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HEADLINES:-

- 1. Rozgar Mela in Shillong features distribution of 51 appointment letters among successful youth.
- 2. Landslide-hit Chungthang-Lachung road in North Sikkim partially cleared for light vehicles.
- 3. Union Power minister Manohar Lal assures that his ministry is committed to fulfill demand of electricity of the entire nation.
- 4. Meghalaya Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home, Prestone Tynsong says state government is committed to ensure that international border is 'fully secured'.
- 5. North Eastern Hill University Vice Chancellor PS Shukla urges Meghalaya government to deploy sufficient police personnel at Shillong Campus for safety and security of teachers and administrative staff.
- 6. Mizoram continues to have highest prevalence of malaria in entire country as per annual parasite incidence figures.
- 7. Prime Minister Narendra Modi shares his thoughts in Mann Ki Baat programme on Akashvani today.

MELA

A Rozgar Mela was held at the State Convention Center, Shillong yesterday which saw the distribution of 51 appointment letters among successful youth. They will take up crucial posts in Geological Survey of India, Income Tax department, Postal Services, and Railways. Speaking at the event, Minister of State for External Affairs and Textiles, Pabitra Margherita said Rozgar Mela has become a symbol of trust, opportunity and of a government that is investing in the country's most powerful asset, the youth. The jobs which the youth are going to be involved in are gateways to service, responsibility, as well as contributing to the nation's growth and transformation.

SIKKIM

After heavy rains on 24th April triggered massive landslides in North Sikkim, the Chungthang-Lachung road was blocked at six major points. Restoration efforts by the Border Roads Organization and local authorities cleared the road for light vehicles yesterday, enabling the safe evacuation of over 1000 stranded tourists to Gangtok. Further evacuations are scheduled today via the Lachen-

Dongkela route. The authorities are encouraging tourists to explore Dzongu as an alternative destination.

POWER

Union Power minister Manohar Lal has assured that his ministry is committed to fulfill the demand of electricity of the entire country. He said that more power generation would ensure more employment generation. The power minister was talking to media at Gangtok yesterday after attending the regional conference of energy ministers of the North Eastern region. Issues related to power generation, transmission and distribution were discussed in the meeting. There are immense opportunities in the hydro-power sector in the North Eastern states of Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh, he said. The hilly states of North East are being given more funds for infrastructure compared to the plain areas, the power minister pointed out.

BORDER

Meghalaya Deputy Chief Minister in-charge Home, Prestone Tynsong has said the state government is committed to ensure that the international border is 'fully secured'. Commenting on the recent Pahalgam terror attack and the need to check on illegal infiltration into the country, he said that the Government already had a meeting with the Border Security Force in this regard. Mr Tynsong assured that the Government will make sure that the India-Bangladesh boundary is fully secured to meet all challenges in case any kind of infiltration takes place.

NEHU

The North Eastern Hill University Vice Chancellor PS Shukla has urged the Meghalaya government to deploy sufficient police personnel at the Shillong Campus for the safety and security of teachers and administrative staff. He held an online meeting with the NEHU faculty yesterday to condemn the recent incident of assault on Assistant Professor of Hindi department, Alok Singh at the Shillong campus. An FIR in this regard has been lodged with the police. The Vice Chancellor invited various NEHU unions for a constructive discussion to find a solution to the ongoing problem within the legal framework of the university.

MIZORAM

Officials of the National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme yesterday said that Mizoram continues to have the highest prevalence of malaria in the entire country as per the annual parasite incidence figures. Speaking on World Malaria Day, officials said source reduction drive should be given utmost importance in villages in order to declare these as malaria free. Mizoram health minister Lalrinpuii said, there has been no report of malarial death so far this year, even as 866 malaria cases were detected since January till March.

BAAT

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people of the country and abroad in the Mann Ki Baat programme on Akashvani at 11 this morning. It will be the 121st episode of the monthly radio programme. The programme will be broadcast across the entire Akashvani and Doordarshan

network, AIR News website, and Newsonair mobile app. It will also be live-streamed on the YouTube channels of AIR News, DD News, the PMO, and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. Akashvani will broadcast the programme in regional languages immediately after the Hindi broadcast.
