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HEADLINES:-

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- ➤ Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma expresses deep sorrow over Delhi blast.
- ➤ BJP's national leaders arrive in Imphal to take part in political meetings regarding possible government formation.
- ➤ Union Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways- Ajay Tamta visits Pherzawl in Manipur to review progress of ongoing projects.
- ➤ Nagaland ramping up forensic capabilities to meet growing demands for crime scene investigations.
- North Tripura nominated as best district in Northeast for remarkable success in water conservation.
- ➤ ICAR adopts Nongspung-A in Ri Bhoi district of Meghalaya as first 'model poultry cluster village' in north-east.
- National Book Trust of India organizing 'Neo-literate Writing Workshop' for Hindi writers in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ➤ Meghalaya Education Minister Lahkmen Rymbui announces approved a rationalized pay structure for teachers.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

DONER:

Union Minister of Communications and Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia, interacted virtually yesterday with a 43-member delegation comprising 39 students and four teachers from Goa and Uttarakhand, who are visiting Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh. They comprise the first batch of the 'Ashtalakshmi Darshan' programme being held from 1st to 14th November 2025. Mr. Scindia, remarked that the North-East is a vital part of India's growth story—rich in resources, talent, and traditions. Exposure to its people and progress helps build mutual respect and shared understanding among the country's youth. He urged the participants to carry forward the message of unity and act as ambassadors of friendship between their home states and the North-East. The Ashtalakshmi Darshan programme, initiated by the Ministry of DoNER, aims to provide students and educators from different parts of India with a deeper understanding of the North-East's culture, heritage, development journey, and potential. Derived from the concept of the 'Ashta Lakshmis', representing the eight North-Eastern states—Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura—the initiative reflects the government's vision of showcasing the region as a collective symbol of opportunity and growth.

BLAST:

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma has expressed deep sorrow over the blast that occurred near the Red Fort in New Delhi on Sunday evening and expressed his solidarity with the families of the victims. Mr Sangma also visited Ekta Nagar in Gujarat and paid homage to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at the iconic Statue of Unity, joining the nation-wide observance of the 'Bharat Parv' 2025, celebrating India's unity and diverse heritage. He was accompanied by Arunachal Pradesh chief minister Pema Khandu. Speaking at the Bharat Parv, Mr Sangma reflected on the deep historical significance of the monument. He said that the Statue of Unity holds the nation's history. It is a symbol of the way Sardar Patel unified the country and the contribution he made.

BJP:

BJP's national general secretary (organisation) B.L. Santosh and North East incharge Sambit Pattra reached Imphal yesterday to take part in political meetings regarding possible government formation. They held discussions with BJP Manipur Pradesh president A. Sarda Devi and other party officials. The meeting was attended by former Chief Minister N. Biren and other prominent BJP MLAs. In the meeting, several discussions were held about the formation of a popular government, strengthening the party and other issues of the state.

DEVELOPMENT:

The Union Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways- Ajay Tamta visited Pherzawl in Manipur yesterday to review the progress of several ongoing projects and welfare schemes in the district. The minister inspected the Community Health Centre at Parbung and interacted with healthcare staff and patients. He assured continued support to strengthen health services to the district. The Union Minister urged departments to expedite pending projects and announced that construction of a Mini Secretariat in Pherzawl would be initiated soon. Mr Tamta also interacted with civil society representatives and listened to their concerns and assured necessary assistance.

FORENSIC:

Nagaland is ramping up its forensic capabilities to meet growing demands for crime scene investigations. Director General of Police Rupin Sharma said proposals will be sent to the state government to improve district-level response and ensure quicker deployment of forensic teams to crime scenes. He emphasized that the current forensic lab in Dimapur is 'decently placed' to handle the state's exiting workload. Additional DGP (Law & Order) Sandeep Tamgadge informed that the state government has approved procurement of mobile forensic vans for all districts. The measures are expected to address the demands arising from the country's new criminal laws that mandate forensic visits to crime scenes for serious offenses.

TRIPURA:

For its remarkable success in water conservation, North Tripura district has been nominated as the best district in the Northeast region for the Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari Award. President Droupadi Murmu will present the award at a ceremony to be held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, on 18th November. The Sepahijala district of Tripura will also receive the National Water Award.

ICAR:

In a step towards strengthening rural livelihood and promoting scientific poultry farming, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research Research Complex for North Eastern Hill Region has adopted Nongspung-A in Ri Bhoi district of Meghalaya as Northeast India's first 'model poultry cluster village'. A MoU to this effect was signed on 11th November at the ICAR-NEH headquarters at Umiam between the institute and the village dorbar. The project aims to create a sustainable model for income generation and nutritional security, which can be replicated across other villages in Meghalaya. The project will integrate modern poultry production systems with local resources and traditional knowledge, ensuring community participation at every stage. Representatives from Nongspung-A expressed

optimism that the collaboration will open new avenues for employment and self-reliance among the village youth and women.

WORKSHOP:

The National Book Trust of India is organizing 'Neo-literate Writing Workshop' for Hindi writers in Arunachal Pradesh for the first time, at Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) at Doimukh, Papumpare District, from 12th to 14th November. RGU Vice Chancellor Jayadev Sahu said the National Book Trust took notice of Arunachal Pradesh's good performance in the field of Hindi. The Trust's chief editor Kumar Vikram said the goal is to ensure that neo-literate readers continue to have access to reading material so that they do not relapse into illiteracy. In these workshops, stories are prepared in simple language, through which information related to environment, gender equality, life skills and more are provided.

FARMERS:

The Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Tawang, in collaboration with the ICAR-Central Institute of Horticulture, Nagaland, under the Union Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, organized a Capacity Building and Input Distribution Programme under the North-Eastern Himalayan Component at Jemeithang, Tawang. Agricultural tools, vermicompost kits, and various agricultural and horticultural inputs were distributed among the participating farmers. Colonel Amit Nachankar urged farmers to adopt the knowledge and techniques shared by agricultural experts and to embrace organic and scientific farming practices for sustainable growth.

EDUCATION:

Meghalaya Education Minister Lahkmen Rymbui yesterday announced that the State Government has approved a rationalized pay structure for teachers across different categories to ensure greater fairness and uniformity. Speaking after meeting the Khasi Jaintia Deficit School Teachers Association, the minister said the revised pay will be implemented in phases starting 1st January, 2026. Acknowledging financial constraints, he said the government remains committed to giving teachers their due and thanked them for their patience. He added that continued dialogue with teacher associations will address further concerns and improve education quality in the state.

SKILL:

Around 200 youths from Ri Bhoi District received certificates after completing a three-month skill training programme conducted by the Northeast Institute of Professional Studies under Skills Meghalaya. The distribution ceremony, held at Dorbar Hall, Sajer, Nongpoh, was conducted by Deputy Commissioner Abhilash Baranwal and Member of District Council Rona Khymdeit. Appointment letters were also handed over to trainees who secured jobs, while others began their own ventures. Covering trades like tailoring, beautician work, and food service, the programme aims to enhance employability and promote entrepreneurship among the district's youth.
