

Morning News Script

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has hailed the Union Budget 2025 as a game-changer for India's progress, emphasizing its role in accelerating the country's journey towards Viksit Bharat. In his post budget message, Mr. Modi said, Union Budget paves the way for innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainable growth across multiple sectors, including AI, toy manufacturing, agriculture, footwear, food processing, and the gig economy. The Prime Minister said that the union budget reflects the government's commitment to fulfilling the aspirations of every Indian.

Mr Modi also said that the budget will greatly benefits the middle class of the country as the income upto 12 lakh rupees has been exempted. He said, it will empower the agriculture sector to give boost to rural economy.

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Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman yesterday said that the Union Budget focuses on agriculture, rural prosperity, urban development, and continues to lay emphasis on reforms. Addressing media in New Delhi last afternoon, the Finance Minister said that the Budget says several things about India's path towards Viksit Bharat.

The Finance Minister added that six specified reforms have been identified in which government will continue its reform agenda. Ms Sitharaman said interests of health and education have been prioritised in the Budget. The Finance Minister highlighted that responding to the voice of the people, income tax simplification announced last July is already completed in its works. Ms Sitharaman said the new income tax bill in this regard will be introduced in Parliament next week.

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has said that the Union Budget has taken an all inclusive approach from empowering all sections of the society. Talking to media, Mr Singh said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of making India self-reliant in defence has further got a big boost in this budget. He added that 6.81 lakh crore rupees have been allocated for the Ministry of Defence for 2025-26.

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Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan has summoned Sixth Session of the Fourteenth Nagaland Legislative Assembly to meet at 9:30 AM on 3rd of March 2025 in the Assembly Hall of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Kohima.

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Health & Family Welfare department has cancelled Drugs License of 24 Retail pharmacies operating in Dimapur and Chumoukidima districts. In a notice, it said the cancellation comes for non-compliance of several notices issued as required under Drugs and Cosmetic Rules 1945 and said supply of medicines to such illegal firms will be considered violation. The department also said that it will continue in phase manner until all districts are screened and cautioned all licensed pharmacies that their Drugs license will be cancelled if the Drugs license is not renewed within six months after the expiry of the valid period. It has further asked all licensed retailers & wholesalers to get registered into Online National Drugs Licensing System Portal.

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The three-day Assam-Nagaland Student Exchange Program held under the theme, Discovering Neighbours concluded yesterday in Mokokchung. Deputy Commissioner, Mokokchung, Thsuvisie Phoji emphasized on the importance of countering anti-social elements that attempt to disrupt peace along border. The DC said such exchange initiatives should not be confined to border areas but extend across both states and encouraged the students to become ambassadors of peace. Students from Assam and students of Government High School, Tzürangkong participated in the programme. Organized by Border Peace Coordination Committee (Assam-Nagaland) in collaboration with Friendship Forum Tzürangkong and District Administration of Jorhat and Mokokchung, the programme aimed to strengthen cross-border ties and promote peaceful coexistence.

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