## **Morning News Script**

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Nagaland Government will hold a meeting with the 5 Tribes Committee on Review of Reservation Policy (CoRRP) today. The meeting is scheduled for 11AM at the Chief Secretary's Conference Hall, Civil Secretariat. The CoRRP, representing five Naga tribes—Ao, Sema, Lotha, Angami, and Rengma have been demanding for a comprehensive review of the state's job reservation policy.

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has reaffirmed the government's commitment to developing, modernising and expanding the railway network and ensuring safety and cleanliness in railways. The Minister was speaking after flagging off the Bhavnagar-Ayodhya Cantt weekly train from Bhavnagar railway station in Gujarat yesterday. Mr Vaishnaw said, the redevelopment of 1,300 stations in the country is the largest ever station redevelopment project in the world.

Philippines President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. will be on a five day state Visit to India from today. He will be accompanied by First Lady Madame Louise Araneta Marcos, and a high level delegation including several Cabinet Ministers, other dignitaries and senior officials, in addition to business representatives. This is the first visit of President Marcos to India, since assumption of office of the President of the Philippines. During the visit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Marcos are scheduled to hold bilateral discussions. President Marcos will also be meeting President Droupadi Murmu. The forthcoming State Visit of President Marcos, coincides with the 75th anniversary of India-Philippines diplomatic relations.

The Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Nagaland, has announced that the Spot and Final Round Counselling for CSAB-NEUT 2025 will be held on 8th of this

month at 1:00 PM. The session will take place in the Conference Hall of the Directorate of Technical Education, located below the Nagaland Civil Secretariat in Kohima.

This special counselling round is open to all interested candidates who have appeared in JEE (Main) 2025 and hold a valid score. Candidates are advised to submit their application forms to the DTE office by 12:00 PM on the same day, before the counselling begins. Candidates selected during the Spot Round Counselling will be required to pay a seat acceptance fee of 5,000 rupees in cash, in accordance with CSAB-NEUT guidelines. The application form will be made available at the Directorate's office till today. For more information, candidates may contact the DTE office or visit the official website of the Directorate of Technical Education, Nagaland.

The Hathkargha Mela – State Handloom Expo, themed "My Handloom, My Pride," was inaugurated in Dimapur yesterday. Sponsored by the Ministry of Textiles, Government of India, the event is organized by the Nagaland Apex Weavers & Artisans Cooperative Federation (WEAFED) Ltd. Joint Director of Skill Development, H. Alongse, formally opened the expo, highlighting the importance of handloom in employment generation and cultural preservation. Assistant Director, Ministry of Textiles, Biswajit Das, and WEAFED Managing Director, Gwaruno Khing were also present. They encouraged local weavers to share their craft stories and tap into the growing demand for sustainable, handmade goods. Sixteen stalls showcasing diverse range of traditional handlooms and handicrafts items are on display and the expo remains open to the public until August 16.

In Manipur, drive against the Single Use Plastic (SUP) product has been intensified and around 4,464 kilograms of plastic carry bags seized from various markets in Imphal have been seized since 19th April this year. The drive has been conducted by the officials of Imphal Municipal Corporation, Manipur Pollution Control Board and Department of Environment, Manipur Police and Climate

Change Manipur. The seized plastic products are being transported to the recycling facility in RI-Bhoi of Meghalaya.

Indian athlete and former Asian champion Abdulla Aboobacker won the men's triple jump title at the Qosanov Memorial 2025 athletics meet in Almaty, Kazakhstan last night, edging past his closest competitors by just one centimetre. The 29-year-old Keralite secured victory with a best jump of 16.08 metres, narrowly ahead of the Republic of Korea's Yu Gyumin and Kim Jangwoo.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast very heavy rainfall over Northeast and East India during the next seven days. According to the IMD, heavy rainfall will continue over Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Sikkim and Bihar till the 9th of this month.

