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1. President Murmu calls use of new technology to bring revolutionary changes in veterinary care
2. Cooperation Minister Jacob Zhimomi highlights challenges in Northeast at National Conference
3. FOCUS-Nagaland Project concludes with asset handover to line departments
4. And, 24th Dr. T Ao Trophy Inter-district tourney to commence from 1st August in Kohima



President Droupadi Murmu has said that technology, like other fields, has the potential to bring revolutionary changes in veterinary medicine and care as well. Addressing the 11th Convocation of the Indian Veterinary Research Institute in Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh today, the President said that the use of technology can empower veterinary hospitals across the country.

President Murmu said that today, the concept of One Health is gaining importance across the world. This concept holds that humans, domestic and wild animals, flora, and the wider environment are all interdependent.



Nagaland's Minister for Cooperation, N. Jacob Zhimomi, participated in the National Conference of Cooperation Ministers of States and Union Territories, chaired by Union Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah at New Delhi. Speaking at the event, Mr Zhimomi commended the Ministry's National Cooperative Database initiative, saying it helped the state Government to cancel non-functioning cooperatives. Highlighting the unique challenges in the Northeast, Mr Zhimomi noted that cooperatives in the region remain financially and

managerially weak, relying on government support, especially through National Cooperative Development Corporation. He urged Centre's continued support for popular projects like the Integrated Cooperative Development Project. Further, the Minister highlighted challenges in the computerization of Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), citing low digital literacy among PACS staff. To address this, he suggested deploying Data Entry Operators for at least three years to support the digitization. He also raised issues faced by PACS in implementing activities under Jan Aushadhi Kendra, Common Service Centres, and PM Kisan Samridhi Kendra. Later, the minister planted saplings at Nagaland Guest House in RK Puram as part of 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign.



The Fostering Climate Resilient Upland Framing System in the Northeast (FOCUS)-Nagaland project concluded with the handing over of assets to line departments. At official closing ceremony held at the Civil Secretariat today, the assets were formally handed over to the Departments of Fisheries & Aquatic Resources, Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Cooperation, and Agriculture. A Memorandum of Agreement was also signed, under which the departments assumed full responsibility for maintenance, upscaling, and future use of the assets. Addressing the gathering, Chief Secretary & Chairman PSC, FOCUS-Nagaland, Dr. J. Alam said resource persons and knowledge partners are the biggest take away from the project, urging departments to effectively use the resources to mobilize and expand projects. The departments were also briefed on their expected roles following the exit of the six-year-long FOCUS-Nagaland project.



Akashvani Kohima bid farewell to Ms. Abino Lasuh, Head of Programme, who superannuated from service today. Ms. Lasuh began her career at AIR Kohima as an Assistant Editor for Educational Broadcast on 28th June 1989. She was promoted to Programme Executive in 2003, after which she was posted to the Local Radio Station in Mokokchung. In April 2024, she was promoted to Assistant Director (Programme) and assumed charge as Head of Programme at Akashvani Kohima from July 2024 to June 2025. In her farewell speech, Ms. Lasuh encouraged the staff to work together in harmony, embracing their diverse backgrounds. She emphasized the importance of mutual understanding in achieving collective goals.

The outgoing officer also extended her gratitude to all staff for support to her. On the occasion, Cluster Head and Deputy Director General (Engineering), K. K. Rengma, praised Ms. Lasuh for her dedication and long-standing service to the organization. Mr Rengma extended his best wishes for her future endeavors.



Nagaland Government has launched Phase 2 of the Nagaland Disaster Management School Safety Policy Compliance Course in collaboration with the Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority, School Education Department, and NagaEd. This mandatory digital training program aims to equip teachers across government and private schools with essential disaster preparedness and safety skills. Launched in December 2023, Phase 1 saw over 7,500 teachers register, with more than 3,100 certified. Phase 2 focuses on ensuring completion by all teachers and reaching new participants. Teachers can register or access the course on the website education.nagaland.gov.in.



The Railway Protection Force today conducted a post-explosion scenario mock drill at Dimapur Railway Station in collaboration with the State Disaster Response Force, Medical Department, Nagaland Police, and Fire and Emergency Services. Speaking to the media, Assistant Security Commissioner, Northeast Frontier Railway, Sanjit Sarkar said the exercise aimed to assess the preparedness and coordination among various departments in the event of any real-life emergency. As part of the simulation, a bomb explosion scenario was staged to evaluate the response time, medical evacuation of the injured, and overall crowd management to prevent stampedes. The drill gauged the efficiency of emergency services in providing immediate aid and maintaining public order.



The 24th edition of Nagaland's premier football tournament, the Dr. T Ao Trophy, will be held in Kohima from August 1 to 15. The Inter-District Championship is hosted by the Kohima Football Association, organized by the Nagaland Football Association (NFA), and powered by the District Planning and Development Board, Kohima. Addressing a press conference at IG Stadium today, NFA President Neibu Sekhose, announced that this year's tournament will follow a knockout format, with teams divided into four groups. He informed that the champions will receive a cash prize of three lakh rupees, the runners-up two lakh rupees, and semi-finalists 50,000 rupees each.

The championship will be conducted in accordance with the guidelines approved by the All India Football Federation. Speaking on preparations, Deputy Commissioner of Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, stated that the organizing committee is headed by DPDB Chairman and MLA Kevipodi Sophie, and co-chaired by MLA Dr. Ato, with around 20 sub-committees and nearly 150 members. Earlier, DC Kohima and NFA President officially unveiled the tournament's poster and media campaign.

