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Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the ‘Utkarsh Odisha, Make-in-Odisha Conclave’ in Bhubaneswar today. Speaking at the conclave, he said that Eastern India is the growth engine of the country, with Odisha playing a crucial role in this progress.

The Prime Minister emphasized that rapid growth is not possible solely through the export of raw materials and highlighted India’s efforts to overhaul the entire industrial ecosystem to reverse this trend. Mr Modi reiterated the government’s commitment to building a vibrant ecosystem for research and innovation and urged industries to collaborate with the government in this endeavour.



Nagaland Deputy Chief Minister TR Zeliang, today held a meeting with NHIDCL to review and discuss various issues tied to projects executed by the company in the state. During the meeting, a total of 19 issues on various stretches of roads were discussed for resolution. Out of these, 15 were on Land Acquisition, for which Mr Zeliang directed the respective District Administration for immediate resolution within February, taking the assistance of GBs and Village Council Chairman as required. Mr Zeliang, who is also Minister Incharge of National Highway, further noted the unsatisfactory slope protection measures along the Dimapur-Kohima 4-Lane road. Meanwhile, in cases where works are being prevented from carrying out despite payment of damage compensation to land owners, the Deputy CM authorized District Administrations to give a final notice for evacuation and carry out demolition.

Mr Zeliang highlighted that good road connectivity is the most important sector to drive the State's growth. The meeting was attended by Deputy Commissioners of Chumoukedima, Phek and Meluri, ADC Jalukie and Revenue Officer from DC Office Kohima.



Nagaland Police has clarified that a link to an online Nagaland Police Recruitment portal, which is currently under development and in the testing phase, is being widely shared, causing confusion. It explained that the portal is meant only for testing purposes with dummy data being entered in the portal to identify any potential technical issues. Police also said, once approval for recruitment in the Nagaland Police Department is received, details of the process will be duly notified and widely advertised in all leading newspapers and electronic media across the state.



The Deputy Commissioner of Kohima has informed that the 13 Assam Rifles, Kohima will be conducting a small arms firing exercise at the Firing Range, Kohima Garrison, throughout the month of February. In light of this, all relevant villages, ward authorities, and Panchayats under Kohima town have been advised not to enter the Firing Range area or take cattle for grazing near the firing area during the period.



The oath-taking ceremony of newly appointed government nominee members to Dimapur Municipal Council and Town Councils of East Dimapur, Peren and Jalukie was held today. Speaking at the ceremony in Dimapur, Deputy Commissioner, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang emphasized the importance of unity and commitment among the council members to address the needs of the people and drive comprehensive development in the district. In Peren, Deputy Commissioner Hiazu Meru reminded Council members of their duties and responsibilities. On sanitation collection regulations, he said town sanitation involves managing waste, water, and human excretion to protect public health and prevent disease. Mr Meru urged members of both Peren and Jalukie town councils to collaborate on addressing sanitation challenges and developing ecological sanitation initiatives.



Deputy Commissioner Noklak, Arikumba today emphasized on road safety. Addressing an Awareness programme on Road Safety cum Free Eye check-up camp at Noklak, he stated that despite poor road conditions in the district, many are driving recklessly. In order to avoid accident, he advised drivers to control over speeding, obey traffic rules, remain alert, and avoid use of destructive substances while driving. The DC emphasized on the importance of proper vehicle maintenance, noting that most accidents take place due to lack of proper maintenance of vehicles. SDO (Civil) Noklak, Vikhoto Richa highlighted on the Ministry of Road Transport & Highway's Good Samaritan and Hit & Run compensation scheme. The awareness programme was attended by District Road Safety Committee members, Mobile & Drivers' Union Noklak, Government drivers and all ward union Noklak.



The inaugural edition of the Nagaland Super League kicked off this evening at Chumoukedima Football Stadium. During the opening ceremony, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, and All India Football Federation President Kalyan Chaubey inaugurated the Chumoukedima Football Stadium. Addressing the event, Secretary General of Nagaland Olympic Association highlighted that the league will span 45 matches played by seven teams with participation of more than 300 players from all districts of the state as well as other parts of the country. He emphasized the importance of NSL in creating a platform for young Naga footballers to reach a higher stage.

Mr Metha also thanked the government of Nagaland, all sponsors, partners and supporters for contributing towards the development of the league. The opening match tonight is witnessing Barak Football Club take on Nagaland United Sports Club.



In weather, India Meteorological Department has predicted rainfall activity in Nagaland and its adjoining states till the end of this month. During the past 24 hours, minimum temperatures were above normal by two degree Celsius or more over many parts of Nagaland and its neighbouring states. Tomorrow, the state capital Kohima is likely to see a minimum temperature of 6 degree Celsius and maximum temperature of 17 degree Celsius. The temperature in Dimapur is likely to range between 13 and 28 Degree Celsius.

