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Gauhati High Court directs Nagaland, 3 other states to report on measures taken to improve jail conditions

Deputy Chief Minister Yanthungo Patton stresses importance of inclusivity, nurturing children for progressive development

Commissioner and Secretary, Thejawelie Gregory calls for balancing energy of youths with wisdom of elders for societal progress

And, All India Institute of Medical Sciences to set up Critical Care Block

The Gauhati High Court has directed Nagaland, Assam, Mizoram, and Arunachal Pradesh to submit reports on measures taken to improve the conditions of prisons in the states.

The court gave the directive during a hearing on 20 December, in view of an inspection report by a committee comprising officials of the Assam State Legal Services Authority and senior prison officials. The inspection report, annexed to an affidavit filed by the Registrar General of the high court in August, had highlighted

## unsatisfactory conditions in jails across the four states and outlined certain recommendations for improvements.)

The court has directed governments of the four states to file detailed affidavits by the 29 of next month mentioning the actions taken to address the issues raised by the committee. The states have also been asked to provide a timeline for implementation of any recommendation that have yet to be enforced.

Deputy Chief Minister, Yanthungo Patton has emphasized on the importance of inclusivity and nurturing young children for progressive development. Speaking at the Platinum Jubilee of Old Changsu Students Union on Saturday, Patton said the jubilee serves as a catalyst for cultivating strong leadership and fostering successful individuals and intellectuals within the community. Calling upon students to emulate the good deeds and examples of elders and past leaders, Mr. Patton urged them to strive towards achieving their goals with sincerity and dedication. Mr Patton expressed optimism that the jubilee celebration would bring peace within the community and produce students with character and values to become responsible leaders in the society.

Commissioner and Secretary, Department of Water Resources, Thejawelie Gregory Sote has advocated for a balanced approach to societal progress, highlighting the significance of combining the ambition of youth with the wisdom of elders to build a community rooted in truth, integrity, and justice. He was addressing the 50 years celebration of Tsakou Youth Association, P. Khel Kohima Village yesterday. Mr Sote also emphasized on the importance of nurturing one's own family in building a just society. He lauded the leaders, both past and present, for successfully carrying out the challenges and goals

on education, employment, and cleanliness, which were envisioned during the Silver Jubilee celebration in 1999. Mr Sote also acknowledged the contributions of the elders and leaders in the upliftment of the community.

As the year 2024 draws to a close, the people of Nagaland are preparing for a vibrant and festive welcome to 2025. The entire state is abuzz with excitement, as communities of all ages will come together to ring in the new year. For many Nagas, the celebrations are not just about welcoming a new year, but also a time for family reunions, and spiritual reflection and renewal. Churches across the state are organizing special midnight thanksgiving services, where thousands will gather for prayer, singing, and a shared sense of community. Our Wokha correspondent brings a report on how the district is preparing to welcome the New year.

Here in Wokha, the vibrant town is abuzz with excitement as people eagerly await the arrival of a new year. As the clock ticks down, the district is ready to embrace fresh beginnings and make lasting memories. Let's hear from a local resident about her preparations.)

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) will set up a Critical Care Block at the premises of the Trauma Centre. Director of AIIMS, M. Srinivas said, the 200-bedded Critical Care Block will start functioning within the next two years, and will provide treatment to patients who are in critical condition and need immediate treatment. Mr Srinivas said that it will reduce the burden on the emergency department at AIIMS, where 700 to 800 patients reach every day. He added that the department is also working on the One AIIMS referral and Teleconsultation network. This will enable seamless patient movement between AIIMS across the country and other institutes of national importance.

The NCC Republic Day Camp-2025 commenced today in New Delhi. A total of 2,361 cadets from all 28 States and eight Union Territories are taking part in the month-long camp. With 917 girl cadets, this year's camp will witness the participation of highest number of girl cadets. There are 114 cadets from Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, and 178 cadets from the North East Region, presenting a microcosm of Mini India. The camp includes the participation of cadets and officers from 14 Friendly Foreign Countries as part of the Youth Exchange Programme. The annual Camp offers cadets valuable opportunities for training, engaging in cultural activities, and participating in social service initiatives, thereby nurturing unity and pride.



Additional Superintendent of Police Mokokchung has issued a traffic advisory in view of the 52nd Midnight Service being organised by Mokokchung Centric tomorrow. As per the regulations, all vehicles coming from Amguri or Mokokchung village will be diverted towards IMDH hospital road and Longkumer Kilem gas agency. There will be no entry from main police point to post office junction, from New Market to Longkumer Kilem gas agency, and from DC office junction, Mokokchung towards main police point. Vehicles coming from IOC Yimyu will be diverted towards Salangtem/Dilong road from Dispensary Sub Centre new market, while cars coming from Kohima side will take the route of IMDH hospital road from Sewak Junction. The traffic regulations will be enforced from 9:00 PM onwards.

Sirhima Youth and Students' Union celebrated its Golden Jubilee yesterday under the theme "Half a Century: Towards a Limitless Future." Gracing the occasion as Special Guest, Kuki Inpi Nagaland President, L. Singsit, emphasized the importance of prioritizing one's goals and objectives to achieve success. He encouraged the youth to dream big, persevere through hardships, and make conscious decisions. Highlights of the celebration included unveiling of the Jubilee

Monolith, release of Anniversary Souvenir, cultural performances, and Jubilee feast, among others.

India Meteorological Department has forecast dense fog conditions are very likely during late night and early morning hours in isolated pockets of Nagaland and other states of the north-east till 31st December. It said, no rainfall is likely to occur at any places over Nagaland during the week. According to the weather authority, the state capital of Kohima can expect a minimum temperature of 5 degree Celsius and maximum of 13 degree Celsius tomorrow. In Dimapur, the temperature is likely to range between 12 degree Celsius and 24 degree Celsius.

