

THE HEADLINES: -

- **Advisor Tovihoto Ayemi stresses agri-tourism, market expansion at 5th Rüsoma Orange Festival**
- **Dzükou Valley fire rages into fifth day; Indian Air Force join containment efforts**
- **Power Department to begin disconnection drive in Dimapur from February 5**
- **In Ranji Trophy cricket, Nagaland lead Andhra after Day Two**

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The 5th edition of the Rüsoma Orange Festival began today at the Village Local Ground under the theme 'Abundance of Rüsoma.' Inaugurating the festival, Advisor, Tribal Affairs & Election, H. Tovihoto Ayemi, highlighted the village's strong potential in orange cultivation and diversified agricultural production. He commended the village youth for taking the lead and stressed the need for sustaining and expanding the initiative. He urged farmers to adopt modern technology alongside traditional practices to enhance productivity, employment, and economic growth.

The Advisor said that the State Government is prioritising agriculture, horticulture and livelihood, and called on villagers to make the best use of government schemes and facilities. Reaffirming the government's commitment to farmers' welfare, he underscored the importance of climate resilience, agri-tourism, and market expansion.

The two-day festival features cultural presentations, games, and stalls offering local cuisine, orange saplings, and more. Currently, 470 of 570 households in the village are involved in orange farming. The village aims to expand orchards to 100 hectares in the next six to seven years, with an anticipated production of 25 lakh fruits. The festival is expected to generate 40 to 50 lakh rupees this year.

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The wildfire in Southern Dzükou Valley has entered its fifth day. The Indian Air Force has launched aerial water-bombing operations using helicopters and Bambi buckets to control the blaze. Meanwhile, government agencies, local volunteers, and youth organisations continue ground efforts and drone surveys

to assess the damage. The fire is reported to be moving towards Mount Esii, the highest peak in Manipur.

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The State Power Department will begin a disconnection drive under the Electrical Division, Dimapur from February 5 for non-payment of electricity bills and other illegal activities such as meter tampering, hooking, and unauthorised load alterations. The drive will cover all categories of consumers, including electricity communised villages, and will continue on a regular basis until further orders. The department has urged consumers to clear pending bills to avoid inconvenience. Consumers with billing grievances may contact their respective SDO offices for clarification, while online payments can be made at www.dopn.gov.in using the Consumer ID

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Home Minister Amit Shah today launched projects worth one thousand 715 crore rupees in Dibrugarh, Assam. Addressing a public meeting, he said, the India-European Union Free Trade Agreement will boost Assam tea exports to European countries.

Mr. Shah said, the Centre has taken steps to make Assam flood-free and is bringing infrastructure projects for the development of the state. The unveiled projects in Dibrugarh include the second legislative assembly complex and MLA hostel, modern multi-disciplinary sports complex, Wildlife Health and Research Centre, and rejuvenation of wetlands under the National Disaster Mitigation fund.

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The Nation is paying homage to the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi on his 78th Death Anniversary and Martyr's Day today. On this occasion, a Sarva-Dharma Prarthana was organized at Gandhi Samadhi, Rajghat in New Delhi. President Droupadi Murmu visited Rajghat and offered tributes to Mahatma Gandhi. Vice President C P Radhakrishnan and Prime Minister Narendra Modi also paid floral tributes to Mahatma Gandhi at his memorial. Every year on 30th January, the nation honours the life and legacy of Mahatma Gandhi, who was the guiding light of the country's struggle for independence.

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Electronics and Information Technology Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw today said the India-AI Impact Summit 2026 to be held in New Delhi from 16th to 20th February is going to be the biggest AI Summit so far in the entire world. Addressing media in New Delhi this afternoon, Mr Vaishnaw said more than 100 CEOs are joining in the AI Impact Summit. He praised the manner in which India has developed its AI ecosystem and termed it encouraging.

The summit will be the first global AI summit to be hosted in the Global South.



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. 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 6-Laning of Chakeri to Allahabad Section of NH-2 located in Uttar Pradesh.



And, In Ranji Trophy Elite cricket, Nagaland put up a solid total of 366 in their first innings. In response, Andhra Pradesh reached 267 for five wickets at stumps on day two, trailing Nagaland by 99 runs. The match continues on day three tomorrow at Nagaland Cricket Stadium in Sovima.

