

Morning News Script

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The Sumi Hoho has urged the state government to take concrete steps to resolve the issue of teachers appointed under the RMSA 2016 in a transparent and time-bound manner. In a statement, the Hoho said that the grievances of the RMSA 2016 teachers were genuine and long overdue for redressal. The continued neglect not only undermined their dignity and morale but also directly affected the quality of education imparted to children. The Hoho appealed for the teachers' legitimate concerns to be addressed amicably and without further delay, so that the academic welfare of students is not compromised. It affirmed its support for the aggrieved teachers in their rightful demands and reminded the Government that the future of youth could not be secured by neglecting those who nurture and educate them.

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The Election Commission has certified election of CP Radhakrishnan as the next Vice President. The Certification of the Election of Mr Radhakrishnan as the fifteenth Vice President was signed by the Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, and Election Commissioners Dr. Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr. Vivek Joshi.

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In view of the ongoing unrest in Nepal, India's Ministry of External Affairs has advised its citizens to defer travel to the country until the situation has stabilised. The Ministry has urged citizens to take shelter in their current places of residence, avoid going out onto the streets and exercise all due caution. In case of any assistance required, the government has also issued helpline numbers +977-980 860 2881 and +977-981 032 6134 of the Embassy of India in Kathmandu. Meanwhile, security has been heightened along the India-Nepal border in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand in the wake of violent clashes and protests in the neighbouring country.

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On this Independence Day at the ramparts of Red Fort, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the next generation of GST reforms by Diwali. The Prime Minister's vision of creating a more efficient and citizen-friendly economy was realised as the GST Council on 3rd September approved rates rationalisation with a focus on common man. Today we look at the reforms undertaken for the

handicrafts. Our correspondent reports that the GST reforms have been carried out with a focus on the common man and will come into effect from the 22nd of this month. A report:

The government has reduced the GST on a broad range of handicraft items from 12 percent to 5 per cent, offering a major boost to artisans and the traditional crafts sector. This reduction applies to items such as wooden, stone, and metal idols, original paintings and engravings, handcrafted candles, carved wooden products, handbags, pouches, stone inlay work, terracotta kitchenware, and decorative artware made of brass, copper, iron, aluminium, and glass. The move aims to make Indian handicrafts more affordable for consumers and more competitive in global markets. By easing the tax burden, the reform is expected to increase demand for traditional products, and encourage exports.

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The Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), in collaboration with the Office of the Labour Commissioner, Government of Nagaland, yesterday held an awareness programme on EPF and the Prime Minister's Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana at Kohima. Commissioner & Secretary, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Sotsula, called EPF "a vital investment in the future of the people," stressing its role in securing financial stability, encouraging savings, and ensuring post-retirement security. Joint Director of Industries & Commerce, K. Francis Hekavi, highlighted Nagaland's 40,000+ registered MSMEs, mostly micro enterprises, as key drivers of employment and economic resilience.

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The 2nd edition of the Inter-Khelo India Centre Under-16 Badminton Tournament, organised by the Department of Youth Resources and Sports, concluded yesterday at the Multi-purpose Indoor Stadium, Pfutsero. Gracing the closing ceremony, Phek Deputy Commissioner Rhosietho Ngouri praised the athletes for their dedication and urged them to pursue excellence while using social media responsibly to inspire others. A total of 72 players from nine districts participated. Heloka Swu (Niuland) and Yalemjungla (Mokokchung) won gold in the Men's and Women's Singles categories. In Doubles, Arkotong and Mesensen (Mokokchung) clinched the Men's title, while Nengtinkim Haokip and Themnunmoi (Peren) emerged champions in the Girls'

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