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- Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurates 75 Border Roads Organisation infrastructure projects.
- Registration process for Prime Minister Internship Scheme 2024 begins.
- Advisor, Imkong L. Imchen says, Naga youth have potential to grow, take on role of leadership and shine in every aspect of life.
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In a major boost to the border infrastructure, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh today virtually inaugurated and dedicated to the Nation 75 Infrastructure Projects constructed by Border Roads Organisation (BRO) at a cost of 2236 Crore rupees. In the virtual inauguration ceremony the defence Minister said, before the NDA government came to power in 2014, the pace of development was stalled and the northeastern and border states were deprived of even a little development opportunity. But after the change of government at the

centre, the North-East and border states have been brought back to the mainstream of development.

The Defence Minister inaugurated 22 Roads, 51 Bridges and 2 other miscellaneous projects. Out of these Projects, 19 have been constructed in Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, 11 in Union Territory of Ladakh, 18 in Arunachal Pradesh, 9 in Uttrakhand, 6 in Sikkim, 5 in Himachal Pradesh, 2 each in West Bengal and Rajasthan and 1 each in Nagaland and Mizoram.

Registration process for Prime Minister Internship Scheme 2024 began this evening. Announced earlier in this year's budget, this initiative offers 12-month internships to help young people gain hands-on experience in real-life business environments. The Prime Minister's Internship scheme aims at providing real-world job experience to one crore youth of the country in the age group of 21 to 24 years over the next five years in India's top 500 companies. About 91 thousand internship opportunities have been offered by 193 companies so far on the portal. The government aims at providing 1.25 lakh internship opportunities during Financial Year 2024-25. It will be implemented through an online portal at pminternship.mca.gov.in. An intern will receive monthly financial assistance of five thousand rupees for 12 months and a one-time grant of six thousand rupees. As per sources, opportunities are available across 737 districts, spread over 36 States and Union Territories. The opportunities are spread across 24 sectors including oil, gas and energy, travel and hospitality, automotive and banking and financial services. Candidates can apply for an internship through the portal till 25th of this month.

Advisor, Information & Public Relations and Soil & Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen said, Naga youth have the potential to grow, take on the role of leadership and shine in every aspect of life. He said this yesterday while gracing the closing ceremony of the 5th Padmashree W. Nokdenlemba Open Volleyball Tournament 2024, where G-Sports Mokokchung emerged as the winner, defeating United Changki. Mr. Imchen urged the youth to be courageous to take on the role of leadership in order to bring about changes in the society. He said, the tournament was organized in honour of the respected leader, W. Nokdenlemba, and called on everyone to remember his legacy and honour his vision in the inception of Ao Students' Conference in the year 1929. The Advisor further urged the AKM leaderships to be more active to lead the youth in all fields of life so that future generations of youth can take up the mantle of their predecessors.

The auspicious festival of Dussehra is being celebrated across the country today with grandeur and enthusiasm. The festival is celebrated to mark the triumph of good over evil. It is believed that Lord Rama killed Ravan on this day. With this belief the culture of burning the effigies of Ravan, Kumbhkaran and Meghnad has begun. President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar greeted countrymen on the festival of Vijayadashami. In a social media post, Mr Modi wished that with the blessings of Maa Durga and Lord Shri Ram, people will achieve victory in every sphere of life.

Advisor for Law and Justice, Land Revenue, TN Mannen said, youth is the phase of life crucial for discovering one's talents and seizing opportunities. Speaking as a special guest yesterday during the 75th Platinum Jubilee of Longjang Kaketshir Telungjem Mokokchung, Mr. Mannen said, it is during the youth that one must shape their future and society. He also cautioned that government job opportunities are now limited and therefore encouraged students to start considering alternative career paths early on in life. Meanwhile, Retired Professor, NEHU, Dr I Lanu Aier, urged the students to cultivate a passion for reading, not just academic books but also newspapers and other literatures. He further urged the community to continue fostering a culture of shared learning. As part of the celebration, the Bendang T. Jamir and Family Trust Award was presented, honouring HSLC toppers with 10,000 rupees.

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Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla will lead a Parliamentary delegation to 149th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) scheduled to be held in Geneva starting from tomorrow till 17th of this month. Mr. Birla will address the assembly on the theme "Harnessing science, technology and innovation for a more peaceful and sustainable future." He will participate in the meetings of the IPU's Governing council and will meet the Indian Diaspora in Geneva on 14th of this month. Besides this he will also meet his counterparts from other Parliaments on the sidelines of the Assembly. The Delegation comprises of Rajya Sabha deputy chairman Harivansh Singh, Secretary General of both the houses and various other Member of Parliament.

President Droupadi Murmu will embark on a three nation visit to Algeria, Mauritania and Malawi from tomorrow till 19th of October. This will be the first ever visit by the President of India to the three African nations. The historic visit comes a year after the African Union was made a permanent member of the G-20 during India's Presidency. During her weeklong visit, President Droupadi Murmu will hold bilateral meetings and interact with Indian diaspora. On the first leg of the visit, the President will visit Algeria from tomorrow till 15th of

October. During the visit, President will hold bilateral meetings with her counterpart Abdelmadjid Tebboune. The President will also address the India-Algeria Economic Forum and the Sidi Abdellah Science and Technology Pole University.

United States has announced sanctions targeting Iran's energy trade in light of the missile attacks launched by the country against Israel. The US Secretary of State Antony Blinken has said that the US is taking measures to disrupt the flow of revenue that Iran uses to fund its nuclear program. The US Treasury and State Department announced the sanctions yesterday, as Israeli government considers military response against Iran amid risk of spiraling escalation. Tehran fired a barrage of missiles at Israel on October 1 in retaliation for the killing of Hamas chief Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran and the assassinations of Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah in Beirut.

