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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today urged people to celebrate the upcoming festive season with Swadeshi products and make Vocal for Local their Mantra. Sharing thoughts in his Mann Ki Baat Programme on Akashvani, Mr Modi remarked that festivals are coming up and called upon people to make the resolve of buying products that are produced in the country. Mr Modi urged everyone to buy a Khadi product on the 2nd of October and share it on social media with the hashtag - Vocal for Local. Mr Modi remarked that this 126th episode of Mann Ki Baat holds special significance as today is the birth anniversary of freedom fighter Bhagat Singh and singer Lata Mangeshkar. In today's edition, Prime Minister Modi played an audio of Bhupen Hazarika's iconic song, in Sinhala and Tamil. Mr Modi also mourned the untimely demise of singer Zubeen Garg of Assam.

Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs, Kiren Rijiju today laid the foundation stone of Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram projects for Infrastructure Development of Primary Health Centre, Jote and Multipurpose Hall at Sangring Village under Sagalee circle in Papum Pare District. The projects are being sanctioned under the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Rijiju underscored the Government of India's commitment to ensuring inclusive growth and development in all regions of the country. He urged the implementing agencies to maintain the highest standards of quality while executing the projects and to ensure their timely completion. The programme was attended by MP (Rajya Sabha) Nabam Rebia, MLAs Nabam Vivek, Tojir Kadu, Deputy Commissioner, Papum Pare, Vishakha Yadav along with senior officers, officials and others.

Governor Lt. General K.T. Parnaik (Retd.) has extended his warm greetings and best wishes to the people of the State on the joyous occasions of Durga Puja and Dussehra. He said that these festivals, celebrated with great devotion and vibrant traditions across India, embody the timeless message of the victory of good over evil. In his message, the Governor said that Durga Puja celebrates the victory of Goddess Durga over the demon Mahishasura, a timeless reminder that courage, righteousness, and truth always prevail over

arrogance and evil. May these sacred celebrations bring peace, harmony, and happiness to every home, and inspire us all to walk the path of virtue, the Governor wished in his message.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu along with Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang yesterday attended the Ziro Festival of Music in Lower Subansiri district. In a social media post, Khandu hailed the festival's growth, saying that over the years, ZFM has emerged as one of India's most popular music festivals, providing a vibrant platform for countless artistes to showcase their talents. He informed that Sikkim is the official partner of the Ziro Festival of Music this year, bringing its vibrant culture, cuisine, and tourism to the heart of the festival.

In the meantime, the CM has expressed gratitude to Sikkim Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang and Tourism Minister of Sikkim, Tshering Thendup for their presence and support at the festival.

As part of the nationwide health initiative "Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan," the District Hospital, Anini successfully organised a Free Health Camp at the Health & Wellness Centre, Alinye in Dibang valley district. The camp focused on providing a wide range of essential healthcare services including NCD screening, laboratory tests, counselling, AYUSH services, dental care, specialist consultations, RBSK screening, ANC check-ups, and immunization services. More than 80 people from the community actively participated and availed the benefits of this initiative. Beneficiaries also received support under flagship health insurance schemes such as CMAAY and PMJAY, ensuring greater access to affordable and quality healthcare.

On the occasion of World Tourism Day, Gipulin Village was recognized as the Cleanest Village by the District Administration and the Department of Tourism, Dibang Valley. The Certificate of Appreciation was formally presented by Deputy Commissioner Bekir Nyorak and Zilla Parishad Chairperson Theko Tayu during a distinguished felicitation ceremony. The day-long celebration, organised by the Department of Tourism in collaboration with the Biodiversity & Tourism Management Society and the Urban Development Department, aligned with the themes of Tourism and Sustainable Transformation.

On the occasion of World Tourism Day, the Indian Army's Spear Corps held a series of programmes yesterday in Aalo and Mechuka, showcasing the state's adventure spirit, cultural heritage and the essence of community participation. In Aalo, more than 100 enthusiastic locals joined the event while in Mechuka, children from Government Pre-Primary School, Lhallung Village embarked on an inspiring journey of discovery. The initiative aimed at nurturing curiosity among the youngest citizens, instilling in them a love for travel, environmental preservation, and cultural pride.

That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar