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- President Droupadi Murmu dissolves 17th Lok Sabha; Prime Minister Narendra Modi tenders resignation
- Directorate of Treasuries & Accounts sets up dedicated Pensioners' Helpline
- Nagaland observes World Environment Day with various events across the state
- State-Level Pre-Subroto cum Junior Football Tournament commences

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President Droupadi Murmu has dissolved 17th Lok Sabha today. Earlier, the Union Cabinet in its meeting held this afternoon advised the President to dissolve the 17th Lok Sabha with immediate effect.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today met President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan and tendered his resignation along with the Union

Council of Ministers. The President accepted the resignation and requested the Prime Minister and the Union Council of Ministers to continue in office till the new Government is formed. Modi also met Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar today.

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NDA leaders today met at Prime Minister Narendra Modi's residence in New Delhi. The meeting is to chalk out future course of action to form the new government at Centre after NDA emerged victorious in the Lok Sabha polls. Telugu Desam Party Chief, N Chandrababu Naidu, JDU Chief Nitish Kumar and Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas) Chief, Chirag Paswan and other leaders were present in the meeting. Meanwhile, leaders of the I.N.D.I.A bloc are also meeting at the official residence of Congress President Mallikarjun Kharge in New Delhi. The leaders are gathering to chalk out their strategies for the formation of a new government.

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Newly elected member of Parliament S Supongmeren Jamir has assured he will ceaselessly endeavor to do justice to the mandate. In a press statement, Jamir acknowledged the Almighty and expressed his gratitude to supporters and well wishers, including Congress party members, campaign committee and all volunteers for their unwavering support and sacrifices throughout the campaign. He also gave a special shoutout to the Rising People's Party for exemplary camaraderie and partnership. Jamir also extended gratitude to the civil society and church organisations, media fraternity and all poll-related officials. Acknowledging the competing candidates, Jamir called for their

constructive and collaborative interventions in the future. He reaffirmed his commitment to represent the interests and aspirations of the people from within and outside the Parliament.

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The Directorate of Treasuries & Accounts has set up a dedicated Pensioners' Helpline, aimed at addressing the various challenges faced by pensioners across the state. It offers personalized assistance through regular telephonic calls and is designed to resolve issues that may arise following finalization of pensions by the Accountant General office. While there is already an online grievance facility on the department website, this helpline will ensure faster access to assistance, particularly for those who lack internet access or struggle to navigate online services. Pensioners may reach out to the helpline during office hours by calling the numbers 8798747825 and 8798747826. Alternatively, grievances can be submitted via WhatsApp to 8798747800.

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Today is World Environment Day. The theme for this year is "Land Restoration, Desertification, and Drought Resilience." President Droupadi Murmu has asked people to make collective efforts for building a better and greener world based on sustainability. She also urged all to recall that protecting Mother Earth is our fundamental responsibility. Prime Minister Narendra Modi planted a sapling at the Buddha Jayanti Park in New Delhi under 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign organised on the occasion.

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On World Environment Day, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has urged upon everyone to make a concerted effort to protect the planet and biodiversity, and to ensure a sustainable future. In a social media post, he reiterated emphasis on focusing on land restoration, combating desertification and building drought resilience. Every action counts, Rio said, and called all to plant trees and reduce waste.



Along with the rest of the world, Nagaland today observed World Environment Day by organizing various events across the state. Kohima Forest Division held an 'Awareness Run' which was flagged off by Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Dharmendra Prakash, and saw participation of a hundred students from 31 schools. Prakash urged the students to be ambassadors of conservation. Highlighting the ongoing heat wave, he advised all to protect the good soil and water in our state. Prakash further appealed everyone to discourage the use of plastic bottles and proper disposal of wastes. The run was organised by Kohima Forest Division in collaboration with the Nagaland Board of School Education's commemorating its 50 years of formation and Naga Hospital Authority Kohima. Meanwhile, Directorate of Higher Education and Directorate of Employment, Skill Development, and Entrepreneurship also observed the day with tree plantation drives at the office premises. In Mokokchung, former Commissioner & Secretary Thangi Manen rallied for a 'restoration generation,' emphasizing self-driven efforts. On the grim reality of environmental degradation, she said floods, landslides, and pollution were consequences of human impact. Highlights included Half Marathon Green Run. In Wokha, the day was celebrated by Wokha Forest Division and Doyang Plantation Division, in

collaboration with NBSE. DFO Wokha, Suman W.M. Sivachar, highlighted Nagaland's impressive 72-73 percent forest cover. He lauded the conservation efforts for Amur Falcons in Nagaland. In Kiphire, the Departments of Land Resources, and Soil and Water Conservation jointly celebrated the day with coffee plantation and organic manure distribution as highlights of the day.

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Nagaland Governor La Ganesan has greeted the Phom community on the occasion of Phom Day. The Governor said it is day of unity, reflection, and cultural pride, honoring the commitment to peace and transformation of societal values. Phom Day serves as a reminder of the importance of harmony and the enduring spirit of the community, he said, and urged all to embrace the unique customs as well as share the warmth of the community spirit. The Governor further wished that this Phom Day may bring happiness, prosperity, and continued growth to all Phom people.

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The State-Level Pre-Subroto Cum Junior Football Tournament commenced today at Indira Gandhi Stadium, Kohima. The event is being organized by the Department of Youth Resources and Sports in collaboration with the Nagaland Football Association (NFA). Gracing the occasion as guest of honor, MLA and NFA General Secretary Benei M Lamthiu, expressed optimism that such initiatives would propel the growth of football and sports in the future. Emphasizing the paradigm shift in the perception of sports, he highlighted that in today's world, football has evolved into a global industry. He urged young sports enthusiasts to

regard it not merely as a hobby but as a viable career option and underscored the diverse opportunities. The finale of the State-Level Pre-Subroto Cum Junior Football Tournament will be held on June 11. Winners of this tourney will represent Nagaland at the prestigious Subroto Cup, scheduled to begin July 30.

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