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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that his government follows a policy of zero tolerance, be it terrorism or Maoist elements spreading unrest. Inaugurating the Rising North East Investors Summit in New Delhi today, Modi stressed that it is important to develop North East region in order to build a developed India. He urged investors to explore the different sectors across the north east region, saying the North East is now becoming a land of opportunities. He said the North East is becoming a key destination for sectors like energy and semiconductors. The Prime Minister stated that EAST means - Empower, Act, Strengthen and Transform. He pointed out that there was a time when the North East was merely called a Frontier Region but it is emerging as the Front-Runner of Growth.

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The two-day summit aims to highlight the North East Region as a land of opportunity and attract global and domestic investment. The summit intends to bring together key stakeholders, investors, and policymakers on a single platform.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said that Operation Sindoor is the answer to the Pahalgam attack and today the world is praising the bravery of the Indian Armed Forces. Shah credited the successful Operation Sindoor to the government's strong political will, accurate information of the intelligence agencies and the amazing display of lethality by the Armed Forces. Addressing the Border Security Force (BSF) Investiture Ceremony in New Delhi today, Shah said that the BSF and the armed forces have showcased great valour and the true power of defence in India's retaliatory action against Pakistan.

External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar has said the world is becoming less Western, more diverse, more global, and increasingly Asian. In an interview with a news agency in Denmark's Copenhagen, the Minister said the outlines of the new world order are beginning to take shape. He added that the world is seeing a gradual rebalancing. Replying to a query on the Pahalgam terror attack, Dr Jaishankar firmly stated that it was a terrorist attack and not a conflict between India and Pakistan over Kashmir. He

elaborated that terrorism is at the top among global challenges, alongside climate change and growing poverty.

International Day for Biodiversity -2025 was observed at Elite Residential School, Chimpu, Itanagar yesterday. The programme was jointly organised by Zoological Survey of India, GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment and Botanical Survey of India in collaboration with the host school. Speaking to Doordarshan, Regional Head, GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Dr Devendra Kumar outlined the significance of International Biodiversity Day. The United Nations has proclaimed May 22, the International Day for Biological Diversity to increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues.

In a major development, the villagers of Pangkang in Siang district today signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Arunachal Pradesh to begin the crucial Preliminary Feasibility Report for Siang Upper Multipurpose Project at Boleng. According to the MoU, a development package of 5 crore rupees over three years will be rolled out, overseen by a newly constituted Village Development Committee. The MoU also guarantees future consultations with local stakeholders as the project progresses, reaffirming the government's commitment to inclusive planning and development keeping in view local priorities.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar has forecast yellow alerts over 13 districts of the state. These districts are very likely to receive thunderstorms with lightning at isolated places over the next 24 hours. Additionally, an increase in rainfall activity over the state has also been predicted for 24rd to 27th of May. A felicitation programme to honour the academic excellence of school toppers from Classes V, VIII, X, and XII was organized at Zomkhang Hall, Tawang yesterday. The initiative is being organized by All Monpa Students Union and sponsored by local MLA, Namgey Tsering, to motivate and inspire students to strive for academic excellence.

In Shooting, Olympian Raiza Dhillon bagged silver medal in the women's skeet event at the ongoing ISSF Junior World Cup in Germany. Dhillon hit 51 targets in the 60-shot final. India now tops the medals tally with one gold and two silver medals. Kanak claimed gold in the women's 10m air pistol event, while Adriyan Karmakar earned silver in the men's 50m rifle prone category.