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- Deputy Chief Minister T.R. Zeliang says issue of land compensation is major challenge in delay and failure of several crucial projects in Nagaland.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi says Government is committed to preserving heritage, culture of tribal communities.
- Nagaland celebrates Jan Jatiya Gaurav Divas 2024 with various cultural events.
- And, Governor La Ganesan attends 555th Guru Nanak birth anniversary celebration at Gurudwara Sri Singh Sabha in Dimapur.



Deputy Chief Minister and Minister in charge of National Highways, T.R. Zeliang today said that the issue of land compensation has become a major challenge in the delay and failure of several crucial projects in Nagaland, particularly to the development of National Highways. The Deputy Chief Minister said this while briefing media about his four day tour to five districts to review on the ongoing highway projects at his private residence in Dimapur. Mr Zeliang, called on the public to refrain from hampering the progress of the National Highway projects due to land-related issues.

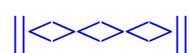
Mr. Zeliang also said, the state government is contemplating amending the Nagaland Land Acquisition Act to address the ongoing challenges related to land compensation, which may take some months, or even years to bring into force. He expressed his disappointment over the actions of some villagers in Phek district constructing huts on the National Highway- 702A to claim compensation or damage compensation. Describing this behavior as unpleasant and disruptive, Mr Zeliang feared that if such actions continue, it could derail the entire project by not being accorded, adding that the cost of land or damage compensation should not exceed the project's budget.

Mr. Zeliang further appreciated the support and cooperation of the tribal leaders, village councils, and Goanburas for their role in assisting the district administration in enforcing the decision to prevent the construction of illegal structures on the National Highway.



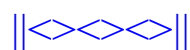
Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth over 6,600 crore rupees from Jamui in Bihar on the occasion of Janjatiya Gaurav Divas, marking the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda. Dharti Aaba Birsa Munda is revered as Bhagwan by tribal communities across the country. On the occasion, Mr. Modi unveiled a commemorative coin and postal stamp in honor of Bhagwan Birsa Munda. He also virtually participated in the 'Grih Pravesh' of 11,000 houses built for tribal families under the Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan (PM-JANMAN). Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said, education, employment, and healthcare of the tribal community is the top priority of the NDA government.

Mr. Modi announced eighty thousand crore rupees package for the infrastructure development of tribal villages under the Janjatiya Utkarsh Gram Abhiyan. The Prime Minister also announced the launch of Birsa Munda Gaurav Upvan in tribal dominated districts.



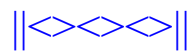
Nagaland today joined the national Jan Jatiya Gaurav Divas 2024 with a Tribal Walkathon and cultural celebrations. The initiative coincides with the 150th birth Anniversary celebrations of Birsa Munda, a revered tribal freedom fighter and social reformer. The Walkathon, launched by Advisor for School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, began at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat and ended at the Nagaland Legislative Assembly Gate, Kohima. Mr. Yhome acknowledged the contributions of India's tribal communities, emphasizing the sacrifices made for the nation's freedom.

Secretary of Tribal Affairs, Angelina Tajen highlighted the event's significance in celebrating tribal heritage. The day also featured an exhibition of tribal artwork and a folktale narration at the Department of Under-Develop Area's Conference Hall. In Mokokchung, the Dhartia Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan was officially launched at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall. Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil), Shreyansee Jain, emphasized the significance of Munda's vision for self-sufficient villages, highlighting that the scheme aims to foster holistic development in tribal areas. Additional Deputy Commissioner, Chumlammo Humtsoe shared a brief account of Birsa Munda's extraordinary contributions as a tribal leader who inspired resistance against oppression during British rule.



Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan today graced the 555th Guru Nanak birth anniversary celebration at Gurudwara Sri Singh Sabha, in Dimapur district. Speaking at the celebration, the Governor said that the revered first Guru of Sikhism, left an indelible mark on the sands of time with his teachings that transcend barriers of faith, creed, and nationality. He said, Guru Nanak's universal message of love, equality and service continues to inspire millions around the globe. The Governor said in Nagaland, the Sikh community has seamlessly integrated to the cultural and economic ecosystem of the state and have contributed actively and vibrantly to the state's development. He said

through initiatives in trade, education, healthcare, and community service, they have supported the economic and social fabric of the state. The Governor called upon the people to draw inspiration from Guru Nanak's teachings, reaffirming commitment to fostering a world rooted in love and mutual respect, fulfilling the higher ideals of selfless service to humanity.



Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan today said the government is committed to a zero-error entrance examinations system for students. Speaking to the media, on the sidelines of the second Insights Forum held by the Indian School of Business in Hyderabad this morning. He said multi-dimensional reforms are under examination as recommended by the Dr Radhakrishna committee. Mr. Pradhan also said the government has asked states to be partners in the reforms as many of them hold their entrance examinations.



The 43rd India International Trade Fair (IITF) is underway at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. Commerce and Industry Minister, Piyush Goyal inaugurated the 14-day fair yesterday. The theme of this year's fair is Viksit Bharat in 2047. Jharkhand is the focus state of the Trade Fair this year, while Bihar and Uttar Pradesh are the partner states. The event is hosting over three thousand five hundred exhibitors from India and abroad. Further, the event is expected to attract nearly one lakh visitors daily, reflecting its status as one of the largest trade fairs in South Asia. The fair, currently hosting its business days, will open for the general public from the 19th of this month till the 27th of November. The fair tickets will be available from 55 designated DMRC metro stations, Bharat Mandapam Mobile App and ITPO's official website. The tickets are free for senior citizens and differently-abled.

