

## **MORNING NEWS BULLETIN**

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### **HEADLINES:-**

1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi to initiate year-long celebration of 150 years of national song Vande Mataram in New Delhi today.
2. Tripura Governor Indra Sena Reddy Nallu visits Khowai–Bangladesh international border.
3. Meghalaya Government constitutes committee to research on tribes of Meghalaya and document their migration.
4. 49th edition of 100 Drums Wangala Festival to conclude at Wangala A'dam, Chibragre, West Garo Hills today.
5. Nagaland government to establish Old Age Home in every district.
6. Mawryngkneng MLA Heavingstone Kharpran condemns alleged excessive use of force by police during truckers' protest.
7. Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills District, issues clarification regarding ongoing strike called truckers' association.
8. Director General of Akashvani, Rajeev Kumar Jain, on visit to Kohima.
9. Delegation Gaon Buris and Goan Burahs call on Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lieutenant General KT Parnaik.

### **NEWS IN ORDER:-**

#### **CELEBRATION**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the year-long celebration of 150 years of the national song Vande Mataram in New Delhi today. Organized by the Ministry of Culture, the event will officially launch the nationwide commemoration, which will run till 7th November next year. The celebration aims to honor the timeless song composed by Rishi Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay in his celebrated novel 'Anandamath', that inspired India's freedom movement and continues to evoke unity and national pride. The inaugural ceremony will feature a curated exhibition on the history of Vande Mataram, a documentary screening, and the release of a commemorative stamp and coin to mark the historic milestone.

#### **TRIPURA**

Tripura Governor Indra Sena Reddy Nallu visited the Khowai–Bangladesh international border yesterday as part of his inspection of border villages. He reviewed the implementation of various Central and State Government schemes in remote frontier areas. He visited border locations and inspected BSF watchtowers and interacted with the jawans. In an interview with Akashvani, the Governor said he has been touring border districts for the past three days to ensure proper implementation of welfare schemes. He plans to visit the remaining eight border villages of Khowai next month, focusing on education, self-help groups, healthcare, drinking water, electricity, housing, LPG connections, and ration distribution.

## **COMMITTEE**

The Meghalaya Government has constituted a committee to research on the tribes of Meghalaya and document their migration from Tibet for the Garos, and from Vietnam and Cambodia for the Khasi and Jaintia communities. The committee has met to discuss the way forward and is chalking out plans to begin documentation of the journey, chief minister Conrad K Sangma said. He informed that to promote and conserve the rich heritage of the people of Meghalaya, the government has rolled out grants that can be availed for research and documentation. He made the announcement on the opening day of the three-day Wangala Festival at Wangala A'dam, Chibagre, in West Garo Hills yesterday.

## **NONGKREM**

On the occasion of the Nongkrem Dance Festival, leaders of Meghalaya extended warm greetings to the people of the State, celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the Khasi community. Governor CH Vijayashankar, Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma conveyed their wishes, highlighting the festival's spiritual and cultural significance. The Governor emphasised that the sacred Nongkrem Dance reflects unity, devotion, and gratitude for a bountiful harvest. The Chief Minister wished that the festival would strengthen bonds of peace and harmony among all communities.

## **WANGALA**

The 49th edition of the 100 Drums Wangala Festival began at Wangala A'dam, Chibagre, West Garo Hills, yesterday. Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma, MLA Mehtab Chandee, Chief Secretary Dr. Shakil P. Ahammed, and others attended the inaugural function. Celebrated since 1976, the festival honors the Sun God, Misi Saljong, through dance, music, and indigenous games. The Chief Minister announced 25 lakh rupees support and plans for a grand Golden Jubilee with 1000 drums, as envisioned by his late father P.A. Sangma. Dr. Ahammed highlighted the importance of preserving cultural identity. The event also showcased local cuisine through an Indigenous Slow Food competition, reinforcing Meghalaya's vibrant heritage.

## **NAGALAND**

Nagaland's Advisor for Social Welfare, Wangpang Konyak has announced plans to establish an Old Age Home in every district of the state. Addressing an eye camp for senior citizens at the Mon District Hospital yesterday, he reaffirmed the department's commitment to uplift vulnerable groups, including the elderly. The government will forward social assistance, meeting nutritional standards, and protecting those at risk through schemes like Old Age Pension, Elderly Helpline, and Charity Care.

## **PROTEST**

Mawryngkneng MLA Heavingstone Kharpran has condemned the alleged excessive use of force by police during the Meghalaya Commercial Truck Owners and Drivers Association protest held around midnight on 5th November. He claimed several protesters, including women and children, were injured when police fired tear gas to disperse the crowd despite the peaceful nature of the demonstration. He urged the state government to immediately intervene, refrain from further force, and engage in dialogue with the truckers association to resolve their long-pending grievances peacefully.

## **CLARIFICATION**

The Office of the Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills District, has issued clarification regarding the ongoing strike called by the Meghalaya Commercial Truck Owners and Drivers Association (MCTODA) against cement factories operating in the district. Following the announcement of the strike from 27th October, 2025, the District Administration promptly initiated a dialogue process to resolve the issue through consultation with all stakeholders. A coordination meeting was held on 30th October at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Khliehriat, which was attended by representatives of the Jaintia Hills Cement Manufacturers Association, the Jaintia Hills Truck Owners Association and the East Jaintia Hills Truck Owners and Transporters Association. Despite being formally invited, MCTODA declined to attend the meeting. The other two associations confirmed that they are operating smoothly with the cement plants and do not support the strike. Despite most of their other concerns being accepted by the cement plants, MCTODA refused to withdraw the strike and continued to obstruct the movement of trucks carrying cement and clinker along National Highway-6, disrupting essential transport and public movement. Reports have also been received of incidents involving damage to vehicles and harassment of non-participating drivers. The East Khasi Hills district police have therefore taken lawful measures to clear blockades, restore traffic, and ensure the safety of all road users.

## **MANIPUR**

The Manipur International Textile Expo 2025 will begin today at the Urban Haat in Nilakuthi, Imphal East district. Additional Chief Secretary (Textiles), Anurag Bajpayee said that the central theme for the expo is 'Weaving a Sustainable Future: Manipur's Handloom Heritage to Global Fashion'. The primary goal is to acclaim the global stage by showcasing Manipur's diverse handloom, handicraft and textile products with a strong emphasis on eco-friendly textiles, natural dyes and sustainable weaving practices deeply rooted in Manipuri tradition. He said that different global sourcing firms will participate in the expo.

## **AKASH**

Director General of Akashvani, Rajeev Kumar Jain, is on a two-day visit to Kohima, marking his first official visit to Nagaland. During his visit, Mr Jain inspected the FM transmission set up at DDMC Dimapur as well as FM

studio and Regional News Unit section at Kohima station. Today, Mr Jain is scheduled to hold various meetings, including with Nagaland Chief Secretary Sentiyaenger Imchen. He will also hold review meetings with the officers at Akashvani Kohima.

**ARUNACHAL**

A delegation 16 Gaon Buris and 7 Goan Burahs of Lower Subansiri District called on Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lieutenant General KT Parnaik, at Raj Bhavan in Itanagar yesterday. The Governor advised them on several social issues, including natural farming and smart village concept and developmental progress of the State. Complimenting them for adult education courses, Mr. Parnaik said that education is the most powerful tool to transform a village. He urged them to ensure that every child, boy or girl, completes basic education before stepping into adulthood. The Governor also shared his concern over drug menace and said that vulnerable youth must be identified and guided toward sports, skill training, and community activities. Reminding of the message of Swachh Bharat, the Governor exhorted them to encourage every household to keep their premises clean.

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