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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch the Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar and 8th Rashtriya Poshan Maah campaigns today at Dhar in Madhya Pradesh. On the occasion, Mr Modi will also lay the foundation stone and launch several other initiatives, and address the gathering. During his visit, the Prime Minister will also transfer funds under the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana directly into the bank accounts of eligible women across the country. Mr Modi will launch the Suman Sakhi Chatbot to raise awareness on maternal and child health.

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Nagaland will join the rest of the country today in launching the Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan—a health campaign focused on providing essential services for women and children. The campaign will continue on October 2. Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio will launch the state-level campaign in Kohima. He will virtually inaugurate the Integrated Public Health Laboratories at the District Hospitals in Dimapur and Mon on the occasion. The Chief Minister will also flag off ambulances, hearse vans, and Rapid Response Team vehicles for the state.

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The Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE) has once again directed all affiliated schools to ensure mandatory implementation of the Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry ID (APAAR ID) as the primary student identifier. We have a Report:

V/C- Schools are required to assign a valid APAAR ID to every enrolled student through the official UDISE-enabled portal. All academic and co-curricular records, including transfers and assessments, must be mapped to this ID. The NBSE stated that compliance must be completed before final term registrations begin for the 2025–2026 academic session. Schools have also been advised to refer to the NBSE notification issued on January 28, 2025, for detailed guidelines, timelines, and support. The Board warned that non-compliance could result in delays in record processing, exam registration, and other academic activities)

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The Rengma Selo Zi (RSZ) and the Western Sumi Youth Front(WSYF), has highlighted urgent need for restoring and developing the Kohima–Dimapur road via Zhadima–Tsogin–Niuland. In a joint statement, the two organisations stated that the road which serves as the only viable alternative route connecting Kohima and Dimapur, has long been neglected despite its immense utility. They pointed out that unlike the main highway, the Zhadima–Tsogin–Niuland road has the potential to serve as an all-season road that could significantly ease the heavy traffic congestion between the State's capital and its commercial hub. However, its current deplorable condition has rendered it nearly unusable, causing immense hardship to commuters, transporters, and the general public who rely on this route. The RSZ and WSYF

have strongly appealed to the concerned department to take immediate cognizance of the issue and initiate necessary measures for its restoration. The two organisations further demanded that the Government, through the relevant department, prioritise the repair, upgrading, and preparation of the Zhadima–Tsogin–Niuland road without delay.

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The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) will organize Service Fortnight- Sewa Pakhwada across the country from today on the occasion of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday. The Sewa Pakhwada will continue till the 2nd of October, the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri.

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Guided by the mantra of Seva and Sushasan, that is, Public Service and Good Governance, the Government, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has been working tirelessly to bring transformation and progress. Today, in this Special Series- Seva Parv, we bring to you how the Modi government has transformed India into a Global Climate Champion....

(**VC**-From being seen as a developing nation with growing energy needs, India has fast risen to become a global climate champion. In the last 11 years, from conserving forests to championing climate justice, from solar rooftops to green mobility, India is proving that growth and sustainability can go hand in hand. At the COP21 in Paris, India pledged to achieve 40 percent installed clean energy capacity by 2030. But rising to its commitment, the country achieved the target in 2021, nine years ahead of schedule. During his visit to the United States in September last year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, highlighted that India has 17 per cent of the world's population and its carbon emissions are less than four per cent.

The country also launched the global LiFE movement, that is, Lifestyle for Environment, a call to adopt simple, sustainable choices in daily life. With bold commitments and real action, India is not just participating in the global climate dialogue — it is shaping it.)

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With the Next Generation GST Reforms, the government has provided major relief to the farmers by reducing taxes on tractors and its components. The government has brought down the GST on agricultural equipment like Tractors, harvesting machinery and composting machines from 12 percent to 5 percent marking a significant step in the agricultural sector. While the GST on tractor components has been slashed to 5 percent from the previous 18 percent. These GST reforms will ease the financial burden on farmers by lowering the cost of essential equipment and also help in boosting agricultural productivity. The new tax rates will come into effect from the 22ndof this month.

