

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- ❖ Three-day National Conference on Managing Agro-Bio-diversity in North Eastern India underway at ICAR Research Complex at Umiam.
- ❖ The Government of Arunachal Pradesh has approved a three percent increase in Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief.
- ❖ Governor Hari Babu Kambhampati has observed that Mizoram can proudly be proclaimed as an “island of peace”.
- ❖ Sauramandala Foundation hosted Forgotten Folklore Project Summit 2024 in Shillong yesterday.
- ❖ Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday inaugurated the Kameng Culture and Heritage Museum at Dirang in West Kameng District.
- ❖ Students and Laitumkhrah traffic branch yesterday organized an awareness programme on the importance of wearing of helmets for riders of two-wheelers carrying school students.
- ❖ In Assam, World Gibbon Day is being celebrated at Tinsukia district.

CONFERENCE:

A three-day National Conference on Managing Agro-Bio-diversity in North Eastern India started yesterday at ICAR Research Complex at Umiam. The conference attracted scientists, researchers and students from the entire nation. Speaking on the occasion, Governor of Meghalaya, CH Vijayashankar expressed his concerns over the fact that the youths are dwindling away from farming. He stressed on the need to find ways and means to make farming sustainable and lucrative. The governor stated that this region has the potential of being the hub of Ayurveda or of medicinal plants and therefore people should be encouraged to take up farming.

DA:

The Government of Arunachal Pradesh has approved a three percent increase in Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief, bringing much-needed financial relief to employees and pensioners. Effective from 1st July, 2024, the DA/DR has been raised from 50 percent to 53 percent, aligning with the recent decision of the Central Government. The House Rent Allowance for government employees has also been revised. Chief Minister Pema Khandu announced that this revision will benefit State Government employees, All India Service Officers posted in Arunachal Pradesh, Central Government employees on deputation to the state, as well as pensioners and their families.

MIZORAM:

Governor Hari Babu Kambhampati has observed that Mizoram can proudly be proclaimed as an “island of peace” in a sea of chaos and violence all around. The Governor was speaking at a ‘Bharat Ko Jano’ function at the border town Vairengte in Kolasib District. Mr Kambhampati said that after two decades of insurgency, the Mizoram Peace Accord has stood the test of time. The Governor said that India, that is Bharat, is famous in the world because of its huge diversity. In North East India alone, there are over 200 ethnic communities, with more than 220 dialects being spoken, he pointed out.

FOLK:

The Sauramandala Foundation hosted the Forgotten Folklore Project Summit 2024 in Shillong yesterday bringing together over 200 stakeholders, including policymakers, educators, and creators to celebrate a major milestone in early childhood education. The summit marked the culmination of two years of efforts in preserving Meghalaya’s cultural heritage through the creation of 45 contextualized storybooks, 135 in translations. These books draw from the rich folklore, traditions, and indigenous knowledge of the Khasi, Jaintia, and Garo communities.

ARUNACHAL:

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday inaugurated the Kameng Culture and Heritage Museum at Dirang in West Kameng District. The state-of-the-art museum is part of the Indian Army’s Operation Sadvhavana and aligns with the Government of India's Vibrant Village Programme. Chief Minister Pema Khandu said that the Kameng Museum is a reflection of the Indian Army’s commitment to transform the border areas through initiatives such as model villages, border tourism, and enhancing infrastructure.

HELMET:

The students of social welfare department of different universities and colleges along with the Laitumkhrah traffic branch yesterday organized an awareness programme on the importance of wearing of helmets for riders of two-wheelers carrying school students. Child Friendly Shillong, a project under Bosco Integrated Development Society organized the awareness programme under the slogan “Protect Your Head Protect Your Life” at Don Bosco Square in Shillong. The SP (Traffic), K Prasad stated that it has been observed that most of the school goers, children who are commuting as pillion riders on two-wheelers with their parents, siblings and guardians are not wearing helmets, thereby posing threat to their own safety.

GIBBON:

In Assam, World Gibbon Day is being celebrated at Tinsukia district. The two-day event, which begun yesterday is being organized by the state government in association with various civil society organizations at Barekuri village in Tinsukia district. Our Correspondent reports that recently Prime Minister Narendra Modi in Mann Ki Baat, had highlighted the unique relationship between the local people and Hoolock Gibbons at Barekuri village. Various events, including seminars, awareness meetings, competitions are being organized.
