

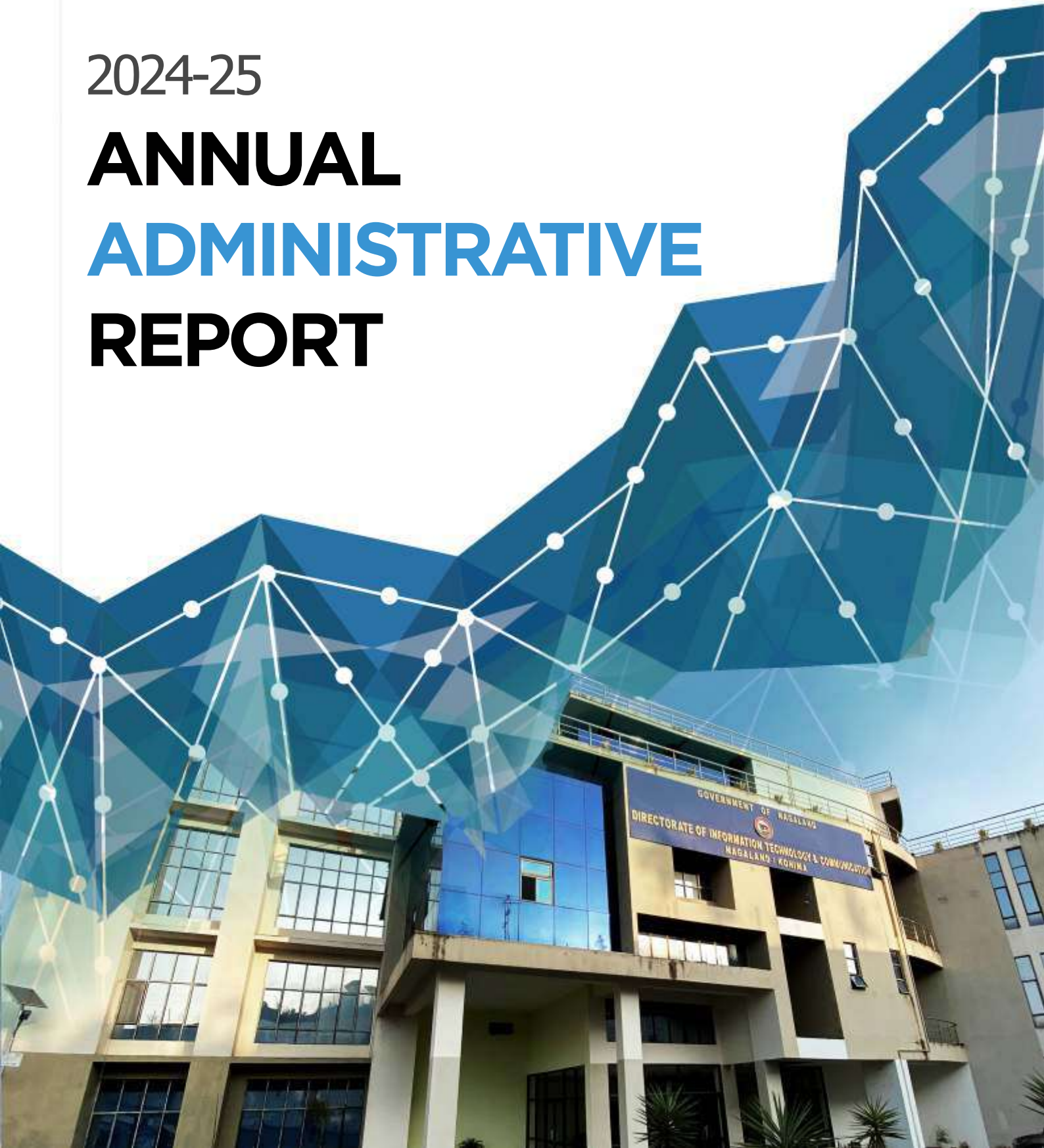


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DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATION

INTRODUCTION

The Department of Information Technology & Communication (IT&C) plays a key role in the governance framework of Nagaland, leveraging technology to enhance government operations, promote digital literacy and drive economic growth. Its diverse mandate covers key areas such as:

E-Governance: The Department remains committed to advancing e-governance initiatives, ensuring the seamless delivery of government services through digital platforms, online payment systems and technology-driven solutions that enhance accessibility and efficiency.

Digital Literacy: Empowering individuals and businesses with digital skills remains a core objective, fostering greater participation in the digital economy and strengthening the state's technological ecosystem.

Infrastructure Development: The Department continues to develop robust IT infrastructure, including State Data Centre, Software Technology Parks, high-speed internet access and other foundational frameworks crucial for the growth of the IT sector in Nagaland.

Cybersecurity: With the rise of cyber threats, safeguarding government systems and data remains a top priority. The Department is actively fortifying cybersecurity measures and conducting awareness programs to ensure a secure digital environment.

In essence, the Department of IT&C serves as the cornerstone of Nagaland's digital transformation, spearheading initiatives that drive technological advancement and economic development across the state.

Furthermore, the Department is at the forefront of integrating Emerging Technologies and enhancing e-Governance adoption, ensuring the efficient, transparent and cost-effective delivery of public services. Its responsibilities include formulating the State IT Policy, coordinating IT programs and projects, providing technical assistance to government departments, promoting research and development, facilitating citizen-centric services, building IT capacity and organizing key IT events.

The Department of IT&C remains committed to supporting various government departments in implementing electronic service-related projects, reinforcing its vision of a digitally empowered Nagaland.

Core IT Activities and Projects

1. SECRETARIAT LAN

The Secretariat Local Area Network (LAN) serves as the backbone of digital connectivity within the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, seamlessly linking every department, branch, and offices with high-speed internet access. The network infrastructure comprises one core server and 17 distribution switches, all powered by a Gigabit internet link from the National Knowledge Network (NKN). Additionally, the system is designed with scalability in mind, ensuring seamless expansion to accommodate future demands.

Beyond the Secretariat, the LAN extends its connectivity to district tax offices, forming an integral part of the GST network. Furthermore, the Secretariat LAN plays a crucial role in law enforcement communication, providing connectivity between police stations across the state and the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS) application server, hosted at the State Data Center and integrated with the Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA).

This robust digital infrastructure not only enhances interdepartmental efficiency but also strengthens secure, real-time communication between key government institutions, reinforcing the state's commitment to digital governance and secure connectivity.



A view of the Network racks at the Secretariat LAN Network Operating Centre

2. THE NAGALAND STATE DATA CENTRE (NSDC)

The Nagaland State Data Centre (NSDC) was established in 2008 as part of the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP). Managed by the Department of Information Technology & Communication (IT&C), the NSDC is a vital core technical infrastructure. It serves as an intermediary and convergence point between the open, unsecured public domain and the government's sensitive digital environment.

Designed to host and co-locate various systems—including web servers, application servers, database servers, and storage area networks (SAN)—the NSDC provides a unified platform for hosting multiple websites and applications of all Nagaland State Government departments. This common infrastructure facilitates seamless integration, efficient management, and optimal utilization of computing resources and support infrastructure. As the central repository for state government data, the NSDC ensures secure data storage, online service delivery, citizen information portals, data recovery, disaster recovery, remote management, and service integration. It is monitored continuously through surveillance mechanisms and managed round-the-clock by dedicated operations and management staff. Currently, the NSDC hosts 32 applications and 97 websites, with 11 applications running in a co-located environment.

In 2024, the Department of IT&C undertook a major upgrade of the NSDC, enhancing networking and security systems to reinforce data integrity, confidentiality, and availability. Additionally, an integrated operation system software was implemented for improved efficiency, along with a dual-network setup to ensure uninterrupted 24×7×365 availability.

This upgrade has significantly strengthened the NSDC, allowing it to deliver more secure and efficient digital government services. By modernizing its infrastructure to meet the increasing demand for digital solutions, the enhancements have improved network availability, scalability, and security. These advancements are critical in keeping the State Data Centre resilient, operational, and secure against evolving cyber threats.



A view of the Server Farm Area at NSDC

3. STATE PORTAL

The Nagaland State Portal, launched in 2011 and accessible at www.nagaland.gov.in, serves as a unified digital gateway for accessing government resources such as notifications, circulars, press releases, tenders, and other essential information. It plays a crucial role in advancing governance by fostering citizen engagement, promoting transparency, and streamlining e-governance services for the Government of Nagaland.

The portal enhances citizen engagement by offering seamless access to government programs, policies, and initiatives, ensuring that the public remains well-informed. It also strengthens transparency by making official information readily accessible, fostering trust between the administration and citizens. Additionally, it facilitates e-governance through integrated digital services and online payment systems, improving accessibility and convenience for users.

As one of the most visited government portals in Nagaland, the State Portal has recorded over 23 million visits (2,30,07,687+), underscoring its significance as a primary digital platform. Furthermore, it has been recognized among the top-performing state portals in the Northeast & Hill States category in the 2023 National e-Service Delivery Assessment (NeSDA) biennial rankings, highlighting its effectiveness in delivering seamless digital governance services.

NeSDA 2023 - State / UT Portals – Overall Scores

Union Territories			North-East & Hill States			States (Other than Hill & NE States) – Group A			States (Other than Hill & NE States) – Group B		
UT Name	Score 2021	Score 2023	State Name	Score 2021	Score 2023	State Name	Score 2021	Score 2023	State Name	Score 2021	Score 2023
Jammu & Kashmir	0.89	1.00	Arunachal Pradesh	0.52	0.98	Odisha	0.98	1.00	Karnataka	0.90	1.00
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0.77	0.96	Nagaland	0.93	0.98	Rajasthan	0.50	1.00	Kerala	1.00	1.00
Chandigarh	0.59	0.92	Tripura	0.73	0.93	Jharkhand	0.71	0.96	Punjab	0.94	1.00
Puducherry	0.73	0.92	Meghalaya	0.90	0.89	Uttar Pradesh	0.86	0.93	Tamil Nadu	0.96	0.98
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	-	0.87	Uttarakhand	0.67	0.89	Madhya Pradesh	0.62	0.91	Telangana	0.82	0.87
Delhi	0.59	0.85	Sikkim	0.74	0.85	Chhattisgarh	0.62	0.89	Goa	0.77	0.82
Ladakh	0.52	0.68	Assam	0.78	0.79	West Bengal	0.70	0.65	Haryana	0.70	0.82
			Himachal Pradesh	0.71	0.75	Bihar	0.79	0.63	Maharashtra	0.62	0.82
			Manipur	0.34	0.41				Gujarat	0.60	0.71
									Andhra Pradesh	0.65	0.61

Note: Lakshadweep and Mizoram have not provided adequate data for assessment of their State Portals and hence they are not considered for analysis

4. MYGOV

MyGov Nagaland remains a key platform for citizen engagement, enabling public participation in governance through feedback and suggestions for state development. It operates through the official portal - nagaland.mygov.in and active social media channels on X, Facebook and Instagram. Serving as a reliable source of government updates, it plays a crucial role in sharing information on various developmental initiatives across the state.



5. eOFFICE

eOffice is a digital workplace solution developed to enhance efficiency, transparency, and accountability in government offices. It enables the electronic handling of files and documents, reducing paperwork and improving workflow automation. eOffice promotes a paperless environment, aligning with the Digital India initiative to improve governance efficiency and service delivery. The solution is developed by National Informatics Centre Services Inc (NICSI). The eOffice pilot project is implemented at the civil secretariat in 4 (four) Departments namely Chief Secretary Office, IT&C Department, P&AR Department and Planning Department. The eOffice project was officially launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Shri. Neiphiu Rio on 15th August 2023.

Key Features of eOffice:

File Management System (eFile): Allows electronic movement, tracking, and archival of files, eliminating the need for physical files.

Collaboration Tools: Provides features like messaging, task management, and document sharing for seamless communication.

Knowledge Management System (KMS): Acts as a central repository for policies, guidelines, and reference documents.

Security & Compliance: Ensures data integrity with role-based access control, audit trails, and encryption.

Mobile Accessibility: Supports mobile devices for remote access to files and approvals.

Workflow Automation: Enhances decision-making by automating repetitive tasks and tracking pending actions.

6. GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

The Department of Information Technology and Communication (IT&C) has been instrumental in enhancing the digital infrastructure of the Government by creating websites and web-based applications for various State Departments. These platforms serve as reliable channels for information sharing, online services, and fostering transparent communication between the government and citizens. Utilizing its expertise, the department carefully designs, develops, and oversees websites customized to meet the specific requirements of different government entities.

To bolster website security, the department conducted a comprehensive cybersecurity audit for all websites, implementing various preventive measures against cybersecurity incidents. Currently, there are 88 websites in total, with IT&C maintaining 54 websites, while 26 are managed by the respective departments and 8 websites are under development.

The Department organized a cybersecurity awareness workshop on websites and applications at the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication on 16th and 17th July 2024. Additionally, a hands-on training session was conducted for IT Nodal Officers from various government departments at the Directorate's Conference Hall. This session focused on key aspects of cybersecurity, including best practices for safeguarding websites and applications against potential threats. The training covered topics such as data protection, threat detection, and incident response. By equipping IT Nodal Officers with essential cybersecurity knowledge, the department aims to enhance the overall security posture of government websites and digital services.



Hands-on training of IT Nodal Officers on Cyber Security

On the 23rd of January 2025, the Department of IT&C conducted a training session on Website Content Management & Security Framework at the Directorate of IT&C. The session focused on enhancing website security, improving overall website management, and customizing content to meet the specific requirements of individual departments. The importance of updating the latest website content and management were also highlighted. To streamline the content update process, the department has developed both a mobile and web application, enabling IT Nodal Officers to efficiently notify and submit content for updating their respective department's websites.



7. EPROCUREMENT & TENDERING

The Government has implemented the e-Procurement system across various departments, recognizing its benefits in cost efficiency, transparency and accountability in the procurement and tendering process. The Department of Information Technology & Communication serves as the nodal agency for e-Procurement and tendering in the state, with 37 (thirty-seven) departments actively utilizing the system.

A cumulative of 661 e-tenders have been floated in the State since inception with a value of Rupees 4026.00 Crores. During 2024-25 a total of 86 e-Tenders were floated for an amount of Rupees 439.00 Crores.

8. ONLINE INNER LINE PERMIT (ILP)

The first module of the online Inner Line Permit (ILP) system which was exclusively for the Tourist Category in Nagaland was launched on November 19, 2019, by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Nagaland. This initiative was aimed to streamline ILP registrations, fostering tourism while safeguarding local communities in accordance with the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulations of 1873. The ILP Portal balances the dual objectives of enabling responsible tourism and preserving the unique cultural heritage of Nagaland through an accessible, efficient, and secure application process.

To further ease the ILP application process, the Online ILP Portal was extended to all the Other Categories which was launched on December 16, 2021 by the Hon'ble Chief Minister

of Nagaland. This extension has simplified the application process by reducing the need for physical visits, thereby saving time and effort for the applicants. The portal enables real-time tracking of visitor inflow and outflow, ensuring security and accountability. Accessible at www.ilp.nagaland.gov.in, the system has evolved through regular updates to meet user and administrative needs.

The online ILP Portal supports applications for the following categories:

1. Tourists (both foreign and domestic)
2. Traders/Businessmen
3. Labourers
4. Priests
5. Teachers
6. Students
7. Guarantors
8. Technical Personnel/Consultants
9. Partners in Business

All applications for Inner line Permits are now fully online w.e.f 1st January 2025 in pursuance with the government order No.CON-3/PAP/65/10 dated 20/09/2024.

Online ILP Training:

The Department of Information Technology & Communication organized a training session on the online Inner Line Permit (ILP) system on February 20 and 21, 2025, at the Directorate of Information Technology and Communication, Kohima. The training aimed to provide guidance, enhance essential skills, and facilitate hands-on learning for the ILP application module.



Nodal Officers and Operators from the Deputy Commissioners' offices across all 17 districts of Nagaland participated in the training session. A comprehensive briefing on the operational procedures and key features of the newly updated ILP system was given to them. The training included interactive, hands-on sessions, allowing attendees to engage directly with the system, familiarize themselves with its updated policies and modules and gain practical experience. This approach ensured that participants acquired the necessary knowledge and skills to operate the revised and updated online ILP system efficiently and effectively.

9. AADHAAR ENABLED BIOMETRIC ATTENDANCE SYSTEM (AEBAS)

The Aadhaar-enabled Biometric Attendance System (AeBAS) was introduced by the Department of Information Technology & Communication, Government of Nagaland, as part of its digital governance initiatives. The system was officially launched on 19th February 2016 during the AHOD/HOD meeting at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat. AeBAS represents a significant advancement in leveraging technology to enhance transparency, accountability, and efficiency in attendance management across government departments.

To date, the system has been effectively implemented within the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, with 5 Android Tablets and 100 PC-based Fingerprint Scanners strategically deployed across various departments, which includes AHODs Offices. Currently, a total of 1,776 employees are registered under AeBAS, ensuring a structured and automated attendance monitoring mechanism.

The Department of IT&C operates a Biometric Control Room at the Nagaland Civil Secretariat, manned by departmental personnel on all working days. This facility ensures effective monitoring of the system and provides prompt resolution of technical issues anytime.



Biometric Control Room at Nagaland Civil Secretariat



Employees in queue to mark their attendance

Key Features:

1. Biometric Authentication

AeBAS utilizes biometric authentication, i.e. fingerprint recognition, linked to an employee's Aadhaar number. This robust mechanism ensures precise identity verification, eliminating the possibility of proxy attendance and unauthorized entries.

2. Real-time Monitoring

The system provides real-time attendance data, facilitating timely decision-making and effective workforce management. It enables the authorities to remotely monitor attendance records, thereby improving oversight and operational efficiency.

3. Aadhaar Integration

By integrating attendance records with Aadhaar, the system strengthens identity verification and prevents discrepancies. Cross-referencing with government databases enhances data accuracy and integrity, ensuring reliable personnel records.

4. Cost-effectiveness

AeBAS significantly reduces dependency on manual attendance registers, minimizing administrative workload and paperwork. This contributes to financial prudence by streamlining operational processes and optimizing resource utilization.

5. Transparency and Accountability

The system promotes transparency by maintaining accurate attendance records, reducing opportunities for malpractices. Employees are held accountable for their attendance, fostering a disciplined work culture and reinforcing public trust in government operations.

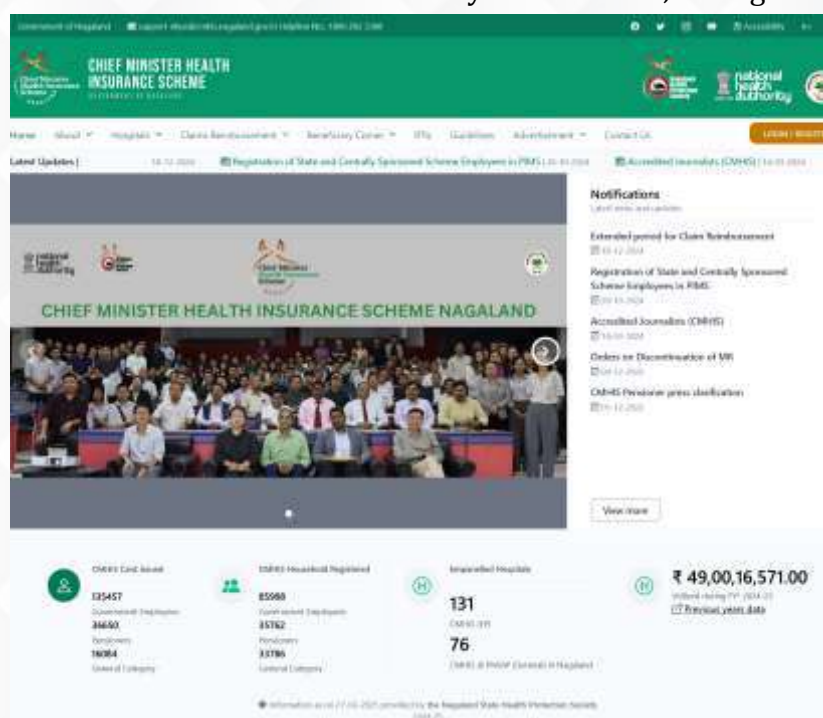
The implementation of AeBAS marks a progressive step in enhancing governance through digital solutions. The system's impact on workforce management underscores the government's commitment to fostering technological advancements in administrative processes for the overall development of the state.

10. APPLICATIONS AND PORTALS

The Department of Information Technology & Communication (DIT&C) remains dedicated to managing and sustaining online platforms that offer a comprehensive range of services, including:

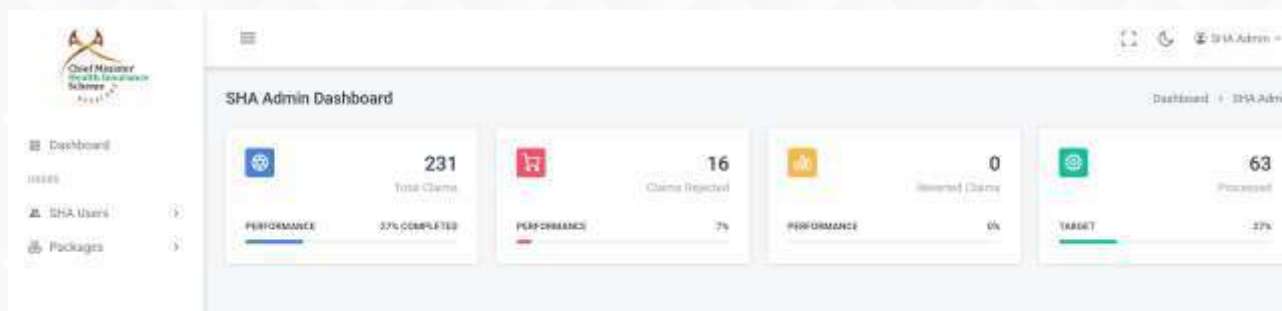
i. CHIEF MINISTER'S HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME (CMHIS) PORTAL –

The CMHIS Portal (www.cmhis.nagaland.gov.in), developed by DIT&C, facilitates the Government of Nagaland in offering financial protection against high medical expenses. The scheme is designed to enhance access to quality healthcare while reducing the financial burden on families facing serious illnesses or injuries, contributing to the realization of universal healthcare in the state. Till date a total of 3,95,174 beneficiaries are registered under CMHIS and cashless treatment worth Rs 46.88 Crore have been availed by beneficiaries, during FY 2024-25.



ii. CMHIS CLAIMS MANAGEMENT PORTAL (CMHIS-CMP) -

The CMHIS Claims Portal, developed by the Department of Information Technology & Communication (DIT&C), streamlines the claims processing for the Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS). Designed to ensure efficiency, transparency, and faster claim settlements, the portal enables hospitals and beneficiaries to submit and track claims seamlessly. Integrated with automated verification and approval workflows, it minimizes delays, reduces paperwork, and enhances accountability. By digitizing the claims process, the portal strengthens the healthcare reimbursement system, ensuring timely financial support for beneficiaries under CMHIS. Till date, a total of 230 Claims Applications have been processed through the portal.

**iii. THE RIGHT OF WAY (ROW) PORTAL -**

The Right of Way (RoW) Portal is a centralized online platform developed by the State in accordance with the Telecommunication Act 2023, which is integrated into the centralised RoW portal to streamline the application and approval process for installing telecommunication infrastructure in the State. The portal is being upgraded to align with the Telecommunications Right of Way Rules, 2024, which came into effect on January 1, 2025.

Key Features of the RoW Portal:

1. **Unified Application Platform:** Applicants namely the Telecom operators (TSP's) / Infrastructure providers (IP) can submit RoW permission requests through a single interface, eliminating the need to interact with multiple authorities.
2. **Centralized Application Tracking:** The portal offers real-time tracking of application statuses, ensuring transparency and providing visibility into the progress of approvals.
3. **Automated Notifications:** Applicants receive automated updates at each stage of the application process, ensuring timely awareness of any changes or requirements.
4. **Expedited Approvals:** By centralizing and monitoring application processing, the portal has reduced the average disposal time of applications.
5. **Centralized Help Desk:** A dedicated help desk is available to assist applicants with queries or issues, facilitating smoother interactions with authorities.
6. **Accelerated Service Rollout:** The streamlined RoW approval process contributes to the faster deployment of services such as 5G, fiberization of towers, and broadband connectivity, enhancing access for citizens and institutions across the country.

From April 2024 to February 2025:

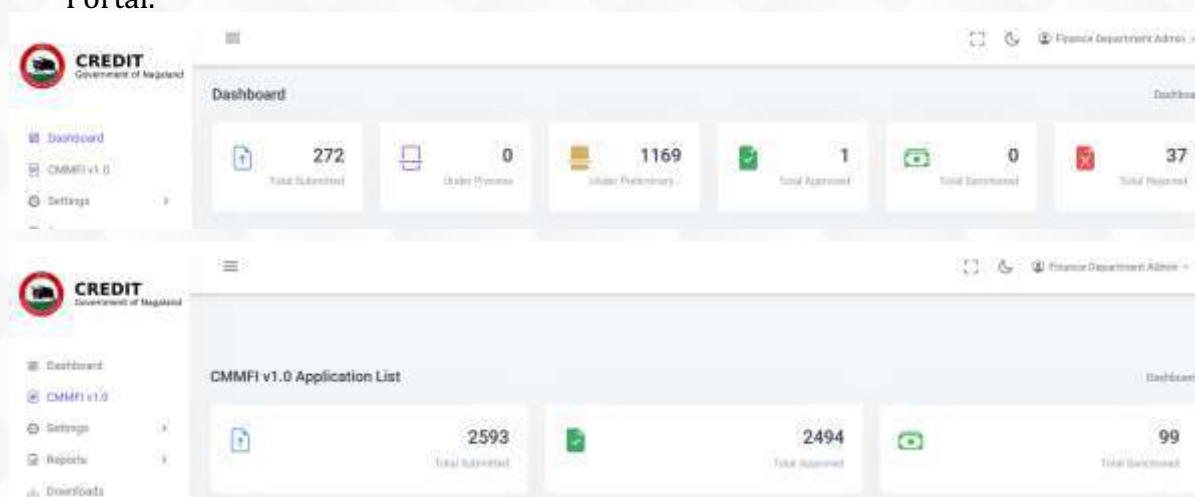
The total amount collected and deposited to State treasury account : Rs. 5,54,800.00
 Total number of applications approved for new tower installation : 35

iv. CHIEF MINISTER'S LIFE INSURANCE SCHEME (CMLIS) PORTAL -

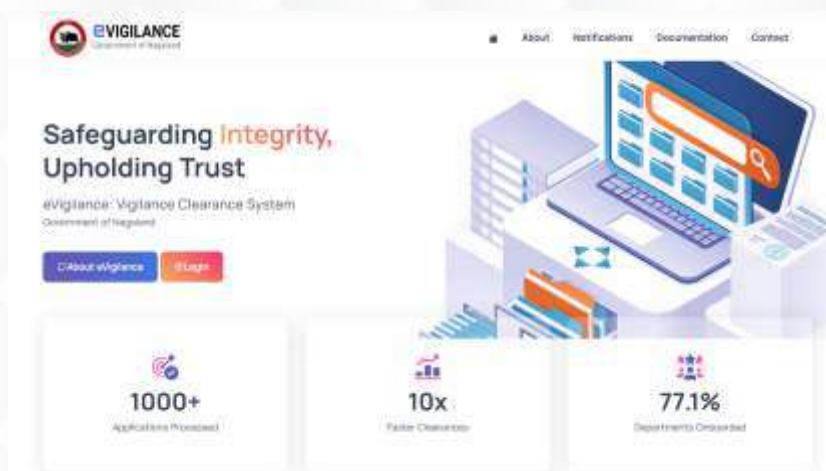
The Chief Minister's Life Insurance Scheme (CMLIS) is a comprehensive insurance initiative launched by the Government of Nagaland to provide financial security to its residents. The Digital platform for the Chief Minister's Universal Life Insurance Scheme (CMLIS), which was developed and managed by the department of IT&C, was officially launched on 15th August 2024. By leveraging digital technology, the platform has streamlined beneficiary enrolment, claims processing and fund disbursement, significantly enhancing the scheme's reach and impact. As on January 2025, more than 3 lakh beneficiaries have been registered, reflecting the Government's commitment to providing financial security to its citizens during unforeseen circumstances.

v. STATE CREDIT PORTAL -

The State Credit Portal (www.credit.nagaland.gov.in), developed by the Department of Information Technology & Communication (DIT&C), serves as a dedicated digital platform for implementing the Chief Minister's Micro Finance Initiative (CMMFI) and various other Credit Linked Schemes. This initiative is designed to enhance access to credit for individuals engaged in agriculture and allied sectors, empowering them to expand their economic activities and improve their livelihoods. By streamlining loan application, approval, and disbursement processes, the portal ensures efficient, transparent, and timely financial assistance to beneficiaries. Through its user-friendly interface and digital workflow, it facilitates seamless interactions between applicants, financial institutions, and government agencies. By fostering financial inclusion and economic growth, the CMMFI Portal plays a crucial role in strengthening entrepreneurship, rural development, and self-sufficiency across the state. A total of 3965 Applications have been processed through the State Credit Portal.

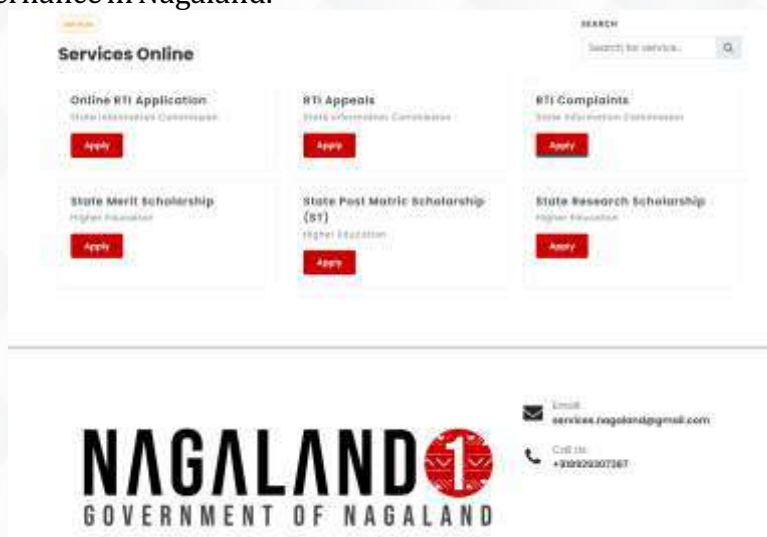
**vi. e-VIGILANCE PORTAL -**

The e-Vigilance Portal (www.evigilance.nagaland.gov.in) streamlines the issuance of No Objection Certificates (NOC) and vigilance clearances, ensuring a transparent and time-efficient process. Seamlessly integrated with the Personnel Information Management System (PIMS), the portal enhances efficiency by utilizing existing employee data. Developed in collaboration with the P&AR Department and Nagaland Lokayukta, it was officially launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Nagaland on August 15, 2023. Till date, Vigilance Clearance for a total of 3787 Employee Applications have been processed through the application.



vii. UNIFIED SERVICE PORTAL (NAGALAND ONE) -

The Nagaland One Portal (services.nagaland.gov.in), launched as part of the National e-Service Delivery Assessment (NeSDA) 2023, marks a significant step forward in digital governance. Designed to provide a unified platform for government services, the portal integrates multiple departments and citizen-centric services into a single, user-friendly interface. By simplifying service delivery, it enhances efficiency, accessibility, and transparency, reducing the need for physical visits to government offices. Citizens can conveniently access a wide range of e-services, including applications, approvals, and payments, from anywhere, ensuring a seamless and hassle-free experience. The portal is a key initiative toward improving digital service delivery, aligning with the government's vision of efficient, inclusive, and technology-driven governance in Nagaland.

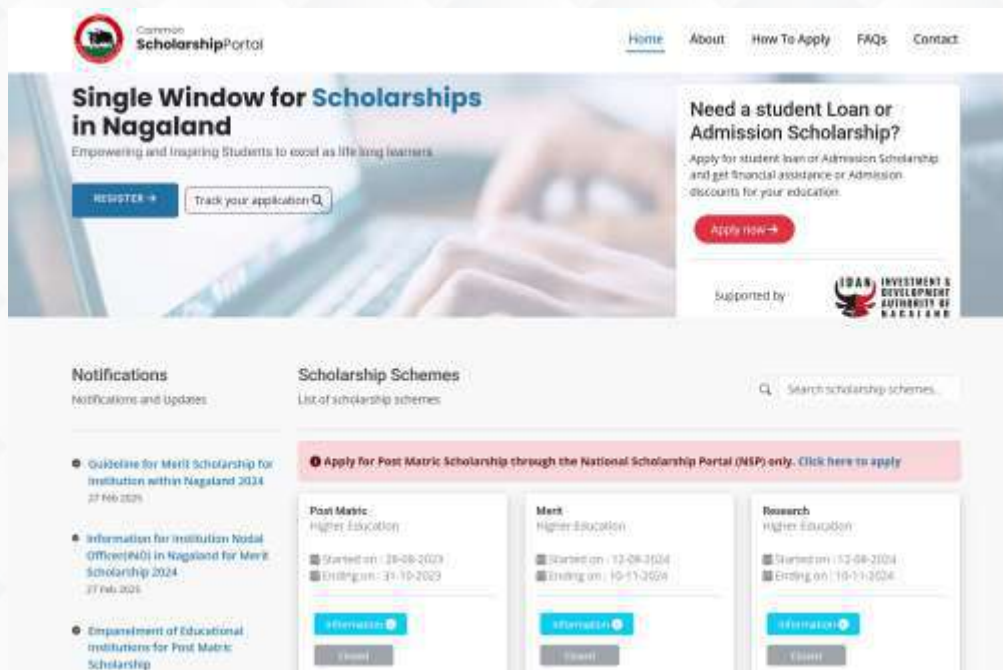


viii. COMMON SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL -

The Department of Information Technology & Communication manages the State Common Scholarship Portal (scholarship.nagaland.gov.in), a fully digitized platform that streamlines the scholarship application process for eligible students under 11 State Scholarship schemes. To date, the portal has successfully processed 67,028 applications since 2023, ensuring transparency, efficiency, and accessibility.

Key features include a one-scholarship-per-applicant policy, automated de-duplication and anomaly detection, and real-time status tracking of applications and disbursements.

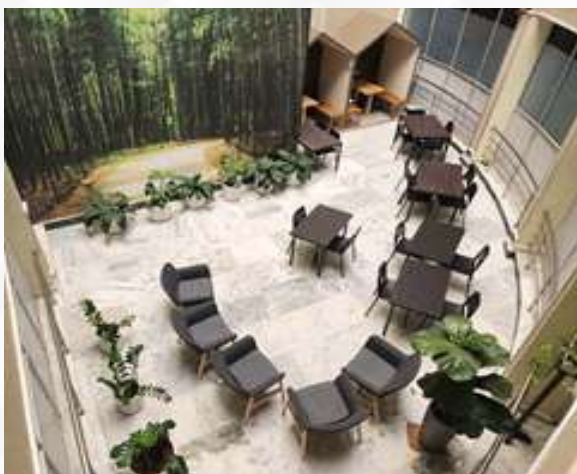
Scholarships are disbursed through DBT via PFMS, eliminating manual intervention and ensuring direct fund transfers. The portal enhances convenience, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness by allowing students to apply from anywhere, reducing processing time, and minimizing paperwork. With automated workflows and real-time updates, the system ensures a seamless and transparent scholarship distribution process.



11. SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGY PARKS OF INDIA (STPI), KOHIMA

The STPI Kohima centre, located within the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication (IT&C), Government of Nagaland, serves as a nucleus for entrepreneurship, innovation, and IT/ITeS development in the state. This facility plays a crucial role in enabling startups and IT businesses to establish a strong foothold in the industry by providing essential infrastructure, mentorship, and funding opportunities. With a total built-up area of 18,137 sq. ft., the centre offers various facilities, including Raw Incubation Space (RAW) with 4 (four) customizable areas totalling 2,484 sq. ft. Additionally, it provides 85 Plug-and-Play (PnP) incubation seats and 95 Centre of Entrepreneurship (CoE) incubation seats, offering ready-to-use office spaces for startups and entrepreneurs. The centre is equipped with high-speed internet and IT infrastructure, ensuring seamless connectivity for digital operations while enhancing efficiency and productivity.





A key driver of STPI Kohima's success is its strong collaborative ecosystem. The Directorate of IT&C, Government of Nagaland, plays a central role in policy support, infrastructure development and strengthening of overall IT ecosystem. The MeitY Startup Hub (MSH) and STPI initiatives offer funding opportunities, mentorship and national-level exposure to startups, ensuring scalability and sustainability in the IT sector. Various companies and organizations occupying the RAW and plug-and-play spaces at STPI Kohima provide employment opportunities for local youth.



At present there are five firms/organizations that have occupied Raw Incubation Space (RAW) and Plug & Play (PnP) seats in STPI Kohima Center. The RAW space is fully occupied and a total of 110 PnP seats are in use.

12. COMMUNICATION

- i. **4G Saturation Project** - The Union Cabinet, on 27th July 2022, approved the 4G Mobile Services Saturation Project to provide high-speed internet to around 25,000 uncovered villages across India, particularly in remote and challenging regions. 569 sites including 397 uncovered villages in Nagaland were identified for provision of 4G mobile connectivity. The project is expected to be completed by December 2025. This project aims to bridge the urban-rural digital divide and enhance socioeconomic growth by ensuring reliable 4G coverage. Additionally, it will lay a foundation for future 5G rollouts.

As part project, a total of 323 tower sites have been planned, including new tower installations, upgrades of existing towers, and those under the Border Outposts (BOP), Border Infrastructure Projects (BIP), and other related areas. The current status of implementation is as follows:

- Commissioned (On Air): 57 towers (17.64%) are fully operational.
- DMW/UBR/eNodeB Installation in Progress: 203 towers (62.85%) are undergoing equipment installation.
- Tower Erection in Progress: 65 towers (20.12%) are at the erection stage.

Efforts are underway to expedite the completion of the remaining towers to ensure timely project implementation and improved network coverage.



- ii. **National Broadband Mission** - The 3rd State Broadband Committee meeting was held on 12th February 2025 under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, for monitoring and effective implementation of the National Broadband Mission in the State.

The State Broadband Committee (SBC) was constituted for monitoring and effective implementation of National Broadband Mission in the State and to facilitate the implementation of guidelines issued by the Governing Council or Steering committee enabling the expansion of broadband services in the State.

All members of the SBC, including the DDG LSA Nagaland, CGM BSNL, PGM BharatNet, and telecom operators in the state, along with representatives from all major line departments, attended the meeting. Key issues relating to improvement of telecommunication services and infrastructure such as internet mobile services in Districts, Blocks and villages in the State. were discussed.



State Broadband Committee meeting held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary Nagaland

13. CONSTRUCTION/CIVIL WORKS

- i. **Guest House cum Staff Quarter building:** Construction of the building began on 21st December, 2021 at the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication, Kohima, Nagaland under state plan during 2021 with total project cost of Rs 352.94 lakhs and the work is now completed.



Guest House cum Staff Quarter building

- ii. **Nagaland State Data Centre:** The State Government commissioned the construction of Nagaland State Data Center (NSDC) building on 17th January 2023 at the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication, Kohima, Nagaland under state plan with a total project cost of Rs 405.72 lakhs. The work is ongoing and projected to be completed by June 2025.

14. INDIAN MOBILE CONGRESS 2024

A delegation from Nagaland, led by Shri H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam, Hon'ble Advisor of the Department of Information Technology & Communication (IT&C), Government of Nagaland, attended the Indian Mobile Congress held on 15th October 2024, at New Delhi. The event was organized by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Government of India, in partnership with the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI), with participation from over 250 companies and 400 startups, making it one of the largest telecom and digital technology events in Asia.



Shri H. Sethrongkyu Sangtam, Hon'ble Advisor of the Department of IT&C along with Department Officials attending the Indian Mobile Congress, 2024 in New Delhi

15. INTERNET AND MOBILE CONNECTIVITY FOR HORNBILL FESTIVAL 2024

The Department of Information Technology & Communication (DIT&C) was entrusted with the responsibility of providing internet services and ensuring reliable mobile connectivity for the 25th edition of the Hornbill Festival 2024.

To support the seamless execution of the festival, DIT&C facilitated essential connectivity services to enable:

- ◆ Live streaming of events for a wider audience reach.
- ◆ Efficient management of the media control room for real-time coordination and dissemination of information.
- ◆ Digital payment solutions at stalls, promoting cashless transactions.
- ◆ Enhanced social media engagement, allowing participants and visitors to share updates and experiences in real time.
- ◆ Intra-Department Communication, for seamless co-ordination during the events.

Through these efforts, the Department played a crucial role in leveraging technology to enhance the efficiency, accessibility and overall success of the Hornbill Festival 2024.

16. CELEBRATION OF SAFER INTERNET DAY


Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally on the second Tuesday of February to raise awareness and promote safe & responsible use of the internet, especially for children and young people. Each year Safer Internet Day also aims to raise awareness about emerging online issues and current concerns. This year's Safer Internet Day was celebrated on 11th February 2025 under the theme of "Together for a Better Internet" in the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication.


The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India is implementing the Information Security Education and Awareness (ISEA) Project Phase-III with a targeted approach for the development of human resources for safe, trusted and secure cyber space. Under the ISEA Project, a massive awareness campaign on this year's 'Safer Internet Day' i.e. on 11th February 2025 was held at Pan India level.




Commissioner & Secretary, IT& C, Mohammed Ali Shihab along with officials and participants during the State-Level Awareness Workshop on "Safer Internet Day" observed at the Directorate of Information Technology & Communication, Kohima on the 11th February 2025. (DIPR)



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