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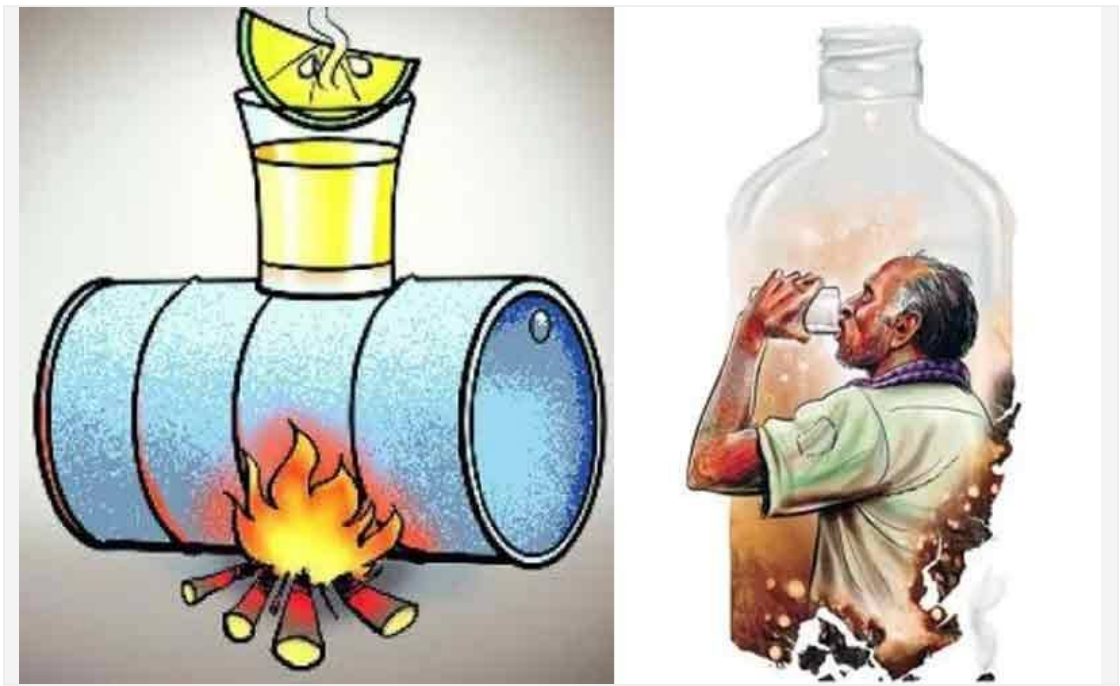
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19 Dead in Nagaland After Consuming Spurious Liquor; SIT Investigates



Despite a prohibition on alcohol in Nagaland, 19 people have died from consuming spurious liquor. Police have... meet hemantbhai mandoral Despite the prohibition law being in effect in Nagaland, 19 people have tragically died due to the consumption of spurious liquor. This incident has raised serious questions about the sale of illicit liquor in the state and the lack of control over it. Following this grave incident, the police have taken immediate action. In an operation conducted by the Special Investigation Team (SIT), 19 people have been arrested so far. These arrests have been made against individuals involved in the sale and distribution of spurious liquor. Further investigation is being carried out by the police. The main objective of this investigation is to find out...

Sambat Patra Says Differing Views in EC Reflect Pure Democracy



BJP National Spokesperson Sambit Patra said that differing views among members of the Election Commission are a sign of the vibrancy of India's democracy. Patra made these remarks during a recent interaction with the media, explaining that healthy debate within the commission reflects the institution's independence. He stated that such diversity should be viewed positively, as it highlights the country's commitment to democratic principles. Patra also underlined that disagreements among top officials are a symbol of institutional autonomy, not a lack of functionality. The Election Commission, an independent body established by the Constituti...

Nagaland's Forest Cover at 73%, Significantly Higher Than National Average: Principal Secretary



Nagaland's Principal Secretary informed that 73 percent of the state's total area is now covered by forest. This percentage is significantly higher than the national average, testifying to the state's rich biodiversity and verdant landscape. Officials stated that this high percentage is attributable to continuous conservation efforts and the hilly terrain, which naturally supports dense vegetation. The data released by the state administration aligns with the latest satellite data tracking forest density in India. Although the exact figure for the national average was not provided, it is evident that Nagaland's forest cover is substantially...

Impetus Launches Forward Builders Practice, Strengthening Construction Services



Impetus has introduced the Forward Builders Practice, which will offer comprehensive solutions for the constru... Impetus, known for its technology-driven business solutions, has launched a new division called Forward Builders Practice. This unit will provide consulting, project management, and digital integration services to cater to the evolving needs of developers, contractors, and real estate companies. This move comes amid increasing cost pressures and regulatory changes in the Indian construction sector, coupled with a demand for greater efficiency and sustainability. Impetus aims to enhance the design, procurement, and execution phases by leveraging its data analytics and automation capabilities. While detailed service descriptions have not yet...

21 Agreements Signed to Enhance Regional Air Connectivity Under UDAN Scheme

New Delhi - With the objective of strengthening regional air connectivity, the Ministry of Civil Aviation and partner airlines have signed 21 agreements under the UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) scheme. These agreements cover several routes connecting Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities to major hubs, making air travel more affordable and accessible. The agreements were formally finalized at a ceremony attended by senior officials, airline representatives, and state transport ministers. Each agreement details the required flight frequency, subsidies, and infrastructure support for launching new services. Under the UDAN framework, the government provides...

Nagaland Governor Reviews NSSB Operations and New Recruitment Plan

Kohima, September 24 (Northeast Today) - The Governor of Nagaland held a meeting with officials of the Nagaland Staff Selection Board (NSSB), during which the board's current operational procedures were examined. The review focused particularly on the efficiency of ongoing recruitment processes and the transparency of selection criteria. During the meeting, the Governor underscored the importance of timely appointments for various state government positions, stating that a smooth recruitment system directly impacts the quality of public services. The board presented statistics on recent examinations, vacancy filling rates, and pending appoin...

Nagaland Child Rights Panel Highlights Lack of Childcare Infrastructure



The Nagaland Child Rights Panel has highlighted the lack of childcare infrastructure in the state. In its recent investigation, the panel reported that the number of special childcare centers is insufficient, there is a shortage of staff, and the conditions of existing facilities are below standards. These shortcomings could impact the safety and development of children. The panel has demanded immediate corrective steps, including the construction of new facilities, renovation of existing centers, and training programs for caregivers. It has been requested that the state government respond to the panel's recommendations and present a concrete...

Nagaland Minister Temjen Imna Along Reacts to VR Experience with 'The State of Pappu's Life...'



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Nagaland Minister Temjen Imna Along participated in a virtual reality (VR) demonstration held in the state. After the session concluded, he remarked 'The State of Pappu's Life...', which immediately caught the attention of the media. The Economic Times reported this reaction, noting that the comment reflects the minister's spontaneous impression of the VR content. While the specifics of the VR scenario were not made public, officials indicated that the technology is being explored in the state for education and training purposes. This brief reaction highlights the interest of state leaders in emerging digital tools, while also attempting to...

India's Domestic Air Passenger Traffic Sees Slight Decline in Jan-Aug 2026, Says DGCA



New Delhi: The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) reported that India's domestic air passenger traffic in the January-August 2026 period shows a slight decline compared to the same period last year. The agency described the change as a marginal dip, indicating that industry growth has slowed but not reversed. According to the DGCA's report, the total number of passengers on domestic routes was slightly lower year-on-year. While the exact percentage was not disclosed, it suggests that airlines are facing a mild slowdown after several years of rapid expansion. Experts believe that rising fuel prices, post-pandemic travel caution, an...

Nagaland Minister Supongmeren Jamir Visits NH-29 Kisama Landslide Site, Demands Permanent Solution



Supongmeren Jamir, a senior minister in the Nagaland government, visited the landslide-affected section of NH-29 near Kisama. During his inspection, he met with local officials to survey the road damage. The landslide has disrupted traffic on the vital highway connecting the state's major cities. Emergency teams have been deployed to clear the debris and ensure the safety of commuters. Jamir emphasized the need for a permanent solution, directing engineering teams to conduct detailed geotechnical surveys and propose slope stabilization measures. He asked the Public Works Department to expedite repair work and implement measures to prevent S...

ABVP claims Generation Alpha shows greater maturity than earlier generations



ABVP, the student wing of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, issued a statement saying that members of Generation Alpha, born after 2010, are showing greater maturity compared to millennials, Generation Z and earlier generations. The comment was published in Nagaland Post, where ABVP leaders highlighted qualities such as academic responsibility, advanced digital literacy and early civic engagement. While praising these traits, education experts told the organisation that maturity is a subjective assessment and depends on socio-economic background. ABVP said it will use these capabilities of Generation Alpha in campus outreach and leadership p...

Nagaland CM Launches Fellowship Program, Releases Study on Development Prospects



Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio launched the fellowship program at a ceremony held in the state capital, announcing a new initiative to attract and develop skilled professionals in the region. The program will offer short-term fellowships to researchers, entrepreneurs, and policy analysts, including mentorship, financial support, and access to state facilities, enabling them to work on development projects in sectors such as tourism, agriculture, renewable energy, and infrastructure. Concurrent with the ceremony, Rio released a detailed study on Nagaland's development prospects, identifying opportunities and challenges across various se...

4 Dead, 4 Injured in Mokokchung, Nagaland Due to Suspected Hooch Consumption



Four people died and four others were hospitalized with symptoms of poisoning in Mokokchung city, Nagaland, local health officials reported. Police and the health department have launched an investigation to identify the source of the suspected hooch. Preliminary examination of recovered bottles is underway, and the public has been warned to avoid consuming uncertified local liquor. The district administration has ordered a thorough inspection of all liquor vendors in the area and urged families to report similar incidents immediately. Senior officials stated that strict action will be taken against those involved in the manufacture or dist...

Nagaland Governor Emphasizes Promotion of Hindi Alongside Preservation of Indigenous Languages

The Governor of Nagaland has underlined the importance of promoting the Hindi language in the state, while also emphasizing the need to protect the rich heritage of indigenous languages. This reflects a balanced approach towards linguistic integration and cultural preservation. According to the Governor, Hindi can serve as a unifying medium of communication, helping to connect the people of Nagaland with the rest of the country. Simultaneously, he stressed that the unique linguistic identity of the Naga people should not be undermined under any circumstances. The Governor's statement reflects ongoing efforts in the Northeast region to encou...

Trump and Xi pledge to shape the future of US-China relations

According to a Nagaland Post report, former US President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping jointly expressed their intention to determine the future of US-China relations. Both leaders said they would cooperate to address shared challenges and explore areas of mutual interest, signalling a desire to move past past tensions. Analysts say that even without concrete policy details, such a joint statement could influence Washington's and Beijing's diplomatic calculations, as both countries must manage issues such as trade, security and geopolitical competition. The pledge comes as global markets and regional partners closely watch for...

Mahua Moitra files police complaint against EC, demands FIR



Congress MP Mahua Moitra filed a police complaint at a Delhi police station on Thursday against the Central Election Commission (EC). The complaint alleges procedural lapses in the EC's functioning and calls for the registration of an FIR. Moitra said the step was taken to ensure accountability and transparency in electoral processes. The EC has not yet commented on the complaint, and its officials have also not responded. This move marks the first instance of heightened scrutiny of election bodies in India.

Shah pledges decisive fight against narcotics by 2029

Shah, a senior Indian leader, announced a decisive fight against narcotics and set 2029 as the target for measurable progress. He said the effort cannot be limited to rhetoric; concrete steps must be taken to reduce both supply and demand. Shah added that law-enforcement capabilities will be strengthened, coordination between central and state agencies will be increased, and rehabilitation and awareness programmes for drug users will be expanded. The statement comes amid reports of rising drug trafficking and consumption in several sectors, prompting calls for a coordinated national response. Officials said the strategy will include tighten...

Four die in Nagaland after consuming illicit liquor



Four people died in Nagaland after consuming illicit liquor, officials confirmed. Local police have launched an investigation to trace the source of the illegal liquor and apprehend distributors. The health department has warned the public to avoid unauthorised liquor and is conducting tests to confirm the presence of toxic substances. The

incident has heightened concerns over the illicit liquor trade in the region, and authorities have assured strict enforcement of existing liquor laws. The families of the deceased have been informed, and a post-mortem is being conducted to determine the exact cause of death.

Modi tells Indian youth: Lead service at the grassroots



Prime Minister Narendra Modi said youth participation is crucial in spreading the spirit of service at the gra...

Addressing the youth, Prime Minister Narendra Modi stated that the future of nation-building depends on their active participation. He emphasized that the energy, innovation, and commitment of the youth are essential to translate the government's vision of inclusive development into tangible results at the village and city levels.

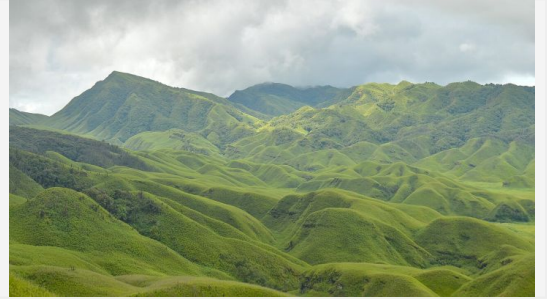
Modi urged the youth not to remain confined to mere words but to take concrete steps by participating in volunteer activities at the local level, such as health camps, education initiatives, and environmental conservation. He cited examples of successful youth-led programs, highlighting how such efforts improve liv...

Nagaland Health Protection Society urges Aadhaar link for Ayushman cardholders by Nov 30



The Nagaland Health Protection Society (NHPS) has requested all Ayushman Bharat cardholders in Nagaland to link their cards with Aadhaar before November 30. This step aligns with the central government's directives to integrate beneficiary data and prevent duplicate claims. The Society explained that Aadhaar linkage will enable faster verification of eligibility, seamless claim settlement, and better monitoring of scheme utilization. Furthermore, continued access to Ayushman benefits will not be possible without the Aadhaar link. Cardholders can complete the linking process through the official Ayushman Bharat portal, via SMS using a short...

19 deaths in Nagaland due to suspected spurious liquor

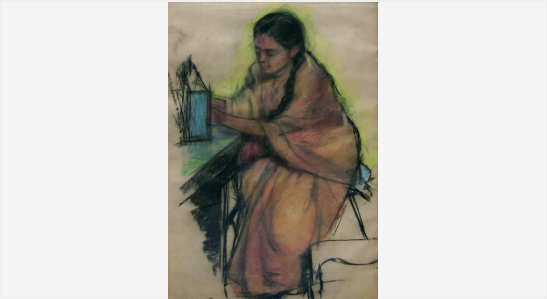


At least 19 people have died in a district of Nagaland after allegedly consuming spurious liquor, local health officials confirmed. The victims exhibited severe symptoms of poisoning shortly after consumption and were rushed to hospitals. The state police have launched an investigation into the source of the liquor, attempting to determine if it was illicitly manufactured or contained harmful substances. Samples collected from the scene are undergoing forensic examination, and the public has been cautioned against consuming unverified alcohol. This incident has reignited calls for stricter enforcement of liquor licensing regulations and inc...

Nagaland’s ‘Angh’, directed by Theja Rio, selected for Toronto International Film Festival

The Indian feature film ‘Angh’, written and directed by Nagaland filmmaker Theja Rio, has been selected for this year’s Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF). The selection places the film in a curated list of international titles and marks the first such film from the state to be screened on this global stage. ‘Angh’ highlights themes rooted in Nagaland’s culture and landscape, aiming to bring regional stories to international audiences. Festival organisers praised the film’s authentic narrative and its potential to raise awareness about Northeast India. The screening is expected to attract the attention of distributors and critics, o...

5th Emami Art Film Festival begins in Nagaland



The Emami Group today launched its fifth Art Film Festival in Nagaland. The event presents a curated selection of art-house and experimental films, bringing together independent filmmakers, visual artists, and cinema enthusiasts. Organizers stated that the festival aims to provide a platform for emerging talent and encourage dialogue on contemporary visual storytelling. Several screenings, panel discussions, and workshops will be held during the festival. Local cultural organizations and film societies are collaborating with Emami to foster regional participation. The program features works from both Indian and international filmmakers, refle...

CSU warns of further protests over Nagaland highway project delay



The Central Students Union (CSU), a prominent student organization in Nagaland, warned on Thursday that delays in the construction of the Dimapur-Kohima Highway could lead to further protests among residents and students. The highway is part of the National Highway network and was targeted for completion by the end of 2022, but

significant progress has not yet been made, according to state officials. Local communities have expressed discontent over the lack of employment opportunities and improved connectivity expected from the project, and several protests have already occurred in the state capital, Kohima. The CSU has urged the state go...

Record post-poll party switches in Nagaland; NPF emerges biggest gainer

Nagaland has recorded the highest number of post-election party switches in its recent history, drawing significant attention to the political landscape. The Nationalist Democratic Progressive Party (NDPP) has emerged as the biggest beneficiary, securing the largest number of MLAs who switched parties after the elections. This shift highlights the fluid nature of party loyalty in the state and underscores the growing influence of the NDPP. Analysts believe these movements could impact future coalition dynamics and governance in Nagaland.

111 MPs and MLAs Switched Parties After Winning Elections Post-2022, ADR Report

The latest analysis by ADR shows that 111 MPs and MLAs have switched parties after winning elections post-2022. This figure includes members from the Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, and various state assemblies. This trend raises questions about the effectiveness of the anti-defection law and the stability of party benches. The law aims to prevent opportunistic shifts, but the data suggests that many elected representatives still consider switching parties politically feasible. The report does not highlight a particular party or region but exposes this pattern across the entire country. Analysts say that this shift can affect coalition dynamics and...