

Morning News Script

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The Monsoon session of Parliament will begin today. The session which will continue till 21st of August will have a total of 21 sittings. This is the first parliament session after Operation Sindoor. More from our Correspondent:

SESSION V/C: *During the session, seventeen Bills are expected to be taken up for discussion and passage. Important legislations including Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Bill - 2025, the National Sports Governance Bill - 2025 and the Merchant Shipping Bill- 2024 will be taken up. The Bills of Lading Bill- 2024, The Carriage of Goods by Sea Bill- 2024, The Coastal Shipping Bill- 2024, The Indian Ports Bill-2025, The Income-tax Bill- 2025, are also likely to be taken up for discussion.*

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will brief mediapersons today just before the commencement of first day of the Fifth Session of the Eighteenth Lok Sabha Monsoon Parliament session. The Government held an all party meeting yesterday to ensure smooth functioning of both the Houses of Parliament. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju and Union Ministers and Leader of the House in the Rajya Sabha JP Nadda, Ministers of State for Parliamentary Affairs Arjun Ram Meghwal and L Murugan were present. Besides, Gaurav Gogoi and Pramod Tiwari from Congress, Supriya Sule from NCP-SCP, Tiruchi Siva of DMK, Ram Gopal Yadav of Samajwadi Party, T R Baalu from DMK and Sanjay Singh from AAP attended the meeting. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju stated that the Government is prepared and ready to discuss any other important issue on the floors of the Houses as per rules of both Houses.

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A massive mudslide occurred yesterday below Rhododendron Resort along the alternative route between Phesama and Kisama-Kigwema, causing significant damage to the road and public property. This route had been serving as an alternative for Light Motor Vehicles (LMVs) following the total collapse of National Highway-2 near the Kisama exit point under Phesama, after incessant rains in early June. Kohima Deputy Commissioner B. Henok Buchem has issued a traffic advisory to facilitate urgent restoration work in the affected area. A report-

Mudslide V-C: *Restoration work began this morning along the damaged section of the road. As part of the ongoing efforts, the affected stretch has been closed to all traffic from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM today. However, vehicles dealing with medical emergencies and those transporting school and college students are permitted to use National Highway-2, which has been partially restored. All other LMVs are being diverted via the Kigwema–Kezo Town route through Chakhabama–Kohima. Commuters are also, advised to plan their travel accordingly and to extend full cooperation with the authorities. Further, the Deputy Commissioner stated that updates on the road condition and restoration progress will be shared in due course.*

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A tragic drowning incident claimed the life of 34-year-old Anyak K Phom from Yongphang village, Longleng district, at the Doyang Dam viewpoint side yesterday . Mr Anyak was serving as the driver to the Chief Medical Officer of Wokha. More reports from our Correspondent:

WOKHA V/C: *According to the Officer-in-Charge of Sanis Police Station, Mr. Suthungo R Patton, the deceased, along with six friends, had gone for a picnic at Doyang, where the incident occurred. The accident took place when the boat they were riding in capsized, throwing all occupants into the river. While the others managed to swim to safety, the deceased, who could not swim, drowned between 11:50 a.m. and 12:00 noon, as per eyewitness accounts. Although he had initially refused to join the boat ride due to his inability to swim, he later decided to get on. The OC stated that, following the family's refusal to conduct a postmortem, the body was handed over to ENPO members after completing the necessary legal formalities. The police have registered a case of Unnatural Death under Section 194 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023.*

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The Army Recruitment Office Rangapahar conducted an extensive outreach program in Nagaland to raise awareness and boost enrolment in the Indian Army across various categories, including Officers and Agniveers. The awareness campaign was held at Oriental College, Mount Olive College, and Alder College in Kohima on July 18, and at St. Xavier College in Jalukie, Peren district on July 19. General Officer Commanding, Spear Corps Lieutenant General Abhijit Pendharkar, along with DIG, 6 Sector Assam Rifles attended the event in Jalukie. During the sessions, students were briefed on the Agnipath Scheme, including recruitment procedures, login and registration processes, eligibility criteria, and details of the 2025–26 recruitment notification. They were also informed about the organisation of the Indian Army and the various Arms and Services. Handouts, posters, pamphlets, and other publicity materials were distributed as part of the awareness drive.

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