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Governor inaugurates 14th SARAS Trade Fair



Namchi, January 14: Governor Mr Om Prakash Mathur, inaugurated the 14th Sikkim SARAS (Sikkim Sale of Articles of Rural Artisans Society) Trade Fair 2025, at the opening day of Jorethang Maghey Sankranti Mela, today.

The Governor was accompanied by Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang as the Guest of Honour. Present amongst others were Madam Krishna Rai, Cabinet Ministers, MLAs, Advisors, Chairpersons and Officers and officials from various departments.

The trade fair is organised by Sikkim Rural Livelihood Mission (SRLM), Rural Development Department, Government of Sikkim and is sponsored by Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, starting from January 14-23, 2025.

The fair showcases exhibition-cum-sale of products like handlooms, handicrafts, organic products, crafted and produced by Self Help Groups (SHGs) of Sikkim and other states.

Rojgar-cum-CXO Meet 2025 inaugurated



Namchi, January 13: As a part of the Maghey Sankranti Mela, Governor Mr Om Prakash Mathur accompanied by Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang, inaugurated the two-day Rojgar Mela-cum-CXO Meet 2025, today.

The Rojgar Mela themed 'Empowering Sikkim's workforce: 50 years of progress, a future of opportunities' is being organised by Skill Development Department, Government of Sikkim.

The event aims to create employment opportunities for educated youth of Sikkim and to

connect with employers across key sectors like tourism, IT, healthcare and green industries. It also aims to promote government schemes and encourage local talent investment, and strengthen public-private partnerships.

The Rojgar Mela features on-the-spot interviews with industry leaders across various sectors for those aspiring to work in big companies. Interview preparation will be provided for all participants. Panel discussion and

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Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025- a preface of 50 Years of Statehood celebrations

Namchi, January 14: The Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025 was inaugurated by Governor Mr Om Prakash Mathur, in the presence of Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang in Jorethang, today.

Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025, celebrated on the month of January, is also the starting event for the upcoming 50 Years of Statehood celebrations. The Mela boasts vibrant cultural and traditional heritage with a blend of modern aspects showcasing the rich history of the state.

At the outset, the Governor in the presence of the Chief Minister officially declared the opening of Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025 followed by the releasing of pigeons, as a symbol of peace and unveiling of the official badge of Maghey Sankranti Mela, 2025.

Governor in his address thanked Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang, for the invitation. He mentioned about how the Maghey Sankranti Mela started with humble beginnings and reached so far evolving to be a grand event of the state.



Talking about an area of expertise of entrepreneurship, the Governor praised the effort of the Chief Minister to amalgamate multinational companies and local entrepreneurs to build a sustainable future for the youth. The Governor mentioned that Sikkim is a blend of various cultural and traditional heritage which showcases unity in diversity of the state. Further, he urged all

the citizens to foster and showcase this very spirit of unity and work in tandem with the State Government to take Sikkim towards greater heights. He also assured that he shall in all his capabilities work as a bridge between the State and the authorities in the Central Government to uplift and develop the state.

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CM inaugurates SDM Office in Dentam

Gyalshing, January 16: Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated the three-storied Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Office in Dentam, today.

The event was attended by Mr Bhim Hang Subba Minister for Buildings & Housing Department, Mr NB Dahal Minister for Roads & Bridges Department, Mr Raju Basnet Minister for Education Department, Mr Puran Gurung Minister for Agriculture Department, Mr TT Bhutia Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Department, Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo Area MLA-cum-Advisor, Mr LN Sharma MLA-cum-Advisor, Mr Erung Lepcha MLA-cum-Advisor, Dr Indra Hang Subba MP Lok Sabha, Chairpersons, Zilla Adhyaksha and Up-Adhyaksha (Gyalshing and Soreng), former legislators, PCE-cum-Secretary, Buildings & Housing, Secretary, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Secretary, Roads & Bridges, Mr. Khilburna Gurung, IGP, PCE (Tourism), District Collector and Superintendent of Police (Gyalshing and Soreng District), Zilla and Gram Panchayats and other distinguished guests.

Upon his arrival, the Chief Minister was accorded a ceremonial guard of honor and a warm welcome by the organising



team, led by Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo Area MLA.

The programme commenced with the unveiling of the inaugural plaque, followed by a detailed inspection of the newly constructed facility by the Chief Minister.

Chief Minister in his address congratulated the people of the

constituency on the establishment of the new SDM office. Emphasising the importance of a citizen-centric approach, he stressed that public dealings should be conducted in a professional and courteous manner to ensure governance

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Pearls of Wisdom

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

DC Gyalshing reviews prep for CM's visit

Gyalshing, January 15: Mr Tenzing D Denzongpa DC Gyalshing, along with Mr Sudesh Kumar Subba Area MLA-cum-Advisor, including District Officials, conducted an on-site inspection in Dentam today to oversee the final preparations for the Chief Minister's visit scheduled for January 16, 2025.

The Chief Minister's visit will include the inauguration of the newly constructed Sub-

Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Office and Sub-Tourist Information Centre.

During the inspection, DC reviewed the arrangements at the designated venues and emphasised on the importance of ensuring that all necessary measures are implemented to facilitate the smooth and successful execution of the event. He engaged with officials from various departments,

issuing directives to ensure close coordination and efficient collaboration for the program's seamless implementation.

All departments have been directed to remain on high alert and ensure all arrangements are completed. The District Administration has requested public cooperation to ensure the success of this important occasion.

Speaker SLA inaugurates 'The Creative Hub'

Namchi, January 14: The Creative Hub, an initiative of the Information and Public Relations Department was inaugurated by Mr M N Sherpa Speaker SLA at Green Park, Jorethang, on the occasion of Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025, today.

He was accompanied by Ms Raj Kumari Thapa Deputy Speaker SLA, Mr Tshering Thendup Bhutia Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Department, Mr Madan Cintury MLA also the Chief Patron of Maghey Sankranti Mela, Mr L B Das MLA-cum-Advisor IPR Department, Press Secretary to

CM, DC Namchi, ADC Namchi, SDM Jorethang and Officers from line departments.

The Speaker in his brief tour visited various stalls and interacted with the participants. He also released the Sikkim Calendar, 2025 produced by IPR Department.

The Creative Hub features stalls including Kokkivo clothing x Jinozi and Oviya art workshop which is an IPR collaboration, wherein Kokkivo x Jinozi are showcasing merchandise related to the 50 Years of Statehood celebration.

During the whole Maghey

Sankranti Mela celebration, the creative hub will host an array of activities related to art, fashion, music and cuisines, along with a designated area highlighting the history of the Maghey Sankranti Mela through a photo exhibition and documentaries prepared by the IPR Department.

A photobooth is at the disposal of the public, to capture their moments, near the stall of Blue Ink Studio. A book-corner has also been set up for book enthusiasts wherein, they can come read or also purchase books of their choice.

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remains accessible to people at the grassroots level.

He highlighted the immense potential of the Maneybong-Dentam constituency as a tourism hub, emphasising his dedication to transforming it into a prime tourist destination. He detailed several approved and ongoing development projects, including the conversion of the Singshore Bridge into a sky bridge, establishment of a lake at Utteray, and construction of the Guru Padmasambhava statue and meditation center.

He also informed that a proposal has been submitted for upgrading the Chewabhanjyang corridor into an international corridor and for the establishment of a national highway in the region. These initiatives will significantly boost tourism and regional economic growth, enhance visitor experiences and create opportunities for local communities, he added.

The Chief Minister informed that the highest number of job appointments before the elections were made from Maneybong-Dentam constituency and assured that the remaining candidates would be prioritised after the upcoming budget session. He also gave assurances regarding the distribution of houses and GCI sheets allocation before the elections.

Reiterating his commitment to public service, Chief Minister stated, "I consider myself more of a chief servant than a Chief Minister, and I pledge to serve the

people with utmost sincerity".

He also highlighted the Jan Kalyan Prakosta initiative, which has facilitated the treatment of numerous major and genuine illnesses, and the Chief Minister's Medical Cell, which provides accessible medical assistance to those in need without undue hardship. He further informed about the construction of a guest house in Siliguri to accommodate referral patients, providing them with necessary assistance during their treatment in respective hospitals.

The Chief Minister announced the formation of a nine-member Monitoring and Planning Development Committee in every constituency to address major demands. He also informed that mandatory manpower registration would be introduced at every Gram Panchayat level, encouraging locals to take responsibility for basic works themselves.

Calling upon all stakeholders, including public representatives and government officials, to work collectively for the holistic development of the region, he remarked that developmental projects are meaningful only when they translate into tangible benefits for the people. He urged the local community to take collective ownership of these facilities to ensure their longevity and optimal utilisation. He concluded by assuring that a public interaction programme would be held soon to directly address the needs of the community.

Earlier, Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo Area MLA presented significant demands of the constituency, reflecting the overall

development of the region.

Mr Tenzing D Denzongpa, DC Gyalshing, presented a comprehensive report on the overall scenario of the region and PCE-cum-Secretary of the Buildings & Housing Department provided a detailed technical report on the project.

On the occasion, financial assistance under the Chief Minister's Discretionary Grant (CMDG), Chief Minister's Education Assistance Scheme (CMEAS), and Chief Minister's Medical Assistance Scheme (CMMAS) was disbursed to beneficiaries under Chief Minister Medical assistance scheme, Chief Minister's Discretionary Grant and Chief Minister's Education Assistance Scheme (CMEAS).

The Chief Minister was felicitated by Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo Area MLA-cum-Advisor, Tourism and Civil Aviation Department, along with the SDM Office, Dentam, Zilla Panchayat (14) Hee-Sankhu and Panchayat of Sankhu Radhu Khandu GPU, Tourism Development Society, Maneybong-Dentam and Sikkim Armed Police posted at Chewabhanjyang.

The programme also included felicitation of Area MLA Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo and contractor Mr Hari Prasad Pradhan, in recognition of their significant contributions to the successful completion of the project.

In a notable moment, Dr Karma Uden Lama presented a painting featuring the Chief Minister and his mother in one frame. The day-long event included numerous traditional cultural performances.

Preparations for Orchid Festival 2025 begins

Pakyong, January 13: A preparatory meeting for the Orchid Festival 2025, organised by the ICAR-National Research Centre for Orchids, was convened at ICAR-NRCO hall, today.

The meeting delved into various aspects of the Orchid Festival 2025 and course of activities for the event.

Mr Rohan Agawane, DC Pakyong enquired about the various species of orchids and initiatives aimed at orchid commercialisation and sustainable practices. He recommended inviting national stakeholders and foreign suppliers to enhance exposure and market opportunities for these flowers, which would facilitate the elevation of orchid cultivation to a broader commercial scale.

He further stated that such interactions would encourage progressive orchid farmers to expand their cultivation efforts and promote self-reliance. Moreover, he advocated for the inclusion of as many progressive farmers as possible in the event and suggested the presentation of any new hybrid innovations developed by farmers, emphasising that the centre would register these innovations, thereby providing them with credibility and business advantages.

Dr SP Das, Director ICAR-NRCO, spoke about significance of the Orchid Festival 2025, which will feature both competitions and exhibitions. He emphasised that Sikkim and its neighbouring

states are among the leading producers of a diverse range of orchid species and that showcasing the region's rich biodiversity and floral heritage at the event would have a profoundly positive impact, providing a platform for national recognition.

Furthermore, he indicated that this initiative would enhance the orchid industry in the region and afford progressive orchid farmers the opportunity to engage with a variety of stakeholders.

The event will include a visit to the orchid polyhouses at the centre, along with cultural, research, and educational programmes.

The meeting included a forum in which all official representatives and orchid farmers shared their insights concerning the forthcoming event. An open discussion was held addressing orchid categories, requirements, venue selection, event series, and promotional strategies.

Also present were Mr SK Sharma Principal Director Horticulture Department, Mr ML Pradhan ASP Pakyong, Mr Tshering Chopel Bhutia Additional Director of Agriculture and Horticulture Department, Ms Kesang Ladingpa Additional Director Horticulture Department, Ms Hissey Bhutia Deputy Director Horticulture Department, Director Pakyong Greenfield Airport, along with representatives from various societies and officials from ICAR-NRCO.

Pakyong DC presides meeting for Republic Day Celebration 2025

Pakyong, January 10: A coordination meeting for the 78th Republic Day celebration 2025, convened at the RDD Community Complex, RURBAN Pakyong, today.

The meeting was presided over by Mr Rohan Agawane DC Pakyong and attended by Mr Thendup Lepcha SDM Hq, along with various departmental heads.

During the meeting, discussions focused on the planning and organisation of the forthcoming Republic Day celebration at District Administrative Centre in Pakyong.

Preparations are being made for the flag hoisting ceremony, cultural performances, awards presentation, and logistical arrangements, including sound systems, power supply, and refreshments. Moreover, specific roles and responsibilities for various activities were assigned to the corresponding departments.

Subsequently, the DC emphasized on the importance of effective inter-departmental coordination and urged all departments to fulfil their respective roles to ensure a successful celebration.

Government of Sikkim

Health and Family Welfare Department Tashiling Secretariat Gangtok

NO:778/H& FWD/2024-25

Dated 15th January 2025

NOTICE

Mr. Ganesh Gurung, Ward Attendant (OFOJ) posted at STNM Hospital, Sochakgang is not attending his duty since 20th October, 2024 till date.

The whereabouts of the Government servant is not known.

As such, the said Ganesh Gurung, Ward Attendant (OFOJ), is hereby directed to report to the duty immediately failing, which he is liable to be discharged from the temporary engagement.

All his family members, friends and well wishers are also requested to convey the contents of this notice to the Government servant.

Deputy Secretary
Health & Family Welfare Department.
Government of Sikkim

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**Health and Family Welfare Department
STNM Hospital Sochakgang
Government of Sikkim**

Ref. No.01/STORE/STNMH/GH/2025

Dated: 07/01/2025

NOTICE INVITING QUOTATION

The sealed quotations are invited from the Local registered and reputed firms within the radius of 500mtrs of STNM Hospital, Sochakgang Operating 24X7 for the supply of medicines and allied items for STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, under Emergency purchase for the year 2025-2026

Terms & Condition:

1. Valid Trade and Drug License issued by authorized government agency.
2. Medical Shop should be opened for 24X7.
3. Medical Shop Signboard displayed for easy identification.
4. The Tender detail and other documents can be obtained from the office of Sr. Accounts Officer, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, on any working days from 5th February 2025 to 7th February 2025 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM on production of Bank Challan of ₹5,000/- duly signed by Sr. Accounts Officer, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, credited under head 0210-01-800 other receipts.
- 5 The firm shall deposit TDR of ₹1,00,000/- (One Lakh) in favor of Sr. AO, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, for the supply of drugs and consumables from SBS along with the sealed quotation. The department will not liable to pay the interest on the said amount
6. The duly filled Tender Document should reach the office of Medical Superintendent, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang, within 12.00 pm of 6th March 2025. The Tender received after 12.00 pm of 6th March 2025 will not be entertained.
7. The sealed quotation will be opened on the same day i.e. 6th March 2025 at 2.00 pm in the office of Medical Superintendent, STNM Hospital, Sochakgang.
8. The details of Terms and condition will be indicated in the tender form.
9. The department committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reasons thereof.
10. For further information visit the office of the undersigned.

**Medical Superintendent
STNM Hospital, Sochakgang
(01, ii)**

Before the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Gangtok at Sikkim

SI.No. A435842

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Josiah Adhikari**, aged about 22 years, son of shri Prem Prasad Adhikari Christian by faith Permanent resident of Tadong Daragoan, P.O. and P.S. Tadong, Gangtok East Sikkim, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare on oath as follows: -

1. That my mother's actual and correct name is "**Bindu Kumari Pradhan**" and same has been recorded in all my relevant documents including my Birth Certificate bearing Registration No. 763/2002 dated :19.08.2002 issued by Chief Registrar of Births & Deaths, Health & Family Welfare Department, Namchi Government of Sikkim and in my class XII Certificate bearing Roll No. 16641597 issued by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)..
2. That however in my class X Mark Sheet bearing Roll No. 3157182 issued by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) my mother's name has been inadvertently recorded as "**Bindu Adhikari**".
3. That I am swearing this Affidavit to state and declare on oath that my mother's actual and correct name is "**Bindu Kumari Pradhan**" and "**Bindu Adhikari**" refers and denotes to one and the same person i.e. My late mother.
4. That this Affidavit is made bonafide.

VERIFICATION

I, **Josiah Adhikari**, the deponent herein, do hereby verify and state that the contents of the foregoing affidavit in paragraphs 1 to 4 are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Nothing in material has been concealed or suppressed there from.

Verified and sworn to this Affidavit at Gangtok, East Sikkim on this the 28th day of August 2024.

**Identified by
Sita Bhandari
Lower Burtuk**

**Deponent
Josiah Adhikari**

Before the LD Oath Commissioner of Sikkim at Soreng, West Sikkim**AFFIDAVIT**

Whereas myself, **Surendra Subba(Limboo)**, aged about 35 years, son of Man Bahadur Subba(Limboo), resident of Hee Goan, Post Office Hee-Goan, Police Station Kaluk, West Sikkim, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare on oath as follows:-

1. That, my name and caste has been recorded as **SURENDRA SUBBA(LIMBOO)** in my Certificate of Identification, vide Serial No.609/DC(W), Dated 28/02/2009, issued by the District Collector, Gyalshing West Sikkim.
2. That, my name and caste has been recorded as SURENDRA LIMBOO in my Schedule Tribe Certificate, issued by the Additional District Collector, West Vide Memo No. 796/DC(W), Dated 05/12/2003 and in my Aadhaar card bearing card No. 9274 3378 9997.
3. That, name and caste has been recorded as SURENDRA KR SUBBA in my Electoral Identity card bearing card No.KFF0091363, issued by the Electoral Registration Officer, 05-Barmiok and in my Driving License, vide License No.N-2006-0001055, issued by the Licensing Authority, Jorethang, South Sikkim, dated 1/2/06.
4. That my name and caste has been recorded as SURENDRA TAMLING in my PAN Card, issued by the Income Tax Department, Government of India, vide Permanent Account No. AKHPT9436A and in my Entire Academic as well in my entire Service Record.
5. That "**SUBBA**" is the Title of the Caste "**LIMBOO**" which refers or denotes one and the same caste.
6. That, "**TAMLING**" is my Sub-Caste.
7. That, by virtue of this affidavit I hereby declare that the names **SURENDRA SUBBA(LIMBOO)**, **SURENDRA LIMBOO**, **SURENDRA KR. SUBBA**, and **SURENDRA TAMLING** are the names of the one and the same person, ie myself.
8. That this affidavit is made bonafide.

VERIFICATION

I, do hereby verify and say that the statements set forth in paragraphs 1 to 8 of this affidavit are all true and correct to the best of my knowledge and believe and nothing material has been concealed or suppressed therein.

I have signed this affidavit on this the 5th day of the month of April, 2013 at Soreng, West Sikkim.

**Deponent
Surendra Subba**

**Health and Family Welfare Department
STNM Hospital Sochakgang
Government of Sikkim**

Ref. No.02/STORE/STNMH/GH/2025

Dated: 07/01/2025

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9. The department committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reasons thereof.
10. For further information visit the office of the undersigned.

**Medical Superintendent
STNM Hospital, Sochakgang
(02, ii)**

**Government of Sikkim
Buildings and Housing Department
Government of Sikkim**

Memo. No. 40/GoS/Bldgs/SE(SNG)/P/06

Dated: 09/01/2025

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Buildings and Housing Department invites e-Tender from Class II-B Contractors enlisted with Sikkim Public Works Department for Participating in the re-tender "Construction of Fire Station at Melli, Namchi District, Sikkim". For further details kindly visit the website www.sikkimtender.gov.in

sd/-
**Suprintending Engineer
Buildings and Housing Department
(05, i)**

**Office of the Suprintending Engineer
Government of Sikkim
Roads and Bridges Department
District Soreng**

Memo. No: 162/GOS/CIR/R&B/SRG

Date: 10/01/ 2025

"NOTICE FOR ABEYANCE"

With reference to NIT no: 06/GOS/CIR/R&B/SRG Dated 12/12/24 the "NOTICE INVITING TENDER" for the work "Construction of road from NDP (Singa Devi Mandir) to Lower Daramdin (Chyaan Dara) PMGSY road under Daramdin Sub-Division, Soreng District in Sikkim." and vide advertisement / RO No: 222/IPR/ADVT/PUB/CLASSI/2024-25 which is to be tender on 17/01/2025 has be kept on hold /abeyance till further notice.

Sd/-
**Superintending Engineer (Soreng)
Roads and Bridges Department
Government of Sikkim, Soreng
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Lost

Nemtek Tamang S/O Lt.Sarba lall Tamang R/O middle Sangadorjee, Rinchenpong P.O., Kaluk P.S. has lost his C.O.I bearing S.No. 316 Vol no: XIII, while travelling from Gangtok.

If, found kindly contact nearest P.S or contact **8509243071**

**Water Resources Department
Government of Sikkim**

NIT NO:- 01 /ACE(S/W)/WRD

DATED: 10.01.2025

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

For and on behalf of the Governor of Sikkim, Additional Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok, invites sealed tenders from **Class II-A** Contractors enlisted with Sikkim Public Works Department, through competitive bidding **within Soreng District** of the state for the work detailed as under:

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Value put to tender(in ₹) excluding GST & L/Cess	Earnest money (Bid Security) @ 2.5% for issue of tender form(in ₹)	Revenue Head - WRD-0702-80-800) Bank Receipt/Challan for cost of tender documents(in ₹)	Completion time (in months)
1.	Land Mitigation and Augmentation of Drainage System from Jautar Sports Complex to Ranikhola at Soreng District, Part-I,	₹ 6,21,25,665.00	₹.15,53,200.00 .	₹.1,00,000.00	24 months
2.	Land Mitigation and Augmentation of Drainage System from Jautar Sports Complex to Ranikhola at Soreng District, Part-II,	₹6,18,10,515.00	₹.15,45,300.00	₹.1,00,000.00	24 months

TIME SCHEDULE

i.	Date for submission of application with bank receipt, for issue of Tender documents	10.02.2025 (From 10:00 am to 4:30 pm)
ii.	Date of issue of Tender documents & Tender form (on receipt of TDR against Earnest Money)	12.02.2025 (From 10:00 am to 4:30 pm)
iii.	Date and time for submission of Tender	13.02.2025 (From 10:00 am to 2.00 pm)
iv.	Date and time of opening of Tender	13.02.2025 (3.00 pm)

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT:

1. Tender is open only to the eligible contractors of appropriate class/Area.
2. The intending tenderer/contractor should apply in writing for issue of tender form for/tender documents. The application should invariably be signed by the contractor himself/herself. Tender documents will not be issued to any person other than the intending tenderer. The application shall be submitted for the work listed above with all the required documents.
3. The applicants should enclose attested copies of the following documents along with the application.
 - a. **GST Registration Certificate** or relevant ARN number,
 - b. Income Tax Clearance Certificate,
 - c. **Valid Contractor Enlistment Certificate**,
 - d. Professional **Tax Clearance Certificate** and
 - e. **PAN Card**
4. The prescribed Non- Transferable Tender Documents (Excluding the Tender Form) can be obtained during the period specified in as above from the office of the **Office of the Additional Chief Engineer (S/W), Water Resources Department**, on the production of requisite Bank receipt/challan of the State Bank of Sikkim towards the tender document (Non- refundable) under the receipt of "cost of tender form" in the account of Water Resources Department, Govt. of Sikkim, **Revenue Head: -0702-80-800**.
5. Earnest Money Deposit (Bid Security) @ 2.5% of the cost of work put to tender shall be in the form of Temporary Deposit Receipt of Scheduled Bank which includes deposits in the form of Temporary Deposit Receipt or Fixed Deposits Receipt in favour of the **Chief Accounts Officer**, Water Resources Department. Tender form shall be issued only on production of deposit Receipt (TDR) to that contractor who obtained the tender documents, on production of Bank Receipt/ Challan for the cost of tender documents. However, in accordance with notification No. 104/R&B, dated 03/10/2020, **all Enlisted Women Contractors will be exempted 50% from deposit of 2.5% TDR** for participating in Tender. In case of such bidder, the issue of Work Order shall be governed by Notification No: 104/R&B Dated 08/10/2020.
6. The Tender Documents, including the tender form with quoted offer should be placed in a sealed cover with the name of tenderer and the name of work superscripted on it. Supporting documents as listed vide Sl. No. (3) should be enclosed with the offer.
7. Sealed Tenders may be deposited in the Tender Box in the **Office of the Additional Chief Engineer (S/W), Water Resources Department**, in his/her presence, on the date and within the time indicated above.
8. Tenders will be opened by a tender opening committee as prescribed by the Government in the presence of the tenderers on the date and time indicated above.
9. The Tenderer should sign on every page of the tender documents as acceptance of the General Direction and condition of Contract and other laid down norms. The rate quoted should be both in figures and words and **should be exclusive of GST and all other levied taxes**. Over writing and correction should be avoided and if made should be authenticated. Incomplete/Conditional tender shall be rejected forth with.
10. In case of any discrepancy in rate(s) printed in the Schedule of Rates and Quantities issued with the tender documents, rates as per approved schedule of rate will be taken as correct. For items outside of SOR, the rate shall be as per the technically checked estimate/analysis. Decision of the Chief Engineer/Head of the Department will be final in this regard.
11. The work value, scope and quantum of work are subject to change, the contractor shall execute the work as per the directive of the Department. If claim on this accounts shall be entertained whatsoever if any extra claim made, it shall be as per the agreement rates.
12. The rate will be quoted item wise as per the Bill of Quantities.
13. The contractor shall establish a field laboratory at the construction site. It shall be mandatory to test material by the contractor at site or any other laboratory fixed by the Government for quality control purpose. The Department reserves the rights to withhold payments to the contractor unless test certificates are produced by the contractor when called upon to do so.
14. Expenditure involved for material testing, cube strength of concrete, at site or In laboratories shall be borne by the contractor. The contractor shall make necessary arrangements accordingly as and when instructed to do so.
15. The contractor shall engage a Graduate/Diploma Civil Engineer (S) at the project site during the period of execution of work as per the norms prescribed in the Enlistment Rules and grade of contractors as well as requirement at site determined by Engineer-in-Charge.
16. The Department reserves the right to hold payments to the contractor unless material/quality test certificates are not produced by the contractor when called upon to do SO.
17. Avoidable damages due to the negligence of the contractor shall be at his own risk and cost. The Department shall not be liable for payment of such damages (if any) i/c accidents to laborer at site, damage to any structural components due to negligence of workmanship.
18. The bid offer shall remain valid for a period of 90 days.
19. The work should commence within 15 days from the date of issue of work order. If the contractor fails to take up the work within a period of 1 month, the contract will be rescinded and the "Bid Security" shall be forfeited.
20. All the conditions as mentioned in the NIT shall be deemed to be a part of the Agreement to be entered with the contractor.
21. Security deposit shall be collected by deductions from the running bills of the contractor @5% of the value of work done. In addition the Earnest Money (Bid Security) of the successful bidder will form a part of the deposit and will be released with the Security Deposit at the end of the defect liability period
22. The Department reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason thereof.
23. The recoveries of Goods and Service Tax and Royalties on the forest product shall be as per the rates notified by Government from time to time and applicable on the date of payment. In no case claim of the contractor for deduction as per the rates incorporated in analysis of rates or schedule of rates or rates on date of tender shall be acceptable.
24. Subletting of contractor work is against the norms and if it comes to the notice the original contract shall be cancelled and appropriate action shall be initiated as per the rules.
25. In case the manpower employed by the contractor are from outside the State or neighboring countries, it shall be the responsibility of the contractor to get them registered with the Labour Department, Government of Sikkim as per the relevant labour laws.
26. The Department also reserves the right to increase, decrease alter or modify the item of works as indicated in the NIT without assigning any reason thereof.
27. The contractor shall also make an arrangement to have photographs of the works taken at least at three stages of the construction period i.e. Start of the work, middle and completion stages.
28. Damage of properties in and around the worksite must be avoided at all cost. The contractor shall be held responsible for any acts of negligence and shall be made to make good damages.
29. It is accepted that the tenderer has inspected the site before submitting his/her bid. There may be possible site difficulties for which the tenderer should have their own correct assessment before submitting the documents.
30. The contractor will have to pay all taxes and duties as applicable and notified by the State/Central Government and no claim shall be entertained in this regard whatsoever.
31. The payment due to the Contractor shall be made as and when the fund is available.

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MoS visits Nathula

Gangtok, January 10: Mr Nityanand Rai, Minister of State for Home Affairs, Government of India visited Nathula, today.

He was accompanied by Mr SK Meena, DIG, Sector Gangtok, ITBP, Mr Ravindra Yadav, Commandant of ITBP 48 Battalion, Mr Gopal Pathak APO(LO) along with officials of Sikkim Police.

The MoS was received by Brigadier Amit Sharma, Commander of 63 Brigade (DIG), along with Colonel Sanjeet Phougat, Commanding Officer of the 13 Mahar Regiment, and officers of the 13 Mahar Regiment upon his arrival. Army Officers provided a comprehensive briefing on the current border status, emphasising key developments and operational preparedness.

Thereafter, he visited the Baba Harbhajan Singh Temple, where he offered his prayers, and proceeded to the ITBP Camp at Sherathang. At the ITBP Camp, an interactive session with the elected representatives and locals of the area was held.

Mr Tushar Nikhare DC Gangtok, Mr Sandeep Kumar Assistant Collector Gangtok, along with Panchayats, with ITBP officers were present.

During the session, DC briefed the MoS about the progress and initiatives under the Vibrant Village Projects. He encouraged the Panchayats to brief the MoS about the lifestyle and challenges of living in high-altitude areas. He also asked to provide feedback on the existing schemes and to highlight any additional needs or support required in their regions.

The MoS emphasised on the significance of the Vibrant Village Programme, a centrally-sponsored scheme aimed at developing

identified villages to enhance the quality of life for their residents. He highlighted that the programme seeks to identify and develop economic drivers based on the villages' local, natural, and other resources. Additionally, leveraging tourism potential through the promotion of local culture, traditional knowledge, and heritage was underscored as a key focus.

He further noted that numerous flagship schemes under the Prime Minister's vision are designed to support development, create employment opportunities, and improve the overall well-being of the people. The MoS emphasised that Sikkim's unique traditions and culture will play a vital role, with the Central Government striving to bring substantial development under the Vibrant Village Programme.

He commended their efforts to make their Gram Panchayat Units (GPUs) plastic-free and stressed the importance of sustainable tourism development. He remarked that the collaboration between locals and officers has made border areas safer and reiterated the purpose of the Vibrant Village initiative to ensure inclusive development of border villages.

Following the session, the MoS, departed for the Tashiling Secretariat, wherein he was received by Mr R Telang, Chief Secretary. He chaired a meeting with the Heads of Departments (HoDs) of various State Government departments.

The meeting aimed to apprise him of the progress and challenges faced in implementing key initiatives and to explore avenues for better coordination and support from the Central

Government.

During the meeting, the Officer from Soreng District delivered a comprehensive presentation on the SAMBHAV mission-mode programme, highlighting its key objectives and progress. Similarly, the Heads of the Agriculture and Health Departments presented detailed briefings to the MoS, showcasing their respective departmental initiatives and programmes being implemented across the State.

Likewise, the HoD of the Education Department presented a concise report on the Samagra Shiksha programme in the state, highlighting its achievements. He informed that the state boasts the highest literacy rate in the country and provided an overview of the budgetary allocations and the scheme's implementation.

The MoS emphasized on the importance of ensuring that all schemes effectively benefit the people and urged the officers to assess their impact thoroughly. Emphasis was laid on ensuring that these initiatives reach the citizens effectively and that their benefits are widely understood.

Several concerns were raised during the deliberations, prompting in-depth discussions led by the MoS and the Chief Secretary. The session addressed key issues, streamline efforts, and strengthening of coordination between departments for better outcomes.

Chief Secretary provided an overview of the State's geographical significance and highlighted the importance of the year 2025, as the State will celebrate its 50 years of Statehood Day in May.

MoS reviews development schemes in Pakyong District

Pakyong, January 11: Mr Nityanand Rai, Minister of State for Home Affairs, Government of India, on the concluding day of his three-day official visit to Sikkim, attended a review meeting with the district officials of Pakyong District at Rurban Complex, today.

The meeting focused on strengthening local development and governance through collaborative efforts and strategies with centrally sponsored schemes.

Mr Nityanand Rai expressed gratitude to the administration and underlined the importance of centrally-sponsored schemes urging the officials to work diligently to meet the targets while ensuring that these initiatives reach as many individuals as possible. He encouraged raising awareness of such schemes stressing on the measures to eradicate tuberculosis cases from the state.

Further, he provided assurance to highlight the challenges of the district to the higher authorities and facilitate towards bringing in solutions to the issues addressed.

Earlier, the MoS also visited various stalls wherein a variety of organic vegetables and products were displayed.

Mr Rohan Agawane, DC Pakyong, provided an overview of the district, outlining its various achievements and the projects currently in progress. In addition, he highlighted the milestones the district has achieved since its establishment.

Additionally, a series of presentations were delivered by the heads of various departmental offices, ADC Dev updated on the

centrally-sponsored schemes administered by the department. This included an overview of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Swachh Bharat Mission, and activities carried out under MGNREGA, while also addressing the associated challenges.

Mr Madan Mani Dhakal, CMO Pakyong, shared insights on the health facilities being provided in the district while informing on the National Health Programmes on centrally sponsored schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY), TB Mukht GPU and Pradhan Mantri Jan Aushadhi Kendra.

Mr Narayan Mishra, CEO in Charge, Pakyong District, in his presentation shared insights on the schemes like PM Poshan, NILP, Samagra Shiksha and NIPUN Bharat.

Subsequently, Ms Hissey Bhutia, Deputy Director, Horticulture Department, outlined schemes implemented in the district, which included the Prime Minister Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY), PM-Kisan, and PM Fasal Bima Yojana, showcasing its progress.

Moreover, Mr Bijay Guragai, DE Power Department, informed about the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS), sharing its scope, finances, and physical progress.

Also present were Zilla Upadhakya, DIG ITBP, SP Pakyong, SDM Hq, SDM Pakyong, SDM Rangpo along with Head of Offices, Panchayats and officials from various line departments. Also present were progressive farmers and SHG members.

Press Release from the Office of Additional District Collector (Development) Pakyong

Pakyong, January 11: The Office of the Additional District Collector (Development) in Pakyong District conveys its sincerest greetings to all esteemed Panchayats, dedicated government personnel, and invaluable supporting agricultural communities.

The team is delighted to celebrate Episode 20 of the Mission Revival of Barren Land for Cultivation. This initiative has achieved considerable success in the agricultural sector, a triumph attributable to the enthusiastic contributions of the Hon'ble Panchayats and committed government employees across various tiers, including Gram Prashasan Kendras, Block Administrative Centres, and District offices.

Their proactive engagement has been pivotal in actualising the objectives, exemplifying a formidable collaborative spirit aimed at rejuvenating agricultural lands.

The Mission Revival of Barren Land transcends a mere campaign; it represents a transformative endeavour designed to enlighten and empower farming communities. It is encouraging to note that farming communities are increasingly

recognising the critical significance of labour, as well as the intrinsic value of their land and its potential productivity.

This initiative serves as a powerful reminder that collective action can engender sustainable change and cultivate profound respect for agricultural practices. Their unwavering commitment and relentless engagement with the farming communities have played a crucial role in promoting awareness regarding sustainable practices and the necessity of nurturing our lands. This collaboration has ignited a renewed sense of purpose and dedication among our farmers, who are now increasingly invested in the cultivation endeavour.

The positive transformations are not merely a consequence of immediate efforts; they signify a broader movement towards the revitalisation of agricultural heritage. The mission is founded upon the principles of sustainability, education, and community engagement. It is imperative that we continue to uphold these values, encouraging farmers to adopt best practices that enhance not only crop yields but also the health of the ecosystem.

Education Minister flags off exposure tour

Gangtok, January 13: Department of Education, Government of Sikkim, organised an exposure tour for college students from all the government colleges of the state to Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur from January 13-19, 2025.

The tour was flagged off by Mr Raju Basnett Minister for Education Department, from SNT complex in Gangtok, today.

125 students and 6 faculty members from five colleges which are Tadong Government College, Burtuk Law College, Sheda

College, Government Sanskrit College Samdong and Sikkim Government College Mangshila are participating in the educational tour. The tour aims to provide students with enhanced learning opportunities through visits to historical, cultural and educational landmarks in these cities.

Two buses have been arranged to facilitate the journey, ensuring the safety and comfort of the participants.

Mr Raju Basnett Minister emphasised on the significance of

such exposure tours, highlighting the State Government's commitment towards the students. He further advised them to cultivate the habit of writing and maintaining a journal to document their experiences.

Also present were Mr Tshewang Gyachho Secretary Higher Education, Mr Tashi Chophel Lepcha Secretary School Education, senior officials from the Education Department, guardian and students.

Man of the Match.

The second match featured the final of the Constituency Level Men's Football Tournament, wherein Poklok-Kamrang claimed the championship title with a 2-0 win against Chujachen. Mr Nimdup Lepcha from Poklok-Kamrang was adjudged as the best goalkeeper of the tournament whereas Mr Pratab Tamang also from Poklok-Kamrang was awarded the highest scorer of the tournament.

Germany were felicitated by the Governor and Chief Minister.

Similarly, the Mela Committee also honoured Footballer Ms Simran Gurung for representing the state at the International stage.

The Mela showcased cultural performances by various communities followed by football matches featuring second quarter-final of the 10th All India Chief Minister's Gold Cup Football Tournament, wherein, Sudeva FC Delhi secured a spot in the semifinals. Mr Kanginsei Touthang from Sudeva FC Delhi was named

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Maghey Sankranti ...

During the occasion, regular appointment orders were also handed over to Anganwadi workers and helpers. In addition, the Governor and the Chief Minister were also presented with token of appreciation by the Maghey Sankranti Mela 2025 Committee.

Moreover, 11 Nurses who were trained in German language under the Sikkim Inspires programme and got placement in

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Governor lays foundation stone for Sandhya Aarati Sthaal

Namchi, January 14: The foundation stone for Sandhya Aarati Sthaal under the Tourism and Civil Aviation Department was laid by Governor Mr Om Prakash Mathur, along with Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang and Madam Krishna Rai at Nayabazar in Jorethang, today.

The event commenced with a holy aarti performed by the

Governor and the Chief Minister on the confluence of River Rangeet and Ramman adding a spiritual touch to the occasion.

The ceremony was attended by Deputy Speaker SLA, Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Department and Minister for Rural Development Department among other dignitaries.

Dentam Sub-Tourist Information Centre inaugurated

Gyalshing, January 16: Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang inaugurated the three-roomed Sub-Tourist Information Centre at Dentam Bazaar, today.

Upon arrival, the Chief Minister unveiled the inaugural plaque, followed by an inspection of the facilities provided at the centre.

The programme was

attended by Mr TT Bhutia Minister for Tourism & Civil Aviation Department, Mr Bhim Hang Limboo Minister for Building and Housings Department, Mr Sudesh Kumar Limboo Area MLA-cum-Advisor, Mr Prakash Chettri Secretary Tourism, Mr Niraj Pradhan PCE Tourism, DC Gyalshing, SP Gyalshing and other officials.

Farewell and welcome ceremony held for Senior Government Officials

Gangtok, January 13: In presence of Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang and his spouse, Madam Krishna Rai, a farewell ceremony was held at Samman Bhawan to honor and bid farewell to the outgoing Director General of Police (DGP) of Sikkim, Mr AK Singh.

The ceremony also

welcomed the newly appointed Mr Akshay Sachdeva, DGP Sikkim. The event also included a formal reception for Mr R Telang Chief Secretary and Mr VB Pathak Chief Administrator cum Cabinet Secretary, who have taken charge of their respective offices.

Chief Minister attends Himalayan Folk Festival in Siliguri

Siliguri, January 11: Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang attended the Himalayan Folk Festival in Siliguri, today.

The three-day celebration of ethnic music, culture and heritage saw the performance of varied artistes. The event was a finale of the three-month long Pan Himalayan Ethnic Singing Competition where Mr Soney Toto from Totopara, West Bengal emerged as the winner. Miss Phutti Sherpa from Ilam, Nepal was coveted first runner up and Mr Sarnu Ram from Himachal Pradesh second runner up.

During the event the Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang released the book 'Mouri' by late Abhi Chandra Mothay. An introduction of Concept of CM (audio video) 'Mero Rukh Mero Santati' was also made during the course of the event.

The 'Warnamala Pariwar' also felicitated the Chief Minister along with Mr Ugen Chopel, Mr Mohan Rai, Mr Thendup Norbu, Mr Garjan Kumar Mallik, Mr Narendra Kumar Tamang, Mr Ramesh Chettri, Mr Bikey Pradhan, Mr Matt Keegan and singers from Warnamala Pariwar.

State-Level Namprikdang Namsoong Festival celebrated



Mangan, January 12: The State-Level Namprikdang Namsoong Festival 2024-25, organised by the Namprikdang Namsoong Celebration Committee (NNCC), concluded at Namprikdang in Upper Dzongu, today.

With the theme 'Roots and Horizons', the festival highlighted the region's rich cultural heritage and vibrant traditions over its three-day run.

Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang attended the closing ceremony of the festival, wherein, he was welcomed with a traditional reception by Lepcha and Limbu communities. This was followed by a Guard of Honour, followed by the tradition puja ritual and a visit to the various stalls set up for the festival.

The event had the presence of Mr M N Sherpa Speaker SLA, Ms Raj Kumari Thapa Deputy Speaker SLA, Forest Minister and MLA of Dzongu Mr Pintso Namgyal Lepcha and Ministers Mr Bhim Hang Subba, Mr Raju Basnet, Mr N B Dahal, Mr Bhoj Raj Rai, MLAs Mr Delay Barfungpa, Mr Sonam Venchungpa, Ms Kala Rai, Mr Erung Tenzing Lepcha, Mr Kunga Nima Lepcha Advisor to CM, Political Secretary to CM, Adhyaksha Mangan, Upadhakshya, Secretaries, DC Mangan, SP Mangan, Heads of

Offices, officials and staff of district administration and public.

Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang congratulated the organisers and locals for the success of the festival. He reaffirmed the State Government's commitment to preserving and promoting Sikkim's cultural heritage and expressed hope that such events would continue to nurture unity, peace and a strong sense of community across Sikkim. Furthermore, the Chief Minister assured that the historic Namprikdang area, which was affected by the floods in 2023, would be renovated and restored in a more sustainable manner. He also spoke about the importance of safeguarding traditions and culture, urging everyone to preserve the rich legacy of the Namprikdang Namsoong Festival, which has been celebrated for 49 years till date.

He also highlighted various State Government schemes benefiting the people of Sikkim, such as the Chief Minister's Medical Assistance Scheme (CMMA), infrastructure development initiatives and schemes in the health and education sectors. He also congratulated the Sikkim Girls Football Team on their selection for the National Games and stated

that the government aims at creating more opportunities for Sikkim's youth. The Chief Minister also touched upon the upcoming 50th anniversary of Sikkim's statehood, promising a grand celebration showcasing the state's rich culture.

Chief Patron and Minister for Forest Department, Mr Pintso Namgyal Lepcha thanked the Chief Minister for the development work done in Dzongu and highlighted the festival's roots dating back to its inception in 1976 and emphasised the desire to elevate the festival to even greater heights in the future.

A highlight of the closing ceremony was the cultural performances sponsored by Eastern Zonal Culture Centre, Ministry of Culture in association with Culture Department, Sikkim featuring traditional dances and music of the state. Traditional competitions were also an important part of the festival with the tug of war (for men and women)'s finals taking place, today. In addition, the event included distribution of cherubs to the beneficiaries and presentation of awards to individuals and groups who made significant contributions to community welfare and celebration.

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs meets Chief Minister

Gangtok, January 10: Mr Nityanand Rai, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs met Chief Minister Mr Prem Singh Tamang at his official residence,

Mintokgang, today.

The meeting facilitated discussions on several critical matters of mutual importance.

Hosting Mr Rai was an

honor, and the engagement proved to be a productive exchange of ideas and perspectives, shared the Chief Minister.

Sikkim prepares for 16th Finance Commission visit

Gangtok, January 15: Mr VB Pathak, Chief Administrator-cum-Cabinet Secretary, reviewed the preparations for the visit of the 16th Finance Commission to Sikkim,

today.

The meeting, held at the conference hall of the Tashilling Secretariat, was attended by Mr R Telang Chief Secretary, Mr Akshay

Sachdeva DGP, amongst others. The 16th Finance Commission is scheduled to visit Sikkim from January 19-23, 2025.

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seminars will also be imparted to the insights of Sikkim's economic journey, emerging industries, and employment initiatives through the CXO Meet.

A hub for startups is also set

up to showcase innovations and connect with investors, mentorship programmes is also availed for large companies. Additionally, career counseling sessions will be organised for the youth, and awards will be presented to celebrate local success stories and their achievements.

Moreover, companies like Indigo, Jettwings, Swiggy, IRCTC, Club Mahindra, Tattva, Taj Hotels, Compass, Ambe International, and many more are collaborating to provide opportunities for youth, fresh graduates, skilled professionals, and unemployed individuals.



Members of Dharma Chakra Centre in Rumtek, extends invitation to the Chief Minister for Annual Traditional Mahakala Ritual Dance 'Garchen Gutor Chenmo Chaam'.

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