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- Centre extends ban on NSCN (K) for five more years
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi terms northeast as driving force of nation's development
- Next Generation GST reforms come into effect from today.... And...
- NLA panel reviews Mini Cement Plant and Stone Plant at Wazeho; expresses satisfaction with progress



The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has declared the National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Khaplang), NSCN(K), including all its factions and affiliated groups, as an unlawful association for another five years under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. The extension is effective from September 28, and continues from the ban earlier imposed in September 2020. In a notification today, the ministry cited the NSCN(K)'s professed aim to create a sovereign Nagaland incorporating the Naga inhabited areas of Indo-Myanmar region by secession from the Indian Union, other anti-national activities, and recommendations from the state governments of Nagaland, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has termed the northeast the driving force of the nation's development and said it has been playing a significant role in India's growth. Addressing a public rally in Itanagar today after launching multiple development projects worth over 5,100 crore rupees in Arunachal Pradesh, he emphasised that the northeast is close to his heart.

The Prime Minister underlined how improved ease of living, through better healthcare, education and business opportunities, has benefited people across Arunachal Pradesh and the entire Northeast. Later, Mr Modi inaugurated developmental works of Mata Tripura Sundari temple under the PRASHAD scheme in Tripura.

Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has said that the next generation GST reforms, which came into effect from today, will speed up the economic growth of the country. Briefing media at party headquarters in New Delhi today, he said, the consumption will also grow further, leading to an increase of nearly 20 lakh crore rupees in the GDP.

The Next Generation GST reforms come into effect from today. Under this reforms, the government has introduced significant tax reductions across multiple sectors. In a major relief for the hospitality and tourism industry, the GST on hotel stays priced below 7 thousand 500 rupees per day has been slashed from 12 percent to 5 percent. The reforms also extend support to the country's art and cultural sector. In a step to benefit students and households, stationery items such as notebooks, graph books, sharpeners, and pencils have been brought under the zero-tax category.



The Nagaland Legislative Assembly's Committee on Public Undertakings visited Wazeho on September 17 and 18 to assess the Mini Cement Plant and the Decorative & Dimensional Stone Plant. The team was led by MLA Dr. Sukhato A. Sema, and included MLA Dr. Neisatuo Mero, Advisor Z. Nyusietho Nyuthe and other officials. During the inspection at the 150 TPD Mini Cement Plant, the team was informed that the plant has been leased to M/S Ramung Enterprises for 30 years. While repair work of old machinery is complete, trial production is delayed due to weather. It was informed that the local lime can produce high-quality 43grade cement. The team also witnessed demonstration at the Stone Plant, where interlocking and hollow bricks are being manufactured. During the visit, the committee discussed the proposed inland waterways which will help export cement to neighboring countries. It also stressed the need for an administration office in Wazeho to support local employment and business. Overall, the committee of expressed satisfaction with both the progress projects.

The Naga Hill Ophiolite, NHO, in Kiphire district has been added to Tentative List of UNESCO's World Heritage under the Natural category. Sharing the update, Rajya Sabha MP S Phangnon Konyak said the site is a rare geological formation, made up of ancient oceanic crust and mantle rocks through plate tectonic processes. Already declared a Geoheritage Site by the Geological Survey of India, the NHO is among seven Indian sites, including Meghalayan Age Caves in East Khasi Hills, to be added to the latest list.

On the first day of Navratri today, the Government has decided to provide 25 lakh new free LPG connections under PM Ujjwala to eligible households. In a social media post, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said this step will not only bring our mothers and sisters new joy on this sacred festival, but will also strengthen the resolve for women's empowerment. Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri said the move will significantly benefit women across the country.

Guided by the mantra of Seva and Sushasan, that is, Public Service and Good Governance, the Government, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has been working tirelessly to bring transformation and progress. Today, in this Special Series- 'Seva Parv', we bring to you how the Modi government has ensured affordable housing and modern urban infrastructure, improving ease of living for millions.

The Confederation of Indian Industry-Centre of Excellence on Employment & Livelihood (CII-CEL) engaged with key stakeholders in Nagaland to promote entrepreneurship across the state. During the discussions, CII-CEL introduced its flagship initiatives, namely, the Business Transformation Programme and the Entrepreneurs Development Forum, aimed at supporting micro-entrepreneurs through capacity building, mentoring, and market linkages. The interaction saw participation of senior officials from Nagaland Industrial Development

Corporation, Planning Department, Nagaland Skill & Entrepreneurship Development Mission and Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland.

And, In the 25th NSF Martyrs' Trophy, PLLA Manipur delivered a stunning performance with a 14-1 victory over Don Bosco SA Dimapur. In the second match of the day, Mao Students' Union defeated Meriema Youth Organisation 5-1.

