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Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, flagging off tractors and Tata Mobiles distributed to beneficiaries under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund at Agri Expo, Chümoukedima on 4th July 2026.



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio inaugurated 16 sports infrastructure projects through Video Conference in the presence of Union Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya at the CM's Residential Complex, Kohima on 3rd July 2026.



Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Nityanand Rai along with officials and representatives from civil societies on his arrivals at Mokokchung on 5th July 2026.



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OFFICIAL ORDERS *and* NOTIFICATIONS

NAGALAND NOTIFIES REVISED CHIEF MINISTER'S LIFE INSURANCE SCHEME FOR 2026-27

The Finance Department has notified a revised framework for the Chief Minister's Life Insurance Scheme (CMLIS) for the financial year 2026-27. The notification, issued from Kohima on June 30, aims to extend life insurance cover to eligible household breadwinners across the state, along with accidental insurance protection for breadwinners and up to three family members.

Under the revised scheme, every insured breadwinner will receive life insurance coverage of Rs 2 lakh in the event of death due to any cause, provided entirely free of cost. An additional accidental insurance cover of Rs 2 lakh each has also been extended to the breadwinner and three eligible family members, covering accidental death and total disability, with the premium fully borne by the government. Cases of accidental dismemberment and paralysis will be covered up to Rs 2 lakh, while partial disability claims will be eligible for coverage up to Rs 1 lakh. The age criteria broadly follow the norms of the Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, setting the eligible age at 18 to 50 years for life insurance and 18 to 70 years for accidental insurance, though the upper age limit for life insurance has been relaxed for serving government employees not covered under the State Government Salary Package.

The scheme extends to the major breadwinners of households or families who are indigenous inhabitants or permanent residents of Nagaland and hold a valid Indigenous Inhabitant Certificate or Permanent Residential Certificate.

Dependents of eligible breadwinners may also be brought under coverage as per operational guidelines, and accredited journalists working within the state have been made eligible subject to portal validation. Government employees posted outside Nagaland in official state establishments, along with work-charged, casual and contractual employees not covered under the State Government Salary Package, will also fall within the scheme's ambit. Regular government employees already covered under the Salary Package remain excluded, as do beneficiaries found to have submitted false declarations or forged documents, or those who bypass the prescribed verification process.

Registration and validation will be carried out entirely through the official CMLIS digital portal, incorporating Aadhaar-based authentication and mobile OTP verification, with beneficiary validation subject to online approval by designated authorities. The portal will maintain complete audit trails and digital approval records, with the Finance Department serving as the final accepting authority. For the purpose of the scheme, a household has been defined as a family unit living together and sharing a common kitchen, subject to the fulfilment of prescribed criteria. Registration and validation under the Scheme shall be carried out through the official CMLIS portal: <https://cmlis.nagaland.gov.in>

On the matter of claims, the notification specifies that accidental insurance claims will generally require a post-mortem report, though an inquiry report issued by a competent Executive Magistrate or

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Administrative Officer may be accepted where a post-mortem is not feasible for genuine reasons. The District Administration has been tasked with facilitating verification and claims processing in such exceptional cases. The notification further warns that any individual or official found involved in fraudulent activity at any stage of

registration, validation or claims processing will be held liable and prosecuted under relevant provisions of law.

Detailed operational guidelines covering registration, portal validation, enrolment and the broader implementation architecture will be issued separately by the Finance Department in due course.

NAGALAND CONSTITUTES THREE-TIER COMMITTEES FOR DRUG DEMAND REDUCTION

In pursuance of the directives of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, the Government of Nagaland has constituted the State Level Steering and Monitoring Committee, District Level Drug Demand Reduction Committee and Block Level Drug Demand Reduction Committee for effective implementation of the National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction (NAPDDR) and Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan (NMBA) in the State.

According to a notification issued by the Social Welfare Department, the committees have been constituted to strengthen coordination, monitoring and implementation of drug demand reduction initiatives at the State, district and block levels.

State Level Steering and Monitoring Committee

1	Chief Secretary	Chairperson
2	Home Commissioner	Member
3	Commissioner & Secretary, H&FW	Member
4	Commissioner & Secretary, Rural Development	Member
5	Secretary, Higher & Technical Education	Member
6	Secretary, Information & Public Relations	Member
7	Secretary, Youth Resources & Sports	Member
8	Commissioner & Secretary, Urban Development and Municipal Affairs	Member
9	Commissioner & Secretary, School Education and SCERT	Member
10	Commissioner & Secretary, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	Member
11	Secretary, Women Resource Development	Member
NGOs working in the field of drugs		
12	1. Ark Foundation 2. Youth Mission 3. Kripa Foundation	Member
13	Director, Social Welfare	Member
14	Secretary Social Welfare	Member Secretary

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District Level Drug Demand Reduction Committee

1	Deputy Commissioner	Chairperson
2	Superintendent of Police	Member
3	District Legal Services Authority	Member
4	Medical Superintendent	Member
5	District Education Officer	Representing Higher and School Education
6	CPDO	Member
7	NGOs	2 NGOs in the field of drugs nominated by DC
8	District Welfare Officer	Member Secretary

Block Level Drug Demand Reduction Committee

1	Block Development Officer	Chairperson
2	Head Master/Teachers of Govt. Primary School	Representing School Education
3	Self Help Groups	2 SHGs nominated by BDO
4	ASHA Worker	Member
5	Anganwadi Worker	Member
6	Youth Groups/Local leaders	2 members nominated by BDO
7	CDPO	Member Secretary

The notification stated that the committees will oversee planning, coordination, monitoring, awareness generation, rehabilitation support, community-based interventions etc., under NAPDDR and NMBA, with the State Level Committee meeting quarterly and the District and Block Level Committees meeting monthly.

DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL WELFARE INVITES ONLINE APPLICATION OF SCHOLARSHIP FOR PwD

The Directorate of Social Welfare has informed that online application of Scholarship for Persons with Disabilities (State Scheme) from class I to class VIII for the academic session 2026 will be open from 1st August 2026 for fresh applicants and renewal in the Common Scholarship Portal of Nagaland. Eligibility Criteria and guidelines of the Scheme are available in the website <https://scholarship.nagaland.gov.in> .

Last date for submission of application will be 30th November 2026.



NU SCHOLAR REPRESENTS INDIA AT UN INDIGENOUS YOUTH CONFERENCE IN NEPAL

Nagaland University Research Scholar, Repakaba Tzudir from the Department of Sociology, Lumami has represented the university at the United Nations World Indigenous Youth Conference 2026 held in Kathmandu, Nepal 13th -14th June, 2026.

The conference was co-organized by the Youth Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (YFIN), Nepal and the National Youth Council (NYC), Nepal under the theme, “Our Roots, Our Rights, Our Leadership: Collective Indigenous Movement for Self-Determination” bringing together nearly 150 Indigenous youth leaders, activists,

academics and community representatives from across Asia.

Tzudir was a panel speaker at “Indigenous Youth Movement in Asia,” where he highlighted challenges faced by Naga youth, particularly unemployment and socio-economic concerns. He also shared the importance of preserving Indigenous identity, lands and cultures while creating opportunities for young people.

The conference provided a platform for dialogue, knowledge exchange and building solidarity among Indigenous youth across Asia.

GRAND HOMECOMING AND RECEPTION HELD FOR PADMA SHRI AWARDEE GURU SANGYUSANG PONGENER AT UNGMA

A grand homecoming and reception programme honoring Padma Shri awardee Guru Sangyusang Pongener was held on 30th June at Soyim Aonglenden, Ungma. The event was a testament to the village’s deep pride in Guru Pongener, who was conferred the Padma Shri in the ‘Unsung Heroes’ category for his lifelong dedication to preserving and promoting Ao-Naga folk arts, music, and traditions.

In his address, Guru Sangyusang Pongener expressed gratitude to the President, Prime Minister, governments, community leaders and the people of Ungma and the Ao community for their continued support. Reflecting on his journey, he said his passion for folk culture was nurtured by his parents and grandparents from an early

age. He stressed that cultural heritage must not only be preserved but also practised and shared, which led him to co-found Naga Wadir to promote Ao-Naga traditions across India.

Deputy Commissioner of Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS, described the occasion as a historic moment and praised Guru Pongener for documenting and revitalising Ao folk traditions, songs, dances and oral history. He urged the youth to draw inspiration from such cultural custodians and contribute to nation-building.

The programme also featured messages from the Ungma Council, Department of Art and Culture, Ao Senden, Naga Wadir and Pongen Kidong, reflecting the community’s pride in the Padma Shri awardee.

ENTREPRENEUR AWARD 2025 HONOURS 8 ENTREPRENEURS FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS

The Department of Industries & Commerce, Nagaland organized the Entrepreneur Award 2025 Ceremony at its Conference Hall in Kohima on 1st July, 2026 to recognize and honour entrepreneurs for their outstanding achievements and contributions to entrepreneurship development in the state.

Director of Industries & Commerce, P. Tokugha Sema, congratulating the awardees, described them as genuine entrepreneurs whose achievements were the result of hard work, dedication and perseverance. He said entrepreneurship is a long and challenging journey that requires passion and commitment, noting that success cannot be achieved or sustained without these qualities. He further stressed that commitment is one of the most important factors in attaining long-term growth and success.

Hekani Jakhalu commended the awardees for their contribution to Nagaland's economy through job creation and enterprise development. Highlighting the department's efforts under the RAMP (Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance) programme, Jakhalu said extensive outreach activities, including village-level workshops, have been conducted to promote entrepreneurship across the state. She informed that 750 MSMEs have been identified for a six-month mentoring programme aimed at helping them scale up and become leading representatives

of Nagaland's entrepreneurial sector, particularly under the Naturally Nagaland initiative, which focuses on promoting Made-in-Nagaland products.

She also acknowledged the support of Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio for initiatives aimed at strengthening MSMEs and local businesses, and said entrepreneurs would play a vital role in shaping the future economic development of the state.

The awardees recognised for their outstanding contributions in various sectors were Pisala Sangtam, founder of Forever Handmade 21, Kiphire; S. Khumo, proprietor of Art & Craft Unit, Noklak; Liyingbeni Odyuo, founder of Liying Clothing, Dimapur; Vitoli Achumi, proprietor of Aasuto Enterprise, Dimapur; Imtisunup Longchar, founder of Ilandlo Services, Dimapur; Ajung Yaden and Atem Longkumer, founders of TRIBOLT, Dimapur; Supongtola Aier, proprietor of Zonee Food Products, Dimapur; and Alem Konyak, founder of Beads Jewellery, Mon Town.

Delivering the closing remarks, Joint Director K. Francis Hekavi said that the programme marked the beginning of a larger journey and not the final destination. He urged the entrepreneurs to keep the entrepreneurial spark alive, support local businesses, and become torchbearers for economic growth and enterprise development in the state.

CENSUS 2027 HOUSE LISTING OPERATIONS UNDERWAY IN THE STATE

The first phase of Census 2027 House Listing and Housing Census has commenced

across Nagaland, from 1st July with census functionaries undertaking door-to-door data

collection, field inspections and awareness activities in all the districts.

KOHIMA

As part of the ongoing House Listing Operations (HLO), the official residence of the Chief Minister of Nagaland at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex, Kohima, was covered under the house listing exercise on 2nd July, 2026.

This was led by DC & Principal Census Officer, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS in the presence of Director of Census Operations, Nagaland, Dr. Keneilhoutuolie Miachieo, IFS, Charge Officer, Kohima Sadar Rural, Seyiekhrietuo Solo, NCS and other Census officials.

While on 3rd July, 2026, the official residence of the Chief Secretary of Nagaland, Sentiyaner Imchen, IAS, was also successfully house listed in the presence of the Deputy Commissioner & Principal Census Officer, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS and other Census officials.

The district administration also undertook several field inspections to monitor the House Listing exercise.

DC Kohima, B. Henok Buchem visited various areas including **Viswema**, **Chiephobozou**, **Chiechama**, **Meriema**, **Mezoma** and **Sechüma**, interacting with census teams and community leaders and stressing accuracy and adherence to guidelines.

In Jakhama, around 90 percent of the House Listing work had been completed by July 24. A census enumerator was also felicitated for completing field visits ahead of others in one enumeration block.

NOKLAK

House Listing operations commenced on 1st July, 2026 with 160 census functionaries, including Charge Officers, Supervisors and

Enumerators. The exercise was conducted across the district till 31st July, with the district administration appealing to the public to extend full cooperation for accurate data collection.

BHANDARI

The House Listing operation began on 1st July across Bhandari Sub-Division. Enumerators are conducting door-to-door visits to collect details relating to housing conditions, household amenities and assets.

AGHUNATO

A consultative meeting with census officials, town councillors, ward GBs, supervisors, enumerators and community leaders was held on 4th July, 2026.

Imkong, Dy Director Census & Team Leader, and EAC Aghunato highlighted the importance of authentic data collection.

CHUMOUKEDIMA

An awareness campaign on House Listing and Housing Census was held DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima on 8th July, highlighting the role of Urban Local Bodies and field personnel.

ADC Lemlila Sangtam (NCS), EAC Er. Khriengunuo Theunuo (NCS) addressed the programme.

PHEK

Census Director Dr. Keneilhoutuolie Miachieo, IFS, visited the district on 8th July to review the ongoing House Listing operation. He interacted with census officials, supervisors and enumerators and stressed accuracy, completeness and adherence to prescribed guidelines.

MELURI

Director of Census Operations, Nagaland, Dr. Kenei Miachieo, visited Meluri on July 8, 2026 to review the ongoing House Listing exercise of Census 2027. A

review meeting was held with the Deputy Commissioner, Charge Officers, and Liaison Officer Census, associated with the Census Operations in attendance at the Residential Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Meluri, Phuleshe K. Yepthomi.

DIMAPUR

A consultative meeting on the Census exercise for East Dimapur Town was held at DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur on 9th July,

where councillors and Gaon Buras were urged to support enumerators and sensitise residents on providing accurate information during the House Listing operation.

NIULAND

A consultative and awareness meeting was held DC's Conference Hall, Niuland on 9th July, 2026. DC Niuland, T L Kiusumong Tikhir, Deputy Director, Census Department, Vikishe Chishi, addressed the meeting.

ECI LAUNCHES ECINET

The Election Commission of India (ECI) has launched ECINET, a comprehensive digital platform that brings a wide range of electoral services to citizens through a single, user-friendly interface. The platform is accessible through the ECINET web portal and the ECINET mobile application, available for both Android and iOS devices.

ECINET enables electors to conveniently access electoral services, including online voter registration, correction of electoral roll entries, shifting of residence, replacement of EPIC and registration of overseas electors. Citizens can track the status of applications, search their electoral details, download e-EPICs and obtain contact details of electoral officers.

As part of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process, electors can conveniently fill and submit their Enumeration Forms online. The platform also provides a facility for citizens to check whether their names

are included in the electoral roll of the last Special Intensive Revision.

To strengthen citizen engagement and facilitate timely assistance, ECINET offers a "Book a Call with BLO" feature, enabling electors to directly connect with their respective Booth Level Officers (BLOs) for guidance and clarification on electoral matters.

The platform further empowers citizens by providing an online mechanism to submit appeals against decisions of the Electoral Registration Officer, wherever applicable.

In addition, ECINET is integrated with the National Grievance Redressal System, allowing citizens to lodge complaints, submit suggestions and track their grievances online.

By integrating multiple electoral services into a single digital ecosystem, ECINET significantly enhances the ease of access to electoral services while promoting efficiency, transparency and citizen participation.

NAGALAND MARKS COOPS DAY, FIVE YEARS OF MINISTRY OF COOPERATION

The Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav, graced the Celebration of COOPS Day & Cooperative Week (Commemorating Five years of Ministry of

Cooperation) at Lok Bhavan, Kohima on 3rd July 2026.

Speaking as the Special Guest, the Governor said the cooperative movement

embodies the spirit of self-help, mutual support and collective action, and has played a transformative role in promoting inclusive growth and empowering communities across the country.

The Governor said the occasion was significant as it marked the International Day of Cooperatives 2026 while also commemorating five years of the Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India. He noted that under the vision of “Sahakar Se Samridhi” (Prosperity through Cooperation), the Ministry has undertaken major initiatives including White Revolution 2.0, strengthening cooperative banking, promotion of the Blue Economy and investments in cooperative education and leadership development, thereby positioning cooperatives as key drivers of an Atmanirbhar Bharat.

Highlighting Nagaland’s potential, the Governor said the State has immense opportunities in dairy, fisheries, piggyery, handloom and handicrafts, and organic agriculture. He underscored the important role of institutions such as the Nagaland State Cooperative Bank, the State Dairy Cooperative Federation and other cooperative federations in strengthening value chains and expanding market access for farmers and producers. He also called for a technology-driven, youth- and women-inclusive cooperative sector, backed by skill development and professional management, to build a prosperous and self-reliant Nagaland.

Delivering his address, Minister for Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) & Cooperation, Jacob Zhimomi, said that the cooperative sector would play a pivotal role in the State’s economic development. He highlighted the State’s

dynamic approach towards promoting digital transactions to ensure transparency and accountability in the cooperative movement. He said with the guidance of the Centre and the cooperation of the State Government, Nagaland is committed to taking the cooperative movement forward.

To commemorate the occasion, the State Government is organising awareness programmes, cleanliness drives, plantation drives, and activities in schools and colleges to instil cooperative values among the younger generation, he said. He added that efforts are also underway to engage experts and professionals in developing market-oriented cooperative models.

Secretary for Cooperation, Orenthung Lotha, in his keynote address, said that the cooperative movement in Nagaland is at a crucial stage, requiring innovation, institutional strengthening and renewed collaboration. He highlighted that 231 PACS have been computerised, improving transparency, efficiency and member services.

He stressed the need to revive dormant cooperatives by strengthening their capacities, addressing inactivity and aligning their activities with local resources, community needs and market demand. He also emphasised that a State Cooperative Policy would provide a clear roadmap for effective and inclusive cooperative development.

Earlier, the Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav, virtually inaugurated four Model Cooperative Society Offices, Thenumia Kehou Multipurpose PACS Ltd., Vidima Village, Chümoukedima, Shurho Multipurpose PACS Ltd., Kigwema Village, Kohima, Chedema Multipurpose PACS Ltd., Chedema Village, Kohima and Punglwa

B Village Women Livelihood & Credit Cooperative Society Ltd., Punglwa B Village, Peren.

RCS Nagaland, Bendang Longkumer delivered the welcome address, a short video presentation highlighting the achievements of the Department of Cooperation over the

past five years was screened, showcasing various initiatives undertaken to promote and strengthen cooperative institutions across Nagaland.

The programme also featured experience sharing sessions by successful rural cooperative members.

WOMEN-LED RURAL ENTERPRISES FOR A CLIMATE-SMART NAGALAND HELD IN KOHIMA

A one-day programme on “Women-Led Rural Enterprises for a Climate-Smart Nagaland” was held at the NBCC Convention Centre, Kohima, on 3rd July, 2026. The event was organised by the SELCO Foundation in collaboration with the Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission (NSRLM) to promote climate-smart and energy-efficient technologies among Self-Help Group (SHG) members and rural entrepreneurs across the state.

Speaking at the mela, Chief Secretary of Nagaland Sentiyanger Imchen, IAS, highlighted the contribution of women to

Nagaland’s rural economy and noted that the Nagaland State Rural Livelihoods Mission (NSRLM) has mobilised over 1.17 lakh rural households into 15,445 Self-Help Groups across 1,231 villages in all 17 districts.

He pointed out challenges faced by women entrepreneurs in accessing technology, finance and markets, while also stressing the growing impact of climate change on agriculture. He called for greater adoption of renewable energy and climate-smart technologies.

Imchen said the partnership between NSRLM, SELCO Foundation and financial institutions would promote solar-powered equipment such as dryers, grinders and cold-storage units, helping SHGs reduce post-harvest losses, improve product quality and create local employment. He urged women entrepreneurs to make full use of available financial and technological opportunities to strengthen their livelihoods.

Joint Secretary RD & Mission Director (NSRLM), Moa Sangtam, in his welcome address, assured the participants of NSRLM’s commitment to continuous improvement and encouraged SHG members to explore the machinery on display and provide feedback to help strengthen future support.

Delivering the context-setting presentation on “Clean Energy for Rural Livelihoods,” Huda Jaffer of SELCO



Chief Secretary, Sentiyanger Imchen, IAS, inaugurating the Women-Led Rural Enterprises for a Climate-Smart Nagaland demonstration fair held at NBCC Convention Centre, Kohima on 3rd July 2026.

Foundation highlighted Nagaland's potential for innovation and entrepreneurship in promoting clean energy for rural livelihoods. She stressed the importance of trusted partnerships, locally driven solutions and need-based support tailored to community needs. She called for future-ready interventions that can address livelihood challenges and create sustainable rural livelihoods.

The event featured 19 exhibition stalls showcasing climate-smart technologies, financial solutions and SHG products.

The Technology Mela included live demonstrations, orientation sessions and financing discussions, while bringing together entrepreneurs, vendors, financial institutions and community institutions to promote partnerships, market linkages and stronger women-led rural livelihoods.

A panel discussion on "Voices from the Field – Inspiring Stories of Women Entrepreneurs in Self-Help Groups" was also held, featuring women entrepreneurs who shared their experiences and entrepreneurial journeys.

NITYANAND RAI EMPHASISES INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURAL GROWTH DURING MOKOKCHUNG VISIT

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Nityanand Rai, concluded a two-day visit to Mokokchung district from 5th to 6th July 2026, during which he reviewed key development, agricultural and cultural initiatives.

During his visit to Ungma village, Rai highlighted India's rich cultural diversity and appreciated efforts to preserve the traditional heritage of the Ao community. Acknowledging Padma Shri awardee Guru Sangyusang Pongener, he lauded his contribution to the preservation and promotion of traditional art and culture. Rai also inspected the library-cum-museum at Ungma, commending the village for showcasing its historical and cultural heritage.

The Minister further visited the ongoing Imkongliba Memorial District Hospital building, being constructed under the Purvotta Sampark Setu programme of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER).

On 6th July, Rai chaired a review meeting with Heads of Departments and district-level officers at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall. He stressed the effective

implementation of centrally sponsored schemes, calling for clear priorities, well-defined action plans, transparency, accountability and timely execution to ensure benefits reach the people.

Highlighting Nagaland's agricultural potential, Rai noted the State's favourable natural resources and climatic conditions for organic farming. He called for optimum and systematic utilisation of available resources to promote sustainable agriculture and improve livelihoods.

During the meeting, officials presented updates on centrally sponsored schemes in Mokokchung, including their progress, achievements and challenges. Rai reiterated the Government's commitment to inclusive growth, equitable development and the vision of Viksit Bharat, while urging officials and communities to work together for the overall development of the district.

Earlier, Dr. Madhavi R. IAS (P) Additional Commissioner Mokokchung, delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the district profile and key development indicators.

WORKSHOP ON PREVENTION, PROHIBITION AND REDRESSAL OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT OF WOMEN AT WORKPLACE HELD AT ATI

The Administrative Training Institute in collaboration with the Department of Personnel & Administrative Reforms conducted a two days Workshop on 'Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace' from 7th-8th July, 2026. The two days workshop was attended by officials from the District Administrations and various government departments.

During an interactive session with V Shashank Shekhar, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary & Director General ATI, participants presented views on their experiences and perspectives on workplace safety/PoSH in their respective workplaces and also in the whole social context.

Participants identified fear of stigmatization and retribution as some of the challenges in reporting cases of inappropriate behaviours in the workplace. They also highlighted that a lack of awareness about what constitutes a sexual harassment has contributed to normalization of inappropriate verbal remarks in the form of humours with sexual inundations.

The participants emphasized the need to create a safe workplace through increased awareness of the PoSH Act, strengthening the role of ICCs (Internal Complaints Committee) and LCs (Local Committee) and promoting a culture of respect and accountability. The important role of churches and civil societies in fostering awareness and encouraging respectful workplace behaviour was also highlighted.

The participants also expressed that wrongdoers should be punished. The important role of families in inculcating moral and ethical values at a young age was also discussed. The ACS and DG, ATI, expressed thanks to all participants for their active participation in the discussion and for their insightful comments. He also shared an old adage that pointing out unrighteousness is also righteousness.

The program was also attended by Bendanglila, Additional Director, ATI, Kaholi Sema, Joint Director, ATI and coordinator for the workshop and other officers and staff of ATI.

56 CMMSF MERITORIOUS STUDENTS FELICITATED

The School Education Department felicitated 56 meritorious students belonging to indigenous Scheduled Tribes of Nagaland, under the Chief Minister's Meritorious Students Fellowship (CMMSF) for their outstanding performance in the HSLC Examination 2026 at a programme held in Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 9th July 2026.

Advisor for School Education Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome congratulated the students and urged them to remain humble, remember their roots and contribute positively to society. He highlighted that 43 of the 56 achievers were girls, reflecting the growing academic success of female students in the State.

NBSE Chairperson Rangumbuing

Nsarangbe in his welcome address, said that the CMMSF promotes academic excellence by providing meritorious students with certificates and financial assistance for five years, while also acknowledging the

important support of parents and families.

The programme featured remarks from student achievers, followed by the presentation of awards and certificates to all 56 students.

REVIEW MEETING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SASCI 2026-27 HELD IN CHUMOUKEDIMA

A review meeting on the implementation of the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) 2026-27 under Livestock Sector Reforms in Nagaland was held at Zone Niathu, Chümoukedima, on July 11, 2026. The programme was organised by the Animal Husbandry Statistics Division, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, in collaboration with the Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Nagaland.

Delivering the welcome address, Director, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services, Nagaland, Dr. Kuokehebi Gwirie, described SASCI as a well-designed and performance-based initiative with clearly defined parameters and timelines that would bring greater transparency and accountability in implementation.

In his inaugural address, Adviser (STATS/NDLM/SASCI), Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, Jagat Hazarika, informed that recognising the growing contribution of the livestock sector to the economy, the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India, had allocated Rs. 3,000 crores under SASCI 2026-27 for all States. Hazarika said the scheme provides performance-based incentives to States that meet the prescribed qualifying and performance criteria. He explained that the assistance was linked



Adviser, Jagat Hazarika, addressing officials during the review meeting on implementation of SASCI 2026-27 under Livestock Sector Reforms in Nagaland at Zone Niathu, Chumoukedima, on 11th July 2026.

to capital investment, including long-term loans and eligible capital expenditure, and encouraged participants to openly discuss issues specific to the State so that practical solutions could be worked out.

Secretary Angelina Tajen, IAS, highlighted the importance of the livestock sector to Nagaland's economy and reaffirmed the department's commitment to effective implementation of SASCI and NDLM. She noted that 10 Joint Directors have been assigned to oversee 17 districts and stressed mission-mode coordination to meet programme timelines.

She also urged expanded support for the piggery sector, promotion of indigenous breeds such as Nagal and Tenyivo, and a review of biosecurity, restocking and

compensation measures under ASCAD due to recurring African Swine Fever.

The programme also featured technical presentations on SASCI and the National Digital Livestock Mission (NDLM) by Sunil Kumar, Senior Statistical Officer (AHS Division), DAHD, Government of India, and Dr. Chubasangla, Joint Director and State Nodal Officer (NDLM), Animal Husbandry

and Veterinary Services, Nagaland.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by R.P.S. Rathore, Additional Statistical Adviser, DAHD, Government of India.

Following the meeting, the visiting officials inspected two dairy farms, one at Ura Village and another at Ward-10, Chümoukedima.

PIB KOHIMA CONVENES 2nd INTER MEDIA PUBLICITY COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING



Dr. Engam Pame, Add. Director General, PIB, Regional Office, Imphal and other officials during the 2nd Inter Media Publicity Coordination Committee meeting held at Akashvani, Kohima on 13th July 2026.

Press Information Bureau (PIB), Kohima organised the 2nd Inter Media Publicity Coordination Committee (IMPCC) meeting at Akashvani, Kohima on 13th July 2026, under the chairmanship of Dr. Engam Pame, Additional Director General, PIB, Regional Office, Imphal.

The meeting was attended by representatives from the Department of Information & Public Relations (IPR), Akashvani Kohima, Doordarshan Kendra Kohima, Central Bureau of Communication (CBC), Defence PRO.

Welcoming the members, Dr. Pame described the IMPCC as an important platform to foster synergy, cooperation and better communication among media units of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, State Government departments, Central Government offices and public sector undertakings. He said the committee provides an opportunity for stakeholders to share ideas, exchange experiences, discuss communication challenges and collectively work towards improving public outreach.

He said that as government

communicators, all members have an equal responsibility in supporting the Government of India's vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, under which India aims to become a developed nation by the time it celebrates 100 years of Independence. He urged all departments to work together so that government initiatives and developmental activities reach the people effectively.

Dr. Pame stressed that the work carried out by various departments often remains unnoticed because it is not adequately documented and publicised. He urged member departments to actively share their activities through the IMPCC, noting that the reports submitted by the committee are consolidated and forwarded to the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting before being shared with the concerned Ministries.

Calling for closer collaboration among PIB, CBC, Akashvani, Doordarshan and other

stakeholder departments, Dr. Pame said regular interaction beyond formal meetings would strengthen coordination and improve the overall effectiveness of government communication. He also suggested aligning communication efforts with important national themes, flagship programmes and significant events observed each month.

The meeting reviewed the publicity and outreach activities undertaken by member departments during June and discussed communication plans for the coming month. Members also deliberated on strengthening coordination and improving the timely submission of reports.

The committee decided that the IMPCC meeting in Kohima will henceforth be held on the first Friday of every month to facilitate regular interaction, better coordination and timely submission of monthly reports to the Ministry.

GST DEPARTMENT CONDUCTS FIELD INSPECTION TO STRENGTHEN TAX COMPLIANCE IN DIMAPUR

The State Taxes Department, Dimapur Unit, carried out a field inspection from 13th -14th July 2026, across various business establishments in Dimapur district as part of its ongoing efforts to strengthen Goods and Services Tax (GST) compliance, promote awareness among traders and vendors, and verify business activities at the ground level.

The inspection was conducted by a team of officers led by the Deputy Commissioner of State Taxes, following an authorization issued by the Office of the Commissioner of State Taxes, Nagaland, under Section 67 of the Nagaland Goods and Services Tax (NGST) Act, 2017.

During the inspection, the officials verified the issuance of GST bills and invoices

by registered vendors, conducted stock verification, reviewed business activities, and examined GST registration details to ensure compliance with the provisions of the NGST Act. The team also interacted with business owners to clarify GST-related queries and encouraged voluntary tax compliance.

As part of the awareness drive, officers educated traders and consumers on the importance of issuing and obtaining proper GST invoices, emphasizing that GST bills help ensure transparency, curb tax evasion, and contribute to the State's development.

According to the Department, while a majority of the registered taxpayers inspected were found to be complying with GST provisions, certain discrepancies were



Inspection team headed by Deputy Commissioner of State Taxes, Chievitshu Nyuthe, during a field inspection at a business establishment in Dimapur on 13-14th July, 2026.

detected in some establishments. These cases will be examined further in accordance with the provisions of the NGST Act, 2017.

The State Taxes Department has appealed to all business establishments to issue GST invoices for every taxable supply and maintain proper books of accounts. It

also urged consumers to insist on GST bills for every purchase.

The Department reiterated that such field inspections and awareness drives will continue regularly to promote a fair, transparent, and compliant tax environment across Nagaland.

WORLD YOUTH SKILLS DAY 2026 OBSERVED: NSEDM, IDAN LAUNCHES JAPANESE LANGUAGE CENTRE

The Nagaland Skill & Entrepreneurship Development Mission (NSEDM), IDAN launched the NSEDM, IDAN Japanese Language Centre during the observance of World Youth Skills Day 2026, held at the Capital Convention Centre, Kohima on 15th July 2026, reaffirming its commitment to equipping the youth of Nagaland with market-driven skills and enhancing their global employability.

Speaking on the occasion, Advisor for Higher Education and Technical Education, Temjenmenba, urged the youths to embrace skill development and entrepreneurship to remain competitive in a rapidly changing global economy. He also emphasised the importance of acquiring practical skills and

adapting to emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence and machine learning to remain globally competitive.

The Advisor said the newly launched Language Centre would enhance the global employability of Naga youth by opening up overseas employment opportunities, and called for greater collaboration among all stakeholders to create more livelihood opportunities through skill development.

Sharing the vision of NSEDM, Additional Secretary and Project Manager, NSEDM, IDAN, Vineet Kumar, IAS, said skilling and entrepreneurship would play a crucial role in shaping the future of Nagaland. He informed that NSEDM, established in October 2025, has so far trained over 3,500 youth, while

around 800 trainees are currently undergoing various skill development programmes. He added that more than 1,000 beneficiaries have either secured employment or become self-employed through the Mission's interventions.

He congratulated the 15 youth achievers felicitated during the programme and said they would serve as role models for other young people to pursue skill development

and entrepreneurship. Reaffirming NSEDM's commitment, he assured that the Mission would continue expanding its programmes with the support of training partners and stakeholders.

The programme concluded with a closing remark by Under Secretary and Project Lead, Nagaland Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Mission (NSEDM), IDAN, Meripeni.

TRAINING ON PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEOGRAPHY AND DRONE MAPPING HELD AT WRD

A two-day Capacity Building Training programme on Photography, videography and drone mapping for officers of Water Resources Department (WRD) was held at the conference hall of the Chief Engineer, WRD, Kohima from 16th - 17th July 2026.

Executive Engineer, WRD, Er. Wapangnaro Imchen, in her keynote address highlighted the importance of GIS Mapping and pointed out that every DPR require a GIS Map, without which the DPRs are always rejected. He urged the trainees to give importance to drone mapping because most of the department's projects are undertaken in heavy terrain that are difficult to access by foot.

Imchen, also called upon the trainees to take the two-day training very seriously so that the knowledge gained is implement and put into practice in their respective divisions with proper recommendation in photography, videography and drone

mapping.

Er. Mulukphoto Khama, JE, who chaired the programme said training on photography, videography, and drone mapping have become indispensable tools for effect project, documentation, monitoring, and evaluation enabling us to present accurate visual records of field activities, improve the quality of reports and address audit observations with credible evidence. He hoped that the knowledge and practical skills gained through this program will greatly enhance the efficiency and professionalism in carrying out their responsibilities.

Information Assistant, Morotsu Longchar, DIPR; Assistant Photographer, Viketso Meyase, DIPR; Er. C. Yamukam Yimchunger, J.E WRD; Er. Ihalung Herie, SDO WRD; Er, Kevilhokho Lhousa, SDO, WRD and Wati JASmir, GIS Expert, WRD were the resource persons of the training.

ASSOCIATION OF NAGALAND LITERATURE BOARDS HELD GENERAL SESSION-CUM-GENERAL BODY MEETING

The Association of Nagaland Literature Boards (ANLB) held its General Session-

cum-General Body Meeting at Platinum Hall, NBCC Complex, Bayavu Hill, Kohima

on 17th July, 2026.

Addressing a gathering, Advisor for School Education, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, has stressed the importance of preserving and promoting indigenous languages as a means of safeguarding the cultural identity of communities.

Yhome emphasised the importance of mother-tongue education at the foundational level, while acknowledging challenges arising from the shortage of specialised language teachers. He called for teachers to be retained within their respective linguistic areas and stressed the continuous development and enrichment of indigenous vocabulary.

Yhome also highlighted the role of Bible translations and Christian religious practices in preserving Naga languages, while calling for accurate translations through collaboration among linguists and scholars. He advocated the development of literature and textbooks, research, and greater recognition of literary contributions.

Describing Nagaland's multilingual environment as an advantage, Yhome said learning multiple languages can strengthen cognitive abilities, cultural identity and wider opportunities. He noted that the State Curriculum Framework promotes tribal languages and called for sustained institutional support, community participation and effective leadership to ensure their continued growth and

preservation.

Additional Director, School Education, Deenabandhu Panda, highlighted the importance of preserving and promoting Nagaland's indigenous languages in line with the National Education Policy (NEP).

He noted that while Tenyidie was earlier the main tribal language taught in schools, all tribal languages have now been introduced into the education system and will be taught up to Class 9 from the current academic year.

Panda stressed that the NEP promotes cultural and linguistic diversity and called for continued collaboration among literature boards, the School Education Department and communities. He also encouraged greater use of indigenous languages within communities and assured literature boards of the department's continued support for their development and promotion.

President, ANLB, B. Tingshem Konyak and Vice President of Ura Academy, Daso Paphino also spoke at the programme.

The programme was followed by a business session during which members discussed the adoption of the ANLB Constitution, establishment of an institute/academy, language teacher appointments, strengthening of the ANLB fund, and other related issues aimed at advancing language preservation and literary development in Nagaland.

ECI ORGANISES FIRST ALL INDIA MEDIA CONFERENCE

The Election Commission of India (ECI) organized the first All India Media Conference 2026, bringing together over 380 media professionals from States and Union Territories across the country under the theme "Connecting Stakeholders, Strengthening Democracy: Role of Media in Elections" at the

India International Institute of Democracy and Election Management (IIIDEM), Delhi on 17th July 2026

Addressing the participants, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Gyanesh Kumar emphasized that elections in India are conducted strictly in accordance with the

Constitution of India, the Representation of the People Acts, and the instructions issued by the Election Commission of India from time to time. He noted that the entire electoral process is subject to concurrent audit by various stakeholders involved in the conduct of elections.

The CEC stated that India's Electoral Rolls, covering nearly 95 crore electors, are a dynamic and continuously evolving document. Highlighting the statutory safeguards governing the preparation of Electoral Rolls, he said that more than 12 lakh Booth Level Officers (BLOs) and over 15 lakh Booth Level Agents (BLAs) actively participate in the process as "concurrent auditors," ensuring transparency and accuracy.

Gyanesh Kumar further observed that the highest-ever voter turnout recorded in the recent Assembly Elections reflects the strong trust of Indian electors in the country's electoral system and the vibrancy of Indian democracy. He also expressed gratitude to all electors for their active participation in the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process.

The conference was organised to promote a better understanding of various aspects of the electoral process and to highlight how elections in India are conducted with the highest standards of transparency through the active involvement of political parties, candidates, and other stakeholders.

The programme featured presentations on transparency measures enshrined in

the Constitution, the Representation of the People Acts, 1950 and 1951, and the instructions issued by the ECI. Participants were also introduced to the ECINET platform, the role of technology in elections, and key constitutional and legal provisions relating to media during elections.

Media professionals were briefed on the roles and responsibilities of Booth Level Agents (BLAs), Polling Agents, and Counting Agents, with emphasis on their contribution to transparency, political party participation, and the integrity of the electoral process.

As part of the conference, participants attended practical demonstrations on Electoral Roll Preparation, Polling Process, and Counting Process. Conducted in groups, these sessions provided hands-on exposure to the statutory forms and procedures that form the basis of concurrent audit by various stakeholders throughout the election process.

The conference concluded with an interactive Question and Answer (Q&A) session between the participants and Chief Election Commissioner Shri Gyanesh Kumar. A nine-member delegation from Nagaland participated in the conference. The delegation included officials from the Chief Electoral Officer's Office, Nagaland, All India Radio Kohima, Doordarshan Kendra Kohima, the Department of Information & Public Relations, Nagaland and representatives of private media organizations.

CM VISIT THE LANDSLIDE AREA AT MON TOWN

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and his team visited the landslide affected area at Defence Colony, Walo Ward, Mon Town on 20th July 2026.

Addressing the gathering, the Chief

Minister describe it as an uncertain and unfortunate incident and conveyed his sympathy to the effected families for their loss. He commended the volunteers, Civil societies, SDRF Mon, DEF Mon and the

District Administration for their helping hand and he also requested them to continue support and cooperate to the effected families.

Dr. Rio noted that the state is now experiencing the impact of climate change like any other regions in the world. He also stressed the importance of adhering to Building by Laws and other similar regulations while undertaking constructions in vulnerable areas. As an immediate relief measure, he handed over Rs. 10 lakh (Ten Lakh) for emergency use to civil societies headed by Konyak Union and assured that the Government would take up necessary actions to address the situation.

Speaking on behalf of the Konyak Legislative Members, Advisor, W Chingang Konyak also conveyed his sympathy to the families who suffered losses.

Investigation Team from Konyak Union, presented a short video clip highlighting the extent of damage caused by landslide in the Town. The team also added that Mon Town has been totally cutoff from other parts due to road blockage in the lifeline roads like Tizit, Naganimora, Sonari, Wakching and Aboi.

DC Mon Wennyei Konyak, NCS in his speech appreciated the CM and his team for their visit. Konyak Union President, Yamao Konyak also appreciated the CM for the visit and extending support to the communities.

ADVISOR A. PONGSHI PHOM VISITS DIMAPUR RAILWAY STATION AND AIRPORT, REVIEWS DEVELOPMENTAL ISSUES

Advisor for Airways and Railways, A. Pongshi Phom, visited Dimapur Railway Station and Dimapur Airport on 20th July, 2026 to review the progress of ongoing infrastructure projects and discuss issues requiring coordinated intervention for their

development.

Earlier in the day, the Advisor chaired a review meeting at Dimapur Railway Station on matters relating to the proposed Modern Railway Station under Phase-I. During the meeting, he reviewed the progress of the ongoing construction works and developmental activities and took stock of issues requiring attention. He was accompanied by Additional Secretary, A.I.R. Cell, Transport Department, Thsuvisie Phojo, NCS; Deputy Commissioner, Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS; Officer on Special Duty (OSD), Transport Department (A.I.R. Cell), M. Ababe Ezung; Railway officials and from district administration.

Later, the Advisor visited Dimapur Airport, where he held a review meeting with officials of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to assess the status of the airport's development and deliberate on issues affecting its expansion. The meeting



Advisor for Airways and Railways, A. Pongshi Phom, chairing a review meeting on the development of Dimapur Airport with Airport Director, Moa Pongen, and officials of the Airports Authority of India and the State Government at Dimapur Airport on 20th July 2026.

was attended by Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Dimapur Airport, Moa Pongen, along with officials of AAI and the State Government.

Addressing the officials, Advisor A. Pongshi Phom said that the purpose of his visit was to understand the existing issues firsthand and explore ways in which the State Government could extend its support. Stating that Nagaland has only one airport, he emphasized the need for the State Government and the Airports Authority of India to work hand in hand to address the challenges and expedite the airport's development.

The Advisor said he had come to understand the issues on the ground, hear suggestions from all stakeholders and identify practical solutions for the way forward. He assured that the concerns and suggestions raised during the meeting would

be examined and taken up with the concerned authorities for necessary follow-up.

During the meeting, APD, AAI, Dimapur Airport, Moa Pongen presented a brief history of Dimapur Airport and highlighted the status of its ongoing development. He sought the continued support of the State Government in resolving the pending land issue and extending assistance in meeting the basic requirements necessary for the airport's expansion.

The meeting also deliberated on issues relating to land acquisition, waterlogging, garbage disposal, runway development and the overall development of the airport. Suggestions were exchanged on addressing the existing challenges and ensuring better coordination among the concerned departments to facilitate the airport's development.

DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONER REVIEWS MDONER PROJECTS

Principal Secretary & Development Commissioner, Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS chaired a review meeting with various

departments to assess the progress of projects being implemented under the Ministry of Development of North Eastern



Principal Secretary & Development Commissioner, Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS, chairing the review meeting on MDONER funded projects with officials of various departments held at Development Commissioner's Conference Room, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima on 22nd July 2026.

Region (MDoNER) at the Development Commissioner's Conference Room, Nagaland Civil Secretariat, Kohima, on 22nd July 2026.

Reviewing the status of the projects, Sema observed that despite Nagaland receiving a considerable number of projects and substantial financial assistance from MDoNER and the NEC, the overall implementation and outcomes have not been satisfactory. He noted that many projects have been delayed without valid reasons, resulting in cost overruns and preventing the timely delivery of benefits to the public. He added that the funding agencies have also expressed concern over the implementation performance of several departments.

Sema informed the departments that the State Government would strengthen its focus on achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and called for collective efforts to improve Nagaland's performance on SDG indicators. He observed that while some districts have shown encouraging progress, disparities remain and departments must align their planning and implementation with measurable development priorities to bridge critical gaps and improve people's quality of life.

The Development Commissioner further observed that although the Government of India had released funds for several projects, many departments had failed to utilise them promptly and continued to receive reminders to draw and utilise funds available in the Central Nodal Account (CNA). He cautioned that unless departments improve project implementation, fully utilise released funds and submit Utilisation Certificates (UCs) and project completion reports on time, the State's prospects of securing approval for new projects could be adversely affected, as MDoNER and the NEC consider the

implementation status of ongoing projects while appraising fresh proposals.

Expressing concern over delays in project planning, Sema noted that despite the Planning & Transformation Department circulating the Calendar of Action for 2026-27, many departments had failed to submit their proposals within the prescribed timelines. He directed all departments to strictly adhere to the calendar and avoid the recurring financial year end syndrome.

Emphasising the importance of advance planning, he instructed departments to complete preparatory activities, including preparation of estimates, obtaining statutory approvals and completing the tendering process during the monsoon season so that works can commence immediately with the onset of the working season. He said this would help eliminate recurring implementation delays and ensure efficient utilisation of the working season.

Highlighting the consequences of poor implementation, Sema revealed Nagaland Government refunded about 32 crs to the Government of India in recent years due to delays, non-utilisation of funds and lapses in project execution. Describing the refunds as a serious loss to the State, he said such instances should not be repeated.

Stressing the need for accountability, the Development Commissioner said the State Government may be compelled to initiate stringent action against defaulting departments, contractors and firms responsible for delays and poor execution. He stated that erring departments would be held accountable, while contractors repeatedly failing to complete projects within the approved timelines and prescribed specifications could face blacklisting.

Sema also stressed the importance of documenting and publicising departmental achievements. He directed all departments to regularly upload information on their activities, milestones and successful projects on their official websites, dashboards and ministry portals, or submit them to the Planning & Transformation Department for wider dissemination. He observed that many noteworthy initiatives remain unnoticed due to poor documentation.

Calling for greater focus on quality development, Sema directed all departments

to ensure that projects under MDoNER, NEC, External Aided Projects (EAP) and the State Plan are planned and implemented judiciously to address genuine developmental needs, bridge critical infrastructure and service gaps, generate employment opportunities and deliver measurable, people centric outcomes. He urged departments to adopt a results oriented approach so that development initiatives translate into tangible improvements in the lives of the people.

ASSAM- NAGALAND BORDER CO-ORDINATION MEETING STRESSES ON JOINT MONITORING AND PEACEFUL RESOLUTION

The District administration of Karbialong headed by DC, Aranyak Saika, IAS and other senior civil officials, SSP had a coordination meeting with District Administration of Dimapur on 23rd July, 2026 at Circuit House, Dimapur.

The meeting emphasized the need for continuous communication between the district administrations and police of both states to ensure that any emerging issues along the border are addressed promptly and peacefully.

Opening the discussion, officials highlighted the cordial relationship maintained between the two administrations and appreciated the prompt response of the Assam and Nagaland Police whenever incidents occurred in the border areas. It was noted that such cooperation has helped prevent escalation of disputes and ensured the safety and security of residents living along the border.

Revenue officials from Assam presented the historical and administrative background

of the disputed areas, referring to district boundary notifications, revenue records, and census documents. They maintained that the concerned villages have long been part of the notified administrative jurisdiction of Assam and have been included in electoral rolls and census operations for several decades.

Despite differing claims, both sides agreed that maintaining peace on the ground remains the immediate priority. Officials stressed that people-to-people contact, regular meetings and mutual trust are essential in preventing misunderstandings and resolving local issues before they escalate.

To strengthen confidence-building measures, a proposal was made to constitute a joint border monitoring committee comprising district officials, police personnel and representatives from the concerned border villages. The committee would monitor developments, respond jointly to incidents and facilitate dialogue between affected communities while maintaining the

existing status quo until a final settlement is reached by the appropriate authorities.

Officials from both sides agreed that future visits to sensitive border locations should, as far as possible, be conducted jointly by the administrations and police of both states to avoid misunderstandings and maintain transparency.

The meeting concluded with a renewed commitment to sustained dialogue, coordinated action and peaceful coexistence, with both sides agreeing that regular communication and mutual cooperation remain the most effective means of preserving harmony along the Assam–Nagaland border.

MoU SIGNED FOR SHIFTING SAI TRAINING CENTRE TO MDSC DIMAPUR

A programme marking the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the shifting of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) Training Centre to the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex (MDSC), Dimapur, was held at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex, Kohima on 24th July, 2026.

Addressing the gathering, Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio described the signing of the MoU as the beginning of a new chapter in Nagaland's sporting journey. He said the relocation of the SAI Training Centre to the Multi-Disciplinary Sports

Complex, Dimapur, marks a significant milestone achieved through years of sustained commitment to strengthening the state's sports ecosystem and creating greater opportunities for its youth.

The Chief Minister said that the operationalization of the new training centre would enable athletes to benefit from quality coaching, modern residential facilities and scientific support systems, thereby strengthening sports development in Nagaland and the wider North East region.

Expressing satisfaction over other ongoing SAI infrastructure projects at the



Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio and SAI, Deputy Director General, Majushree Dayanand with other dignitaries and officials during the signing of MoU at CM's Residential Complex, Kohima on 24th July 2026.

MDSC, Dimapur, Rio said these initiatives would significantly enhance the training ecosystem and further strengthen the development of high-performance sports in the state.

Highlighting the government's continued investment in sports, he said the state recognises the immense sporting potential of its youth and has been focusing on developing modern infrastructure, sports science, grassroots competitions, athlete welfare and capacity building. He also recalled the inauguration of 16 new sports infrastructure projects earlier this month, with several more projects in the pipeline.

Speaking on behalf of the SAI, Deputy Director General Majushree Dayanand termed the occasion a landmark in the partnership between the Government of Nagaland and SAI. Quoting, "To go far, we need to start near," Dayanand stressed that Nagaland possesses immense sporting talent that requires proper nurturing, motivation and encouragement. She urged the local community to view sports as a viable career option for young people, adding that sports play a vital role in shaping responsible and

productive citizens.

Earlier, in his welcome address, Advisor for Youth Resources and Sports, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung said the partnership reflects the government's commitment to nurturing sporting talent and building a strong sports culture in the state. He said the relocation of the training centre would provide athletes with improved opportunities to train and compete at the highest level.

Also speaking at the programme, Abu Metha, Vice President of the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) and Secretary General of the Nagaland Olympic Association (NOA), credited Chief Minister Dr. Rio for his vision and sustained efforts to promote sports in the state despite numerous challenges.

Metha said sports have the power to unite the nation and bring young people into the national mainstream, making it an effective platform for fostering national integration. He also appealed to the Sports Authority of India to consider customised sports programmes tailored to the unique needs of the North East in order to strengthen grassroots sports development in the region.

NAGALAND PICKLEBALL MASTERS 2026 CONCLUDES

The Nagaland Pickleball Masters 2026 concluded with a grand closing and prize distribution ceremony held at The Fitness House, Nagaland, on 25th July 2026. The championship was organised by the Nagaland Pickleball Association and presented by Niathu Group in collaboration with The Fitness House.

The closing ceremony was graced by Mhathung Yanthan, Advisor for Agriculture and MLA, as the chief guest. In his address, he congratulated all participants, winners, and runners-up for their performance and

sportsmanship. He appreciated the Nagaland Pickleball Association for successfully organising the tournament and promoting the emerging sport in the State. He also acknowledged the efforts of the organisers, sponsors, referees, technical officials, volunteers, and supporters for making the event a success.

Yanthan highlighted the growing popularity of pickleball in Nagaland, describing it as an inclusive sport suitable for all age groups. He noted that the game, which combines elements of tennis, table tennis,

squash, and badminton, is gaining rapid acceptance in the State. He also expressed optimism that such sporting events would help build stronger sports infrastructure and create more opportunities for youth under the leadership of Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio.

Abu Metha, speaking at the event, thanked the chief guest for attending despite his busy schedule and appreciated his encouragement towards sports development. He lauded the efforts of the Nagaland Pickleball Association and The Fitness House team for conceptualising and successfully hosting the tournament. He also acknowledged the contribution of sponsors and organisers in promoting pickleball in the State.

Metha said pickleball has grown rapidly in Nagaland, bringing together people from different age groups and backgrounds. He noted that local players are now competing at national levels and bringing recognition to the State. He also highlighted the unifying power of sports, stating that it promotes discipline, teamwork, and friendship.

He further informed that players

from various parts of the country, including Mumbai, Kolkata, and Guwahati, participated in the tournament, with some national and international-level players also taking part. He expressed confidence that Nagaland would soon produce national and international champions in pickleball.

The organisers expressed gratitude to all sponsors, including Metro Group, Borah Brands, and Mahindra, for their support in making the event possible. They also thanked the visiting players for their participation and contribution to the success of the championship.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation across various categories, reflecting the growing popularity of pickleball in Nagaland. The organisers reaffirmed their commitment to promoting the sport further by hosting more competitive events in the future.

The programme concluded with the presentation of prizes to the winners, followed by a vote of thanks, marking a successful and memorable conclusion to the Nagaland Pickleball Masters 2026.

NAGALAND OBSERVES WORLD HEPATITIS DAY

The Department of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima observed World Hepatitis Day on the theme “Let’s Break It Down” at IDSP Hall, on 28th July 2026. The department also joined the national-level virtual launch of World Hepatitis Day, inaugurated by Anupriya Patel, Minister of State for Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India.

Delivering the welcome address, Mission Director, NHM, Dr. Keveduyi Theyo, highlighted the significance of World Hepatitis Day. He noted that Kohima,

Dimapur and Mon have reported the highest Hepatitis B and C burden in Nagaland, while Hepatitis B positivity among pregnant women is highest in Dimapur and Kohima. He also highlighted the expansion of screening, diagnosis and treatment services under the National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme (NVHCP).

Emphasising the theme “Let’s Break It Down,” he called for removing barriers such as stigma, lack of awareness and unequal healthcare access. He urged stakeholders to strengthen awareness, vaccination,

screening, treatment and community participation, with greater coordination among government departments, healthcare providers, civil society and communities to eliminate viral hepatitis as a public health threat.

Speaking on the occasion, Principal Director, Health & Family Welfare, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, congratulated Nagaland's National Viral Hepatitis Control Programme (NVHCP) for its strong national performance despite financial and infrastructural challenges.

She highlighted the progress made since 2019, including the expansion of free

hepatitis screening, diagnosis and treatment from district hospitals to several PHCs, improving access and reducing the financial burden on patients.

She also called for better infection-control practices, early diagnosis, strengthened endoscopy and colonoscopy services, and integration of hepatitis care with programmes such as HIV services.

She emphasised that collaboration among healthcare workers, communities, peer educators and government agencies will be essential to achieving hepatitis elimination in Nagaland.

39th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF IRCSN HELD AT LOK BHAVAN, KOHIMA

The 39th Annual General Meeting of the Indian Red Cross Society, Nagaland State Branch (IRCSN) was held at Lok Bhavan, Kohima, on 29th July 2026, with Governor and IRCSN President Nand Kishore Yadav calling for stronger humanitarian services and community resilience.

The Governor commended the Red Cross for its work in disaster preparedness and response, first aid, health awareness, voluntary blood donation, youth engagement and community welfare. He stressed the need to strengthen preparedness in view of growing challenges from natural disasters, climate change and public health emergencies.

Chief Minister and IRCSN Vice President Dr. Neiphiu Rio highlighted the Society's contribution to vulnerable communities and praised its collaboration with the Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA) through the Community First Responders (CFR) programme. He noted that the programme

has been implemented across all 12 districts, training volunteers in first aid, disaster preparedness and emergency response.

Rio called for the further expansion of CFR training to villages and communities across Nagaland, particularly as the State remains vulnerable to earthquakes, landslides and other disasters. He also urged continued promotion of volunteerism, blood donation, first-aid education and community resilience.

Joint CEO, NSDMA, Dr. Johnny K. Ruangmei, highlighted the spirit of community support demonstrated during the recent landslides in Mon district and stressed the importance of volunteer training, particularly in search and rescue operations.

The meeting reviewed the Society's activities and reaffirmed its commitment to strengthening humanitarian services and ensuring support for vulnerable communities. IRCSN also contributed to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund.

GOVERNOR INTERACTS WITH CSOS, DEPARTMENTS AND SCHEME BENEFICIARIES IN CHUMOUKEDIMA

Nagaland Governor Nand Kishore Yadav visited Chümoukedima district on 30th July 2026 and interacted with civil society organisations, government departments and beneficiaries of various government schemes at the DPDB Hall, DC Office Complex. On his arrival at the DC Office Complex, the Governor was accorded a Guard of Honour, followed by the National Song and National Anthem.

Addressing the gathering, The Governor stressed the importance of close coordination between government departments and civil society to ensure inclusive and sustainable development during a district review meeting held in Chümoukedima.

Addressing officials and civil society representatives, the Governor described Chümoukedima, one of Nagaland's youngest districts, as the "Land of Opportunities," saying the title reflects not only its strategic location and economic potential but also the aspirations and energy of its people.

He highlighted the vital role of civil society in governance, community development and maintaining social harmony, stating that development becomes more meaningful and sustainable when government institutions and civil society work together with a shared sense of responsibility.

The Governor said the review meeting provided an opportunity to assess progress, identify challenges and explore practical solutions. He emphasized that development should be measured not merely by the number of schemes implemented but by their positive impact on the lives of the people. He urged all departments to ensure that government programmes are implemented efficiently, transparently and reach every deserving

beneficiary.

Noting Chümoukedima's rapid growth, the Governor said the district has immense potential to become a model of planned urban development, entrepreneurship, quality education, healthcare, tourism and employment generation. He called upon government departments to work with a clear vision, maintain close coordination and remain responsive to public needs.

The Governor also appealed to civil society leaders to continue promoting peace, unity and constructive public participation. Expressing confidence in the district's future, he said that with commitment, integrity and teamwork, Chümoukedima would continue to grow as a vibrant district and truly live up to its identity as the "Land of Opportunities."

The first session of the programme, chaired by Deputy Commissioner Chumoukedima, Polan John, NCS, delivered a brief overview of the district. Where he said that Chumoukedima, created as Nagaland's 15th district in December 2021, is widely known as the "Land of Opportunities" because of its immense potential in agriculture, tourism, logistics and infrastructure. He highlighted key assets such as the Agro-Food Processing Unit at Ganeshnagar, the Collection and Processing Centre at Rüzaphema, and the Bamboo Resource and Honey Bee Mission Centres.

The DC also pointed out that the district is home to four universities, several premier educational and research institutions, Nagaland's only airport, and expanding rail and road connectivity. He noted that major infrastructure projects, including gas pipeline works, national highways, healthcare

facilities, tourism infrastructure, IT parks and sports facilities, are currently underway.

Stating that Chümoukedima is the third-largest urban agglomeration in Nagaland, Polan John said that although it is a relatively new district and some institutional facilities are yet to be established, its strategic location and ongoing development projects position it to become a thriving hub for infrastructure development and socio-economic growth in the state.

The programme also featured interactions with representatives of the Chakhroma Public Organisation (CPO),

Western Sümi Hoho (WSH), NTUCT and Hindu Samaj, who shared their views and concerns.

The second session, moderated by SDO (Civil) Chumoukedima Headquarters, Shreyansee Jain, IAS, included presentations by the District Programme Officer (Social Welfare), District Agriculture Officer, Chumoukedima, and PMU (NHIIDCL), Dimapur. The Governor also interacted with beneficiaries of various government welfare schemes to understand their experiences and the impact of government initiatives.

DIGITAL INDIA AWARENESS WORKSHOP HELD IN KOHIMA; NPSC FELICITATED FOR DIGILOCKER INTEGRATION



Officials from the Department of IT&C and National e-Governance Division (NeGD), MeitY during a workshop on Digital India Awareness held at the Conference Hall, Directorate of IT&C, Kohima on 30th July 2026.

The Department of Information Technology & Communication (IT&C), Government of Nagaland, in collaboration with the National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India organized a workshop on Digital India Awareness at the Conference Hall, Directorate of IT&C, Kohima on 30th July 2026.

The workshop brought together 130 officials from various Government

departments for sessions on the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act, 2023, and on key Digital Public Infrastructure platforms — DigiLocker, Entity Locker, and UMANG — with resource persons from NeGD and the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI).

A key highlight of the event was the felicitation of the Nagaland Public Service Commission (NPSC) for fully integrating DigiLocker into its Recruitment Portal. NeGD presented a Certificate of Appreciation to

the NPSC, recognizing Nagaland as the first State in Eastern India—and only the third nationwide after Kerala and Karnataka—to implement both DigiLocker models.

The inaugural session commenced with a welcome address by Er. Sabou Yashu,

Director, IT&C, followed by an address from Ajay Kumar, Onboarding Expert, DigiLocker, NeGD and the Recognition & Felicitation Ceremony, with Er. Chura Katiry, Joint Director, IT&C proposing the vote of thanks.

NSLSA HOLDS SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME 2026

The Nagaland State Legal Services Authority (NSLSA) organised Orientation & Interactive Session under its Summer Internship Programme 2026, at DC's Conference Hall, Kohima, on July 30, 2026.

Advocate, Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench & District Courts, Joshua Sheqi, took the attendance on the Practical Aspects of Legal Practice in the High Court and District Courts. He provided interns with practical insights into court proceedings, case preparation, professional ethics, courtroom conduct and the day-to-day responsibilities of an advocate, emphasising the importance of diligence and integrity in legal practice.

Nancy Lotha, Advocate, Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench, spoke on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012 (as amended). She stressed the importance of adopting a victim-centric approach while ensuring that the rights and best interests of the child are protected throughout the legal process.

Speaking on the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985, Asenla Walling, Panel Lawyer, KDLA, familiarised the interns with the practical application of the Act, including the classification of offences, procedural safeguards during search, seizure and arrest, and the evidentiary requirements in NDPS

cases. She also highlighted the importance of strict compliance with statutory procedures, explaining how procedural lapses can significantly influence the outcome of criminal trials.

Berta Tep, Panel Lawyer, Kohima, DLSA spoke on the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005 and Maintenance Laws.

As part of the internship programme with the state services authority, interns visited Guwahati High Court, Kohima Bench and interacted with officials and observed court proceedings.

The interns also visited new High Court Complex at Meriema and held interaction with Nagaland Lok Ayukta, Nino Iralu. During the interaction, Iralu shared insights into the role and functioning of the Lokayukta as an independent anti-corruption institution and highlighted its mandate in promoting transparency, accountability and integrity in public administration. She also encouraged the interns to uphold ethical values in the legal profession and stressed the importance of honesty, impartiality and public service in strengthening the rule of law.

Mhayani Kikon, Panel Lawyer, NSLSA gave the closing remarks and the programme was chaired by Aketoli J. Yephthomi, Panel Lawyer, NSLSA.



DISHA MEETINGS REVIEW DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES AND CHALLENGES

District Development Coordination and Monitoring Committee (DISHA) meetings were held in Niuland, Chumoukedima, Peren and Wokha during July 2026 under the chairmanship of Member of Parliament and DISHA Chairperson for Nagaland, S. Supongmeren Jamir.

NIULAND

The meeting was held on 1st July at the DC Conference Hall, Niuland, chaired by MP Lok Sabha and DISHA Chairperson S. Supongmeren Jamir.

Departments of Agriculture, Water Resources, Veterinary and Labour presented their activities and progress.

Discussions focused on setting up a cold storage facility for agricultural produce. Status and prospects of the Diary products in the district were deliberated on which Jamir said, Diary products have huge potential market and urged concern officer to re-examine the Diary farming in the district.

In regards to the network/communication problem in the district, Jamir assured that he will pursue the matter with the concern department.

CHUMOUKEDIMA

The meeting was held on 2nd July at the DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima.

The meeting began with a review of the action taken report of the previous DISHA meeting. Follow-up reports were presented by the Industry Department, Rural Development, Public Health Engineering, Agriculture and the Youth Resources Department.

During the meeting, the Agriculture, Labour, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, and Urban Development



MP & Chairperson, DISHA, Nagaland, S. Supongmeren Jamir chairing the DISHA meeting held at DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima on 2nd July 2026.

Departments presented updates on various schemes and ongoing developmental works. The committee reviewed the progress of projects, discussed implementation challenges and suggested measures to improve the effective delivery of government programmes.

Key issues included sanitation, water stress, solid waste management and drainage. The meeting also highlighted the need for the construction of rainwater and storm water drainage systems to mitigate urban flooding and strengthen the district's resilience against water-related challenges.

Jamir during the discussions, Highlighted the importance of documentation and stressed that departments should maintain proper records of their achievements and ensure accurate data management, as these serve as important indicators of progress and aid effective planning.

PEREN

The DISHA meeting was held on 3rd July at the DC's Conference Hall, Peren Hq.

During the meeting, the Veterinary, Labour and Agriculture Departments delivered PowerPoint presentations highlighting their respective activities, implementation of various schemes, and progress achieved in the district.

Following the presentations, the MP, DC and members present sought clarifications on various issues and offered suggestions to further strengthen implementation and ensure effective delivery of government programmes.

Issues raised during the meeting were to be incorporated in the minutes and forwarded to concerned Ministries for necessary action.

WOKHA

The meeting held on 7th July at the DC's Conference Hall, Wokha reviewed departmental progress, implementation of government schemes and challenges affecting development in the district.

The Agriculture, Labour and Veterinary Departments presented updates on their programmes and achievements.

Key discussions included natural farming, oil palm cultivation, labour welfare schemes, livestock insurance, meat production and artificial insemination. The Veterinary Department reported a significant gap between annual meat consumption and local production, while also highlighting the impact of African Swine Fever, which resulted in 374 animal deaths and an estimated loss of ₹1.04 crore.

The meeting also discussed challenges related to Aadhaar-based DBT payments, network connectivity, postal infrastructure, GDS vacancies and agricultural loans. Jamir assured that issues requiring higher-level intervention would be taken up with the concerned authorities.

PUGHOBOTO SDPDB APPROVES LADP PROPOSAL, INSTITUTE BEST EMPLOYEE AWARD

The monthly meeting of the Pughoboto SDPDB was held on 2nd July 2026 at the Office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), Pughoboto, under the chairmanship of MLA, Dr. Sukhato A Sema.

Welcoming the members, ADC James T. Khulu introduced the newly posted Officer-in-Charge of the Special Intelligence Branch (SIB), Seiboi Singson, to the Board. The members also reviewed and confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting.

Among the major decisions taken, the Board unanimously approved the LADP proposal for 2026–27, paving the way for the implementation of development projects in the sub-division.

The Board resolved to introduce the Sub-Divisional Best Employee Award

to promote efficiency, dedication, and excellence in public service. A committee comprising representatives of SAH, SAKK, SATH, and SAKH, with the SAH President as convener, will evaluate the nominations. Heads of Offices were directed to nominate deserving subordinate staff with detailed justifications and submit them to the ADC, Pughoboto, by August 5, 2026.

During the meeting, SDO (Civil) Yitachu Thurr informed the Board that census operations had commenced across the sub-division but highlighted poor internet connectivity caused by power outages, which adversely affected the first day's activities. The Board resolved to take up the issue with telecom and internet service providers to ensure adequate power backup facilities and

uninterrupted connectivity for the smooth conduct of census operations and other essential government services.

The deteriorating condition of the Pughoboto–Ghathashi Road, caused by continuous heavy rainfall, was also discussed. Considering public safety, the Board decided to temporarily restrict the movement of heavy vehicles along the affected stretch until further notice. However, light vehicles, including 407 vehicles and those engaged in essential services, will continue to be permitted.

As part of the departmental presentations, Functional Manager, Hekato K. Jimo of the Sub-District Industries Centre (SDIC), Pughoboto, presented a detailed

overview of the Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) programme and its implementation in Nagaland. He highlighted the scheme's objectives of strengthening MSMEs through improved access to finance, technology, market linkages, entrepreneurship development, quality enhancement and capacity building.

The Board decided to hold a coordination meeting on July 15, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. in the ADC's office chamber with all Heads of Offices, educational institutions, and NGOs to finalise the Independence Day programme and related arrangements.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

PPC-GPDP TRAININGS HELD IN DIMAPUR, PEREN AND KIPHIRE

The Department of Rural Development conducted district- and block-level training programmes on the People's Plan Campaign (PPC) for the preparation of the Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) for the financial year 2026–27 in Dimapur, Peren and Khongsa, Kiphire.

DIMAPUR

The district-level training was held at the DRDA Conference Hall on 3rd July, with officials from 12-line departments participating.

Project Director, DRDA Dimapur, Limameren Yaden, in his keynote address, said the GPDP forms the foundation for inclusive and sustainable rural development. He urged line departments to coordinate with Gram Panchayats and frontline workers to prepare realistic, need-based and people-centric plans.

The technical session was conducted by Bichano Humtsoe, District Programme

Manager, Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), who explained the objectives and framework of the PPC and the process of preparing GPDPs.

PEREN

In Peren, the district-level training was held at the Women Hall, Jalukie, on 8th July, 2026. Project Director, DRDA Peren, Rongsenmenla, called for active participation of line departments and close coordination with Gram Panchayats and frontline workers. The technical session was conducted by Megoselhu Thou, District Programme Manager, RGSA.

A session on the Village Poverty Reduction Plan (VPRP) was also conducted by Dzuthovoyi Kapfo, District Functional Specialist (Livelihoods), DMMU Peren, NSRLM.

Officials from 16-line departments participated in the training.

KONGSA, KIPHIRE

At Khongsa Block under Pungro subdivision of Kiphire district, the block-level training was held on 9th July at the Office Hall of the NSRLM.

The programme was attended by 23 Gram Panchayat Village Development Board Secretaries, area coordinators, 15 VLOs of NSRLM and representatives of line

departments.

The training began with an address by BDO Khongsa, Y. Hongtan Chingkhong. Resource Person Mayangniken Longchar (BPMU, RGSA) highlighted the Village Prosperity Resilience Plan (VPRP) and livelihood-related aspects under PPC-GDP 2026–27, followed by an open discussion.

POWER DEPARTMENT CONDUCTS AWARENESS PROGRAMMES ON SMART METERING AND ROOFTOP SOLAR SCHEME IN PEREN DISTRICT

The Department of Power, Government of Nagaland, conducted awareness programmes on Smart Meter Implementation and the Rooftop Solar Scheme at Peren Town Council Hall on 4th July 2026 and Women Welfare Hall, Jalukie, on 15th July 2026.

PEREN

The Department of Power, Government of Nagaland, organised an awareness programme on Smart Meter Implementation and the Rooftop Solar Scheme at Peren Town Council Hall on 4th July 2026. Officials,

technical experts and the public participated in the programme.

Resource persons from ANVIL explained the benefits of smart meters, including accurate billing, real-time consumption monitoring and improved energy management. Representatives from Elmechent Enterprise and A&D Solar explained the Rooftop Solar Scheme, including subsidies, installation procedures and long-term savings.

ADC Peren Robin, Er. Tsiamchi Ndong, AE (Electrical) and Peren Town Council Chairman Mireulung encouraged the public to adopt smart metering and solar energy for efficient electricity use, reduced costs and sustainable development.

JALUKIE

The Department of Power, Peren Electrical Division, conducted an awareness programme on Smart Meter Implementation and the Rooftop Solar Scheme at the Women Welfare Hall, Jalukie, on 15th July 2026.

EE (Electrical), Peren, Er. Tsiamchi informed that 1,890 smart meters have already been installed in the division and explained their benefits, including accurate billing, prepaid/postpaid options and



EE (E), Peren Electrical Division, Er. Tsiamchi addressing the awareness programme on Smart Meter Implementation and Rooftop Solar Scheme held at Women Welfare Hall, Jalukie Town, Peren on 15th July 2026.

eligibility for rooftop solar under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana.

Technical experts from ANVIL and A&D Solar briefed participants on smart metering, rooftop solar systems, subsidies, installation procedures and loan requirements.

A representative from A&D Solar, Miile

Puro, delivered a presentation on the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana.

EAC Jalukie Sizin Renttah urged the public to dispel misconceptions, cooperate with the initiative and use electricity judiciously. An interactive session was also held to address public queries.

DC NOKLAK VISIT KINGJUNG AND WUI VILLAGE

The Deputy Commissioner, Noklak, P. Mono Khiamnungan along with district administration and various department officials visited Kingjung and Wui villages on 4th July 2026.

The DC urged the villagers to cooperate in implementing various government schemes and stressed the importance of unity for the overall development of the community. He appealed to the Village Council and the public to extend full cooperation to Census officials to ensure the successful completion of the Census exercise 2027.

While exhorting the students, he encouraged the students to actively contribute to the wellbeing and development of their community.

Mono also appreciated Wui village's traditional pottery-making practice and encouraged the villagers to continue safeguarding their rich heritage and to promote it for future generations.

SDO (Civil) Noklak, Vikhoto Richa

highlighted the significance of the Thonoknyu Aspirational Block, under which Kingjung and Wui villages fall. He appreciated the block's rank-one position and community cooperation, and urged villagers to maintain proper documentation to ensure eligible beneficiaries receive the full benefits of government schemes.

During the interaction, villagers of Wui shared several grievances, particularly concerning poor road connectivity, challenges in the education sector and other developmental issues, and requested the administration for intervention.

As part of the programme, the DHEW, Sakhi One Stop Centre and DCPU under the Social Welfare Department conducted awareness sessions on welfare schemes and services. The Medical Department organised a health camp offering check-ups and basic healthcare. Aadhaar enrolment and SBI account-opening facilities were also provided to villagers.

PEREN DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly DPDB meeting of the Peren district was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Peren, on 6th July 2026, under the chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner and Vice Chairman, DPDB Peren, Hiazu Meru.

The meeting commenced with a

welcome address by the chairman, followed by introduction of new board member. The Board deliberated on various agenda items of the day, and recommended the following proposal to the concerned department for final approval.

The proposal for opening of a Bank

of Baroda branch at Jalukie, proposed by the DPDB Chairman, was approved and forwarded to the State Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC) under the State Finance Commission.

The proposal for establishing an Agriculture and Allied Activities Demonstration Farm at Pedi, proposed by the Deputy Commissioner, was also approved and recommended to the concerned department. The Board constituted a committee to oversee the project, with the Deputy Commissioner, Peren, as its Convenor.

Following the agenda deliberations, Programme Manager, NagaEd, Kipenpongla Jamir, delivered a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the organization's interventions in Government schools across Peren district and its ongoing educational programmes

in collaboration with the Education Department.

The Board also reviewed the status of agendas discussed in the previous meetings, including adoption of Peren Government College, adoption of Government schools and hospitals, adoption of one village under each RD Block for streamlining the functioning of Village Development Boards (VDBs) and Village Councils, monthly mass social work, construction of office buildings, attendance of officials and staff in offices, and Officers' Club.

The Deputy Commissioner entrusted Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Jalukie and Entrepreneurs Associates, Peren, to present their respective departmental activities through PowerPoint. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

POSTER MAKING COMPETITION CONDUCTED AT GHSS, PUNGRO

Poster making competition on Heat Wave Safety was conducted at Government Higher Secondary School, Pungro, Kiphire on 6th July 2026, to spread awareness about heat wave and its adverse effect on health.

Participants were divided into small groups and provided with chart papers and art supplies where they translated safety protocols into visual formats and teachers

encouraged them with guidance and feedback.

The competition was judged on how well the groups illustrated core heatwave safety themes into visual representation. Some vital parameters to keep in mind included hydration, sun protection, peak hour safety (11:00AM- 4:00PM), recognizing heat stroke symptoms.

LONGLENG DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the District Planning Development Board (DPDB), Longleng was held at DPDB hall, Longleng on 7th July 2026, in the presence of MLA & Chairman DPDB, Longleng, B. Bangtick Phom, and Advisor for Airways & Railways, A. Pongshi Phom.

Chairing the meeting, Vice Chairman,

DPDB and DC Longleng, W. Manpai Phom, NCS, congratulated B. Bangtick Phom on assuming charge as Chairman of the DPDB and A. Pongshi Phom, MLA, on his appointment as Advisor to the Chief Minister. He thereafter reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

Addressing the gathering, the Advisor

highlighted the significance of the ongoing census exercise, stating that accurate population data is essential for effective planning, equitable allocation of government resources, and informed future development initiatives.

He also called upon all departments to extend full cooperation to census officials for the smooth and successful conduct of the exercise.

MLA & DPDB Chairman, B. Bangtick Phom, emphasized the importance of accountability and directed all Heads of Departments (HoDs) to remain stationed at their respective headquarters. He stressed that the presence of departmental heads at their stations is essential for ensuring efficient public service delivery,

effective coordination, and the timely implementation of government programmes and developmental activities.

During the meeting the house approved the shifting of GPS Namsang C to EAC office building. The house also approved the Scheme under LADP 2026-27, registration of Phom Sports Association under Society Registration Act, the Construction of Astro Turf at Longleng and creation of Sub-divisional Horticulture office at Tamlu. T. Shahnyu Phom, Sr. Supervisor, Department of Social Welfare, presented a PowerPoint presentation on its programmes and activities. The Board also reviewed various developmental issues and deliberated on matters relating to the overall progress of the district.

DISSEMINATION OF HIV & AIDS (PREVENTION & CONTROL) ACT, 2017 HELD AT LONGLENG DISTRICT

A dissemination programme on the HIV & AIDS (Prevention and Control) Act, 2017 was held at the CMO Conference Hall, Longleng, on 8th July 2026. The programme was organized by DISHA Longleng and sponsored by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS).

The programme aimed to create awareness among civil society leaders and student/youth leaders on the provisions of the HIV & AIDS (Prevention and Control) Act, 2017, while promoting greater understanding of HIV prevention, control, and the legal rights and protections guaranteed under the Act.

The resource persons, K. Bongyei Phom and L. Yingloi Phom, delivered informative sessions highlighting the importance of creating an informed and stigma free society. They spoke on HIV prevention

and control measures, the responsibilities of communities in addressing HIV related issues, and the legal implications of the Act, including the protection of the rights and dignity of people living with HIV.

The speakers encouraged participants to become advocates for awareness in their respective communities and institutions by disseminating accurate information, combating stigma and discrimination, and supporting efforts to prevent the spread of HIV.

The programme concluded with active participation and interaction from the attendees, reaffirming the collective commitment of stakeholders towards building an informed, inclusive, and supportive society through awareness, education, and legal protection.

CHUMOUKEDIMA DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the DPDB Chumoukedima, was held at the DC's Conference Hall on July 10, 2026 under the chairmanship of Advisor for Urban Development and Municipal Affairs & Chairman, DPDB Chumoukedima, Zhaleo Rio. Advisor for Industries and Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu also attended the meeting.

Addressing the members, Advisor Zhaleo Rio said that with more government offices being established in Chumoukedima district, officers should discharge their responsibilities with dedication and sincerity. He urged all officers to serve with a sense of purpose and commitment rather than viewing their duties merely as employment.

Advisor for Industries and Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu, while addressing the house, said every DPDB meeting provides an opportunity for reflection on how "Team Chumoukedima" is performing and how the district can move forward with a shared vision. She observed that despite the financial constraints faced by the State and the challenges in revenue generation, concerted efforts are required to strengthen the local economy. Referring to the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, she said the groundwork must begin now by supporting MSMEs and local enterprises, with the ultimate objective of ensuring that developmental initiatives directly benefit the people.

The board also considered applications for society registration. After scrutiny and deliberation, it approved and recommended the registration of Pro Village, Molvom Village, and Odia Samaj Nagaland, 4th Mile, Diphupar.

The board discussed and approved the

Local Area Development Programme (LADP) proposals for 2026-2027.

On the proposal for establishment of a District Industries Centre (DIC) in Chumoukedima, the board noted that the matter is under consideration at the Government level. While agreeing in principle to the proposal, the board noted that the establishment would be carried out following due government procedures.

The board also deliberated on a representation submitted by the Chakhroma Public Organisation (CPO) regarding the reconstruction of the suspension bridge at Chumoukedima Saturday Bazaar, which was damaged during the monsoon floods, and the construction of a foot overbridge at the same location. The house recommended that the matter be taken up with the State PWD and noted that ₹4 lakh had earlier been provided by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) for restoration works.

A brief report on the ongoing Census exercise was presented by ADC T. Lemlila Sangtam, NCS.

During the meeting, Yanathung Kithan, Scientist 'B', Nagaland Pollution Control Board (NPCB), delivered a PowerPoint presentation on Solid Waste Management, highlighting the importance of scientific waste segregation, collection and disposal for environmental sustainability. On solid waste management, Rio called for close coordination between the district administration, Chumoukedima Town Council and the public to ensure effective waste management.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the chair.

DC LEVEL BORDER COORDINATION MEETING HELD AT MANGKOLEMBA, MOKOKCHUNG

Deputy Commissioner Level Border Coordination Meeting between Jorhat, Assam, and Mokokchung district was held on 10th July, 2026 at ADC Conference Hall, Mangkolemba, under Mokokchung district. In the meeting, both sides presented a brief overview of border issues and resolved to adhere to the following outcome of the meeting.

It was decided that with respect to Aosenden Village, both districts reaffirmed strict adherence to the status quo as decided in the Chief Secretary Level Meeting held on 31st July 2021 and agreed to refrain from any activity or new construction work which violates the existing arrangement of maintaining status quo.

With respect to Aokum Village, a joint verification of the Aokum area by the concerned Border Magistrates from both sides will be conducted within seven days.

Both sides agreed to have better coordination and response so as to maintain tranquility in the border area, and also resolve that both the district administrations would ensure regular communication and promptly share details of newly transferred Border Magistrates and police officers to maintain close coordination and continuity.

It was also agreed upon for prior intimation for any kind of official border visits and activities, and to keep official engagements into account such as local sensitivities, including Sunday observance in Nagaland.



DC Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS and DC Jorhat, Jay Shivani, IAS, along with other officials from Jorhat and Mokokchung district, during the DC Level Border Coordination Meeting held at Mangkolemba, Mokokchung on 10th July 2026.

DPDB WOKHA REVIEWS KEY DEVELOPMENTAL ISSUES AND UNDERTAKES INSTITUTIONAL VISITS

The District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) meeting for July 2026 was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall, Wokha on 10th July 2026. The meeting was chaired by DPDB Chairman & Advisor,

Government of Nagaland, Mhathung Yanthan, with MLA Mhonbemo Humtsoe in attendance. Vice Chairman DPDB & Deputy Commissioner Wokha, K. Mhathung Tsanglao, cochaired the session.

The meeting began with a review of the previous month's agendas, where the drying up of the Etsutchukha water source pond was discussed with urgency, and the need for Nagaland State Transport (NST) bus services in proposed locations was reiterated.

Discussions also focused on the maintenance of National Highway 2, where engineers informed that contractors have been given 15 days to repair and make the highway stretch potholefree. Land encroachment along the highway was also deliberated.

Chichamo Shitiri from the Nagaland Nutrition Mission Foundation presented concerns on solid waste management at the Doyang Hydro Reservoir. He highlighted the accumulation of nonbiodegradable debris in the dam and the impact of discarded fishing equipment. He proposed the establishment of a recycling unit to address waste management and create awareness among farmers.

Three departments presented detailed PowerPoint presentations. SDPO Wokha, Sangthing Khiam, spoke on the Police Department, tracing its evolution and operational structure. He highlighted the changing nature of crime, the establishment of a cyber cell in 2023, and helplines for reporting crimes: 1930 for financial fraud, and 6009308204, 6009308205, 7628903234 for drug trafficking. Shortages of police personnel, particularly women police officers, were also discussed.

Dr. Oben Yanthan presented for the Prison Department, outlining its legal

framework, organizational structure and security infrastructure. He also highlighted recreational and rehabilitation programmes. Wokha was noted as the first district to provide counselling and therapy to prisoners. He emphasized transforming lives and rebuilding futures, with success stories emerging from the initiatives. Advisor Mhathung Yanthan appreciated the efforts and appealed for departmental support.

Assistant Labour Commissioner, Wokha, Neimenuo, presented on the Labour Department, detailing its functions, responsibilities, and schemes. She highlighted the Nagaland Building and Other Construction Workers' Welfare Board (NBOCWFB) statistics. She also spoke on the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) and Employee Provident Fund Organization, noting challenges in coverage due to farming activities and difficulties in contacting beneficiaries. Awarenesscumregistration drives were proposed as the way forward.

Administrative officers and border magistrates from outposts and subdivisions highlighted various issues, including census operations.

As part of institutional visits, DPDB members visited the District DeAddiction Centre (DDAC), Wokha, located in Chukitong Town and interacted with the patients. He appealed to government departments to extend support to the centre.

The members further visited Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV), Wokha, located in Chukitong.

PHEK DPDB MEETING HELD

The Phek DPDB meeting was held under the chairmanship of the Minister for Power and Parliamentary Affairs & Chairman

DPDB, Phek K.G Kenye at DC's conference Hall, Phek on 10th July 2026.

Addressing the meeting, the Minister

spoke concerning the Government policy of decentralization of Planning & Development Board down to the district level, and urged the Members and Officers to actively participate in the DPDB meetings.

Kenye also spoke concerning the development funds under Urban Local Body in the district, and encouraged the Chairperson, Phek Town Council to initiate developmental program accordingly.

He also enquired about Law-and-Order situation in the district, and urged the district Administration and Police to be alert and vigilant, asserting that the district is located bordering to most conflicting state of Manipur.

Deliberating on unsettled matter for the establishment of Radar at Pfutsero, the DC, Rhosietho Nguori and ADC Pfutsero, Mhalo Lotha apprised the board that the establishment of Radar at Pfutsero is impossible as expressed by the Pfutsero Public. In this regard the Minister directed the ADC, Pfutsero to submit the report to the DC Phek to enable the State government to take appropriate decision.

After a brief deliberation, the board formally approved the schemes under the Local Area Development Programmes (LADP) 2026-2027. The agendas for proposal of schemes under LADP was put up by the Deputy Commissioner, Rhosietho Nguori.

Meeting also discussed on reports of marketing difficulties faced by the cabbage grower of Razeza Range in the district. In this matter, the DHO (Horti) Phek, apprised the house that the State Horticulture Department is on the job seeking buyers for sale and purchase of products. He stated that 100 bags of cabbage had been purchased from Razeza Range just few days ago.

The DHO (Horti) Phek, Kelhouzakie Chielie and DSCO (Soil) Phek, Peleneilhou Patrick highlighted their respective departmental activities of the Horticulture and Soil & Water Conservation departments implemented in the district through PowerPoints presentation. Deputy Commissioner, Rhosietho Nguori, chaired the meeting.

NOKLAK DPDB MEETING HELD

Noklak DPDB held its monthly meeting on 13th July 2026 at SP Conference Hall chaired by Benei M Lamthio, MLA and Chairman DPDB Noklak. At the outset the chairman warmly welcomed all the members and he highlighted his concern towards the educational system specially the performance of the government schools in the district.

The DC and Vice Chairman DPDB, P. Mono Khamniungan reviewed the last meeting minutes, subsequently opportunity was given to new members for self-introduction where Ralise Sangtam ADC, Puhon Khamniungan EAC and Nzanthung DFO introduced themselves to the Board.

The following main agendas were discussed in the meeting.

1. Permission/Recognition of new private School of Tsoiphu Baptist Church for opening private School at Chipthur village under the nomenclature of Baptist School Chipthur was discussed with the concern department and the house approved the proposal and recommended the same to the higher authority for consideration.

2. Approval of LADP Scheme 2026-2027 in respect of 56 Noklak and 57 Thonoknyu A/C including Iconic project was discussed and approved.

3. Inauguration of the Economic and Statistics Office at Noklak, the MLA and DPDB Chairman noted that the office building was complete and emphasized the need for its early operationalization to facilitate the issuance of birth and death certificates. The DPDB approved the proposal and forwarded it to the Government for consideration, along with the requirement for adequate staff.

The Sericulture department presented a Powerpoint presentation by the department officer of its department work progress and achievements.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks and directed the members to present the meeting positively with a view to uplift the young district in smooth and fast development.

ASSISTIVE DEVICES DISTRIBUTION PROGRAMME HELD AT KIPHIRE

Artificial Limbs manufacturing corporation of India ALIMCO, in association with the Social Welfare Department and District Administration, Kiphire, organized a distribution programme of assistive devices for senior citizens and persons with disabilities at Hopongku Memorial Hall on 14th July 2026.

In his speech, EAC Kiphire, Takatemjen Pongen, NCS said that the government

is strengthening welfare programmes, improving accessibility and expanding support system for vulnerable groups.

Hearing aids, wheelchairs and walking sticks were distributed to beneficiaries from Kiphire Village and Town.

Dignitaries, public leaders, GBs and government officials attended the programme.

DIRECTOR, MoRD & CPO FOR THONOKNYU ASPIRATIONAL BLOCK, RAJ PRIY SINGH HELD REVIEW MEETING WITH DISTRICT OFFICIALS AT NOKLAK

Director, Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) & Central Prabhari Officer (CPO) for Thonoknyu Aspirational Block, Raj Priy Singh, IFS visited Noklak district on 14th July 2026.

During his visit, Raj Priy Singh held a review meeting with District Administration and line departments for Thonoknyu Aspirational Block Programme at the Conferences Hall of the Superintendent of Police, Noklak.

In his address, Raj highlighted the vision of Viksit Bharat@2047 and Government of India's strategic plan to transform the country into a fully developed nation which

is spearheaded by NITI Aayog, and asserted that the initiative is built on four core pillars: youth, the poor, women, and farmers.

Singh also highlighted the VB-G RAM G (Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission Gramin) Act. He mentioned on four domains under the Act: such as Water Security: Water-related works (ponds, recharge structures, and irrigation facilities); Core Rural Infrastructure: Rural connectivity (roads, paths, and public facilities); Livelihood-Related Infrastructure: Assets to support local trades (rural markets and storage facilities); and Extreme Weather Mitigation: Climate resilience and disaster-

proofing works.

Further, Raj requested all the stakeholders to work together for all round development of the block and the district as well.

In his PowerPoint presentation, SDO (Civil) Noklak & Nodal Officer for Thonoknyu Aspirational Block, Vikhoto Richa highlighted the various initiatives taken up in the block. He presented an overview of the performance of the Block across five sectors: Health & Nutrition, Social Development, Agriculture & Allied, Education and Basic Development. He also highlighted the challenges faced by the Block in terms of remoteness, topography, road connectivity, lack of banking facilities,

data discrepancy, infrastructure deficit and shortages of human resources in the Block.

Earlier, DC Noklak, P. Mono Khamniungan who chaired the meeting, extended his appreciation to the CPO for the visit and guidance. He also appreciated the tireless efforts extended by various departments for upliftment of Thonoknyu Aspirations Block Programme and stated that despite many challenges, Thonoknyu Block achieved 1st Rank for the Period (Oct - Dec 2025) in the Delta Ranking.

As part of the visit, the CPO also visited an Anganwadi Centre and Sub Centre and inspected some houses constructed under PMAY-G in Noklak village.

KIPHIRE DPDB APPROVES LADP SCHEMES

The monthly meeting of the DPDB Kiphire was held on 15th July 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Kiphire, under the chairmanship of DC Kiphire, Temsuwati Longkumer, NCS.

The Chairman welcomed the members and reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.

The Board deliberated on the registration of META NOYA Society, Kiphire, and resolved to recommend the proposal to

the higher authority for consideration. It also approved the LADP schemes and projects for 2026-27 and finalized the distribution of responsibilities for the upcoming Independence Day celebration.

The Senior Scientist & Head, KVK Kiphire, and the AEO, Election Department, Kiphire, presented their departmental activities through PowerPoint presentations. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

TUENSANG DPDB MEETING HELD

DPDB Tuensang held its monthly meeting under the Chairmanship of MLA & Chairman DPDB, Imtichoba and co-chaired by DC Tuensang, Lithrongla Tongpi Rutsa, NCS on 15th July 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, Tuensang.

After reviewing the previous meeting minutes, the board discussed on the deplorable Road condition of NH 202 and Tuensang - Longleng Road which was

brought up by the Chairman of the House. After reviewing and deliberation on the issue, the board directed the concerned Department to look into the matter at the earliest possible time.

The meeting also discussed and approved the LADP Scheme for the financial year 2026-27 for 51 Noksen A/C, 52 Longkhim-Chare A/C, 53 Tuensang Sadar-I and 54 Tuensang Sadar-II A/C. Exhorting

the members, the Chairman appealed the HoDs to discharge their official duties and responsibilities with utmost sincerity for the upliftment of the people in the district.

The house also discussed the work distribution for the forthcoming Independence Day Celebration at the District and decided to organise a Mass Social Work on 1st August 2026 in the Town. The Deputy

Commissioner informed the members and to submit the Name of employees under their respective department for District Commendation Awards if any by 30th of July 2026.

The PowerPoint Presentation on Departmental Activities was presented by E.E, PWD (R&B) Tuensang.

DC DIMAPUR CONVENES MEETING ON MY BHARAT REGISTRATION DRIVE

The District Administration, Dimapur, convened an orientation meeting on 15th July 2026 for the ongoing Intensive Registration and Awareness Drive for the MY Bharat (Mera Yuva Bharat) Portal, aimed at ensuring maximum youth enrollment across schools and colleges in the district before the campaign concludes on August 15, 2026.

Addressing the gathering, Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, NCS, said that the youth are the driving force of development and emphasized that the MY Bharat platform serves as a vital bridge connecting young people with opportunities provided by the Government of India. He urged heads of educational institutions to

accord top priority to the registration drive and ensure that eligible students benefit from the various programmes available through the portal.

Chang stressed that the success of the campaign depends on the collective efforts of the district administration and educational institutions. He encouraged schools and colleges to actively motivate students to register and take advantage of opportunities that will enhance their skills, employability, leadership, and overall development.

District Youth Officer, K. Manikanta gave a detailed presentation on the objectives, features, and benefits of the MY Bharat Portal. He explained that the



DC Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang with district officials and heads of educational institutions during an orientation meeting on MY Bharat Registration and Awareness Drive held at DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur on 15th July 2026.

platform enables youth between 15 and 29 years of age to create digital profiles, access mentorship opportunities, participate in experiential learning programmes, develop leadership and professional skills, and engage in volunteer initiatives related to disaster management, community service, health, and social awareness.

The meeting was attended by Extra Assistant Commissioner Imlijungla, the District Employment Officer, the District

Education Officer, principals of colleges, heads of educational institutions, and other officials from across the district.

During the meeting, educational institutions were advised to establish dedicated registration cells, appoint institutional nodal officers, and mobilize campus organisations such as the National Service Scheme (NSS) and National Cadet Corps (NCC) to ensure maximum student enrollment before the deadline.

DISTRICT - LEVEL REVIEW MEETING ON PM POSHAN AND SAMAGRA SHIKSHA HELD AT MELURI

A District-Level Review Meeting on the implementation of PM POSHAN (Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman) and Samagra Shiksha was held on 15th July 2026, at the Office Chamber of the Deputy Commissioner, Meluri, under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Phuleshe K. Yepthomi, NCS.

During the review meeting, the Deputy Commissioner assessed the implementation of key schemes by the School Education, Social Welfare and Health Departments, focusing on progress, achievements and challenges. He stressed inter-departmental coordination, convergence, effective monitoring and timely implementation to

ensure welfare benefits reach all eligible beneficiaries.

The meeting also deliberated on measures to improve monitoring, timely implementation and effective coordination among the line departments for the successful execution of PM POSHAN and Samagra Shiksha initiatives in Meluri district.

The meeting was attended by the District Planning Officer, Child Development Project Officer, Senior Medical Officer, Range Forest Officer, Sub-Divisional Education Officer, Assistant Manager of SBI, Meluri and other concerned officials.

MON DPDB MEETING HELD

The Mon DPDB meeting was held on 16th of July 2026 at DC's Conference Hall, under the new DPDB chairman, W. Chingang Konyak, Advisor Geology & Mining and DUDA.

On behalf of the members, DC Mon Wennyei Konyak welcomed the new chairman and assured full cooperation for the success of the district under his leadership. In his address, the chairman appealed to the officers

and members to extend full cooperation for the successful implementation of all the Government schemes and policy in the district. He also called upon all the members to regularly attend the DPDB meeting and to put innovative schemes for the district. The chairman also gave away the prizes to meritorious students for class 10 and 12 under Mon district.

Earlier, the meeting begins with

review of the last meeting minutes followed by discussion of new agendas. After a thorough deliberation, the board approved and forwarded the proposal for introduction of Arts stream at New Model College Wakching, creation of Primary School at Longwa village and construction of PWD

road (1.5 km) at Tobu town.

The board also discussed and approved the schemes under LADP for the financial year 2026-27 including Iconic & Skill Development of all the 9 Assembly Constituencies under Mon District.

SEMINAR ON BASIC OFFICIATING PROCEDURES IN ATHLETICS HELD IN LONGLENG

A one-day seminar on Basic Officiating Procedure in Athletic, organised by the office of the District Youth Resources & Sports Officer, Longleng in collaboration with Phom Sports Association was held on 16th July 2026, at CMTC Hall, Longleng.

Deputy Commissioner & Chairman Longleng District Sports Council, W. Manpai Phom, NCS, highlighted the District Sports Council's efforts, under the Phom Sports Association, in launching the new sports initiative. He described it as a first step toward developing a stronger sporting system in Longleng and appreciated the dedication of participants and the DYRSO department.

He emphasized the need for national and international-level resources, encouraged

resource persons to share their expertise, and called for identifying and nurturing raw sporting talent from rural areas into professional athletes.

Resources persons PET, DOC (s), Neikuosielie and PET, Bongshet Phom, imparted the gathering on the topic, Call Room & Track Event, Starter, Field Event, Q & A and Practical. The seminar focuses on creating public awareness and promoting of athletic discipline in the district.

The programme was attended by all federating units of Phom Area Sports Association. Chairperson District Sports Officer Longleng, Kenongoto Thokhwe, delivered the vote of thanks.

BHANDARI SDPDB DISCUSSES POWER SUPPLY, HEALTHY, BENEFICIAL LIVESTOCK FARMING AND ACCURATE CENSUS

Bhandari SDPDB meeting was held at the conference hall of the Summer House-Cum-Guest House on 16th July 2026, under the chairmanship of ADC & Vice Chairman SDPDB Bhandari, Longasen Lotha, who reviewed the meeting minutes and deliberated on the issues of electricity and power supply in the sub-division.

Later, the house discussed and approved the schemes under LADP 2026-2027 for

40 A/C Bhandari and recommended to the government for final approval.

Presenting a report on Livestock Insurance Scheme under Bhandari, VAS Quarantine Check Post, Merapani, Dr. Kikali G. Sumi informed the house that surveillance and monitoring activities for animal care and awareness programmes on Livestock Insurance Scheme were successfully conducted within Bhandari sub-division

in the month of June 2026. The program was conducted to encourage farmers to adopt Scientific Livestock Management for profitable livestock farming, and to practice Bio-security measures to limit economic losses associated with disease outbreaks, she added. She also highlighted the number of livestock which have been insured under the National Livestock Mission Scheme.

Er. Elithung Oving. SDO (R&B) PWD appraised the house that construction work at Nagaland Foothill Road has been completed officially except for some rectification work in some patches that included bridge

work, approach slab, Toe wall, and River apron works which are in progress.

ADC, Longasen Lotha lauded the Census 2027 officials who have been engaged in carrying out the Census exercise diligently within Bhandari sub division and further urged them to ensure no eligible citizen is left out during enumeration.

He also urged the officers based under Bhandari sub-division to continuously support the Census exercise for successful and accurate enumeration of all eligible citizens.

LONGKHIM SDPDB APPROVES LADP SCHEMES 2025-26

Longkhim Sub-Divisional Planning & Development Board meeting was conducted under the Chairmanship of Additional Deputy Commissioner & Vice Chairman, SDPDB, Anoka H. Assumi on 17th July 2026 at DUDA Hall, Longkhim.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members present and reviewed the previous meeting minutes. The board Members after a lengthy deliberation on various schemes proposed under the LADP

2026-27, unanimously approved and forwarded the proposed schemes to the Government for final approval.

ADC while briefing on the on-going Census Operating in the state, appealed to all the Government Employees to enroll Census in their respective posting place. He also informed the members that attendance will be strictly monitored for all the departments and urged to be in their respective office, to work diligently and serve the public.

TSEMINYU DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the Tseminyu DPDB was held in the Conference Hall of the DC Tseminyu on 17th July 2026. The meeting was chaired by Ar. Jwenga Seb MLA & Chairman DPDB Tseminyu.

Addressing the members, the chairman welcomed and thanked the board members for their cooperation and support in carrying out the district's development activities. After reviewing the previous meeting minutes, the board deliberated on the agenda proposed by Superintendent of Police Tseminyu,

Talisunep Imchen for upgradation of the Police strength under DEF, Tseminyu. The SP apprised the members that Tseminyu being a New District requires more police force for both Men and women for smooth functioning of the district. In this regard the house approved the proposal to the government for further necessary action.

The DPDB chairman read out the various schemes and projects proposed under the Local Area Development Programme (LADP) 2026-2027. After which the board

deliberated on the proposed schemes and approved it.

The Rural Development department

presented their departmental activities through PowerPoint presentations.

DPDB ZUNHEBOTO HELD

The monthly meeting of the DPDB for July 2026 was held at the DC's Conference Hall, Zunheboto on 18th July 2026, under the chairmanship of DPDB Chairman and Advisor for Food & Civil Supplies, Legal Metrology & Consumer Protection, and Chairman of the Urban Local Bodies and Village Council Committee, Government of Nagaland, K. Tokugha Sukhalu, IAS (Retd.).

DC Dharam Raj, IAS, delivered the welcome address and greeted the members. The house first reviewed and discussed the action taken on the resolutions and agendas of the previous meeting.

Several new agendas were then taken up for deliberation. Divisional Forest Officer Obed Bohovi Swu, SFS, proposed two agendas: (i) the implementation of a Green Campus Initiative in Zunheboto as a pilot project under the Community Social Responsibility (ComSR) initiative, and (ii) the endorsement of the Community Social Responsibility (ComSR) model by the DPDB. The proposals were discussed by the members for further consideration.

ADC Akuluto, Tiayanger Jamir, NCS, highlighted the urgent need for a Fire and Emergency Services Station at Akuluto to ensure prompt emergency response and safeguard lives and property. DC Dharam Raj, IAS, also supplemented the proposal by emphasizing the importance of setting up the fire station considering the growing developmental activities in the area.

The Board also discussed a proposal for the setting up of a Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) office under the Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) at Satakha.

Another agenda recommended the construction of a permanent District Welfare Office in Zunheboto, noting that the department has been functioning from a rented building for several years.

The meeting further deliberated on proposals seeking grant-in-aid for Covering kids Academy South P, Zunheboto and Mount View School, Suruhuto for infrastructure development and improvement of teaching and learning facilities. During the discussion, the DC enquired whether the schools were implementing the mandatory 25% reservation for children from Economically Weaker Sections under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. He stressed the importance of ensuring access to quality education for poor and needy students.

The Board also discussed the proposal to organize the annual Inter-Departmental Tournament 2026, which is scheduled to be held in the month of September.

During the meeting, Chairman K. Tokugha Sukhalu expressed concern over reports of swine flu in some villages of the district. He sought an update from the District Veterinary Office and directed the department to intensify awareness campaigns and take necessary preventive measures to contain the spread of the disease.

The meeting concluded with a presentation by Hovishe Choppy, District Programme Officer under the Chief Medical Officer, Zunheboto, who briefed the members on departmental activities and relevant health programmes.

NITI TARA WORKSHOP CONCLUDED IN KIPHIRE DISTRICT AND KHONGSA BLOCK

The NITI TARA Workshop concluded successfully in Kiphire Aspirational District and Khongsa Aspirational Block on 17th & 18th July 2026, respectively. The session was led by Rajesh Mandal from EdCil, Guwahati, Assam, as the resource person for both events. The district-level workshop was chaired by Takatemjen Pongen, NCS, Nodal Officer (NITI TARA) for Kiphire, while the block-level session was chaired by Ningsangwu, Aspirational Block Fellow for Khongsa.

An introductory message from Nidhi Chhibber, CEO of NITI Aayog, was played via video, followed by brief introductions of participating officers.

The workshops opened with a concise overview of the NITI TARA initiative and its toolkits - Toolkits for Analysis, Review & Action - demonstrating how

this resources support evidence -based planning and monitoring in aspirational areas. The sessions were interactive and focused on building practical skills for data analysis, review mechanisms, and actionable planning. Participants included all Heads of Departments (HoDs) at the district level and the relevant block-level officers, ensuring comprehensive cross-departmental engagement.

Attendees discussed local priorities, identified gaps, and developed follow -up actions to integrate NITI TARA tools into routine monitoring and planning processes.

The workshops concluded with commitments from district and block officials to implement the agreed action and continue collaboration with NITI TARA facilitators for technical support and capacity building.

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON NALSA JAGRITI SCHEME 2025 HELD IN DIMAPUR

Nagaland State Legal Services Authority (NSLSA), in collaboration with Dimapur District Legal Services Authority (DDLSA) and Central Jail, Chümoukedima held an awareness programme on NALSA JAGRITI Scheme, 2025 on the theme “Rights in Custody, Dignity for All” at Central Jail, Chümoukedima on 18th July 2026.

Delivering the keynote address, NSLSA Member Secretary Shri Neiko Akami, NJS highlighted that deprivation of liberty does not extinguish constitutional and human rights. He emphasised on legal facilitation for eligible prisoners seeking remission, premature release, parole and furlough, while

underscoring the need for capacity building of Jail Visiting Lawyers, Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs) and prison officials through the effective use of the e-Prisons Portal and e-Remission Module.

He also called for strengthening Prison Legal Aid Clinics (PLACs), organising “Know Your Case” drives to help inmates understand the status of their cases and available legal remedies, identifying eligible prisoners under the Under Trial Review Committee (UTRC) framework, and enhancing legal literacy through awareness programmes and participatory activities.

Central Jail Jailer, Zubemo briefed

participants on remission and premature release of eligible convicts based on good behaviour and conduct. He explained that the list of convicts are sent to the government and after the approval, eligible ones are forwarded during Independence Day celebrations. He encouraged inmates to maintain good conduct and become responsible citizens after release.

Speaking on the theme, "Rights in Custody, Dignity for All," Adv. Khumchuba explained that the JAGRITI Scheme aims to strengthen legal awareness and ensure access to free legal aid for those unable to engage legal counsel.

Adv. Rokovitsu Khate emphasised on prisoners' right to be informed of legal proceedings, the right to a speedy trial, and the right to choose legal representation. He also highlighted the importance of educational, vocational and rehabilitative activities within prisons to facilitate the successful reintegration of inmates into society, while reiterating the principle that every accused person is presumed innocent until proven guilty by a court of law.

The programme was chaired by Visheli H. Yepthomi, Panel Lawyer.

TRAINING ON SPECIAL INTENSIVE REVISION 2026 HELD ACROSS DISTRICTS

Training programmes on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of Electoral Rolls 2026 were conducted in Meluri, Kiphire and Chumoukedima to equip Booth Level Officers (BLOs), Supervisors and Booth Level Agents (BLAs) with the necessary knowledge and procedures for accurate and transparent revision of electoral rolls.

CHUMOUKEDIMA

District-level training for BLOs was conducted from 16th to 18th July, 2026 led by the District Master Trainer and Assistant Programmer and SDO Chumoukedima, Shreyansee, IAS as the resource persons. This was followed by training for Booth Level Agents (BLAs) on 21st July at the DC Office Conference Hall.

The sessions covered the objectives of SIR, roles and responsibilities of BLOs and BLAs, timelines, claims and objections, coordination with election officials and use of the election portal. Participants were urged to ensure timely, accurate and transparent implementation of the SIR process in

accordance with Election Commission guidelines.

MELURI

A one-day training for BLOs and Supervisors under 20 Meluri Assembly Constituency was held at the DC's Court on 21st July 2026.

DC Meluri, Phuleshe K. Yepthomi, urged BLOs to discharge their duties with sincerity, impartiality and dedication, stressing the need to verify the identity and eligibility of electors.

EAC & AERO Meluri, Pipfusa Pojar, briefed participants on the SIR process and the October 1, 2026 qualifying date.

Amo Thurr, Trainer of Trainers (ToT), EBRC, Meluri, Training delivered a session on the roles and responsibilities of BLOs, Supervisors and Booth Level Officers (BLOs), including the use of the BLO App.

KIPHIRE

Phase-III SIR training for BLOs under 59 Seyochung-Sitimi Assembly Constituency was held at the DC's Conference

Hall on 21st July 2026.

Assistant Election Officer, Aben Yanthan emphasised accurate and inclusive electoral roll revision.

Master Trainer, Atingse, Graduate Teacher, provided detailed sessions on

SIR procedures, documentation and responsibilities of BLOs.

The training, attended by 61 participants, concluded with an interactive doubt-clearing session

MINISTER P PAIWANG KONYAK VISITS TIZIT

Minister for Health & Family Welfare, P. Paiwang Konyak, visited Tizit on 23rd July 2026, to assess the flood affected situation.

Addressing government officials, NGOs, civil society organisations, and student bodies at ADC's conference hall Tizit, the Minister expressed his appreciation to everyone who had come forward to assist the affected people during this unprecedented crisis. He commended the collective efforts of all stakeholders in providing timely relief and support.

Highlighting the challenges of the post-flood situation, the Minister assured that all possible assistance, including medicines, food, and other essential relief materials,

would reach Tizit as soon as road conditions improve and accessibility is restored.

Besides taking possible care of the displaced families, the Minister also donated food grains and financial assistance from his personal side to the worst-affected areas including Tizit Town, Lapa Lampong and Greenply area. He also assured all possible support towards relief and rehabilitation efforts.

The Minister further appealed to all well-to-do individuals and organisations to come forward and contribute in whatever way they can to support those affected by the disaster.

AGRI- DEPARTMENT DISTRIBUTES MACHINERIES TO FARMERS AT SHAMATOR

A one-day Farm Machinery Distribution Programme under the Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM), Component-8, for the year 2026–2027 was held at the District Agriculture Office, Shamator, on 24th July 2026.

Addressing the gathering as the Special Guest, EAC Shamator, Mekato, NCS EAC Shamator, Mekato, NCS, urged farmers to view farm machinery distributed under SMAM as an opportunity to modernise agriculture, improve productivity, and adopt sustainable and innovative practices.

He emphasised farmers' role in achieving Viksit Bharat 2047, encouraging crop diversification and mechanisation to attract youth and reduce rural migration. He also stressed that sustainable agricultural development requires joint efforts from the Government and farming community, urging beneficiaries to use the machinery effectively and demonstrate successful outcomes to encourage future investment in the district.

The programme also featured speeches on behalf of the beneficiaries before the distribution of agricultural machinery to the

selected farmers.

Earlier, the programme was chaired by the District Agriculture Officer, L. Kivika

Chophi, while vote of thanks delivered by Alex Meyese, SDAO, Shamator.

‘CATCH THE RAIN’ AWARENESS PROGRAMMES HELD ACROSS SEVERAL DISTRICTS

Awareness programmes on rainwater harvesting and water conservation under the Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari (JSJB) campaign and the national theme “Catch the Rain” were held across several towns in the month of July.

BHANDARI

An Awareness programme was held at Bhandari town organised by the Bhandari town Council at summer house-cum-guest house on 24th July 2026.

During the programme, resource persons EAC Bhandari, Kilangtemsu, and Er. K. Hukato Shohe, SDO (PHED), Bhandari, stressed the importance of rainwater harvesting, protection of water bodies, and judicious use of water resources. They highlighted the need to “catch the rain”

and store water during the rainy season to address water shortages during dry periods. Participants were urged to actively contribute to water conservation and adopt sustainable practices to ensure water security. Vote of thanks was proposed by Khosathung Tsapoe, Councillor BTC, Chanka Ward. The programme was chaired by Likao Odyuo, Deputy Chairman, BTC and the welcome address was delivered by Khonthungia Odyuo, Chairman BTC

PUNGRO

An awareness programme was held at the ADC’s Conference Hall, Pungro, on 27th July 2026.

Resource person Tsulimew, SDHA, PHED, highlighted the importance of rainwater harvesting and traditional water



EAC Khongsa, Pauding Disuang along with other officials and participants during an awareness programme on rainwater harvesting and water conservation held at ADC’s Office, Pungro, Kiphire on 27th July 2026.

conservation practices, stressing the need to improve water security and groundwater recharge.

EAC Khongsa, Pauding Disuang, emphasised community participation in conserving water resources. Representatives of various departments and organisations attended the programme.

CHIEPHOBOZOU

The Campaign was held at the Town Council Hall, Chiephobozou, on 27th July 2026.

Delivering the keynote address, ADC & EO, Chiephobozou Town Council, Vekusheyi Rhakho, NCS, stressed the need to conserve every drop of water and make rainwater harvesting a collective responsibility. Highlighting the recurring water supply challenges faced by Chiephobozou and surrounding areas, Rhakho appreciated local efforts in rainwater harvesting and encouraged the community to further strengthen such initiatives and transform water conservation into a sustained people's movement.

Resource person Er. Kethosenou Usou, JE, PHED, explained the objectives of the "Catch the Rain" campaign and highlighted the optimum utilisation of harvested rainwater for domestic, household, agricultural and farming purposes.

An interactive session followed, focusing on local water scarcity, supply challenges and practical conservation measures suited to the area.

As part of the campaign, street mural paintings on the theme "Catch the Rain" were also undertaken at prominent locations in Chiephobozou Town to promote public awareness.

The programme was chaired by EAC Chiephobozou, Viketoulie Metha.

CHUMOUKEDIMA

Chumoukedima Town Council (CTC) organised an awareness programme at the DC's Conference Hall, Chumoukedima, on 27th July 2026.

Resource persons Er. Hutovi Swu, Executive Engineer, Water Resources Department, and Er. Longchendi Wati Longchar, Junior Engineer, PHED, highlighted the importance of rainwater harvesting, efficient use of water and practical conservation measures at household and community levels.

In his closing remarks, Lhousito Khro, Chairman, Chumoukedima Town Council, encouraged citizens to adopt rainwater harvesting practices and work collectively to protect water resources for future generations.

The programme was chaired by Er. Khriengunuo Theunuo, EAC (HQ), DC Office, Chumoukedima.

ATOIZU

An awareness programme was organised at DBs Hall, Atoizu, on 27th July, 2026.

Welcoming the gathering, Ivuka Katty, Deputy Chairman, Atoizu Town Council, stressed the importance of public awareness and collective efforts in promoting rainwater harvesting as a practical measure to address water scarcity.

Er. Liza Sumi, JE, Water Resources Department, Zunheboto, highlighted the growing need for sustainable water conservation. She explained the principles and methods of rainwater harvesting and encouraged households and institutions to adopt simple and effective water conservation measures.

An interactive session followed, allowing participants to seek clarifications and share experiences on local water-related issues.

The session also facilitated an exchange of practical ideas on strengthening community participation in water conservation.

The programme was chaired by Inali Yesca, Councillor, Atoizu Town Council.

YOUTH PARTICIPATES IN PM's VIRTUAL INTERACTION UNDER VIKSIT VIBRANT VILLAGE PROGRAMME 2026

A virtual interaction with the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, under the Viksit Vibrant Village Programme (VVP) 2026 was held at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, on July 26, 2026.

The programme was attended by 20 participants, including youth representatives from Kohima district who had participated in the VVP 2026.

During the nationwide virtual interaction, the Prime Minister commended the participants for their contribution towards strengthening the vision of Viksit Bharat through their active engagement with India's border villages. He highlighted

the strategic importance of border areas, underscored the need to preserve their rich cultural heritage, and encouraged the youth to serve as ambassadors of national integration, community development, and self-reliance.

The participants joined the live interaction with keen interest and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to interact with the Prime Minister. The programme concluded on an inspiring note, motivating the youth to continue contributing towards nation-building and the holistic development of India's vibrant border villages.

DIMAPUR DPDB APPROVES LADP 2026-27, SCHOOL PROPOSALS; REVIEWS AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION

The monthly meeting of the District Planning & Development Board (DP&DB), Dimapur, was held on 27th July 2026 at the DC's Conference Hall, Dimapur. The meeting was attended by Advisor for Industries & Commerce & Chairperson, DPDB Dimapur, Hekani Jakhalu, and was chaired by Dr. Diana Patton, ADC, Dimapur.

The meeting began with a PowerPoint presentation on the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), Nagaland, delivered by Dr. Nyanthung Kikon, State Nodal Officer, ABDM, Department of Health & Family Welfare. During the presentation,

Dr. Kikon highlighted the objectives and implementation of the mission and stated that Dimapur is a model district under the programme.

The Board approved the Local Area Development Programme (LADP) 2026-27.

The proposal for registration of the Covenant Foundation under the Societies Registration Act was also approved.

Under the education sector, the Board approved the change of nomenclature of ITIKI Montessori School to ITIKI School, Darogapathar, Dimapur. It also approved the upgradation of Grace Fountain School,

Duncan Bosti, from Class V to Class VIII, and granted Grant-in-Aid to Pranab Vidyapith Higher Secondary School, Milan Mandir. While the proposal for change of ownership of Zakiesato Memorial Higher Secondary School, Dimapur, was deferred for further consideration.

Speaking at the conclusion of the meeting, Hekani urged the members to work with greater dedication. She stressed the importance of attending DPDB meetings regularly and said that if members were unable to attend, they should ensure that a representative attended on their behalf.

MELURI DPDB MEETING HELD

The monthly meeting of the District Planning & Development Board, Meluri, was held on 27th July 2026, at the DB's Court, DC's Office, Meluri.

After reviewing the minutes of the previous meeting, Advisor, NSDMA & Inland waterways and Chairman DPDB, Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe presented the LADP Schemes for the year 2026–2027. After deliberation, the board unanimously agreed and approved the proposed schemes under

LADP. He also requested all the departments to work collectively and contribute ideas and efforts for the upliftment of Meluri district.

ADC Meluri, Shelly Katiry, informed all departments that a mass Social work will be carried out on the third Saturday of every month in the district. The activities of the Forest Department Meluri were highlighted through a PowerPoint presentation by the representative of the Forest Department.

NIULAND DPDB MEETING HELD

The Niuland DPDB meeting was held on 28th July 2026 at the DC's Conference Hall, Niuland under the chairmanship of DC & Vice- Chairman DPDB, Niuland, T L Kiusumong Tikhir.

The board decided on a compulsory contribution of ₹5,000 from each Head of Department to address the ceiling repair of the Multipurpose Hall-cum-Auditorium at GHS Aghunaqa and road/bridge connectivity issues in the area. Members may contribute more if willing.

A detailed presentation on road connectivity in the Aghunaqa area was made by PWD (R&B), Dimapur Division. The presentation covers roads under Niuland district PWD (R&B), the current connectivity status of other district roads, village roads,

and the challenges posed by soil erosion. After due deliberation, the Board approved the proposal of Nitozu-Pihekhu Road (6.00 Km) to the concerned department for examination, along with the Concept Note and DPR.

The Chairman of Niuland Town Council also apprised the Board about the deplorable condition of the road stretch between 4th Mile, New Showuba till Niuland. Taking note of the matter, the Deputy Commissioner urged the concerned departments, namely Urban Development and PWD (R&B), to take responsibility for the maintenance of the said road and to at least take up filling of potholes in selected areas on a priority basis.

The board also deliberated on various schemes under LADP 2026-2027 for

Ghaspani-1 A/C and approved the same.

DPO, Land Resources, V. Vikugha Sema, briefed the Board on departmental activities and schemes, including PMKSY-

WDC, NEC Projects, State Schemes and RIDF, with focus on coffee, rubber, arecanut development, and springshed management.

KOHIMA DPDB STRESSES CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY, WASTE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION

The monthly meeting of the Kohima DPDB for July was held at DPDB Hall, Kohima on 29th July 2026 under the chairmanship of DC & Vice Chairman, DPDB Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS. Advisor for School Education, & Chairman of the Kohima DPDB, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, attended the meeting.

Expressing concern over the increasing use of public roads and municipal areas for storage of construction materials and commercial activities, the Advisor stressed the need to discourage indiscriminate dumping and encroachment on public spaces. He advocated for more scientific and sustainable methods of handling construction materials and urged entrepreneurs and business establishments to ensure that roads and municipal areas are not misused.

Referring to sanitation and drainage issues within Kohima town, Dr. Yhome highlighted the importance of community participation and accountability in maintaining cleanliness. He urged greater public awareness and active involvement of ward councillors in ensuring proper upkeep of drains and preventing blockages.

The Advisor also raised concern over landslides affecting various parts of the district and suggested conducting surveys of vulnerable areas in coordination with the concerned departments. He further called for a review of highways and roads

that remain under maintenance contracts, recommending joint inspections involving the executing agencies and affected village councils to ensure timely repairs and accountability.

On developmental activities, Dr. Yhome requested all departments to compile and submit details of schemes, projects and public welfare activities being implemented so that the information could be consolidated into a report or public document.

During the meeting, CEO, Kohima Municipal Council (KMC), Alemyapang Longchar, NCS, delivered a presentation on the implementation of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2026 in Kohima.

The presentation highlighted key provisions of the Rules, including source segregation of waste

Deputy Commissioner, B. Henok Buchem directed all departments to submit details of projects implemented under their respective departments. Referring to allegations circulating in sections of the media regarding the ongoing Census House Listing Operations, he instructed all government employees to extend full cooperation to census officials. He informed the house that no complaints had been received through the helpline numbers issued in connection with the allegations. The Deputy Commissioner also asked all stakeholder departments under the road sector to remain prepared

for any eventuality, particularly during the monsoon season.

The Board approved to recommend the proposal for the shifting of Bloomingdale Pre School to Kitsubozou Colony. It also recommended various schemes under the Local Area Development Programme (LADP) 2026–2027 for the six Assembly

Constituencies under Kohima district. The house further discussed and approved the institution of the Kohima DPDB Award to recognize outstanding government employees serving under the district. The Board also welcomed five new members to the Kohima District Planning & Development Board.

COMMITTEE ON URBAN LOCAL BODIES AND NAGALAND VILLAGE COUNCILS SITE VISIT TO PFUTSERO AND DIMAPUR

The Committee on Urban Local Bodies and Nagaland Village Councils of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly, under the Chairmanship of Advisor, K. Tokugha Sukhalu, conducted an official site visit and stakeholder consultations in Pfutsero Town on 22nd July, 2026 and Dimapur to review the implementation of the Nagaland Municipal Act, 2023 and the Nagaland Village & Tribal Councils Act, 1978.

The chairman was accompanied by Advisor, Imkongmar; Advisor, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome; MLA, A. Nyamnyei Konyak; MLA, Dr. Neisatuo Mero; MLA, Y. Lima Onen Chang, and Assembly Secretariat Officials led by Khruohituonuo Rio, Secretary.

In Pfutsero, meetings were held with the District Administration, Village Council Chairmen, VDB Secretaries, Town Council members and Gaon Buras. In Dimapur, separate consultations were held with the District Administration, Urban Gaon Buras and colony chairmen, followed by a meeting with the Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC).

The discussions centred on the

implementation of the two Acts under consideration, with emphasis on coordination between the Municipal/Town Council and the Village Councils, Civil Administration, service delivery, developmental activities and challenges at the grassroots level.

The stakeholders shared their views, concerns and suggestions on issues relating to urban governance, sanitation and solid waste management, infrastructure development, implementation of Government schemes, financial resources and the role of Village Councils and VDB Secretaries in promoting coordinated and sustainable local governance. The Committee took note of the issues and suggestions placed before it for further examination.

The Committee expressed confidence that the observations and recommendations arising from the visit would contribute towards strengthening the implementation of both the Nagaland Municipal Act and the Nagaland Village and Tribal Councils Act, thereby enhancing the overall functioning of Urban Local Bodies and Rural Local Bodies in the State.

ERF DISTRIBUTED TO LANDSLIDE AFFECTED FAMILIES

The District Administration and District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Longleng, along with Phomla Hoichem and the Phom Students' Conference (PSC), disbursed Emergency Relief Fund (ERF) assistance and ration relief to the landslide-affected families of Alayung, Yaongyimchen, Yachem, and Noksosang villages on 30th July 2026.



EAC Yachem Longleng, Tsalimse Sangtam, NCS, and other officials disbursing Emergency Relief Fund (ERF) assistance and ration relief to the landslide-affected families, on 30th July, 2026.

The relief was provided to families whose houses were damaged and/or rendered unsafe due to landslides and ground subsidence that occurred from 19th July 2026 onwards.

The village-wise details of the damages and the affected population are as follows:

At Alayung Village 6 houses were severely damaged, 31 residential houses located in vulnerable zones and evacuated, total population affected were 143. At Yaongyimchen Village, residential houses located in vulnerable zones were 12, residential house located in a vulnerable zone and evacuated was 1 and total population affected were 42. At Yachem Village, Families affected by landslides: 4, Total population affected were 23. At Noksosang Village, one residential house was partially damaged due to cracks caused by ground subsidence and total population affected were 7.

In total, 55 households/families across the four villages have been affected, with a combined affected population of 215 persons comprising 105 males and 110 females.

MOKOKCHUNG DPDB APPROVES NEW SOCIETIES AND EVALUATES PENDING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

The monthly meeting of the Mokokchung DPDB was successfully conducted on 30th July 2026 at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall. The session was chaired by Metsubo Jamir, Minister for Rural Development & SIRD, Government of Nagaland, who also serves as the Chairman of DPDB Mokokchung.

The proceedings commenced with a thorough review of the minutes from the

previous meeting, followed by an official discussion on the Action Taken Report.

During the session, the board officially approved the registration of three societies: Life Anew Foundation (Unger village, Mokokchung District), Mokokchung District Disabled Association and Langpangkong Development Board (Chuchuyimlang).

The house also deliberated on several critical agendas aimed at regional growth.

Key discussions focused on incomplete centrally and state-sponsored departmental projects across the district, the construction of welcome gates at the Tsutapela and Tuli state borders, and the progress of the Nagaland Special Development Zone (NSDZ). Additionally, the board reviewed the current status of the Circuit House in Mokokchung and evaluated LADP Iconic Projects spanning from 2019-2020 to 2025-26. The LADP schemes for the 2026-27 period were formally approved during the meeting.

Other vital matters discussed included financial support for the upcoming Dr. T. Ao Inter-District Football Tournament Silver Jubilee 2026, an updated status report on the district's disaster situation, and a review of

funds collected for Nikshay Mitras under the TB Mukht Bharat initiative. Work distribution responsibilities for the upcoming August 15 Independence Day celebrations were also finalized.

Later in the session, the District Rural Development Agency (DRDA) delivered a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation detailing their ongoing departmental activities and community initiatives.

The meeting, was also attended by Daochier I. Imchen, Advisor for Information & Public Relations (IPR) and Soil & Water Conservation, and was concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Ajit Kumar Verma, IAS, DC and Vice Chairman of DPDB Mokokchung.

MON DISTRICT RED RUN 2026

DISHA Mon Organized Mon District Red Run 2026, under the aegis of the Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS) at Local Ground, Mon on 31st July 2026 under the theme "Every Step Counts Against HIV & STIs".

The event was open to all interested participants between the ages of 17 and 25 (10 kms) of both Male and Female categories. The primary objective of this awareness run was to engage the youth, promote a healthy lifestyle, and spread a strong public message against HIV/AIDS and STIs.

Chief Medical Officer, Mon, Dr. Supongmenla Walling, graced the programme

as a special guest. She acknowledged and congratulated all the runners for their participation and mentioned that HIV can be prevented, managed with modern medicine, and there is a need to end social stigma surrounding HIV/AIDS. She flagged off the Red Run at the local ground.

Althoughter 87 participants took part. The winners in the boys category were Wangtho C: First position, Manbo Konyak and Longpa Konyak second and third respectively, and in the girls category: Ngonyun Konyak, Hana Konyak and Leingam Konyak, first, second and third position respectively.



CM DR. NEIPHIU RIO INAUGURATES 16 SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN NAGALAND

Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio virtually inaugurated 16 sports infrastructure projects under the Youth Resources & Sports Department at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex, Kohima, on 3rd July 2026. The programme was held in the presence of Union Minister for Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Dy. Chief Minister, Y. Patton, Advisor for Youth Resources & Sports, S. Keoshu Yimchunger, and other Legislators.

Addressing the gathering, Rio said the Government has put in place a long-term strategy to transform sports in Nagaland. He stated that the vision is to develop sports infrastructure on par with the best in the country and provide sportspersons with world-class training to help them excel and bring glory to both the State and the nation.

He said the inauguration marked more than the opening of new buildings, as it also created new opportunities for the people of the State. Although the projects were inaugurated virtually across different locations, he described the occasion as a milestone that everyone would cherish.

Highlighting the growing significance of sports, the Chief Minister said that sports have evolved beyond recreation into a vibrant industry capable of generating employment

and creating new opportunities. He added that by fostering a strong sporting culture, strengthening the capacity of coaches and trainers, and providing greater exposure to athletes, the State can nurture sporting talent and build a brighter future.

The projects comprise of four under the Khelo India scheme and twelve State-funded initiatives aimed at strengthening sports infrastructure across Nagaland. The newly inaugurated facilities include multipurpose halls, indoor sports halls, futsal grounds and administrative infrastructure spread across several districts of the State.

The Khelo India projects include the construction of Multipurpose halls at Changtongya and Mangkolemba in Mokokchung district, a multipurpose hall at Niuland district, and a pre-fabricated indoor sports hall at Wokha.

Among the State-funded projects are construction of futsal facilities at Kiphire, Noklak, Wokha Town and construction of futsal with amenities at Chozuba, pre-fabricated multipurpose halls at Wokha Village, Aboi, Tobu, Razaphe Basa, Jakhama Town, the Chief Minister's Residential Complex in Kohima and MDSC, Dimapur, as well as the construction of the DYRS Office and Quarter at the New District Headquarters, Peren.

NAGALAND FIRST UIDAI AADHAAR SEVA KENDRA INAUGURATED IN DIMAPUR

In a major step towards improving Aadhaar service delivery in Nagaland, the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) inaugurated the state's first

Aadhaar Seva Kendra (ASK) at Purana Bazar, Dimapur, on 3rd July, 2026.

Advisor for Tribal Affairs and Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi, who graced the occasion

as the chief guest, said that the facility would make Aadhaar enrolments and update services more accessible and convenient for the people of Nagaland.

Highlighting the increasing importance of Aadhaar, Ayemi stressed the need for timely enrolment and mandatory biometric updates at the ages of five and fifteen. He noted that while Aadhaar enrolment centres are already functioning under departments such as School Education and Women & Child Development, the newly established Aadhaar Seva Kendra would provide comprehensive Aadhaar-related services under one roof.

Appealing to UIDAI officials to continue supporting the Nagaland Aadhaar Seva Kendra, he also urged the staff to provide prompt, citizen-friendly and hassle-free services. He emphasised the importance of proper guidance for applicants and timely delivery of services without unnecessary delays.

Director, UIDAI Regional Office, Guwahati, Col. Abhishek Koushik, in his short address said the Aadhaar Seva Kendra was established to provide residents with safe, secure and transparent Aadhaar-

related services. He encouraged citizens to make full use of the facility and cooperate in strengthening Aadhaar services across the state.

Deputy Director General, UIDAI Regional Office, Guwahati, Ngachan Zimik, stressed the need for timely biometric updates to prevent Aadhaar deactivation and ensure uninterrupted access to services such as school admissions, entrance examinations, scholarships and Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) schemes.

He also stated that the new Aadhaar Seva Kendra has the capacity to process up to 250 Aadhaar enrolment and update requests daily and offers a wide range of services, including new enrolment, updates to address, name, date of birth, gender, mobile number, email ID and biometric details, besides Aadhaar download and printing services.

The Aadhaar Kendra Seva (ASK), Located at H Apartment, First Floor, near the Labour Office, Purana Bazar, Dimapur. The centre will remain open on all seven days of the week, except on public holidays, making Aadhaar services more accessible and convenient for the public.

CHIEF MINISTER FLAGS OFF TRACTORS AND TATA MOBILES UNDER CM CORPUS FUND

Chief Minister, Dr. Neiphiu Rio, flagged off 35 tractors and 6 Tata Mobiles distributed under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund (CMCF) during a programme organised by the Planning & Transformation Department at the Agri Expo, Chümoukedima on July 4, 2026.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by Advisor, Home Guards & Civil Defence, Fire & Emergency Services, S. Kiusumew Yimchunger, and MLA, Y. Lima Onen Chang and MLA, A. Pongshi Phom.

Addressing the beneficiaries, Dr. Rio stated that the distribution of tractors and Tata Mobiles in addition to the machinery being provided through the Agriculture and Allied Departments was aimed at supporting farmers with mechanisation and making agriculture more productive and sustainable.

The Chief Minister urged the beneficiaries to utilise them effectively to increase agricultural production and income. He encouraged them to become progressive farmers by embracing new technologies and

improving their skills.

Calling upon farmers to focus on organic farming and value addition, he said Nagaland has immense potential in agriculture and urged them to work hard towards making the State self-reliant and ensuring that Nagaland contributes meaningfully to the vision of a developed India.

Principal Secretary & Development Commissioner Y. Kikheto Sema, IAS, said the State Government started distributing tractors and power tillers under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund in 2006-07. Since then, 224 tractors and 262 power tillers have

been distributed across Nagaland.

He also informed that for FY 2025-26, the Government procured 35 tractors of Mahindra and New Holland brands, along with the required accessories, at a cost of ₹3.30 crore for distribution to 35 beneficiaries under the Chief Minister's Corpus Fund. He further stated that, for the first time, six Tata Mobiles have also been provided under the Chief Minister's Pool Fund.

The programme was conducted by Assistant Planning Officer, P. Yongnyu Phom.

CSR INITIATIVES IN THE STATE

Three Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives were undertaken on to strengthen public services, education and healthcare in Nagaland.

Canara Bank Hands Over Office Computer to DC's Office Kohima

As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative for FY 2026-27, Canara Bank, Kohima Branch, handed over office computers to the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Kohima, on 8th July 2026.

The computers were formally handed over in the presence of Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, NCS, and Revenue Officer, Kohima, Kevingoto Kulnu, NCS at the DC's Office Chamber. The initiative aims to strengthen office infrastructure and support efficient public service delivery.

BPCL And PGCIL Strengthen Education and Healthcare in Mokokchung

Two major Corporate Social

Responsibility (CSR) initiatives by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) were launched in Mokokchung on 8th July 2026, supporting education and healthcare services in the district.

As part of its CSR initiative, BPCL handed over teaching aids and IT equipment, including all-in-one PCs, interactive smart boards and a PA lectern system, to Fazl Ali College (FAC), Mokokchung. The inaugural programme was attended by Nagaland Legislative Assembly Speaker, Sharingain Longkumer as the special guest.

Addressing the gathering, the Speaker said that the equipment would significantly strengthen the teaching and learning process for both faculty and students.

Meanwhile, PGCIL provided an Advanced Life Support ambulance to Dr. Imkongliba Memorial District Hospital (IMDH), Mokokchung, under its CSR initiative. The facility was inaugurated at the hospital premises in the presence of Speaker Sharingain Longkumer, who highlighted the

importance of a well-equipped emergency medical transport system.

The programmes were attended by

officials from the district administration, BPCL, PGCIL, IMDH and civil society organisations.

MINISTER N JACOB ZHIMOMI INAUGURATES PHED DIVISION OFFICE AT NIULAND

Minister for PHED & Cooperation, N Jacob Zhimomi, inaugurated PHED Division office at Niuland Town on 10th July 2026. The building was constructed at a cost of ₹185 lakh and completed within the stipulated 18-month period.

In his address, Zhimomi appreciated the engineers, contractor and workers for completing the project on time and praised the quality of the building. He encouraged educated unemployed youth to take up farming, skilled work and other livelihood activities and urged local leaders to support government development programmes.

Regarding Census 2027, he advised residents of Niuland Town to enrol in their respective wards or colonies rather than their native villages.

DC Niuland, T L Kiusumong Tikhir, in his speech congratulate the department for successfully completing the project on time, while urging the GBs, Village Councils and Civil societies specifically the neighbouring villages of Niuland Town; Kuhoxu, Viyito and Hovishe Village to give full cooperation and support to the district administration for the progress and development of the district.

Short speeches were also delivered by Vice President of Western Sumi Hoho, Kughalu Aye and Hokuto Zhimomi, GB.

Earlier, technical report & keynote address was presented by Er. Vikienyu Zutsa, Superintendent Engineer (P&T). The program was chaired by Er. Nirie-e Nisa, Executive Engineer, PHED Rural Division, Dimapur.

AXIS BANK INAUGURATED AT CHUNLIKHA

The Axis Bank Chunlikha Branch was inaugurated at Chunlikha on 10th July 2026 by the DC Tseminyu, Japheth Woch, NCS as special guest.

In his inaugural speech, DC Tseminyu congratulate the Axis Bank for being the first amongst other Banks to established the bank branch in the rural areas of Chunlikha as well as in the District.

He urged the Axis Bank Team to

impart financial literacy to the villagers and customers under Chunlikha Block and beyond. He further impressed upon the denizens of Chunlikha to create a congenial, receptive and peaceful environment towards the officials of the Bank.

The program was chaired by Ekonbeni Ovung, SE Wokha Branch, while the Cluster Head Axis Bank Ltd. Dimapur Cluster, Poujaulung spoke on behalf of the Bank.

35 VERMICOMPOST UNITS DEVELOPED IN UNGMA VILLAGE

Department officials and selected beneficiaries with high-quality vermi worms distributed to them during the development of 35 units of vermicompost structures in Ungma village, Mokokchung on 11th July 2026.

In a significant boost to sustainable agriculture, the Department of Soil & Water Conservation, Mokokchung, developed 35 units of vermicompost structures in Ungma village under (CSLDP) 2025-26, funded by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD).

As part of the initiative, an awareness creation program on vermiculture was conducted in the DSCO conference hall on 11th July 2026 for the selected beneficiaries to equip them with proper management techniques. Following the session, high-quality vermi worms were distributed to

the beneficiaries to kick start their organic production.

Highlighting the benefits of the project, experts emphasized that vermicompost is vastly superior to traditional Farm Yard Manure (FYM) or other conventional organic-enriching properties. It significantly improves soil health, enhances crop yield, and retains moisture more effectively. Farmers in the region are strongly encouraged to actively adopt vermiculture practices to promote eco-friendly farming and boost sustainable crop productivity.

MOBILE MEDICAL UNIT (MMU) FOR NOKLAK DISTRICT LAUNCHED

The Department of Health & Family Welfare (DHFW) launched a GPS-enabled Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) for Noklak district at the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima, on July 24, 2026. The initiative has been supported under TATA AIG General Insurance Company's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme, reflecting the company's continued commitment to strengthening healthcare

access for underserved communities.

Functioning as a Mobile Ayushman Arogya Mandir, the unit will deliver Primary Health Centre (PHC) services and essential healthcare packages to remote and hard-to-reach areas of Noklak district, ensuring improved access to quality healthcare at the community's doorstep.

Representing TATA AIG, Madhukar Sinha and Devang Pandya stated that the

MMU is the third such unit supported by the company in Nagaland and coincides with TATA AIG's 25th anniversary. They noted that the initiative forms part of the company's broader CSR efforts aimed at promoting accessible healthcare and education while creating sustainable social impact in underserved regions.

Commissioner & Secretary, DHFW, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, who attended the programme as the special guest, stressed the importance of preventive healthcare and creating greater public awareness on health issues. He emphasised the need to educate communities on healthy lifestyles and the impact of dietary habits on overall well-being.

Officials from Swasti, Joseph Julian and P. Bhoopathy, described the MMU initiative as a long-term commitment rather

than a "give-and-go" effort, bringing life-saving healthcare services directly to people living across Nagaland's challenging terrain. They also highlighted that the initiative is supported with medical equipment worth approximately ₹20–22 lakh across six districts.

Mission Director, NHM, Dr. Keveduyi Theyo, described the launch as a historic milestone for Noklak district, noting that residents would now have access to dedicated mobile healthcare services free of cost. He added that the district had previously depended on a mobile medical unit shared with Tuensang.

The programme concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Neikule of The Entrepreneurs Associates, followed by the ceremonial flagging off of the Mobile Medical Unit by the dignitaries.

GOVERNOR INAUGURATES ACADEMIC STAFF COLLEGE AND NEW ACADEMIC UNITS AT INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, NAGALAND

Nagaland Governor, Nand Kishore Yadav inaugurated the Academic Staff College along with the Naturopathy, Physiotherapy and Medical Laboratory Science/Pathology units at the International University, Nagaland campus, 6th Mile, Chümoukedima on July 25, 2026.

In his inaugural address, Governor Nand Kishore Yadav described the newly unveiled facilities as vital engines of progress. Highlighting the launch of the Academic Staff College, he emphasized that a university cannot rise above the quality of its faculty. While modern curricula and technology are essential, he stated that the new college would serve as a dedicated sanctuary for

lifelong learning and pedagogical research.

The Governor also commended the university's new health sciences wing, noting its alignment with the global shift toward preventive wellness. He praised the institution for harmonizing traditional systems like Naturopathy and Physiotherapy with modern Medical Lab Science and pointed out that these state-of-the-art facilities would extend beyond academic instruction to function as diagnostic hubs for surrounding communities, exemplifying true social responsibility.

He officially dedicated the new facilities to the academic community and the public, expressing hope that the Academic Staff

College would remain a perennial source of wisdom and the laboratories a beacon of healing and discovery.

Advisor, Law & Justice, Land Revenue, T.N. Mannen, in his speech, stated that the inauguration of these advanced facilities provides a vital platform for educators, particularly those with years of service, to solve emerging challenges and enrich themselves with the modern knowledge required in today's world. He highlighted that orientation programs and continuous learning initiatives would equip teachers

with updated pedagogical tools and fresh perspectives.

During the programme, Governor Nand Kishore Yadav released the university publications. Short speeches were also delivered by Prof. Zavise Rume, Director, Academic Staff College, Dr. Utkarsh Sharma, Pro Chancellor, International University, Nagaland and Prof. Dr. Satya Lakshmi, Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi Technological and Medical Sciences University, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh.

NAGALAND POLICE INDUCTS 549 VEHICLES, 12 MOBILE FORENSIC VANS UNDER MODERNISATION SCHEME

Chief Minister, Nagaland, Dr. Neiphiu Rio flagged off 549 new police vehicles and 12 Mobile Forensic Vans at the Police Complex, Chumoukedima on 27th of July 2026 procured under the Assistance to States and Union Territories for Modernisation

of Police (ASUMP) Scheme in a major step towards strengthening policing, mobility and scientific investigation in Nagaland.

Addressing the flagging-off programme, Rio noted that the initiative is the first major outcome of a broader police modernisation



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programme under which Nagaland has secured nearly ₹150 crore for upgrading policing infrastructure, including mobility, CCTV surveillance, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) systems and Smart Police Suite.

The Chief Minister said the 549 vehicles which were procured at an approx. cost of ₹81.65 crore, would replace 35 to 40 per cent of the ageing police fleet, significantly enhancing the operational readiness of the force. He stressed that mobility is crucial for effective policing in Nagaland's difficult terrain, where timely response to emergencies, crime prevention, investigation and disaster response depend on reliable transportation.

He urged police personnel to utilise the vehicles responsibly and transparently, deploy them strictly based on operational requirements, prioritise district executive forces and remote areas, ensure regular maintenance and timely servicing, and replace condemned vehicles promptly to maintain an efficient fleet.

He also emphasised the importance of implementing the new criminal laws through scientific investigation and informed that 12 Mobile Forensic Vans have already been distributed to district executive forces, with more to be provided in the coming years.

Calling for greater investment in human resources, the Chief Minister stressed the need for continuous professional training in cyber forensics, digital evidence, financial intelligence and data analysis.

Welcoming the gathering, DGP Rupin Sharma described the induction as a major milestone in improving the operational and forensic capabilities of Nagaland Police. He

said the fleet also includes ambulances and water tankers, which will improve emergency response and public service delivery.

He revealed that funding under the Police Modernisation Scheme increased from the usual annual allocation of ₹5 crore to ₹20 crore in previous years to nearly ₹155 crore during the financial year 2025-26. He said the achievement followed extensive scrutiny by the Ministry of Home Affairs and persistent efforts by Nagaland Police officers in preparing and defending the proposals. Sharma also stressed the importance of timely release and utilisation of both Central assistance and the State's matching share to ensure continued eligibility for higher allocations in the future.

The programme was chaired by Additional Director General of Police (Law & Order), Sandeep M. Tamgadge, IPS, while the Deputy Chief Minister Yanthungo Patton also addressed the gathering.

In his introductory remarks, Tamgadge informed that the newly inducted fleet comprises 152 light motor vehicles, 325 medium vehicles, 68 heavy vehicles and four motorcycles, along with 12 Mobile Forensic Vans. He said the forensic vans have been introduced in line with the implementation of the new criminal laws and are equipped with facilities for biological, cyber, explosives and narcotics forensics, among others. The vehicles and vans, he said, would significantly enhance operational mobility and strengthen scientific investigation at the district level.

The programme concluded with the ceremonial flagging off of the vehicles and forensic vans by the Chief Minister with his colleagues comprising of Ministers and advisors.



CHANGING WEATHER PATTERNS IN NAGALAND

Nagaland's climate tells a different story in every district. While some regions receive abundant monsoon rainfall, others experience comparatively drier conditions, highlighting the state's diverse weather patterns. The Meteorological Report of Nagaland 2025, published by the Directorate of Soil and Water Conservation, provides a comprehensive overview of these changing climatic trends and their implications across the state.

Among the meteorological observatories, Sechü recorded the highest annual rainfall at 2,901.2 mm, while Meluri received the lowest. Dimapur emerged as the hottest station, with temperatures reaching 34°C during June and July. In contrast, the higher-altitude districts experienced comparatively cooler temperatures throughout the year.

As in previous years, the southwest monsoon remained the primary source of rainfall, with July to September recording the heaviest precipitation across most districts. Bhandari registered 1,507.2 mm of rainfall over 99 rainy days, with September emerging as its wettest month. Historical records further indicate that rainfall has fluctuated significantly over the past decade, reflecting increasing climate variability across Nagaland.

The report highlights that these changing weather patterns have direct implications for agriculture, water resources, infrastructure and disaster management. Reliable meteorological data enables farmers to plan cropping seasons more effectively,

supports authorities in preparing for floods and landslides, and strengthens long-term conservation and water management efforts.

The report also highlights the growing impact of climate-related disasters across the state. During 2024–25, incidents of windstorms, cloudbursts, flash floods and landslides resulted in casualties, damaged roads, disrupted water supply systems, affected livestock and poultry, and caused damage to government schools and irrigation infrastructure. These events demonstrate the increasing vulnerability of essential public infrastructure and rural livelihoods to extreme weather conditions.

According to the report, improved disaster preparedness, early warning systems, climate-resilient infrastructure and sustainable resource management are becoming increasingly important as extreme weather events become more frequent.

More than a collection of weather statistics, the Meteorological Report of Nagaland 2025 serves as an important reminder that understanding local climate trends is essential for building resilience in the face of climate change. As rainfall patterns, temperatures and seasonal cycles continue to evolve, reliable meteorological information will remain a critical tool for informed planning, environmental conservation and safeguarding livelihoods across Nagaland.

((Meteorological Report of Nagaland 2025)





Minister for PHED & Cooperation, N Jacob Zhimomi and other officials during the inauguration of PHED Division office at Niuland on 10th July 2026.



Under the CSR initiative of NTPC Ltd., ER-II Headquarters, Bhubaneswar, the Lab on Wheels Mobile Diagnostic Laboratory for Mon District was officially launched and handed over to the Chief Medical Officer, Mon, on 29th July 2026.



Governor of Nagaland, Nand Kishore Yadav inaugurating the Academic Staff College alongside university officials and dignitaries at International University, Nagaland, 6th Mile, Chümoukedima on 25th July 2026.



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STATE ROUND-UP



Advisor for Industries & Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu with officials and Awardees at the Entrepreneur Award 2025 Ceremony held at Conference Hall, Industries & Commerce, Kohima on 1st July 2026.



Officials from the Department of Health & Family Welfare, led by Principal Director, DoHFW, Dr. Mereninla Senlem, participate in the national-level virtual launch of World Hepatitis Day 2026 from ISDP Hall, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima, on 28th July 2026.

CENSUS 2027 (House Listing Operation)



Nagaland Governor, Nand Kishore Yadav with Census officials during the house listing of Lok Bhavan, Kohima as part of Census 2027 on 1st July 2026.



Enumerators and Supervisors conducting House Listing under Aghunato sub-division on 1st July 2026.



Enumerator conducting House Listing Operation in Tizit Sub-division, Mon on 1st July 2026.



Dr. Manoj Jain, Joint Director, ORGI, New Delhi with other officials interacting with the newly enumerated head of the house at Nerhe Phezha Village, Kohima on 16th July 2026.



Director of Census Operations, Dr. Kenei Miachieo, with DC Phek Rhosietho Nguori during his visit to Phek to review the ongoing House Listing Operation on 8th July 2026.



EAC Meluri, Zuchibemo Ezung along with Census Liaison Officer and others during House Listing exercise at Meluri Village, Meluri on 6th July 2026.

DISTRICT ROUND-UP



DC Noklak, P. Mono Khamniungan along with other officials during the visited to Kingjung and Wui villages, Noklak on 4th July 2026.



Emergency relief assistance from the Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority, (airlifted from Dimapur) arrives in Mon on 24th July 2026.

DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES



Advisor for Tribal Affairs and Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi, addresses the gathering during the inauguration of Nagaland's first UIDAI Aadhaar Seva Kendra (ASK) at Purana Bazar, Dimapur on 3rd July 2026.



Commissioner & Secretary, DHFW, Anoop Khinchi, IAS, along with dignitaries from the Tata Group flagging off the GPS-enabled Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) for Noklak district at the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare, Kohima on 24th July 2026.