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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Emerging Science & Technology Innovation Conclave 2025 at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi today. Prime Minister will also address the gathering on the occasion. Mr Modi will also launch the 1 lakh crore rupees Research Development and Innovation (RDI) Scheme Fund to give a major boost to R&D ecosystem in the country. The scheme aims to promote a private sector-driven research and development ecosystem in India.



India defeated South Africa by 52 runs in the ICC Women's ODI Cricket World Cup in Navi Mumbai. It is maiden world cup title for Indian women. Shifali Verma won the title of player of the match. India sets a target of 299 runs against South Africa in the summit clash at Dr. D Y Patil Sports Academy. In reply, South Africa could score 246 runs in 45.3 overs. India scored 298 runs for the loss of 7 wickets in 50 overs, with Shefali Verma, the 21-year-old, hitting 87 and Deepti Sharma scoring 58 runs. Earlier, South Africa have won the toss and put India to bat first.



President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have congratulated the Indian women's cricket team on their spectacular victory in the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025. President Murmu said the Indian women's team has created history by winning the World Cup for the first time. She commended the players for their consistent performance, adding that the victory is a fitting reward for their talent and hard work. This watershed moment will inspire women's cricket to reach even greater heights, adding that she admire the way the girls have done India proud. Prime Minister Modi, described the win as "spectacular," noting that the team's performance in the final showcased great skill and confidence. The Prime Minister praised their teamwork and determination throughout the tournament, adding that the historic triumph will motivate future champions to take up sports.



The GST Bachat Utsav kicked off on 22nd September as the Narendra Modi government slashed GST rates in many sectors across the country. Today, our correspondent brings a report on how the reduced GST rates on the tourism sector are benefiting citizens.

The next-generation GST reforms have provided relief to the tourism sector by reducing tax burdens and making travel, accommodation, and cultural experiences more affordable for citizens. GST on hotel stays priced at under seven thousand five hundred rupees per night has been reduced from 12 percent to 5 percent, making accommodation more accessible. It has also encouraged investment in hotels and homestays, creating jobs and improving infrastructure. Meanwhile, the GST rate on buses with a seating capacity of more than 10 persons has been reduced from 28 percent to 18 percent, lowering public transport costs. These GST cuts are a strategic initiative by the government to boost India's tourism and cultural sector.



The 67th edition of Akashvani Sangeet Sammelan began yesterday with concerts at Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai. The sammelan is being organised by Prasar Bharati, in collaboration with the Culture Ministry. In the National Capital at Akashvani Rang Bhawan, Flutist Pt. Rakesh Chaurasia and Marathi Folk artist Nandesh Umap

and his team performed a vibrant programme. Prasar Bharati Chairman Navneet Kumar Sehgal and Akashvani Director General Rajiv Kumar Jain also attended the event. Akashvani Sangeet Sammelan will be held in 24 cities across the country. During the month-long event, the sangeet sammelan will bring Hindustani, Carnatic, Light and Folk music to audiences from across the country. All concerts are open to the public without any entry fee. Invitation cards can be collected from the respective Akashvani stations on a first-come, first-served basis.

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A Floral Artistry Workshop was recently organised by the Farmer's Cell, School of Agricultural Sciences, Nagaland University, Medziphema Campus, in collaboration with the District Administration, Medziphema, at the Multi-Purpose Hall, SAS, Medziphema. Addressing the programme, Additional Deputy Commissioner of Medziphema, P. James Swu, expressed happiness over the initiative, noting that it was the first of its kind in Medziphema. He hoped the workshop would serve as a valuable learning experience and an opportunity for participants to discover a new hobby that enhances creativity. In his remarks, Prof. Dipak Sinha, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Nagaland University, Medziphema Campus, said the workshop aimed to foster creativity and help participants learn and develop new skills.

