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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today expressed happiness over the African Union joining the Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure 2025 (CDRI). Addressing the International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure 2025 through a video message, the Prime Minister stressed the need to design actionable programmes and ensure that developing nations have access to finance. He further emphasized considering small island developing states as large ocean countries due to their vulnerability, as they deserve special attention. He asserted that strengthening early warning systems and coordination is crucial as it helps make timely decisions and effective last-mile communication. He hoped that the discussion at this conference would consider these aspects. This conference is being held in France for the first time.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today reaffirmed the government's commitment to the welfare of Indian farmers. As the NDA government at the Centre completes 11 years in office, Modi said that it is a privilege for the government to serve the country's hard working farmers. The Prime Minister highlighted that for the past 11 years, various government initiatives have boosted prosperity for farmers and also ensured an overall transformation of the agriculture sector. He said that the government has focussed on issues like soil health and irrigation, which have been greatly beneficial. Modi added that the government efforts towards farmer welfare will continue with greater vigour in the times to come.

India has made remarkable progress in reducing extreme poverty, with 269 million people moving out of it between 2011-12 and 2022-23. According to the latest World Bank data, extreme poverty rate dropped significantly from 27.1 percent in 2011-12 to just 5.3 percent in 2022-23. In 2011-12, around 344.47 million people in India were living in extreme poverty. By 2022-23, that number fell sharply to 75.24 million. Much of this progress came from states like Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Bihar, West Bengal, and Madhya Pradesh, which together accounted for 65 percent of India's extreme poor in 2011-12. These states contributed to two-thirds of the total poverty reduction over the past decade.

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efforts over the last 11 years across key sectors. Today, we focus on Environmental Conservation and Development.

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As part of the International Day of Yoga 2025 celebrations, the Ministry of Ayush will organize Yoga Sangam, a nationwide synchronized yoga demonstration at 1,00,000 locations across India on 21st June. This flagship event aims to promote holistic health, unity, and awareness by engaging people from all walks of life in a 45-minute Common Yoga Protocol session. The initiative highlights themes such as national integration, wellness, cultural heritage, and accessibility. Yoga Sangam calls upon all citizens to become 'Yoga Givers' and spread the spirit of wellness.

Tourism Minister Pasang Dorjee Sona on Friday met Union Civil Aviation Secretary Samir Kumar Sinha and urged him to introduce daily fixed-wing flights to Mechukha under the Government of India's UDAN scheme. Stating that the region relies on limited helicopter services that are weather-dependent, making it inaccessible for much of the year, the minister emphasized the urgency and need for reliable, year-round connectivity to benefit the local population and unlock the tourism potential of the region. "A daily flight to Itanagar will not only enhance the lives of locals but also promote tourism in the region," he said.

The East Kameng Social Welfare and Cultural Organization (EKSWCO) has strongly condemned the exclusion of national weightlifting champion Sambo Lapung from the Indian team for the upcoming Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships. In a representation emailed today to Union Minister and Arunachal West MP Kiren Rijiju, EKSWCO called for his urgent intervention, citing concerns over fairness and transparency in the selection process conducted by the Indian Weightlifting Federation (IWF). Sambo Lapung, hailing from Lapung village in East Kameng district, is a three-time Senior National Weightlifting Champion in the 96kg category. He clinched gold medals at the national championships held in Chandigarh (2022), Itanagar (2023), and Himachal Pradesh (2024).

West Kameng District Police has busted a fake Inner Line Permit (ILP) racket, arresting a key accused on June 5. The crackdown followed intensified ILP checking at the Bhalukpong check gate on June 4, during which several forged ILPs bearing fake seals and signatures of the Tawang Circle Officer were detected.

Upon registration of a case at Bhalukpong Police Station, a police team, led by Inspector Thumgon Tali, conducted a raid in Tezpur, Assam, and arrested the accused, an Assam government employee. He had allegedly forged over 1,300 ILPs in the past few months. During the raid, police seized a laptop, four hard disks, 10 pen drives, one mobile phone, bank documents, and Rs 13,000 in cash.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast heavy rainfall over Central Maharashtra, Marathwada, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura today. The IMD said, rainfall activity over the Northeast region is likely to continue for the next seven days.