

## Evening News Script

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### THE HEADLINES:-

- Angola President Joao Lourenco says, India is a key trade partner of Angola, both countries are committed to further advancing bilateral ties.
- Lotha Doctors Forum condemns Albert P Lotha for falsely posing as an MBBS doctor; seeks stern action.
- DRDO successfully conducts maiden flight-trials of Stratospheric Airship Platform.
- and, Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launches India's first two Genome edited Rice varieties.

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President of Angola Joao Manuel Gonçalves Lourenço said India and Angola are committed to further advancing bilateral ties. Speaking at the India Angola Business Forum in New Delhi today, he said India is a key partner which has expertise in generic medicines. Addressing the gathering, Minister of State for External Affairs Kirti Vardhan Singh said that India-Angola bilateral relations are underpinned by a vibrant energy partnership with bilateral trade reaching 4.2 billion dollars in 2023-24.

The MoS said Angola has strengthened its presence on the global stage with the diversification of its economy, modernisation of infrastructure, and improving ease of doing business.

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Lotha Doctors Forum has condemned Albert P Lotha, who was caught falsely posing as an MBBS doctor and illegally treating patients at a medical hall in Dimapur. In a press release, the Forum this act is not only a serious criminal offence but also a blatant threat to public health and safety. What is equally alarming is his deliberate misuse of the Lotha tribal identity. Maintaining that such fraudulent impersonation cannot be taken lightly and must be met with strict and exemplary action, the Lotha Doctors Forum urged the concerned authorities to initiate the strongest legal proceedings against him under all applicable section of laws and take urgent measures to prevent such impersonators from endangering public lives in the future.

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully carried out maiden flight-trials of its Stratospheric Airship Platform from Sheopur Trial site in Madhya Pradesh yesterday. Developed by Aerial Delivery Research and Development Establishment at Agra in Uttar Pradesh, the airship was launched carrying an instrumental payload to an altitude of around 17 kilometers. Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh has congratulated the DRDO for the successful maiden flight-trial of the system. He stated that this system will uniquely enhance India's earth observation and Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance capabilities. The Minister added that this airship will also make the country one of the few countries in the world having such indigenous capabilities.

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Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan today launched India's first two Genome edited Rice varieties by ICAR in New Delhi. Addressing the event, the Minister said that today is a historic day for India. He said these two varieties will reduce the cost of production and increase the yield of rice in the country. Mr. Chouhan congratulated agriculture scientists who were involved in this project and said that the country has faith in the capability of the country's agricultural scientists. He added that ICAR will have to take their research directly

to the farmers. Mr. Chouhan said that this research will prove to be a milestone in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's resolution of Viksit Bharat.

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In a significant development, following the recent Pahalgam terror attack, the Punjab Police have arrested two individuals in Amritsar for allegedly spying for Pakistan. The accused, identified as Palak Sher Masih and Suraj Masih, were allegedly involved in leaking sensitive information and photographs of military installations, including Army cantonments and air bases in Amritsar. According to senior police sources, preliminary investigations point to their links with Pakistani intelligence operatives. Authorities believe the arrests could lead to crucial revelations as the probe continues.

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The United States has approved the sale of HawkEye 360 technology to India to boost the country's surveillance capabilities. The move will enhance India's maritime domain awareness in the Indo-Pacific region. In a statement, the US Defence Security Cooperation Agency said the proposed sale will improve India's capabilities to meet the current and future threats by bolstering its maritime domain awareness, analytical abilities and strategic posture.

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Union External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar today stated that the Arctic region has a global significance in itself and India has a growing involvement with the Arctic. The Minister was speaking at Arctic Circle India Forum 2025 in New Delhi.

Replying to a question on Europe, Dr Jaishankar stressed that India is looking for partners, and not preachers who do not practice at home what they preach abroad.

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Nagaland Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Service organized a Regional Level Workshop under National Livestock Mission - Entrepreneurship

Development Programme 2024-25 at EBRC hall, Shamator on Friday with Dr. H. Pamingchuba, Chief Veterinary Officer, Shamator as the resource person. Speaking at the workshop, Pamingchuba encouraged keeping more livestock such as Piggery, Poultry, sheep, etc. to boost rural economy and financial support of the people. The workshop was attended by more than a hundred participants from the general public of the Shamator district.

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