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HEADLINES:-

- Parliament adopts statutory resolution confirming imposition of the President's Rule in Manipur; Union Home Minister, Amit Shah rejects opposition's allegation of government's failure in handling the situation.
- External Affairs Minister, S Jaishankar reacts to Bangladesh Chief Advisor, Muhammad Yunus for calling India's Northeastern states "landlocked" and says India has longest coastline in Bay of Bengal and shares borders not only with five BIMSTEC members.
- Meghalaya government constitutes all-party committee to discuss proposal of establishing Winter Capital in Tura and examine proposal for railway connectivity.
- Meghalaya achieves Geographical Indication tag for its traditional handwoven fabric, Ryndia, along with Meghalaya Handloom Products which will open new opportunities for artisans and handloom sector, and enhance market value.
- Mizoram Governor, Vijay Kumar Singh says NCC helps person to become better individual while speaking at felicitation program of six Mizo NCC cadets who represent Mizoram at Republic Day Camp 2025 in New Delhi.
- All Meghalaya Karbi Association concludes its three-day celebration marking its 50-year journey since its establishment in 1975.

MANIPUR:

Parliament has adopted a Statutory Resolution confirming the imposition of the President's Rule in Manipur, with the Rajya Sabha giving its nod. The Statutory Resolution is related to the proclamation issued by the President on the 13th of February this year under Article 356(1) of the Constitution. The Lok Sabha has already approved it. Replying to a debate on the Resolution, Union Home Minister, Amit Shah said, since November last year, no violence was reported in Manipur. He rejected the opposition's allegation that the President's rule was imposed due to the failure in handling the situation. He also said that after the resignation of the State Chief Minister, no party came forward to stake claim to form the government. The Home Minister also said since the appointment of Ajay Kumar Bhalla as the Governor of Manipur, peace is prevailing there, and informed that two meetings of the two communities in Manipur have taken place, and the third and final meeting is expected to take place in New Delhi soon. Initiating a discussion on the resolution, Leader of Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge accused the Government of failing to control the violence and there is no strategy and long-term policy concerning Manipur. He also demanded an inquiry in connection with the violence in Manipur. MPs from the Congress and other opposition parties also participated in the discussion.

LANDLOCKED:

External Affairs Minister, S Jaishankar yesterday took a sharp jibe at Bangladesh's Chief Advisor Muhammad Yunus for calling India's Northeastern states "landlocked." He said, India is aware of its responsibility with regard to the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation or BIMSTEC, adding that India has the longest coastline in the Bay of Bengal, of almost 6,500 km and shares borders not only with five BIMSTEC members, and

connects most of them, but also provides much of the interface between the Indian sub-continent and ASEAN. The North-Eastern region in particular is emerging as a connectivity hub for the BIMSTEC, with a myriad network of roads, railways, waterways, grids and pipelines.

COMMITTEE:

The Meghalaya government has constituted an all-party committee to discuss the proposal of establishing a Winter Capital in Tura and examine the proposal for railway connectivity. The committee is headed by the Chief Minister or a Minister nominated by him besides two representatives each from the political parties. The committee will also seek the views of all relevant stakeholders before submitting its report to the government. Another committee has been tasked with identifying solutions for railway construction and engaging with the stakeholders before submitting its recommendations to the government. Government departments concerned with the issue will be also invited to participate in the committee’s deliberations.

RYNDIA:

Meghalaya has achieved the Geographical Indication tag for its traditional handwoven fabric, Ryndia, along with Meghalaya Handloom Products, and this has been officially listed on the GI Authority’s website. Ryndia is a handwoven, handspun, naturally dyed, and ethically sourced fabric made from Eri silk. The GI tag will open new opportunities for Meghalaya’s artisans and handloom sector, enhancing market value and ensuring protection against imitation. It will also boost sustainable livelihoods and encourage younger generations to take up the traditional craft.

NCC:

In Mizoram, Governor Vijay Kumar Singh said that NCC helps a person to become a better individual. Speaking at the felicitation program of six Mizo NCC cadets at Raj Bhawan in Aizawl, the Governor expressed his deep appreciation to the NCC Cadets, who represented Mizoram at the prestigious Republic Day Camp 2025 in New Delhi and brought pride and laurel to the state. He encouraged them to serve as role models so that others get inspired to join the NCC and pursue excellence in their future endeavours. The Governor presented tablets as a token of appreciation to the six NCC cadets – four males and two females.

AMKA:

The All Meghalaya Karbi Association concluded its three-day celebration marking its 50-year journey since its establishment in 1975. The closing ceremony at Purduwa in Ri-Bhoi District was graced by Meghalaya Chief Minister, Conrad K. Sangma yesterday. The Chief Minister lauded the association for its unity and commitment to preserving its rich cultural heritage. Several leaders including Nongpoh MLA Mayral Born Syiem, Mawhati MLA Charles Marngar, KAAC Deputy Chairman Avijit Kro attended the occasion.
