

Morning News Script

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday interacted with Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, who is onboard the International Space Station. Mr Modi said, Shubhanshu's journey marks the auspicious beginning of a new era. Sharing his experiences with Prime Minister Modi, Captain Shukla said, he has learnt a lot during his training saying that his journey is a collective achievement for the entire country.

Captain Shukla is the second Indian astronaut, who has travelled to space, four decades after Wing Commander Rakesh Sharma made the cosmic journey as part of a Soviet mission in 1984.

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Advisor for Geology and Mining, W. Chingang Konyak, has emphasized the economic potential of Nagaland's mineral resources. Addressing the 2nd North East Mining Ministers' Conclave in Guwahati yesterday, he said, the state is rich in sustainable minerals such as oil, natural gas, coal, and sandstone, however, challenges remain in translating the potential into a robust mining industry. Mr Konyak noted that Nagaland has stepped up efforts to explore coal and limestone in line with the country's mineral exploration goals, indicating that some limestone blocks could be ready for exploration within the next two to three years.

Highlighting poor connectivity as a key challenge, the Advisor urged the central government to support infrastructure development to expedite mining activities in the region.

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The Government has issued model rules for the felling of trees on agricultural land in a bid to promote agroforestry. It also aims at doubling farmers' incomes, increasing tree cover outside forests, mitigating climate change, and ensure sustainable land use. The Environment Ministry in a letter sent to all State Chief Secretaries said, the objective is to enhance the ease of doing business in agroforestry and incentivise farmers to integrate trees into their farming systems without facing undue procedural hurdles.

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Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar has said the Preamble of any constitution is its soul and it is not changeable. Addressing an event in New Delhi, Mr Dhankhar said, addition of words Socialist, Secular and integrity in the Preamble during the Emergency signal betrayal of the mindset of the framers of the Constitution.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people of the country and abroad in the Mann Ki Baat programme on Akashvani at 11 AM today. It will be the 123rd episode of the monthly radio programme. The programme will be broadcast across the entire Akashvani and Doordarshan network, the AIR News website, Newsonair mobile app, and live-streamed on YouTube channels.

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And, In a major push to promote holistic health and alternative healing methods, the Indian Red Cross Society, Dimapur District, has launched a 5-day Acupressure and Chiropractor Therapy camp. The camp commenced yesterday at the Lions Health Centre in Midland and will continue until July 2 with three experienced doctors from Rajasthan. With specialized treatments such as acupressure, chiropractic therapy, fire cupping, among others, the camp is providing non-invasive, drug-free relief for various chronic conditions including back and joint pain, cervical and thyroid issues, headaches, asthma and arthritis. Chairman of the Red Cross Society Dimapur, Chandu Agarwal, said over 500 people are expected to benefit from the camp. Daily sessions are being held in

two time slots: from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM and from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. A registration fee of 100 rupees covers all five days.

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