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HEADLINES:-

- Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approves multi-tracking of three projects benefitting Karnataka, Telangana, Bihar and Assam.
- Mizoram Home Minister K. Sapdanga informs State Assembly that over 29,000 people displaced from Myanmar are currently taking refuge in the state.
- Thirteen selected students from three districts of Manipur depart Imphal for Bengaluru to take part in North East Students Program for Awareness, Reach and Knowledge on Space 2025.
- The Chairman of Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland, Abu Metha underscores the importance of accuracy over speed in reporting.
- In Manipur, a team of Assam Rifles, Manipur Police and Border Security Force successfully rescued three missing children.
- President Droupadi Murmu felicitates NorthEast United FC after their title triumph in the recently-concluded Durand Cup, Asia's oldest football tournament.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

PROJECTS:

Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs today approved multi-tracking of three projects benefitting Karnataka, Telangana, Bihar and Assam and one new rail line to connect far-flung areas of Kutch, Gujarat. These initiatives will provide connectivity and improve travel convenience, besides reducing logistic costs and decreasing dependence on oil imports. The projects will contribute to lower CO2 emissions and support sustainable and efficient rail operations. These will also generate direct employment for about 251 lakh human-days during its construction. The completion timeline of the project is 3 years. Besides promoting tourism in Gujarat, the new rail line will help in the transportation of salt, cement, coal, clinker and bentonite.

ASSEMBLY:

Mizoram Home Minister K. Sapdanga yesterday told the State Assembly that over 29,000 people from Myanmar, displaced by the ongoing conflict in the neighbouring country, are currently taking refuge in the state. Responding to a question raised by ruling Zoram People's Movement (ZPM) legislator V. L. Zaithanzama on the first day of the monsoon session, Sapdanga said district administrations across the state have started the biometric enrollment of displaced persons to maintain updated records. "Altogether, 29,046 Myanmar nationals are taking shelter in Mizoram as of August 11," he told the House.

PARTICIPATION:

Thirteen selected students from three districts of Manipur departed Imphal yesterday for Bengaluru for their participation in the North East Students Program for Awareness, Reach and Knowledge on Space (NE-SPARKS) 2025. The program is jointly organised by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Bengaluru, NESAC Shillong, Planning Department, Manipur and Education Department (Schools), Manipur. The students will visit the ISRO Headquarters in Bengaluru on the 30th of this month and they will interact with senior scientists and gain firsthand exposure to India's cutting edge space research and satellite technology.

GUNFIGHT:

In Manipur, exchange of fire took place between suspected armed militants groups-NSCN (IM) and Zeliangrong United Front (ZUF) yesterday morning at Bwanruangh Taudaizaeng Village under Nungba Police Station of Noney district. According to the Police report, the incident occurred yesterday morning around 9.40 AM and the exchange of fire lasted for around one hour. There is no report of casualty. Meanwhile, the women folks of nearby villages held a protest rally condemning the gunfight and appealed to all groups to stop fratricidal killing and conflicts.

IDAN:

Advisor to the Chief Minister of Nagaland and Chairman of Investment and Development Authority of Nagaland, Abu Metha has underscored the importance of accuracy over speed in reporting. Speaking at the inaugural programme of the two-day sensitization training on 'News & Photo Reporting and PA System Coverage' organized by the Directorate of Information & Public Relations at Kohima yesterday, he emphasized the need to prioritize factual reporting. Mr Metha highlighted the crucial role of DIPR in bridging the gap between the government and the public, and ensuring that the citizens are informed about all Government schemes and initiatives. The training aims to enhance the department's capabilities in reporting, photography, and technical coverage, reinforcing its role as a reliable link between the government and the people.

UIDAI:

The Unique Identification Authority of India- UIDAI has called upon on schools across the country to ensure timely Aadhaar Mandatory Biometric Updates-MBU for Children in the age group of 5 to 15 years. In a statement, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology said that UIDAI CEO Bhuvnesh Kumar has also written to all the Chief Secretaries of states and union territories apprising them of the initiative and requesting them to support in conducting targeted MBU camps. The Ministry said that UIDAI and the Ministry of Education have also collaborated to facilitate pending MBU in Aadhaar on the Unified District Information System for Education Plus platform for nearly 17 Crore Children.

RESCUE:

In Manipur, a team of Assam Rifles, Manipur Police and Border Security Force successfully rescued three missing children. These boys had gone missing in the evening last Monday from the Oriental Children's Home situated at Village Hringphe in Chandel district. The Principal of the orphanage reported the issue next morning and Manipur Police activated a district wide alert mobilizing all security agencies. The joint security team launched a search operation equipped with night vision devices and

searchlights in the thick jungle canopy surrounding the village. The team located two children in the late night of 27th August while the third child was found the next early morning in the jungle. All three children were handed over to Chakpikarong Police Station for onward rehabilitation at the Children Welfare Centre.

FAIR:

The 2nd Purple Fair 2025 was held yesterday at the U Soso Tham Auditorium, Shillong yesterday. The Fair was organized by the Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRCSRE), Shillong, in collaboration with the Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Government of Meghalaya. The fair witnessed the participation of over 687 attendees, including 325 Persons with Disabilities (PwDs), along with their families, caregivers, NGOs, and officials, making it a vibrant platform for inclusion and empowerment. Speaking as the Chief Guest, Shri Paul Lyngdoh, Minister of Social Welfare, Government of Meghalaya, stressed the need to ensure equal opportunities for PwDs, with focus on vocational training, accessibility in infrastructure, and financial assistance.

MISSING:

Dimapur police has rescued a 9-year-old girl who went missing from Rengma Colony on 3rd of last month. The child was traced and successfully rescued from Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh on 22nd of August. Five accused, including one woman and four men, have been arrested from Diphu, Jorhat, and Tezpur in Assam. According to the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime), the Dimapur Women Police launched a detailed investigation, following an FIR lodged by the child’s father. The investigation revealed that the child was reportedly abducted and sold for 80,000 rupees in Arunachal Pradesh. Police said the operation was carried out undercover to ensure the child’s safety. The arrested individuals confessed to involvement in the abduction and sale of the minor. The rescued child is now under the care of the Child Welfare Committee in Dimapur. The investigation is ongoing, and authorities are probing possible links to a wider human trafficking network.

FELECITATION:

President Droupadi Murmu yesterday felicitated NorthEast United FC after their title triumph in the recently-concluded Durand Cup, Asia's oldest football tournament. Murmu also presented the President's Cup -- one of the three iconic trophies awarded to the champions -- to the NEUFC team at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi. Instituted in 1956 by India's first president Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the President's Cup has stood as a symbol of excellence and honour, reinforcing the tournament's deep ties with the nation's heritage.
