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THE HEADLINES :-

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi says 'Nasha-mukt Yuva for Viksit Bharat' campaign is gaining momentum.
- Two teenagers die in road accident in Dimapur.
- 12 village authorities welcome Nagaland Cabinet's decision to pursue National Highway status for Wokha–Bokajan road.
- and, Nepal flash flood death toll rises to 768 as nearly 2,500 remain missing.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that the 'Nasha-mukt Yuva for Viksit Bharat' campaign is gaining momentum rapidly across the country. Sharing his thoughts in the Mann Ki Baat programme on Akashvani this morning, Mr Modi expressed happiness that the campaign with the goal for drug-free youth and a drug-free India is not merely a formality as many people, especially the youth are joining it in large numbers.

The Prime Minister said, drug addiction does not just engulf a single individual but the entire family and society bear the consequences. He commended those who raise awareness against drugs terming it a step forward to help individuals struggling with addiction.

The Prime Minister said, lakhs of women are gaining new strength through the 'PM SVANidhi Yojana'. He said, this aspect of 'women empowerment' is not discussed as much as it should be. Mr Modi said, Women account for approximately 46 percent of the beneficiaries of the 'PM SVANidhi Yojana'.

The Prime Minister said, cleanliness has a remarkable quality. He said, when the resolve to keep a place clean becomes the people's own commitment, it completely changes the identity of that place. Mr Modi said, today the flight of the country's daughters' dreams is soaring from the earth to the outer space. He said, India is bringing together thousands of daughters who are nurturing such dreams, from across the globe. The Prime Minister said, the initiative is named 'Mission ShaktiSAT, and through it, 12 thousand girl students from 108 countries are getting the opportunity to learn satellite technology in the field of innovation.

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In a case of reckless driving, two young boys lost their lives when a speeding Maruti Gypsy ran over them and also rammed three other vehicles at Veterinary colony yesterday night. Dimapur Police PRO in a release stated that a Maruti Gypsy bearing registration number No.NL07CA/5405 hit one Royal Enfield bike, Maruti Car and a Pick up Auto and then ran over two pedestrians inflicting serious injuries. The injured were immediately shifted to hospital however both of them succumbed to their injuries while undergoing medical treatment. The victims has been identified as 15-year-old Macagbou Charenamai, s/o William Dim and 17-year-old Gaisinlung Thangmei s/o Jaoguilung Thangmai. Both victims were present resident of Burma Camp, Dimapur. Police said the accused Bumei Phom has been arrested and a case has been registered in this connection at East Police Station Dimapur for further investigation.

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People and village authorities from 12 villages along the Wokha–Bokajan road have welcomed the Nagaland Cabinet's decision to pursue National Highway

status for the road. Lauding Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and Roads and Bridges Minister G. Kaito Aye for the decision, the villages said the road is a key link to the foothills and Dimapur, with improved connectivity expected to benefit farmers by facilitating the transport and marketing of agricultural produce. They have urged the Centre to grant National Highway status to the road. The villagers also appreciated the efforts of the four Lotha legislators in pursuing the proposal, including the Wokha-Merapani NEC road. They further welcomed recent clearing and road-dressing works along the 40-45 km Wokha–Hanku stretch following the initiative of MLA Y. Mhonbemo Humtsoe easing transportation along the route.

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The death toll from flash floods in central Nepal has risen to 768 today, with more bodies being recovered. Nearly 2,500 people are still missing following the disaster. Bodies have been recovered from all eight affected districts as rescuers race against time to search for those missing and rescue those stranded on the fifth day since the disaster. External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said 108 Indian nationals have been rescued so far in Nepal following the flash flood tragedy. The External Affairs Ministry said that 275 Indian nationals are reportedly missing and around 128 people of Indian origin, holding other nationalities also remain missing.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred with Uzbekistan’s supreme state award, the Order of Oliy Darajali Dustlik, by President Shavkat Mirziyoyev today in Tashkent. Prime Minister Modi dedicated the award to the enduring bond between India and Uzbekistan. In a social media post, Mr Modi said that he is honoured to receive the award.

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The Department of Consumer Affairs has notified the Legal Metrology (Indian Standard Time) Rules, 2026. The Rules provide for Indian Standard Time (IST) as the common time reference across the country for legal, administrative, commercial and other official purposes. The common time reference will

support accurate time-stamping of banking and digital payment transactions, coordination of railways, airports and other transport systems, and also the coordination of emergency and other time-sensitive services.

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The Government has debunked a loan approval letter circulating online claiming that a loan has been sanctioned at a very low interest rate under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana. The Fact Check Unit of the Press Information Bureau (PIB) informed that the letter is fake. Mudra is a refinancing institution and does not lend directly to micro-entrepreneurs or individuals. PIB said that loans under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana can be availed through nearby bank branches, RBI-registered NBFCs, MFIs, etc. It has also urged the citizens to not fall for such claims.

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Nagaland Athletics has announced that the 3rd Nagaland Junior Athletics Championships 2026 will be held on September 9, at the Government Higher Secondary School Ground, Dimapur. The championship will feature competitions for both boys and girls across three age categories — Under-14, Under-16 and Under-18. Nagaland Athletics has informed interested athletes to complete their registration for the championship by September 7.

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