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Electronics and IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw yesterday said that India is seen as a trusted value chain partner and as a country that is focused on inclusive growth. In an interview with a private media channel on the sidelines of the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, Mr Vaishnaw informed that India is working on all five layers of Artificial Intelligence, including AI architecture, application, model, chip, infra and energy.

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Speaking on the country's semiconductor ecosystem, Mr Vaishnaw noted that out of ten semiconductor and chip manufacturing plants approved by the government, four plants have already begun pilot production in recent months. He added that one of these is going to start commercial production in the last week of February.

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Nagaland will showcase its rich and vibrant cultural diversity at Kartavya Path in New Delhi during the 77th Republic Day Parade on January 26. The state is among the 17 States and Union Territories participating in this year's parade. Nagaland's tableau, themed "The Hornbill Festival – Celebrating Culture, Tourism and Self-Reliance," will highlight the state's rich cultural heritage, its iconic festival, and the growing emphasis on tourism-led development and self-reliance. From the Northeast, Assam and Manipur will also present their tableaux at Kartavya Path.

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The tableau of Information and Broadcasting Ministry at the Republic Day parade will showcase India's storytelling traditions and the Vision of WAVES. The Ministry said in a statement that its tableau, "Bharat Gatha: Shruti, Kriti, Drishti," presents a powerful visual narrative of India's civilisational journey in storytelling, from ancient oral traditions to its emergence as a global content and media powerhouse. The tableau reflects the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat, seamlessly blending cultural heritage with technological innovation.

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In view of the Republic Day celebrations, the Commissioner of Police, Dimapur, has imposed restrictions on the operation of drones and Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) within the Dimapur Police Commissionerate to strengthen security arrangements. Areas within a two-kilometre radius of selected locations have been declared "Red Zones" or No-Fly Zones. The restriction will remain in force from 2:00 AM to 6:00 PM on January 26. The locations declared as Red Zones include Dimapur DDSC Stadium, Chumoukedima Samaguting Stadium, and Niuland Public Ground. During the stipulated period, no person will operate any drone or RPA in these areas without prior permission from the competent authority.

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The second phase of Civil Defence Wardens and Volunteers Training began yesterday at the Town Hall, Mon, and will continue till January 29. Organised by the Department of Home Guards, Civil Defence and SDRF, Nagaland, 180 volunteers from five wards of Mon Town are participating. Delivering the keynote address, Deputy Commissioner and Controller, Civil Defence Mon, Wennyei Konyak said disasters can strike at any time and stressed the need for preparedness. The Deputy Commissioner urged volunteers to learn the techniques thoroughly to respond effectively and safeguard lives during emergencies.

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Saratov State Conservatory, Russian Federation and Nagaland Conservatory of Music, India have formally signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen bilateral cooperation and foster long-term collaboration in the fields of music education and cultural exchange. Saratov State Conservatory, Russia was represented by its Rector, Alexander G. Zanorin and Nagaland Conservatory of Music, India was represented by its Chairman, Lipokmar Tzudir. Through this partnership, both institutions aim to promote mutual learning, academic enrichment and artistic dialogue between faculty members, researchers and students. Key areas of cooperation outlined in the agreement include joint academic initiatives, exchange of pedagogical methodologies, collaborative artistic projects, research cooperation, masterclasses, workshops, and participation in concerts, festivals and scholarly events.

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National Road Safety Month for Kohima district was launched yesterday during the Road Safety Committee meeting, under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner, Kohima, B. Henok Buchem. During the meeting, the action plan for road safety activities was approved, and various stakeholders were tasked to undertake activities and awareness programmes across the district.

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