

**HEADLINES:-**

1. Chief of Army Staff, General Upendra Dwivedi calls on Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lieutenant General KT Parnaik
2. Security forces recover huge cache of arms and ammunition from Manipur.
3. Government of Meghalaya, in collaboration with National Ayush Mission, inaugurates state-level Arogya Fair 2025 in Shillong.
4. All-Khasi Meghalaya Tourist Taxi Association withdraws restriction on Assam taxis from entering tourist spots in Meghalaya.
5. Sipahijala district administration in Tripura launches 'Mission Sankalp Abhiyan' to tackle child marriage, teenage pregnancy, and substance abuse.
6. Nagaland joins global community in observing World Bamboo Day.
7. Assam Health Department, in collaboration with the State Blood Transfusion Council, conducts 75 blood donation camps.

**NEWS IN ORDER:-**

**ARMY**

The Chief of the Army Staff, General Upendra Dwivedi called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lieutenant General KT Parnaik at Raj Bhavan in Itanagar yesterday. They discussed security, Frontier Highway, and developmental projects in the State. The Governor underscored the importance of collaborative and people-centric approach in implementing the Vibrant Village Programme. He highlighted that its success depends on the joint efforts of the government, local communities, and security forces. The governor appreciated the collaboration being extended by the army to play an active role. The army's strong presence, discipline, and close connection with border residents can significantly contribute to transforming remote villages into hubs of growth, opportunity, and national pride. The Chief of Army Staff also discussed the issue of land acquisition, emphasizing the need to expedite the process so that essential defence infrastructure projects could move forward without delay. General Dwivedi interacted with Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu at the Civil Secretariat, Itanagar.

**MANIPUR**

Security forces, including Manipur Police, Assam Rifles, Army, and Central Armed Police Forces, recovered a huge cache of arms and ammunition during search operations in Churachandpur, Chandel, and Tengnoupal districts in Manipur yesterday. Police said the operations aimed to restore peace and security in Manipur and urged the public to report any information on illegal arms to the nearest police station.

**TRIPURA**

In Tripura, Sipahijala district ranks among the top in the country in terms of child marriage. To tackle issues like child marriage, teenage pregnancy, and substance

abuse in a structured and collective way, the District Administration has launched 'Mission Sankalp Abhiyan'. Under this initiative, different departments are working together against these social challenges. A special workshop was organized yesterday at the District Magistrate's conference hall, where stakeholders from Sonamura and Bishalgarh subdivisions took part. A written test was conducted on the Child Marriage Act and other related laws for the attending stakeholders. Experts also held discussions on child marriage, teenage pregnancy, and substance abuse. Three Anganwadi workers were felicitated for their contribution in preventing child marriage.

## **FARMERS**

The Department of Veterinary and Animal Husbandry, Government of Manipur, will launch a new Artificial Insemination Mobile App today. Developed with National Informatics Centre Manipur, the app will allow dairy cattle owners to request insemination services directly from their phones, making the process easier and more accessible even in remote areas. The initiative will boost milk production, strengthen rural economy, and bring doorstep services to farmers across Manipur. Meanwhile, the Jiribam Municipal Council has announced a strict drive against stray cattle roaming public areas. The council said the animals pose risks to road safety, disrupt traffic, and cause inconvenience to the public. Cattle owners have been warned not to let their livestock stray onto roads. Violators will face action under the Manipur Municipalities Act, 1994 and the Cattle Trespass Act, 1871.

## **NAGALAND**

Nagaland joined the global community in observing World Bamboo Day yesterday. Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio highlighted the significance of bamboo as a symbol of resilience, versatility, and sustainability. He emphasized that bamboo has long been an integral part of Nagaland's heritage, economy, and daily life. Mr Rio urged everyone to continue nurturing this resource and promote its role in livelihoods, innovation, and sustainable development in the region. At an event at Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre, Sovima, Development Commissioner Temsunaro Aier, described bamboo as the 'green gold' of Nagaland. She highlighted the cultural, ecological, and economic significance of bamboo in the lives of the people of Nagaland. The Nagaland Bamboo Development Agency will establish a state-of-the-art Technology Park at the Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre, to further enhance facilities and create employment opportunities.

## **DRILL**

A three-day Statewide Mock Exercise on Earthquake Scenario concluded successfully across all districts of Arunachal Pradesh yesterday. The exercise was organized by the Department of Disaster Management, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, in collaboration with the National Disaster Management Authority, Union Ministry of Home Affairs. The drill was conducted simultaneously in every district from 8 am to 12 noon, beginning with sirens and the mobilization of emergency vehicles. Various response agencies actively participated in the exercise, aimed at assessing preparedness, strengthening coordination, and evaluating the response mechanisms of different departments and stakeholders in the event of a major earthquake. Citizens were encouraged to participate by practicing the 'Drop, Cover, and Hold' method to spread awareness on earthquake safety measures.

## **GHADC**

A meeting was held yesterday at the Tura Circuit House Conference Hall between Garo Hills Autonomous District Council members and the sub-committee formed to resolve staff salary issues. Chaired by West Garo Hills DC Vibhor Aggarwal, the committee discussed securing a monthly bailout package from the state government to ensure timely salary payments without affecting the council's autonomy. Mr Aggarwal said the meeting was fruitful, with key modalities of disbursement discussed.

## **AYUSH**

The Government of Meghalaya, in collaboration with the National Ayush Mission, inaugurated a three-day state-level Arogya Fair 2025 at the State Convention Centre in Shillong yesterday under the theme 'Prevent, Promote & Preserve – The Ayush Approach'. State Health Minister Wailadmiki Shylla, emphasized integrating Ayush practices into daily life to strengthen community health. The fair, attended by officials, practitioners, and stakeholders, is showcasing Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy through exhibitions. Free health check-ups, consultations, awareness sessions, and interactive demonstrations, encouraging citizens to adopt healthier lifestyles rooted in traditional knowledge are part of the Arogya Fair.

## **JORABAT**

The tourist taxi row between Meghalaya and Assam flared up yesterday at Jorabat after Assam drivers blocked Meghalaya vehicles, stranding commuters, including patients and air travellers. The blockade was in retaliation to the All-Khasi Meghalaya Tourist Taxi Association's move, restricting Assam taxis from entering tourist spots in Meghalaya. The Association called off its two-day agitation after East Khasi Hills DC R.M. Kurbah assured that the state government would meet them on Tuesday. The strike has been suspended until then, with both sides urged to resolve the dispute through dialogue.

## **ASSAM**

The Assam Health & Family Welfare Department, in collaboration with the State Blood Transfusion Council, conducted 75 blood donation camps, which witnessed enthusiastic participation from people across all walks of life. Government officials, staff members, representatives of civil society organisations, and members of the general public voluntarily came forward to donate blood in large numbers. The initiative, leading to the collection of 3,167 units of blood, reflected the collective spirit of service and responsibility towards society, while also strengthening the healthcare preparedness of the State. By mobilising voluntary blood donation on such a wide scale, Assam has demonstrated its commitment to the ethos of 'seva' (service) to mankind. Today, 30-lakh plus saplings will be planted in 20,000 educational institutions across Assam.

## **UNITARIAN**

The Unitarian Church marked the 138th Anniversary of the foundation of Unitarianism in Northeast India with celebrations in Shillong and Jowai yesterday. In Shillong, the Unitarian Church Madan Laban held a special programme attended by representatives of various faith. In Jowai, the anniversary was observed through prayers and floral tributes to founder of the Unitarian Church, Hajom Kissor Singh's memorial, sermons, and a procession, reflecting unity, respect, and joy for the mother church established in 1887.

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