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Nagaland Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen yesterday chaired a high-level coordination meeting of the Administrative Heads of Departments and Heads of Departments at the State Civil Secretariat. Mr Imchen stressed strict adherence to procedures, proper file processing, and regular briefings to Advisors and Ministers. Expressing concern over increasing legal setbacks for the state, Mr Imchen urged departments to handle legal matters proactively and defend government cases effectively. Emphasising digital transformation, he directed all departments to appoint a nodal officer for eOffice to enhance workflow efficiency. The Chief Secretary also announced about the upcoming Pre-Christmas celebration and instructed the Home Department to coordinate preparations with the Chief Minister's Office.

V/C MEET: The meeting focused on key administrative priorities, interdepartmental coordination, and strengthening governance processes. The meeting also featured several departmental presentations. The Finance Department delivered a briefing on the Enhanced State Government Salary Package, a customized banking and insurance solution for State Government employees, formalized through an MoU with the State Bank of India on March 27 this year. The departments were encouraged to raise awareness so employees can fully benefit from the scheme.

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The Union Cabinet approved the Scheme to Promote Manufacturing of Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnets with a financial outlay of 7 thousand 280 crore rupees. This first-of-its-kind initiative aims to establish six thousand metric tonnes per annum of integrated Rare Earth Permanent Magnet manufacturing in the country. Briefing media in New Delhi yesterday, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw highlighted that Rare Earth Permanent Magnet are one of the strongest types of permanent magnets and are vital for

electric vehicles, renewable energy, electronics, aerospace, and defence applications.

MAGNET BYTE:



Nagaland Civil Secretariat officers and staff observed Constitution Day yesterday at the Secretariat conference hall, marking the culmination of the year-long theme "Hamara Samvidhan – Hamara Swabhiman." Home Commissioner Abhijit Sinha highlighted that the Constitution was adopted on November 26, 1949 and came into effect on January 26, 1950. Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen led the pledge as all present read the Preamble, reaffirming commitment to constitutional values.



The Kohima District Legal Services Authority, in collaboration with the Kohima Bar Association and Prosecution, also marked the 76th Constitution Day at DPDB Hall. Justice S. Serto, Chairperson of the Nagaland State Human Rights Commission, described the Constitution as a living document shaped by 106 amendments, including the recent provision for one-third reservation for women in legislatures. He cautioned against reliance on memorandums over statutory laws and urged legal professionals to uphold justice and strengthen constitutional governance.



The Department of English, Nagaland University held a two-day international conference on "Language Diversity, Social and Technological Development in Educational and Economic Transformation: In Alignment with NEP 2020" from November 25-26 in hybrid mode. Scholars from India and abroad discussed how language, technology and policy can reshape education and economic growth. Seven parallel sessions, both on-site and online, covered themes including Al pedagogy, folklore preservation and corpus studies. A keynote on multilingual communication in healthcare, a journal-formatting workshop and further technical sessions on emerging tools and curricula were also held during the conference.



Task Force for Music & Arts (TafMA) Nagaland has announced the first lineup of bands set to perform at the iconic Toyota Hornbill Music Festival 2025. We have a report:

V/C MUSIC: The Toyota Hornbill Music Festival, India's biggest music festival will take place from December 1-10 at 5PM at the Main Arena, Naga Heritage Village, Kisama. The first lineup of bands includes; Rumac (Scotland), Drum Tao & Japan Junior Orchestra (Japan), Agniva (France), BolNN-Friends of the Mary Wallopers (Ireland), Mongdoll (South Korea), Yekumi (Israel), Space (Nepal), DJ Angy- Z- (Russia), Nagaland Collective and many more.



India will host 2030 Commonwealth Games with Ahmedabad formally awarded hosting rights. The decision was approved by delegates from 74 Commonwealth nations at the General Assembly in Glasgow, United Kingdom. This has paved the way for staging the event second time as New Delhi hosted the game in 2010.

