### NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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## **HEADLINES:-**

- 1. High-level team from 16th Finance Commission holds detailed discussions with state government and various stakeholders in Itanagar; Arunachal Pradesh government seeks total financial package of 6.89 lakh crore rupees.
- 2. Electoral Registration Officer publishes Draft Photo Electoral Rolls of 49-Tadubi (ST) Assembly Constituency ahead of Assembly bye election with total electors of 47,756 including 23,708 female electors and 1,137 newly enrolled young electors.
- 3. High-level delegation from Meghalaya will visit Japan on official invitation from Government of Japan to bolster bilateral cooperation across key sectors including arts and culture, tourism, agriculture, textiles, and government-level exchanges.
- 4. India Meteorological Department forecast heavy rainfall will likely be over Assam and Meghalaya today.
- 5. Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla distributes 11th Rajya Puraskar to selected 30 Scouts recognising their outstanding dedication and achievements.
- 6. Four-day National Tribal Youth Festival kicks off at State Tribal Resource Center, Kelsih in Mizoram.
- 7. North East Cricket Development Council holds its 4th Achiever's Night at Chintan Hall, Gangtok in Sikkim and honours top performers in both men's and women's cricket in all formats during recently concluded BCCI domestic season.

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A high-level team from the 16th Finance Commission, currently on a five-day visit to Arunachal Pradesh, held detailed discussions with the state government and various stakeholders in Itanagar yesterday. The team is led by senior member, Annie George Mathew. During the media briefing, Mathew stated that the commission had an in-depth meeting with the Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister, Chief Secretary, and other senior officials of the Arunachal Pradesh government. She informed that the Arunachal government has submitted a comprehensive memorandum to the commission, outlining several key demands including a proposal to increase the vertical devolution of taxes from the current 41 percent to 47 percent in order to ensure a fairer and more balanced allocation for all states. The state has also requested 100 percent central funding and restore the special category status for the North Eastern Himalayan states. Additionally, it urged the commission to consider tailoring schemes and funding norms to address the unique challenges of the Northeastern region. The Arunachal Pradesh government has sought a total financial package of 6.89 lakh crore rupees from the commission. During its five-day stay in the state, the team will also visit various places and interact with Urban and Rural Local Bodies and other stakeholders, besides visiting various project sites.

### **ROLL**

In Manipur, the Draft Photo Electoral Rolls of 49-Tadubi (ST) Assembly Constituency has been published by the concerned Electoral Registration Officer of the Assembly Constituency. Tadubi assembly constituency is going to hold a bye-election after the demise of MLA, N. Kayisii who won the seat on NPP ticket in the last State General Election. According to the Draft Photo Electoral Rolls, the total electors in the constituency is 47,756 including 23,708 female electors and 1,137 newly enrolled young electors. The assembly constituency has 81 polling stations.

### **DELEGATION**

A high-level delegation from Meghalaya is set to visit Japan following an official invitation from the Government of Japan. The visit aims to bolster bilateral cooperation across key sectors including arts and culture, tourism, agriculture, textiles, and government-level exchanges. Tourism Minister Paul Lyngdoh, sharing details of the trip, said, this visit is being organized at the initiative of the Japanese government and will be led by the Chief Minister.

### **IMD**

The India Meteorological Department has forecasted heavy rainfall will likely be over Assam and Meghalaya today. The weather agency has also predicted light to moderate rainfall with thunderstorms, lightning and gusty winds up to 50 kilometers per hour over East and Northeast India till the 12th of this month.

### **CEREMONY**

Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla yesterday distributed the 11th Rajya Puraskar to selected 30 Scouts recognising their outstanding dedication and achievements. The distribution ceremony was held at the Durbar Hall of Raj Bhavan, Imphal. Speaking at the ceremony, the Governor highlighted the exceptional commitment, resilience and spirit of selfless services of the scouts. He also advised young Scouts to uphold strong moral values, embrace social responsibility and cultivate mental resilience. The Governor highlighted the crucial role of young Scouts in contributing to the Viksit Bharat 2047.

# **FESTIVAL**

In Mizoram, the National Tribal Youth Festival began yesterday at the State Tribal Resource Center, Kelsih. The four-day celebration was inaugurated by the Chief Secretary, Khilli Ram Meena. Speaking at the event, the Chief Secretary expressed gratitude to the organisers for showcasing the vibrant cultural heritage of the Mizo and the event is a milestone for the community. He also highlighted the goal of bringing tribal communities together nationwide in future. The festival seeks to showcase Mizoram's cultural identity to the world, providing regional artists with opportunities to display their traditional art forms. The festival also features performances by Imnainla Jamir from Nagaland, Vawnchawi Vaiphei from Manipur, and other performers.

## **CRICKET**

The North East Cricket Development Council held its 4th Achiever's Night at Chintan Hall, Gangtok in Sikkim and honoured top performers in both men's and women's cricket in all formats during the recently concluded BCCI domestic season. The Council is a coordinating body of six North Eastern states. Sikkim Chief Minister, Prem Singh Tamang, Assembly Speaker, Mingma Norbu Sherpa and other cabinet ministers were present on the occasion. The Meghalaya Cricket Association was awarded a special prize in recognition for playing in the Elite Group of the BCCI 2024-25 season besides other individual awards.

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