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HEADLINES:-

- Supreme Court Judge Justice BR Gavai says in Manipur, all problems can be resolved through constitutional means.
- Union Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal addresss ongoing peace process in Manipur, acknowledging improvements in situation.
- Assam Rifles commemorates its Veterans Day.
- Students discharged from Mandya Institute of Medical Science in Karnataka, following treatment for food poisoning.
- Narcotics Control Bureau shifts gangster and drug trafficker, Jagdeep Singh from Bathinda of Punjab to Central Jail in Silchar, Assam.
- Hailstorm strikes parts of Shillong and Ri Bhoi district of Meghalaya.
- Kayaking awareness camp held at Tura.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

MANIPUR

The Supreme Court Judge Justice B R Gavai yesterday said that all problems can be resolved through constitutional means. Speaking at a function marking the 12th anniversary of the Manipur High Court in Imphal, Justice Gavai emphasized the power of dialogue, stating that solutions are within reach when people come together. Leading a team of five Supreme Court judges on a two-day visit to Manipur, Justice Gavai shared insights from their interactions with those affected by the ethnic violence. He said they spoke with people in relief camps in Churachandpur and Bishnupur, noting that everyone from both communities expressed a shared desire for peace and an end to the current turmoil. He reaffirmed that normalcy can be restored through unity and constitutional means. The judges' delegation concluded their Manipur visit yesterday, having virtually inaugurated legal services, a medical camp, and a legal aid clinic in Churachandpur district.

PEACE

Union Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal addressed the ongoing peace process in Manipur, acknowledging improvements in the situation but stressing the need for continued progress. He assured that the Union government is fully committed to restoring peace in Manipur following the imposition of the President's Rule.

The Union law minister was speaking at the function marking the 12th anniversary of the Manipur High Court in Imphal yesterday.

ARMY

The Assam Rifles, one of the oldest paramilitary forces in India, commemorated its Veterans Day yesterday paying tributes to the courageous men and women who have served the Force with dedication and honor. The event was held at the Assam Rifles headquarters in Shillong, where senior officials, veterans and 'veer naris' gathered to celebrate the legacy and contributions of the Force. The mega Assam Rifles Ex-Servicemen Rally for Ex-Servicemen of Meghalaya was also conducted under the aegis of Headquarters Directorate General Assam Rifles at Shillong.

STUDENTS

A total of 29 students, including 22 from Meghalaya and seven from Malavalli, Karnataka, were discharged from the Mandya Institute of Medical Science in Karnataka, following treatment for food poisoning. Two students from Meghalaya, a 12-year-old and another 13-year-old, have died in the incident. Meghalaya chief minister Conrad K Sangma thanked the Mandya district administration and government of Karnataka for their support.

JAIL

The Narcotics Control Bureau, NCB, has said that a notorious gangster and drug trafficker, Jagdeep Singh, alias Jaggu Bhagwanpuria, has been detained and shifted from Bathinda of Punjab to Central Jail in Silchar of Assam. The gangster has been detained under the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act. Jaggu, who is also an accused in Sidhu Moosewala's murder case, has repeatedly used mobile phones to orchestrate criminal activities from within Punjab's high-security jails, as evidenced by multiple cases. Jaggu's established linkages with international operatives in Canada, the USA and Pakistan warranted his relocation to disrupt the ecosystem facilitating continued criminal activity. The NCB said that the actions were executed following detailed intelligence inputs and sustained investigations that revealed the continued involvement of several high-profile traffickers in orchestrating drug trafficking networks from jail.

STORM

A sudden and intense hailstorm struck parts of Shillong and Ri Bhoi district of Meghalaya yesterday leaving behind a trail of destruction. The storm, which lasted for several minutes, caused severe damage to standing crops, dashing the hopes of many farmers who were preparing for a good harvest. According to eyewitnesses, the hailstones were unusually large, pounding fields and flattening crops within moments. Farmers in the area were seen in distress, surveying their devastated fields. Apart from agricultural damage, several houses also bore the brunt of the storm. Roofs were battered, and windows shattered as the hail pounded relentlessly.

KAYAKING

The high enthusiasm for adventure sports in Meghalaya was reflected well in a kayaking awareness camp held at Chibragre, Tura. With an aim to introducing kayaking among school students, Tura Adventure Club organized the camp with a target of attracting adventurous youngsters aged 12 to 16. It was also an effort to groom potential participants for the National Games to be hosted by Meghalaya in 2027.
