

Morning News script

0730 hrs

3rd December 2025

<><><><><><>

International Day of Persons With Disabilities is being celebrated today. This year's theme is "Fostering Disability Inclusive Society for Advancing Social Progress". The day is about promoting the rights and well-being of persons with disabilities at every level of society and development, and to raise awareness of the situation of persons with disabilities in all aspects of political, social, economic, and cultural life. Marking the occasion, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio in a post stated that the state recognises and celebrates the abilities and contributions of persons with disabilities. He added that this year's theme, "Fostering disability-inclusive societies for advancing social progress," serves as a reminder that true progress requires inclusion.

<><><><><><>

The Investment & Development Authority of Nagaland (IDAN) and Toyota Kirloskar Motor Pvt. Ltd. formally exchanged a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) at Naga Heritage Village, Kisama, marking a significant step toward strengthening healthcare infrastructure and improving educational facilities in Kohima and Dimapur under Toyota's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. The MoU was signed by Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and Sudeep Santram Dalvi, Director, Project SVP & CCO of Toyota Kirloskar Motor Pvt. Ltd. Speaking at the ceremony, Chief Minister Rio expressed gratitude to Toyota Kirloskar Motor for selecting Nagaland as a priority state in its CSR engagement. He said partnering with Toyota as a Health Partner would help enhance public health services, empower learners, and foster long-term social impact. Director, Project SVP & CCO of Toyota Kirloskar Motor Pvt. Ltd., Sudeep Santram Dalvi reaffirmed the company's commitment to creating sustainable community impact through health and education, adding that Nagaland remains one of their highest priorities. Mr Dalvi hoped the projects undertaken will benefit families and children across the State.

<><><><><><>

The Nagaland Pollution Control Board (NPCB) yesterday formally launched the HAWA (Healthier Air & Water Appraisal) Grievances Application at the Hornbill Festival venue in Kisama, on the occasion of National Pollution Control Day. The new mobile application has been introduced under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) to strengthen public participation in monitoring and reporting pollution-related issues. Launching the app, Member Secretary of NPCB, K. Hukato Chishi, urged citizens to register themselves and make active use of the platform. A report-

According to Nagaland Pollution Control Board , the HAWA Grievances App has been specifically designed to address environmental complaints in Nagaland's non-attainment cities- Kohima and Dimapur and their adjoining areas. It has been developed keeping in the mind the importance of public participation in addressing the issues relating to the various environmental issues through reporting. The HAWA Grievances App can be downloaded in the Play Store.

<><><><><><>

Tracing the journey of Hornbill Festival since its inception in the year 2000, a book titled, "Journey of the Hornbill Festival: Through the lens of Kohima Press Club" was formally released by the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio at Kisama yesterday. Congratulating the members of the Kohima Press Club on the publication , the Chief Minister said, it is an important document, and appreciated the media's dedication in documenting it. Mr Rio expressed that he is looking forward to reading it. Through the lens of Kohima Press Club' edited by Alice Yhoshü and Vishü Rita Krocha was published under the imprint of PenThrill as the 113th publication with the funding support of the Department of Tourism. The book is priced at 1500 rupees.

<><><><><><>

The Hornbill International Photo Fest (HIPFEST), one of the major highlights of the Hornbill Festival, officially opened by Ambassador of Switzerland, Maya Tissafi. yesterday at the Naga Heritage Village, Kisama. Ambassador Tissafi said it was a special moment for Switzerland to partner in the 2025 celebrations and expressed admiration for Nagaland's rich culture. Emphasizing the importance of skilled professionals, she cited Switzerland's model where 70 percent of the population opts for vocational training, noting that skilled individuals including photographers and artists are vital for societal development. She also hoped for deeper collaboration with Nagaland in the years ahead.

<><><><><><>