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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address the nation at 8 this evening. Modi's address comes in the wake of Operation Sindoor, which was launched by India after the barbaric terrorist attack in Pahalgam in which 25 Indians and one Nepali citizen were killed. In the retaliatory action, India destroyed multiple terror and military locations across Pakistan and killed over 100 terrorists. Earlier this afternoon, Prime Minister Modi chaired a high-level meeting at his residence in New Delhi. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan, Chiefs of the three Armed Forces, and several senior officials attended the meeting.

Director General Air Operations (DGAO), Air Marshal AK Bharti today stressed that India's fight was with terrorists and their support infrastructure, and not with Pakistan military. He said it is a pity that the Pakistan military chose to intervene and bat for the terrorists which compelled Indian Armed Forces to respond in kind. Briefing media in Delhi on Operation Sindoor, Air Marshal Bharti gave details about how Indian Forces minimised damage to both civilian and military infrastructure of the country during Operation Sindoor. He spoke about the layered and integrated air defence systems put in place by the Indian Armed Forces, which includes the assets of the Indian Army and Indian Navy, in addition to air defence assets of IAF.

Byte: Air Marshal Bharti

Giving an overview of how air defence systems thwarted enemy drones, fighter aircraft, and missiles which resulted in minimal losses on Indian side, Director General Military Operations (DGMO), Lt General Rajiv Ghai said they were well prepared in advance.

Thirty two airports which were temporarily closed for civil Aircraft operation have been opened now with immediate effect following the ceasefire between India and Pakistan. Earlier, these 32 airports were closed for civil Aircraft operation till 15th of this month. In a statement, Airports Authority of India has

recommended travellers to check flight status directly with Airlines and monitor Airlines' websites for regular updates.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein participated in the Poi-Lu-Chong cum Buddha Jayanti celebration held at Nampong village in Namsai district today. The vibrant celebrations reflected the deep spiritual and cultural ethos of the Buddhist community. In his speech, Mein emphasized the importance of preserving cultural heritage while fostering inclusive development. On the occasion, Mein inaugurated the Lungchaseng Buddha Vihara, envisioned as a centre for spiritual growth, reflection, and communal harmony. The day-long celebration featured traditional Tang Thi Kongma procession, devotional chanting, Dhamma discourses, and cultural presentations that highlighted the message of peace, harmony, and unity espoused by Lord Buddha.

The Khandro Drowa Sangmo Govt ANM School, Tawang, marked International Nurses Day with great enthusiasm at Zomkhang Hall, Tawang today. Gracing the event, Brigadier Bhupal Singh, Commander of Tawang Brigade, extended heartfelt wishes to all nurses. "Nursing is a noble profession where a nurse's healing touch eases suffering - a service often unnoticed but deeply valued by those in need," he remarked. Earlier, the event commenced with the ceremonial lighting of candles by dignitaries and trainee nurses in front of a portrait of Florence Nightingale, symbolizing their solemn oath of sincerity and dedication to humanitarian service.

Buddha Purnima is being celebrated across the world today. It not only marks the day when Gautam Buddha was born, but also the day when he attained Nirvana under the Mahabodhi tree at Bodh Gaya. This day is commemorated by Buddhists and Hindus all over the world. Meanwhile, President Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have greeted fellow citizens and the followers of Lord Buddha all over the world, on the occasion of Buddha Purnima. In her message, the President said the immortal message of non-violence, love and kindness given by Bhagwan Buddha, the embodiment of compassion, is the basic mantra for the welfare of mankind.

Tayar Ronik of Arunachal Pradesh has won the first weightlifting gold medal in Khelo India Youth Games 2025. Ronik lifted 154kg in clean & jerk in his third attempt to pip Hemanta Doimari of Assam in the 73kg class. He lifted a total of 267kg, one kilogram more than Hemanta. Madhya Pradesh's Himanshu

Kushwaha settled for bronze with a total lift of 255kg. Tayar Ronik has won his first medal Khelo India Youth Games in his third attempt.