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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today emphasized that the future of a healthy world depends on inclusion, an integrated vision, and collaboration. He asserted that inclusion is at the core of India's health reforms as the government has established a vast network of thousands of Health and Wellness Centres across the country. The Prime Minister made these remarks while virtually addressing the 78th session of the World Health Assembly being held in Geneva, Switzerland from 19th to 27th of this month. He highlighted India's extensive network of thousands of health and wellness centers that facilitate early screening and detection of diseases such as cancer, diabetes, and hypertension. Modi said that world's largest health insurance scheme 'Ayushman Bharat' which covers 580 million people is being run to provide free treatment. Modi also expressed India's willingness to share its learnings and best practices with the world, especially with the Global South.

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Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri today briefed the members of all party delegations to be sent abroad as part of India's diplomatic outreach on Operation Sindoor. The first all party delegation out of the seven set up for India's diplomatic outreach on Operation Sindoor abroad will depart tomorrow for four countries. The delegation led by Shiv Sena MP Shrikant Shinde will embark for UAE, Liberia, Democratic Republic of Congo and Sierra Leone tomorrow. On Thursday, the delegation led by JD(U) MP Sanjay Jha will leave for Indonesia, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Japan and Singapore, while the delegation led by DMK MP Kanimozhi Karunanidhi will kick start its visit to Spain, Greece, Slovenia, Latvia and Russia. The multi-party delegations will project the country's national consensus and resolute approach to combating terrorism in all its forms and manifestations with India's strong message of zero tolerance against terrorism.

In a landmark achievement, Arunachal Pradesh has recorded its highest-ever monthly GST collection in April 2025 – a massive 332 crore rupees, marking a 66% increase from last year. Sharing the news in a social media post, Chief Minister Pema Khandu informed

that since the launch of GST in 2017, the State's taxpayer base has grown significantly, with over 20,000 registered taxpayers today. In the meantime, Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein has said that the milestone highlights Arunachal's robust economic growth, improved tax compliance, and a rapidly expanding base of registered taxpayers.

In a major breakthrough, the Capital Itanagar Police have busted a sophisticated interstate cheating syndicate that was active during the CBSE-conducted recruitment examinations under the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti held on 18th May last. Based on credible input received from school authorities, the Niti Vihar Police Station, in close coordination with Kingcup Public School, apprehended 23 candidates during the pre-exam frisking process. Simultaneously, Chimpu Police Station, acting in tandem with VKV Itanagar, detained another candidate. A swift and coordinated investigation led to the arrest of a total of 53 candidates involved in the cheating attempt, and 29 devices have been recovered. All the apprehended individuals have been booked under Niti Vihar Police Station and further investigation is underway.

The Itanagar Capital Region district administration has announced the temporary closure of the Yupia Junction-Barapani section of NH-415 from today onwards for a period of two months to facilitate road construction work. The decision was taken during a meeting held at the DC's office yesterday. In an advisory issued, all commuters traveling between Itanagar and Naharlagun have been advised to use the Borum bridge (Helipad) route, while those traveling between Banderdewa and Itanagar may take the road near the railway station (via Arunodaya University).

In a bid to enforce regulatory compliance and ensure public health and safety, a flying squad team from the District Administration Lohit today conducted a surprise inspection across various commercial establishments. The inspection aimed at checking the use of banned single-use plastics, verifying weights and measures, ensuring food safety and hygiene, and examining the proper labelling of food items, among other parameters. In the meantime, the District Administration has announced that such surprise checks will be conducted regularly in the coming days to ensure continued compliance and safeguard public health and safety.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar has forecast yellow alerts over 15 districts of the state. These districts are very likely to receive thunderstorms with lightning and heavy rain at isolated places over the next 24 hours. Additionally, an increase in rainfall activity over the state has also been predicted for today until the 24th of May.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar