

Morning News Script

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Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's joint statement was not adopted due to India's refusal to sign the document as it failed to mention cross-border terrorist activities. It is believed that Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's refusal to endorse the document resulted in the conclave ending without a joint communique. Briefing media in New Delhi yesterday, External Affairs Ministry Spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said, India wanted concerns and terrorism reflected in the document, which was not acceptable to one particular country.

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Mr Jaiswal said, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, who was participating in the meeting, called upon member countries to come together to fight terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

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The Election Commission has started the process of delisting of 345 Registered Unrecognized Political Parties for not fulfilling the essential conditions. The exercise has been conducted with the aim of de-listing of such parties which have not contested any election of Lok Sabha, legislative assemblies of states and Union Territories or bye-elections since 2019. Besides, offices of these parties could not be physically located anywhere.

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SP Narcotics, Kohima, Shinde Suresh Kailasrao, has said that Nagaland's 215-kilometre porous border with Myanmar and its proximity to the infamous Golden Triangle have made the state a key transit point for drug trafficking to other parts of India. Addressing a press conference

organised by the Press Information Bureau (PIB) Kohima to mark the 'International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking' at the Kohima Press Club yesterday, he said checking illicit drug movement remains a major challenge for the police and other enforcement agencies, as traffickers constantly change their transit routes to evade detection. Mr Shinde also informed in the past one and half years , Nagaland Police registered 270 NDPS cases and arrested 465 people, mostly along the Dimapur-Imphal highway.

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Joint Director (Prevention), Nagaland State AIDS Control Society, Dr. Bernice D, said to address drug abuse, it needs to be tackled through supply, demand, and harm reduction strategies, while also considering its biological, psychological, and socio-economic impacts.

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The National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) and Nagaland State AIDS Control Society (NSACS) launched the Integrated Health Campaign (IHC) in Wokha district yesterday at the Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall. The campaign seeks to raise awareness, promote early HIV testing, and ensure timely treatment. Wokha Deputy Commissioner Vineet Kumar raised concern over the rise of HIV in Nagaland and urged immediate, united action, stressing the need to overcome social and mental barriers to early testing. NSACS Project Director Dr. Ahu Sekhose reaffirmed India's commitment to eliminating HIV/AIDS by 2030 and detailed the "95-95-95" initiative. He revealed that while the state has achieved 85 percent testing coverage, Wokha lags behind at just 24 percent necessitating focused intervention. State Nodal Officer for IHC, Dr. M.C. Longai Phom, emphasized that the 14–49 age group remains the most affected and yet most vital demographic, calling for targeted outreach within this group.

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The Air India Flight AI-171 black box data has been downloaded to reconstruct the sequence of events leading to the crash in Ahmadabad recently. The Crash Protection Module from the front black box was safely retrieved, and the memory module was successfully accessed and its data downloaded at the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) Lab in Delhi on Wednesday.

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The Government has authorised the use of Aadhaar authentication for candidate verification in examinations conducted by the Institute of Banking Personnel Selection - IBPS. The Finance Ministry highlighted that the initiative will prevent impersonation and other malpractices during examinations.

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