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Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, through its national youth platform MY Bharat, organized the drug-free Walk for Nasha Mukta Yuva across over 150 locations nationwide yesterday. Over one lakh youth and citizens participated in the event. The initiative, which is part of the broader 'Nasha Mukta Yuva for Viksit Bharat' campaign, aimed to raise awareness about the harmful effects of substance abuse and promote healthy, addiction-free lifestyles. Participants engaged in various awareness activities, including walks, street plays, slogan writing, and heritage walks.

Many also took the Nasha Mukta Yuva pledge, committing to stay away from substance abuse and contribute to a drug-free society.

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Nagaland Governor Nand Kishore Yadav has extended greetings to the Khamniungan and Pochury communities on the occasions of Tsokum and Yemshe festivals respectively. In his message on Tsokum, the Governor said the cherished harvest festival reflects the Khamniungan community's deep respect for tradition, gratitude for nature's bounty, and spirit of unity and togetherness. He expressed hope that the celebration would strengthen the bonds of peace, harmony and mutual respect among all, while preserving and promoting the rich cultural heritage, values and traditions of the Khamniungan people for generations to come. Extending greetings on Yemshe, Governor Yadav said the festival is a significant celebration of harvest, thanksgiving and cultural heritage. He wished the Pochury community peace, prosperity and happiness, and said Yemshe stands as a proud reflection of the rich traditions, values and collective spirit of the Pochury people. The Governor expressed hope that the festival would further strengthen the bonds of unity, preserve the community's cherished heritage and inspire hope for a prosperous future.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Swiss President Guy Parmelin will hold bilateral discussions in New Delhi today. President Parmelin will be on a three-day state visit to India, accompanied by a high-level delegation comprising senior officials and business leaders. Prime Minister Modi and President Parmelin will review progress in bilateral cooperation across a wide range of areas, including trade and investment, science, technology and innovation, mobility, culture, and people-to-people contact. The leaders will also exchange views on regional and global developments, including cooperation in multilateral fora. President Parmelin will meet President Droupadi Murmu this evening. External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar will also call on President Parmelin.

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The curtain has come down on the Asian Games, with a dazzling closing ceremony at Aichi-Nagoya, in Japan yesterday, bringing more than two weeks of action-packed competition across 43 disciplines to an end. The ceremony featured the traditional parade of athletes, the lowering of the Asian Games flag, and the formal handover of ceremonial torch and flag to Doha, the host city for the 2030 edition. Proudly carrying the Indian Tricolour for the closing ceremony was India's women's flag-bearer and shooting star, Neeru Dhanda. The double gold medalist led the Indian contingent in a proud moment for the nation.

India signed off from the Games in fourth place in the overall medal standings, behind China, Japan and South Korea. The Indian contingent returned with an impressive haul of 85 medals – including 21 gold, 27 silver and 37 bronze. It is India's second-highest medal tally in Asian Games history, surpassed only by the record-breaking performance at Hangzhou in 2023.

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And, The 2nd Kohima District Inter High School Basketball Tournament concluded at the Sports Complex, Kohima Garrison on Saturday . Organized by the Kohima District Basketball Association, the three-day tournament saw 28 teams including 19 boys' team and nine girls' team from various schools across Kohima district participated in the tournament. In the Boys' team, Christ King Higher Secondary School emerged champions, defeating Fernwood School, Kohima. In the Girls' team , Mezhür Higher Secondary School clinched the title, defeating Nagaland Police Central School. Inspector General of Assam Rifles (North), Major General Harinder Singh Mavi, gave away the prizes and congratulated the winning and runner-up teams.

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