

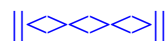
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**:: THE HEADLINES ::**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi highlights transformative role played by women in journey towards developed India.
- Phevima village council not to comply with deduction of 30 percent wage under MGNREGA.
- Nagaland Pradesh Congress Committee expresses concern over alleged unauthorized deductions of MGNREGA funds from beneficiaries.
- Akashvani celebrates its 90 years as public broadcaster.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi today highlighted the transformative role played by women in the journey towards a developed India, underlining the government's focus on women-led development over the past 11 years. As the NDA government at the Centre completes 11 years in office, Mr. Modi reaffirmed that in all sectors, including science, education, sports, StartUps, and the armed forces, women are excelling and inspiring several people. In a social media post, he noted that the NDA Government has redefined women-led development through a series of impactful initiatives. These include ensuring dignity through the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, financial inclusion via Jan Dhan accounts, and empowerment at the grassroots level. The Prime Minister cited Ujjwala Yojana as a milestone that brought smoke-free kitchens to several homes.



As the NDA government at the Centre completes 11 years, India's education sector has undergone a massive transformation. Pathbreaking initiatives like the National Education Policy, PM Schools for Rising India, Sarvya Shikshya Abhiyaan, PM- eVidya among others have significantly shaped the educational curriculum of the country. Talking exclusively to Akashvani News, Vice

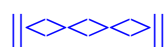
Chancellor of University of Delhi, Yogesh Singh said, education has been the most powerful and effective tool in this journey.



The Phevima (Kacharigaon) village council has resolved that it will not comply with the 30 percent wage component demanded by the Rural Development department under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) for the financial year 2024-25. Council Chairman Vitho Zao informed that the decision was taken during a general meeting of the village. He added that a resolution was submitted to the department. Mr. Zao said, daily wage of 234 rupees per person under MGNREGA is now directly credited to beneficiary bank accounts, out of which the department has instructed the village council to collect 30 percent and return it to the department. The council also alleged that the department has been asking for 50 percent deduction from the material component. The council has urged the government to stop taking villagers' money and asked other villages to join their resistance.

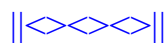


The Nagaland Pradesh Congress Committee (NPCC) has expressed outrage and concern over alleged unauthorized and illegal deductions from Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) funds from beneficiaries across Nagaland by Rural Development Department. A press statement from the NPCC said that these funds represent the lifeblood of rural aspirations, not only driving critical grassroots-level infrastructure development but also serving as a vital instrument to provide social security to the most marginalized communities. Accusing the Rural Development Department of abusing its power, it called on the Minister of RD Department and the state government to take immediate and decisive action to put an end to this rampant corruption. The NPCC also urged the concerned authorities to ensure that those involved are identified and penalized in accordance with the law of the land.



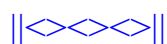
Akashvani celebrates its 90 years today. This day, on June 8th 1936, the Indian State Broadcasting Service was renamed All India Radio (AIR). This red letter

day marks a special moment in the cultural, information and broadcasting history of the country, where a voice was born that would echo through generations.

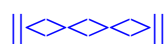


India has undergone a decade of remarkable transformation, driven by the principles of Seva, Sushasan, and Garib Kalyan. Akashvani News Kohima brings you a special feature on the Government's efforts over the last 11 years across key sectors. Today, we discuss Ease of Living—how reforms and initiatives have made daily life simpler, more secure, and more dignified for every citizen.

***VOICE CAST:Improving the everyday lives of Middle Class has been a central focus of governance over the last decade. From housing and healthcare to urban mobility and digital access, the Government has made sustained efforts to make life simpler, more secure, and more convenient for the middle class.Under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban), more than 1.16 crore houses have been sanctioned, and nearly 93 lakh homes have already been completed or handed over. While the Smart Cities Mission has transformed infrastructure with over 93 percent of 7 thousand 545 approved projects completed. Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana has emerged as one of the world's largest publicly funded health assurance schemes - with over 41 Crore Ayushman Cards issued. The rise of Jan Aushadhi Kendras, now numbering over 16 thousand, has made quality medicines up to 80 percent cheaper.Aadhaar, now covering over 141 crore citizens, continues to streamline welfare delivery and reduce leakages. Together, these initiatives ensures India's growing Middle Class lives with pride, convenience, and confidence.***

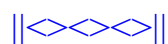


The Naga Council Dimapur (NCD) has urged the state government to initiate immediate discussions with landholders to resolve issues of land encroachment hampering the upgradation of Dimapur Railway station into a world-class station. In a statement, the council reminded the government to hold coordination meeting and appealed to the landholders to act with a spirit of sacrifice. The NCD expressed deep concern over the lack of progress for an amicable settlement between the landholders and the state government.



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.” Each day, we discover different postures to stay healthy with Yoga. This evening, we explore on Vākṛāsana or The Spinal Twist Posture.

Vakra means twisted. In this āsana, the spine is twisted which has a rejuvenating effect on its functioning. This increases flexibility of the spine, helps to overcome constipation, dyspepsia. The āsana also stimulates pancreas and helps in the management of diabetes.



Assam Rifles organized an Awareness Program cum Drawing Competition at Government Higher Secondary School, Sechu-Zubza yesterday, to commemorate the upcoming International Day of Yoga. 90 students participated in the event, showcasing the essence and benefits of yoga through their artwork. As part of the event, a special lecture was conducted highlighting the importance of yoga in daily life, particularly focusing on its physical, mental, and emotional benefits for children. The competition concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, where winners were felicitated.

