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### :::THE HEADLINES:::

1. Mortal remains of Nagaland Governor La Ganesan cremated with full state and military honours in Chennai.
2. Delegation led by Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio attends last rites of Nagaland Governor La Ganesan in Chennai.
3. Chief Minister of Nagaland Neiphiu Rio expresses concern over Centre's decision to reduce Free Movement Regime along Indo–Myanmar border.
4. Lok Sabha MP and NPCC President S. Supongmeren Jamir says party is determined to bring changes for welfare of Nagaland.



The mortal remains of Nagaland Governor La. Ganesan were cremated with full state and military honours in Chennai this evening. The sandal casket containing the body of Mr Ganesan draped in National flag was accorded full State and Military honours with a 42 gun salute as a mark of respect to the veteran leader. The final rites were conducted at the Besant Nagar crematorium where his mortal remains were consigned. A host of leaders , Ministers from the Central Government, Tamil Nadu government and several BJP leaders and citizens took part in the funeral held at the Besant Nagar crematorium. The 80-year-old leader passed away at 6:23 PM on August 15 at Apollo Hospital yesterday, where he was undergoing treatment for a severe head injury sustained in a fall at his residence on August 8. A seasoned political figure, La Ganesan was known for his decades-long service in

public life and held various significant positions before being appointed as the Governor of Nagaland. Despite undergoing surgery and intensive care, he succumbed to his injuries, leaving behind a legacy of dedication and public service.



Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio, attended the last rites of Nagaland Governor, La Ganesan in Chennai today. Dr. Rio was accompanied by Deputy Chief Ministers Y. Patton and T. R. Zeliang, along with Nagaland Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen and Director General of Police, Rupin Sharma. In a social media post, the Chief Minister said, La Ganesan's humility, dedication and selfless service to the people will be remembered with deep respect and gratitude. A press release from the Office of Deputy Chief Minister, Y Patton stated that the delegation from Nagaland offered floral tributes and observed solemn prayers for the departed leader. During the visit, the delegation also met the bereaved family, conveying their deepest condolences and sharing in their grief. Mr. Patton described La Ganesan as a leader who served with humility, integrity, and dedication and added that his demise is a great loss for Nagaland.



Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio has expressed concern over the Centre's decision to reduce the Free Movement Regime along the Indo–Myanmar border from 16 km to 10 km with restricted crossing points. Addressing the state level 79th Independence Day celebration in Kohima yesterday, the Chief Minister said, such changes have caused hardships for border communities with deep socio-cultural and economic ties across the international border.

On the Assam–Nagaland border, Mr. Rio clarified that the eviction drives in the Disputed Area Belt were being undertaken jointly by both the state police and district administrations to maintain status quo and prevent illegal migration.

Mr. Rio pointed out that a landmark reform this year was the complete digitization of the Inner Line Permit (ILP) system on 1st January 2025. He informed that the online portal has already processed over 26,500 permits, with new ILP categories introduced for workers in agriculture, transport, domestic helpers and drivers and the education sector. The Chief Minister further informed that village councils will maintain registers of ILP holders, and hospitality establishments have been directed to notify police upon the arrival of guests from outside Nagaland.



Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio virtually inaugurated eight Biofertilizer Production Units on the occasion of the 79th Independence Day in Kohima yesterday. The Units are located at Zubza, Dimapur, Jalukie, Wokha, Zuketsa, Mokokchung, Longleng and Tizit. Simultaneously, Advisor for Information & Public Relation and Soil and Water Conservation, Imkong L. Imchen, virtually inaugurated two Biofertilizer Production Units at Tuensang and Noklak. The Department of Soil & Water Conservation has set up Biofertilizer Production Units at 10 locations across the state under the Soil Health and Fertility Scheme of PM-RKVY under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. These production units aim to promote sustainable agriculture by providing indigenous, cost-effective, eco-friendly biofertilizers and biopesticides to farmers across the state. On 12th July 2022, the Department signed an MoA with Central Agricultural University, Umiam, Meghalaya for the technology transfer of three products, namely- CAU Bioenhancer, CAU Jhum Bioenhancer, and Um-Met Biopesticide. Each unit has a yearly production capacity of 5,000 litres. The products are distributed to farmers, demonstration farms and government supported agricultural initiatives throughout the state.



Lok Sabha MP and President of Nagaland Pradesh Congress Committee (NPCC) S. Supongmeren Jamir today said the party is determined to bring changes for the welfare of the people of the state.

Addressing the NPCC Mass Joining Programme for the Kohima District Congress Committee at Congress Bhavan, Mr. Jamir stated that the people have elected the 60 legislators but they have failed to fulfill the aspirations of the people, and asserted that they cannot do it even in the next tenure. He expressed delight at the new members for joining the party and called upon them to uphold the Congress working system.

Mr. Jamir maintained that each vote, irrespective of young or old, are equal and that it matters in building a Nagaland where aspirations are transformed into actions. The NPCC President also emphasized the importance of choosing the right candidate to represent the voice of the people.



In a significant move to enhance law enforcement capabilities and public service delivery in Kiphire district, Deputy Chief Minister of Nagaland and Minister for Home & Border Affairs, Yanthungo Patton, inaugurated the Office of the Sub-Divisional Police Officer (Ex-Officio) at Pungro yesterday. The newly established facility is expected to strengthen policing infrastructure, improve coordination among law enforcement agencies, and ensure swift, accessible, and efficient responses to public needs. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Patton commended the collective efforts of all stakeholders in making the project a reality, stressing that the office would greatly benefit the people of the district by ensuring law and order, security, and public trust. On the sidelines of the inauguration, the Deputy Chief Minister also attended a public meeting in Pungro, where he engaged with local stakeholders and listened to their concerns and suggestions.

