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President Droupadi Murmu departed for a three-nation visit to Algeria, Mauritania, and Malawi today morning. This will be the first ever visit by the President of India to the three African nations and comes a year after the African Union was made a permanent member of the G20 during India's Presidency. During the three-day visit in Algeria, President Droupadi Murmu will hold bilateral meetings with the President of the People Democratic Republic of Algeria and other major leaders.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded the completion of three years of the PM GatiShakti National Master Plan, stating that the initiative has emerged as a transformative in revolutionising India's infrastructure. In a social media post, Mr Modi said that GatiShakti has significantly enhanced multimodal connectivity, driving faster and more efficient development across sectors. He added that the seamless integration of various stakeholders has led to boosting logistics, reducing delays, and creating new opportunities for several people. The Prime Minister also said that with Gati Shakti, the country is adding speed to fulfil the vision of a Viksit Bharat, and it will encourage progress, entrepreneurship, and innovation.

The Ministry of Home Affairs has requested all central departments and administrations in states and Union territories to fly the United Nations flag along with the national tricolor atop all important buildings in the country on October 24th this month to mark United Nations Day. However, the directive issued by the Ministry states that the United Nations flag is not to be flown on the Rashtrapati Bhawan, Vice President's House, Parliament House, Supreme Court building, Raj Bhawans, Raj Niwases, or buildings housing Legislative Councils, Legislative Assemblies, and High Courts across the country.

UNICEF has said that Indian suppliers are the third largest provider of organisation's health and ration support to children globally. Indian businesses have supplied goods and services worth nearly six billion dollars to UNICEF for its global work. UNICEF's supply division Director, Leila Pakkala, who was on her first official visit to India, said that Indian suppliers of life-saving goods and services for children are key to UNICEF's work for children globally.

The International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction is being observed across the globe today. The day aims to raise awareness and promote a culture of disaster reduction and risk awareness around the world. The theme for this year is Empowering the next generation for a resilient future. This theme highlights the role of education in protecting and empowering youth for a disaster-free future. The primary focus of this year is to empower children through education and equip them to protect themselves and become agents of change in their families and communities.

In line with India's commitment to eradicate Tuberculosis by 2025, and inspiring the people of the State, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) has adopted two TB patients each from Kamle and Upper Subansiri districts as part of the Ni-Kshay Mitra initiative under the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan. The Governor appealed to the people, especially elected representatives, community leaders, NGOs, Self-Help Groups, business houses, and generous individuals, to step forward and become Ni-Kshay Mitras. He said that while TB treatment in India is largely provided free of cost through government health services, Ni-Kshay Mitras play a crucial role in filling gaps related to nutrition and patient support, ensuring comprehensive care for those affected. The Governor stressed the importance of a community-based approach to raise awareness and reduce the stigma surrounding the disease. He said that the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's initiative is helping TB patients recover more quickly and also contributing to public health by preventing the spread of the disease through community involvement and support.

Arunachal Pradesh Union of Working Journalists organised a solidarity vigil in support of Palestinian journalists and media workers, killed by Israel at Arunachal Press Club yesterday. The members of the APUWJ, gathered to express global vigil, grieve and stand in solidarity with the fallen comrades of Palestine. APUWJ joined with its affiliate International Federation of Journalists and Indian Journalists Union, in solidarity with the Palestinian journalists has urged Israel to stop killing Journalists. Earlier, on October 10 last, the International Federation of Journalists had called on its affiliates across the world to organize solidarity actions to support Palestinian journalists wherever possible. So that journalism in Gaza lives and survives.

The Regional News Unit of Akashvani Itanagar seeks applications from eligible candidates for engagement as Part Time Correspondents (PTCs), one from each district. The last date of submission of application is 8th November this year. Interested candidates may visit 'Vacancies' on www.newsonair.gov.in.

The Meteorological Centre, Itanagar has forecast light to moderate rain very likely to occur at many places over Arunachal Pradesh for the next four days. Additionally, the Centre has also forecast a yellow alert over the State for today and tomorrow.