

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

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- 3. Union Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal has said that six projects worth 763 crore rupees have been incorporated under the Sagarmala Programme for the development of inland water transport infrastructure on National Waterways in the northeastern region.**
- 4. The Hills State People Democratic Party and Voice of the People Party announced list of candidates for the upcoming District Council elections.**
- 5. Youth-net, an NGO based in Nagaland has signed Memorandum of Understanding with the Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology to empower technology-driven startups.**
- 6. With Christmas just a couple of days away, celebrations have begun across the northeastern region.**

NEWS IN ORDER:-

NEC

Union Home Minister Amit Shah yesterday inaugurated the 72nd plenary session of the North Eastern Council (NEC) at Prajna Bhavan in Agartala. Addressing the session, Mr Shah said time has come for a change in approach of the police force with the end of insurgency in the northeast, in order to ensure that people get speedy justice. He said Prime Minister Narendra Modi has brought peace in the region by inking 20 peace accords in 10 years, leading to

the surrender of 9,000 armed militants. The two-day conference has brought together Governors, Chief Ministers, and senior officials from Northeastern states to discuss and prioritize developmental strategies for the region. Union Minister for Development of the North Eastern Region, Jyotiraditya Scindia and Union Minister of State, Dr. Sukanta Majumder were also in attendance.

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said Prime Minister Narendra Modi has brought the northeast to the focal point. Addressing the 72nd plenary of North Eastern Council in Agartala, he said that the last 10 years have been very important for the north east. The Union Government is inspiring investors to make investments in the region. Minister for Development of North Eastern Region, Jyotiraditya Scindia credited the drastic drop in extremism and violence in the north east to the stupendous role played by Home Minister Amit Shah. He noted that there has been 71 per cent drop in extremist activities and 60 per cent drop in the loss of human lives in the region.

ASSAM:

Union Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal has said that six projects worth 763 crore rupees have been incorporated under the Sagarmala Programme for the development of inland water transport infrastructure on National Waterways in the northeastern region. The Sagarmala program is the flagship scheme to promote port-led development in the country by harnessing India's 7,500-kilometer-long coastline.

POLL:

The Hills State People Democratic Party announced its first list of candidates for the upcoming District Council elections scheduled for 21st February, 2025. The list includes six candidates for the Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council and two for the Jaintia Hills Autonomous District Council. The Voice of the People Party (VPP) yesterday held a public meeting at Tirotising Memorial Hall, Mairang, to introduce four candidates from West and Eastern West Khasi Hills Districts who will contest in the upcoming MDC elections from the KHADC.

NAGALAND

Youth-net, an NGO based in Nagaland focused on empowering youth, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology to empower technology-driven startups. It is aimed at fostering a more inclusive and robust entrepreneurial environment in the country. The Youth-Net is said to be the sole organization from Nagaland and one of the select few from across India eligible to implement the ambitious startup initiatives under the Gen-Next Support for Innovative Startups. As part of the partnership, Youth-Net will focus on boosting entrepreneurship, economic growth, and employment generation. The program, supported by a significant budget of 490 crore rupees, aims to nurture startups in Tier-II and Tier-III cities.

FESTIVAL:

With Christmas just a couple of days away, celebrations have begun across the northeastern region. Pre-Christmas functions are being held, and churches and public places have been illuminated. The Kripa Victoria Senior Citizen Home organized for a Pre-Christmas celebration yesterday at the Kripa Foundation in Umroi, Meghalaya, bringing together members of the community. The celebration aimed to spread festive cheer and foster a sense of community among all attendees. The program featured a series of lively and traditional Christmas carols, as well as inspiring performances by the senior citizens, showcasing their talent and festive spirit. The Hill Farmers' Union Central Body celebrated an advance Christmas event in the presence of local farmers. The union distributed vegetable seeds to farmers for winter season cultivation, focusing particularly on the villages of Pamphlang and the Sonidan area.
