination is essential as the virus persists in some parts of the world.

The campaign was inaugurated by EAC Dimapur, Imlijungla Lemtur, who administered the first oral polio drops to a child. Conducted under the theme, “Let the Victory over Polio Continue with Two Drops

of Life,” the campaign aims to vaccinate every child below five years of age, regardless of previous immunization status.

The immunization drive commenced at the District Hospital in the presence of the Chief Medical Officer (CMO), healthcare workers and district officials. Similar vaccination activities are being conducted at designated booths and outreach centres across the district to ensure maximum coverage of all eligible children.

TSEMINYU HOLDS DISHA AND DPDB MEETING

The Tseminyu District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) held its meeting on 29th June 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Tseminyu with Nagaland MP Lok Sabha & Chairman DISHA, S. Supongmeren Jamir, Ex-MLA & State DISHA member, Medokul Sophie and Chairman DPDB Tseminyu, Ar. Jwenga Seb.

Speaking at the DISHA meeting, Supongmeren said the meeting is not to target any individual but to freely discuss the departmental development activities with the department's officers and share the success and challenges faced by the department in implementing the schemes and projects in the district.

The meeting discussed on the current development activities of various departments implementing in Tseminyu district. The PowerPoint presentation was presented by Sentimengla Pongener (DPO), Social Welfare Department; Dr. Kenalo Kath (CVO), Animals Husbandry & Veterinary Services Department, Tseminyu, and a representative from Agriculture Department.

The program was chaired by DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch, NCS and the welcome address was delivered by Ar. Jwenga Seb, MLA & Chairman DPDB, Tseminyu.

The DISHA meeting was followed by the DPDB meeting, where the board review the last meeting minutes, and discussed the agenda for establishment of Rengma Cultural Complex at Khwenphen. The proposal was submitted by the Semkash Women Society, Tseminyu. The board deliberately discussed and agreed to recommend and forward the matter to the government for consideration.

The board also examined the application for Grant -in-aid for Baptist Higher Secondary School, Tseminyu. After it was observed that the school has been generating very good results, the board decided to forward the proposal for grant in-aid to the school as reflected in the report of the SDEO, Tseminyu.

The meeting concluded with words of gratitude from DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch (NCS).



LT. DR. K. KATH LEGACY TURF INAUGURATED

MLA & Chairman DPDB Tseminyu, Jwenga Seb has formally inaugurated Legacy Turf in honour of Former Minister Lt. Dr. K. Kath at New Tesophenyu Village on 4th June 2026. The Turf was constructed under an Iconic Project, LADP 2025-2026, 12 Tseminyu Assembly Constituency.

The program was chaired by Dr. Shasinlo Maghasha, Vice President JDU, Nagaland, who also delivered the welcome address. Short speeches by Ahino Tep

president, Tesiphenyu Group Gaon Burah Union (TGBU); Agwalo Mesung Head GB, Tesophenyu Village; Ashento Magh President, Tesophenyu Group Public Union (TGPU), and A. Levi Magh, President Tesophenyu Group Youth Organisation (TGYO).

The program culminated with a vote of thanks pronounced by Shentheyi Kath former Village chairman of Tesophenyu New Village.

MINISTER JACOB ZHIMOMI, ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

Minister for PHED & Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi, on 5th June 2026, unveiled the plaque upgrading PM SHRI GMS, Pihekhu to PM SHRI Government High School, Pihekhu at Aghunaqa Area Niuland.

In his address as the special guest, Jacob mentioned that the purpose of establishing PM SHRI Schools across the country is to make India a global educational hub and urged both the public leaders and department officials to make best use of the opportunity in strengthening the educational institutions in the area.

Jacob, while reminding the role of the parents said our best gift to our children will be installing the real education in them and urged the GBs and Public leaders in the area to send their children in government schools asserting that the best qualified/trained teachers are in government schools.

Zhimomi, also discourage the GBs,

Public leaders and School Management Committees (SMCs) in issuing No Objection Certificates (NOC), in regard to teachers preferable posting towards urban and Town areas.

Earlier Sr. SDEO (DEO Charge) Niuland Kitoshi Z Swu, in her short speech thank the Minister and Education Department for their support in upgrading the school which is a significant step towards strengthening education opportunities in the Aghunaqa Area. SDEO, also urge teachers to continue guiding the students with dedication and commitment.

The program also witnessed a special song presentation from the students of PM SHRI GHS, Pihekhu. Akukatou Pihekhu Village, Ghoito Awomi, presented a welcome note while Hukato Zhimomi, chaired the program.

TR ZELIANG INAUGURATES DISTRICT PLANNING OFFICE AT PEREN

The District Planning Office, Peren was inaugurated on 8th June 2026, with Deputy Chief Minister, Planning & Transformation and National Highways, T.R. Zeliang, as the special guest.

Addressing the inaugural programme, Zeliang stated that the establishment of the District Planning Office was long overdue and highlighted the importance of creating adequate administrative infrastructure in the extended model township.

Expressing confidence that the new office would play a crucial role in planning, coordinating, monitoring and evaluating developmental programmes, he emphasised the need for effective planning and judicious utilisation of resources to ensure equitable development.

Highlighting the vision behind the New DC Headquarters, he said the objective was not merely to construct government buildings but to develop a thriving township that would serve as a hub of administration and public services. He called for the cooperation of all stakeholders in realising this vision and congratulated all those involved in the

completion of the office building.

DC Peren, Hiazu Meru, congratulated the District Planning Officer and staff on the inauguration of the new office. He underscored the importance of the District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) in addressing developmental issues through coordinated efforts among departments. Highlighting various developmental initiatives undertaken in the district, including the promotion of agricultural products under the 'Green Peren' brand, Meru stressed the need to strengthen economic activities, particularly in the agriculture and allied sectors.

He further called for continued cooperation among all departments to accelerate the district's growth and wished the DPO and staff success in effectively utilising the new office infrastructure.

The inaugural programme was chaired by Deputy Dev. Commissioner, Peren, Heinswading. E.E. (Planning), Er. Haulimchoba Chang, presented the technical report and District Planning Officer, Peren, Danyi Domeh, delivered the vote of thanks.

FOOD PROCESSING INCUBATION CENTRE INAUGURATED AT TOLUVI, DIMAPUR

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the Incubation Centre for Food Processing at the State Industrial Area, Toluvi, Dimapur on June 8, 2026, during a programme organised by the Department of Industries & Commerce, Government of Nagaland. He also virtually inaugurated

three projects under the department on the occasion.

In his inaugural address, Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio stated that small-scale industries and food processing units were among the most viable avenues for industrial development in Nagaland. Referring to the

facilities inaugurated on the occasion, he said such initiatives would play a significant role in creating employment opportunities, encouraging entrepreneurship and reducing dependence on imported goods.

Dr. Rio stated that the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme, funded by the Government of India, was aimed at strengthening infrastructure and supporting economic development. He said the projects inaugurated under the scheme would empower local entrepreneurs, create market linkages and facilitate the processing of local produce into marketable products.

Emphasising the need for proper management of the facilities, he called for maintaining quality standards, ensuring regular upkeep of the units and utilising the infrastructure effectively for the benefit of farmers and producers. He added that reducing the role of intermediaries would help ensure that greater benefits reached farmers directly.

Dr. Rio called upon all stakeholders to work together and make optimal use of the state's resources by combining traditional wisdom with youthful energy. He stressed the need to focus on economic development at the individual, family and community levels and urged citizens to contribute towards the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 and the goal of a developed India.

During the programme, Dr. Rio virtually inaugurated the Incubation Centre for Entrepreneurs and Infrastructure Development at the Industrial Growth Centre, Ganeshnagar, Chumoukedima; the

Incubation Centre for Food Processing at Tuensang; and the Modern Aggregation Centre at Longnak, Mokokchung. These projects were constructed under SASCI V (2024-25) and PM Gati Shakti scheme.

Advisor for SCERT and Food Processing, Achumbemo Kikon, in his speech, commended the Department of Industries & Commerce for completing the expansion project. Highlighting the department's roadmap, Kikon outlined the "Six P's" vision for the Food Processing Department—Production, Processing, Preservation, Packaging, Pricing and Patenting. He said the department would pursue these priorities in a mission mode to strengthen the food processing ecosystem and enhance value addition across the state.

Sharing the department's vision, Advisor for Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu stated that the department envisions replicating the food processing model in all districts of the state, with each district developing facilities based on its unique resources, agricultural strengths and local produce.

She expressed confidence that with coordinated efforts from the government, farming communities, entrepreneurs and other stakeholders, the food processing sector could emerge as a key driver of economic development, employment generation and rural prosperity in the state.

Earlier, Secretary, Industries & Commerce, Kumar Ramnikant, IAS, delivered the welcome address, while the programme was chaired by Director of Industries & Commerce, P. Tokugha Sema.

RIO CALLS FOR UNITY, PROTECTION OF INDIGENOUS IDENTITY, AND ACCURATE CENSUS AT KOHIMA VILLAGE MULTIPURPOSE HALL INAUGURATION

Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio called for unity among Nagas, protection of indigenous identity, and collective responsibility in ensuring an accurate Census 2027 while inaugurating the Kohima Village Multipurpose Hall at Ziekezou, Kohima Village in Kohima on 26th June 2026.

Describing the occasion as “historic,” Rio said the newly inaugurated multipurpose hall was not only an asset for Kohima Village but a facility for all Naga communities and organisations to foster unity, goodwill, and brotherhood. He expressed happiness that the project was supported through funds from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, with additional assistance from the State Government, enabling the construction of a landmark building envisioned as a common platform for the people.

The Chief Minister praised Kohima Village for its inclusive nature, saying its welcoming attitude towards people from different backgrounds had contributed to its growth into what is regarded as the largest indigenous village in Asia.

Emphasising the importance of village councils, Rio said Nagaland was exempted from the 73rd Constitutional Amendment because of its traditional system of local governance. He explained that village councils function through consensus-based selection rather than electoral contests, preserving unity within villages and preventing divisions.

On the Registration of Indigenous Inhabitants of Nagaland (RIIN), Rio said the exercise was introduced to protect the rights

of indigenous Nagas after instances where indigenous certificates had allegedly been issued to non-Nagas. He clarified that while Indian citizens from other communities are free to reside and work in Nagaland, indigenous status is reserved for native Naga communities. He added that village councils remain the competent authority to certify indigenous inhabitants of their respective villages.

The Chief Minister also stressed the need to regulate the influx of migrant workers while simultaneously equipping local youth with skills to take up employment opportunities. He encouraged young people to avail themselves of government-supported skill development, entrepreneurship schemes, and financial assistance programmes, including collateral-free loans and interest subsidies.

Turning to Census 2027, Rio urged all sections of society, including village councils, churches, tribal hohos, urban local bodies, civil society organisations, and community leaders, to ensure that the upcoming census is conducted honestly and accurately.

Concluding his address, the Chief Minister thanked the Kohima Village Council for opening the multipurpose hall to all communities and organisations, saying the facility symbolises unity, cooperation, and the shared aspirations of the Naga people.

Host of the event, Advisor for School Education, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome highlighted Kohima Village’s historical significance and its contribution to the growth of Nagaland, while noting the socio-

economic pressures faced by the indigenous community due to rapid urbanisation. He said the newly inaugurated multipurpose building, constructed with government support, is meant to serve all Nagas and provide a venue for community gatherings, meetings and cultural programmes.

The programme was attended by Ministers, Advisors, MLAs, AHoDs, HoDs, tribal leaders and others.

Earlier, the programme commenced with the unfurling of the Kohima Village Council (KVC) flag by the Chief Guest, followed by an invocation offered by Rev. Dr. Ruokuovilie Sachü, Senior Pastor, KBK.

Dr. Rio also unveiled the commemorative monolith marking the inauguration of the building.

Chairman of the Kohima Village Council, Helievi-o Solo, delivered the welcome address, while Medophrenuo Yiese presented a special number “Kewhizou”. A report on the construction of the Kohima Village Multipurpose Building was also presented during the programme.

The programme also featured a folk song by Lidi Kro-u. Words of gratitude were delivered by K. Neibou Sekhose, Convenor of the Organising Committee.

INAUGURAL PROGRAMME OF SINGLE CEMENT PAVEMENT ON L. PANGERSOWA ROAD UNDER CHANGTONGYA TOWN

A single cement pavement road on L. Pangersowa road under Changtongya town from Longchara junction to R.C Chiten jamir Memorial GHS was inaugurated by MLA, Nuklutoshi on 27th June 2026.

Inaugurating the pavement road at a short program at R.C Chiten Jamir Memorial School’s Auditorium, Nuklutoshi said a significant milestone has been achieved with the inauguration of the L. Pangersowa Road pavement project, enhancing connectivity and development. The MLA highlighted the importance of the connectivity of the road which was felt by the citizens of the town

and thanked the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio. He said Roads are vital for economic growth, social development, connectivity, and overall improvement in the quality of life of its citizens as they serve as the backbone of a country’s transportation system and infrastructure development.

SDO (C) Changtongya, Sangpangchang Longkumer in his short speech thanked MLA Nuklutoshi for the development of the road which was one of the important connectivity within Changtongya town and hope that it will ease in solving the needs of the community of the town.





Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio inaugurating the Incubation Centre for Food Processing at the State Industrial Area, Toluvi, Dimapur on 8th June 2026.



EAC Longleng, Er. Vinoh Swu (Left) and EAC Noklak, Yantsuthong Lotha (Right) administering the First Polio drops to a child during the National Immunization Day observed at Longleng and Noklak respectively on 28th June 2026.



ADGP (Adm), Renchamo P. Kikon, IPS, flagging off the Awareness Run Against Drugs, in observance of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking at High School Junction, Kohima on 26th June 2026.



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STATE ROUND-UP



Governor, Nand Kishore Yadav, with MLA, Kevipodi Sophie, DC Kohima, B. Henok Buchem and other officials, during the early observance of World Blood Donor Day 2026 held at Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 12th June 2026.



CEO, NHA, Dr. Sunil Kumar Barnwal along with DC Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, Principal Director DoHFW, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, State Health officials and participants during the launching of State Model District- Dimapur under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) at Zone Niathu by The Park, Chumoukedima, on 18th June, 2026.

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY



Home Commissioner, Abhijit Sinha along with other officials visiting the plants and saplings distribution stall during World Environment Day 2026 observed at the NSSA park, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima on 5th June 2026.



ADC Pfutero, Mhalo Humtsoe and Executive Officer of Pfutero Town Council along with other officials during the World Environment Day observed at Pfutero, Phek on 5th June 2026.



Government employees, with Town Council Members and citizens of Aghunato taking part in the mass social work held at Aghunato Town on 5th June 2026.



78 Battalion, CRPF, Zubza participating during Cleanliness Drive carried out along National Highway-29 (NH-29) in the Zubza area, Kohima on 5th June 2026.

DISTRICT ROUND-UP



DC Niuland, T.L Kiusumong Tikhir along with other officials and trainees during the self-defence training culmination programme at the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Stadium, Niuland, on 10th June 2026.



Job seekers registering and interacting with recruiters during the Mega Job Fair organised at the District Employment Exchange, Purana Bazar, Dimapur on 19th June 2026.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES



Minister, PHED & Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi along with DC Niuland, T. L. Kiusumong Tikhir and other officials during the unveiling of plaque of PM SHRI Government High School, Pihekhu at Aghunaqa Area Niuland on 5th June, 2026.



Dy. Chief Minister, Planning & Transformation and National Highways, T.R. Zeliang inaugurating the newly constructed Office Building of the District Planning Office, Peren on 8th June 2026.