

Synopsis of the main developments reported in leading newspapers.

26th July- 1st August 2025

Cabinet okays additional lines between Aluabari Road, New Jalpaiguri to boost connectivity in North East

The Union Cabinet has given its nod for the construction of the 3rd and 4th railway lines connecting Aluabari Road and New Jalpaiguri. This project, costing approximately Rs. 1,786 crores, aims to improve rail connectivity in Northeast India. It will reduce congestion, speed up passenger and freight movement, and boost the regional economy.

Read more at:
https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/transportation/railways/cabinet-okays-additional-lines-between-aluabari-road-new-jalpaiguri-to-boost-connectivity-in-north-east/articleshow/123023528.cms?from=mdr

Dibrugarh to get Rs. 188- crore maritime skill hub

Union In a major boost for youth empowerment in the northeast, the ministry of ports, shipping and waterways (MoPSW) is establishing a cutting-edge Regional Centre of Excellence (RCoE) in Dibrugarh, Assam. Union minister Sarbananda Sonowal said the Rs 188-crore project aligns with the Atmanirbhar Bharat mission and India's Maritime Amrit Kaal 2047 vision.

Read more at:
https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/guwahati/dibrugarh-to-get-rs-188-crore-maritime-skill-hub-sonowal/articleshow/123049444.cms#:~:text=Guwahati%3A%20In%20a%20major%20boost,Excellence%20(RCoE)%20in%20Dibrugarh.

Meghalaya CM Sangma inaugurates northeast's largest bottling plant in Mendipathar

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma opened the Varun Beverages Limited Plant. It is the biggest bottling plant in the North East. The plant is in Mendipathar Industrial Growth Centre. The project cost Rupees 340 crore. The government aims for a $10-billion economy by 2028. The plant will manufacture PepsiCo products.

Read more at:
https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/india/meghalaya-cm-sangma-inaugurates-northeasts-largest-bottling-plant-in-mendipathar/articleshow/123001184.cms

Arunachal eyes 15,000 MW boost with 13 new hydropower projects in 3 years

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu, asserted that the state is the "emerging hydropower capital of India", highlighting its massive energy potential and its transformative role in economic development and community welfare.

Read more at:

https://assamtribune.com/north-east/arunachal-eyes-15000-mw-boost-with-13-new-hydropower-projects-in-3-years-1586870

Eight Northeastern states preparing to co-host 39th National Games in 2027

In a historic and unprecedented move, all eight northeastern states are likely to co-host the 39th National Games in 2027, with Meghalaya as the central host, adopting a regional partnership model earlier proposed by the Ministry of Home Affairs and endorsed by the Union Minister Amit Shah.

Read more:

https://guwahatiplus.com/northeast/eight-northeastern-states-preparing-to-co-host-39th-national-games-in-2027

Arunachal Pradesh unveils Rs 6519 Cr power sector revamp

In a push to overhaul its power infrastructure, the Arunachal Pradesh government has rolled out a Rs 6,519-crore plan aimed at reducing energy losses, , modernising the electricity grid, and ensuring a more reliable and efficient power supply.
Announcing the initiative on Monday, Chief Minister Pema Khandu emphasised the

state's commitment to building a resilient power ecosystem.

Read more:

https://assamtribune.com/north-east/arunachal-unveils-rs-6519-cr-power-sector-revamp-to-boost-grid-reliability-cut-losses-1586581

AI-enabled sensors, drones tested by Army in Sikkim

An exercise to test new technologies, including AI-enabled sensors and drones, was conducted by the Indian Army in the high-altitude areas of East Sikkim.
The new technologies are designed to improve battlefield awareness, real-time surveillance and quick decision-making, a statement said

Read more:

https://assamtribune.com/national/ai-enabled-sensors-drones-tested-by-army-in-sikkim-1586555

Tripura CM unveils Rs 1,600-Cr World Bank project for tribal welfare

Reaffirming the State Government's commitment to tribal welfare, Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha announced a slew of initiatives, including a Rs 1,600-crore World Bank-funded project and a substantial budget allocation for the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (TTAADC).
Addressing a public event, Chief Minister Saha revealed that the World Bank-approved project, aimed at enhancing the living standards of tribal communities across the North East, has already been rolled out.

Read more:
https://assamtribune.com/north-east/tripura-cm-unveils-rs-1600-cr-world-bank-project-for-tribal-welfare-1586319