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Sikkim: Devastating landslide in Ringim village, houses-roads-bridges destroyed, rescue operations begin

Sikkim High Court orders review of NH-10 odd-even rule in 3 weeks



Houses, roads, and bridges have been destroyed in a devastating landslide in Ringim village, Sikkim, caused by...

Santhosh SI A devastating landslide in Ringim village of Sikkim state, triggered by torrential rains, has caused widespread damage. In this incident, many village houses, major roads, and bridges have been completely destroyed. Due to the intensity of the landslide, it is suspected that many villagers may be trapped under the debris. Realizing the

gravity of the situation, rescue operations have been immediately launched. Local administration and disaster management teams have rushed to the affected areas and are working hard to rescue those trapped. This incident has created widespread panic in the region. As a precautionary measure, authorities have...

Sikkim HC Grants 3 Weeks for Re-evaluation of NH-10's Odd-Even Policy



The Sikkim High Court has instructed the state government to re-evaluate the odd-even traffic restriction implemented on National Highway 10. The court has set a clear timeline, giving the administration three weeks to submit a revised plan. The odd-even scheme, introduced to manage vehicle flow on the busy highway, has been drawing attention from commuters and local authorities alike. The court did not elaborate on the reasons for the review but stressed the need for balanced traffic management. State authorities will now be required to formulate a new proposal, taking into account the court's concerns, and present it within the stipulated...

ED Uncovers Hawala Operation of Rs 74 Crore Sent to Afghanistan



The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has reported uncovering a hawala operation that channeled approximately Rs 74 crore in drug money to Afghanistan. According to the agency, these funds were transferred through informal money-remittance networks and eventually deposited into accounts located in Afghanistan, where they are believed to have been utilized for terrorist activities. Investigators stated that the hawala system concealed the source of the funds, bypassing formal banking surveillance and circumventing anti-money-laundering regulations. The ED's investigation links this financial flow to known terror financing networks operating across...



The Sikkim High Court has directed the state government to re-examine the odd-even vehicle restriction on NH-10...

The Sikkim High Court on Monday ordered the state government to review the odd-even traffic scheme implemented on National Highway 10. The court set a strict deadline of three weeks for this task, making judicial oversight on the policy's impact clear. The odd-even rule, implemented earlier this year with the aim of reducing congestion

and pollution, stipulated that vehicles with odd numbers could ply on certain days and vehicles with even numbers on other days. Officials had hoped for an improvement in traffic flow and an increase in air quality through this measure. In its order, the bench directed the transport department to prepare a de...

Aadhaar-biometric attendance to start in Sikkim from Oct 1, salary cut for absence

The state administration has announced that an Aadhaar-linked biometric system will be implemented in all government offices in Sikkim from October 1 to record employee attendance. This move is aimed at reducing absenteeism in the public sector and modernizing time management. Under the new directive, each employee will be required to register their Aadhaar-linked fingerprint or iris scan at the beginning and end of the workday. Attendance data will be uploaded in real-time to a central server managed by the state's IT department. Employees who fail to register their attendance on a working day will face salary deductions as per service rul...

Congress alleges removal of 13 crore voters

The Congress has publicly stated that 13 crore voter names have been removed from the official electoral roll, raising concerns about the credibility of the voter list. The party argues that the removal of such a large number of names could question the validity of upcoming elections and disenfranchise millions of citizens. In response, Congress leaders have demanded a thorough investigation and sought clarification from the Election Commission regarding the detailed explanation for this removal from the voter list. So far, the Election Commission has not issued any official statement on this allegation. This controversy adds a new dimens...

Devastating Hillside Landslide in Sikkim's Rimbick Village Amidst Heavy Rainfall



A video shows a massive amount of soil and debris cascading down the mountainsides around Rimbick village in Sikkim. The landslide occurred as the region experienced excessive rainfall, exacerbating the flow. The footage captures the ground rupturing and large rocks and debris engulfing homes and pathways, highlighting the vulnerability of hillside

settlements to floods and landslides. Residents were seen fleeing to escape the impact. Local authorities have been alerted to the incident, and emergency teams are reportedly being mobilized to assess the damage and provide assistance to affected families. This event underscores the increasing r...

Massive Landslide in Sikkim's Rimbick Village After Continuous Rainfall

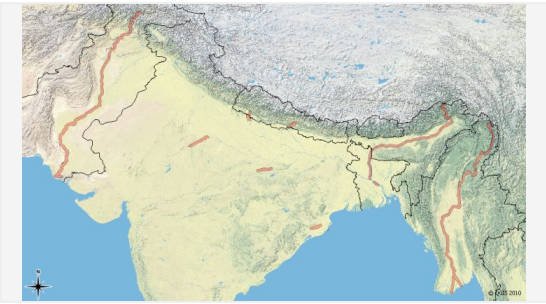


A massive landslide occurred in Sikkim's Rimbick village following continuous rainfall, causing destruction to...

A massive landslide occurred in Sikkim's Rimbick village after continuous rainfall, leading to the collapse of several houses and disrupting access to the area. The sudden slope failure trapped residents and affected local transportation routes. Search and rescue teams from the State Disaster Management

Authority and local police have initiated rescue operations, working to clear debris and reach affected families. Authorities have urged residents in nearby villages to remain vigilant as heavy rainfall continues in the region, warning of the possibility of further landslides.

Sikkim Minister N.B. Dahal Inspects Road and Infrastructure Works in Gyalshing



Sikkim's Infrastructure Minister N.B. Dahal visited Gyalshing on Monday to inspect ongoing road construction and related infrastructure works. The visit was aimed at monitoring progress and ensuring the quality and timely completion of projects. During the inspection, Dahal reviewed key road stretches connecting Gyalshing to nearby towns, as well as the condition of drainage systems, bridges, and utility facilities. Officials present informed that these works will ensure smooth all-year-round connectivity in the hilly regions of West Sikkim. The Minister appreciated the contractors' adherence to safety standards and urged them to expedite wor...

Landslide in Sikkim, Chief Minister Tamang extends support to Rimbhi residents



A landslide in the Rimbhi area of Sikkim has disrupted local infrastructure and displaced several families. Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang inspected the site and assured that the government would provide all necessary relief, including food, shelter, and medical aid. State disaster response teams have been deployed to clear debris, assess damage, and expedite rescue operations. Officials stated that the work is complicated by difficult terrain and weather conditions, but efforts are underway to restore access to the affected villages. The Chief Minister said that the administration will monitor the situation and continue to coordinate wit...

Bishwakarma Pratibha Samman 2026 Award Ceremony Held in Sikkim



SikkimExpress organized the Bishwakarma Pratibha Samman 2026 ceremony, honoring individuals for their exceptional skills and contributions. Selected winners were presented with awards during the event, with local dignitaries and community members offering their congratulations. The organizers highlighted the

importance of promoting artisans and cultural preservation through this award. The gathering underscored the need to appreciate talent in both traditional and modern fields. The ceremony concluded with a cultural program showcasing Sikkim's diverse heritage.

BJP appoints in-charges for 28 states and 8 union territories



The central leadership of the BJP has announced the appointment of in-charges and co-in-charges for all 28 states and 8 union territories. The list published on the party's official website assigns responsibilities for organizational work, campaign strategy, and coordination in each state and union

territory to senior leaders. This move is aimed at strengthening the party's grassroots connect in preparation for upcoming assembly elections and the general elections. The complete list is publicly available, providing detailed information about the appointees.

Sikkim Announces Ganesh Chaturthi Bumper Lottery Winners, Rs 3 Crore Prize



The Ganesh Chaturthi Bumper Lottery, organized in Sikkim, released its official results on September 19, 2026, which were broadcast live on the Goodreturns portal. This lottery had a total prize money of Rs 3 crore, with the biggest prize awarded to the ticket holder who correctly identified the winning number. Goodreturns

published the list of all winning ticket numbers, but the names of the winners have not yet been made public as the verification process is ongoing. This lottery has been organized as part of the state's festive celebrations and is regulated under Sikkim's lottery rules. Officials have requested all potential winners to sub...

Darjeeling MP Raju Bista Appointed BJP's Sikkim In-Charge

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has announced that Darjeeling Lok Sabha MP Raju Bista will serve as the party's in-charge for Sikkim. Bista, who represents the Darjeeling constituency, has been tasked with overseeing the party's organizational activities and electoral strategy in the Himalayan state. Party officials stated that this appointment is aimed at consolidating the BJP's presence in the Northeast ahead of upcoming state and national elections. Bista's experience in hill regions is expected to help him navigate Sikkim's unique political landscape, which has traditionally been influenced by regional parties. This move is one of severa...

Sikkim University Receives Support from NITI Aayog and FICCI for Incubation Centre at Yangang Campus

Sikkim University has announced that it has received collaborative support from NITI Aayog and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) to establish an Incubation Centre at its Yangang Campus. This partnership aims to provide mentorship, funding, and state-of-the-art facilities to startups and innovators in the state and the Northeast region. The Incubation Centre will feature co-working spaces, a prototype lab, and networking platforms, leveraging NITI Aayog's policy-making expertise and FICCI's industry connections. University officials stated that this initiative aligns with the central government's efforts to promo...

Landslide in West Sikkim Destroys 30 Houses

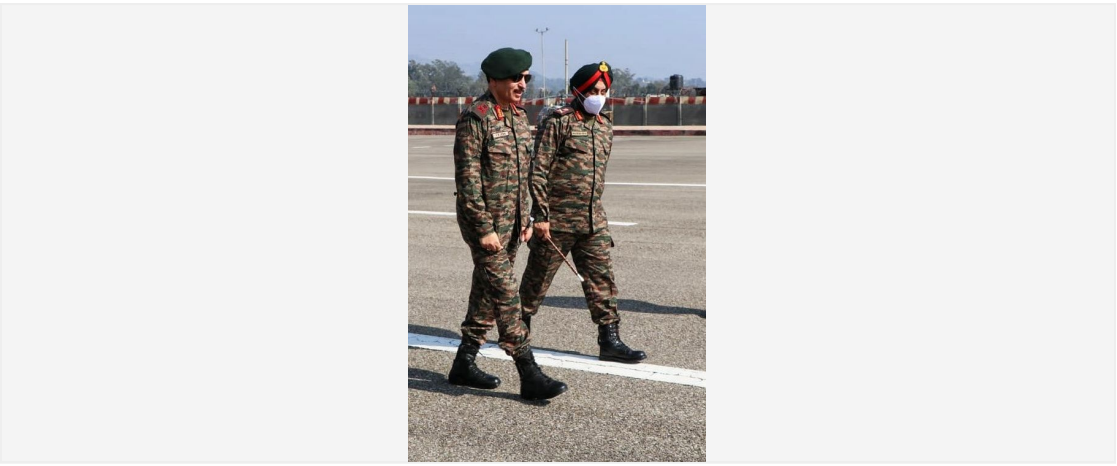


A sudden landslide occurred in a hilly region of West Sikkim, destroying approximately 30 houses and leaving many residents without shelter. The disaster struck in remote villages of the district, where the terrain is steep and unstable. Rescue teams from the local police and the Sikkim Disaster Management Authority were immediately dispatched to the scene to assess the damage and provide assistance to affected families. Initial reports indicate that the houses were completely destroyed, with debris scattered across the surrounding area. Authorities have urged residents to remain vigilant, and temporary relief camps have been set up for those...

Landslide in Rimbick, Sikkim Damages Several Homes

A major landslide occurred in the village of Rimbick, Sikkim, this week, causing damage to several homes. The incident is believed to have been caused by the steep slopes in the area and recent heavy rainfall. Local residents reported that the debris covered the roofs of at least five houses and partially demolished walls. Rescue teams from the Sikkim Disaster Management Authority have begun clearing the area and are assessing the level of damage.

Indian Army Rescues 46 Stranded Tourists in East Sikkim Under Operation Himrahat



The Indian Army carried out a rescue mission in East Sikkim where 46 tourists were stranded. The operation was named 'Himrahat', and the army immediately initiated action after receiving the report. Army personnel were deployed to the affected area and coordinated the safe evacuation of all tourists. While detailed information about the terrain or weather conditions was not provided, the swift deployment ensured all travelers were rescued without injury. Officials praised the quick response, stating that the success of Operation Himrahat demonstrates the army's capability to assist civilians in remote and challenging areas.

Sikkim Government Allocates New Land, Pledges Funds for Nuwer Cultural Centre



The Sikkim government has allocated additional land for the Nuwer Cultural Centre and promised financial assis...

The Sikkim state government has announced the allocation of additional land for the Nuwer Cultural Centre, aiming to support the community's cultural preservation efforts. This decision, taken by the state executive, comes with a pledge to provide financial assistance for the centre's development. While specific details of the funding have not yet been made public, officials have stated that the government will ensure the necessary resources are made available. The new centre will serve as a hub for cultural activities, performances, and community gatherings. This move reflects the state's broader initiative to promote cultural diversity and...

Bista Appointed In-Charge of Sikkim BJP



The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has announced that Bista will serve as the party's in-charge in Sikkim, according to an official party statement. SikkimExpress reported on this appointment, citing party sources. As in-charge, Bista will be responsible for the party's operations at the state level, coordinating with local leadership, and implementing the BJP's strategic plans. This role includes managing electoral campaigns, strengthening the grassroots network, and establishing a liaison between the national leadership and the state unit. This move comes as part of the party's efforts to expand its influence in Northeast India, with work u...

Sikkim CM Urges Strengthening of Ayurveda and Preventive Healthcare

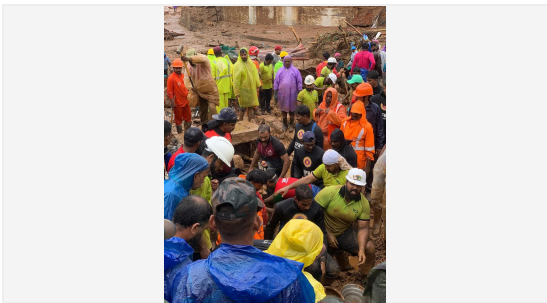


The Chief Minister of Sikkim recently emphasized the need to strengthen Ayurveda and preventive healthcare in a statement. He stated that reviving traditional medicine systems and focusing on disease prevention are essential for improving public health. The Chief Minister explained that Ayurveda's holistic approach, combined with modern medicine, can reduce the burden of chronic diseases. By adopting preventive measures such as lifestyle counseling and early screening, the state can achieve better health outcomes. He called for concrete steps at the policy level, including resource allocation, training programs for practitioners, and the in...

BJP's Strategic Move in Sikkim Ahead of Panchayat Elections

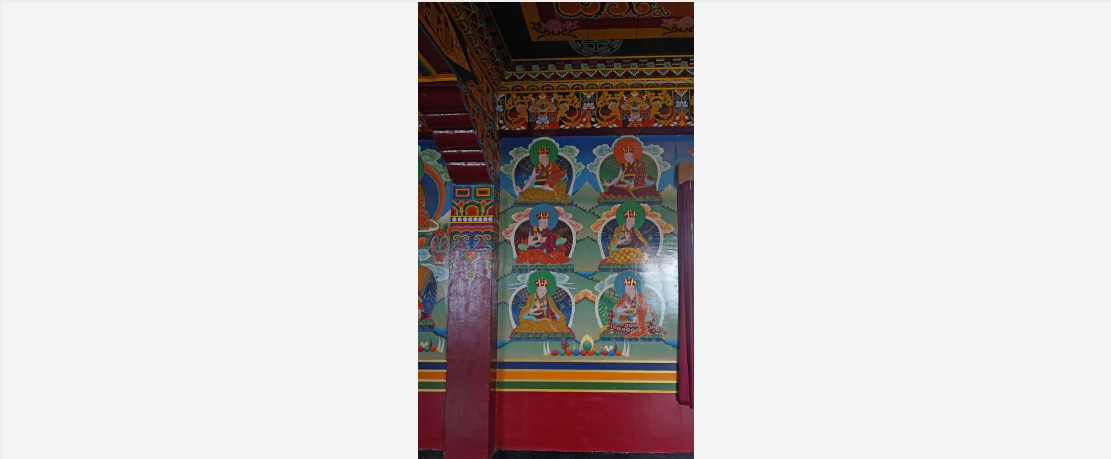
The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is intensifying its political strategy in Sikkim in the context of the upcoming Panchayat elections. Party officials have reported deploying resources and outreach efforts to influence voter sentiment at the local level. Analysts believe the timing of this move indicates the party's desire to establish a strong foothold in Sikkim's local governance structures before the state assembly elections. While the party has not disclosed detailed strategies, this move is attracting the attention of regional rivals and political observers. The results of the Panchayat elections will determine control over village and bl...

Hillside Collapse Damages Homes in Geyzing, Sikkim



A hillside collapse affected the Geyzing district of Sikkim on Wednesday, causing damage to several homes. Local rescue teams were immediately dispatched to the site to ensure the safety of residents and provide emergency assistance. Preliminary information suggests that the collapse was caused by continuous heavy rainfall in the region, which often triggers such incidents during the monsoon season. Authorities have begun assessing the damage and are coordinating with the State Disaster Management Department to provide relief to affected families. No deaths or serious injuries have been reported so far, but the possibility of further landslid...

First snowfall in Sikkim this year, triggers landslides and road closures



The early snowfall this week in Sikkim marked the onset of winter, blanketing the higher reaches in white. According to the Meteorological Department, a cold wave arrived rapidly, causing temperatures to drop sufficiently for snow to fall in the mountains. Along with the snow, landslides occurred on several slopes, particularly in districts

prone to soil erosion. Consequently, many hilly roads were blocked by debris, disrupting local traffic and halting the movement of goods and passengers. State disaster management teams have been deployed to clear the blocked routes and assess the stability of the affected areas. Authorities have urged re...

IMD Issues Heavy Rainfall Warning for Sikkim; Conditions to Improve from September 24

The Gangtok office of the India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a widespread rainfall warning for Sikkim, forecasting heavy showers across the state due to an approaching weather system. Meteorologists predict moderate to intense rainfall in the coming days, particularly in the hilly regions. Authorities have directed strict monitoring of river levels and landslide-prone areas, as saturated soil increases the risk of flash floods and slope failures. Local administration and disaster management teams have been put on standby for rapid response in case of emergencies. Model indications suggest that stability in weather will set in...

Landslides in Sikkim Village Due to Heavy Rain, 30 Houses Damaged

Multiple landslides occurred in a remote village in Sikkim following intense rainfall, causing damage to approximately thirty houses. These collapses destroyed roofs, walls, and household items, leaving many families stranded. Villagers report that daily activities such as farming and small businesses, which are their primary sources of livelihood, have been halted. Relief agencies have been informed, and authorities are expected to assess the damage soon. This incident highlights the vulnerability of hilly regions to extreme weather events.