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Today is World Tuberculosis, TB Day. The day is observed on March 24 every year to raise public awareness about the global tuberculosis epidemic and efforts to eliminate this disease. Meanwhile, on the eve of World TB Day yesterday, President Droupadi Murmu urged the nation to work together and make India TB-free. In her message to the nation, the President expressed happiness over observing the Day every year with an aim to increase public awareness about TB. She highlighted that this day will raise awareness about the challenges in controlling the disease, and support efforts to prevent it. She said, this day also reminds everyone of the importance of early detection, treatment and prevention of TB.

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National Centre for Vector Borne Diseases Control (NCVBDC), Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Nagaland organised a three-day training for medical officers on clinical management of vector borne diseases from March 21 to 23 at Kohima. Mission Director, NHM, Dr. E. Motsuthung Patton emphasizing on the issues of high surge of dengue cases reported last year, urged all to be more vigilant for the coming year to curb the diseases. He urged the officers to be sincere in their work at their respective place of posting. Deputy Director NCVBDC Dr. Tinurenla Anichari informed that all suspected malaria cases be referred to the laboratory for blood smear collection and examination before starting treatment. She said all positive cases get treatment as per National drug policy within 24 hours of reporting with confirmed malaria positive cases and ensure sufficient stocks of antimalarials. State Consultant Public Health & Training Imsubenla said for the past seven years no malaria death case has been reported.

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Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar said that the media should be an agent to convey right perspectives to understand India rather than be a prey to orchestrated narratives that taint and tarnish the country's image. Dhankhar said this while addressing the gathering at an award ceremony

of a private media house in New Delhi yesterday. He emphasised that the credibility of the media lies solely within its own control, by being objective and not getting involved in politics. He cautioned that the media should take all precautions for not becoming a registered, recognized or unrecognized political party. He further highlighted that the media should be a watchdog and curb misinformation.

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Palm Sunday also referred to as Passion Sunday is being celebrated today worldwide by the Christian communities. It marks the beginning of Holy Week in the Christian calendar, commemorating Jesus Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Wishing all a blessed Palm Sunday and meaningful Holy Week, Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio hoped that the beginning of Holy Week brings blessings of renewed hope and purpose in everyone's life.

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Manipur won the overall champion's title for the third consecutive time at the 3rd North East Games 2024 hosted by Nagaland from March 18-23. Manipur won 130 medals that include 52 gold, 38 silver, and 40 bronze. Nagaland won 1st runner-up position and Assam claimed the 2nd position. The Fair Play Award was presented to Sikkim and the Spirit of Olympic Award was awarded to Tripura. Venuzo Dawhuo from Nagaland won Outstanding Sports person (Men) award by winning two gold medals in two different disciplines while Tsuchoi T also from Nagaland won the Outstanding Sports person (Women) award by claiming four gold medals and 2 silver. World Alysh Federation president Adilet Bayaman Uulu graced the closing the function as chief guest. More than 3000 athletes from eight north eastern states participated in 15 disciplines held across three districts Chumoukedima, Dimapur and Kohima.

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Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has congratulated Team Nagaland for their best-ever performance at the 3rd North East Games. Rio also congratulates all other players on representing their respective States well. The Chief Minister also extended his appreciation to Nagaland Olympic Association, Department of Youth Resources & Sports and all stakeholders on the success of the Games.

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