

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

- Tripura Health & Family Welfare Department signs Memorandum of Understanding with All India Institute of Medical Sciences 'AIIMS' New Delhi to strengthen healthcare system in Tripura.
- Meghalaya Cabinet approves regularisation of services of nearly 1000 nurses who were appointed on adhoc basis since December 2007.
- Prohibitory orders issued under section 163 BNSS near district jail Baksa in Assam after unruly scenes during transfer of accused in Zubeen Garg death case, Assam Chief Minister appeals for calm and restraint.
- Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla along with Union Minister of Development of North Eastern Region, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia yesterday co-chair 2nd High Level Task Force Meeting on promotion of sports in North Eastern Region.
- Union Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Nimuben Jayantibhai Bambhaniya, is on four-day visit to Sikkim.
- Nagaland launches Phase VI of Foot and Mouth Disease Vaccination Mission under Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme at State Cattle Breeding Farm, in Kohima.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

MoU-HEALTH

In a major step towards strengthening healthcare system in Tripura, the State Health & Family Welfare Department has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the All India Institute of Medical Sciences 'AIIMS' New Delhi. Tripura Chief Minister, Dr. Manik Saha, AIIMS Director, Dr. M. Srinivas and senior officials were present during the signing of MoU at Tripura Bhavan in New Delhi. Dr Saha said that the agreement aims to transform medical colleges and district hospitals into centres of excellence, offering international-standard medical education and super-specialty healthcare services. He also announced plans to develop the Agartala Government Medical College and GB Pant Hospital into a modern medical hub. Terming AIIMS a world-renowned institution known for its leadership in medical education, research, and advanced patient care, the Chief Minister said, the MoU would mark a significant milestone in improving healthcare quality across Tripura.

NITI Aayog

A team from NITI Aayog visited Dimapur in Nagaland to explore the establishment of an Artificial Intelligence Centre of Excellence for Skilling under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra. The team was led by Programme Director for Water and Land Resources, IT, Telecom, Tourism and Culture, Yugal Joshi. During the visit, Joshi said, the initiative aims to enhance employability and promote entrepreneurship among Nagaland's youth through AI-based learning and frontier technology skill training. The focus areas identified for AI skilling include handloom and handicrafts, agriculture and food processing, automobiles, healthcare, and tourism. Deputy Commissioner of Dimapur, Dr. Tinojongshi Chang, expressed gratitude to NITI Aayog for its support and engagement in advancing skill development in the State.

PROHIBITORY ORDER

In Assam, prohibitory orders under section 163 BNSS were issued near district jail, Nikashi, Baksa following unruly scenes, when accused in the Zubeen Garg death case were taken to the newly-built prison. A section of the crowd set fire to some vehicles and pelted stones at vehicles carrying the accused. Police had to fire in the air to disperse the crowds for a safe transfer of the accused. The accused were shifted to the newly built Baksa District Jail following their remand to judicial custody by the Chief Judicial Magistrate Court, Kamrup (Metro). On the other hand, the special investigation team yesterday interrogated three non-resident Indians from Singapore as part of its probe into the music icon's death. Meanwhile, Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma termed the incidents near the Baksa Jail unfortunate and appealed for peace and restraint.

SPORTS

Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla along with Union Minister of Development of North Eastern Region, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia yesterday co-chaired the 2nd High Level Task Force Meeting on promotion of sports in North Eastern Region through video conferencing. During the meeting, issues like infrastructure development, coaching, talent identification, competition exposure and events, sports science, funding, monitoring, data governance and management through both public and private sector participation were discussed. Scindia emphasised for a focused and practical start to strengthen sports in the North East. The Governor complimented the Union Minister's vision stating that the initiatives will help strengthen sports in Northeast by focusing on training, talent development and local leagues which will provide young players with more opportunities. He also added that each State should build on its unique strengths and also appreciated that the Central Government continued efforts and commitment towards promoting sports infrastructure and nurturing talent across the North Eastern Region.

CONSULTATION

In Arunachal Pradesh, Deputy Commissioner, Siang district, Tayi Taggu held a community consultation at Sitang village in East Siang District to discuss the Pre-Feasibility Report survey of the proposed Siang Upper Multipurpose Project. During the interactive session, officers from the state administration provided detailed insights into the project's objectives, potential benefits and its long-term socio-economic impact. They also addressed queries and concerns raised by the local community. The meeting witnessed open and respectful dialogue, fostering a constructive exchange of ideas. In the meantime, the NHPC has reaffirmed its commitment to collaborate closely with community organizations.

MEETING

Deputy Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh, Chowna Mein chaired the 8th State Advisory Committee meeting of the Arunachal Pradesh State Electricity Regulatory Commission in the Civil Secretariat in the presence of Chairman of the Regulatory Commission, R K Joshi. The meeting focused on strategies to strengthen the State's power sector, enhance efficiency, and accelerate renewable energy integration. Highlighting Arunachal Pradesh as a prominent hydropower hub, Mein emphasized the crucial role of regulatory bodies and advisory committees in ensuring transparency, competitiveness, and consumer protection, while steering the sector toward sustainable growth.

CENTRE

Mizoram Chief Minister, Lalduhoma yesterday inaugurated a common facility centre at Zuangleng in Serchhip district to convert discarded banana pseudo stems into income-generating products. Funded by the Ministry of DoNER under the PM-DeVINE scheme and implemented by nectar, the unit will produce fibre-based handicrafts, handmade paper, vermicompost, and vegan leather. Speaking at the event, the Chief Minister said the facility would help create sustainable livelihoods for local farmers.

VACCINATION

Nagaland yesterday launched Phase VI of the Foot and Mouth Disease Vaccination Mission under the Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme at the State Cattle Breeding Farm, in Kohima. As part of the launch, Director of

Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Nagaland, Dr. B. M. Sunep, administered the first vaccine, marking the official commencement of Phase VI of the FMD Vaccination Mission in Nagaland. The ongoing mission aims to immunize around 60,000 cattle and other susceptible animals across the State against Foot and Mouth Disease, a highly contagious viral infection that poses a serious threat to livestock health and productivity. The two-month mission will run till 15th of December.

NURSES

In Meghalaya, the State Cabinet has approved the regularisation of the services of nearly 1000 nurses under the Meghalaya Nursing Service who were appointed to the posts of Staff Nurse and Auxiliary Nurse Midwife on an adhoc basis. These nurses were appointed against the sanctioned posts prior to December 2007. A report of the Meghalaya State Education Commission was also discussed and approved by the cabinet. The cabinet also approved rules related to municipalities in the state and the third amendment to the Meghalaya building bye-laws.

MoS-VISIT

Union Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Nimuben Jayantibhai Bambhaniya, reached Gangtok yesterday on a four-day visit to Sikkim. Upon reaching Rangpo, the Minister took stock of FCI's Food Storage Depot and later chaired a meeting with officials of the Food, Civil Supplies, and Consumer Affairs Department and FCI at Gangtok. The Minister will also review the implementation and progress of centrally sponsored schemes with Pakyong District officials. Tomorrow, she is scheduled to meet Sikkim Governor, Om Prakash Mathur and Chief Minister of Sikkim Prem Singh Tamang.
