

Morning News Script

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will embark on a five-nation visit to Ghana, Trinidad and Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, and Namibia from today. The Prime Minister will visit Ghana on the first leg of his five-nation tour. This will be his first ever bilateral visit to Ghana and the Prime Minister will hold talks with the President of Ghana John Dramani Mahama. In the second leg of his visit, Mr. Modi will pay an official visit to Trinidad and Tobago from 3rd to 4th July. During the visit, Mr. Modi will hold talks with the President of Trinidad and Tobago Christine Carla Kangaloo, and Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar. In the third leg of his visit, Prime Minister Modi will travel to Argentina from 4th to 5th July. In the fourth leg of his visit, he will travel to Brazil from 5th to 8th July to attend the 17th BRICS Summit 2025 followed by a State Visit. In the last leg of his visit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Namibia on 9th July. This will be the first visit of Prime Minister to Namibia, and the third ever Prime Ministerial visit from India to Namibia.

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said that the three New Criminal Laws introduced under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi will make the judicial process not only affordable, accessible, and approachable, but also simple, consistent, and transparent. The new laws are Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam. Mr Shah stated this while addressing a programme in New Delhi to mark the successful completion of one year of the new criminal laws. He said that under Prime Minister's leadership, a golden era of governance based on social, economic, and political justice is about to begin.

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Additional Commissioner of CGST, Sashi Wapang Lanu, has hailed the Goods and Services Tax, or GST, as a “game-changer” for Nagaland. Speaking at an event marking eight years of GST implementation in Dimapur yesterday, Mr. Lanu said, Northeastern states, including Nagaland, recorded an impressive 27 percent annual GST revenue growth in the first six years—nearly double the national average of 14 percent. In April this year, India achieved its highest-ever monthly GST collection of 2.37 lakh crore rupees, with Nagaland contributing its second-highest monthly collection during the same month. Describing GST as more than just a tax reform, he called it a symbol of India's cooperative federalism and Nagaland's commitment to inclusive economic growth. Meanwhile, the National Academy of Customs and Indirect Taxes is launching a GST Mitra certification course in Shillong, aimed at training local practitioners and improving outreach and employment across the region.

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Phek Police have arrested a woman in connection with the alleged abuse of an 11-year-old girl in Pfutsero. The arrest follows a written complaint received at the Pfutsero Police Station on June 29 at around 7 PM, which reported severe abuse allegedly inflicted by the girl's foster mother, who is also her grandmother. The Police said the accused fled to Chümoukedima but was later tracked down and arrested at Diphupar Police Station, with support from Chümoukedima and Dimapur Police. She has been brought back to Phek for further legal action. A case has been registered at the Women Police Station under the relevant sections of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita and the Juvenile

Justice Act. Phek Police also stated that the child is now safe, receiving medical care and counselling at the Sakhi One Stop Centre.

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And, SFS Higher Secondary School, Chümoukedima clinched the State Level Pre-Subroto Tournament 2025 title in the Under-15 Boys category, while Government High School (GHS) Meriema won the title in the Under-17 Girls category. The tournament was held at the Indira Gandhi Stadium Kohima yesterday . In the Under-17 Girls category, Government Middle School L Khel, Kohima, settled for the runner-up title after losing to the GHS Meriema team. Gracing the closing ceremony as the special guest, Advisor for Youth Resources and Sports, S. Keoshu Yimkhiung, said, the event served not only as a platform for competition but also as a celebration of unity and youthful energy. Mr Yimkhiung expressed hope that the winning teams would represent Nagaland with pride at the Subroto Cup National Tournament.

The winners will represent the state at the 64th edition of the Subroto Cup International Football Tournament, to be held in Bengaluru and New Delhi.

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