

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi lauds remarkable growth in Northeastern states through improved connectivity, digital inclusion, and investment in infrastructure.**
- **Meghalaya Directorate of Commerce and Industries enters into agreement with National Institute of Technology for establishing Innovation and Research Centre in Shillong.**
- **Army announces schedule for Agniveer Recruitment Rally for youth of Meghalaya to be held at Umroi Military Station from 10th to 12th December, 2024.**
- **Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lieutenant General KT Parnaik stresses on balancing urban growth with environmental conservation in northeast.**
- **Conclave on 'Climate Resilient Spring-shed Research, Practice and Policy' held under aegis of Directorate of Environment and Climate Change in Imphal.**
- **Heroin worth around 1.4 crore rupees seized and three peddlers arrested from Guwahati.**
- **Indian Army's Trishakti Sappers from Eastern Command develop Advanced Flood Monitoring System.**

PM:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded the remarkable growth in Northeastern states through improved connectivity, digital inclusion, and investment in infrastructure. Mr Modi yesterday shared an article “Northeast is becoming a key enabler of Viksit Bharat vision” written by Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, on social media platform ‘X’. The Prime Minister also lauded the Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav celebrating the Northeast’s vibrant textile sector, tourism opportunities, and traditional craftsmanship. The three-day festival held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi to showcase the beauty, diversity and promise of the eight states of the region, concluded yesterday.

NIT:

The Directorate of Commerce and Industries, Government of Meghalaya, has entered into an agreement with the National Institute of Technology for establishing an Innovation and Research Centre in Shillong to revolutionize the handloom and handicraft sector in the state. This collaborative effort reflects the commitment to empower local artisans, weavers, tailors, and pattern makers, while preserving Meghalaya’s rich cultural heritage, an official statement said. The Centre will pave the way for advanced research and

innovation, leveraging the technical expertise of NIT Meghalaya to introduce sustainable, market-relevant designs and production techniques.

RALLY:

The Indian Army has announced the schedule for the upcoming Agniveer Recruitment Rally for the youth of Meghalaya to be held at Umroi Military Station from 10th to 12th December, 2024. It will provide opportunities for recruitment in the positions of Agniveer (General Duty), Agniveer (Technical), Agniveer (Office Assistant), and Agniveer Tradesmen (10th/8th Pass). The Army, in collaboration with the Ri Bhoi district administration and police, has made comprehensive arrangements for smooth conduct of the rally. This recruitment rally underscores the Indian Army's commitment to providing employment opportunities to the youth of Meghalaya, enabling them to serve the nation with honour and pride, a defence statement said.

ARUNACHAL:

Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lieutenant General KT Parnaik has stressed the critical need for sustainable development, highlighting the importance of balancing urban growth with environmental conservation in the region. Inaugurating the East Zone Conference of the Institute of Town Planners yesterday, the governor called for creation of inclusive urban spaces that preserve the region's natural beauty and uphold its rich cultural heritage. He highlighted the unique challenges of the North East region, including its vast forest cover, limited habitable land, location within Seismic Zone-V, prolonged monsoon season, and susceptibility to landslides and floods. The governor stressed the need for sustainable development that strikes a balance between urban growth and environmental conservation.

RESEARCH:

A day-long conclave on 'Climate Resilient Spring-shed Research, Practice and Policy' held under the aegis of the Directorate of Environment and Climate Change in Imphal mooted the idea of initiating a common platform to address the issues of spring-shed management in the North Eastern Himalayan States. The idea of forming the common platform in the North East region was shared by experts in diverse fields. The conclave had three panel discussions on case studies, and research and practices on spring-shed in the region which witnessed drastic declining trend of spring discharge.

HEROIN:

Heroin worth around 1.4 crore rupees was seized and three peddlers arrested from Guwahati, police said yesterday. Acting on a tip-off, the Special Task Force conducted a raid in Balughat under Basistha police station and arrested a drug peddler. A total of 27 vials containing 36.05 grams of heroin, a mobile phone, a scooter and some cash were seized from his possession.

ARMY:

The Indian Army's Trishakti Sappers from the Eastern Command have developed the Advanced Flood Monitoring System. The work is earning national acclaim at Inno Yodha, a competition for defense and disaster management innovations. Sensitised by last year's Glacial Lake Outburst Flood in Sikkim, the new system, led by Havildar Suresh PK of the Engineer Regiment, used cutting-edge technology to monitor water levels in real time to issue early SMS alerts. This innovation enhances disaster preparedness,

enabling swift responses to protect troops and civilians. Recognized for its potential, it underscores the Indian Army’s dedication to leveraging technology for community safety, a defence statement underscored.
