

MORNING NEWS
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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has underlined the need for eternal vigilance to preserve democracy. Sharing his Mann Ki Baat on All India Radio with the countrymen and the people abroad yesterday, Prime Minister Modi recalled that democracy-lovers had fought a big battle against the Emergency imposed by then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and said the pro-democracy heritage needs to be strengthened. He said, it is essential to remember the incidents which have caused harm to democracy and move ahead towards the positives of democracy. The Prime Minister said, democracy is not only a system but also a sanskar a part of ethos. He also called upon the people to use Government -E- Marketplace, E-GEM portal to sell their products or services to the government. He said, the E-GEM portal is an excellent example of minimum government and maximum governance. The Prime Minister said, its objective is minimum price and maximum ease, efficiency and transparency.

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Member of Nagaland Legislative Assembly, Mmhonlumo Kikon said the State government needs to be sensitive to the requirements of schools and teachers, for better performance of government schools in Nagaland. Addressing the inaugural programme for the National Institute of Open Schooling, Study Centre at Bhandari, under Wokha district on Saturday, Kikon said the issue of poor performance of government schools involved

multiple factors and required to be tackled from the grassroot levels. The MLA also expressed concern at the increasing number of school dropouts due to various factors that included the inability of parents to meet the educational expenses of their children. Kikon expressed hope that the successful functioning of the Open School at Bhandari could solve some of the issues related with unemployment, as continuing of education by the dropouts would empower them to face the challenges of life with confidence.

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Eid Ul Fitr, which marks the culmination of the holy month of Ramzan, will be celebrated across the country today. President, Vice President, and Prime Minister have greeted the people on the eve of Eid-ul-Fitr. In his message, President Pranab Mukherjee has said, may this joyous occasion bring happiness, peace and prosperity and be an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to serve humanity. Vice President Hamid Ansari, in his message said, Id-ul-Fitr marks the culmination of the holy month of Ramzan and signifies the traditional expression of brotherhood and understanding between people. In his Mann Ki Baat Programme on All India Radio yesterday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi also extended his heartiest greetings to all countrymen. Meanwhile, Governor of Nagaland P B Acharya has greeted the people of Nagaland particularly to the Muslim community in the State, on the occasion of Eid Ul Fitr. In a message, the Governor expressed hope that this sacred occasion will usher-in good will and harmony and further strengthen the values of composite society.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi began his engagements in Washington with meeting some of the top CEOs of Global multinationals last evening. Prime Minister Modi discussed various issues with the global business leaders on investments as well as job creation. The Prime Minister reached Washington yesterday, on the second leg of his three-nation tour. Later addressing a community Reception hosted at Virginia near US Capital Washington DC, Modi said that India is seen as a glowing and attractive FDI destination, and invited the diaspora to make use of the best opportunity. The Prime Minister said, the last three years of the government have been stain free and the Government is using technology in every sphere to promote transparency and institutions and mechanism are being changed to encourage honesty. He appealed the diaspora to keep the bridge with India and to ensure that their younger generation also continues the strong bond. Modi will hold talks with US President, Donald Trump at the White House today which will be the first meeting between the two leaders. President Trump has called Prime Minister Modi a true friend. Earlier, Modi had said that his US visit is aimed at deepening ties which will benefit the two nations and the world.

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The State electricity department has informed consumers in Kohima that there will be a total shutdown of power supply today due to commissioning of new 132 kV bay at Kohima sub-station. Informing this in a notification, Executive engineer of Transmission division of Kohima, said the total

shutdown of power supply will be from 5 AM to 2 PM today. Consumers in Kohima district have been requested to cooperate and bear with the inconveniences.

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