

Synopsis of the main developments reported in leading newspapers.

20 September - 26 September 2025

1. **Modi launches mega ₹5,125.37 crore infrastructure projects in Arunachal Pradesh**

   On 22 September 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated a set of infrastructure projects in Arunachal Pradesh totaling ₹5,125.37 crore. The projects aim to boost connectivity, support energy initiatives, and strengthen socio-economic development in remote areas of the state.

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/india/modi-launches-mega-rs-5000-crore-infrastructure-projects-in-arunachal-pradesh/articleshow/124038205.cms?from=mdr

2. **Community support grows for Siang Upper Multipurpose Project (Arunachal Pradesh)**

   Recent developments: Parong village officially signed an MoU with the state government in support of the Siang Upper Multipurpose Project (SUMP). This pertains to the preparation of the Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) stage. Increased local acceptance is seen as key to smoother implementation and reduced resistance for large projects.

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/india/arunachal-community-support-for-siang-upper-multipurpose-project-continues-to-gather-momentum/articleshow/124017953.cms?from=mdr

3. **Arunachal's GST collections rise ~700% since 2017**

   Arunachal Pradesh has seen its Goods & Services Tax (GST) revenue rise from ~₹227 crore in 2017-18 to nearly ₹1,900 crore in 2023-24 — an increase of over 700%. The state credits this growth to digital infrastructure, tax reforms, and better compliance. This signals improved fiscal health and revenue capacity for the state to invest further.

https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/business/india-business/arunachals-big-leap-gst-collections-rise-700-since-2017-wider-digital-access-and-reforms-fuel-momentum/articleshow/124001446.cms

4. **Arunachal Frontier Highway (1,840 km) to be launched**

   The Arunachal Frontier Highway, spanning 1,840 km and set to be launched on 22 September 2025, is designed to connect major river valleys and augment strategic and economic connectivity in border and interior parts of Arunachal Pradesh.

https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/pm-modi-to-launch-1840km-frontier-highway-project-in-arunachal/articleshow/124008503.cms

5. **Tripura CM lauds GST reforms, highlights benefits for NE states**

   On 25 September 2025, Tripura's Chief Minister Manik Saha praised the Prime Minister's GST reforms, stating they have improved revenue, streamlined taxation, and helped integrate Northeastern states more closely with the national economy.

https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/guwahati/tripura-cm-saha-lauds-pm-modi-for-gst-reforms/articleshow/124127734.cms

6. **$125 million India-ADB project to transform urban infra across 6 Assam districts**

The Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Monday signed a USD 125-million loan agreement aimed at enhancing urban livability and strengthening climate resilience across six districts of Assam

https://www.indiatodayne.in/assam/story/125-million-india-adb-project-to-transform-urban-infra-across-6-assam-districts-1281266-2025-09-22

7. **Manipur celebrates Handloom Day, showcases rich weaving heritage**

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD), Manipur Regional Office, in collaboration with the Manipur Apex Handloom Weavers and Handicrafts Artisans' Cooperative Society Limited (AWAS), celebrated Handloom Day today at the National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT), Akampat, Imphal.

https://www.indiatodayne.in/manipur/story/manipur-celebrates-handloom-day-showcases-rich-weaving-heritage-1281634-2025-09-23

8. **Manipur's Gloria Gangte named India's new ambassador to Norway**

The Ministry of External Affairs announced the appointment of Gloria Gangte, a seasoned diplomat from Manipur, as India's new Ambassador to the Kingdom of Norway.

Gangte, a 2000-batch Indian Foreign Service officer, currently serves as India's High Commissioner to Malta. Her appointment marks another significant milestone for the northeastern state of Manipur in India's diplomatic corps.

https://www.indiatodayne.in/manipur/story/manipurs-gloria-gangte-named-indias-new-ambassador-to-norway-1281776-2025-09-24