HEADLINES:-

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- The 133rd Manipur Police Raising Day celebrated at the 1st Manipur Rifles Parade Ground in Imphal.
- Assam will have a National Cyber Forensic Laboratory to tackle cyber crimes in the state.
- Meghalaya Cabinet decides to allocate funds to District Task Force in all districts for implementation of Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shivraj Singh Chouhan says the food grain production target in 2024-25 is 341.55 million metric tonnes.
- Vijaya Rahatkar appointed as the Chairperson of National Commission for Women.

EDUCATION

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar said that commercialization of education is adversely impacting the quality of education. Mr. Dhankhar was speaking at a function of a private educational institution in Rajasthan's Sikar yesterday. He said that education becoming a business is never good for the future of the nation. He said that education was never a source of income, but was a medium of sacrifice, medium for charity and for building a healthy society. Mr. Dhankhar rued that today education has become a 'commodity' which is being sold for profit and this is adversely impacting the quality of education. Vice president said that industries are the biggest beneficiaries of research and innovations, which gives power to the nation in front of the world. He said that students want to go abroad for education but there are many opportunities in India and institutions and industry leaders should make them aware about it.

DAY

In Manipur, the 133rd Manipur Police Raising Day was celebrated at the 1st Manipur Rifles Parade Ground in Imphal yesterday. The Day was also celebrated in different Police Stations spread across the State. The State Power minister Th. Biswajit who attended the celebration inspected a guard of honour

and distributed DGP Trophy for Best Battalion 2024 to the selected battalion of Manipur Rifles. Speaking in the celebration, Manipur Director General of Police, Rajeev Singh said that the law and order situation of the State has improved significantly. The rate of crimes and unwanted incidents has decreased drastically. He said that the leaders of communities living in the State need to sit together and discuss to resolve the communal tension in the State and appealed to the public to come forward with suggestions on how to resolve the crisis.

CRIME

Assam will have a National Cyber Forensic Laboratory to tackle cyber crimes in the state. Participating in Akashvani Guwahati's weekly Dristipat program, Additional Director General of CID Munna Prasad Gupta said that a MoU in this direction has already been signed and Home Ministry is providing necessary help for the institute. Mr. Gupta said that the Assam police has taken slew of measures to curb the menace of cyber crimes. He added that necessary cyber tools have been provided to police stations across the state along with training to the cops at various levels. Mr. Gupta further said that police are creating awareness on fraudulent cyber crimes with the help of various stakeholders in the state.

CABINET

Meghalaya Cabinet has decided to allocate funds to all districts in the state for the implementation of the Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act, to the District Task Force. Speaking to reporters, Meghalaya Law Minister, Dr. Ampareen Lyngdoh said the Government has taken this decision to implement the MRSSA 2016 in the state. The Government will send 2 lakh rupees to all the Deputy Commissioners to implement the District Task Force, as they have to work with the Village Authorities to monitor the influx of people from outside the state. The Secretary in charge of Law and Parliamentary Affairs, Cyril V. Diengdoh, said that the DTFs are authorized to verify the residents according to the rules of the MRSSA.

MINISTER

Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that the food grain production target in 2024–25 will be 341.55 million metric tonnes. While inaugurating the National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign 2024 in New Delhi yesterday, the minister urged the centre and state governments to work together to ensure the welfare of the farmers. Mr. Chouhan highlighted the need to move towards organic and natural farming to increase productivity and reduce dependency on chemicals and fertilizers. He said that the government aims to increase per hectare yield while reducing the cost of production and offering genuine prices to the farmers.

APPOINTMENT

Vijaya Rahatkar has been appointed as the Chairperson of National Commission for Women NCW. A notification in this regard has been issued by Ministry of Women and Child Development. Ms Rahatkar has served as Chairperson of the Maharashtra State Commission for Women and Mayor of Aurangabad. She has also worked as BJP National secretary and President of party's women wing.
