

Morning News Script

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Over 20 girls from Nagaland have been selected for the Mission 'ShakthiSat', the world's first all-women-led lunar payload mission, showcasing the State's role in empowering young women in space science. Mission ShakthiSat is pioneered by Space Kidz India and supported by ISRO, IN-SPACE, and the Ministry of Education. It aims to train 12,000 girl students from 108 countries in STEM education and satellite technology. In this connection, the Space Kidz India, Chennai, in collaboration with Avanti Fellows, conducted an academic outreach programme at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in Kohima yesterday. Speaking at the programme, Additional Director of School Education Nagaland, Deenabandhu Panda described it as a rare and valuable opportunity. He expressed pride that Nagaland has been included in the initiative, wherein the selected students would be building and launching their own satellite. He also urged the students to pursue meaningful innovation across all fields of education.

Mr Panda asserted that Viksit Bharat can be achieved only through collective growth of all states, noting that the Northeast, once viewed as neglected, is now steadily moving forward on the path of development and inclusion.

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Chairman of Dimapur Municipal Council, Hukheto Yepthomi, said community is the backbone of culture and society fostering trust, support and a sense of belonging. Speaking at the 5th general conference of Dimapur Urban Council Chairmen Federation (DUCCF) yesterday, he called upon community leaders to rise above tribe and village lines to build a strong and inclusive society.

Meanwhile, Zsivikho Zakiesato has been elected president of the DUCCF for a second term from 2026 to 2028.

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The Election Commission will celebrate the 16th National Voters' Day today. The theme for this year's National Voters Day is My India, My Vote, with the tagline Citizen at the Heart of Indian Democracy. In his message on National Voters Day, Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar highlighted that pure electoral rolls are the bedrock of democracy.

The CEC also called upon the young voters to lead the fight against misinformation, disinformation, and false narratives.

During the celebrations today, Akashvani's News Service Division will receive a media award in the category of Electronic Radio for Best Campaign on Voters' Education Awareness for the year 2025.

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