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THE HEADLINES :-

- Akashvani Kohima and District Administration Kohima signs MoU to collaborate on radio programs and awareness campaigns.
- Nagaland State Pharmacy Council reaffirms commitment to enforcing the pharmacy laws.
- Nagaland observes Samvidhan Hatya Diwas marking its 50th anniversary.
- and, Indian astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla takes off for Axiom-4 Mission on board SpaceX Dragon spacecraft.

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Akashvani Kohima and the District Administration of Kohima have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on radio programs and awareness campaigns. The MoU was signed by Head of Programme, Akashvani Kohima, Abino Lasuh, Deputy Commissioner of Kohima B. Henok Buchem, and Additional SP (Traffic & Protocol), Kohima Z. Tshurhosie Kajiri. The signing ceremony took place today at Akashvani Kohima in the presence of officials from both the Kohima District Administration and Akashvani Kohima. The objective of the MoU is to educate and inform the public on key issues such as governance, public welfare, disaster management, health, education, real-time traffic updates, and other matters of public interest. This partnership will leverage the broadcasting expertise of Akashvani Kohima and the administrative resources of the Kohima District Administration to create impactful radio content. It will also

promote government schemes, policies, and initiatives through radio broadcasts to ensure wider public outreach. The MoU will remain in effect for a period of two years from the date of signing. Following the signing ceremony, Deputy Commissioner B. Henok Buchem participated in a live radio broadcast, where he described the initiative a landmark step in tackling traffic issues and enhancing public outreach.

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Head of Programme, Abino Lasuh expressed her gratitude to the district administration for the collaboration, adding that this initiative will serve the community with timely essential information.

During the programme, Additional SP (Traffic & Protocol), Kohima, Z. Tshurhosie Kajiri, officially announced the first live traffic updates for Kohima town.

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The Nagaland State Pharmacy Council (NSPC) has reaffirmed its commitment to enforcing the Pharmacy Act, 1948, and the Pharmacy Practice Regulations, 2015 (PPR 2015), in an effort to standardize and strengthen the pharmacy profession across the state. In a press release, NSPC Registrar Khele Thorie said that under these regulations, only individuals with proper technical qualifications and registration with the State Pharmacy Council are legally permitted to practice as pharmacists, which applies to both hospital pharmacies and private establishments.

PHARMACY BYTE: 29 SEC Nagaland State Pharmacy Council informed that as of June 25, 2025, there are 1,384 registered pharmacists in Nagaland. Each year, around 50 qualified graduates from both government-sponsored and private institutions are added to the register. The Council commended the Health Department for aligning with national pharmaceutical laws, such as the

Pharmacy Act and the Drugs and Cosmetics Act. Mr Thorie emphasized that these steps not only protect public safety but also promote the growth of young, qualified professionals.

The Council warned that violations of the regulations will result in strict legal penalties, reaffirming that the quality and safety of healthcare services cannot be compromised.

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Nagaland observed Samvidhan Hatya Diwas marking its 50th anniversary. The day commemorates the suspension of civil liberties and democratic rights following the Emergency declared by then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on June 25, 1975. The district administrations and district culture office across the state observed the day in their respective DC's office. At Kohima, keynote speaker Dr. Ketoukhrieü, Assistant Professor at Kohima College, spoke on "The Emergency of 1975: A Constitutional Turning Point", analyzing how the 42nd Amendment curtailed rights and altered the power structure. She warned against modern-day authoritarianism and called for civic vigilance. In Dimapur, Dr. Amongla Jamir stressed that democracies are fragile and must be protected through civic participation and awareness, especially among the youth. The observation was also held in Mokokchung, Zunheboto, Meluri and Tuensang districts with keynote speakers emphasizing the historical importance of the day.

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In a historic moment for the country, Indian astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla took off to space today on the Axiom-4 mission. Shukla is first Indian in over four decades to be in space after Rakesh Sharma. The Mission was launched from Kennedy Space Centre in Florida, United States at 12.01 pm IST today. The crew on Axiom Mission is travelling to the International Space Station on a new SpaceX Dragon spacecraft on the company's Falcon 9 rocket. The mission is led by US' Commander Peggy Whitson, with Indian Air Force Group Captain Shukla as mission pilot and Hungarian astronaut Tibor Kapu and Polish astronaut Slawosz

Uznanski-Wisniewski as mission specialists. Captain Shukla is the second Indian astronaut travelling to space, four decades after Wing Commander Rakesh Sharma made the cosmic journey as part of a Soviet mission in 1984. The Indian Space Research Organisation has said, the Axiom-4 will dock with the International Space Station at 4:30 PM IST tomorrow.

President Droupadi Murmu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Minister for State for Space Dr Jitendra Singh welcomed the successful launch of the Space Mission and congratulated Group Captain Shukla.

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Nagaland Minister for Health & Family Welfare P. Paiwang Konyak today announced multiple health infrastructure projects for Zunheboto District Hospital as part of his Viksit Nagaland for Viksit Bharat state tour. The projects include the ongoing District Hospital construction, staff quarters, Urban Public Health Centre, Integrated Public Health Laboratory, CMO building, a nursing school, 30-bedded Ayush hospital, new PHCs at Pughoboto and Satoi, and sub-centres at Sukomi and Hebolimi. The minister set a firm deadline of December 2025 for the hospital's completion, urging support from the local MLA, civil societies, and political workers to avoid delays. Emphasizing the PM's vision of a developed India by 2047, he said healthcare in Nagaland must improve. Konyak urged judicious fund use, registration under CMHIS and Ayushman Bharat, strict OPD timing, closure of unlicensed pharmacies, and active TB campaign participation. He stressed that community support is key to the hospital's success. Advisor K.T. Sukhalu praised the minister's grassroots leadership and pledged support, including funds for renovating the eye OPD room. Sumi Hoho, GBs, and health officials welcomed the projects, thanked the minister, and committed to full cooperation for healthcare improvement in Zunheboto.

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