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- London-bound Air India flight with 242 on board crashes near Ahmedabad Airport
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi takes stock of plane mishap
- Governor La Ganesan underscores responsibility with success at felicitation of meritorious students
- And, Nagaland joins global observance of World Day Against Child Labour



A London-bound Air India passenger plane carrying 242 people, including 2 pilots and 10 cabin crew members, crashed in the Meghani Nagar area near Ahmedabad airport in Gujarat. Of the passengers, 169 are Indian nationals, 53 British nationals, one Canadian, and 7 Portuguese nationals were onboard flight number AI-171, which was operating from Ahmedabad to London. A dedicated helpline number, 9974111327, has been set up at Ahmedabad airport for passenger queries and assistance. Fire and police teams and National Disaster Response Force teams are at the crash spot.

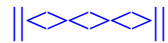
The injured have been shifted to hospitals. Further investigation is currently underway to determine the cause of the crash.



President Droupadi Murmu has expressed grief over the tragic plane crash in Ahmedabad. In a social media post, she said that it is a heart-rending disaster and her thoughts and prayers are with the affected people. The President added that the nation stands with them in this hour of indescribable grief.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has termed the flight crash as heartbreaking beyond words. He said, his thoughts are with everyone affected during this tragic hour. The Prime Minister has spoken to Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Civil Aviation Minister Ram Mohan Naidu to take stock of the situation and directed them to ensure that all possible assistance is extended immediately to those affected by the air mishap. Mr. Naidu said that all relevant agencies are on high alert and coordinated efforts are underway.



Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has also expressed shock and deep sadness on the tragic plane accident. Dr Rio said, his thoughts and prayers are with all the affected people and their families during this difficult time.

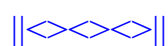


Nagaland today joined the global observance of the World Day Against Child Labour. At an awareness event in the state capital, Deputy Commissioner of Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, reaffirmed the readiness of the state government, district administration, and stakeholders to act against violations of child labour laws. Urging citizens to report cases without fear, he lamented the rise in child abuse and domestic violence, issues which were once alien to Naga culture.

The event included a pledge against child labour and a signature campaign. Similar programs were held in other districts including Dimapur, Wokha and Tuensang with calls for unified efforts to safeguard children from exploitation and to build a secure future for them.

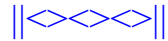


A total of 162 students Toppers, Rank holders and achievers of HSLC and HSSLC Examination 2025 under Nagaland Board of School Education received Awards in different categories. The awards include Governor's award to HSLC & HSSLC toppers, Subject toppers in MILs & Skill Education Subjects, Government Schools Students, Eastern Nagaland District, Governor's Excellence Award for Science Studies of HSSLC examination and NBSE awards to HSLC & HSSLC toppers. Advisor of School Education and SCERT, Dr Kekhrielhoulie Yhome on behalf of the Governor of Nagaland handed the awards at a felicitation programme held at Raj Bhavan Kohima today. Governor's Award was given to Toppers of HSLC and HSSLC in Arts, Commerce and Science. All four female toppers received Gold Medal and Citation.



Governor La Ganesan today underscored the responsibility that comes with success. In a message delivered by Advisor Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome on his behalf during the felicitation programme, the Governor encouraged students to

reflect on the privileges such as peace, stability, and access to quality education. He also acknowledged the critical support from families, teachers, and schools, to the students' success. Describing the students as nation-builders of tomorrow, the Governor urged them to uphold values of honesty, hard work, and adaptability, and channel them towards solving real-world problems to drive growth in both Nagaland and the nation.



Advisor of School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, today highlighted the stark regional disparities in academic performance across Nagaland. He said this during the felicitation programme of the Toppers, Rank Holders and Achievers of HSLC and HSSLC Examination 2025 in Kohima. Dr Yhome, presenting a detailed breakdown of performance statistics in various academic streams of the state, stated that Kohima and Dimapur emerged as the most academically dominant districts while several others saw no representation in top-performing categories. However, districts like Phek, Peren, Shamator, Meluri, Longleng, Niuland, Kiphire, Zunheboto, and Tsiminyu had no representation in the top 10 rankings across any stream, highlighting the geographical divides of basic amenities.

The Advisor also underscored the transformative power of education, calling it an important force that can uplift individuals and communities regardless of their socio-economic background. He noted that school education something every parent is invested in, adding that only Education can set an individual free.



As a run-up to International Day of Yoga 2025, Akashvani News Kohima brings you a special series - "Practice Yoga for Good Health and Wellness." In this series, we will explore yoga break for workplace designed to de-stress, refresh, and refocus, while also boosting immunity. This evening, we focus on Urdhva Hastotanasana, or Upward Salute.

In this asana, you stand tall with arms stretched over your head. It increases flexibility, strengthens back muscles, improves posture and help with digestion.



The Finance Department, Government of Nagaland, signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the State Bank of India (SBI) in March this year to enhance the State Government Salary Package (SGSP). According to the state government, under the enhanced package, employees' families will be entitled to an accidental insurance cover of up to 1 crore rupees, and an air accidental

insurance cover of up to 2.1 crore rupees. The SGSP also includes coverage for Permanent total and partial disability, Child Education Benefit, SBI Rishtey, and additional covers for Plastic surgery in case of burns, import of medicines, ambulance charges transportation of mortal remains, among others. These benefits will be provided free of cost to eligible employees and their families. The MoU applies en bloc to all existing SBI salary account holders among the State Government employees. Employees are requested to verify their account status with their respective SBI branches to ensure it is categorized under SGSP and request conversion if not yet done.

