

Synopsis of the main developments reported in leading newspapers.

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Assam Agricultural University unveils seed museum and sprinkler system to boost sustainable farming

In a major step towards strengthening seed conservation and advancing sustainable agricultural practices, the Assam Agricultural University (AAU), Jorhat, inaugurated a Seed Museum and a modern Sprinkler Irrigation System under the All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) on Seed (Crops), Department of Plant Breeding and Genetics, AAU, Jorhat.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/assam/story/assam-agricultural-university-unveils-seed-museum-and-sprinkler-system-1288048-2025-10-08

Assam-Asean One Skill and Language Institute becomes operational, to train youth in Japanese language

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on October 6 announced that the Assam-Asean One Skill and Language Institute, established to provide Japanese language training to the state's youth, has become functional.
The Chief Minister made the announcement after meeting Toshiaki Nishikawa, Chairman of Asean One, at his office in Guwahati. He lauded the Japanese organisation for its collaboration and swift execution of the project.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/assam/story/assam-asean-one-skill-and-language-institute-becomes-operational-to-train-youth-in-japanese-language-1287307-2025-10-07

Public hearing for 1,000 MW Naying Hydro Project in Arunachal to be held on Nov 12

The environmental public hearing for the proposed 1,000 MW Naying hydroelectric project in Arunachal Pradesh's Shi-Yomi district will be held on November 12, officials said on Wednesday.
According to a circular issued by Shi-Yomi Deputy Commissioner Tungee Loya, the public hearing will take place at the Yapik community hall, inviting local residents to express their views and concerns about the project.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/arunachal-pradesh/story/public-hearing-for-1000-mw-naying-hydro-project-in-arunachal-to-be-held-on-nov-12-1288287-2025-10-09

Arunachal pushes oil palm cultivation to boost farmer income and reduce import dependence

Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lt. Gen. KT Parnaik (Retd.) visited a 4-hectare oil palm farm in Bosi Didum Village near Pasighat on October 6, underscoring the State Government's drive to expand oil palm cultivation.
During the visit, Governor Parnaik interacted with farmer Miti Megu Perme, other local farmers, and agriculture officials to gain firsthand insight into the farm's operations. He highlighted that oil palm cultivation is more than an agricultural activity—it is a strategic step toward economic growth, farmer empowerment, and national self-reliance. Noting India's heavy dependence on edible oil imports, the Governor said promoting oil palm can strengthen the rural economy, stabilize prices, and reduce import dependence.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/arunachal-pradesh/story/arunachal-pushes-oil-palm-cultivation-to-boost-farmer-income-and-reduce-import-dependence-1287386-2025-10-07

Nampchik coal mine goes live: Northeast's new mining era begins in Arunachal Pradesh

In a major development for Arunachal Pradesh's mining sector, Coal Pulze Pvt Limited, led by promoter Naveen Kumar Singhal, has successfully secured the Nampchik Coal Mine in Kharsang.
The 30-year mining lease, commencing in 2025, marks the entry of a new player in the Northeast coal sector and is projected to generate substantial revenue and local employment.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/arunachal-pradesh/video/nampchik-coal-mine-goes-live-northeasts-new-mining-era-begins-in-arunachal-pradesh-1286888-2025-10-06

Nagaland partners with Centre to strengthen civil services through Mission Karmayogi

In a significant step toward modernizing governance and enhancing the skills of state officials, the Government of Nagaland on Wednesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Capacity Building Commission and Karmayogi Bharat to implement the Mission Karmayogi initiative in the state.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/nagaland/story/nagaland-partners-with-centre-to-strengthen-civil-services-through-mission-karmayogi-1288149-2025-10-08

Nagaland University scientists develop flexible supercapacitor for wearables, EVs, and clean energy systems

In a major scientific breakthrough from the North East, researchers at Nagaland University have developed a flexible supercapacitor device capable of powering next-generation wearable electronics, electric vehicles (EVs), and renewable energy systems — a development that could redefine India's energy storage landscape.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/nagaland/story/nagaland-university-scientists-develop-flexible-supercapacitor-for-wearables-evs-and-clean-energy-systems-1287315-2025-10-07

NPP president Conrad Sangma visits Imphal to assess peace and stability in Manipur

Meghalaya Chief Minister and National People's Party (NPP) president Conrad Sangma arrived in Imphal today for a two-day visit aimed at evaluating the current situation in Manipur and exploring ways to restore lasting peace.
Speaking to the media at Imphal International Airport, Sangma said his primary objective is to meet with local leaders, community representatives, and stakeholders to understand the ground situation and promote normalcy in the state.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/manipur/video/npp-president-conrad-sangma-visits-imphal-to-assess-peace-and-stability-in-manipur-1288424-2025-10-09

Mizoram sees 139.5 per cent surge in tourist footfall in 2024–25: CM Lalduhoma

Mizoram's tourism sector has recorded remarkable growth in the current fiscal year, with tourist footfall rising by an impressive 139.5 per cent in 2024–25 compared to 2023–24, Chief Minister Lalduhoma announced on Thursday, October 9.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/mizoram/story/mizoram-sees-1395-per-cent-surge-in-tourist-footfall-in-2024-25-cm-lalduhoma-1288551-2025-10-09

Passenger and freight traffic surge following inauguration of Mizoram's Bairabi–Sairang railway line

Mizoram has recorded a notable surge in both passenger and freight traffic following the inauguration of the Bairabi–Sairang railway line by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on September 13, marking a historic leap in the state's connectivity and trade potential.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/mizoram/video/passenger-and-freight-traffic-surge-following-inauguration-of-mizorams-bairabi-sairang-railway-line-1286753-2025-10-05

Eklavya schools to empower Tripura's tribal students with quality education: CM Manik Saha

Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha on Thursday, October 9 reaffirmed his government's commitment to ensuring quality education and socio-economic upliftment of tribal communities through the Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) initiative.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/tripura/story/eklavya-schools-to-empower-tripuras-tribal-students-with-quality-education-cm-manik-saha-1288521-2025-10-09

"One nation, one tax" paying off: Tripura CM notes rise in revenue post-GST

Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha on Thursday, October 9 said the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) has significantly boosted revenue collection and strengthened the economic foundation of both the state and the nation.
Speaking at a public programme, the Chief Minister credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership for implementing the "one nation, one tax" system, which has simplified taxation and ensured transparency in financial governance.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/tripura/story/one-nation-one-tax-paying-off-tripura-cm-notes-rise-in-revenue-post-gst-1288503-2025-10-09

Pop culture takes over Shillong: Kynjai Fest 2025 shows city is ready for its moment

Shillong's pop culture scene is booming. The 4th edition of Kynjai Fest, held at the State Central Library on October 4 and 5, drew packed crowds both days and made one thing clear: Shillong is fast becoming a major hub for youth culture in India.
The festival, originally known as Kynjai Cosfest, was rebranded this year to cater to a much wider audience.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/meghalaya/story/pop-culture-takes-over-shillong-kynjai-fest-2025-shows-city-is-ready-for-its-moment-1288338-2025-10-09

Sikkim government announces dearness allowance hike for employees and pensioners

The Government of Sikkim on Tuesday, October 7 announced an increase in the Dearness Allowance (DA) for its employees and pensioners, effective January 1, 2025, aiming to ease the rising cost of living for state workers.

According to a notification issued by the Finance Department, employees and pensioners drawing pay under the pre-revised basic pay structure will receive an additional 6% DA and Dearness Relief (DR). This increment will raise their DA and DR rates to 252%.

Read more at: https://www.indiatodayne.in/sikkim/story/sikkim-government-announces-dearness-allowance-hike-for-employees-and-pensioners-1287643-2025-10-07