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The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana PMJDY completes 11 years today. It is one of the biggest financial inclusion initiatives in the world which was announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 15th August 2014 from the ramparts of the Red Fort. While launching the programme on 28th August 2014, the Prime Minister had described the occasion as a festival to celebrate the liberation of the poor from a vicious cycle. We have a report from our correspondent-

V/C-Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana is a National Mission on Financial Inclusion which has an integrated approach to bring about comprehensive financial inclusion and provide banking services to all households in the country. The scheme ensures access to a range of financial services like availability of basic savings bank account, access to need based credit, remittances facility, insurance and pension. It covers both urban and rural areas and those who open account would get indigenous Debit Card (RuPay card). Account can be opened in any bank branch or Business Correspondent (Bank Mitra) outlet at zero balance.

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A special meeting of the District Planning and Development Board (DPDB) of Niuland District was held yesterday under the chairmanship of, Minister for Public Health Engineering Department and Cooperation, and Chairman of the DPDB Niuland, Jacob Zhimomi. Taking to social media post, Mr Zhimomi highlighted that in addition to reviewing society registrations and other district-related matters, the meeting deliberated on several pressing public concerns, including the ongoing border eviction issue, the Inner Line Permit system, and illegal immigration. Minister Zhimomi emphasized that during verification processes, care must be taken to ensure that genuine Indian citizens are not subjected to harassment. He also directed all department heads to organize seminars and workshops to raise public awareness about welfare schemes being implemented by the Central Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Highlighting Niuland's steady progress on the path of development, the Minister called for continued cooperation and active participation from all sections of society. Mr Zhimomi stressed that such collective efforts are crucial to transforming Niuland into a model district.

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The Nagaland RMSA Teachers' Association (NRMSATA) 2016 batch has strongly criticized the recent appeal by the Mission Director of Samagra Shiksha Nagaland for teachers to remain patient while a review petition is pending before the Supreme Court. In a statement, the Association said they have already shown exceptional patience, waiting over nine years for their rightful service benefits. They cited the March 2022 Gauhati High Court judgment, upheld by the Supreme Court which directed the government to release scale pay immediately. However, the government has yet to comply, and teachers have reportedly not received salaries since April 2025, leading to financial distress. Accusing the government of using the review petition as a delaying tactic, the Association asserted that their demands are legal entitlements, not favours. They warned that democratic agitation would continue until their dues are met, stating that any disruption to academic activities would be the responsibility of the State government.

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The UIDAI Regional Office, Guwahati, conducted a comprehensive training session at Townhall, Dimapur, for Aadhaar stakeholders from Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh. The session focused on the newly launched Universal Client, a fully online Aadhaar enrolment software designed to enhance efficiency and streamline operations for Aadhaar Operators and Supervisors. Over 150 participants, including government officials, supervisors, master trainers, and operators, attended the training. A report-

V/C: The program emphasized the improved usability and speed of the Universal Client, encouraging wider adoption for faster and more reliable Aadhaar enrolment and update services. The training also highlighted the importance of Mandatory Biometric Updates for children aged 5–7 and 15–17 years. The update, which includes capturing the child's photograph, all ten fingerprints, and iris scans, is vital for ensuring continued access to Aadhaar-based services like school admissions, exam registrations, and scholarship benefits.

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The Nagaland Contractors' & Suppliers' Union (NCSU) yesterday held a key coordination meeting in Kohima with conveners, sub-committee members, and district unit presidents to prepare for its upcoming Golden Jubilee

celebration. NCSU President Pele Khezhie welcomed members and expressed appreciation to those who travelled from various districts. Emphasizing collective responsibility, he urged all bona fide members to dedicate time and effort toward making the 50th anniversary a grand success. Mr Khezhie also noted that Union Ministers and state dignitaries will be invited as special guests. Discussions included updates on committee progress and suggestions from district presidents of Noklak, Phek, Chümoukedima, Meluri, and Kiphire. Senior members commended the Union’s ongoing charitable initiatives.

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