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- President Droupadi Murmu says sustainability is no longer a slogan, but a necessity
- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar urges universities to be sanctuaries of ideation
- · Governor La Ganesan reviews TB elimination efforts in state,
- And, Nagaland joins global celebration of Olympic Day; Chief Minister
 Dr Neiphiu Rio highlights unifying spirit of Olympic movement

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President Droupadi Murmu has said that the world is facing the crisis of climate change and sustainability is no longer a slogan but has become a necessity. Addressing the National Students' Convocation - 2025 of the Institute of Cost Accountants of India (ICMAI) in New Delhi, the President said, the students can bring a great change in the future of the planet with their skills. She urged corporate organisations to keep environmental costs in mind, and not work solely for profits. She said, ICMAI has played a crucial role in making the Indian economy one of the strongest in the world today.

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar has called on universities to grow into sanctuaries of ideas and ideation. Addressing vice-chancellors of universities at a conference of the Association of Indian Universities today, he said the state of

education defines not only the state of academics, but the state of the nation. He also called for universities to play the role of social change.

Mr Dhankhar also encouraged heads of institutions to promote affordable education. The two-day conference event is being attended by 300 vice-chancellors from across the country, while another 200 VCs will join online.

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Nagaland Governor La Ganesan today convened a review meeting on the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyan with senior officials of the Department of Health and Family Welfare at Raj Bhavan in Kohima. Commending the department's efforts, the Governor, emphasized the role of religious leaders in reducing stigma and promoting awareness. He urged individuals and institutions to register as Nikshay Mitras to support TB patients with additional nutritional and social care. Health Minister Paiwang Konyak briefed the Governor on strategies, challenges, and ongoing efforts, particularly in remote and vulnerable communities. Commissioner & Secretary Anoop Khinchi highlighted the importance of inter-sectoral coordination and community engagement, while, Principal Secretary Y. Kikheto Sema also called for special health camps in all districts to accelerate detection and treatment. The meeting concluded with a strong reaffirmation from all stakeholders to intensify efforts towards making Nagaland TB-free by 2025.

As part of the ongoing Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan, multiple awareness-cum-saturation camps were held across districts in Nagaland. The campaign aims to ensure 100 percent coverage of government welfare schemes, with special focus on tribal areas. In Kohima, a district-level camp was held today at Kigwema Village where on-the-spot enrolments and services were provided across various departments. Representatives from nine villages in the Southern Angami region participated. Meanwhile, Changtongya Town in Mokokchung district hosted a similar camp covering Unger, Changtongya, and Yaongyimsem

villages. In Shamator, the campaign focused on women's welfare, including registration for Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, and sanitary pad distribution. The events at Yakor, Muleangkiur and Chassir villages also featured Aadhaar services and CMHIS enrolment. Earlier, a comprehensive camp was held at Seithekema Block in Chumoukedima district, providing services such as pension schemes, ration cards and Mudra Yojana, among others.

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Nagaland today joined the global celebration of International Olympic Day with the Olympic Day Run 2025 held at IG Stadium in Kohima. Speaking at the event, Director of Youth Resources & Sports, Kethosituo Sekhose emphasized the importance of staying active in today's sedentary lifestyle, saying it not only improves health but also helps uncover talent, especially among the youth. Lauding the presence of the promising athletes at the event, Mr Sekhose also urged parents to support children in pursuing their interests in sports. He further highlighted the state government's investments in sports infrastructure, and urged all to take advantage of the initiative.

With India bidding host the 2036 Olympic Games, Mr Sekhose encouraged the youth of Nagaland to also prepare over the next decade for future opportunities in international events. Organised by the Nagaland Olympic Association, the event saw enthusiastic participation from over 160 young athletes aged between 8 and 12 from across the state.

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On the occasion of Olympic Day, Chief Minister Dr Neiphiu Rio highlighted the enduring spirit of the Olympic tradition. Reflecting on the theme 'Let's Move', he urged citizens to embrace the inspiring global call to action. Dr Rio hoped that the Olympic values of excellence, sportsmanship, friendship, and respect would foster unity across the world.

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India has undergone a decade of remarkable transformation, driven by the principles of Seva, Sushasan, and Garib Kalyan. Akashvani News Kohima brings you a special feature on the Government's efforts over the last 11 years across key sectors. Today, we focus India's unwavering commitment to inclusive growth — a journey of empowerment, opportunity, and reform for the country's minority communities.

(V/C - 69 Secs) Over the past decade, the Government has made significant strides in uplifting minority communities through targeted initiatives in education, economic empowerment, and infrastructure development. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram alone approved projects worth over 18 thousand 400 crore rupees. Meanwhile, the National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation disbursed over 752 crore rupees to more than 1.74 lakh beneficiaries, offering concessional loans to the backward sections. Cultural and community-specific initiatives have also made a meaningful impact. The Haj Suvidha App and dedicated training programs for Haj volunteers have enhanced the pilgrimage experience. To strengthen transparency and governance, the landmark Waqf Amendment Act, 2025 was enacted, followed by the launch of the UMEED Portal, ushering in a new era of digital management for Waqf properties. Additionally, schemes like the Buddhist Development Plan, Jiyo Parsi, and others have addressed the unique needs of different communities, by preserving culture, promoting education, and enhancing community welfare. Through dedicated schemes, scholarship support, digital reforms, and heritage preservation, the government continues to foster meaningful empowerment and inclusion. Inclusion is lasting not just policy, it's promise.)

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In a major milestone, Tripura today carved its name by becoming a fully literate state, the third such in the country after Mizoram and Goa. Announcing the

achievement during a programme in Agartala, Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha said that there is no specific age or time for education. The Chief Minister emphasised that literacy is the key to the dream of a developed India by 2047.

