

Rio takes oath as Nagaland CM



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KOHIMA: Setting at rest all uncertainty NDPP [leader](#) Neiphu Rio took oath

as [Nagaland](#) Chief Minister along with 11 legislator colleagues on Thursday.

[Governor PB](#) Acharya administered the three time chief minister the oath

of office and secrecy at the Public Ground in [Kohima](#) in the morning.

Senior [Nagaland](#) BJP legislator Y Patton took oath as deputy chief minister along with four other party legislators. They include P Paiwang Konyak, S Pangnyu Phom, T Imna Along, H Tovihoto Ayemi.

Rio has picked up Noke Konyak, CM Chang and Neiba Kronu from his party

along with the lone JD(U) and independent one.

BJP president [Amit Shah](#), Union home minister Rajnath Singh, defence minister [Nirmala](#) Sitharaman, Union minister of [state](#) for home Kiren Rijiju, Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, his [Arunachal](#) Pradesh,

Meghalaya, [Manipur](#) counterparts Pema Khandu, Conrad Sangma and Biren

Singh, BJP [leaders](#) Ram Madhab, Himanta Biswa Sarma were prominent among

those who attended the swearing in ceremony.

The NDPP-led coalition comprises BJP, JD(U) and an independent whose strength stands at 32. NPP has withdrawn its support on Wednesday evening.

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