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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that India will continue to work for peace, progress, and prosperity of the region during his third term. In this context, he called for deeper people-to-people ties and connectivity in the region. Mr Modi was meeting the visiting leaders of India's neighbourhood and Indian Ocean Region at Rashtrapati Bhavan last night, after his swearing-in ceremony. Thanking them for gracing the occasion, Prime Minister Modi reaffirmed India's commitment to its "Neighbourhood First" policy and "SAGAR Vision". Mr Modi said, India will continue to amplify the voice of the Global South in the international arena.

An NIA team today reached Reeya-si district and is coordinating with local police probing into the terror attack on a passenger bus that left 10 people dead and several injured. The security forces also launched a massive cordon and search operation to track down the terrorists responsible for the attack. Terrorists open fired at the 53-seater bus, on its way from the Shiv Khori temple to the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine in Katra, causing it to veer off the road and fall into a deep gorge in Reeya-si district on Sunday. The bus was ferrying pilgrims from Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Delhi. 41 people were injured in the ambush. Of them, 10 suffered gunshot injuries.

Sarbananda Sonowal and Kiren Rijiju on Sunday have been retained in the Council of Ministers of Narendra Modi 3.0 government whereas BJP's Rajya Sabha MP from Assam Pabitra Margherita has also been inducted into the new government. Sonowal and Rijiju took oath as Cabinet Ministers, while Margherita took oath as Minister of State. A total of 72 Ministers took oath in the new coalition government. The portfolio of all the Ministers will be announced on Monday. There are thirty Cabinet Ministers, five Ministers with independent charge, and 36 Ministers of State.

At the invitation of the President of India, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh K.T. Parnaik attended the swearing-in ceremony of Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi on 9th June 2024. The Governor congratulated the Prime Minister on being sworn in for the third time.

The advanced security carcade team of Manipur CM N. Biren Singh, en route to Jiribam, was ambushed by some unknown armed miscreants near Kotlen Sinam village along NH 37, which falls under New Keithelmanbi of Kangpokpi District today around 10:30 am. However, the CM was not with the team, as he was scheduled to visit Jiribam tomorrow to monitor the law-and-order situation of the district. The police report stated that one police personnel sustained injuries in the ambush. Additional security forces have been deployed to the incident site, and search operations have been initiated to arrest the miscreants.

Chief Secretary of Arunachal Pradesh Dharmendra said that Arunachal Police and Law Department are dedicatedly working to implement the new criminal laws in Arunachal Pradesh by July 1, according to official sources. The chief secretary chaired a meeting of the state level steering committee on implementation of the New Criminal Laws in the state at the Civil Secretariat on Thursday, according to an official social media post. The new criminal laws Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita-2023, Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita-2023, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam-2023, already assented-to by President Droupadi Murmu in December 2023, would replace the existing British-era criminal laws Indian Penal Code-1860, Code of Criminal Procedure-1898, and Indian Evidence Act-1872 respectively.

Twenty-nine out of 30 students of the Itanagar centre of the Oil India Limited's Super 30 have cleared the Joint Entrance Examination advanced, which qualifies them to get admission in the Indian Institute of Technology in the country. Students who enrol in the Super 30 programme get free coaching, along with free hostel facilities. The programme is set for the economically marginalised yet meritorious students, with below 4 lakhs yearly income of the parents.

In an intense showdown, the Indian men's cricket team pulled off a thrilling 6 runs victory over arch-rival Pakistan in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup Cricket at the Nas-sau County International Cricket Stadium in New York last night. The Indian bowling unit, led by Jasprit Bumrah valiantly restricted Pakistan to fall just 6 runs short of their target. Put into bat first, India posted a total of 119 runs in 19 overs. While chasing a target of 120, Pakistan could score only 113 runs for seven in the stipulated 20 overs.