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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be on a two-day visit to Sikkim, West Bengal, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh tomorrow. During his visit, he will inaugurate, dedicate and lay the foundation stone of multiple development projects worth more than 70,000 crore rupees. In Sikkim, the Prime Minister will participate in the "Sikkim@50: Where Progress meets purpose and nature nurtures growth" programme. He will also lay the foundation stone and inaugurate multiple development projects in the State and address the gathering on the occasion. Later, Mr Modi will visit West Bengal where he will lay the foundation stone of City Gas Distribution project in Alipurduar and Cooch Behar districts.

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices for fourteen Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2025-26. Briefing media in New Delhi this afternoon, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the Government has increased the MSP of Kharif crops for Marketing Season 2025-26, to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce. The Cabinet has also approved two multitracking projects across Indian Railways in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. Additionally, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the construction of 4-Lane Badvel-Nellore Corridor at a cost of 3653.10 crore rupees in Andhra Pradesh.

The All-Party Parliamentary Delegation, led by JD (U) MP Sanjay Jha, reached Jakarta, Indonesia, today as part of India's diplomatic outreach on Operation Sindoor. The delegation has so far visited Japan, South Korea and Singapore as part of India's global outreach against Pakistan-sponsored terrorism. The Indonesian side conveyed that they condemn terrorism and believe in dialogue to solve problems. They supported India's zero-tolerance approach. In Panama, the all-party Indian delegation headed by Congress MP Shashi Tharoor held a meeting with the Panama Assembly President, Dana Castaneda. During his meeting, Mr. Tharoor said that India had no interest in starting a war, but felt that a terrorist act must not go unpunished.

A Civil defence mock drill will be conducted tomorrow in districts bordering Pakistan. The exercise will take place in Gujarat, Rajasthan, Punjab and Jammu and Kashmir. During the drill, officials will provide demonstrations and training sessions to equip participants with the necessary skills to handle emergency situations. Volunteers from various religious organizations, government departments, NCC cadets, and NSS volunteers will participate in the exercise.

In a significant step towards uplifting marginalized communities through education, Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) has awarded scholarships to four outstanding students from the Puroik community. Under the scholarship, each student will receive a scholarship of ₹7,000 in recognition of their academic excellence in the Class X and Class XII board examinations. The awards were granted from the 'Governor's Excellence Awards' corpus fund, established specifically to support educational advancement within the Puroik Welfare Society. While approving the scholarships, the Governor expressed his hope that this small yet significant gesture would serve as a beacon of encouragement for other young learners from the Puroik community.

Women and Child Development Minister Dasanglu Pul chaired a comprehensive district review meeting with the administration of Dibang Valley today. In a social media post, Minister Pul informed that the meeting discussed key opportunities and challenges shaping the future of this strategically vital district. In the meantime, the Minister has urged the public to continue working together to transform Dibang Valley into a model of resilience, innovation, and inclusive development.

Social Activist Jumde Yomgam Gamlin has been awarded the Padma Shri for her sustained contribution to social reform and deaddiction efforts spanning over three decades. President Droupadi Murmu conferred the honour yesterday in recognition of Gamlin's commitment to community-based initiatives that have transformed lives, particularly in the Upper Siang district.

A Zonal Level Seminar commemorating the 300th birth anniversary of Punyashlok Maharani Ahilyabai Holkar was successfully organized in Bomdila today. The seminar witnessed enthusiastic participation of nearly 350 delegates from women self-help groups,

panchayat leaders, and social workers, making it a landmark occasion celebrating women's empowerment. The highlight of the seminar was the felicitation of several women achievers from the district, recognizing their invaluable contributions to society.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar has forecast yellow alerts over 20 districts in the state. These districts are very likely to receive thunderstorms with lightning and heavy rain at isolated places over the next 24 hours.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar