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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that Operation Sindoor has demonstrated to the world how India will respond if its sovereignty is attacked. Mr Modi said that the military operation has instilled a new sense of self-confidence across the country. He was speaking at the birth anniversary celebrations of the iconic Chola king Rajendra Chola-I at Gangaikonda Cholapuram in Tamil Nadu. Prime Minister said, that Operation Sindoor has sent a clear message to the world that India will respond strongly to any threat against its security and sovereignty.



The Lok Sabha will begin a special discussion on Operation Sindoor today, focusing on the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam and India's response. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said, 16 hours have been allotted for the debate, with a similar discussion scheduled in the Rajya Sabha on Tuesday. Mr Rijiju added that opposition parties were demanding discussion on Operation Sindoor and the government agreed to it from day one.

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In a hands-on learning initiative, students of PM SHRI Government High School, Wokha Village, have turned a kitchen garden into a vibrant space for learning and growth. Launched earlier this year, the student-run garden involves Classes 6 to 10, who grow vegetables while learning teamwork, responsibility, and sustainability. We have a report from our Wokha Correspondent:

Divided into Red, Blue, and Green Houses, students manage plots under teacher guidance. Supported by government initiatives, the project promotes experiential learning and nurtures environmental awareness. Teachers also participate actively, fostering a strong sense of shared responsibility within the school community. The garden yields seasonal crops like corn, pumpkin, yam and others. The vegetables grown also supplement the school's midday meal programme. A new herbal section, jointly managed by all houses, adds further value. Assistant Headmistress Ms Loreni Ngully shares that part of the produce is sold to buy manure.

Seeds from harvested crops are carefully preserved for the next planting cycle, reinforcing a model of self-reliance and environmental stewardship. From Wokha, Youhana, for Akashvani News Kohima)

In June 2025, SMDC members visited the garden, awarding prizes to outstanding student contributors. What began as a simple garden has now grown into a school tradition, cultivating life skills and environmental awareness.



In yet another case of human-elephant conflict, a herd of wild elephants entered Old Aree village in Wokha district on the night of July 26, causing widespread destruction to agricultural fields and temporary huts. While the exact number of elephants involved remains unconfirmed, local residents reported that the damage was substantial. Several villagers expressed distress over the loss of standing crops, which they said is their sole source of livelihood. They also expressed concern over the loss of their only livelihood and growing fear for their safety due to frequent elephant sightings. The incident has been reported to local authorities. Villagers have urged for immediate relief and long-term measures to prevent future occurrences.



The iconic Khuman Lampak Stadium at the heart of Imphal city is all decked in its grandeur to host India's oldest Football Competition - the 134th edition of The Durand Cup on 30th July . Khuman Lampak Main Stadium will host the Group - F matches, which includes Real Kashmir FC, Indian Navy Football Team, and the two local teams of NEROCA FC and TRAU FC. The cup had already begun in other cities. This is one of the major sporting events the State is hosting after the COVID epidemic and amidst the ongoing ethnic conflict.

