

## **NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN**

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### **HEADLINES:-**

- Inspection team conducts speed trial of Thingou-Khongshang Station stretch under Noney District in Manipur.
- Arunachal Pradesh government constitutes committee for re-assessment of land compensation related to Lada-Sarli frontier highway issue.
- State-wide police recruitment rally 2026 begins in Nagaland today; more than 30,000 aspirants will compete for 1,176 constable posts.
- Meghalaya will participate in Youth Leaders Dialogue, Cultural Tracks and Design for Bharat categories in Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue in New Delhi.
- Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla interacts with selected young leaders of Manipur who will participate at the 29th National Youth Festival 2026, Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue.
- Fisheries Minister, Gabriel Denwang Wangsu calls for special policy for hill and border states to promote cold-water fisheries.
- Four people killed and many injured as truck carrying wedding party falls off hilly road in Churachandpur district in Manipur.
- United Nations will not send election observers for Bangladesh's 13th national parliamentary election to be held on 12 February.
- Team of security force in Manipur conducts operation in hill range of Upper and Lower Khabung village in Senapati district and destroys poppy plants cultivated in around 13 hectares.
- Si-Donyi Hilo celebrated across Arunachal Pradesh with traditional fervour by Tagin believers.
- Four-day 69th National School Yogasana Championship for Under-17 boys concludes in Tripura.

### **RAILWAYS:**

An inspection team led by Sumeet Singhal, Commissioner, Railway Safety, North-East Frontier Circle, Kolkata conducted a speed trial of the Thingou-Khongshang Station stretch under Noney District in Manipur yesterday. The team inspected the newly laid lines by motor trolley to review the progress and eligibility to run passenger services along this line. The inspection will continue today and if satisfied with the technical safety parameters, the passenger service by NorthEast Frontier Railway, Lumding Division will commence soon. The 'Jan Satabdi Rail' from Agartala to Khongshang Station made its maiden passenger service in May 2023, but the service was discontinued soon after ethnic conflict broke out in the State, though freight trains remain in service.

### **COMPENSATION CASE:**

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu said the state government has constituted a committee for re-assessment of a land compensation related to the Lada–Sarli frontier highway issue. The case has already been registered with the Anti-Corruption Bureau. Reacting to demands for a CBI or ED probe, the Chief Minister while addressing the media at the BJP Office in Itanagar said, strict action would be taken against anyone found guilty after due investigation. He clarified that central agencies such as the Enforcement Directorate and the Central Bureau of Investigation are independent bodies and the state government cannot direct them to take up a case.

### **RECRUITMENT:**

In Nagaland, the state-wide police recruitment rally 2026 will begin today with more than 30,000 aspirants competing for 1,176 constable posts. The rally will continue till the 13th of this month, excluding Sunday. Addressing the media yesterday, Commissioner of Police Dimapur, Aotula T Imchen said, the recruitment is being monitored by a six-member district-level screening committee. In order to ensure transparency and accountability, Imchen said, all different events of the recruitment process is being covered under CCTV. Appealing for discipline and patience, the Commissioner reiterated the Nagaland Police and the state government's commitment to selecting physically fit, mentally alert and disciplined young men and women who will join the police force to serve the public and the nation.

### **MEGHALAYA YOUTH:**

From Meghalaya, 25 youth delegates along with four officials are representing the state in the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026 to be held in New Delhi from 9th to 12th of this month. Another 23 youth artists from will also represent the state in traditional folk song and dance at the national level, while three youth will participate in declamation, poetry and painting competitions. Addressing media persons in Shillong yesterday, Director of Meghalaya Sports and Youth Affairs, DD Shira, provided an overview of the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026. State Youth Officer and Nodal Officer for Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue 2026, Bobby Wahlang stated that Meghalaya is participating in the Youth Leaders Dialogue, Cultural Tracks and Design for Bharat categories. Under the Design for Bharat, two students from the National Institute of Technology, Shillong were selected at the national level for their innovation, a Smart Braille Watch. The youth will get an opportunity to interact with Prime Minister Narendra Modi on National Youth Day on the 12th of this month.

### **MANIPUR YOUTH:**

Manipur Governor, Ajay Kumar Bhalla yesterday interacted with the selected young leaders of Manipur who will represent the State at the 29th National Youth Festival 2026, Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue during a send-off ceremony held at the Lok Bhavan in Imphal. A total of 39 youth selected through a rigorous and multi-tiered process from various institutions across Manipur will participate in the national event organised annually since 1995 to honour Swami Vivekananda's birth anniversary. The Festival will be held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi from 9th to 12th of this month. The Governor congratulated the participants and encouraged them to actively engage in discussions, exchange ideas with other participants from across the country and showcase the talent and vision of Manipur's youth. He also conveyed his best wishes for their success and meaningful learning experience.

### **COLD-WATER FISHERIES:**

Fisheries Minister, Gabriel Denwang Wangsu has called for a special policy for hill and border states to promote cold-water fisheries, strengthen infrastructure, and improve the livelihoods of rural fishermen. Addressing the 12th governing body meeting of the National Fisheries Development Board in Hyderabad, Wangsu supported a proposal to bring the Mission Amrit Sarovar under fisheries activities for fish farming. He said that the convergence of fisheries programmes with the mission would help boost inland fish production and generate additional income opportunities.

### **ROAD ACCIDENT:**

In Manipur, four people were killed and many injured after a truck carrying a wedding party fell off a hilly road in Churachandpur district. A police report said, four people were declared dead on the spot and the injured persons have been shifted to hospital for treatment. The accident occurred around 12 noon yesterday near Ngaijang village when the truck was going from New Lamka of Churachandpur district. The truck faced a brake failure during a steep climb and fell down a steep hillside and turned turtle several times in the field area.

### **UN-BANGLADESH:**

The United Nations will not send election observers for Bangladesh's 13th national parliamentary election, scheduled to be held on 12 February. Speaking at the UN's regular press briefing, UN Secretary-General António Guterres' spokesperson Stéphane Dujarric said, the UN does not deploy election observers without a mandate from the UN General Assembly or the Security Council. The UN country office may provide technical assistance during elections, though this would be checked separately. Meanwhile, the Transparency International Bangladesh has strongly criticised the Election Commission's decision to cover accommodation and meal expenses for foreign election observers.

### **POPPY CULTIVATION:**

In Manipur, a team of security force, forest department and NCB conducted an operation in the hill range of Upper and Lower Khabung village in Senapati district and destroyed poppy plants cultivated in around 13 hectares. The team burnt down a temporary shed used by poppy cultivators. The operation was conducted under the "War Against Drug and Poppy campaign". The team has initiated a legal process against the poppy cultivators, and informed the nearby villagers to remain alert and report any information about such cultivation to the nearest police station.

### **TRIPURA:**

Rajya Sabha MP and Tripura State BJP President Rajib Bhattacharjee yesterday visited Janardanpara at Uttar Machmara under Pecharthal block in Unakoti district. He also visited the residence of Angel Chakma, the student who was killed in Dehradun, Uttarakhand. During the visit, Bhattacharjee spoke with Angel Chakma's father, paid floral tributes to his portrait and expressed condolences to the bereaved family. Later, speaking to Akashvani, Bhattacharjee said that both the Uttarakhand government and the Tripura government are working to ensure appropriate punishment for those responsible for the killing of Angel Chakma.

### **SI-DONYI:**

Si-Donyi Hilo was celebrated across Arunachal Pradesh with traditional fervour by Tagin believers. Colourful cultural program and ritual offerings of mithuns were witnessed during the celebrations at Daporijo, Nacho, Taliha, Dumporijo, Itanagar, Aalo, Mechuka and other places. Jiko Tako, MLA Tali Constituency, attended the

celebration at Daporijo. Addressing the gathering, he highlighted the importance of cultural preservation and promotion and apprised the need to preserve the rich cultural heritage beliefs and systems of the Tagin community. Minister for Home and Indigenous Affairs, Mama Natung, attended the celebration at Naharlagun.

**NATIONAL SCHOOL SPORTS:**

The four-day-long 69th National School Yogasana Championship for Under-17 boys, organised by the Tripura School Sports Board under the aegis of the School Games Federation of India, concluded yesterday. A total of 33 units from different States & Union Territories participated in the championship. Maharashtra emerged as the overall champion by winning two gold and two silver medals. Tripura secured the first runners-up position with two gold medals, while West Bengal finished as the second runners-up.

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