# **HEADLINES:-**

- 1. President Droupadi Murmu inaugurates National Conference on Environment-2025 organised by National Green Tribunal at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi and says it is our moral responsibility to provide legacy of clean environment to coming generations.
- 2. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with people of the country and abroad in 'Mann Ki Baat' programme on Akashvani at 11 AM today.
- 3. Meghalaya Chief Minister, Conrad K. Sangma says young minds should be encouraged to provide solutions to problems through use of science and technology while speaking at National Science Day 2025 and inauguration of Digital Planetarium at NEHU Tura campus.
- 4. India Meteorological Department forecast hot and humid weather conditions are very likely to prevail in isolated pockets in Assam and Tripura till Monday.
- 5. Nine-day long Chaitra Navratri festival begin with morning aarti at temples across the country.
- 6. North East United FC and Jamshedpur FC will face each other in playoff match to qualify to Indian Super League semifinals in Shillong at 7:30 pm today.

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# PRESIDENT

President Droupadi Murmu has emphasised adopting a lifestyle which is conscious and sensitive towards the environment. The President stated this while inaugurating a National Conference on Environment-2025 at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi yesterday, organised by the National Green Tribunal. She said that it is our moral responsibility to provide a legacy of a clean environment to the coming generations. The President mentioned that balancing a clean environment and modern development is both an opportunity and a challenge. On the occasion, Supreme Court Judge Justice Vikram Nath emphasised that government policies must encourage green technologies, and industries be mindful of their environmental footprint.

## MANN

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people of the country and abroad in the 'Mann Ki Baat' programme on Akashvani at 11 AM today. It will be the 120th episode of the monthly radio programme. The programme will be broadcast on the entire network of Akashvani and Doordarshan, AIR News website, and NewsOnAir mobile app. It will also be live-streamed on YouTube channels of AIR News, DD News, PMO, and the Information and Broadcasting Ministry. Akashvani will broadcast the programme in regional languages immediately after the Hindi broadcast.

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### **SCIENCE DAY**

Meghalaya Chief Minister, Conrad K. Sangma said that our young minds should be encouraged to provide solutions to problems through the use of science and technology. Speaking at the National Science Day 2025 and the inauguration of Digital Planetarium at NEHU Tura campus yesterday, the Chief Minister said, posing a challenge to our youth to come up with solution to different problems will enable them to come up with ideas that will prove beneficial to the society. Citing an instance of a problem related to irrigation, he said, if the youth are encouraged to study the problem, they may come up with a solution, which will benefit our farmers. He said that science and mathematics competitions should be held with increased prize money, which will motivate our younger generation. Later, he visited the Digital Planetarium at NEHU Tura campus and inaugurated the newly constructed project in the presence of Assembly Speaker Thomas A. Sangma and other dignitaries.

#### IMD

The India Meteorological Department has forecast that maximum temperature is likely to increase, and it said, there is an increase likelihood of heat illness symptoms in people who are either exposed to sun for a prolonged period or doing heavy work. Hot and humid weather conditions are very likely to prevail in isolated pockets in Assam and Tripura till Monday. There is a high health concern for vulnerable people like infants, elderly, and people with chronic diseases. People have been advised to avoid heat exposure, keep cool and avoid dehydration. They have been advised to wear lightweight, cotton clothes and keep their head covered.

### NAVRATRI

The nine-day-long Chaitra Navratri festival began today with the morning aarti at temples across the country. Navratri is dedicated to the worship of Goddess Durga and her nine avatars. The nine-day long festival concludes on Ram Navami, which marks the birthday of Lord Ram. The festival is celebrated with great devotion with rituals and prayers honouring the goddess in her various forms.

#### **FOOTBALL-ISL**

North East United FC and Jamshedpur FC will face each other in a play-off match for a place in the Indian Super League semifinals in Shillong at 7:30 pm today. North East United finished fourth in the league standings with 38 points and Jamshedpur ended up at fifth. Teams finishing between third and sixth, feature in a single-leg knockout to determine the other two semi-finalists. The top two teams, Mohun Bagan Super Giant and FC Goa have automatically qualified for the semi-finals. Today's match between North East United FC and Jamshedpur FC is the first-ever playoffs between the two sides in the ISL history. Jamshedpur FC head coach Khalid Jamil expressed his pleasure as Shillong is hosting the ISL playoffs and there is a lot of love for football in Meghalaya. He also said that the stadium and ground is fantastic, and the crowd support is amazing. Meanwhile, in the I-League's North East derby clash between Shillong Lajong FC and Aizawl FC, the match ended in a draw with an eight-goal thriller at the SSA Stadium in Shillong yesterday. Both teams scored 4 goals each, and the draw pushed Shillong Lajong to sixth in the table with 27 points from 21 games, and Aizawl FC moved to 10th with 20 points from 21 matches.