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- Centre approves continuation of Atal Pension Yojana till 2030-31
- Nagaland to digitize all birth and death registrations
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio meets Gujarat media delegation; Highlights Nagaland's development and culture
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The government today approved the continuation of Atal Pension Yojana till the year 2030-31 along with extension of funding support for promotional and developmental activities. The decision was taken during a cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi today. The scheme was launched in May 2015 with the objective of providing old-age income security to workers in the unorganised sector. More reports:

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The Directorate of Economics and Statistics Nagaland is targeting to completely phase out all manual registration of births and deaths in the State. This was stated by Advisor Economics & Statistics, H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam during a press conference on the implementation of the Nagaland Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Rules 2024 today. He said all registrations will now shift to the online portal, with manual certificates already issued also being digitalized in the days to come. Mr Sangtam also highlighted the importance of civil registration in ensuring legal identity and effective delivery of social welfare services.

The Advisor noted that the Nagaland Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Rules, 2024, were notified in February 2025. Under the new provisions, a birth certificate is the only document to prove the place and date

for persons born on or before the 1st October 2023 for various purposes, including school admissions and government jobs. To facilitate easy procedure and creation of a real-time database, the Office of the Registrar General of India has developed a uniform online registration system. The CRS portal can be accessed at [dc.crsorgi.gov.in](http://dc.crsorgi.gov.in). The state department said, out of the 1,474 registration units across the state, 889 have been activated on the online portal. The department urged the public to ensure that every birth and death is promptly registered.



Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today met with a visiting media delegation from Gujarat at his official residence in Kohima. During the interaction, Mr. Rio highlighted various aspects of Nagaland, including its history, socio-economic conditions, and special provisions under Article 371(A), noting that restrictions on land ownership have limited industrial investment in the state. He emphasized that while natural resources of Nagaland cannot be exploited, its educated and skilled youth form a strong human resource base working across India and abroad. The Chief Minister also spoke about the state's growing ties with Japan.. A total of 15 media professionals from Gujarat arrived in the state on Sunday for a five-day tour sponsored by PIB Ahmedabad, under the media exchange programme of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting. The visit aims to showcase Nagaland's development initiatives and rich cultural heritage, and to strengthen ties between Nagaland and Gujarat.



Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution and Social Justice & Empowerment, B.L. Verma is on a two-day visit to Nagaland. During his tour, the Minister is reviewing various ongoing projects and Central Sponsored Schemes in Chümoukedima district. Earlier today, Mr Verma visited the Anganwadi Centre-cum-Crèche in Diphuphar, and reviewed the ongoing construction of Unity Mall and the Cancer Treatment Centre at Referral Hospital. He said, the government is continuously committed to maternal and child welfare as well as nutritional security for all-round development of the North East. Highlighting the Centre's vision of translating 'Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat' into reality on the ground, he noted that projects like the Unity Mall will not only bring national recognition to local products, artisans, and MSMEs, but will also strengthen Nagaland's culture and the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat.



Vice President CP Radhakrishnan has emphasised on a governance model that respects country's civilizational roots, values its heritage and culture, and delivers development. Speaking at an event in Karnataka today, he said people are progressing materially while remaining spiritually anchored.



Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has extended greetings to the people of Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura as they celebrate their statehood day today. In a series of posts on X, Mr Rio conveyed best wishes to Manipur, expressing hope that the occasion would inspire renewed unity, peace and progress, guiding the state towards a future of peace, prosperity, and inclusive growth. To the people of Meghalaya, he hoped that the state would continue to progress in harmony and cultural pride to attain new heights of growth and prosperity. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Rio expressed confidence that Tripura would continue to move forward on the path of harmony, development and well being for all its citizens.



Prime Minister's flagship platform for Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation, PRAGATI, has marked a significant milestone with the successful conduct of its 50th meeting. Since its launch by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2015, PRAGATI has transformed governance by enabling real-time monitoring and resolution of key infrastructure projects and public grievances through direct Prime Ministerial review. The platform exemplifies cooperative federalism, bringing together the Centre, States, and Union Ministries on a single digital interface. Over a decade, PRAGATI has helped accelerate decision-making, resolution of issues causing delay in key infrastructure projects, and instilled a strong culture of accountability. Today, in this special series, we take a look at the projects related to Ministry of Coal. A report...



And in sports... The final round of the Santosh Trophy Football Tournament kicked off today in Assam. Nagaland opened its campaign in the competition with a 4-nil loss to defending champions West Bengal. In the other matches of

the day, Rajasthan defeated Uttarakhand 3-0, while Tamil Nadu edged past hosts Assam 1-nil.

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