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HEADLINES:-

- 1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi emphasizes that Viksit Bharat can be achieved through a fundamental change in mindset focused on making India developed by 2047.
- 2. Centre constitutes Unlawful Activities Prevention Tribunal to adjudicate whether there is sufficient cause to declare ULFA as Unlawful Association.
- 3. Today is 100th birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
- 4. President Droupadi Murmu appoints governors in five states.
- 5. Christmas is being observed across the North Eastern region along with rest of the country and world today.
- 6. Shillong and other state capitals have been decked up for Christmas and the forthcoming New Year celebrations.

PM

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has emphasized that Viksit Bharat can be achieved through a fundamental change in mindset that is focused on making India developed by 2047. He expressed his views while interacting with a group of eminent economists and thought leaders yesterday in preparation for the Union Budget 2025-26 at NITI Aayog in New Delhi. The meeting was held on the theme "Maintaining India's growth momentum at a time of global uncertainty." Participants shared their views on several significant issues.

ULFA

The Central Government has constituted the Unlawful Activities Prevention Tribunal to adjudicate whether there is sufficient cause to declare the United Liberation Front of Asom – ULFA as an Unlawful Association. The Tribunal will also look into its factions, wings and front organizations.

The Tribunal will be headed by Justice Michael Zothankhuma of the Gauhati High Court. Earlier, Union Home Ministry had extended the ban on ULFA for five years. The Ministry cited continued involvement of the outfit in criminal activities, extortion and pursuing an objective of secession from India.

ATAL

Today is the 100th birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. The day is also celebrated as Good Governance Day. Tributes will be paid to the statesman at his samadhi Sadaiv Atal in the national capital. Akashvani's correspondent reports that Born on 25th December 1924 in Gwalior, Atal Bihari Vajpayee's personality had many facets. He served thrice as the Prime Minister of India. His legacy comprises forward looking economic policies, massive infrastructure projects and development of national highways as well as roads in the rural areas. He was awarded India's highest civilian honour Bharat Ratna in 2015. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will release a commemorative stamp and coin marking the 100th birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

GOVERNORS

President Droupadi Murmu has appointed governors in five states. The Governor of Mizoram Dr. Hari Babu Kambhampati will now be the new Governor of Odisha. Former Union Minister General Vijay Kumar Singh has been appointed as Governor of Mizoram. Former Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla has been appointed as Governor of Manipur.

CHRISTMAS

Christmas is being observed across the North Eastern region along with rest of the country and world today. Mid-night services in churches were conducted last night heralding in the advent of Lord Jesus Christ, the 'Prince of Peace'. President Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, governors and chief ministers of the various states have greeted the people on Christmas

SHILLONG

Shillong and other state capitals have been decked up for Christmas and the forthcoming New Year celebrations. Government and private buildings and street corners have been illuminated and decorated with Christmas trees, banners and festoons. Special programmes including traditional Christmas carols and colourful processions have rendered the air festive and solemn. Meghalaya Governor C. H. Vijayashankar and chief minister Conrad K Sangma have greeted the people on Christmas. In his message, chief minister Sangma urged the people to spread joy and kindness as they celebrate this special time of year.

MIZORAM

In Mizoram, grand Christmas celebration is being held. Decorations of churches, roads, towns, and villages are in place marking the birth of Jesus Christ. Christmas is celebrated for two days across the state, where community feasts are organized on the second day to mark the significance

of the occasion. Mizoram is known for its vibrant Christmas, with its own unique blend of religious devotion and traditional fervour. Churches are decorated while Christmas carols echo in all nooks and corners of the hill state. Mizoram Governor Dr Hari Babu Kambhampati and Chief Minister Lalduhoma have led the people of the State in donating funds for various Orphanage Homes and Care Centres. Christmas symbolizes 'giving' and fosters the spirit of peace and unity.
