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2. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar says Constitution is soul of democracy and Parliament is its custodian.

3. Prime Minister Narendra Modi flags off six Vande Bharat trains from Ranchi; releases first installment of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin.

4. And, Union Minister Amit Shah says engineers are backbone of nation's growth and innovation.

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Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio has extended greetings to the people on occasion of International Day of Democracy. Rio said, on this day, we acknowledge our collective responsibility to promote and protect democratic values. Rio called on the citizens to work together to strengthen democratic institutions, uphold transparency and ensure that every voice is heard and valued. In 2007 the United Nations General Assembly resolved to observe 15 September as the International Day of Democracy, with the purpose of promoting and upholding the principles of democracy and invited all member states and organizations to commemorate the day in an appropriate manner that contributes to raising public awareness.

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Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar today said that the Constitution is the soul of democracy and Parliament is its custodian. He added that the Constitution is to be read, understood and respected. Dhankhar said this while inaugurating 'Constitution Temples' at the vocational training centers in 434 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across Maharashtra in an event organized in Mumbai. The Vice President appealed that all the institutions work in tandem to nature and blossom democratic values. Later, addressing a function after inaugurating the Digital Tower at Ramdeo Baba University in Nagpur, Vice President appealed to students to explore the opportunity basket which is in technology and not merely in government jobs. He said infrastructure like the digital Tower is the gateway to such opportunities. Dhankhar also said that Technology like Quantum computing and green hydrogen missions will be game changers. The 12 storied digital Tower consists digital classrooms equipped with modern technology for catering to the needs of Computer Science and Engineering.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today flagged off six Vande Bharat trains, including Tatanagar-Patna, through video conferencing from Ranchi airport. The flag-off event of six Vande Bharat trains was scheduled in Jamshedpur. He also laid the foundation stone and dedicated various Railway Projects in Jharkhand worth more than 660 crore rupees to the nation. Modi reached Ranchi airport this morning to proceed to Jamshedpur, but his helicopter could not take off due to low visibility and inclement weather. Addressing people through video conferencing, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the operation of Vande Bharat trains will enhance economic and cultural activities in Eastern India, including Jharkhand and neighbouring states. He said these trains will boost the tourism industry and also increase job opportunities. Modi said the centre is committed to the all-round development of Jharkhand.Prime Minister Modi also released the first installment of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Gramin to beneficiaries.

32 crore rupees was digitally transferred to the bank account of beneficiaries. Besides sanction letter of 32 thousand houses were distributed. Housewarming ceremony for the newly constructed 46 thousand beneficiaries was also held. Addressing the people Modi said, two crore additional houses will be constructed in next five years.

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah has greeted all the technocrats on Engineers' Day. In a social media post, Shah said that engineers are the backbone of the nation's growth and innovation, advancing progress and shaping the future through their vital contributions. He also paid homage to visionary engineer Bharat Ratna, Sir M Visvesvaraya, whose enduring legacy will inspire engineers as they forge Bharat's future. Engineers' Day is celebrated on September 15 in the country, to honour the legacy of Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. His significant contributions to various engineering fields, including irrigation, hydroelectric power, and public health, have had a profound impact on the nation's development.

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Nagaland Chief minister, Neiphiu Rio has greeted the people on the occasion of Eid-e-Milad-un-Nabi, the birthday of Prophet Muhammad. In his message, Rio urged the people to strive to follow the path of compassion and wisdom. The Chief Minister expressed hope that the spirit of peace and goodwill would fill our hearts and homes. President Droupadi Murmu has also extended her greetings to the citizens, especially Muslim community, on the eve of Milad un Nabi. In her message, President Murmu said Prophet Muhammad inspired everyone to strengthen the feelings of love and brotherhood and stressed on equality and harmony in society. The President urged people to be compassionate towards others and serve humanity.

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Delhi Chief Minister, Arvind Kejriwal has announced that he will resign from the post after two days. He said, in the next couple of days, a meeting of the Aam Aadmi Party MLAs will be held to decide a new Chief Minister. Kejriwal demanded that the assembly election in Delhi, which is due in February next year, should be held in November this year along with the Maharashtra elections. Addressing the party workers at the party office in the national capital, Kejriwal added that he will not sit on the Chief Minister's chair until the people give their verdict. The Supreme Court had granted Kejriwal bail in the Delhi excise policy case on Friday. Meanwhile, BJP has alleged that Kejriwal's announcement of his resignation is a direct acceptance of the allegations of corruption charges against him. Addressing media at Party headquarter in Delhi this afternoon, party spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi claimed that Kejriwal's resignation is not just a political move but a result of internal turmoil within his party.

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First Edition of North East Bodybuilding and Physique The Championship 2024, organized by Bodybuilders Association of Sikkim and North East Bodybuilders Association, culminated at Manan Kendra, Gangtok in Sikkim today. The two-day event showcased a range of categories including Men's Bodybuilding and Open Men's & Women's Model Physique. Nagaland sent a strong contingent to the championship, with 10 athletes, one team coach, two national judges, and six officials, totaling 18 participants. Talimoa Jamir from Nagaland secured the Gold in Men's Physique (175 cm) and was also recognized as the Overall Best Poser, while Puluto Shohe claimed the Bronze. Robin Pegu and Alemba Thongliu won Gold and Silver, respectively, in the under-60 kg bodybuilding category. In the Women's Bodybuilding competition, Lily Hansu earned a Gold medal, showcasing an attracted impressive performance. The championship top bodybuilders from across North East, including Roht Sinah, a 10-time Mr. World, who was a highlight of the event.

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A nine member team of the Nagaland Wrestling Association, who were part of the Indian contingent under the aegis of All India Traditional Wrestling & Pankration Federation, returned home today. The team participated in the recently concluded 5th World Nomad Games 2024 at Astana in Kazakhstan. Nagaland Wrestling Association President, Vivolie Kezo received the team at Dimapur Airport and congratulated them for their satisfactory performances. Although the team could not win any medal this time, despite some of them making it to quarter level, Kezo urged them to keep the spirit of sport and move ahead with greater zeal and focus.

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