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Government has convened an all party meeting in New Delhi today in the wake of Operation Sindoor. During the meeting, the leaders of different political parties will be briefed by the government on the Operation. Leaders cutting across party lines have lauded Operation Sindoor and expressed pride at Armed Forces' action against terrorists. Meanwhile, External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar and National Security Advisor Ajit Doval yesterday briefed their global counterparts on India's firm response to cross-border terrorism under Operation Sindoor. Several nations have also backed India's right to defend itself against terrorism.

New Delhi yesterday asserted that it is well prepared to retaliate if Islamabad escalates the situation after India conducted precision missile strikes on Pakistan under 'Operation Sindoor'. Under the operation which lasted for 25 minutes, the Indian armed forces carried out focused missile strikes on nine terrorist facilities in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir in retaliation against the horrific Pahalgam terror attack. The military strikes were conducted by India between 1:05 AM and 1:30 AM on May 7.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh yesterday said that India has exercised its Right to respond by conducting Operation Sindoor and the action was initiated in a very thoughtful and measured manner. Mr Singh said this while addressing the 66th Raising Day event of Border Roads Organisation in New Delhi.

## (RAJNATH BYTE:)

Union Home Minister Amit Shah yesterday asked the Lieutenant Governors and Chief Ministers of border states adjoining Pakistan and Nepal to keep strict vigil on anti-national propaganda by unwanted elements on social and other media platforms. Mr Shah while chairing a security review meeting in New Delhi also directed them to take prompt action in coordination with state governments and

central agencies. He asked the states to stop spreading unnecessary fear among the public and take steps to spread awareness among the people against rumours. Mr Shah said that coordination between the local administration, army and paramilitary forces should be further enhanced.

Chief Minister Dr Neiphiu Rio has expressed that the state stands with the Government of India's decisive measures against terrorism. In a social media post, Dr Rio stated that "we stand with the Government of India in its decisive action against terrorism and support the objectives of Operation Sindoor. The Chief Minister added that we firmly oppose terrorism in all its forms and extend their prayers and best wishes to all those working for the peace and security of the country.

World Red Cross Day is being celebrated today. Also known as Red Crescent Day, the day is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of the founder of the Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross Henry Dunant. The theme of this year 'Keeping Humanity Alive " is a call to celebrate those who give their time, and sometimes their lives, to ease the suffering of others and protect their inherent human dignity.

Chief Minister Dr. Neiphiu Rio has extended his greetings on the occasion of World Red Cross Day. In his message, Dr. Rio acknowledged the tireless efforts of Red Cross volunteers, stating, today, we honour the countless Red Cross volunteers who serve with compassion, courage, and unwavering impartiality, even in the most challenging conditions. He further noted that their selfless dedication stands as a powerful reminder of shared humanity and the enduring spirit of humanitarian service.

Advisor for School Education and SCERT, Dr. Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, said the Education Department is undergoing reforms to meet the state's evolving educational needs. Speaking at the inauguration of the newly upgraded Government High School Bayavü in Kohima yesterday, Mr Yhome said a key strategy under the reform initiative includes the introduction of multi-age

classrooms in sparsely populated rural areas. Mr Yhome also noted a growing preference for government higher secondary schools and announced that a Memorandum of Understanding will soon be signed between government institutions. Under the MoU, students who pass the matriculation exam will be given priority admission in government higher secondary schools, regardless of their grades. This provision, he added, will be incorporated into official policy.

