

HEADLINES:-

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- Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General (Retired.) K.T. Parnaik pays tribute to the Armed Forces and makes a generous personal contribution to the Armed Forces Flag Day Fund.
- The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, S. Krishnan reaffirms the Government of India's commitment to supporting Nagaland's IT infrastructure.
- Ongoing 26th Hornbill Festival enthral visitors with a spectacular showcase of the rich cultural among the eight North Eastern States.
- Arunachal Pradesh renowned actor Chum Darang joins East Siang district's Project Muskaan as the Child Safety Ambassador.
- India Meteorological Department forecasts cold wave conditions in parts of Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura till the 11th of this month.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

VANDE MATARAM:

A special discussion on the 150th anniversary of the national song Vande Mataram will begin in Lok Sabha today. According to the official sources, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will initiate the debate in the Lok Sabha. Ten hours have been allotted for the discussion. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said that the full-day discussion will start at 12 noon. He added, it was decided in the all-party meeting chaired by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla that discussion on Vande Mataram will be conducted today and debate on Electoral Reforms on 9th December.

FLAG DAY :

On the occasion of Armed Forces Flag Day, yesterday, Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General (Retired.) K.T. Parnaik paid tribute to the Armed Forces by adorning the Armed Forces Flag and making a generous personal contribution to the Armed Forces Flag Day Fund. The Arunachal Pradesh Rajya Sainik Board led by its Director-cum-Secretary, Air Commodore R.D. Musabi (Retd.), as part of the Armed Forces Flag Day celebration, collected the contribution for the Fund at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar. The Governor said that Armed Forces Flag Day serves as a powerful reminder of every citizen's duty to stand with the men and women who safeguard the nation's sovereignty. He said that contributions to the AFFDF directly support the rehabilitation of battle casualties as well as the welfare of serving personnel, ex-servicemen, and families in distress.

INFORMATION:

The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, S. Krishnan, has reaffirmed the Government of India's commitment to supporting Nagaland in strengthening its IT infrastructure and advancing the next generation of strategic

technology initiatives proposed by the State. He stated this during a meeting with Advisor for Information Technology & Communication, Economics & Statistics, and Evaluation, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam, in Kohima yesterday. During the interaction, Advisor Sethrongkyu briefed the Secretary on several flagship technological initiatives envisioned by the State Government to build a robust and future-ready digital governance ecosystem.

FESTIVAL:

In the ongoing 26th Hornbill Festival, the Cultural Connect of Day 7 enthralled visitors with a spectacular showcase of the rich cultural diversity and spirit of harmony among the eight North Eastern States. The event was held yesterday at the Unity Plaza, Naga Heritage Village, Kisama, Kohima. Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Home & Border Affairs Yanthungo Patton graced the programme as the Host, while Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, Advisor for School Education and SCERT, served as the Co-Host. S. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, attended as the Special Guest, along with other dignitaries.

NBRC:

As part of the three-day extension of the Hornbill Festival, the Hornbill Bamboo Carnival was inaugurated yesterday at the Bamboo Amphitheater, Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre (NBRC), Sovima. The event is organised by the Nagaland Bamboo Development Agency. Speaking as the Special Guest, NBDA Chairman Nuzota Swuro highlighted the agency's two-decade journey, acknowledging the pioneers and leaders who contributed to making the vision of bamboo-based development in Nagaland a reality. He outlined several key achievements of the agency wherein NBDA has implemented extensive commercial bamboo plantations under the National Bamboo Mission and National Mission on Bamboo Applications. To date, 45,621 hectares have been covered under bamboo plantations and 1,506 hectares under block plantations.

CHILD SAFETY:

In Arunachal Pradesh Chum Darang, renowned actor, has formally joined East Siang district's Project Muskaan as the Child Safety Ambassador. This marks a significant step in strengthening East Siang district's commitment to child protection and community awareness. Launched on 11 November 2025, by East Siang District Police, Project Muskaan is a dedicated child safety initiative aimed at empowering school children through sensitization on Good Touch–Bad Touch, provisions of the POCSO and JJ Acts, bullying prevention, and online and cyber safety. Trained police personnel conduct weekly school visits and spread awareness. Police Complaint Boxes have also been installed in schools to ensure a confidential and accessible channel for students to seek help.

BANK:

In line with directives from the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Govt of India, the Lead Bank Office of SBI, in collaboration with Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Imphal, organised a District-Level Awareness and Assistance Camp on Depositor Education and Awareness (DEA) Fund cum Field-Level Financial Literacy event at Makhan Centre Community Hall on December 5, 2025. The event was organised to raise public awareness on unclaimed deposits, funds lying with banks, insurance companies and promote financial inclusion and literacy. More than 200 participants, including SHG members from five villages of Makhan Khullen, Makhan Khuman, Makhan Centre, Makhan Lovadziingho and New Makhan, attended the programme.

WEATHER:

India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast cold wave conditions in parts of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and Vidarbha today. Places over Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Tamil Nadu Puducherry and Karaikal are expected to experience thunderstorms and lightning. The Weather agency further predicted dense fog conditions at isolated pockets over Assam, Meghalaya, Himachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura and Odisha till the 11th of this month.

ZELIANG:

Nagaland Deputy Chief Minister T.R. Zeliang urged the Naga people to move toward unity, warning that increasing divisions and fragmentation have become major obstacles to the State's progress. Speaking at the Advent Christmas Devotional Service held at Unity Plaza in Kisama yesterday, he said numerous groups and organisations, both overground and underground have hindered development and pushed Nagaland toward a potentially irreparable situation marked by instability and lawlessness. Reflecting on the Christmas message, Mr Zeliang said the nativity story illustrates how people from diverse backgrounds can be united by a shared hope. He praised the Nagaland Joint Christian Forum for bringing various Christian denominations together and encouraged extending this spirit of unity beyond the Church into all aspects of society.

INFRASTRUCTURE:

Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha said that the state government will make coordinated efforts to develop the infrastructure required to set up a golf course in the state. He said this while inaugurating the India Golf Festival organised by the Golf Federation of India with the support of the Border Security Force. He stated that establishing a golf course would boost eco-tourism in Tripura and also create employment opportunities for the youth. At the event, BSF Tripura Frontier Inspector General Alok Kumar Chakraborty, Golf Federation of India General Secretary Aryaveer Arya, and others delivered speeches. It may be mentioned that the GFI 2025 Tour Tripura Open Tournament was held at the BSF Tripura Frontier's golf course premises in Shalbagan.
