

## Morning News Script

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that left-wing extremism restricted the development in the affected areas, but now the development is reaching to these regions under the Narendra Modi government. Mr Shah stressed that anyone who takes up arms will be dealt with strictly, and a bullet is answered with a bullet. He was replying to the discussion in the Lok Sabha under Rule 193 on efforts to free the country from Left-Wing Extremism. The Home Minister said the Red Corridor was created by the Naxalites in 12 States, and the rule of law ended in the affected areas. Highlighting the steps taken by the Modi government to free the country from left-wing extremism after 2014, Mr Shah said, the security apparatus has been strengthened with the creation of 596 fortified police stations. He said, naxalite affected districts, which were 126 in 2014, have now been reduced to two districts. He said, Naxalism has nearly ended in Chhattisgarh's Bastar region.

Mr. Shah lauded the efforts of paramilitary, state police forces and people associated with the drive to end the left-wing extremism in the country. Earlier, initiating the debate, Shiv Sena MP Shrikant Shinde hailed the efforts of Narendra Modi's government, paramilitary and police forces to make the country free from Naxalism. Participating in the discussion, Saptagiri Sankar Ulaka of the Congress said that several efforts were also taken during the UPA government to eliminate Naxalism.

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The Principal District & Sessions Court Kohima yesterday sentenced a 44-year-old man to six months' rigorous imprisonment after convicting him of sexual harassment under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code, IPC. The court also imposed a fine of 10 thousand rupees, with an additional two months' simple imprisonment in case of default. The court observed that the offence was serious and affected the dignity of a woman while also considering mitigating factors before awarding the sentence.

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Deputy Commissioner Mokokchung, Ajit Kumar Verma, yesterday maintained that the village council as an authorized institution of the Government has great responsibilities to bring about changes through guidance and awareness among the masses. He was addressing a Systematic Voters Education and Electoral Participation cum coordination meeting with the Longkhum Village Council yesterday in view of the forthcoming Bye Election to 28 Koridang Assembly Constituency. Mr Verma reiterated that the electioneering machinery will be constantly coordinating with the council to ensure a peaceful, free, and fair conduct of the election process. After the awareness program, the Deputy Commissioner & DEO along with the official inspected all the polling stations at the village.

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The Nagaland State Disaster Management Authority (NSDMA), under the Home Department Nagaland has cautioned the public against the circulation of misleading weather advisory graphics on social media. In a press release issued yesterday, the NSDMA said a graphic titled "Nagaland Weather Advisory: March 25–29" has been widely shared using NSDMA data but featuring an incorrectly generated district map. We have a report:

***The NSDMA clarified that while the weather-related information in the graphic appears to have been sourced from official data, the district mapping and visual representation are inaccurate and do not reflect its official assessment or communication. The NSDMA warned that the circulation of such altered or unofficial weather-related content, including wrongly generated maps in its name, amounts to misinformation and may create confusion regarding risk-prone areas and public safety preparedness. It urged the public to rely only on official advisories and updates issued through its verified communication channels and those of the Government of Nagaland.***

For accurate and real-time alerts, the NSDMA encouraged citizens to use the Safer Nagaland App.

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The Lok Sabha has passed the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2025 with voice vote yesterday. The Bill, which was initially referred to a Select Committee, has been introduced to further amend the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code 2016, to address procedural delays and interpretational issues among companies and individuals.

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