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HEADLINES:-

- 1. _Mizoram to be in Railway Map of India soon with completion of Bairabi Sairang Railway line
- 2. Union Minister of Finance Nirmala Sitharaman visits Sohbar, a scenic and strategically located border village in Meghalaya's under the Vibrant Villages Programme
- 3. Northeast Frontier Railway successfully holds Rozgar Melas in Guwahati and Dimapur, 625 appointment letters issued in NFR region
- 4. Mizoram Chief Minister, Lalduhoma seeks higher Corporate Social Responsibility funds to bridge the development gap in North East region
- 5. 1000 new posts created in the Arunachal Pradesh's health department
- 6. Imphal West district administration carries out eviction drive to remove unauthorised structures and encroachments along public roads and footpaths in the district

NEWS IN ORDER:-

RAILWAY:

Mizoram will soon be in the railway map of India as the much-awaited new rail line from Bairabi to Sairang in Mizoram is finally complete. The new Railway line is likely to be inaugurated within this month. The 51.38-kilometre long Bairabi Sairang Railway line was constructed at a cost of Rs 8071crores. Once functional, this railway line would establish Mizoram as the fourth North-eastern state with its capital city linked to the national railway network. The scenic Railway line also has 48 tunnels with a total tunnel length of 12,853 metres. It may be mentioned that the first-ever successful trial run to Sairang, near Aizawl in Mizoram was conducted on May 1 this year marking a historic step in connecting Aizawl to the national railway network.

SITHARAMAN:

Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, on Friday visited Sohbar, a scenic and strategically located border village in Meghalaya's East Khasi Hills district underscoring the Central Government's focus on border area development under the Vibrant Villages Programme. Addressing a gathering in the village , Union Minister emphasized that border villages like Sohbar are not the last, but the first point of contact for those entering India. She noted that the second edition of the Vibrant Villages Programme is now expanding its reach to the north eastern border regions, including Meghalaya even as she outlined four key development themes for VVP in Sohbar - Road infrastructure, Connectivity (telecom and digital), Television coverage and Electricity access.

APPOINTMENT:

Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) successfully held Rozgar Melas at three prominent locations Guwahati, Dimapur and Siliguri on Saturday as part of the Government of India's flagship nationwide employment initiative. Prime Minister Narendra Modi distributed over 51,000 appointment letters to newly appointed candidates across the country via video conferencing. A total of 625 appointment letters in NFR region were handed over to candidates. Union Cabinet Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal attended the Mela at

Guwahati while Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs Kiren Rijiju attended the event in Dimapur.

CSR:

Mizoram Chief Minister, Lalduhoma has sought higher Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds to bridge the development gap in North East region. Lalduhoma during his visit to New Delhi held a meeting with Secretary of the Department of Public Enterprises, K. Moses Chalai. During the meeting, Chief Minister Lalduhoma said that the Mizoram government has submitted a proposal to the Union Finance Minister seeking to reserve 10% of the total national CSR funds for the Northeastern States. According to Mizoram CM, this step is necessary as the region continues to face challenges in infrastructure, education, healthcare and connectivity. In response, K. Moses Chalai assured that the department would continue working to improve CSR allocations for Mizoram.

JOBS:

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu has asserted that 1000 new posts have been created in the state's health department and are currently at various stages of recruitment. The statement came from Arunachal CM while inaugurating a newly constructed Maternal and Child Health (MCH) wing of the Namsai District Hospital on Saturday. Khandu further shared that a new medical college is set to come up in Namsai under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model.

EVICTION:

In Manipur, the district administration of Imphal West district carried out an eviction drive to remove unauthorised structures and encroachments along public roads and footpaths. The initiative was led by Deputy Commissioner of Imphal West district, M. Rajkumar Singh. The district administration had earlier issued an order directing all encroachers to remove all illegal structures along the National Highways, State Highways and footpaths within Imphal West district. However, as there was no compliance from the encroachers, the district administration commenced the eviction process yesterday along National Highways from Keishampat to Malom stretch.
