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Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio calls on youth to step up and drive change in society

Prime Minister Narendra Modi says India and America stand firmly together in fight against terrorism

Women must be fearless, ambitious and break barriers, says President Droupadi Murmu

And, 38th National Games concludes in Uttarakhand



Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has urged the youth of Nagaland to step up to make the state rise higher. He said this while addressing the 4th Convocation Ceremony of St. Joseph University, Chumoukedima today. Encouraging the graduating students to take risk, adapt to change and stay humble, Mr Rio urged them to contribute to the society, becoming assets to the community.

The Chief Minister said many youth in Nagaland have turned challenges into thriving ventures, using their resilience, creativity, and courage to transform local industries. Highlighting Nagaland's rich

heritage, unity, and values, Mr Rio encouraged the graduates to carry these into the professional world. He urged them to uphold integrity, and strive for excellence in their career and service. Congratulating the graduates, he said the degree is not merely a certificate of academic excellence, but a reflection of their ability to adapt, innovate, and contribute to society. Mr Rio also commended the University for its focus on academic excellence, innovation, and holistic development which is shaping future leaders for a new, progressive Nagaland.

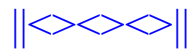


Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said India and America have stood firmly together in the fight against terrorism and both agree that concrete action is needed to eliminate cross-border terrorism. Addressing a joint press meet after holding bilateral talks with US President Donald Trump at the White House in Washington DC today, Mr Modi said India and US have announced to sign a new ten-year framework for a major Defense Partnership in the 21st Century. The two countries also decided to double the bilateral trade to 500 billion dollars by 2030. Prime Minister Modi said, cooperation and collaboration between India and America can shape a better world.

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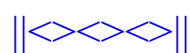
During the meeting, US President Donald Trump said, India and the US have agreed to work together to help build one of the greatest trade routes, the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor. He announced a key agreement aimed at making the US the leading supplier of oil and natural gas to India.

India and US also reaffirmed that a close partnership between both the countries is central to a free, open, peaceful and prosperous Indo-Pacific region. Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri said, India will host the Quad summit later this year and Prime Minister Modi has extended an invitation to President Trump.



President Droupadi Murmu today urged women to dream big and gather the courage, strength, and potential to achieve their dreams. Addressing the 10th International Women's Conference in Bengaluru, she emphasised that women must be fearless, set ambitious goals, break barriers, and challenge stereotypes. She called for ensuring that human values remain intact in the present age of advancements in technology.

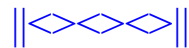
President Murmu stated that every human being needs to put in extra effort consciously to promote human values such as compassion, love, and unity.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that India and Thailand share deep cultural ties that span over two thousand years. Addressing the SAMVAD programme being organised in Thailand through video conference, Mr Modi said, India's Act East policy and Thailand's Act West policy complement each other. He said, it stands as a beautiful example of the shared philosophical and spiritual traditions of Asia.

The Prime Minister said, this conference highlights that the Asian Century is not just about economic value but also about social values.

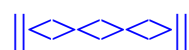
He observed that conflicts today extend beyond people and nations, with humanity increasingly in conflict with nature. The Prime Minister remarked that this has led to an environmental crisis that threatens our planet.



MLA Y. Mhonbemo Humtsoe has introduced a Civil Services Coaching Sponsorship Programme to support 25 aspirants from economically weaker sections in the 38-Wokha Assembly Constituency. Mr Humtsoe launched the programme during the Souvenir Release event of the Wokha Village Students' Union today. Aimed at promoting meritocracy and educational opportunities, the programme offers seven months of coaching for NPSC and NSSB exams.



The monthly meeting of the Niuland District Planning & Development Board (DPDB) today stressed on the need for effective implementation of Inner Line Permit. In this regard, Minister for PHED and Co-operation, and Chairman DPDB, Jacob Zhimomi urged for cooperation from all district officers. The board also discussed construction of office building for the Department of Land Resources, and assessment of Niuland Local Ground for future expansion, among others.



The 38th National Games held in Uttarakhand concluded today. On this occasion, Indian Olympic Association President P.T. Usha officially declared the end of the Games. Union Home Minister Amit Shah, chief

guest at the closing ceremony, handed over the flag of the National Games to Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad Sangma, as Meghalaya will host the 39th National Games in 2027. Nagaland wrapped up its participation at the Games with two bronze medals.

