

THE HEADLINES

- India-AI Impact Summit 2026 begins in New Delhi
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi says India stands at the forefront of AI transformation
- Kohima District plans new transport policy to improve traffic management; Awards civil groups for role in road safety
- MLA Dr. Neisatuo Mero urges farmers to adopt scientific methods for better yield

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The India-AI Impact Summit 2026 is underway in New Delhi. The five-day Summit is the first-ever global AI summit to be hosted in the Global South. The Summit will strengthen India’s role as a key platform for shaping the global AI agenda. It also positions India as a convenor and partner in global AI cooperation, supporting shared standards, collaborative frameworks, and scalable solutions for public good. Over a hundred countries have been invited and more than two lakh people have registered online. World leaders from twenty nations are scheduled to attend the event. The UN Secretary General and senior officials from several International Organizations will also join the deliberations. On the first day of the India AI Impact Summit today, various panel discussions are being held on a range of topics.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said India stands at the forefront of the artificial intelligence transformation, and the country's strides in AI reflect both ambition and responsibility. In a social media post, Mr Modi extended warm welcome to world leaders, industry leaders, innovators, policymakers, researchers and tech enthusiasts for the India AI Impact Summit, describing it as a matter of immense pride that people from all over world are coming to India. He emphasized that the occasion is proof of the country's rapid progress in the field of science and technology, and its contribution to global development. He added that the event also shows the capability of the country’s youth. The Prime Minister also highlighted that the Summit's theme of Sarvajana Hitaya, Sarvajana Sukhaya or welfare for all, happiness for all, reflects the country's shared commitment to harnessing AI for human-centric progress.

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Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran today said that India can lead globally by aligning AI adoption with mass employability through education reform. Mr Nageswaran made these remarks during a session at the AI Impact Summit

2026. He said, India could become one of the largest societies where machine learning and human resources complement each other rather than conflict.

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The Kohima District administration is planning a new transport policy to strengthen regulations and improve traffic management in Kohima town. This was shared by Deputy Commissioner B. Henok Buchem during the Kohima District Road Safety Award–2026 held today. He said traffic congestion remains a major challenge and called for continued cooperation from all citizens.

Marking the National Road Safety Month, the second edition of the Kohima District Road Safety Award 2026 were presented to Upper Jail Colony Panchayat, Jotsoma Youth Organisation, Kezoma Village Council, Naga Bazaar Youth Organisation and five personnel of the Integrated Command & Control Centre for their role in easing traffic and road safety. The award carries a cash prize of 10,000 rupees and a citation. Meanwhile, appreciating the organisations for assisting the administration in smoother traffic flow, MLA Kevipodi Sophie, stressed that traffic congestion and improper parking cannot be tackled by authorities alone, and urged collective responsibility from the public.

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MLA Dr. Neisatuo Mero has urged farmers to adopt scientific methods for agricultural development. Speaking at a Joint Kisan Gosthi programme for Chizami, Pfutsero, and Kikruma under Phek district on Saturday, he emphasized the importance of innovation, conserving local resources and collaboration between farmers and technical agencies to enhance sustainability and income. The programme aimed to strengthen farmer scientist interaction, promote scientific agriculture practices and create awareness on value addition resource. During the sessions, speakers highlighted the prospects of spice cultivation in the region and shared on ongoing government initiatives, including horticultural schemes and crop diversification strategies.

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah has said that violence in Kashmir, North-East and Maoist-affected areas has been reduced by 80 per cent. Speaking on the occasion of the 79th Raising Day celebrations of Delhi Police, he said, the day is not far when these areas will be completely free from violence.

Mr Shah said, the Maoist terrorism, spread across 11 states, has always posed a significant challenge to the country's internal security.

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State Health and Family Welfare Department has issued a public advisory to ensure safe and legal use of medicines. Citizens are urged citizens to buy medicines only

from pharmacies holding a valid drug license, and ensure that medicines are dispensed by a registered pharmacist wearing a uniform with a name tag and registration number. They have also been advised to collect cash memo for every purchase. The department also advised the public to report any adverse drug reaction or serious side effect through the toll-free number 1800-180-3024, or to the District Drugs Control Administration office under the Chief Medical Officer. The advisory reminded consumers to check key details before use, including brand and generic names, manufacturing and expiry dates, dosage strength, and stressed never to use expired medicines. The advisory also noted that Schedule H and H1 medicines, which include certain antibiotics, habit forming drugs, and anti-TB drugs, must only be purchased with a valid prescription, warning that improper use can be dangerous to health.

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In sports news, Nagaland's athlete Mudotsu Dozo has helped the Indian Men's Sepaktakraw Team clinch two gold medals at the recently concluded 6th South Asian Sepaktakraw Championship held in Colombo, Sri Lanka. He won gold in both the Team and Regu events. Mr Dozo is now training with the national camp ahead of the 20th Asian Games set to take place at Japan. The Nagaland Sepaktakraw Association has extends its congratulations and wished him continued success in upcoming international competitions.

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And, Akashvani Kohima is inviting eligible candidates for filling up 11 posts of Part-Time Correspondents (PTCs) in 11 districts of Nagaland. The districts include Chumoukedima, Longleng, Meluri, Mon, Noklak, Peren, Phek, Shamator, Tuensang, Tseminyu and Zunheboto. Necessary details and prescribed application form can be accessed from the www.newsonair.gov.in under the vacancies section, issued on 19th December 2025. The last date of submission of applications is 20th of February.

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