



agriculture, livelihood, and infrastructure development. Later, the Union Minister also held a review meeting with state officials of NSIC, KVIC, Coir Board, and MSME-DFO under the Ministry of MSME.

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Union MSME Minister Jitan Ram Manjhi today reaffirmed the Central government's commitment to the development of the Northeast. He said Prime Minister Narendra Modi views the Northeastern states not merely as border regions, but as a vital center for India's development, culture, and strategic strength. Speaking to Akashvani News Kohima after the review meeting of Longleng district, the Union Minister expressed overall satisfaction with the progress of the district across sectors including connectivity and law and order situation. He highlighted concerns raised by local officials across departments, including health, over the severe shortage of personnel in the district. On the MSME front, he urged stronger support for Khadi and Village Industries Commission and the Coir Board, and also noted that Pradhan Mantri Vishwakarma Yojana will be launched in the district immediately. Emphasising that Longleng has significant industrial and development potential, the Union Minister said a detailed report will be submitted to the Centre recommending establishment of industries in the region.

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Governor Nand Kishore Yadav today emphasized upon peace, safety and development to boost Nagaland's growth. Interacting with a media delegation from Nagaland led by Press Information Bureau following their exposure visit to Bihar, he highlighted the state's vast potential, particularly its natural beauty, and underscored the media's role in promoting awareness and constructive public discourse. Sharing his observation on Bihar's developmental progress, Mr Yadav said sustained efforts, dedicated leadership, and well-planned policies are essential for long-term and sustainable development. The Governor also appreciated PIB Nagaland for organising the exposure visit, stating that such initiative help strengthen inter-state understanding. The PIB Nagaland media exposure tour to Bihar was conducted from March 16 to 21, and including visits to key locations such as Patna, Nalanda, Rajgir, and Bodh Gaya, covering heritage, tourism, and development sites.

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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio today chaired the State-Level DISHA meeting at Kohima. In a social media post, he said the meeting reviewed implementation of Central Sponsored Schemes to improve coordination, convergence, and timely delivery of welfare programmes. Mr Rio emphasised the need for stronger coordination among departments, activation of district-level committees, and ensuring quality education across the state.

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The nationwide IEC campaign, 'Jan Bhagidari – Sabse Door, Sabse Pehle,' is underway across various districts of Nagaland. The initiative is aimed at creating awareness on government welfare schemes and ensuring delivery of services to tribal communities and Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups in remote areas. In Phek, the campaign was launched today led by Deputy Commissioner Rhosietho Nguori along with heads of various district departments. The campaign was also launched in Zunheboto yesterday, with awareness drives beginning from May 25 in a phased manner across different locations of the district. In Longleng, the programme began on Monday and includes village-level awareness drives, health camps, Aadhaar enrolment, welfare scheme facilitation, and grievance redressal sessions.

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A three-day mandatory training programme for Field Trainers under Census of India 2027 commenced today at Kohima, bringing together participants from Kohima, Tseminyu, Wokha and Zunheboto districts. Addressing the inaugural session, SDO (Civil) Sadar, Seyiekhrietuo Solo, said the Census exercise plays a vital role in development planning and stressed the need for accurate data collection. ADCO, Directorate of Census Operations, Mhathung Kithan said the 2027 Census would involve a five-level training structure to ensure uniformity. He emphasized that accurate Census data is essential for policy implementation, economic planning, and nation building. Altogether, 36 Field Trainers from the four districts are participating in the training.

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And in weather, the India Meteorological Department has forecast continued rainfall activities over the Northeastern states during the week. The Department said Nagaland is likely to experience heavy rainfall across isolated places from the 22nd until the 25th of May.

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