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International Monetary Fund (IMF) has slapped 11 new conditions on Pakistan for the release of the next tranche of its bailout programme and warned that tensions with India could heighten risks to the scheme's fiscal, external and reform goals. As per a media report, the new conditions imposed on Pakistan include the parliamentary approval of a new 17.6 trillion rupees budget, an increase in the debt servicing surcharge on electricity bills and lifting restrictions on import of more than three-year-old used cars.

In Telangana, 17 people were killed and several injured when fire broke out in a residential place near Charminar in Hyderabad this morning. The deceased include 8 children and six women. The injured were shifted to various nearby hospitals. Union Coal & Mines Minister G Kishan Reddy visited the incident site and assured all assistance to the affected families. Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his condolence to the affected families in a social media post. He announced an ex-gratia of 2 lakh rupees each to the next kin of each deceased and 50 thousand rupees each to the injured ones.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah today said Narendra Modi government has brought unprecedented changes in the health sector in the last 10 years through various schemes. Inaugurating the newly constructed building of KK Patel and Madhuben K Patel Nursing College at Gozaria in Mehsana district of Gujarat, Mr Shah said many poor patients of the nearby villages will be benefited from the increased facilities in this nursing college. He said that 60 crore citizens of the country are taking advantage of the Ayushman Bharat scheme.

Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal today said empowering women in maritime is not just a matter of equity, but a strategic imperative to drive innovation, resilience and growth in the sector. He was speaking at the inauguration of International Day for Women in Maritime celebrations on theme "Women in Maritime: Leading Transformation and Sustainability," in Mumbai today. The event aimed to celebrate

achievements, address challenges, and inspire greater participation of women across all areas of the maritime domain.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein has urged the students to take advantage of the PM Vidya Lakshmi Portal, a dedicated platform to help the students to access education loans with ease and transparency. Mein, in a social media post said, no student should be held back from achieving their dreams due to financial constraints. He advised the students to secure the financial support needed to pursue higher education and build a brighter future.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar today predicted that 17 districts are in yellow alert zone. These districts will receive thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain very likely at isolated places. Meanwhile, there is no forecast of rainfall for Lower Siang, Upper Subansiri, Shi Yomi, Kurung Kumey, Kra Daadi, Kamle, Changlang and Lohit districts.

The Mt Everest Expedition Team of National Cadet Corps (NCC), India has scaled the Mt Everest today in Nepal. Chief Minister Pema Khandu, in a social media post, has congratulated all members of Team NCC for their historic achievement. He said this incredible feat is a testament to the team's courage, determination, and unwavering spirit.

The Himalayan Suraksha Manch of Arunachal Pradesh (HSMAP) appreciated Indian Armed Forces for the success of Operation Sindoor. In a press statement today, the Manch also condemned China for attempting to rename 26 places in Arunachal Pradesh to assert claims that have no legitimacy. It further stated that the state is witnessing remarkable all-round development under visionary leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Pema Khandu. Their firm stand against China's unwarranted renaming of places in the state reflected their deep commitment to protect dignity and identity of the state.

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi today hosted a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Mentorship Program for High School Girls named 'Manasvi' in New Delhi. Manasvi aims to go beyond just academic engagement, by offering to these young girls a voice, a platform, and a belief that they belong in STEM.

In first match of the IPL played at Jaipur today, Punjab Kings beat Rajasthan Royals by 10 runs. Batting first, PBKS made 219/5 as Nehal Wadhera topscored with 70 off 37 balls. A fighting spell of spin by Harpreet Brar restricted RR to 209/7. In the second match, Delhi Capitals are taking on Gujarat Titans. The match began at 7.30 pm.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar