

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar has resigned citing health reasons. In a letter written to President Droupadi Murmu, Mr Dhankhar said that to prioritise health care and abide by medical advice, he has resigned as the Vice President of India, effective immediately. He expressed his gratitude to the President for her unwavering support during his tenure. Mr Dhankhar also expressed his deep gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the esteemed Council of Ministers. He said, Prime Minister's cooperation and support have been invaluable, and he has learnt much during his time in office. He said the warmth, trust, and affection he has received from all the Members of Parliament would ever be cherished at and embedded in his memory. Mr Dhankhar said he is deeply thankful for the invaluable experiences and insights he gained as Vice President in this great democracy. Mr Dhankhar said that it has been a privilege and satisfaction to witness and partake in India's remarkable economic progress and unprecedented exponential development during this significant period. He said, serving in this transformative era of this nation's history has been a true honor.



The Nagaland Government has directed all Deputy Commissioners to maintain heightened vigilance and take proactive measures to prevent any potential influx of illegal immigrants into the state. In an advisory issued by Joint Commissioner (Hq), Office of the Commissioner, Nagaland, Nokchasashi stated that the directive comes in view of the ongoing eviction drive against illegal immigrants being undertaken by the Government of Assam, which has raised concerns that displaced individuals may attempt to enter Nagaland. The government emphasized that this proactive approach is crucial for maintaining law and order, and for safeguarding the demographic integrity of the state.



The alternative route between Phesama and Kisama-Kigwema for light motor vehicles has been restored and is open to traffic with immediate effect. In a traffic advisory issued yesterday Deputy Commissioner of Kohima, B. Henok Buchem, informed that in the interest of public safety, vehicular movement along the landslide-affected stretch of National Highway-2 near Kisama remains prohibited. Commuters are advised to avoid non-essential travel, especially during nighttime, and take necessary precautions.



The most anticipated Miss Mokokchung beauty pageant is set to make a comeback after a three-year hiatus. Organized by the Forerunners Mokokchung under the aegis of the Mokokchung District Art & Culture Council (MDACC), the pageant is scheduled to be held today at the Town Hall, Mokokchung, with 13 contestants vying for the coveted title. More from our Mokokchung Correspondent-

The event will feature a slew of artists performing throughout the night. In addition, the panel of judges will include Akshatha Das, Femina Miss India Kerala 2024, and Chanchui Kayi, Femina Miss India Manipur 2024. The pageant will comprise three rounds- ethnic wear, designer cocktail wear, and evening gown. The gowns will be designed by renowned fashion designers HM Hmingmawhii from Meghalaya and Manen Jamir, and will be showcased by the 13 contestants. A special highlight of the evening will be the "Tribute Runway," featuring former Ao beauty queens dating back to 1992. The event will begin at 6:00 PM, and tickets will also be available at the venue gates. From Mokokchung, Moa Jamir for Akashvani News Kohima



Senior Indian Administrative Service Officer- Dr. Puneet Kumar Goel has officially assumed charge as the new Chief Secretary of Manipur. The 1991 batch officer of Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram and Union Territory cadre of Indian Administrative Service has replaced Prashant Kumar Singh who has now been appointed as Secretary of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes. An order issued by the Manipur Government yesterday said that in addition to the charge of Chief Secretary, Dr. PK Goel will hold the charge of Chief Vigilance Commissioner Manipur and Principal Resident Commissioner of Manipur Bhawan, New Delhi with immediate effect and until further order.

