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The Supreme Court Judge Justice B R Gavai yesterday said that all problems can be resolved through constitutional means. Speaking at a function marking the 12th anniversary of the Manipur High Court in Imphal, Justice Gavai emphasized the power of dialogue, stating that solutions are within reach when people come together. Leading a team of five Supreme Court judges on a two-day visit to Manipur, Justice Gavai shared insights from their interactions with those affected by violence. He highlighted that during their visit, they spoke with people in relief camps in Churachandpur and Bishnupur, noting that everyone, from both communities, expressed a shared desire for peace and an end to the current turmoil. Meanwhile, Union Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal addressed the ongoing peace process, acknowledging improvements in the situation but stressing the need for continued progress.

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Today is World Tuberculosis Day. The day is observed on 24th March every year to raise awareness about the devastating health, social and economic consequences of Tuberculosis (TB) and to step up efforts to end the global epidemic. The day is observed to commemorate the anniversary of Dr. Robert Koch's discovery of the TB bacteria in 1882. This year's theme is "Yes! We Can End TB: Commit, Invest, and Deliver". The theme offers an opportunity to reflect on ongoing efforts and encourage stronger commitment at local, national and international levels to end TB, by combating the growing threat of drug-resistant TB.

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The government has notified significant revisions to turnover and investment criteria for classifying MSMEs that will take effect from April 1. Micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) with investments up to 2.5 crore rupees will now be classified as micro enterprises, from the previous threshold of 1 crore rupees. The turnover limit has been revised from 5 crore rupees to 10 crore rupees. Units with investments up to 25 crore rupees will be classified as small enterprises, from the earlier 10 crore rupees. The turnover limit for such enterprises has been doubled from 50 crore rupees to 100 crore rupees. MSMEs with investments up to 125 crore rupees will now be classified as medium enterprises, from the earlier limit of 50 crore rupees. For medium enterprises, the turnover limit has been doubled to 500 crore rupees. During her budget speech, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had announced new classification criteria for MSMEs, with investment and turnover limits for the classifications proposed to be increased to 2.5 times and two times, respectively.

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Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Kiren Rijiju and Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu yesterday flagged off the 9th edition of the JK Tyre-Constitution Club of India Car Rally for Parliamentarians in New Delhi. The event is primarily aimed at promoting road safety awareness among people. Talking to the media, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said that road safety is very important for every citizen and advised people to follow safety measures to prevent accidents.

Civil Aviation Minister Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu highlighted that road safety is a top priority for the country today. He urged every citizen in this country to step up and be morally disciplined when traveling by road.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent podcast with AI researcher and podcaster Lex Fridman is now accessible in multiple languages. In a social media post, Mr Modi said that the aim is to make the conversation accessible to a wider audience.

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