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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will today flag off India's first Vande Bharat Sleeper Train between Howrah and Guwahati (Kamakhya) at Malda town railway station. He will also virtually flag off Guwahati - Howrah Vande Bharat Sleeper. We have a report:

V/C- The fully air-conditioned Vande Bharat Sleeper train is set to offer passengers an airline-like travel experience at economical fares. It will make long-distance journeys faster, safer, and more convenient. The Vande Bharat Sleeper train comprises 16 modern coaches with a total capacity of 823 passengers. Prime Minister Modi will also lay the foundation stone of four major railway projects in West Bengal. Mr Modi will further virtually flag off four New Amrit Bharat Express trains in Malda. Later in the evening, Prime Minister will participate in Bagurumba Dwhou 2026, a historic cultural event celebrating the rich heritage of the Bodo community in Guwahati, Assam.

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The Government has blocked 242 illegal betting and gambling website links. Sources said that so far, over 7 thousand 800 illegal betting and gambling websites have been taken down, with a significant increase in enforcement actions after the passage of the Online Gaming Act. Sources added that this action reflects the Government's commitment to protect users especially youth, and to curb financial and social harm caused by illegal online betting and gambling platforms.

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Nagaland was recognised as a 'Leader' in developing a strong startup ecosystem in the state. The award was presented during the National Startup Day celebration in New Delhi yesterday. Advisor, Industries and Commerce, Hekani Jakhalu in the States' Startup Ecosystem Ranking extended her congratulations, noting that the improvement in Nagaland's Start-up ranking which was stuck at 'Aspire' for a long time. From the northeast, Manipur and Meghalaya were also placed in the Leader category, while Arunachal Pradesh was among the best performers.

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A one-day regional workshop on RUSA/PM-USHA for the North-Eastern states of Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Mizoram was held yesterday in Kohima, hosted by the Department of Higher Education, Nagaland. Officials from the Ministry of Education, led by Joint Secretary (ICC & RUSA) Armstrong Pame, attended the programme. State Minister for Higher Education and Tourism, Temjen Imna Along, said the workshop reflected a collective

