

NORTH EAST NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINES:-

1. Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan calls upon youth of Nagaland to actively participate in national service and contribute to nation-building.
2. Vice President, C.P. Radhakrishnan arrives in Aizawl on two-day visit to Mizoram, and will attend 20th convocation of Mizoram University today.
3. Chief Minister, Conrad K Sangma is Meghalaya's longest Chief Minister in continuous term, as MDA government completes eight years in office.
4. Budget session of 8th Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly begins in Itanagar; Seven bills, including, Good and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026, introduced in the House.
5. Budget Session of Tripura Legislative Assembly will commence on 13th of this month.
6. Policy makers, experts and representatives from various organisations discuss on sustainable agriculture in Himalayan region during second Stakeholder Consultation Meeting in Shillong on Himalayan Agroecology Initiative.
7. Tripura Forest Minister, Animesh Debbarma says State government is placing special emphasis on developing bamboo-based industries to strengthen State's economy.
8. Meeting convened with Deputy Commissioners and Principal Census Officers of districts and officials of Directorate of Census Operations in Shillong as part of preparatory activities for Census 2027.
9. Tripura Tribal Welfare Minister, Bikash Debbarma says opportunities have been created for people associated with various professions to get training, credit assistance, modern equipment and connection with market system.
10. 11th Arunachal Film Festival begins at TNZ Cinemas in Itanagar.

NEWS IN ORDER:-

VP-NAGALAND

Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan yesterday called upon the youth of Nagaland to actively participate in national service and contribute to nation-building, stating that a Viksit Nagaland will play an important role in achieving a Viksit Bharat. Addressing the 8th Convocation Ceremony of Nagaland University at Lumami in Zunheboto district, the Vice President emphasised that unity remains India's greatest strength despite its vast diversity. He also highlighted the transformative infrastructural development and peace initiatives

witnessed in the North Eastern region over the past decade under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Referring to the Frontier Nagaland Territorial Authority agreement, he noted that peace and cooperation are crucial for the overall development of the state.

VICE PRESIDENT

Vice President, C.P. Radhakrishnan arrived in Aizawl yesterday on a two-day visit to Mizoram, marking his maiden visit to the state since assuming office as the Vice President. Today, the Vice President will attend the 20th convocation of Mizoram University at the MZU Multipurpose Hall. On his arrival, he was received at Lengpui Airport by the Governor, V. K. Singh and Minister for Higher and Technical Education, Dr. Vanlalhlana. At Lok Bhavan, he was welcomed by Chief Minister Lalduhoma, Home Minister K. Sapdanga, along with other ministers and senior government officials. A cultural programme was organised in his honour in the evening at the circular lawn of Lok Bhavan. After attending the programme in Mizoram, the Vice President will leave for Tripura.

EIGHT YEARS MDA

The Meghalaya Democratic Alliance government has completed eight years in office yesterday and a grand programme titled “Our Magnificent Meghalaya Vision 2032” was held at the P. A. Sangma Sports Complex in Tura. The eighth anniversary of the MDA government also marked Conrad K Sangma as the longest Chief Minister in continuous term in the state. The programme was led by the Chief Minister and attended by Assembly Speaker, Thomas A. Sangma, Deputy Chief Ministers, Prestone Tynsong and Sniawbhalang Dhar, besides ministers, MLAs and officials. On the occasion, government initiatives including CM Scholarship Scheme, Farm+, Green Meghalaya+ and Focus+, CM Elevate, Homestay Mission were highlighted, with beneficiaries sharing their experiences. In his address, Sangma highlighted Meghalaya’s economic growth and fiscal discipline, making the state India’s second fastest growing state, while stressing for unity, teamwork and continued commitment to sustainable development.

ARUNACHAL BUDGET SESSION

The Budget session of the 8th Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly began in Itanagar yesterday. Seven bills, including, the Good and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2026, The Arunachal Pradesh Fire & Emergency Services Bill, 2026, The Arunachal Pradesh Salaries, Allowances and Pension of Members of Legislative Assembly (Amendment) Bill, 2026 and the Arunachal Pradesh Transfer and Posting of Employees of Education Department (Regulation and Management) Bill, 2026 were introduced in the House. The Legislative Assembly also confirmed the constitution of an assembly committee to study measures to strengthen protection of wildlife and human-wildlife conflict in the state. The committee will be led by an MLA and it will submit its report to the Speaker for further discussion in the assembly.

TRIPURA SESSION

The Budget Session of the Tripura Legislative Assembly will commence on the 13th of this month. A total of nine days has been fixed for the budget session which will conclude on the 25th of this month. The calendar for the session was finalised by the Business Advisory Committee. The session will begin with the Governor's address to be followed by a discussion on paying tribute to the late Assembly Speaker, Bishwabandhu Sen. On the 16th of this month, Finance Minister, Pranajit Singha Roy will present the Budget for the financial year 2026–27 along with the revised budget for year 2025–26. Some Bills like the Tripura University of Health Sciences Bill, Technical University Bill and Women's University Bill will be introduced in the House. After discussions on the budget, the House is scheduled to pass the budget on the 25th of this month.

MEETING

In Meghalaya, a day-long second Stakeholder Consultation Meeting on the Himalayan Agroecology Initiative was held at the State Convention Centre in Shillong yesterday, bringing together policy makers, experts and representatives from various organisations to discuss on sustainable agriculture in the Himalayan region. The consultation was organised with support from international partners and focused on finalising the Himalayan Agroecology Roadmap for Sustainable Food Systems in the Indian Himalayan Region. Addressing the meeting, Agriculture Secretary, Isawanda Laloo highlighted the importance of climate-resilient farming practices and stronger support for farmers. She also stressed on collaboration with research institutions and greater engagement with grassroots farming communities across Meghalaya.

BAMBOO

Tripura Forest Minister, Animesh Debbarma said that the State government is placing special emphasis on developing bamboo-based industries to strengthen the State's economy. He made the remarks while inaugurating a Bamboo Value Chain Development workshop on bamboo industry at Pragya Bhavan in Agartala yesterday. The minister said, the initiative is a significant strategic step aimed at transforming Tripura's bamboo sector into a market-oriented and climate-sensitive value chain. He noted that bamboo also plays an important role in the State's tourism sector, with bamboo-based resorts increasingly attracting tourists. Emphasising the need to boost bamboo cultivation, the Minister called upon entrepreneurs to come forward and establish more bamboo-based industries by utilising modern technology.

CENSUS

As part of the preparatory activities for Census 2027, a meeting was convened with the Deputy Commissioners and Principal Census Officers of the districts and officials of the Directorate of Census Operations in Shillong yesterday. Chaired by State Nodal Officer for Census, Dr. Pooja Pandey, participants were briefed on the various components of the census. During the presentation, emphasis was laid on the timeline for the Houselisting Operations. The self-

enumeration process will be carried out from 1st to 15th of May, followed by house-to-house houselisting operations from 16th of May to 14th of June 2026. Preparations for the training of census functionaries at different levels were also discussed. The State Nodal Officer, stressed that effective coordination among all stakeholders will be essential to ensure the successful conduct and completion of the census.

SCHEME

Tripura Tribal Welfare Minister, Bikash Debbarma yesterday said that under the PM Vishwakarma scheme, opportunities have been created for people associated with various professions to get training, credit assistance, modern equipment and connection with the market system. He said this while inaugurating a one-day awareness camp organized by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Government of India at the Panchayati Raj Training Center in Ambassa, Dhalai district. Artisans were provided with detailed information about the benefits of the project. Many artisans, small entrepreneurs and officials of the concerned departments participated in this camp.

FILM FESTIVAL

The 11th Arunachal Film Festival began at TNZ Cinemas, Itanagar yesterday. Organised by the Information and Public Relations Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, the three-day festival is featuring storytelling sessions, panel discussions, workshops and interactions with filmmakers and artists participating from across the region. The event aims to promote emerging voices from the Northeast, especially talents from Arunachal Pradesh, providing a platform to showcase creativity.
