

## Evening News Script

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### :::THE HEADLINES:::

- Nagaland government to implement Scholarship Nodal Cell under directorate of higher education.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi urges all organizations in Manipur to embark on path of peace.
- Prime Minister inaugurates multiple development projects worth over 9000 crore rupees at Aizawl, in Mizoram including Bairabi-Sairang New Rail line.
- And, Deputy Commissioner of Kohima reiterates movement of traffic on affected section of National Highway-2.

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The state government has decided to implement the Scholarship Nodal Cell (SNC) under the directorate of higher education. This was informed by the All Nagaland College Students' Union (ANCSU) in a press release yesterday, acknowledging the government's response to its 27-day ultimatum on the matter.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has urged all organizations in Manipur to embark on the path of peace to fulfill their dreams and secure the future of their children. The Prime Minister stated this while laying the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth over 7,300 crore rupees at Churachandpur in Manipur. Mr. Modi said the government is satisfied that, in recent times, talks have been held with various groups in the hills and the valley to reach agreements.

The 19 multiple development projects include, Manipur Urban Roads, drainage and asset management improvement project, five National Highway projects, Manipur Infotech Development project, Working Women Hostels at nine locations, among others. Addressing the gathering, Mr. Modi said, the Projects will improve people's lives in Manipur, in terms of infrastructure and healthcare.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi today virtually inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development projects worth over 9000 crore rupees at Aizawl in Mizoram. These projects are related to multiple sectors including Railways, Roadways, Energy, Sports among others. Mr. Modi also inaugurated the Bairabi-Sairang New Rail line, worth over eight thousand crore rupees, connecting the capital of Mizoram to the Indian Railways network for the first time. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that India is the fastest growing major economy in the world and North East is becoming the growth engine of the country.

Mr. Modi highlighted that Mizoram has a major role in both the Act East Policy and the emerging North East Economic Corridor.

On the occasion, the Prime Minister stated that the next-generation GST reforms have recently been introduced and it means lower taxes on many products, making life easier for families.

Earlier, Prime Minister Modi also flagged off three new express trains, Sairang - Delhi Rajdhani express, Sairang-Guwahati Express and Sairang-Kolkata Express. Mr. Modi also laid the foundation stone of Chhimtuipui River Bridge on the Lawngtlai-Siaha Road. Meanwhile, Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the Bairabi-Sairang new railway line was a very challenging project involving 45 tunnels and 55 major bridges.

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Deputy Commissioner of Kohima, B. Henok Buchem has reiterated that movement of all forms of traffic, including military and para military vehicles, on the affected section of National Highway-2 (Kohima to Mao), near Phesama, will remain suspended from 10:00 AM to 02:00 PM on all days, till further notice. The Order from the DC stated that post partial opening of the affected section on 3rd September, it has been brought to the notice of the district authorities, of constant violation by the military and para-military vehicles, resulting in traffic congestion and disruption of ongoing restoration works. The DC has directed all concerned authorities to adhere to the regulations in the interest of safety and early completion of the restoration works.

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A District-level Orientation programme for the Aadi Karmayogi Abhiyaan under Kohima district was held at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, yesterday. Speaking at the programme, Deputy Commissioner B. Henok Buchem said the orientation was meant to equip departments with a deeper understanding of the initiative. He urged the master trainers to give full effort in the successful

implementation of the Abhiyaan, calling them the main keys to unlock many potentials. Meanwhile, the District-level Orientation for Aadi Karmayogi Abhiyan was also held at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall in Mon district. Addressing the program, Deputy Commissioner of Mon, Wennyei Konyak said the Aadi Karmayogi Abhiyan is an initiative under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, aimed at focusing on empowering grassroots governance and inclusive development to ensure last mile service delivery in tribal areas.

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Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang said that persons with disabilities can achieve remarkable success when given opportunities. Speaking at an awareness program on “Early Intervention and Inclusive Quality Education” at GPS Industrial Village in Dimapur yesterday, Dr. Chang highlighted the importance of early intervention. The DC asserted that while parents play the primary role in identifying and supporting children’s needs, the responsibility also lies with the community and society.

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Under the Next Generation GST reforms, the government has taken a significant steps to ease the burden on the common man by exempting several essential goods from the GST. Under the new structure, Consumer goods,, including Ultra-High-Temperature milk, pre-packaged food items, and staple foods such as unbranded rice, wheat, and pulses, have been exempted from GST. All varieties of bread have also been placed under the no-GST slab, making them more affordable for households. To ease the burden and make premiums more affordable, GST on life and health insurance premiums is exempted under the new structure. This decision will encourage the wider adoption of health insurance, thereby reducing out-of-pocket medical expenses.

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