# NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN DATED:- 15.12.2024

## **HEADLINES:-**

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- The 72nd Plenary of the North Eastern Council Secretariat will be held on 20th and 21st December 2024 in Agartala, Tripura.
- Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha says that more than three lakh seventy-one thousand members of women self-help groups are currently covered under the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Yojana.
- Indian Army sponsored National Integration Tour flagged off from Likabali Military Station in Arunachal Pradesh Lower Siang District.
- Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang launches the National Programme for Health Care of Elderly aimed at catering to the needs of senior citizens in the state.
- Meghalaya's Ri Bhoi District is set to witness the emergence of a landmark initiative with the foundation stone laid for the 'Ri Bhoi Bamboo Park', the first of its kind in the State.

## **INCIDENT:**

In Manipur, three persons including two non local migrant workers have been killed in different incidents that took place in Thoubal and Kakching districts yesterday. According to the police report, a firing incident between the security personnel of Thoubal District Police and unknown armed miscreants suspected to be cadres of insurgent group PREPAK (Pro) took place around 9.45 AM at Salungpham High School under Thoubal district. In the incident, a person belonging to the armed miscreants succumbed due to the bullet injuries. The security forces also apprehended six armed persons in the incident along with arms and ammunition. In another incident, armed miscreants shot dead two locals at Keirak village under Kakching district.

#### NEC:

The 72<sup>nd</sup> Plenary of the North Eastern Council Secretariat will be held on 20th and 21st December 2024 in Agartala, Tripura. The plenary session on the 21<sup>st</sup> December at Pragna Bhaban will be presided over by Amit Shah, Union Home Minister and Chairman of the NEC Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Minister of DoNER and Vice Chairman of the NEC, along with Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, Minister of State for DoNER, will also attend. Governors and Chief Ministers from all North Eastern States will be present, along with two NEC members. On the 20<sup>th</sup> December, the Pre-Plenary technical session will be held at Hotel Polo Tower, chaired by Dr. Sukanta Majumdar, with participation from Secretaries of various Union Ministries, Chief Secretaries of North Eastern States, and senior officers from the Planning Departments.

#### SGH:

Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha yesterday said that more than three lakh seventy-one thousand members of women self-help groups are currently covered under the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Yojana. Addressing the gathering after inaugurating the 13-day Saras Mela at Agartala, the Chief Minister said more than twenty-one thousand SHG members have been provided with the Jeevan Jyoti Atal Pension Yojana. Dr. Saha informed that borrowing loans has become easier than it was earlier, as it now takes only seven days for the disbursement of loans into the bank accounts of needy SHG members with an interest rate of 7 percent. Currently, more than 52 thousand SHGs are actively functioning in Tripura with 4 lakh 73 thousand members under their fold.

## **SCHOOL:**

In Arunachal Pradesh, three students lost their life and two others were seriously injured after an overhead tank collapsed at a school in Naharlagun yesterday. Naharlagun Superintendent of Police, Mihin Gambo has informed that the tragic incident had occurred during school hours at St. Alphonsa School. Meanwhile, the police have apprehended six individuals, including the school building owner, the principal, and four wardens. The Superintendent of Police has appealed the

public to remain calm and maintain peace as authorities conduct a thorough and impartial investigation into this unfortunate tragedy.

## **PILGRIMAGE:**

In Arunachal Pradesh, an Indian Army sponsored National Integration Tour for 20 pilgrims was flagged off from Likabali Military Station in Lower Siang District yesterday. The religious and pilgrimage tour is being organized by Indian Army's Spear Corps of the Eastern Command under Operation Sadbhavana, to promote unity, harmony, and national integration. The tour will cover a significant journey from Tuting to Tawang allowing pilgrims to experience the rich cultural & religious heritage of Arunachal Pradesh.

#### SIKKIM:

Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang yesterday launched the National Programme for Health Care of Elderly (NPHCE) aimed at catering to the needs of senior citizens in the state. The key initiatives under the programme include the establishment of a 20-bed geriatric ward at STNM Hospital and 10-bed wards in all the district hospitals, specialised OPDs, and the distribution of mobility aids like spectacles, hearing aids, and wheelchairs, an official said.

#### **PARK:**

In Meghalaya, Ri Bhoi District is set to witness the emergence of a landmark initiative with the foundation stone laid for the 'Ri Bhoi Bamboo Park', the first of its kind in the State. The project's inauguration at Mawtnum yesterday was spearheaded by James PK Sangma, Chairman of the Meghalaya Industrial Development Corporation marking a pivotal step towards sustainable development and innovation in the state. Addressing the gathering, James PK Sangma underscored the transformative potential of bamboo, often referred to as "green gold."