

THE HEADLINES

- Nagaland Governor P.B. Acharya extends greetings on the occasion of Diwali; appeals for a pollution-free Diwali.
- Centre prohibits manufacture, sale and use of certain fire crackers; aims at mitigating levels of pollution.
- Preparation of genuine and realistic E-Roll a major factor for conducting clean election, says Election Observer to Longleng.
- In FIFA Under-17 World Cup Brazil to take on Honduras while Ghana defeated Niger to enter the quarter finals.



Nagaland Governor P.B. Acharya has extended greetings and warm wishes on the occasion of Diwali to the people of the State. In his message, the Governor said that Diwali, the festival of lights inspires all to move towards light from darkness. Let us light the lamps of compassion, love and righteousness. Let us resolve to fight against illiteracy, inequality, poverty, discrimination and malice, and let us promote universal peace and brotherhood in the society,” the Governor exhorted. Acharya also called on all to build a New India, which is prosperous, strong and free of communalism, casteism and terrorism under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister, Narendra Modi. The Governor also appealed all for a pollution-free Diwali celebration.



The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, has launched the Harid Diwali-Swasth Diwali campaign aimed at mitigating levels of pollution seen during the festive season. The Centre has prohibited the manufacture, sale and use of certain fire crackers. In this regard, Commissioner of Police Dimapur in a release has informed that loud fire crackers are prohibited. It said bursting of fire cracker is limited till 10:30 PM. The Police urged citizens of Dimapur to adhere to the directive in order to maintain peace and tranquility in the district.



Election Observer K.I. Yanger today visited Longleng district and held a coordination meeting with the Supervisors and Booth Level Officers at the DC's conference hall. Asserting that preparation of genuine and realistic E-Roll will be one of the most important factor for conducting clean elections, the Observer appealed to the Supervisors and BLOs to work with dedication and sincerity for realistic E-Roll in the district. Yanger also pointed out that 90 per cent of the Supervisors and BLOs comprised of teachers who are well qualified to handle the task and at the same time to educate the public, besides imparting quality education to the students in the class rooms. He was optimistic that every BLO would understand their big responsibility and work as per the guidelines and directions of the Election Commission. The Deputy Commissioner, Longleng, Y. Denngan Avennoho Phom urged for deletion of double entry, under age, and death for Clean E-Roll in the district. He also informed that Aadhaar centre has been setup in the DC office for corrections and new enrolment.



The Centre has asked states to be extra vigilant during the ongoing festive season against attempts by terrorists and subversive elements to disrupt peace and ignite communal tension. Sources said, the Home Ministry has asked the state governments to deploy additional forces in crowded and religious places to foil any attempts by terrorists to carry out attacks. The state governments have also been advised to be alert against provocative sloganeering, especially near religious places.



India has signed a Memorandum of Co-operation (MoC) with Japan to send youngsters as technical interns for on-the-job training for a period of three to five years. The MoC on Technical Intern Training Programme was signed by Skill Development Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and Japanese Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare Katsunobu Kato in Tokyo yesterday. India is the third country with which Japan has signed the MoC.



The State Government has constituted a Committee for administering the Nagaland Journalists' Welfare Scheme. Parliamentary Secretary Information & Public Relations will be the Patron, while Commissioner & Secretary, Information & Public Relations will be the Chairperson, and Director, Information & Public Relations the Member Secretary, along with four others as members. The first meeting of the Committee has been convened on 21st of this month in the office chamber of the Commissioner & Secretary, Information & Public Relations.



State motor Vehicle Department, conducted a programme of Road Safety Awareness at Tuensang today under the theme “Time for Action.” Deputy Commissioner Tuensang L Jamithung stressed on the need to have proper education on the usage of signals, dipper, and disciplined driving, which he felt are the factors relating to road accidents. He also asked the law enforcing agencies to come up with stringent rules to check on any violation and control traffic menace. Senior Motor Vehicle Inspector Arenbo Peter, informed about the Nagaland state Road safety authority and its ramified network. He said the authority is to educate and implement the Road safety agendas to reduce the rate of road accidents. He said, the awareness on usage of seat belt, helmets and avoiding usage of mobile phones while driving has become mandatory.



The Order of the Election Commission of India (ECI) directing the Naga People’s Front to settle the internal imbroglio through a General Convention, has shattered the claim of Neiphiu Rio’s NPF group. In a press note issued by the Media and Press Bureau, Naga People’s Front, Central Headquarters, it said, the Order of the ECI is in itself proof enough that Rio and group are not legally competent to call for a General Convention of the NPF party. The NPF, Central Headquarters, however said that it shall continue to adhere to the Constitution of the party and meticulously follow the directions of the Election Commission of India. Saying that there is no doubt in the court of law regarding the issue of the Whip, which is now in the Court, the NPF Central Headquarters said that it shall be decided sooner or later and that their stand shall be justified.



State Bharatiya Janata Party, BJP has clarified on the recent confusion made to public in respect of BJP Kohima District which appeared in local dailies. In a press release, BJP State General Secretary, Eduzu Theluo stated that it has deputed its official to examine and submit its report to the state office. However, before the state office took its decision the district President along with selected officials defunct themselves by closing the district office, besides submitting an ultimatum letter to the state office. Terming their act as not warranted, Theluo said as per the party constitution the defunct president and officials have no right to use their previous designation as they have resigned from the post. Theluo further warned the resigned party officials with disciplinary action if they try to damage the image of the party. The general secretary further informed that the State President BJP Nagaland has appointed Khrielie Usou as District President of BJP Kohima with immediate effect. It may be mentioned that the then District President along with some officials had declared their mass resignation through local dailies on 16 October.



In Under-17 FIFA World Cup Football, last two pre-quarter final matches will be played today. In the first match, played a while ago, Ghana defeated Niger by two goals to nil to enter into the quarter finals. In the second match, Brazil will play against Honduras in Kochi at 8 PM. So far, six of the eight quarter-final berths have been decided. While Germany and the United States entered the last-8 stage on Monday, Spain, England, Iran and Mali booked their berths yesterday. England defeated Japan 5-3 on penalties, Spain edged out France 2-1, Iran got the better of Mexico 2-1, and Mali outplayed Iraq with a 5-1 win.

