

## **EVENING NEWS**

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### **THE HEADLINES**

- **State Chief Electoral Officer notifies registration for foreign resident voters.**
- **Government declares Nagaland Honey Bee Day; aims to create platform for beekeeping technology to farmers.**
- **Energy efficient bulbs and tube lights to be sold at petrol pumps across the country.**
- **Law to regulate activities of NGOs across country to be framed, says Centre to Supreme Court.**



**State Chief Electoral Officer, Abhijit Sinha in a notification stated that any citizen of India staying in a foreign country, who has not acquired citizenship of a foreign country, and has completed 18 years of age as on 1st January this year, can apply for registration of name in the electoral roll. Registration for such case will be done for the constituency pertaining to the locality in which his or her place of residence in India as mentioned in the passport. The application can be submitted directly to Electoral Registration Officer of the constituency. The application also can be presented in person or by post addressed to Electoral Registration Officer of the constituency or by applying online through National Voters Services**

Portal at [www.nvsp.in](http://www.nvsp.in) or at [www.eci.nic.in](http://www.eci.nic.in). Applicants are asked to paste one recent passport size coloured in the prescribed form, to fill in all the columns given in the form. For those who send the application by post, it should be accompanied by photo copy of the relevant pages of the passport containing the photograph and all other particulars of the applicant and the page containing the valid visa endorsement duly self attested. Application without the attested photo-copies of these documents will be liable to be summarily rejected, the notification added.



The State Government has declared the 5th of December as “Nagaland Honey Bee Day”. Informing this in a notification, the Agriculture Production Commissioner said that the day will be observed throughout the State every year. It said, this is aimed to create community awareness on the role of the Honeybees as a contributing factor in the conservation of biodiversity as an agent of food chain. It will also promote and create a platform for beekeeping technology to the farmers in the field as an important system of organic farming and sustainability by establishing a vibrant cottage industry in the State.



Energy efficient LED bulbs, tubelights and ceiling fans will be sold at petrol pumps across the country. The consumer can purchase LED bulb at 70 rupees, tubelight at 220 and 5 star rated ceiling fans at 1200 rupees. Energy Efficiency Services Limited today signed an MoU with oil

marketing companies-Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited in New Delhi for distribution of UJALA Energy Efficient Appliances through Petrol Pumps. Speaking on the occasion, Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said, the three oil marketing companies have over 53 thousand petrol pumps and the products will be available across the country in the next 6 month. The distribution of these energy efficient appliances will be conducted in a phased manner across the petrol pump. Currently over 25 crore LED bulbs, 30 lakh LED tubelights and more than 11 lakh energy efficient fans have been distributed under the Ujala scheme. The Scheme was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in January 2015.



The Centre today told the Supreme Court that it is in the process of taking a final policy decision, including the framing of a law to regulate the activities of NGOs across the country. A bench comprising Chief Justice JS Khehar and Justice DY Chandrachud considered the statement of Additional Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for Centre, and adjourned the matter for further hearing on August 21. The bench said that in all probability, the Centre was going to come out with a legislation on the issue. The Additional Solicitor General sought some more time to appraise the court about the possible step to be taken by the government to regulate activities of the NGOs. The court was hearing a PIL filed by lawyer seeking to regulate activities of the NGOs including financial ones.



**The Naga People's Front, Central Headquarters, through their Media and Press Bureau today alleged that the present Nagaland government is unconstitutional and cannot function even for a day. The Chief Minister, the Ministers, Advisors and Parliamentary Secretaries telling the citizens that even if it is unconstitutional they can delay the matter in the Court and run the Government, is nothing but a slap on the face of the Constitution of India, the NPF alleged. It stated that if the Constitution of India is not made applicable to the state of Nagaland, the Governor P.B. Acharya shall be solely responsible and the Government at the Centre should disown the action of the Governor. It also demanded that the unconstitutional T R Zeliang government should be dismissed without further delay so as to enhance confidence of the citizens of Nagaland in the Constitution of India.**



**Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people in the country and abroad in Mann Ki Baat programme of All India Radio on 27th of this month. It will be the 35th edition of the monthly programme. In a tweet, Mr Modi has asked people to share their ideas and suggestions on the Narendra Modi App- My Gov Open Forum and can also dial the toll free number 7800 to record their message for the Prime Minister in Hindi or English. Interested people can also give a missed call on the number 1922 and follow the link received in SMS to directly give the suggestions to the Prime Minister. Mann Ki Baat is an apolitical and interactive broadcast focusing on welfare and well-being of the people.**



**Reserve Bank has made Aadhar linkage mandatory for farmers who wish to avail short-term crop loans in 2017-18. In a notification issued from Mumbai yesterday, RBI has advised banks to make Aadhaar linkage compulsory to ensure hassle-free benefits to farmers under the Interest Subvention Scheme. RBI has clarified that farmers can avail of short-term crop loans of up to 3 lakh rupees at subsidized interest rate of 7 percent that could go down to 4 percent on prompt repayment.**



**National Commission for Protection of Child Rights has appealed to parents and teachers to keep a close watch on those children who are showing abnormal and erratic behaviour which could be linked to Blue Whale Challenge game. Recently, there have been several instances where young children have committed suicide, apparently after having played this game, which ends in suicide. The government had yesterday said it will take action against internet-based social media platforms if they fail to remove links to the deadly Blue Whale Challenge game. Law and IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad had said, clear instructions have been issued to all the technology platforms that they must delink this game immediately.**



**Parliamentary Secretary, Land Resource Department & Excise, B.S. Nganlang Phom yesterday inaugurated the new office building of District**

**Project Officer, Longleng. In his inaugural speech, B.S. Nganlang said, for an effective implementation of government policies and programmes, he maintained that the Government requires suggestions, directions and cooperation from the civil societies and stakeholders. The Parliamentary Secretary urged the people to initiate and intervene into issues with innovative ideas. Secretary, Land Resource Department, Y. Kikheto Sema, also speaking on the occasion lauded the landowner for donating the land to the department. Mr. Sema said this was the first time where a Naga landowner became a land donor. He expressed that such good gesture should be disseminated to other landowners across the state.**

