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Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred with Norway's highest honour under the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit – the Grand Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit – by King Harald V in a special ceremony in Oslo yesterday marking the 32nd international honour received by the Indian PM during his tenure. The award was presented during PM Modi's two-day visit to Norway as part of his ongoing five-nation tour. The award is Norway's highest honour bestowed on foreign Heads of Government, and is conferred in recognition of the outstanding service in the interest of Norway and humankind. Prime Minister Modi expressed his deep gratitude to His Majesty King Harald V and to the people of Norway for the honour. He dedicated the award to the historic friendship between India and Norway, calling it a tribute to the enduring warmth, trust, and affection shared between the people of India and the people of Norway. PM Modi said, the conferment stands as a symbol of the deep bonds of goodwill that exists between India and Norway, and will guide their journey of friendship and collaboration into the future.

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Union Minister for Development of North Eastern Region Jyotiraditya M. Scindia yesterday chaired a Parliamentary Consultative Committee Meeting on tourism in the Northeast region. In a social media post, Mr Scindia said, the meeting deliberated on a bold roadmap encompassing integrated infrastructure, human resource development, unique state-wise thematic tourism circuits, multi-state travel packages, and a unified Northeast tourism brand. The Minister reaffirmed Prime Minister Narendra Modi's commitment to transforming the Ashtalakshmi States into India's premier experiential tourism destination. Nagaland's Members of Parliament, S Phangnon Konyak and S Supongmeren Jamir also attended the meeting. Taking to social media post, MP Konyak described the meeting as

fruitful and guided by a focused and people-centric vision. She stated that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his constant concern for the Northeast, the region continues to witness progress through action and not just words. MP Konyak also expressed gratitude to Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia and Union Minister of State Sukanta Majumdar for their accelerated efforts and dedicated commitment towards the development of the Ashtalakshmi states.

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Nagaland Chief Secretary Sentiyanger Imchen yesterday visited several flood-affected and flood-prone areas in Dimapur and East Dimapur to assess the recurring flood situation ahead of the monsoon season. Accompanied by officials from the district administration and line departments, the Chief Secretary inspected key vulnerable locations including Nagarjan Police Point, Burma Camp, Sunrise Colony and New Field Check Gate. During a review meeting, Mr Imchen stressed the urgent need to improve solid waste management, drainage maintenance and inter-departmental coordination to tackle urban flooding. He expressed concern over clogged drains caused by plastic waste and directed authorities to install strainers across drainage channels and enforce household-level waste segregation into biodegradable and non-biodegradable categories. The Chief Secretary also called for stronger public participation, better utilisation of municipal resources and intensified awareness campaigns on sanitation and environmental responsibility.

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And ,The State Hub for Empowerment of Women under Mission Shakti, Social Welfare Department, organised a State-Level Consultative Meeting and Training Programme for district functionaries at the SIRD Auditorium, Kohima yesterday . The programme focused on strengthening coordination and effective implementation of women and child welfare schemes across Nagaland. Addressing the programme, Secretary and Mission Director of Mission Shakti, Yongchingkumla highlighted key achievements, including the establishment of Sakhi One Stop Centres in six newly created districts and financial assistance to

over 6,800 beneficiaries under PMMVY during the 2025-26 financial year. Secretary and AHoD, Social Welfare, Limawabang Jamir stressed the importance of convergence and collaboration among departments for effective delivery of services to women and children.

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