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Indian Army Humanitarian Assistance: Ladakh On 04 Sep 2025, during a mountaineering expedition, two South Korean nationals fell critically ill near Kongmarula, an isolated peak of Ladakh. Army Aviation helicopters of Fire & Fury Corps executed a night Casualty Evacuation from an unprepared site at an altitude of 17000 feet, to ensure timely evacuation of the mountaineers to SNM Hospital, Leh for further treatment. Fire and Fury Corps expresses heartfelt condolences to the family of one of the mountaineers who unfortunately lost his life.

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Honoring the legacy of Dr. #SarvepalliRadhakrishnan! JAME Hr. & Lower Wing students celebrated Teachers' Day with enthusiasm, paying tribute to the great educators. Students took on the roles of #PrincipalTeachers, making it a special day to cherish #TeachersDay #RespectTeachers

In History

WORLD WAR-I:

On this Day in 1914, French and British forces launched an offensive against advancing Germans in the First Battle of the Marne during World War I.

In Numbers

BUDGET:

The Union Government allocated Annual Budget 2024-25 of Rs 5,958 crore to Ladakh, focusing on infrastructure, development, security, and welfare, ensuring sustainable growth and regional connectivity.

Traffic Signs

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GDC Khaltse ignites Startup Ideas among Ladakhi Youth with successful Prog on Entrepreneurship

KHALTSE: The three-day Youth Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme at Government Degree College Khaltse came to a close today, drawing spirited participation from students and women self-help groups of the region. The initiative was organised by Enterprising Ladakh and aimed at nurturing a culture of enterprise among young minds and local communities.

The concluding day featured an engaging presentation by Project Officer Madam Fariya on innovative packaging techniques, followed by an interactive brainstorming session with self-help groups. The exchange of ideas created a platform to explore entrepreneurial avenues tailored to the region's unique resources and needs.

In the afternoon session, students took part in a business idea competition that reflected their imagination and commitment to Ladakh's growth. Ms. Sonam Yangdol, a fifth-semester student, secured the first position with her project titled Blooming Horizon: Ladakh's Glow-Based Beauty Revolution. She had earlier won the quiz competition as well. Mr. Rigzin Dorje, from the third semester, stood second with his proposal on eco-friendly trekking opportunities in the Hanu valley.

To acknowledge the guidance and institutional support provided during the programme, Madam Fariya presented mementoes to Principal Dr. Samina Iqbal and Nodal Officer Stanzin Stamdin. Their role was hailed as vital in enabling the event to achieve its objectives.

The programme also witnessed participation from representatives of J&K Bank. Led by Mr. Paldan, the team briefed attendees on loan facilities and financial schemes available under manufacturing, trading and MSME sectors. They urged participants to utilise these resources to transform their entrepreneurial aspirations into viable ventures. Throughout the three days, discussions revolved around the scope of agriculture, tourism and indigenous product development as potential growth areas. The event underscored the enthusiasm of Ladakh's youth and grassroots groups to embark on innovative pathways that promise both sustainability and progress.

Secy Bhanu Prabha Calls For collective Push in Education Dy CEC Angchuk inaugurates New Building in Gonpa School amid Teachers Day celebration

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LEH: Administrative Secretary, Higher Education, UT Ladakh, Bhanu Prabha IAS, called for sustained enrolment and continued community participation in education as Hon'ble Deputy Chairman, LAHDC Leh, Tsering Angchuk, inaugurated the new building of Government Middle School Gonpa on Teachers' Day. The occasion, observed alongside Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, was marked by cultural performances and drew a large gathering of parents, teachers, villagers and officials.

Speaking at the event, Bhanu Prabha underlined the importance of collective responsibility in ensuring the school's long-term progress, describing community-driven institutions as vital for Ladakh's educational landscape. Her words set the tone for the day, reinforcing the role of parents and local bodies in nurturing schools beyond infrastructure.

Deputy CEC Tsering Angchuk, in

his address, congratulated teachers on their dedication and praised students for academic excellence, including securing first place at a UT-level quiz competition. He reiterated the Council's emphasis on participatory education, assuring both financial and infrastructural support for Gonpa School. Among his commitments were the provision of a school bus, establishment of language labs, classroom enhancements and steps to upgrade

the institution into a high school. The celebration began with lamp lighting and a welcome note by SMC Chairman, Tsewang Rinchen, who expressed gratitude to the Council, sponsors and community for their support. He urged for the school's upgradation and acknowledged the Council's assurance of a bus. Headmistress Tsering Wangmo echoed his sentiments, calling the school's revival an example of unity and perseverance.

ance. Councillor Upper Leh, Stanzin Tsepak, attended as Guest of Honour, while Administrative Secretary Bhanu Prabha was present as Special Guest. Also in attendance were ZEO Leh, Padma Deachen; ZEPO Leh, Chamba Standar; DIET Leh HOD, Madam Yangdol; members of the 17000 ft Foundation; village representatives; and parents.

In her remarks, ZEO Leh highlighted the reopening of the school after 15 years as a collective triumph. Parents and villagers also expressed gratitude, noting the institution's renewed role in shaping local education.

Adding vibrancy to the programme, teachers presented a Tamil Nadu dance while stalls showcased the state's cuisine and traditions. A Teachers' Day cake-cutting ceremony and a special session on Tithi Bhojan under PM POSHAN underscored the spirit of community participation. Dedicated parents and teachers were felicitated for their contri-

bution to the school's growth and students' holistic development. Councillor Stanzin Tsepak lauded the journey of Gonpa School from closure to its revival as a Council Model School, pointing out that with more than 50 children enrolled, it now serves as an example for the region.

Addressing the gathering once more, Deputy Chairman Tsering Angchuk emphasized the Council's focus on community-driven education and pledged to strengthen rural schools so that every child has access to quality education close to home. "Schools like Gonpa, brought back to life by the joint efforts of teachers, parents, NGOs and the community, inspire the entire Union Territory," he said.

The event concluded on an optimistic note, with the Deputy Chairman extending gratitude to teachers, sponsors and community leaders, and assuring that pending projects would soon be completed to enrich the learning environment across Leh district.

Rajasthan FC, Sudeva Delhi FC storm into Climate Cup Final

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LEH: Rajasthan FC and Sudeva Delhi FC marched into the title clash of the 3rd Climate Cup 2025 after dominant displays in their respective semi-final encounters at the Astro Turf Stadium, Spituk. Rajasthan FC sealed their passage to the summit clash with a 3-1 triumph over Team Tibet in the opening semi-final. The Rajasthan outfit combined sharp finishing with resolute defending to outclass their spirited rivals and secure a well-deserved berth in the final.

In the second semi-final, Sudeva Delhi FC asserted their superiority with a commanding 3-0 win against 1 Ladakh FC. The Delhi side impressed with their tactical organisation and clinical execution, leaving the local favourites struggling to find a breakthrough.

The showdown between Rajasthan FC and Sudeva Delhi FC is scheduled for Sunday, September 7, at 3:00 PM at the Astro Turf Stadium, Spituk. The clash promises to be a high-voltage affair as both teams aim to lift the coveted trophy. The tournament, organised by the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council, Leh, and the Department of Youth Services & Sports in

collaboration with the Ladakh Football Association, has drawn enthusiastic crowds. Sponsored by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, the Climate Cup has highlighted Ladakh's rising enthusiasm for football and active participation of youth in the sport. Football fans can catch the final live on the tournament's official YouTube channel.

MIMC observes Teacher's Day with heartfelt celebration

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LEH: The Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre (MIMC) Devachan observed Teacher's Day with heartfelt celebrations and reverence for Venerable Bhikkhu Sanghasena, who was honored as the guiding spirit of the institution. The day began with members from every wing of the campus visiting Guruji to offer khatags and gifts, a gesture of respect for his tireless guidance and compassionate leadership.

Later, the atmosphere at Mahabodhi Residential School turned festive as students hosted a lively cultural programme in honor of their teachers. Songs, dances, and performances reflected the gratitude of young learners towards the role models shaping their lives. The event also provided an opportunity for students to pay tribute to Guruji, whose presence was warmly received by the gath-

ering. Addressing the occasion, Ven. Bhikkhu Sanghasena offered homage to the Supreme Teacher, Lord Buddha, and acknowledged the profound influence of his own spiritual mentors. He extended warm wishes to teachers everywhere and reminded students that the truest tribute they could offer would be to live by the Five Moral Precepts and to embody the lessons imparted to them in daily life. Guruji emphasized that sincere practice of these values would be the most enduring gift to their teachers.

He further expressed delight at the enthusiasm of the students and assured his continued support for their holistic growth, reiterating his vision of education that integrates academic achievement with moral and spiritual enrichment. The teachers and students, in turn, presented khatags and gifts to Guruji, marking the day with deep gratitude and reverence. The celebration concluded on a note of harmony, reflecting the enduring bond between teachers, students, and their revered spiritual guide.

World Peace Conference concludes with Ladakh Peace Declaration at Shanti Stupa

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LEH: The World Peace Conference 2025 drew to a close on Friday with a valedictory ceremony at the Shanti Stupa in Leh, where prayers, addresses, and cultural performances marked the culmination of the three-day deliberations. Though the event was initially planned in the open with the stupa as the backdrop, heavy rainfall across Ladakh forced the ceremony indoors.

The gathering was addressed by Abhijeet Haldar, Director General of IBC, New Delhi, who delivered the keynote valedictory speech. The occasion was also blessed by Khenzur Rinpoche Lobzang Tsetan and attended by dignitaries including Ghulam Mehdi, Executive Councillor of

LAHDC Leh, Ambassador Dr. Deepak Vohra, Dr. P.R. Trivedi, Dr. Vijay Dhasmana, Dr. Markandey Rai, C. Phuntsog, and an international delegation of peace advocates. The ceremony opened with prayers for global peace led by Most Venerable Gyomo Nakamura in the Japanese tradition, followed by offerings from monks and members of the All Ladakh Gonpa Association. The collective prayers symbolized interfaith harmony and unity of purpose, echoing the spirit of the conference. In his address, Ven. Bhikkhu Sanghasena, Founder and President of the Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre, expressed gratitude to the participants for their commitment to peace-building. Presenting the official conference

report, he underscored the urgency of compassion, dialogue, and cooperation as guiding principles for humanity. The report outlined deliberations that called for interfaith collaboration, global solidarity, and sustainable peace initiatives. Messages from His Holiness the Dalai Lama and ABCP President Khenaur Khambo Gabju Demberel Chojamts, read by Sonam Wangchuk Shaksapo, infused the gathering with inspiration. A highlight of the evening was the reading of the Ladakh Peace Declaration by Tsering Samphel, which set the tone for collective action beyond the conclave.

The cultural segment added a devotional note to the solemn proceedings. Ladakhi Artists Tundup Dorje Stakmo and Padma Dolker, along with their troupe, performed soulful songs that resonated with the audience. The evening concluded with a flute recital by Japanese artist Okano Hiroki, whose serene notes left the participants in reflective silence. The valedictory brought the conference to a close with an atmosphere of renewed resolve. Delegates departed with the Ladakh Peace Declaration in hand and a shared commitment to foster dialogue and cooperation in a world in need of healing.

SAS&T Kargil Campus Celebrates Teachers' Day with Zeal and Gratitude

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LEH: The SAS&T Kargil Campus came alive today as students and faculty gathered to celebrate Teachers' Day, paying tribute to the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the philosopher-president whose legacy continues to inspire generations of educators and learners. The event underscored the role of teachers as nation-builders and mentors shaping the future of students.

The programme opened with remarks by Naseem Zehra, a first-year B.Sc (Hons) Agriculture student, who set the tone of reverence and admiration for teachers. This was followed by a speech

from Ummul Banin, a second-year Agriculture student, reflecting on the values of guidance and commitment imparted by educators. Adding to the spirit of festivity, students organized interactive games and activities exclusively for teachers, creating a cheerful and participatory atmosphere. The highlight of the academic segment was the address delivered by Dr. Faizan, Dean of Agricultural Sciences, who lauded the dedication of teachers and urged students to uphold the values of discipline and respect in their educational journey.

The event seamlessly transitioned into lighter moments with a stand-up comedy act by Ghulam

Hussain, a first-year Horticulture student, whose performance left the audience in laughter and eased the formalities of the occasion. As the gathering drew to a close, Muzammil, a first-year Horticulture student, delivered the vote of thanks, acknowledging the efforts of both faculty and peers in making the programme a success. The celebration concluded with the distribution of lunch packets, symbolising togetherness and community spirit. The day's proceedings reflected not only gratitude towards teachers but also the camaraderie between students and mentors, leaving behind a sense of warmth and appreciation that marked the campus celebration.