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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has asserted that unity and solidarity of 140 crore Indians is the biggest strength of the country in its fight against terrorism. Addressing the nation in his Mann Ki Baat programme on Akashvani yesterday, Mr Modi assured the people that the perpetrators and conspirators behind Pahalgam terror attack will be given harshest punishment. 26 people lost their lives in the terror incident in Jammu and Kashmir's Pahalgam on the 22nd of this month. Prime Minister Modi said, following the terror attack, several global leaders called him up and wrote letters strongly condemning this heinous terrorist attack.

The Prime Minister said the enemies of India and Jammu and Kashmir were not pleased that peace was returning to Kashmir, democracy was getting stronger, and tourists were increasing at a record rate.

Governor of Nagaland, La Ganesan has emphasised the values of service, compassion, and community building. He said this yesterday during the live streaming of the 121st episode of PM Modi's monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' at Raj Bhavan Kohima. Reflecting on the impactful messages shared by the Prime Minister during his 'Mann Ki Baat' programme, the Governor encouraged everyone to internalize these values and contribute actively towards the nation's progress. The event also included a special felicitation ceremony for the students of St. Xavier College, Jalukie, who represented Nagaland in the Cultural Parade during the Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi earlier this year. The Governor Ganesan lauded the students for their outstanding contribution in showcasing the State's cultural richness on a national platform. He also acknowledged the efforts of the college administration for encouraging and supporting student participation in such a prestigious event. Calling for a holistic approach to education, Governor Ganesan encouraged all educational institutions to go beyond academics and focus on nurturing creativity, passion, and the overall well-being of students. The Governor further urged the college and its students to continue serving as ambassadors of India's cultural heritage and the spirit of unity in diversity.

Union Health Minister JP Nadda said that India is making big strides in cancer care, with a focus on setting up large-scale treatment centers and promoting early diagnosis. Mr Nadda was speaking at the inauguration of the expanded Cancer Institute and the launch of the state-of-the-art True Beam Unit at the Government Cancer Hospital in Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar in Maharashtra yesterday . He quoted a report by the recognized medical journal 'The Lancet', which said that with the Government's efforts, 90 percent of cancer patients in India are now starting their treatment within 30 days of diagnosis - a record recognized globally. He said, 780 medical colleges are operating today across the country, and the government is committed in ensuring there is no shortage of funds for medical education and healthcare services.

A total of 537 Pakistani nationals visiting India have so far returned home through the Attari-Wagah border crossing in Punjab's Amritsar. It comes following the government's 48-hour deadline for Pakistani

Nationals present in India on SAARC Visa to exit the country in the wake of Pahalgam terror attack which claimed lives of 26 people. Out of 537 Pakistani nationals, 237 returned, today. Talking to Akashvani News, Protocol Officer at Attari, Arun Mahal, said, the date of return for all visa holders including those on medical Visa, has been extended till 29th of this month.

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The top 10 finalists of the "Innovate2Educate: Handheld Device Design" challenge under the upcoming World Audio Visual Entertainment Summit (WAVES) were announced yesterday. The challenge is centred on driving innovation among the youth at the intersection of technology, education, and gaming. It aims to inspire breakthrough ideas and design for handheld devices that can revolutionise learning experiences. We have a report .

(VOICE CAST:) The top 10 finalists have been selected from over 1 thousand 800 registrations of innovative ideas after rigorous evaluation by an expert jury panel comprising industry leaders, technologists, educators, and designers. The shortlisted teams will present their ideas at a special showcase during the WAVES 2025 in Mumbai. Asonuo/Akashvani News Kohima

