## Kohima

## **Evening News**

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## **HEADLINES:**

- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio reaffirms commitment to police welfare and infrastructure
- Niuland blocks attempted influx of illegal immigrants amid Assam eviction drive
- Both Houses of Parliament adjourned for the day after repeated disruptions
- · Nation observes Broadcasting Day today

Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today inaugurated the newly constructed Officers' Central Mess and Non-Gazetted Officers' Mess at the Police Complex in Chümoukedima, reaffirming the government's commitment to strengthening infrastructure and welfare for the Nagaland Police. Highlighting growing threats such as cybercrime, organized crime, and drug trafficking, he stressed the need for modern technology, training and infrastructure to effectively equip the police force.

Mr Rio also urged police officers to uphold professionalism, impartiality, and integrity, grounded in cooperation and mutual respect. Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Minister (Home) Y. Patton also stressed upon the importance of providing modern, dignified accommodations to police personnel.

Mr Patton said the 10.5 crore project was funded under the Central government's Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment 2023–24. The Officers' Mess includes 12 suites for 24 officers and families, while the NGO's Mess will house 64 personnel.

Amid alerts issued across Nagaland over possible influx of illegal immigrants following eviction drives in neighbouring Assam, the Niuland District Administration, Police, CRPF, and village authorities intercepted and deported over 200 vehicles last night. In a social media update, Niuland DC said, the vehicles were found carrying evicted illegal immigrants attempting to enter

Niuland District. PHED Minister Jacob Zhimomi shared that the individuals were promptly deported back after necessary verification. He urged all citizens to remain alert and cooperated to safeguard the land.

In a related development, Chumoukedima Deputy Commissioner Polan John has directed all administrative officers in Medziphema, Dhansiripar and Seithekema sub-divisions as well as Executive Officers of Chumoukedima and Medziphema Town Councils to be vigilant. The DC instructed officials to take requisite measures to prevent any illegal entry from Assam within their respective jurisdictions. Village and town councils have also been asked to stay alert, and report any suspicious case of illegal entry into the district.

In view of the worsening condition of National Highway-29 near old KMC dumping site, Kohima district administration is strictly regulating vehicle movement. In an advisory, it informed that movement of non-transport light motor vehicles will be allowed only between 6 AM and 6 PM, under strict regulations. In case of bad weather, further restrictions will be imposed immediately. The section will remain closed to traffic during the night hours. Meanwhile, movement of all heavy vehicles, compact and mid-sized pick-ups, and commercial passenger vehicles is totally restricted. Light motor vehicles heading to Dimapur from Kohima, will take the alternate Jotsoma Bypass route, while all vehicles coming up to Kohima from Dimapur will take Peducha Bridge-Tsiesema (10 Mile Road). All paramilitary vehicles will be routed through the 10 Mile road only.

Proceedings of both Houses of Parliament were disrupted for the third consecutive day as the opposition continued with their protest. The Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha today witnessed two adjournments before being finally adjourned for the day. As the Lok Sabha assembled after the second adjournment at 2 PM, opposition parties including Congress, DMK, Samajwadi Party and others trooped into the well, raising slogans pressing their demands. The Presiding Officer urged the protesting members to allow the House to function saying it has already lost precious time in the last two days. As the pandemonium continued, the Chair adjourned the House for the day.

Amid the noisy scene, Youth Affairs and Sport Minister Mansukh Mandaviya introduced the National Sports Governance Bill, 2025 and The National Anti-Doping (Amendment) Bill, 2025. Similar scenes were witnessed in the Rajya Sabha. Port, Shipping and Waterways Minister Sabananda Sonowal moved the Carriage of Goods by Sea Bill, 2025 for consideration and passing, but due to the Opposition parties' ruckus, the discussion could not take place.

The Election Commission has started the process of electing a new Vice President following the resignation of Jagdeep Dhankhar. Preparations are underway, including the compilation of the electoral college, which comprises elected and nominated members of both the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha. The Commission will announce the election schedule once these preparatory activities are completed.

National Broadcasting Day is being observed across the country today to highlight the pivotal role of broadcasting in India's development, educational outreach, and cultural preservation. On this day in 1927, the first ever radio broadcast in the country went on air from the Bombay Station under the Indian Broadcasting Company. On the 8th June, 1936, the Indian State Broadcasting Service was renamed All India Radio and later gained its name Akashvani. Speaking on the occasion, Prasar Bharati Chairman Navneet Kumar Sehgal said Akashvani has been instrumental in fostering education, information and entertainment over the years.

Prasar Bharati CEO Gaurav Dwivedi said Akashvani as 90-year-old National Heritage is still going strong, adapting to the times and continuing to engage the audience.

Meanwhile, Akashvani Director General Dr. Pragya Paliwal Gaur said as these historic milestones approaches, Akashvani stands renewed, relevant and ready for the future.



A massive fire broke out early this morning at Kipongya Ward, Zone 6, Kisingki, in Kiphire destroying several homes. The fire was reported around 5:40 AM, and two water tankers with firefighting teams were quickly deployed. After an hour of intense effort, the blaze was brought under control. Six rooms and three kitchens were completely destroyed, while nearly 10 neighboring households were saved thanks to the prompt response. Two people sustained minor injuries and received treatment at the District Hospital.

