

## NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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### HEADLINES:-

- ✓ Mizoram Governor, Vijay Kumar Singh says Free Movement Regime has been in place for a longtime and certain restrictions are laid out to ensure better security for citizens considering instability in neighboring country.
- ✓ Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet takes several important decisions including extending scope of Chief Minister's Bal Seva Scheme and enhancement of pension under Chief Minister's Social Security Scheme.
- ✓ Centre sets target to set up 728 Eklavya Model Residential Schools benefiting around 3.5 lakh Schedule Tribe students across the country.
- ✓ National Highway Authority of India constructs over 5,600 kilometres of National Highways against target of 5 thousand 150 kilometres during financial Year 2024-25.
- ✓ Polling for Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council in Assam concludes peacefully with 68.58 percent voters' turnout.
- ✓ Third edition of ASEAN-India Artists' Camp is underway in Meghalaya's state capital Shillong, bringing together distinguished gathering of figures from both India and ASEAN nations.
- ✓ National Round of Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament Festival 2025 begins in New Delhi; Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya praises India's diversity, stating that despite its differences, Parliament stands as symbol of unity.

### NEWS IN ORDER:-

#### **MIZORAM:**

Mizoram Governor, Vijay Kumar Singh said that the Free Movement Regime has been in place for a longtime and added that certain restrictions are laid out to ensure better security for citizens considering instability in the neighboring country. He said that the Government is taking up measures to prevent illegal activities across the border. The Governor was speaking at Lawngtlai District Headquarters, which shares international boundaries with Myanmar. Singh expressed concern at the increasing challenges of drug smuggling along the border and stressed on the need for collective efforts to maintain Mizoram as a peaceful and prosperous state. He also encouraged the people to make full use of various Government schemes designed for the welfare of the people. The Governor also held meetings with MLAs, district officials, members of the Lai Autonomous District Council and Chakma Autonomous District Council and NGOs.

#### **CABINET:**

The Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday took several important decisions including extending scope of the Chief Minister's Bal Seva Scheme and enhancement of pension under the Chief Minister's Social Security Scheme besides approving grant of 50% SGST reimbursement for the 1200mega watts Kalai II Hydro Electric Project to enhance its financial viability. The Chief Minister's Bal Seva Scheme will now provide support to all registered orphaned children of the state and the pension amount for old age pension, disability pension, and widow pension has been increased by 300 rupees per month. Some other Cabinet approval includes assigning Deputy Director, Rural Development, to implement RD and CSS schemes in the districts.

#### **EMRS:**

The centre has set a target to set up 728 Eklavya Model Residential Schools benefiting around 3.5 lakh Schedule Tribe students across the country. As of date, a total of 721 schools have been sanctioned across the country, out of which, 477 schools are reported to be functional. In a written reply in Rajya Sabha, Minister of State for Tribal Affairs, Durgadas Uikey said, the Central Sector Scheme of Eklavya Model Residential School was started in 2018-19 for the tribal children in their own environment. Under the scheme, the government has decided to establish one Eklavya Model Residential School in every block having more than 50 per cent ST population and at least 20 thousand tribal persons. The Minister highlighted that the government is implementing several initiatives in collaboration with other government bodies to provide tribal students with access to digital and skill-based education.

#### **HIGHWAY:**

The National Highway Authority of India has constructed over 5,600 kilometres of National Highways against the target of 5 thousand 150 kilometres during the financial Year 2024-25. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, in a statement yesterday said that the capital expenditure for the development of National Highway infrastructure reached an all-time high of over 2 lakh 50 thousand crore rupees provisionally, against a target expenditure of 2 lakh 40 thousand crore rupees.

#### **HASONG:**

In Assam, polling for the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council concluded peacefully with 68.58 percent voters' turnout. The polling was held in 33 out of 36 council constituencies under the Rabha Hasong Autonomous Council spread across Kamrup and Goalpara districts. Three candidates have already won unopposed- two from Kamrup district and one from Goalpara. Counting of votes will take place tomorrow.

#### **CAMP:**

The third edition of the ASEAN-India Artists' Camp is currently underway in Meghalaya's state capital Shillong, bringing together a distinguished gathering of figures from both India and ASEAN nations. The event has drawn the participation of notable personalities, including Minister of State for External Affairs, Pabitra Margherita, and

renowned film personality Deepti Naval. A total of 34 artists are participating in the event, including 11 artists from ASEAN nations such as Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, and the Philippines.

**YOUTH PARLIAMENT:**

The National Round of Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament Festival 2025 began in New Delhi yesterday. Inaugurating the two-day youth parliament, Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya praised India’s diversity, stating that despite its differences, Parliament stands as a symbol of unity. The Minister encouraged the young participants to adopt a Nation First mindset, regardless of their profession. He said that the Youth Parliament is a platform that nurtures future leaders, allowing young individuals to engage in meaningful discussions. He also noted the enthusiasm of the youth as over 75,000 young individuals submitted their one-minute videos to be part of this initiative.

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