

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- President Droupadi Murmu will present Padma Awards at second Civil Investiture Ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- Election Commission announces schedule for biennial elections for eight Rajya Sabha seats including six seats from Tamil Nadu and two seats from Assam.
- Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma joins fellow NDA leaders at Chief Ministers' Conclave chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, with deliberations focused on propelling India towards vision of Viksit Bharat by 2047.
- Public protest continues in Manipur denouncing Gwaltebi incident in which security forces allegedly ask team of journalists to erase word 'Manipur' from signage of Manipur State Transport transport.
- Two tourists from Indore, Madhya Pradesh are missing while visiting tourist spot at Sohra in Meghalaya.
- Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, S. Krishnan highlights ministry's commitment to empowering North East through technology and digital inclusion.
- Meghalaya's state capital, Shillong will once again play host to Asia's oldest football tournament, Durand Cup along with other cities in West Bengal, Assam, Manipur and Jharkhand.

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AWARDS:

President Droupadi Murmu will present the Padma Awards at the second Civil Investiture Ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan this evening. The awards are given across a diverse range of disciplines and fields including art, social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports, and civil service. In the second Investiture ceremony, a total of 68 eminent personalities will be honoured with Padma Awards. Among them, Former Chief Justice of India Jagdish Singh Khehar will be awarded Padma Vibhushan for the contribution in the field of public affairs and arts. Those who will be presented padma bhushan includes Jatin Goswami, Kailash Nath Dixit, Sadhvi Ritambhara while renowned economist Bibek Debroy will be honoured Posthumously.

RAJYA SABHA:

The Election Commission has announced the schedule for the biennial elections for eight Rajya Sabha seats including six seats from Tamil Nadu and two seats from Assam. According to the Commission, the notification will be issued on the 2nd of June, and the polling will be held on the 19th of June. Counting of votes will take place on the same day. The biennial elections to the seats will be held as the terms of eight members of the Rajya Sabha are set to expire between June and July this year. Six Rajya Sabha MPs from Tamil Nadu will retire on 24th of July this year and two seats from Assam will fall vacant when Mission Ranjan Das and Birendra Prasad Baishya will retire on the 14th of June.

MEETING:

Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma joined fellow NDA leaders at the Chief Ministers' Conclave chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, with deliberations focused on propelling India toward the vision of a Viksit Bharat by 2047. During the event, the Chief Minister gave a presentation on Meghalaya's scheme for accountable governance. This was among the seven best governance practices, including the Uniform Civil Code in Uttarakhand, presented by different Chief Ministers and Deputy CMs. Modi has

suggested forming a committee to study their various aspects, including how they can be integrated elsewhere. In a social media post following the event, Sangma said the discussions revolved around advancing good governance, fostering inter-state collaboration, and sharing successful models to accelerate national development.

PROTEST:

In Manipur, public protest continued yesterday denouncing the Gwaltebi incident in which the security forces allegedly asked a team of journalists to erase the Word 'Manipur' from the signage of Manipur State Transport transport. Several protestors came out on the street at Kwaikethel area in Imphal west, the road leading to Imphal International Airport. Meanwhile, a delegation of COCOMI has arrived in New Delhi to hold talks with the officials of the Ministry of Home Affairs to resolve the ongoing Manipur crisis.

TOURISTS:

Two tourists, who is a couple from Indore, Madhya Pradesh have been reported missing while visiting a tourist spot at Sohra in Meghalaya. According to police, their rented two-wheeler was found abandoned near Sohra Rim, and both of their mobile phones remain switched off. Police have launched a search operation but currently unable to confirm the duo’s whereabouts. While there is still no official confirmation so far, authorities suspect that the pair may have ventured into high-risk areas without a certified local guide.

NIELIT:

Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, S. Krishnan highlighted the ministry’s commitment to empowering the North East through technology and digital inclusion. He made this remark during his virtual address at the inaugural programme of the Innovation NE Week hosted by the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology, Kohima in Nagaland. Krishnan pointed out that 20 of India’s 55 NIELIT centres are located in the North Eastern region, with the Kohima centre being one of the most active. Emphasizing on the distinct advantages of Nagaland, he stressed on the need to equip the youth with modern skills to fully unlock their potential in the economic setup. Krishnan also underlined the initiative’s importance in advancing digital literacy and technical education in the North East.

DURAND CUP:

Shillong, the state capital of Meghalaya will once again play host to Asia’s oldest football tournament, Durand Cup as it has been confirmed as one of the co-host cities. The 134th edition of the Indian Oil Durand Cup 2025 will be held from July 22 to August 23. Assam, Manipur will also host the prestigious tournament apart from West Bengal and Jharkhand.
