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The Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) has banned the sale and distribution of unlabelled 20-litre water containers and any consumable goods lacking proper packaging information. In a press release, the DMC stated that it has observed widespread sale of 20-litre packaged drinking water without company labels, violating Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) regulations and posing potential health risks. Here is a report:

Traders have been directed to immediately stop the sale and distribution of 20 litre unlabelled water containers and improperly packaged consumables. The Dimapur Municipal Council reminded that FSSAI guidelines mandate all packaged drinking water to carry clear and verifiable labelling. The DMC further warned that regular inspections will be conducted, and strict action will be taken against violators under the Food Safety and Standards Act.

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Nagaland Lok Sabha MP S. Supongmeren Jamir yesterday joined hundreds of INDIA alliance leaders including Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge in a protest march to the Election Commission office, opposing the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar. In a statement the Nagaland Pradesh Congress Committee (NPCC) expressed full solidarity with MP Jamir, condemning the government's refusal to allow debate in Parliament and the detention of peaceful protestors. Calling the move a joint assault by the Modi Government and the Election Commission on India's democracy, the NPCC warned of its grave nationwide implications and vowed to keep resisting until democratic norms are upheld.

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Today is World Elephant Day. The day is celebrated every year on August 12 for protecting and preserving one of the most magnificent creatures on earth. The national celebration of World Elephant Day 2025 will be held in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu today. The event is being organised by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in association with the Tamil Nadu Forest Department. India is home to nearly 60 Per cent of the world's wild elephant population, with 33 Elephant Reserves and 150 identified Elephant Corridors.

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International Youth Day is being celebrated today. On the occasion, Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio praised the young people from Nagaland to communities across the world, as drivers of change. In a social media post, the Chief Minister called for renewed efforts to equip youth with knowledge, opportunities, and a voice to shape a future that respects heritage and supports the Sustainable Development Goals.

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In a major step towards addressing the rising cases of Human–Elephant Conflict (HEC) in Wokha district, Advisor for Agriculture, Mhathung Yanthan, led a nine day constituency-wide awareness and mitigation programme concluding on August 10. The campaign promoted long-term, low-cost solutions for communities affected by crop loss, property damage, and human casualties due to elephant encounters. Renowned wildlife veterinarian Dr. Rudraditya from Bengaluru conducted live demonstrations on chili-based elephant deterrents, hands-on training for farmers, and community discussions. The nine-day programme covered 14 villages along Pyotchu–Lakhuti and Baghty–Sanis–Okotso routes.

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The Indian Army has launched Phase-II of the Agniveer recruitment process in parts of the Northeastern states this month. According to a press release from the PRO & Spokesperson, Ministry of Defence (Manipur, Nagaland, and Southern Arunachal Pradesh), candidates who appeared for the online Common Entrance Examination held from June 30 to July 10 can now check their results on the official Join Indian Army website. The Army Recruiting Office, Rangapahar, has already notified both shortlisted and non-shortlisted candidates via their registered email addresses. We have a report:

V/C: Shortlisted candidates from Nagaland will attend the recruitment rally from August 27 to 30 at Bhagat Stadium, Rangapahar Military Station (TCP-1), Dimapur. The rally will include a 1.6 km run, physical fitness tests, and a medical examination. Candidates who haven't received their admit cards should contact the Army Recruiting Office, Rangapahar, at arorangapahar77@gmail.com or call 7628023484.

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The race to the semifinals of the Dr. T Ao Inter-District Football Trophy heats up as the second set of quarterfinals kicks off today at IG Stadium, Kohima. Mokokchung will take on Peren at 1:00 PM, followed by a high-stakes clash between host Kohima and Wokha at 4:00 PM. Both matches are expected to be tightly contested as teams battle for a spot in the final four.

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And, The India Meteorological Department has forecast light to moderate rainfall at many places in the Northeast region, accompanied by thunderstorms and lightning, likely during the next three days. Isolated heavy rainfall is also likely to continue over Nagaland, and few other neighbouring states during this time

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