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- Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrives in Maldives; exchanges several agreements.
- Union Minister Amit Shah says National Cooperative Policy 2025 will play huge role in Viksit Bharat 2047.
- Nagaland Minister Metsubo Jamir emphasizes on need for practical skills and alternate learning.
- Wokha district Judicial Magistrate convicts four individuals for brutal killing of Great Indian Hornbill.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived in Maldives today, where he was accorded a Guard of Honour at Republic Square in Male. Maldives President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu accompanied Mr. Modi. A 21-gun salute was also given to Mr. Modi. In a welcome ceremony, Maldivian Children presented cultural programmes. The Prime Minister met some of the Maldivian delegates while Mr. Muizzu met External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri and other Indian officials. Later Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Maldivian President Dr. Mohamed Muizzu held delegation level talks. The two countries also exchanged several agreements.

Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah unveiled the National Cooperative Policy 2025 in New Delhi yesterday. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Shah said the Policy will play a huge role in achieving the goal of Viksit Bharat 2047. He added that the Policy aims to realize the vision of prosperity through cooperation by creating a roadmap at the grassroots level.

Nagaland's Minister of Rural Development and SIRD, Metsubo Jamir has emphasized on the need for practical skills and alternate learning, and cautioned that book knowledge alone would not suffice in the real world. He said integrity, character, consistency, and a positive, adaptable attitude are what truly define a person. The Minister was speaking at a Felicitation Programme for HSLC and HSSLC toppers of 2025 organized by the Naga Students' Federation (NSF) in Kohima today.

HSLC Rank-1 Lungyihangle Nring, delivered a speech on behalf of the toppers. Altogether, 89 HSLC and 25 HSSLC Naga toppers were felicitated on the occasion

Judicial Magistrate of Wokha district, Julian Silthou has convicted four individuals for the brutal killing of a Great Indian Hornbill, an endangered species, at Bhandari Town, Wokha, in June 2022. The incident, which drew widespread outrage after going viral on social media, showed the bird being tortured and killed. The case was filed by Wildlife Warden H. Tokaho Kinimi, and prosecuted by Assistant Public Prosecutor K. Renpemo Tungoe under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. In her verdict, Magistrate Silthou stressed the importance of proportionate punishment and the role of courts in upholding justice for crimes that affect society at large.

The Nagaland Health Protection Society has informed that three more private hospitals in the state have been re-empanelled for the financial year 2025-2026 under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) and the Chief Minister Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS). The hospitals are Christian Institute of Health Sciences & Research Chumoukedima, Faith Hospital and Institute of Medical Sciences Dimapur and Nikos Hospital Dimapur.

Director of State Council of Educational Research and Training, SCERT, Keviraleü Kerhuo today said that the aim of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is to make schools nurturing places for students to grow not only academically but also emotionally, socially, and morally. Mrs. Kerhuo added that, to support this vision, the Ministry of Education has introduced the Students' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement Through Quality Education, SARTHAQ, implementation plan. The Director was speaking at the one-day consultative workshop on the revised Nagaland School Quality Assessment and Accreditation Framework and State School Standards Authority, in Kohima. Highlighting the key features of SARTHAQ, she said the framework aims to support both government and private schools, from pre-primary to higher secondary, in assessing and improving their quality through clear and consistent standards.

Union Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that for the first time, a team of over two thousand scientists visited more than seven thousand 900 villages under the Vikasit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan. Replying to a question in the Rajya Sabha, Mr Chouhan stated that the scientists collected detailed information on the agro-climatic conditions of each village. He said, in addition, farmers were made aware of soil nutrient content, suitable seed varieties, and crop cultivation techniques for farming.



Both the Houses of Parliament have been adjourned for the day following the ruckus created by the Opposition over various issues. When the Lok Sabha met at 2:00 PM after the first adjournment, the opposition members continued with their protest, disrupting the proceedings of the House. Despite the repeated appeal of the Chair, the opposition continued with their sloganeering, forcing the chair to adjourn the House for the day. A similar scene was witnessed in the Rajya Sabha. The Rajya Sabha was first adjourned at 12 noon and then finally for the day following the opposition ruckus over various issues. When the Rajya Sabha met after the first adjournment at 12 noon, Ghanshyam Tiwari, who was on the chair, tried to run Question Hour, but the opposition members continued their protest raising their demand. As the pandemonium continued, the Chair adjourned the House finally for the day.



The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has directed Internet Service Providers to disable public access within India to 25 websites identified as hosting prohibited material. The Ministry identified these websites as being in violation of various laws, including Section 67 and Section 67A of the Information Technology Act, 2000, Section 294 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Section 4 of The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986. The Ministry's notification emphasizes the intermediaries' responsibility to remove or disable access to unlawful information under the Information Technology Act, 2000, and the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.

