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President Droupadi Murmu has emphasized that the infrastructure and construction projects should be made climate-friendly and energy-efficient. Addressing a group of Assistant Executive Engineers of Central Public Works Department at Rashtrapati Bhavan yesterday, the President said, the buildings, roads and other infrastructure should be sustainable, energy-efficient and environment-friendly. She added that the engineers should be innovative in their approach so that they can effectively deal with emerging challenges. The President asked young engineers to not work in silos but adopt a collaborative, forward-looking and technology-driven approach. She said that new and emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, machine learning and robots are changing traditional thinking. President Murmu said that green construction is the need of the hour and innovative methods of construction have the potential to transform this sector.

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All 20 members of the Eastern Nagaland Legislators' Union (ENLU) along with Rajya Sabha MP Phangnon Konyak convened for the public meeting organized by the Eastern Nagaland Peoples' Organization (ENPO) yesterday. The assembly, which took place in Tuensang town, focused on the Frontier Nagaland Territory (FNT), and marks the inaugural official meeting between ENPO and ENLU on the matter. Notably, ENLU members and the MP had been conspicuously absent from the previous meeting. Following the yesterday's meeting which lasted for almost 10 hours, ENPO President R Tsapikiu Sangtam said ENPO and ENLU will jointly pursue the cause of FNT. With regards to the visit of ENLU members to Delhi without coordinating with ENPO, Sangtam said they deliberated upon the paperwork that were brought back. He noted that ENLU will relay the points discussed in the coordination meeting with the Chief Minister. Sangtam added that the public emergency stands as it is and there will be no change in the resolution taken on 19th March to abstain from participating in the ensuing Lok Sabha elections.

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External Affairs Ministry yesterday said that the recent remarks by the US State Department on Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's arrest are unwarranted. Addressing media in New Delhi, Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said any such external imputation on India's electoral and legal processes is completely unacceptable. India had lodged its strong objection and protest with the senior official from the US Embassy on Wednesday with regard to the comments made by the US State Department. The spokesperson stressed that in India, legal processes are driven only by the Rule of Law. He highlighted that India is proud of its independent and robust democratic institutions and committed to protect them from any form of undue external influences. Jaiswal stated that mutual respect and understanding form the foundation of international relations and states are expected to be respectful of the sovereignty and internal affairs of others.



Noisy Neighbours from Dimapur emerged as winners of 'Fusion of the Bands', a Hindi music Talent Hunt held yesterday by the Indian Army's Spear Corps under Operation Sadbhavna. The winner bagged 3 lakh rupees, while the first runner-up and second runner-up received 2 lakh and 1 lakh, respectively. All finalist bands were also awarded 25,000 rupees. The event was graced by Nagaland Governor La Ganesan as the Chief Guest, and witnessed renowned guest artistes including Imna Yaden and Winner of Indian Idol Season 3 Prashant Tamang.



Prime Minister and senior BJP leader Narendra Modi is set to lead the party's campaign in Nagaland for the upcoming Lok Sabha elections. In a notice to the Election Commission of India, the party said others include BJP national president J.P. Nadda and Union ministers Rajnath Singh, Amit Shah, and Kiren Rijiju. Campaigners from the state include MP Phangnon Konyak, Yanthungo Patton, Temjen Imna Along, among others.



Today is Good Friday. It is the day Christians commemorate the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ on Calvary. It is a solemn day for Christians to reflect, pray and remember Jesus' sacrifice for humanity's sin. Churches in Nagaland observe Good Friday by holding special services, fasting and carrying out the way of the cross.

