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The Defence Ministry yesterday said that Operation Sindoor marked a turning point in India's defence doctrine-demonstrating tri-services synergy, strategic depth, and technological dominance. Operation Sindoor, which was initiated after the Pahalgam terror attack, showcased a calibrated, tri-services response with precision, professionalism, and purpose. Operation Sindoor was conceived as a punitive and targeted campaign to dismantle the terror infrastructure across the Line of Control and deeper inside Pakistan. India's retaliatory action was based on meticulous planning and an intelligence-led approach, which ensured that the operations were conducted with minimal collateral damage.

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Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha, Harivansh led India's official delegation to the solemn ceremony of the inauguration of the Pontificate of Pope Leo XIV in Vatican City yesterday. Deputy Chief Minister of Nagaland, Yanthungo Patton, accompanied the Deputy Chairman at the event. The External Affairs Ministry said the Indian delegation had an audience with Pope Leo XIV after the ceremony. The participation of the Indian delegation in this important global ecclesiastical event reflects India's deep commitment to interfaith engagement, mutual respect among communities and diplomatic engagement with the Holy See.

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Deputy Chief Minister Y Pathon stated it was an honour to for him to attend the inauguration Mass of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV at the Vatican, alongside Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha Harivansh. In a social media post X, Mr Patton described the ceremony as deeply moving, symbolising a message of peace, humility, and global solidarity. He added that representing India at such a historic and spiritual gathering was truly a privilege. Mr Patton said, we pray that Pope Leo XIV's papacy ushers in a new era of compassion, dialogue, and unity among all people and nations. Meanwhile, the Deputy Chief Minister also met with the priests and nuns from Nagaland at the Vatican during the inauguration mass.

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The Confederation of Nagaland Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CNCCI) will begin its voluntary indefinite business shutdown across nine districts of the state today. The shutter down will be observed in Dimapur, Chümoukedima, Niuland, Peren, Wokha, Zunheboto, Phek, Tseminyu, and Meluri districts. The protest is in response to the government's failure to nominate representatives from the business community to the Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), a demand the CNCCI has

repeatedly raised. Meanwhile, the Wokha District Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WDCCI) expressed firm commitment and solidarity with the clarion call made by the CNCCI, reiterating that the protest is not driven by confrontation, but by a principled commitment to justice, fair representation and structural equity within governance frameworks. The WDCCI said, absence of business representation in the Local Self-Government is a gross oversight and a denial of stakeholder's participatory rights.

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The Dimapur Municipal Council (DMC) will not support the voluntary indefinite shutter down within its jurisdiction called by the Confederation of Nagaland Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CNCCI) . The DMC asked the business community, trade organizations, and the general public to act with restraint and responsibility. All commercial establishments have been advised to remain open and continue their operations without fear and without succumbing to pressure. The DMC sought cooperation from the business community and the public of Dimapur in maintaining peace and economic activity during this period.

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In football, India lifted the 2025 South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-19 Championship in a thrilling finale, edging past Bangladesh, 4-3 in a dramatic penalty shootout in Yupia, Arunachal Pradesh. The high-stakes clash saw the defending champions, India, strike early, with Captain Singamayum Shami finding the net in just the second minute. However, the celebrations were short-lived, as Bangladesh leveled the score in the 61st minute. With both sides locked at 1-1 after full time, the match headed into a nerve-wracking penalty shootout.

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