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:: THE HEADLINES :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi says Viksit Bharat @ 2047 is ambition of every Indian.
- Shiksha Saptah or Education Week in Nagaland culminates.
- Union Sports Minister says Government's new Internship Initiative to benefit over four crore young Indians in next five years.
- Supreme Court Judge Justice Surya Kant invites citizens to participate in Special Lok Adalat Week.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that Viksit Bharat @ 2047 is ambition of every Indian. Addressing the 9th Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog today, Modi said that States can play an active role to achieve this aim as they are directly connected with the people. He said, this decade is of changes, technological and geo-political and also of opportunities. The Prime Minister said, India should grab these opportunities and make the policies conducive for international investments. He said, this is the stepping stone for progress to make India a developed nation. Modi said, Viksit States will make Viksit Bharat. He said, emphasis is on skill, research, innovation and job based knowledge is necessary for making Viksit Bharat @ 2047. The

Governing Council Meeting of NITI Aayog was held at Rashtrapati Bhavan Cultural Centre. Modi who is also the Chairman of NITI Aayog chaired the meeting. Chief Ministers and Lieutenant Governors of States and Union Territories, Union Ministers as Ex-officio Members and Special Invitees, and the Vice Chairman, Suman Bery and Members of NITI Aayog attended the meeting. The theme of this year's meeting was 'Viksit Bharat@2047', with a central focus on making India a developed nation. The Governing Council Meeting discussed the Approach Paper for the Vision Document on Viksit Bharat @2047. The meeting aims to foster participative governance and collaboration between the Centre and State Governments, enhancing the quality of life for both rural and urban populations by strengthening the delivery mechanisms of government interventions.

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Shiksha Saptah (Education Week) in Nagaland culminated today across the State involving schools and Education offices at all levels. The activities during the week include observation of Eco Club for Mission LiFE, Community Participation and Tithi Bhojan (celebration of important events). The events also focused on plantation of fruit trees by students along with mothers, teachers and Education officials, Students creating eco-friendly waste bins in the schools using bamboos, social works and awareness program on conservation of nature. School Management Committee (SMC) meetings were also held to awareness on the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. In the State capital Kohima, Commissioner and Secretary School Education & SCERT Kevileno Angami, Commissioner & Secretary IPR and State Mission Director Samagra Shiksha Tamsunaro Aier and Principal Director of Directorate of School Education, Thavaseelan K sponsored lunch to students, teachers and SMC members of GMS Secretariat, GHS Forest Colony and GMS Lerie Kohima. All three served food to students as part of Tithi Bhojan. In the morning hours, officers of School Education conduct social work in the Directorate of School

Education Bayavu Kohima for cleaning the office premises, planting of trees and flowers. The Shiksha Saptah Nagaland witnessed massive participation of schools, both private and Government and central schools from 22nd to 27th July. The 4th Anniversary of NEP 2020 is scheduled on July 29.

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Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Mansukh Mandaviya today said that the new internship scheme introduced in the recently presented Union Budget will facilitate employment, skilling and other opportunities for over four crore youth over five years. Talking to the media, the Union Minister said that experience acquired from internships at top companies will enhance skills and improve the employability of the youth. Under the Internship Scheme announced at the Union Budget this year, the government will provide internship opportunities to one crore youth in 500 top companies in five years. During the 12-month internship period, five thousand rupees per month along with a one-time assistance of six thousand rupees will be provided to each intern.

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Supreme Court judge Justice Surya Kant has invited citizens to participate in the upcoming Special Lok Adalat week, scheduled from 29th July to 3rd of August. Talking exclusively to Akashvani News, Justice Surya Kant said that cases having elements of settlement including matrimonial and property disputes, motor accident claims, land acquisition compensation, service and labour issues would be taken up in the Special Lok Adalat of the Supreme Court. He added that this initiative will also offer remote participation via video conferencing.

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Assistant Mechanical Engineer, Public Works Department, Tuensang district, Nabum Tombou has urged schools in Nagaland to aim for quality education, focusing on holistic development that includes research, technology, skill development, and entrepreneurship. Speaking at the All Tuensang Private School Association Quartet Singing Competition today, Tombu highlighted the importance of addressing social issues such as mental health in the curriculum. He also encouraged school dropouts to continue their education, especially girls under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative. Twelve schools under Tuensang district participated in the competition, where Government Higher Secondary School Tuensang emerged as the winner. The school will represent Tuensang district in the state-level quartet singing competition.

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The Ministry of Earth Sciences celebrated its 18th Foundation Day at its Prithvi Bhavan Headquarters in New Delhi today. The Ministry was founded on 27 July, 2006 and marked nearly two decades of significant contributions to Earth system sciences. During the event, Ministry of Earth Sciences Secretary Dr M Ravichandran said that the department should also gear up to address challenges that lie ahead, especially in food, water, energy, health, and climate change, that are ever relevant. The Ministry launched many publications to commemorate its Foundation Day such as 'Standard Operation Procedure on Cyclone Warning in India and Competency Framework for Monitoring and Forecasting High-impact Weather Events, a consolidated report on the 14th Indian Arctic Expedition (2023-24) and a catalog entitled Taxonomy and Systematics of Anomuran Crabs from the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people of the country and abroad in the 'Mann Ki Baat' programme on

Akashvani at 11:00 AM tomorrow. It will be the 112th episode of the monthly radio programme. The programme will be broadcast on the entire network of Akashvani and Doordarshan, AIR News website and newsonair mobile app. It will also be live streamed on the YouTube channels of AIR News, DD News, PMO and Information and Broadcasting Ministry. Akashvani will broadcast the programme in regional languages immediately after the Hindi broadcast.

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The Nagaland Football Association (NFA) is set to conduct a pre-trial selection for the AFC Women's Futsal Asian Cup. The selection event will take place on July 31, at Reiphinyü Badze, Vürie in Kohima. The NFA has directed aspiring players interested in participating in the trials to report to Kevilebi Paphino, who holds an AFC "B" License at **9402211604** for further information.

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