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President Droupadi Murmu has strongly emphasised the nation's commitment to becoming a developed country. She stated that achieving this goal by the year 2047 will require equal participation of both women and men. Addressing the second convocation ceremony of Patanjali University in Haridwar today, the President said that collective effort is essential to realise the vision of a developed India by 2047. Highlighting the importance of women's education, Mrs Murmu said that educated daughters will enhance the pride of the nation.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has congratulated the Indian contingent on winning 48 medals at Asian Youth Games 2025. In a social media post, Mr Modi said that the country's young athletes have scripted history at the games with their best-ever performance. The Prime Minister said that passion, determination and hardwork of these athletes are clearly visible. He also wished them for their future endeavours. The Asian Youth Games 2025 concluded this Friday in Bahrain.

ISRO launched India's heaviest communication satellite CMS-03 (GSAT-7R) from Sriharikota this evening. The heavy lift rocket carried by an Indian launch vehicle and into the Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit lifted off from Satish Dhawan Space Centre at 5.26 pm. The mission aims to enhance naval communication and boost digital connectivity across remote regions. It is the fifth operational flight of India's most powerful rocket. The satellite is a multi-band military communication system.

Chief Minister, Pema Khandu today inaugurated and laid foundations for several key development projects at Dirang in West Kameng district. CM Khandu inaugurated the Infrastructure Development at Govt. Middle School, Dirang, Construction of Transit Camp & Boundary Wall at Dirang and Augmentation of Water Supply at Bomdila Township from Naga GG to Mandala Top (Phase-I). Additionally, he also laid the foundation stones for Construction of Chug Bridge at Dirang, Road from Munna Camp to Lagam Village via Thembang, Construction of Khasso Bridge at Sangti and other projects. In a social media post, Khandu said that the key projects are aimed at improving education, connectivity, and public infrastructure.

In the run-up to Keping La Day scheduled for 17 November next, the Indian Army's Spear Corps organised the Siang Open Mini Marathon at Tuting in Upper Siang District. The event aimed to honour the Bravehearts of the 1962 Battle of Keping La. Over 517 participants from the Army, ITBP and local populace including children, women and youth participated in the mini marathon.

A one-day Legal Awareness Programme was organized by the Adi Bane Ane Kebang and sponsored by the Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women, Itanagar, at Riga in Siang District yesterday. The event aimed to generate awareness on key social and legal issues under the theme "POCSO, Foundation and Elementary Levels of Education System, Safeguard and Uplift of Widowed, Destitute and Abandoned Women, Drugs Abuse and Its Impact on Society."

The 5th India Reserve Battalion, Pasighat, in collaboration with the District Police, East Siang, observed the National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) 2025 at the Battalion Headquarters Campus, Pasighat on Friday. As part of the celebration, a "Run for Unity" Mini Marathon was organized, witnessing the active participation of over 190 individuals, including students, women, and personnel of the 5th IRBn. The event aimed to promote the spirit of unity in diversity and highlight the ideals of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in fostering a united and resilient India.

The Rajiv Gandhi University hosted the inauguration of the first batch of the Ashtalakshmi Darshan Youth Exchange Programme at its Rono Hills campus in Doimukh yesterday. The event marked the commencement of two week-long intercultural and educational exchange involving 40 student delegates from Goa and Uttarakhand, alongside RGU students, faculty, and distinguished guests. The Ashtalakshmi Darshan Youth Exchange Programme stands as a testimony to the Government of India's commitment to promoting national integration, inter-state understanding, and youth empowerment.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecast a yellow alert for West Kameng, Kamle, Papumpare, West Siang, Upper Subansiri, Shiyomi, Upper Siang, East Siang, Lower Dibang Valley, Dibang Valley, Anjaw, Lohit, Namsai, Changlang, Tirap and Longding district in Arunachal Pradesh. These districts are very likely to receive thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain at isolated places.

In Tennis, Rohan Bopanna, a former World No. 1 in doubles, announced his retirement yesterday after a 20-year-long career. The 45-year-old Indian star won 26 ATP doubles titles, including the 2024 Australian Open with Matthew Ebden, which made him the oldest player to reach No. 1 at age 43. Bopanna, who began his career in 2003, earned 539 tour-level wins and partnered with 15 different players. He reached two US Open finals, finished runner-up at the ATP Finals twice, and claimed a mixed doubles Grand Slam at Roland Garros in 2017.