

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

1. Union Home Minister Amit Shah says Northeast students need not leave their region for work as they will get employment opportunities there.
2. Chief Minister Conrad Sangma meets with Khasi Students Union, which is demanding scrapping of Meghalaya State Investment Promotion & Facilitation Act, 2024.
3. Meghalaya government requests Centre to enhance start-up fund to self help groups.
4. Lok Sabha takes up discussion on Manipur Budget.
5. Union Home Minister Amit Shah says incidence of violence in north-eastern region has decreased by nearly 70 per cent.
6. Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma says academic session of two Science and Commerce Colleges at Mawphlang and Mahendraganj to start soon.

JOBS

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said that Northeast students will not need to leave their region for work and they will get employment opportunities there. He was addressing students from the Northeast at the Youth Parliament organized by Students' Experience in Inter-State Living in New Delhi yesterday. Mr Shah underscored that by 2027, the capitals of all the states in the Northeast will be connected by train, air, and road. He said that 4800 crore rupees were spent on the vibrant village programme which specifically benefits Arunachal Pradesh. India's largest Rail-cum-Road bridge has been constructed over the Brahmaputra River and a rail line is being built between Assam and Bhutan. A 27 thousand crore rupees semiconductor plant is coming to Assam, which will provide job opportunities for the youth. Mr Shah said that an investment of 2.5 lakh crore rupees is coming to the North-East.

TALKS

Chief Minister Conrad Sangma yesterday met with a delegation of the Khasi Students Union, KSU, which held a protest rally demanding scrapping of the Meghalaya State Investment Promotion & Facilitation Act, 2024. The chief minister said that the Act will not dilute any provision of The Meghalaya Transfer of Land (Regulation) Act, 1971. The Act does not bypass any provision of the Autonomous District Councils and will safeguard local employment opportunities. The Chief Minister's Office said that the Act, enacted in March 2024, aims to promote and

facilitate investments in Meghalaya. However, KSU general secretary Donald Thabah told reporters after the meeting that the discussion failed to address their concerns.

ASSEMBLY

The Meghalaya government has requested the Centre to enhance the start-up fund to self help groups (SHGs) under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Urban Livelihood Mission. Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma told the assembly yesterday that the state government had written to the Union government in this regard. Information has come that the Government of India has agreed to enhance the amount and it will now be increased from 10,000 to 25,000 rupees, the chief minister said. He also informed that the government has been able to create thousands of Lakhpati Didis during the past six to seven years in rural areas.

MANIPUR

The Lok Sabha has taken up discussion on the second batch of Supplementary Demands for Grants for 2024-25 and on the Manipur Budget. Biplab Kumar Deb of BJP said, the Central Government brought development in Manipur with several initiatives and connected the unconnected areas. He said the Government has removed the Armed Forces Special Powers Act from 75 percent of the areas of the North-East. Samajwadi Party MP Neeraj Maurya said, the Centre should take concrete steps to bring peace in Manipur. Congress MP from Manipur, Alfred Kanngam S Arthur accused the Central government of disproportionately sanctioning projects in the valleys of Manipur.

REGION

Union Home Minister Amit Shah yesterday said that the incidence of violence in the north-eastern region has decreased by nearly 70 per cent in the last 10 years. He said, there is a 70 per cent reduction in the deaths of security forces and an 89 per cent reduction in civilian deaths. Mr Shah mentioned that the Modi government signed agreements with all insurgent groups, leading to over 10,500 rebels surrendering their weapons and reintegrating into the mainstream. He emphasized that in the past 10 years, 12 significant agreements had been signed with insurgent groups and more than 10,000 individuals have surrendered their weapons so far.

COLLEGE

Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma yesterday said that the academic session of the two Science and Commerce Colleges at Mawphlang and Mahendraganj will have to start so that students do not stand to lose. Replying to a question in the Assembly, ha also assured to ensure that the contractors complete the construction of the buildings. Earlier, while presenting the status of the Science and Commerce College Mawphlang, Education Minister Rakkam said the rescheduled month of completion of the project is March 2025.
