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News Flash

Dr J Suresh Babu appointed as Chancellor of RGU

RONO HILLS, September 21:

The President of India, in her capacity as the Visitor of Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh, has appointed Dr. J. Suresh Babu, IAS 1986, Chief Secretary (Retd.), Manipuras the Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University for a period of five (5) years with immediate effect.

Dr. J. Suresh Babu has MBBS degree from Guntur Medical College and M.S. in (General Surgery) from PGI-Chandigarh. He retired as Chief Secretary of Manipur after 34 years of Indian Administrative Service with diverse experience in the field of Urban Development, Tobacco management, District Administration, Education, Health sector, Finance and COVID-19 management, besides he has the experience of delivering notable public service in the states of Manipur and Andhra Pradesh.

RGUVice-Chancellor, Prof. Saket Kushwaha, while referring to the letter No. 35-3/2018-CU-I, dated 15.09.2023 of the Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi, informed the appointment of the new Chancellor.

While welcoming the new Chancellor, RGU Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikamthanked the ministry for carrying out the vital appointment, as the University was functioning without a Chancellor since 2018.

Implementation of ANBY ensured by Committee in Tawang

TAWANG, September 20:

Tawang's district-level implementation committee for the Atmanirbhar-Bagwani Yojana (ANBY) has decided to ensure implementation of the programmes under the ANBY as per the timeline set, with combined efforts of the departmental functionaries and the bank authorities concerned.

The decision was taken during a meeting of the committee chaired by DC Kanki Darang here on Saturday, September 16 last.

"A total of 194 applications/proposals amounting to Rs 3,39,35,490 was finalized against the target amount of Rs 5,00,00,000".

"It was also decided to consider further receipt of applications/proposals under the ANBY in the greater interest of the farming community, and to achieve optimum utilisation of the target amount".

Governor inaugurates two-day Higher & Technical Education Conference

Governor advises for having 'Think Tank' in state to advise the govt on various aspects of transformation to the NEP 2020



ITANAGAR, September 21:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) inaugurated the two-day 21st Conference of Higher and Technical Education in the Golden Jubilee Banquet Hall, Itanagar on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

He felicitated one of the pioneers of Higher Education in Arunachal Pradesh Balinarayan Phukan, former Principal and conferred Governor's Award to Undergraduate toppers of 2021, Arunachal Pradesh State Council for Technical Education (APSCTE) Gold Medal to toppers of Government polytechnics, NSS awards and Outstanding College Teacher's Awards on the occasion.

In his inaugural address, the Governor advised for having 'Think Tank' in the State, which will advise the State Government on various aspects

of transformation to the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), particularly in the education sector. He said that with implementation of NEP 2020, there will be a paradigm shift in our approach and all stakeholders, especially the educationists must take responsibility to make education more student-centric, multidisciplinary with multiple entry and exit points and contribute in making it successful.

The Governor said that National Education Policy (NEP 2020) has reoriented education and skilling according to young people's aptitudes, emphasizing the need for an 'industry-oriented' education system to meet the rising demand for a skilled workforce as India is becoming a global manufacturing hub. He said that in parallel to the development of educational infrastructure, the curriculum must also be according to needs of the industries and other employment avenues.

The Governor recommended for maximum incorporation of technology and its utilization in the educational curriculum at all levels starting from primary education. He said that such steps will skill the present generation of youth to be more competent and also employable.

The Governor, while sharing his interaction with Gaon Burahs, villages and Panchayat members in the district tours, said that there will be shortage of teachers, doctors, engineers and essential service providers till we produce our own professionals. He exhorted the educationists of the State to explore ways and means to accomplish our mission of 'Atma Nirbharatha'.

The Governor said that today's youth are the future leaders and professionals and they must imbibe new skills, (Contd on P-2)...

CM attends launching programme of PM Vishwakarma Schemes;

GoAP flagship program for trades not included in PM Vishwakarma scheme announced

ITANAGAR, September 21:

Chief Minister Pema Khandu has announced to introduce a state government flagship program for those trades, which do not come under the purview of the newly launched PM Vishwakarma scheme of the central government.

Virtually attending the launch of the PM Vishwakarma scheme by Prime Minister Narendra Modi from DK Convention Centrehere on Sunday, September 16, Khandusaid that the state flagship program will ensure that all local artisans, craftsmen and tradesmen left out from the newly launched central scheme too will get government support so that they are not left out from the benefits that will be available to their counterparts of included trades.

Hailing the Vishwakarma scheme as a significant step towards empowering the artisans, who form the basic work force of the country, Khandu said crores of tradesmen across the country will benefit from it.

"The Vishwakarma scheme intends to provide recognition and holistic support to the traditional artisans and craftsmen working with their hands and elementary tools, so as to improve the quality, scale and reach of their products and also to integrate them with MSME value chains," he informed.

He said that Arunachal Pradesh has a huge pool of expert artisans particularly in the trades of carpentry, weaving, sculpting, handloom and textiles, etc, who will now have govern-

ment support to enhance their skills to the next level besides availing lone as well as marketing benefits.

"What a great gift by our Prime Minister to our work force on the day of Vishwakarma Puja and his own birth day," Khandu said.

Narendra Modi, he said, has proven once again that he is committed to his vision of empowering the last man in the queue.

"People are witness to the unprecedented development and welfare activities initiated by the central government under Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the last nine years. Vishwakarma scheme is just another from his (Modi's) bag of welfare schemes," Khandu added.

Taking the instance of the hugely successful G20 summit, he said that Modi has taken India to such a level that the world now looks up to it.

"Arunachal Pradesh too had the privilege of being a part of the summit by hosting one G20 meet at Itanagar and one C20 meet at Namsai. Foreign diplomats and delegates visited Arunachal Pradesh for the meets. Earlier, they had apprehensions about visiting Arunachal Pradesh due to repeated objections aired by our neighbouring country.

Today nobody cares about these objections," Khandu remarked.

Also present at the DK Convention centre were Union Minister for Earth Sciences Kiren Rijiju,

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State level workshop on FLC of EVMs & VVPATs conducted

ITANAGAR, September 21:

Adaylong StateLevel Workshop on First Level Checking of EVMs (Electronic Voting Machine) and VVPATs (Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail) for District Election Officers, Deputy DEOs, and FLC Supervisors was conducted at Pare Hall of Dorjee Khandu State Convention Centre, Itanagar on Saturday, September 16, 2023.

Organized by the Chief Electoral Officer, Arunachal Pradesh, under the guidance of the Election Commission of India (ECI), the event was aimed at bolstering the technical and administrative safeguards surrounding these vital components of the electoral process.

Liken Koyu, Joint Chief Electoral Officer delivered the keynote welcome address and set the tone for the day's discussions.

B.C. Patra, Secretary of the Election Commission of India, monitored the entire proceedings as ECI Observer while underscoring the workshop's national significance.

Secretary (Planning & Power), R. K Sharma, while participating in the workshop, emphasized the importance of diligently conducting the entire electoral process.

Project Director cum State Level Master Trainer (SLMT), Lijum Ete, on the occasion delivered a comprehensive presentation on the technical and administrative safeguards associated with EVMs. His expertise shed light on the measures to be kept in place to ensure the integrity and transparency of the voting process.

R.K. Sona, State Nodal Officer for EVMs, delivered an insightful presentation on FLC and highlighted the critical role of Field Level Checking in ensuring the smooth functioning of EVMs and VVPATs during elections.

A significant highlight of the workshop was the live demonstration of the Pre-FLCUnit and Symbol Loading Unit by the engineers of Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL), Hyderabad.

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Khandu inaugurates new school building;

Education and health are priority sectors of the government - CM

TALO, September 21:

Chief Minister Pema Khandu on Tuesday, September 19 inaugurated the new school building of the Government Higher Secondary School at Talo in Lower Subansiri district.

He complimented the alumni of the school and local communities for ensuring quality construction of the new building and termed their initiative as an example to emulate for others across the state. The alumni of the school and residents of Talo had in fact contributed in cash and kind to add to the fund granted by the state government to complete this new building with all modern amenities.

"Your contributions have made possible this infrastructure, which is more and better than what the government had sanctioned for and by ensuring its completion within 8 months of start of work you have set a new benchmark for rest of the state. Such support from community and alumni for public infrastructure is unheard of. Kudos to you all for setting a historic example and



making us so proud," Khandu said.

The Chief Minister reiterated that education and health are priority sectors of the government and said that both the sectors have witnessed several reforms and transformations in the last few years.

Responding to few demands for the school, Khandu assured that all will be met once the state government starts to roll out the National Educa-

tion Policy (NEP) as made mandatory by the central government.

He informed that all states have to implement the new education policy in all schools, colleges and universities by 2030 and it would be big challenge for the state government as the policy envisages a completely new education system in place of the existing one.

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National Labour Day celebrated

CM announces MMSKY for welfare of labour force

ITANAGAR, September 21:

Marking the National Labour Day celebrations on September 17last, Chief Minister Pema Khandu announced roll out of a new scheme titled Mukhya Mantri Shramik Kalyan Yojana (MMSKY) for welfare of the labour force of the state besides making a slew of other announcements.

Attending the celebration organized by the state unit of Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) at NyokumLapang ground here on Sunday, Khandu said that the MMSKY is a revised list of incentives for workers registered with the Arunachal Pradesh Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (APBOCWBB).

Under the scheme, maternity benefit for families of workers has been enhanced from Rs 1000 to Rs 6000; natural death compensation from Rs 50000 to Rs 2 lakhs; accidental death compensation from Rs 1 lakh to Rs 4 lakh; funeral assistance of Rs 1000 enhanced to Rs 10000; medical assistance (for first 3 days) enhanced from Rs 2000 to Rs 5000, Rs 100 per

day for rest of the days enhanced to Rs 250 and the ceiling limit from Rs 15000 to Rs 25000; property damage due natural calamities compensation of Rs 10000.

To encourage sports amongst the children of workers, the MMSKY will have cash incentives of Rs 15000 for a Gold, Rs 10000 for Silver and Rs 8000 for Bronze in any state level tournament or competition. For those excelling at the national level, Rs 30000 for Gold, Rs 20000 for Silver and Rs 15000 for Bronze has also been provided under the scheme.

On the call for enhancement of salaries for contingency and casual workers in government departments, Khandu said that since mid 2016, when his government came to power, the salaries have been increased by Rs 6500.

"When we formed the government in mid-2016, the salary of unskilled workers was Rs 4500 per month and that skilled workers was 5100. With increments over the years barring two years of COVID,

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Rijiju calls upon youths to take advantage of PM Vishwakarma scheme for self-employment



ITANAGAR, September 21:

Union Minister for Earth Sciences, Kiren Rijiju, while addressing a function on the occasion of the launch of the PM Vishwakarma scheme, which envisages providing support to traditional artisans and crafts people here at DK Convention Hall on Sunday, said that, "The importance of traditional artisans in Arunachal Pradesh has reduced with the passage of time and now they can upgrade their skills through PM Vishwakarma scheme".

On the occasion, he called upon the youths of the state to take advantage of the scheme for self-employment

and urged them not to look down upon any work, adding, the dignity of labour must be upheld at any cost.

Rijiju, while talking about the PM Vishwakarma scheme, said that the developed nation's outlook towards India has changed significantly under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi who is considered as a great leader globally. He disclosed that the cabinet committee on economic affairs has recently allotted Rs 13,000 crore for the scheme, which would be available for traditional artisans and craftspeople

for five financial years from 2023-24 to 2027-28.

Informing that the artisans can register themselves on the PM Vishwakarma portal using biometrics, the Union Minister stated, "They will get recognition through PM Vishwakarma certificate and ID card and their skills will be upgraded through basic and advanced training, will get toolkit incentive of Rs 15,000, collateral-free credit support up to Rs 1 lakh (first tranche) and Rs 2 lakh (second tranche) at a concessional interest rate of 5 per cent, besides incentives for digital transactions and marketing support".

The Union Minister further said the focus of development in the state will be on income generation. "Arunachal Pradesh will be on the top in the country in terms of per capita Gross Domestic Product (GDP). If we can tap even 30 per cent of our hydropower resources, we will become a financially self-sufficient state within the next few years," Rijiju added.

It would be worth mentioning here that, on the occasion of Vishwakarma Jayanti,

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DA, IPR holds meeting with the land donors of FTI, Jote

JULLANG RAKAP, September 21:

DC Papum Pare Cheechung Chukhu asked the authorities of the CPWD and Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute (SRTFI), Kolkata to be empathetic towards the land donors, who have donated 43.32 acres of land free of cost for the construction of the institution.

He said this while chairing a joint meeting of the District Administration, Information and Public Relations Department, PRI members, GBs, land donors of Film and Television Institute, Jote (Jullang Rakap) and representatives from CPWD to assess the land dispute and water supply connection issues of FTI at the FTI conference hall on September 14 last.

Addressing the CPWD and SRTFI members he specifically pointed out that "In many parts of Arunachal Pradesh, including Papum Pare district natural resources like water, forest etc have private/community ownership.

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Wordly Wise
“Keep your eyes on the stars and your feet on the ground.”
-Theodore Roosevelt

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Editorial

World Rhino Day

Rhinoceros are magnificent beasts who live in the forest. Their thick skin and their horn form significant identities of their look. They are much loved, but however, not properly preserved. Due to poaching, deforestation and other inhuman practices, rhinoceros are endangered animals on this planet. Even though these practices have been termed illegal and much has been done to prevent poaching and illegal deforestation, rhinoceros need more effort from humans to save their species from going extinct from this planet. These loved animals are currently struggling to survive, and a lot needs to be done to save them. Every year, World Rhino Day is celebrated to create more awareness about the animals. As we gear up to celebrate the special day, here are a few things to keep in mind:

Date:

Every year, World Rhino Day is celebrated on September 22. This year, World Rhino Day will be celebrated on Friday.

History:

The crisis of rhinoceros started in Africa back in 1990. By 2010, it became a nationwide hazard, and people started to express their concerns over the crisis. The crisis situation was soon brought to notice as only 30000 rhinos were alive at that time throughout the planet. During that time, World Wildlife Fund - South Africa announced World Rhino Day to create awareness about the crisis and the importance of saving these animals. In 2011, a woman called Lisa Jane Campbell wrote a mail to a fellow rhino lover, Rhishja stating the desire of seeing at least five species of rhinos thriving in the world. Hence, World Rhino Day became a worldwide phenomenon and continues to be celebrated throughout the world on September 22.

Significance:

Rhinoceros need saving. On this day, the organisations focused on saving wildlife get together to create awareness about the plight of rhinos in the forest and the steps that can be taken by humans to save these animals from going extinct.



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Itanagar : 0360-2212640

Naharlagun : 0360-2244399

APST BUS SERVICE

Sl. No.	Name of Route	Type of Service	Service Days	Departure Times
1.	Itanagar-Shillong	Night Service	Daily Service	05.00pm
2.	Itanagar-Nyapin	Night Service	Mon /Thu/Sat	02.00pm
3.	Itanagar-Aalo	Night Service	Daily Service	02.30pm
4.	Itanagar-Daporijo	Night Service	Daily Service	12.00 noon
5.	Itanagar-Yingkiong	Night Service	Alternate Day	01.00pm
6.	Itanagar-Seppa	Night Service	Daily Service	12.00 noon
7.	Itanagar-Khonsa	Night Service	Sun/Mon/Wed/Thu	01.00 pm
8.	Itanagar-Tezu	Night Service	Tuesday only	01.00 pm
9.	Itanagar-Koloriang	Night Service	Daily Service	02.30 pm
10.	Itanagar-Guwahati	Day Service	Daily Service	06.00 am
11.	Itanagar-Aalo	Day Service	Daily Service	05.30 am
12.	Itanagar-Pasighat	Day Service	Daily Service	06.00 am
13.	Itanagar-Tirbin	Day Service	Mon/Thu/Sat	05.30 am
14.	Itanagar-Bomdila	Day Service	Daily Service except Fri	06.00 am
15.	Itanagar-Palin	Day Service	Sun/Wed/Fri	06.00 am
16.	Itanagar-Sagalee	Day Service	Mon/Wed/Fri	06.00 am
17.	Itanagar-Ampoli	Day Service	Sun/Tue/Thu	06.00 am
18.	Itanagar-Mengio	Day Service	Sun/Tue/Thu	06.00 am
19.	Itanagar-Kimin	Day Service	Daily Service except Sat	12.00 noon
20.	Itanagar-Gerukhamukh	Day Service	Daily Service except Fri	12.00 noon
21.	Itanagar-Balijan	Day Service	Daily Service except Sun	01.00 pm
22.	Itanagar-Tarasso	Day Service	Daily Service except Sat	05.30 am
23.	Itanagar-Sonajuli	Day service	Daily Service except Sun	01.00 pm
24.	Itanagar-Lilabari	Mail Service	Daily Service except Sun	07.00 am
25.	Itanagar- Jote	Day Service	Daily Service except Sun	07.00 am & 01.00 pm

HELICOPTER SERVICE				
Arunachal Pradesh Helicopter Non-Schedule Flight Service Local Sector (Dauphin Pawan Hans) wef 01.10.2014				
DAY.	STATION	DEPT.TIME	STATION	ARR.TIME
MONDAY	Naharlagun	09:00	Pasighat	10:05
	Pasighat	10:30	Pangin	10:50
	Pangin	10:55	Meduk/Monigong	11:45
	Meduk/Monigong	11:50	Pangin	12:40
	Pangin	12:45	Pasighat	13:05
TUESDAY	Pasighat	13:15	Naharlagun	14:20
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45
	Mohanbari	10:15	Khonsa	10:45
	Khonsa	10:50	Longding	11:20
	Longding	11:15	Khonsa	11:35
WEDNESDAY	Khonsa	11:40	Changlang	12:00
	Changlang	12:05	Mohanbari	12:45
	Mohanbari	13:10	Naharlagun	13:55
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45
	Mohanbari	10:10	Pasighat	10:40
THURSDAY	Pasighat	10:45	Roing	11:05
	Roing	11:10	Anini	11:35
	Anini	11:45	Roing	12:15
	Roing	12:20	Dambuk	12:35
	Dambuk	12:40	Roing	12:55
FRIDAY	Roing	13:00	Pasighat	13:20
	Pasighat	13:50	Naharlagun	14:55
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45
	Mohanbari	10:00	Maio	10:40
	Vijaynagar	11:45	Vijaynagar	11:20
SATURDAY	Vijaynagar	11:25	Maio	12:00
	Maio	12:05	Mohanbari	12:45
	Mohanbari	13:00	Naharlagun	13:45
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45
	Mohanbari	10:30	Namsai	11:05
SUNDAY	Namsai	11:10	Tezu	11:30
	Tezu	11:35	Hayuliang	12:10
	Hayuliang	12:15	Tezu	12:50
	Tezu	12:55	Namsai	13:35
	Namsai	13:20	Mohanbari	13:55
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NB:- Condition apply (VIP movement/ bad weather/patient evacuation/ technical snag/passengers availability and emergency etc)				

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Governor inaugurates two-day Higher & Technical...

innovative ideas and go beyond classroom topics. He said that the education system in the State needs to be designed with the changing socio-economic environment of the globalised world.

The Governor congratulated the pioneers and awardees who received awards on the occasion. He felicitated the pioneer in Higher Education Shri Phukan, who attended the function and presented the awards to the achievers.

The Pioneers of Higher Education Award-2022 were conferred to Shri CP Damodaran, former Principal, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat and Shri Balinayakan Phukan, former Principal, Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar.

Dr. Yeshi Gyesen, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Pol. Science, Dorjee Khandu Govt. College, Tawang, Dr. Sunand Kumar Sinha, Associate Professor & Head, Department of English, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat and Dr. Manas Kumar Jana, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Commerce, Indra Gandhi Govt. College, Tezu received the College Teacher's Award 2022 from the Governor.

Miss TuliamKhoiyang, B.Sc. (Zoology) of Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar, Miss Nirmala Basumatary, B. Com. Of Saint Claret College, Ziro and Miss ChumiMosing, BA (Geography) of Donyi Polo Govt. College, Kamki received the Governor's cash award as toppers of University Examination 2021.

Miss Nyomba Nampo, Civil Engineering of Tomi Polytechnic College, Basar, Shri Duyu Anu Taya, Computer Science of Rajiv Gandhi Govt. Polytechnic, Itanagar and Shri Nani Boyson, Mechanical Engineering of CP Namchoom Polytechnic, Namsai received the Arunachal Pradesh State Council for Technical Education (APSCTE) Gold Medal as toppers of Government polytechnics.

Miss Veronica Padung of Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat and Miss Nabam Jerma of Arunodaya University, Lekhi received the Best NSS Volunteer Award-2022, while Shri Pankaj Bora, NSS Programme Coordinator of Arunodaya University, Lekhi received the Bess NSS Programme Officer Award-2022. Binny Yanga Govt. Women's College received the Best NSS Unit Award-2022.

The Governor released the 'Basic Information on higher & Technical Education, Arunachal Pradesh 2021-22' and a book titled, 'Agrarian transition and rural non-farm employment: Empirical findings in western Arunachal Pradesh', authored by Dr. Tashi Phuntso, Principal, Government College, Bomdila during the function. Speaking on the occasion, Er. Taba Tedir, Minister Education said that the State Government is committed to achieve the objectives of National Education Policy 2020. He urged all stakeholders to put in concerted effort to realize the goals in the State.

The Education Minister called for a holistic recommendation from the participants of the conference to give new thrust to the education sector in the State. He said that it will go a long way in realizing the mission of Atma Nirbhar Bharat and Atma Nirbhar Arunachal Pradesh.

Shri Kento Rina, MLA cum Advisor to Hon'ble Minister of Education, Prof. TomoRiba, Vice-Chancellor of Arunachal Pradesh University, Pasighat, Shri Amjad Tak, Commissioner (Education) and Shri PigeLigu, Secretary (Education) also spoke on the occasion.

Special Secretary (Education), Ms. Ira Singhal gave a PowerPoint presentation on initiatives taken by the State Government in the Higher and Technical Education sector. NSS volunteers presented a cultural programme on the occasion.

Dr. Alik Jongkey, Director, Higher & Technical Education, Prof. R.P. Sharma, Director, NIT, Prof. Narendranath S, Director, NERIST, Dr. S. Sreenivasa, former Deputy Advisor, NAAC, Bangalore, Vice Chancellors and representatives of Private Universities, Principals of the Colleges and Heads of the Higher Educational Institutes and officers of Higher and Technical Education Department were present in the inaugural function.

CM attends launching programme of PM Vishwakarma...

state's Labour Minister Tumke Bagra, Itanagar Mayor Tame Phassang, top bureaucrats, representatives of various labour organizations and artisans.

It may be noted that the 18 Traditional Trades included by Government of India under PM Vishwakarma Yojana are Fishing Net Maker, Tailor, Washerman, Garland Maker, Barber, Doll and Toy Maker (Traditional), Basket/Mat/BroomMaker/Coir Weaver, Mason, Cobbler, Sculptor, Stone Breaker, Potter, Goldsmith, Locksmith, Hammer and Tool Kit Maker, Blacksmith, Armourer, Boat Maker and Carpenter.

Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprise is the nodal ministry of PM Vishwakarma Yojana. Multiple implementation activities planned under the scheme includes identification and verification of beneficiaries, their mobilization for skill up-gradation training, facilitating credit support, marketing support, etc. to enable them to move up the value-chain. Department of Fisheries, Govt. of India, is the nodal department to impart support to tradesmen in the fisheries sector.

The Union Cabinet had on 16th of August 2023 taken the decision to implement the new scheme in whole of India.

National Labour Day celebrated...

today the salary of an unskilled worker stands at Rs 11000 and that of skilled worker at Rs 12000," he said.

He asserted that his government will never shy away from salary enhancement of the working class provided the state's revenue generation compensates for it. "We have done remarkably well in terms of generating revenue. Fact is before we came to power, the state's annual budget of 2015-16 was Rs 12500 crore only. Today, the annual budget for 2022-23 stands at a whopping Rs 30000 crore. The more we earn, the more we spend on infrastructure development and salary increment," he said.

To the applause of the workers present, Khandu announced Rs 1000 increment to the existing salaries of both unskilled and skilled workers.

Responding to the demand for regularization of contingency and casual workers who have completed 15 years in service, Khandu informed that the state government has already approved filling up of 50% of MTS (Group C) posts from these sections.

He informed that there is no provision for pension scheme for casual workers but said that the state government has decided to pay the share on behalf of the workers in schemes like the PM Suraksha Beema Yojana and PM Jeevan Jyoti Beema Yojana.

He further announced that the state government will also pay the premium of Rs 200 per head per month on behalf of workers opting for the Atal Pension Yojana. He encouraged workers to come forward to avail the benefit on offer.

On job regularization of anganwadi workers, the Chief Minister informed that 50% of Gram Sevika Junior posts will be filled by aganwadi workers completing 10 years of service who are class 10 pass and competed 3 month job training. Further, 25% of Supervisor posts will also be reserved for them.

On the need for more vending zones, Khandu announced three new vending zones for the state capital - one at Papu-Nallah near forest park, one at C Sector tri-junction, Naharlagun and the third at D-Sector near Hotel Rajhans, Naharlagun.

Acknowledging the need for parking zones in the state capital, he informed several are under construction. While IMC is constructing one multi-level car parking each at Gohpur (Chimpu), Ganga, at F and G sectors, Itanagar and at Banderdewa, Urban Development department is constructing multi-storied parkingsat ESS Sector, Itanagar and at the APST Station, Ganga.Under theSmart City Mission also three parking zones are under construction. These are at F Sector, Naharlagun(for 200 cars), near TRIHMS, Naharlagun (72 cars)and at State Civil Secretariat, Itanagar (108 cars).

Khandu advised the local legislator Techikaso and Mayor Tame Phassang to explore more spaces for establishment of parking zones.

Other welfare measures announce by Khandu are enhancement of Rs 1000 to the salary of Aganwadi workers and helpers and top-up component of ASHA workers emolument by state government by Rs 1000.

State Labour Board Chairman and MLA Nyato Dukam, local MLA Techi Kaso, Itanagar Mayor Tame Phassang, BMS National Vice President Krishna Pratap Singh, state BMS leaders and state government work force were present on the occasion.

State level workshopon FLC of EVMs & WVPATs...

This practical demonstration provided the attendees with a firsthand understanding of the equipment that plays a pivotal role in the electoral process. ECIL engineers further conducted a hands-on session on EVMs and offered a unique opportunity to participants to interact with the technology that underpins the electoral process.

FLC of EVMs and WVPATs is a routine process prior to elections to make them accurate and assure transparency. Participants of the workshop were left with enhanced knowledge and skills, poised to play their roles effectively in upholding the principles of democracy during future elections.

Ms Shania Kayem Mize, Deputy Chief Electoral Officer also spoke.

Khandu inaugurates new school building at Tato;...

"Not only the entire set up of formal education will be replaced but also new infrastructural amenities will have to be constructed. The priority will be on quality education," he said.

Khandu informed that the state government is focusing on pre-primary level education, which forms the foundation on which the entire career of a child depends.

"Government schools have the best teachers in terms of training and education. They also get far better salaries than those employed in private schools. But still people prefer private schools. There's something wrong and we have to right it and reverse the trend," he added.

Talking about quality education in government schools, Khandu hailed the Talo school for producing a record number of educated youths now serving in the government including 41 Group A officers, 38 Group B officers and 135 Group C and D employees.

The Talo school started as a primary school in 1962. It was upgraded to a middle school in 1980 and then to secondary school in 1990. It became a higher secondary school in the year 2009.

Later in the day, Khandu inaugurated the RCC bridge over Panyor river that would connect Yazali with Kora circle villages on the right bank. He also inaugurated the newly established Kora circle administrative center besides laying the foundation for a 12 Km road from the bridge point to Taib village.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by Education Minister Taba Tedir, Home Minister Bamang Felix, Agriculture Minister Tage Taki, MLAs Biyuram Wahge, Nyamar Karbak, Hayang Mangfi, Ojing Tasing, Phurpa Tsering and Gokar Basar.

Rijiju calls upon youths to take advantage of PM Vishwakarma scheme...

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a new scheme named "PM Vishwakarma" on Sunday, September 16, 2023 at India International Convention and Expo Centre, Dwarka, New Delhi.

The prime focus of PM Vishwakarma Scheme is to improve the quality as well as the reach of products and services of artisans and craftspeople and to ensure that they are integrated with the domestic and global value chains. The scheme will provide support to artisans and craftspeople of rural and urban areas across India.

Eighteen traditional crafts will be covered under PM Vishwakarma. These include (i) Carpenter; (ii) Boat Maker; (iii) Armourer; (iv) Blacksmith ; (v) Hammer and Tool Kit Maker; (vi) Locksmith; (vii) Goldsmith; (viii) Potter; (ix) Sculptor, Stone breaker; (x) Cobbler (Shoemsmith/ Footwear artisan); (xi) Mason (Rajmistr); (xii) Basket/ Mat/Broom Maker/Coir Weaver; (xiii) Doll & Toy Maker (Traditional); (xiv) Barber; (xv) Garland maker; (xvi) Washerman; (xvii) Tailor; and (xviii) Fishing Net Maker.The minimum age of the beneficiary should be 18 years on the date of registration.

Earlier in the launch programme, State Labour Minister, TumkeBagra mentioned that there are enlisted 9,600 artisans in the state, besides 9,200 weavers, who would get immense benefits from the 'PM Vishwakarma' scheme.

Among others, the programme was attended by Chief Secretary, Itanagar Mayor Tame Phassang Commissioners, top bureaucrats, NHPC, Local artisans and craftspeople, students and representatives of various labour organizations

DA, IPR holds meeting with the land donors...

So individual/ community consent becomes indispensable in order to execute the works smoothly."

"This joint meeting is the result of the lackadaisical attitude of the CPWD and SRTFI towards the land donors and their grievances. For any developmental work of such a big stature to be completed successfully on schedule, building rapport and winning the confidence of the local is a prerequisite," he added.

"Out of the 43.32 acres only 3 acres is disputed, which can be resolved through proper coordination among the executing agencies, FTI and stakeholders like land owners and panchayat leaders," he further added while urging the land owners to coordinate with the administration.

Speaking on the occasion Director IPR, Onyok Pertin said that the "Role of the IPR department in the project is supervisory and monitory in nature. The department acts as bridge between the land donors, SRTFI and the government. "

He further suggested for drafting a Memorandum of Agreement between the FTI and the land donors to ensure that the sacrifice of the donors are recognized.

Taba Kunya, GPC Rakap while speaking on behalf of the land donors informed that the "public of Jullang Rakap have cooperated with the CPWD and have made no claims on any civil work so far. "

"However, the water supply work, for which the survey was conducted by the PHE department, GoAP with the assistance of the PRI members and GBs of Jullang Rakap village , should involve the PRI members during the execution," he demanded.

Kunya also felt that "Few considerations should be made for the group C and D postsfor the land donors once the FTI becomes functional."

After threadbare discussions the owners of the 3 acre disputed land owners agreed to withdraw their cases in lieu ofsome lump sum compensation; a representation to be written to Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, GoI to involve the panchayat leaders, GBs and public during the water supply work execution and posting ofSRTFI officials and officers who understands the local sentiments.

The FTI is an ambitious project of the union Information and Broadcasting Ministry whose foundation stone was laid on 9th February, 2019 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The FTI is the first film and television institute in the north east and the third in the country.

Deputy Director, IPR Marbang Ezing, CO Sangdupota Dr. Heera Panggen, ZPM Sangdupota Hina Camdir Tok, GBs, land donors and engineers of CPWD attended the meeting.

Blood Donation Camp inaugurated

Libang urges all to work with humanitarian spirit



ROING, September 21: Minister (Health & Family Welfare) Alo Libang inaugurated the Blood Donation Camp at the District Hospital, Roing organized as part of the Ayushman Bhavah Campaign on September 17 last.

He was accompanied by MLA Gum Tayeng, DC Soumya Saurabh and PRI members.

Addressing the doctors, nurses and staff of health department here, Alo Libang advised all to work with a humanitarian spirit and not for accolades and praises. He added that all services provided under the Ayushman Bhavah Cam-

paign should be done with 'seva' in mind, encompassing all the needy and deserving persons of the state. He stressed on the need for all to take proper care of their health and get regular check up and advised creating awareness amongst the public.

He spoke about the efforts of the government in elimination of diseases, steps taken by the state government to deal with increasing number of drug addiction and AIDS cases with a targeted approach, which is being replicated in other parts of the country. Minister Alo Libang also appreciated the clean

and hygienic environment of the District Hospital, Roing.

MLA Gum Tayeng requested the Health & Family Welfare Minister to post required doctors in the DH, CHCs and PHCs of the district.

DC Soumya Saurabh advised all to work towards saturation of all health department schemes in the district.

DMO Dr. Tajing Taki and MS Dr. Mite Linggi also addressed the gathering. The team distributed fruits to patients, inspected the under construction new block of the DH and inspected the services being provided on the day.

CM, DCM to take part in Balek GSS Platinum Jubilee Celebration

MLA Moyong reviews preparation

PASIGHAT, September 21: Chief Minister Pema Khandu and Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein will join the three days long Balek Government Secondary School Platinum Jubilee Celebration (BGSSPJJC) scheduled to be held from October 25 to 27 next at Balek village in Pasighat. The Balek Secondary School is one of the oldest schools of the state which was established in the year 1946, upgraded to UPS in 1965 and further upgraded to Secondary level in 1982 and was affiliated to CBSE in 1985.

In this regard, a coordination committee meeting was held here on Wednesday under the chairmanship of the local MLA Kaling Moyong which was attended by the DC Tayi Taggu, SP Sumit Kr Jha, Organizing Chairman Oyem Dai, Secretary Tobom Dai, DDSE Odhuk Tabing, PMC Chief

OkiamMoyongBorang, HoDs, elected representatives and all the celebration committee members.

While seeking wholehearted cooperation from the society to make the celebration a grand success, MLA Moyong stated that committees and subcommittees of BGSSPJJC were working in tandem and everything was going in the right direction. He reviewed the progress on various plans for the celebration and advised the committee members to use every penny judiciously in a befitting manner.

The MLA expressed his gratitude to the Chief Minister Pema Khandu and DCM Chowna Mein in particular for their moral support for smooth conduct of the event. Taking the privilege, Moyong added that there has been noticeable progress over the last one year and the VVIPs would

inaugurate and lay foundation stones of many projects on the inaugural day.

DC, Tayi Taggu opined that such meetings provide a chance for committee chairmen and other members to understand each others' perspective. He on behalf of the district administration assured to extend all logistic supports and cooperation for smooth conduct of the ensuing celebration.

SP, Sumit Kr Jha assured that adequate measures would be taken on priority to tackle law and order, traffic management and all other security related issues by the police department.

Among others, organizing chairman Oyem Dai, secretary Tobom Dai, chairman (Resource mobilization) Tajom Tasung, Head Master Kalom Ering and SMC members of Balek Secondary School also shared their views and experiences.

Meeting on Ayushman Bhava programme held

TAWANG, September 15: Tawang DC Kanki Darang on Friday, September 15 chaired a meeting with the members of the district task force committee on the implementation of the Ayushman Bhava programme.

Addressing the programme officers, the MOs of various CHCs and PHCs, and the HWOs of health & wellness centres, the DC said that "the central government is trying to ensure good health of its citizens

through the Ayushman Bhava programme."

"We all should contribute sincerely in delivering the service to the public," he said, and sought cooperation from all sectors "during conduct of Ayushman Aapke Dwar, Ayushman Mela, Ayushman Sabha and Ayushman Gram Panchayat to achieve one hundred percent saturation of all the health services in every village."

DMO Dr Rinchin Neema in-

formed that "two villages – Shyaro and Khet – will achieve one hundred percent saturation of health schemes like CMAAY, AB-PMAY, etc, by 2 October this year, during the Ayushman Pakhwada."

This was followed by a review of the district plan, presented by Hemant Pegu. The MOs and HWOs were invited to offer suggestions to ensure better health services at their respective centers.

Farmers Fair & Farmer-Scientist Interaction on "Promotion of Finger Millet

TAWANG, September 20: Almora (Uttarakhand)-based Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan (VPKAS) organised a farmers-scientists interaction programme themed 'Promotion of finger millet in Tawang through introduction of improved technologies' on Saturday, September 16 in collaboration with the Tawang KVK, to mark the International Year of Millets.

The programme was inaugurated by Kitpi EAC Tshering Chedon, in the presence of, among others, RFPS agronomist L Jamba and grafter KN Prasad, District BJP Kisan Morcha president Tshering Dondup and VPKAS principal scientist Dr RK Khulbe provided an overview of the initiatives undertaken by the VPKAS for promotion of millets in the district.

Senior scientist and millets breeder Dr DC Joshi presented detailed information on the importance

of millets in regional food and nutritional security, and the growing prominence of millets at the global level.

Highlighting the role of "improved cultivars in crop productivity, particularly VL Mandua 376, which is a high yielding and early maturing variety," he explained how profitability from the crop can be increased manifold through proper processing, value-addition, and organised marketing.

Millets agronomist Dr RP Meena highlighted the role of mechanisation in reducing production cost and increasing profitability, with special reference to VL millets thresher.

Later, during a meeting, the scientists urged the state government officials to "upscale the technological interventions introduced by the VPKAS to ensure that the benefits reach a wider section of the farmers."

The Kitpi EAC assured to provide all possible assistance to the VPKAS in its efforts to promote millets in Tawang. She requested the VPKAS to "extend help in organic certification and branding of Tawang's finger millet."

KVK agronomy scientist CK Singh, who has been instrumental in promoting VL Mandua 376 in the district, spoke on the "earliness and high yield of VL Mandua 376," and emphasised "the need for more quality seeds of the variety and millet threshers in the district for further extension of the variety in the state."

Dondup presented a brief overview of the government schemes, and promised to support popularisation of the technologies in the district.

Sixty-four farmers from Kitpi, Named and Shernup villages participated in the meeting.

	GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER PAPUM PARE DISTRICT, YUPIA	DC
No. JUD/Notary-0878/2014		Dated Yupia, the 13th September 2023
<u>ADVERTISEMENT</u>		
As per the Notary Act, 1952 and as per the procedure prescribed under the Notaries Rule- 1956 and vide Govt. notification No.Jud-50/2004 dated 08.07.2014 & 28.12.2016, fresh application from eligible candidates is invited for appointment of Notary Public for Papum Pare District in prescribed format latest by 13/10/2023 addressed to Deputy Commissioner, Papum Pare District. Sd/- (Cheechung Chukhu) APCS Deputy Commissioner Papum Pare District, Yupia		

	GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER CAPITAL: ITANAGAR	DC
No. DC/ Capital/JUD-01/2023		Dated 15th September, 2023
<u>PUBLIC ADVISORY/ORDER</u>		
WHEREAS, a case of Rabies has been reported in the Jullang, Itanagar by the District Medical Officer, Capital, Itanagar vide letter No. DSU-ICC/IHIP2023 Dated 14th September, 2023 AND WHEREAS, as per the report of District Medical Officer, Capital, Itanagar: due to the animal being not vaccinated with requisite vaccination dose has led to the occurrence of such case. AND WHEREAS, it has also been observed that there is a large no. of unvaccinated stray dogs in the entire jurisdiction of Capital, Itanagar. And Whereas, in order to contain further spread of the disease in the district, it is hereby directed that:- 1. All the Pet Owners of Capital, Itanagar are to ensure that their pets are administered with the requisite vaccination. 2. In the event of any symptoms of rabies, the same may be reported to the concerned Extra Assistant Commissioner, Itanagar (M.No.8732806330)/Nahariagun (M.No.8414861239) and Circle Officer, Banderdewa (M.No.9773912733) or the Senior Municipal Veterinary Officer, IMC, Itanagar (M.No.9436054319). 3. The Extra Assistant Commissioner, Itanagar/Nahariagun and Circle Officer, Banderdewa in liaison with the Senior Municipal Veterinary Officer, IMC, Itanagar and District Veterinary Officer, Itanagar/Yupia are to ensure that further preventive measures are taken including administration of requisite vaccination of rabies to the stray dogs. Given under my hand and seal on this 15th Day of September'2023. Sd-(Talo Potom, IAS) Deputy Commissioner Capital, Itanagar		

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC) ITANAGAR

No.APIC/SY/PR-15/2021/245

Dated Itanagar, the 18th September,2023.

PRESS RELEASE

The Commission invoked Section 20(1) of Right to Information Act, 2005 vide judgment dated 14th September, 2023 and imposed penalty to the tune of **Rs. 25,000/- (rupees twenty-five thousand)** only to PIO-Cum-BDO, Shri Tatak Makcha, Chetam, CD Block, Upper Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh and also have to **Compensate of Rs. 5,000/- (rupees five thousand)** only to the Appellant Shri Nikam Dabu for the monetary losses incurred on **to and fro journey expenses** due to delaying in furnishing of information which caused harassment to the appellant, in connection with appeal **Vide No. APIC-217/2023** for neglecting and refusal in furnishing the information to the Appellant and defying the directions/order of the Commission.

Therefore, he is being directed to deposit the penalty amount in favour of "Registrar, Arunachal Pradesh Information commission, Itanagar" Head Account No. "0070" and deposit his payment challan to the Commission for final disposal of the appeal. His failure to comply this order, the Commission might recommend for disciplinary action as per service rule under Section 20 (2) of RTI Act of 2005, against the PIO.

Sd/- (Sonam Yudron)
State Information Commissioner
APIC, Itanagar

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER: KHONSA DIVISION: PWD: AP KHONSA

No. KD/DRG/NIT/2023-24/1093-98

Dated 15/09/2023

Notice Inviting Tender

The Executive Engineer, Khonsa Division, PWD, invites item rate tender from interested contractors registered in appropriate Class (Civil Category) under APPWD for and on behalf of Governor of A. P. for the execution of the works as listed below. The eligibility of the tenderer shall be guided as per the District Based Entrepreneurs and Professional (Incentives, Development and Promotional) Act 2020 (Amendment), domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of Assembly constituency as specified below.

s. No.	Tender No.	Name of Work	Approx. Val-ue of work	EMD (APST Contractors)	Asse-mbly Constituency	Time for completion	Class of Contractor
1	07/2023-24/ KD/ Khonsa/ Khonsa	C/o District Secretariat at Khonsa in Tirap District, A. P. (SH: Furnishing and Decorations)	Rs. 343.38 Lakhs	Rs. 3,43,800.00	55 Khonsa (East) A/C	6 (Six) Months	Class-II (Civil)
2	08/2023-24/ KD/ Deomali/ Khonsa	C/o Circuit House (G+2) at Deomali with Public Convention Hall, in Tirap District, A.P.	Rs. 261.98 Lakhs	Rs. 2,62,000.00	54- Namsang A/C	12 (Twelve) Months	Class -III or II(Civil)
3 -	09/2023-24/ KD/ Deomali/ Khonsa	C/o Office Building for AE-PWD, Deomali with approach road, in Tirap District, A.P.	Rs. 86.99 Lakhs	Rs. 87,000.00	54- Namsang A/C	12 (Twelve) Months	Class-IV or III (Civil)

a) Last Date & Time for submission of application upto 1600 Hrs on 19/09/2023
b) Last Date & Time of submission of bid upto 1500 Hrs on 22/09/2023 and time of opening of Tender will be 1530 Hours on 22/09/2023.
c) Cost of Tender Document: Rs. 4,000.00 for Sl. No. 1, Rs. 3,000.00 for Sl. No.2 and Rs. 1000.00 for Sl. No.3.

The tender forms and other details can be obtained from O/o Executive Engineer, PWD, Khonsa on payment as mentioned above in the form of Cash/Demand draft/Banker's cheque from any schedule bank payable at State Bank of India, Khonsa in favour of the Executive Engineer, Khonsa Division, PWD, AP, Khonsa. The last date of issue of Tender paper will be up to 21/06/2023 upto 1600 Hrs.

Sd/- Executive Engineer
Khonsa Division, PWD, AP
Khonsa

Ziro gears up to celebrate ZFM, India's biggest outdoor music festival



ZIRO, September 21:

A review meeting to work out the modalities for a smooth and seamless celebration of the forthcoming 10th edition of Ziro Festival of Music (ZFM), India's biggest outdoor music festival was conducted at Conference Hall of District Secretariat on September 15.

Presiding the meeting, Lower Subansiri Deputy Commissioner-cum-chairman ZFM Bamin Nime urged all the stakeholders to pool in and cooperate in making the present ZFM edition a bigger success than the previous version. While underscoring traffic, security arrangements and waste management as 'core issues' of the festival, the DC informed a 'core committee' would be formed soon to oversee the minute and overall preparations of the mega festival.

SP Keni Bagra informed three additional companies of armed police would be deputed during the festival. Besides, traffic management, police beat houses would be set up at festival ground Biiri and Nago Putu, while mobile squads would be formed to keep a close vigil at the camp sites

and surrounding areas of the festival ground, the SP informed.

Acknowledging 'camp sites' indeed play a crucial role in accommodating the last hour visitors to the festival, District Tourism Officer Dik-chu Raji said instant camp site registrations would be done on the spot and no harassment would be meted out to them nor the festival visitors.

Lamenting low funding of ZFM as compared to Tawang Festival, Dambuk Orange Festival and other mega festivals of the state, Tani Sumpun Dukung general secretary Taku Chatung said ZFM has become synonymous with Ziro and reckoned as its mirror by the outside world. ZFM should be responsible and sensible and continue to promote the spirit and slogan of 'Ziro-Drug-Zero' he emphasized.

Earlier, Director ZFM Bobby Hano informed a new addition of the 10th edition of ZFM would be addition of 'Takerv Stage' at Kasa Resort where stage performances would be staged on 29th and 30th. Some of the star performers include Grammy award winner and Padma Bhushan

awardee Pandit Vishnu Mohan Bhatt to listen to whom 30 Swedish fans are coming all the way to Ziro, while Mohit Chauhan and Farhan Akhtar are the Bollywood attractions, informed Bobby, while adding local artists and bands would also get equal opportunity to perform at the stage. The final artist line up would be made known to all in a couple of days, he added.

Informing another innovation designed for the current ZFM, Bobby informed 'An Audit Report on Waste Management' would be carried out by a Bangalore based company after the end of the festival while 100 volunteers from St. Clare's college would assist in waste management during the festival.

Apatani Youth Association president Tapi Mali, general secretary Nani Tangu, Apatani Student Union general secretary Koj Nichi, Apatani Women Association Ziro general secretary Leegang Ania, representatives of Apatani Tour Operators Union and Tour Guides also shared their views at the meeting attended by several HoDs, members of bazaar committees and Meha Pillo youth group.

ArSRLM conducts SHGs saving bank account opening drive



BORDURIA, September 20:

The Arunachal State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ArSRLM) conducted a mass savings bank account opening drive for SHGs here in Tirap district on September 15 last.

Twenty-three SHGs submitted the opening forms in the Khonsa branches of the Apex Bank and the State Bank of India.

As on date, 170 SHGs out

of 341 have savings bank accounts.

DMMU District Mission Manager Toge Tarak briefed the SHG members on the functioning of the ArSRLM, and the importance of financial inclusion and savings bank accounts of SHGs promoted under the ArSRLM.

The drive will be carried out in the entire district during the cur-

rent and the next month to ensure that every SHG promoted by the ArSRLM has a savings bank account.

Toge Tarak, District Mission Manager, DMMU Khonsa (TCL) ArSRLM briefed the SHG members on functioning of ArSRLM, importance of Financial Inclusion and Saving Bank Account of SHGs promoted under ArSRLM.

MCLF general meeting held



ROING, September 18:

The Dakyon Ane Banggo Model Cluster Level Federation (MCLF) conducted its first Annual General Meeting in Kangkong village on Monday, September 19. The MCLF saw the participation of 538 members and was attended by MLA Gum Tayeng and ZPM Elina Ratan.

Addressing the gathering, MLA Gum Tayeng stressed on the importance of education and encouraged the PLF members to carry out the activities written down in their Annual Action Plan.

She sanctioned ₹ 3 lakhs for the Dakyon Ane Banggo MCLF and promised to bear the expenses of the programme organised.

ZPM Elina Ratan spoke about

the importance of women empowerment through their role in SHGs, need for skill development training and need for awareness about the POCSO act and kind of punishments for violators.

HEAD GB Ade Pertin called for banning of Wine shop running without proper license and spoke up against drug addiction.

President of Dakyon Ane Banggo CLF Dangap Perme gave a brief introduction on what is a Model Cluster Level Federation and also the entire structure system of CBO, from SHG to CLF. Block Mission Manager Nekuk Pertin gave a brief introduction about ArSRLM and its functions. Aseng Pertin of Dapong PLF gave a briefing on roles & responsibilities of

community cadre of different thematic. Rasel Daring, President of Pone PLF presented on the progress report of PLFs from the day of its existence to till date. Tum Pertin, GPC of Bolung-I shared his experience and learnings from KSNRO PRI-CBO exposure visit to Kudumbashree, Kerala.

Presidents of all the 8 PLFs presented their Annual Action Plans and Social Action Plans which mainly focused on social development on areas such as Drug abuse, Selling of alcohol illegally/without license, Clean and green village, Child abuse (good touch and bad touch etc) and other dimensions including skill development training under Livelihood such as running of tailoring unit by Dapong and Kangkong PLFs.

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH RURAL WORK DEPARTMENT

E-PROCUREMENT PRESS NOTICE PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM SADAK YOJANA

NIT No: RWD/WK/NIT/PMGSY-III/2023-24

Dated 20/09/2023

CORRIGENDUM

Last date of online bid submission will be on 09/10/2023 upto 1000 hrs instead of 05/10/2023 which was wrongly mentioned in the earlier NIT (e-procurement press notice) vide no. RWD/WK/NIT/PMGSY-III/2023-24 Dated 19/09/2023

Sd/-

Executive Engineer/DPIU
Singchung Division, RWD,
West Kameng District



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RefNo.ACU/14/19/

Naharlagun: the 5th Sept, 2023

CIRCULAR

This is to notify that Shri Nabam Tahi Nekil, Chairman has assumed the charge of Chairman of Arunachal Pradesh State Cooperative Union (APSCU), Naharlagun w.e.f. 24th May, 2023 consequent upon 41st Annual General Body Meeting-cum-Election of Executive Committee Members held on 23rd May, 2023 at Conference Hall, APSCU Polo Colony, Naharlagun.

Thereafter, the constitution of new Executive Members are Shri Nabam Tahi Nekil, Chairman, Shri Malo Komut, Vice Chairman alongwith Smti Bengia Chuma and Smti Bamin Apii as Board Member as declared by Shri C. N. Manno. DRCS, Returning Officer, Deptt. of Cooperation, Govt. of A.P.

Hence, all official correspondence meant for Chairman, APSCU may be addressed as under-

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Chief Executive Officer



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC)
ITANAGAR**

APIC-No.29/2022 (Appeal)

Dated: 14-09-2023

To,

The Director,
IPR, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
Naharlagun, District P/Pare, A.P.

Sub: - **Press Release**

PRESS RELEASE

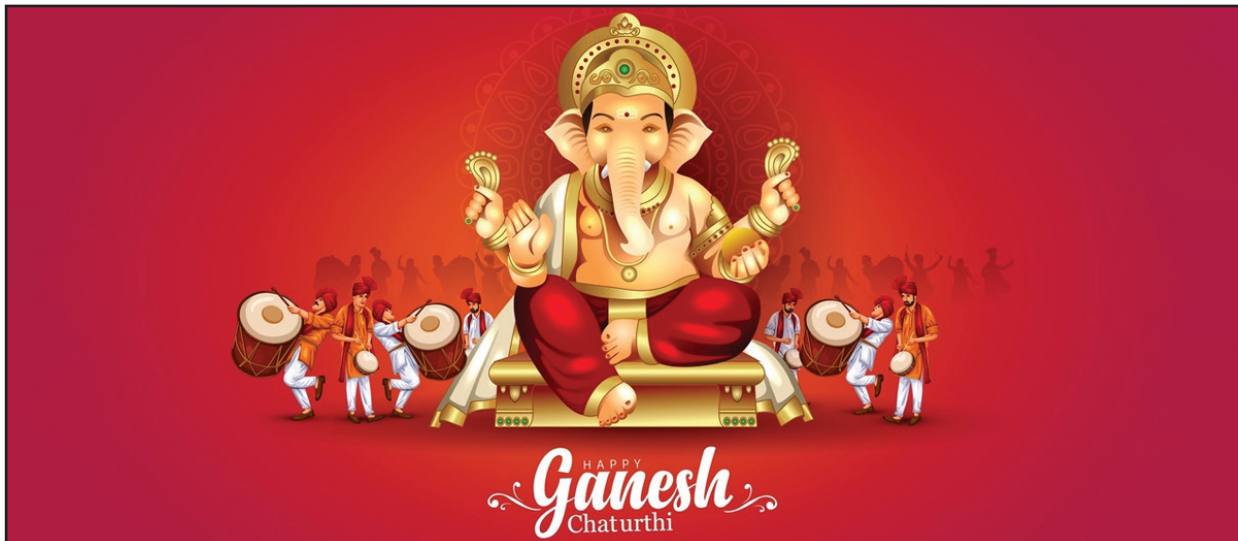
The State Information Commissioner has imposed a penalty of Rs. **25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand)** only under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 on **Sri Marto Riba**, Public Information Officer-Cum-EE, RWD, **Seppa** Division, East Kameng District Arunachal Pradesh for violation of section 7 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 in the case No. **APIC-No.29/2022(Appeal)**.

Sd/-

(Genom Tekseng)
Information Commissioner

Ganesh Chaturthi : It's Time To Become 'SHRI GANESH'- A Perfect Leader New Me

Prof. Jayadeba Sahoo, Faculty, Brahma Kumaris, Professor (Ex- Dean & Head), Faculty of Education, R.G.U. Rajiv Gandhi (Central) University, Itanagar



"||| ॐ तत्पुरुषाय वदिमहे, वक्रतुण्डाय धीमहि, तन्नो दन्तप्रचोदयात् |||"
"||| Tat purushaayavidmahe, Vakratundaayadheemahi, Tanno dhaniprachodayaat |||"
: "Lord Ganesha is an embodiment of wisdom and bliss."

He is the Lord of Brahmacharins. He is foremost amongst the celibates."

"||| मुशकिवाहन मोदक हस्त, चामर करण वलिम्बति सुत्र, 1999।
वामन रूप महेश्वर पुत्र, वघिन वनियक पद नमस्ते |||"

Mushikavaahanamodakahastha, Chaamarakarnavilambitha sutra,
Vaamana rupamaheshwaraputra, Vighna vinaayakapaadanamasthe

"O Lord Vinayaka! the remover of all obstacles, the son of Lord Shiva, with a form which is very short, with mouse as Thy vehicle, with sweet pudding in hand, with wide ears and long hanging trunk, I prostrate at Thy lotus-like Feet!"

Lord Shree Ganesh is god of Wisdom and the remover of obstacles.

Lord Ganesha is worshipped, or at least remembered, in the beginning of any auspicious performance for blessings and auspiciousness. His symbols signifies like Large Ears-Listen more, Big Head- Think big, Axe-To cut off all bonds of attachment, Small Eyes –Concentrate , Small Mouth -Talk less , Blessings-Blesses and protect on spiritual path to supreme , Large stomach-Peacefully digest all good and bad in life , Prasada-The whole world is at your feet and for your asking , Rope- To pull you to the highest god, One Tusk-Retain good throw away bad , Trunk-High Efficiency and Adaptability, Madaka-Rewards of Sadhana, Mouse-Desire. Unless under control can cause havoc. You ride the desire and keep it under control and don't allow it to take you for a ride. A unique combination of his elephant like head and a quick moving tiny mouse vehicle represents tremendous wisdom, intelligence, and presence of mind.

India is a spiritual oriented country and is one of the richest nations in respect of cultural and spiritual perspective. Bharat is well known for festivals. The festivals of this land form the most important link that sustains its cultural heritage. The number of festivals celebrated here is hardly comparable to festivals celebrated by other countries. Twelve months in a year is filled with thirteen big festivals. 'Ganesh Chaturthi' has a special importance among them. The cycle of time keeps rotating but its memories remains. To freshen these memories, memorials are made, stories are written, birth days are observed, in which self respects, love, true feelings are imbibed. Unfortunately, a day comes when respects & love ceases and rituals remain. It would not be exaggeration to say that festivals now-a-days are being celebrated just continue the tradition. The auspicious festival of 'Ganesh Chaturthi' had been reduced to an annual ritual hardly reflecting its true significance.

New beginnings are welcomed with enthusiasm, hope, happiness and the pure desire for accomplishment. Around the world, and moreover in India, every milestone of life or fresh venture is encased with a ritual or simply an ardent prayer for everything to go well. These auspicious undertakings fill the aspirant with unending faith and vigour that ensure success. What a beautiful religious practice we follow of invoking the Supreme at every new step we take! How great then must that powerful deity be who is always worshipped during new beginnings: the revered Lord Ganpathi.

The deeper significance of this festival has been lost in the loud commercialisation and ritualistic traditions marking the day. Unknown to many, this festival is rooted in several myths and a spiritual truth of great significance that reflect its purity and power of protection.

Now what is the esoteric meaning of this festival?

Shri Ganesh is by far the most mystical deity, which makes him so intriguing and lovable. Vighna-Vinashak (the Destroyer of Obstacles), Siddhidata (Bestower of Attainments/ Success), the deity to be worshipped before all others in the Hindu pantheon, symbolises good fortune, has an elephant's head and accommodating stomach, carries a rope and axe, rides a mouse Mooshak and is said to be outstandingly wise. These and several other exemplary features cement a place for Ganeshji in the hearts of lakhs of devotees, especially in Maharashtra.

But how ironic that 'devotion' is gradually evaporating from 'religion'... Though we spend exorbitantly on Ganesh Chaturthi celebrations yearly, do we ever reflect on whether Ganeshji appreciates the pomp, the lavish pooja ensembles, the unending, raucous entertain-

ment that usually bear no religious significance, the uncontrolled use of alcohol, the thumping on the idols during visarjan... We were meant to be honouring a divine being yet Ganeshji is subjected to an atmosphere of grave consequences! Without a doubt honest efforts are being invested to keep tradition alive by camouflaging the Festival with modern paraphernalia. It is commendable and inspiring to witness the unification of families and communities as a result of the celebrations but is the human soul being empowered and coming closer to the Almighty? Can we afford to forsake it?

Festivals are precious for lifting our spirits, binding stronger relationships with family and friends, and carrying forth ancient traditions to new generations and the world. But they serve an infinitely more valuable purpose: as we face the onslaught of natural calamities, corruption, terrorism, illnesses, pollution, and abominable fear and sorrow, the magic of these festivals hold no meaning unless the spiritual significance is realised and emulated. We worship Ganeshji to bring us luck devoid of hindrances and complications but wouldn't it be more advantageous to follow His footsteps?

It is tragic to be beheaded by your own father but this sacrifice by Lord Shiva's son granted him a new, unparalleled life of incredible wisdom and power. Ganeshji renounced his false identity to adopt a persona that out shadowed whatever he was previously. When we stand before God, humility unlocks the door of our mind to imbibe knowledge and develop an unbiased intellect.

There is no scarcity of learned philosophers and mahatmas who have cogitated and presented the symbolism behind Ganeshji's physical features, weapons, consorts, fables etc. However, the eternal truth is that Ganeshji's potency has and never will be a demonstration of physical capabilities.

Ganeshji is the treasure-store of spiritual powers: discrimination, far-sightedness, maturity, elimination of negative attitudes, letting go of trivial matters, balance of emotional and rational personalities, ability to mentally detach from the physical realm whenever needed and absorb God's love and grace and much more. We too are endowed with said values to varying degrees but rarely do we acknowledge the same. Why is it more gratifying today to come into sound and action for festivities than engage in refining the soul's virtues and experiencing God's perfection and beauty? Even if the creation is flawed and ineffectual, there is no loss in maintaining faith in our Creator's ocean-like supremacy. Ganeshji attained his glorious status after sincere endeavour, and wisely secured his powers for eternity so why not we, also children of God, at the least safe-guard our future by tak-

ing to his path of enlightenment?

Consider Ganeshji's perspective for a few moments daily during the 10-day celebrations this year: "As I sit in the radiance of my Almighty Father, I am drawn inwards. I contemplate on my fortune of having taken birth at the hands of the Ultimate Creator. I marvel at this new existence. Every distinguished characteristic reminds me of my inner powers. As a child of the Ocean of Knowledge, I am gifted with a wise intellect. I sustain divine energy with a pure and clean mind, balanced intellect, detachment from the mundane, and by acting in sync with my Creator. Nothing is incomprehensible or impossible for me as my aura of purity dispels all limitations. My humility and selflessness never allow my powers to be tarnished. As my life is a blessing from the Supreme, I use this subtle energy to protect the welfare and goals of myself and all others."

By living through all that Ganeshji upholds in this unique style, his glory will remain with us forever. Newness represents vitality and hidden potential, so just imagine what wonders will be revealed with a positive transformation of the human soul? In the enigmatic, holy presence of Lord Ganesh may each of us unveil a new 'me' and a new destiny.

So, let us all irrespective of different religious faith, celebrate this 'Ganesh Chaturthi' and empower our self through process of Supreme Communion (Raja Yoga) with Supreme Being 'God' - Incorporate Point of a conscient Eternal Light to inculcate His Supreme Commands of Universal Values to establish a "Value Based Happy Society of Culture of Peace & Non Violence" – our most cherished desire. The understanding of this eternal truth will usher in religious harmony & world peace. Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University has been engaged in this task for last 87years since its inception in 1936-37.

The true way of celebrating 'Ganesh Chaturthi' would be to realize the significance of the present auspicious time (Sangam Yuga, which is end of Kaliyuga – Iron Age and the beginning of Satyuga – Golden Age) and by pledging to discard all negative traits such as anger, greed, ego and lust and by leading a life filled of love, compassion, respect, humility, cooperation, responsibility, divinity to establish a "Value Based Happy Society of Culture of Peace & Non Violence".

On this auspicious occasion of 'Ganesh Chaturthi', 2023, take a moment for deep spiritual introspection and free yourselves from the bondage of greed, the lust for power and a slave of promiscuity and make God your eternal companion for true peace, happiness and prosperity.

Happy greetings on the auspicious festival of 'Ganesh Chaturthi'.

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER RURAL WORKS DIVISION JAIRAMPUR (AP)

NO.RWD/JRP/NIT/RIDF/2022-23/01

Dated 15th September'2023

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Executive Engineer, RWD, Jairampur, invites on behalf of Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Sealed item rate tenders from approved and eligible Contractors and firms, who have duly registered under the Arunachal Pradesh Contractor Enlistment Rules-2008 for the following work.

Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rs. in lakh)	Earnest Money (Rs. in lakh)	Time Allowed for completion	Time and date of issuing of tender paper	Last Date & time for submission of bids	Time and date of opening of Technical Bid	Time & Date of opening Financial bids	Cost of Bid Document (non-refundable)	Place of bid submission & opening	Class of contractor
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Construction of Motorable Steel Girder Bailey Bridge over river Rima at Khamlang, Changlang District, in Arunachal Pradesh	890.83	For APST Rs. 8.91 For Non-APST Rs. 17.82	24 Months	From 21.09.2023 at 10:30 Hrs. to 25.09.2023 at 16:00 Hrs.	03.10.2023 upto 16:00 Hrs.	04.10.2023 at 1100 Hrs.	Intimated later on	Rs. 15,000.00	O/o the Superintending Engineer, Rural Works Circle, Miao	Class –I Categories

Availability of Bid Documents and mode of submission: The bid document is available in the office of the Executive Engineer, RWD, Jairampur, Changlang District. The bidders are required to submit original demand draft towards the cost of bid document (non-refundable) in favour of **Executive Engineer, RWD, Jairampur, payable at SBI Jairampur** and original registration along with domicile certificates to Executive Engineer, RWD, Jairampur at the time of purchase of bid document. The original registration will be return back to the bidder on same day after verification.

It is compulsory for the Bidder, at his own cost, responsibility and risk, to visit, examine and familiarize himself with the site of works and its surroundings including source of principal materials, earth, water, sand, aggregates etc. before submitting the bid.

The undersigned has right to extend or cancel the tender without declaring any reason.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
Rural Works Division
Jairampur.
Dist. Changlang
Arunachal Pradesh

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF LAND MANAGEMENT ITANAGAR.

Dated Itanagar, the 20th Sept'2023

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

(Issued under section 11(1) of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act'2013.)

WHEREAS, the Power and function of the appropriate authority under the Right of Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act'2013 vest in the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh which shall be exercise and discharged by him within the state.

WHEREAS, The Border Roads Organization (Name of the Requiring Body) has sent a requisition vide No. 2001/Land/15/E2 Dated 27/06/2023 for acquisition of land to an extent of 296000 sqmtrs (29.60 Hectare) for Huri-Tapa (NHSL) (KM 0.00-KM 16.216).

WHEREAS, it appears to the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh that land is likely to be needed at the locality more fully described in the schedule below for Defence purpose for an area measuring 296000 Sqmtrs located at Kurung Kumey District, Arunachal Pradesh. It is hereby notified that land in the locality/localities in the schedule below is likely to be acquired for the above said purpose at expense of requiring body. The Col. Dir (Plg & Brs) for Chief Engineer, Headquarters Project Arunank, Pin 931719 C/o 99 APO vide letter No. 22001/Nodal/LA& Quarry/01/E2 Plg Dated 18th Sept'2023 reported that no SIA is required for this land acquisition case in view of non- displacement of human habitation/settlement in the proposed land.

NOW THEREFORE, this notification is made under the provision of section -11(1) of the Right of Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act '2013 and to all whom so ever it may concern.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh hereby also authorizes the officers and officials for the time being engage for the said purpose with their servant and workman to enter upon and survey any land and to do all other acts in pursuance of the provision of section 12 of the above said Act.

Under section-11(4) of the Act, no person shall make any transaction or cause any transaction of land i.e. Sale/ purchase/ gift, specified in the preliminary notification or create any encumbrances on such land from the date of publication of this notification without prior approval of the Collector.

Any person interest in the said land and whomsoever has any objection to the acquisition of the said land, may within 30 (thirty) days from the date of publication of this notification provided under section-15 of the Act, file such objection in writing before the Deputy Commissioner, Kurung Kumey District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The plan of the land may be inspected at the Land Management Branch, DC's Office, Koloriang.

SCHEDULE OF LANDS (Specification of Land)

Sl. No.	DISTRICT	Sub- Division	LOCATION	AREA TO BE ACQUIRED (IN SQMTRS)
1	Kurung Kumey	Damin Circle	Huri Tapa	296000 Sqmtrs

(A.K.Singh) IAS
Secretary (Land Management)
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh,
Itanagar.

Take effective measures to ensure uninterrupted power supply-Moyong



PASIGHAT, September 21:

"Take appropriate and effective measures to ensure uninterrupted power supply to the consumers", stated Pasighat East MLA Kaling Moyong, while reviewing the power scenario of the district here yesterday.

The state government has been providing all supports for welfare of the people in power sector in the district and therefore the concerned department should bring practical benefits creating a people friendly quality power supply to the Pasighat Township with utmost sincerity and dedication. He reiterated the importance of quality power supply and distribution system with full transparency so that people develop confidence in them. For relief of power crisis in Pasighat, an alternative line from Chapakhuwa, Assam was recently connected to Pasighat additionally but still people are facing tremendous power cuts.

Highlighting the power woes faced by the citizens, Moyong asked to complete urgently the works on substations and transmission lines under comprehensive scheme, undertaken by PGCIL (Power Grid Corpora-

tion of India Ltd) in the district, so that Pasighat and the district as a whole gets adequate and reliable and stable power supply and meet up the growing power demand in the future. The MLA further opined that people of Pasighat must be cooperative and supportive in the process of power infrastructure development related works.

DC, Tayi Taggu said that many upcoming projects related to Pasighat as a Smart City, power supply would be a major need for every developmental activities. The district administration was committed and duty bound to provide 24x7 services to the concerned department (s) development. Taggu stressed on all out efforts by all for augmentation of power supply from all sources to meet the power requirements of Pasighat and the district as a whole.

The CGM (Power Grid) A. Majumdar, Sr. DGM Kaling Jonkey, SE (Power) M. Jini, EE (Power) Obang Yirang and EE (Transmission) Tadamur Darang briefed the house about various development and issues being faced by them to contain the power crisis at the earliest.

The SE and EE of DoP informed that the demands for the township are increasing day by day. The department was drawing nine (9) MW supply out of which 7.5 MG load could be managed as maximum level. The duo also informed that one more foothill supply from Likhali would be connected to Niglok substation in coming days and Pasighat would be able to draw supply from Ronganadi via Aalo, Chapakhuwa (Assam) and Likhali via Niglok. The CGM (Power Grid) A. Majumdar and SE (Power) M. Jini brought to the notice that after completion power substation at Napit by November'23 would bring big positive result and mitigate the power constrain. The SE further apprised that RDSS (Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme) would help strengthen and upgrade the power infrastructure, for which work would shortly be carried out.

PMC Chief Okiam Moyong Borang, councilors Kaling Doruk and Oyin Gao, ZPMs Ogam Mengu, Tamut Tasung and Alen Taning were present and also spoke.

West Siang Police arrests two drug peddler

AALO, September 20:

The West Siang District Police arrested two drug peddlers, namely - Mikjum Ete and Raju Vishkarma and seized 10.54grams of suspected heroin.

An information was received on September 17 last from a reliable source that one Mikjum Ete along with his friend Raju Vishkarma was transporting contraband in a Maruti car (Alto) bearing registration AR/1Q/5821 en route towards Aalo via Likhali-Aalo road.

On receiving the information, SP Aalo Abhimanyu Poswal, constituted a police team with Inspector DutoBagra, OC, PS Aalo, SI (P) Moli Kamdak, SI(P) Lakhi Mena, SI(P) Likha John, H/C S.K Singh, Ct. B Ingo, Ct. T. Taikam, Ct M. Hemi and Ct. N.Ori. Under the close supervision of SP Aalo, the police team conducted Naka at Darka Bridge near Darka village along with Executive Magistrate Maryom Karlo and the team of PAYWA (Paktu Aao Youth Welfare Association) and at 2215 hrs, the said vehicle was

intercepted and the occupants Ete and Vishkarma were apprehended. During their body search, one packed of polythene in a soap case containing suspected heroin weighing 10.54 grams were recovered and seized, besides 2 nos of mobile handsets and a vehicle were seized.

Accordingly, a case has been registered vide AaloPS C/NO 57/23 U/S 21(b)/27 (a) of NDPS Act. The accused has been arrested and remanded to police custody, SP said in a release.

Ayushman Bhava Health Mela inaugurated

ITANAGAR, September 20:

Ayushman Bhava Health Mela was inaugurated by Hinium Tacho, District incharge(BJP) along with District President in the presence of Dr. Mandip Perme DMO, Dr. Krishna Welly DR-CHO, Yarda Raja Mandal President, Dr Karga Menbom MOIC itafort, Lai Bagang DPM, BJP karyakartas, Mahila Morcha and others at Urban Health Centre Itafort on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

The DMO informed that the following services were provided during the health mela viz PMJAY/CMAAY enrolment, ABHA ID generation, NCD screening, Deworming, IDCF, TB Screening.

He further informed that the Ayushman Bhavan campaign has been continuing since 17th September last and will continue till 2nd October 2023 in all the Heath centres of Capital Itanagar.

At MipyaLapang, Mudang Tage village under HWC TPD the previous day, various services were provided, namely - NCD screening, awareness on malaria and blood smear preparation for malaria test by vector borne staffs, TB screening, ABHA ID, free distribution of drugs and contraceptives, awareness on PMJAY/CMAAY, VHND etc.

Continuing with the campaign, Ayushman Bhav campaign was also

conducted at HWC Borum, ICR on the day in which services like - distribution of albendazole tablets under NDD programme, awareness on diarrhea, distribution of ORS and zinc tablets, demonstration of hand washing technique, NCD screening were conducted at the camp, besides, awareness on malaria and malaria test, health talk on personal and environmental hygiene, distribution of free drugs and contraceptives, awareness on Abha ID, PMJAY/CMAAY etc were given.

The campaign is an umbrella initiative for enhanced awareness about various health care schemes and to saturate critical health care services in the country.

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH RURAL WORK DEPARTMENT

E-PROCUREMENT PRESS NOTICE PRADHAN MANTRI GRAM SADAK YOJANA

NIT No: RWD/WK/NIT/PMGSY-III/2023-24

Dated 19/09/2023

The Executive Engineer/DPIU, Singchung, Dist.West Kameng on behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh invites item rate bids in electronic tendering system from approved and eligible Contractors registered with CPWD/ PWD/BRO & Public Sector Enterprises for PMGSY road works in the District of West Kameng for 3 (three) nos packages, Name of work, Package no., Estimated Cost, Earnest Money & other particulars can be viewed in the SBD available for download from www.pmgstyendersarn.gov.in between 19/09/2023 (1600 hrs) to 05/10/2023 (1600 hrs).

Sd/-
Executive Engineer/DPIU
Singchung Division, RWD,
West Kameng District

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER ::: WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT DIVISION :::: AALO (West Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh)

NOTICE INVITING TENDER / PRESS NOTICE

No.A WRD/RE/Tender-01/2023-24

Dated Aalo the 18th September'2023

The Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division, Aalo, invites on behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, sealed items rate Tender from approved and eligible registered firms/contractors in appropriate class registered under Arunachal Pradesh Enlishment of Contractor in Works Department Rules, 2008 as amended up to date as mentioned below :-

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time allowed for completion	Date & time for issue of tender documents	Last date & time for Receipt of Tender/Bid documents	Time & Date of opening of Tender	Class of Contractor and Domicile
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Construction of RCC building of 2 BHK G+1 for ANM & GNM (Faculty Quarter) at Aalo	₹1,56,02,000.00	₹1,56,020.00 for APST and ₹3,12,040.00 for Non-APST	12 months	18-09-2023 to 21-09-2023 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon	25-09-2023 upto 12 noon	25-09-2023 at 02:00 PM	Class-III & II domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of 31 Aalo East Assembly Constituency.
2	C/o Land Development with RRM Wall on General Ground at Paya Village	₹98,52,000.00	₹98,520.00 for APST and ₹1,97,040.00 for Non-APST	6 Months	18-09-2023 to 21-09-2023 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon	25-09-2023 upto 12 noon	25-09-2023 at 02:00 PM	Class-IV & III domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of 30 Aalo West Assembly Constituency.
3	Cluster of surface MIP at Darka under Aalo West CD Block	₹93,89,930.00	₹93,899.00 for APST and ₹1,87,798.00 for Non-APST	6 Months	18-09-2023 to 21-09-2023 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon	25-09-2023 upto 12 noon	25-09-2023 at 02:00 PM	Class-IV & III domiciled within the territorial jurisdiction of 30 Aalo West Assembly Constituency.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- The Tenders papers shall be issued to the intending bidders only on production of valid Registration card of appropriate class, up to date Income tax clearance certificate, proof of having successfully executed similar nature of works in hilly region and Solvency certificate for amount equivalent to 50% of value of work put to tender in original from the Schedule Bank in Bank's letter head. Tenderer is required to produce and enclose his/her PAN Card
- Tender documents can be seen/purchased in person from the office of the Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division, Aalo, on any working day between 10.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M. against payment of Rs.3,000/- (Rupees three thousand) only (non-refundable) each in cash from 18/09/2023 to 21/09/2023 on any working days except on Sundays and public holidays.
- The Arunachal Pradesh District based Entrepreneurs and Professionals & Incentives (Development and promotional) Act, 2015 (as amended upto date) shall be enforced.
- The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) @ 1% & 2% for APST & General category respectively on work value, in shape/form of Demand Draft/Bankers Cheque/Fixed Deposit Receipt/Deposit at Call Receipt of a Scheduled Bank drawn in favour of the Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division, Aalo, must accompany with tender documents in separate envelope, otherwise, the tender documents will be summarily rejected.
- The Tender/Bid document will be issued to only those contractor(s)/Firms who fulfill all the conditions specified at (Clause 1, 2 & 3) above.
- The lowest bidder need not necessarily be considered for award of contract, unless deemed justified by the Employer.
- The employer reserves all the rights to accept or reject any/all tenders without assigning any reason what so ever.
- Tender/Bid Documents will be opened in the office of the **Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division, Aalo, West Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh** at 02.00 pm onwards on 25/09/2023.
- Other details can be seen in bidding documents.

(Signature)
Executive Engineer
Water Resources Division
Aalo
Executive Engineer,
Water Resources Division,
Aalo

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER NAMSAI DISTRICT::NAMSAI

NO.N/PLG-167/2022

DATED NAMSAI THE 7TH SEPT'2023

ADVERTISEMENT

Application in prescribed format is hereby invited from eligible candidates for filling up the following post of Aspirational Block Fellow under Aspirational Block Programme (NITI Aayog)-

Sl. No	Name of Post	No. of Post	Monthly Remuneration	Duration of engagement on contractual basis	Nature of Job
1	Aspirational Block Fellow	01	55000/- per month	1 (One) Year	Coordination, Collaboration and leading the Aspirational Block Programme in close association with Block Level Officials of Aspirational Block Programme.

The details and the application format can be obtained from Office of the District Planning Officer, Namsai District, Block-B District Secretariat, Arunachal Pradesh during Office hours. Alternatively, aspirants may obtain it through sending request to the email address dponamsai@gmail.com.

LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION IS 30/09/2023.

Sd/
C.R KHAMPA
Deputy Commissioner
Namsai District::Namsai

DC stresses on importance of adult education



ITANAGAR, September 20:

A meeting on adult education under Department of Education was held here on Monday in the office chamber of DC Capital TaloPotom.

Addressing the meeting, the DC stressed on the importance of adult education for those who have lost the opportunity and have crossed the age of formal education, but now feel a need for learning of any type, including literacy, basic education equivalency, skill development (Vocational Education) and Continuing Education.

While volunteering for the adult education program, the DC also offered space in his office to conduct classes for the same.

Kani Nada Maling, President APWWS informed that APWWS has been voluntarily running the centre since May 2023 and at present, a total of 38 vendors are registered with their centre at Ganga and 4 at Naharla-gun, adding that there are many other members voluntarily helping others with the adult education. She informed that at present their target group are women vendors with an aim to em-

power them to do better in life.

YomjumGeyiJongsam, Chief Coordinator APWWS showed progress of academic work of their students to the DC.

Tori Gadi, Asst Nodal Officer DLMA(District Literacy Mission Authority) ICR informed about other NGOs like OJU welfare Association which have been providing adult education to many. He also informed that currently a total of 37 learning centres are active in various Govt schools. He also highlighted various issues and hurdles in its proper implementation.

Samvardhinee Nyas imparted training on Rope Mallkhamb



PASIGHAT, September 19:

A five days sport's training program was organized by Samvardhinee Nyas Pasighat, from September 13 to 17 last.

The training is an initiative of Samvardhinee Nyas to engage the youths in sports activities and to create an interest in sports as well as to keep them away from drugs.

Superintendent of Police, Sumit Kumar Jha, while gracing the closing ceremony as chief guest lauded the efforts of the organization and opined that he was amazed to

witnessed the acts demonstrated in front of him. "The students are super-talented and can-do wonders if they are trained properly", Jha stated.

Guest of Honour, DDSE Odhuk Tabin appreciated both the coaches for their hard work and dedication shown in training the students. Special Guest Tanya Padung, District Sports Coordinator extended his gratitude on the occasion.

Two coaches S. Balaji and Sukhpal Singh from 'SP Singh Mallkhamb Academy', Hyderabad imparted the five days long train-

ing on Rope Mallkhamb - which is wrestling on rope. They also taught techniques & tactics of Kho-Kho and Kabaddi.

Altogether 438 school students (277 girls and 161 boys) from UPS Takilalung, GHSS Sille, DEMGHSS, IGJGHSS Pasighat, KGBV Pasighat and Donyi polo Vidhya Niketan participated.

It was informed that Samvardhinee Nyas has adopted five schools and will install poles in these schools for the training to be continued by the interested students.

STCC awards appreciation certificate to DTCC Aalo



AALO, September 20:

The District Tobacco Control Cell (DTCC), Aalo, West Siang Unit headed by the Nodal Officer DMO, West Siang Dr. Dubom Bagra received certificate of appreciation from the State Tobacco Control Cell (STCC), Govt of Arunachal Pradesh in recognition of outstanding performance in IEC (information, Communication and Education) monitoring during 60 days Tobacco free youth campaign which was launched by West Siang DC, Panga Tato on May 31st and continued till July 31, 2023 under the supervision of Dr. T Wangmu, DPO, DTCC.

During the 60 days period, intensive anti-tobacco campaign was

carried out all over the district by generating awareness using IEC material, PPT presentation, lectures, drawing and essay competition in various schools against tobacco and its ill effects.

The District Level Task Force Committee (DTCC) under the chairmanship of DC Panga Tato himself supervised, monitored and implemented the ToFEI and enforced the COTPA act 2003 in educational institutions and around its premises.

During the two months long campaigns, IEC materials on harmful effects of tobacco and No Smoking notices in public places were displayed in various parts of the district.

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

Ref No:- 21012/1/2021

Dated:- September 2023

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

On behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, the Department of Tourism, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, is soliciting bids for the leasing of Caravans constructed specifically for tourism purposes, a Department of Tourism initiative to introduce caravan tourism in the state.

Interested tour operators/ travel agencies/ hotels/ homestays/ tour guides/ individuals may submit quotations in a sealed envelope clearly superscripted as 'Bids for Caravan Lease' along with evidence of their experience and competence to run the Caravan business, PAN, GST, and proof of current tax clearance, etc. to the Directorate of Tourism, Doni Colony, Itanagar on or before 28.09.2023 up to 2.00 pm with. The bidder may obtain the tender documents from website www.arunachaltourism.com.

Please carefully read the Caravan Lease Guideline, eligibility criteria, and general terms and conditions and ensure that eligibility criteria and general terms and conditions are thoroughly understood and applied.

Signed by

Kesang Ngurup Damo

Date: 06-09-2023 17:04:41
(Kesang Ngurup Damo)

Director Tourism

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT AH. & VETY, OFFICER: PAPUMPARE DISTRICT YUPIA

No: VPP/YP/DEV-DSTR/21-22/

Dated Yupia the 16th' 2023

ORDER:

In view of Public Advisory/Order on outbreak of Rabies in the Julang, Itanagar Vide No. DC/Capital/JUD-01/2023 of Dtd. 15/09/23, the following Vety. Officers & Para Vets working under this establishment are hereby formed as **Rapid Response Team (RRT)** for conducting mass Rabies Vaccination Programme on Pet & stray Dogs with immediate effect and to tackle any kind of outbreak of Rabies cases in consultation with concerned Authority in their respective working jurisdiction.

♦ RAPID RESPONSE TEAM (RRT) UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AHV & DD, PAPUM PARE DISTRICT, YUPIA.

Sl. No.	Circle	Name of RRT	Mobile No.
01	BALIJAN(VD)	Dr. Taw Tagu, SVO(Hq) cum VD Balijan Team Leader Team Members: 1. VD Balijan a) Shri Tadar Maka, AV b) Shri Sujit Routh, SM c) Shri Kuru Dole, DA d) Smti Nabam Yadap, DA 1. Hollongi/Kokila. a) Shri Tasuk Kipa, AV b) Shri Jiten Saikia, SM c) Shri Prasanta Rongpi, C/A d) Smti Y. Mama, C/A 2. Sangdupota. a) Shri Hage Rika, SM b) Shri Chera Kakap, SM c) Shri Gollo Radhe, C/A 3. Tarasso. a) Shri Makbul Taying-SM b) Shri Tem Abo, C/A 4. Ramghat. a) Shri Takam Talik, SM b) Shri Tem Abo, C/A 5. Durpang a) Dhiren Dutta, AV b) Tana Saha, SM c) Tana Deva Tara, C/A	8974131932 7005325913 8837334605 6009648973 9612559681 7086247384 9862198380/ 6033832766 7005733993/ 9612537376 7005479981 8730021432 9612413014
02	VAC BORUM/ PACHIN/ YUPIA /	Dr. Taw Tagu, SVO - Team Leader a) Shri Nabom Rinchang, SM b) Shri Techu Hetung, SM c) Shri Talo Tadi, SM	8974131932 9366204916 7005904122 9436417349
03	GANGA (VD)	Dr. Marli Ette, VO - Team Leader Team Members: - a) Shri Mihin Lyong, SM b) Shri Kabit Pertm, SM c) Shri Lohit Charingia, C/A	9436252496 7005243550 9436639638
04	BANDERDE- WA (VD)	Dr. Mui lama, VO - Team Leader Team Members: - h) Shri D.K. Choudhury, AV i) Shri Jayanta Saikia, SM j) Shri Nabam Naga Hina, SM	9402897165 8011324311 6900930583 8131888321
05	D O I M U K H (VD)	Dr. T.K. Nabam Hina, SVO Team Leader Team Members:- Doimukh:- Shri Umesh Thakur, AV Shri Ngurang Son, SM Gumto: - Shri Tana Teti, SM Shri P.K. Bamah, SM Nirjuli:- Shri Licha Aka, AV Shri Tam Rikhi, SM	8732098530 9436635163 8974675067 9862234435 8732066575 8794871156

6	KAKOI (VD)	Dr. Nabam Arun, SVO - Team Leader Team Members:- d) Shri Ghana Phukan, SM e) Shri Sarat Gogoi, SM f) Shri Tabia Mama, C/A	9402474041 6001644735 6000430913
7	KIMIN (VD)	Dr. Takio Taram, SVO - Team Leader Team Members:- Kimin:- • Shri Ramakanta Borah, SM • Shri Jogen Konwar, SM • Shri Nibul Konwar, SM • Shri Dinesh Narzary, C/A Hawa Camp:- c) Shri Hake Tania, AV d) Shri Tad Topu, D/A Bello: - c) Shri Prabin Saikia, AV d) Shri Niri Panye, C/A	9862979825 8415026859 8876281295 9402970917 8974663529
8	ITANAGAR (VD)	Dr. Nido Tayo, SVO - Team Leader Team Members:- • Shri Landi Piliya, AV • Shri Nani Chadha, AV • Shri Tasso Abing, SM • Shri Techu Takar, SM • Shri Talo Tadi, SM • Shri Markio Tayeng, D/A • Shri Tama Garam, C/A	7005453397 8794363217 7005848611 8794243409 9436417349 8730961975
9	SAGALEE/ PARANG/ SILSANGO/ BOBIA	Dr. T.R. Hina Nabam, VO - Team Leader Team Members:- Sagalee/Parang/ Silsango/Bobia a) Shri Chukhu Takam, SM b) Shri Ngurang Tana c) Shri Nabam Takia, SM Pech-Laptap:- a) Shri Tana Kayam, SM Kheel:- a) Shri Ngilyang Nikang, SM b) Shri Taba Sarbang, SM c) Shri Nabam Tago, C/A Mengio:- a) Shri Techu Honi, SM b) Shri Gyamar Chungi, DM c) Shri Gyamar Naga, C/A Nimte:- a) Shri Chera Dollang, SM b) Shri Techu Narge. CM	8732098530 7628988853 9436898399 7629958649 9862080918 8794340735 7641801203 9402607938 9612595505

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DCM launches Seva Pakhwada for Chongkham-Wakro Mandal Unit



NAMSAL, September 21:

Aligning with the 73rd birthday commemoration of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein launched a two-week-long service campaign called 'Seva Pakhwada' from Empong Village in Namsai District on Wednesday, September 20 last.

The Seva Pakhwada aims to highlight the good governance and achievements of the Modi Govt in the last 9 years in the centre and at the same time to deliver community service for the upliftment and betterment of the people.

One of the key highlights of the programme was the distribution of Ayushman Cards by the DCM to the beneficiaries under the Chief Minister Arogya Arunachal Yojana (CMAAY) and Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PMJAY). This initiative is designed to ensure that every individual and family has access to high-quality healthcare services as part of the Ayushman Bharat scheme.

Mein in his speech, exhorted the functionaries and karyakartas to dedicatedly work for the upliftment of

the downtrodden and the rural people and also spread the message of good governance amongst the masses. He said that under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership at the centre and Chief Minister Pema Khandu in the State, our State have seen massive development. He said that this trend will continue in the days to come too.

The DCM further urged the karyakartas to bring the benefits of various govt schemes to the doorsteps of the people and to ensure that no one is left out, and the benefits reached to the last man in the queue.

The Seva Pakhwada, which started on September 17 will go on till October 2, 2023 which is an initiative of the Bharatiya Janata Party and various government agencies that undertake a series of service-focused initiatives to celebrate the birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and to raise awareness about the different welfare schemes of the Central government. During the programme, the functionaries of the ruling party across the country are leading initiatives such as blood donation camps, cleanliness drives and tree plantation

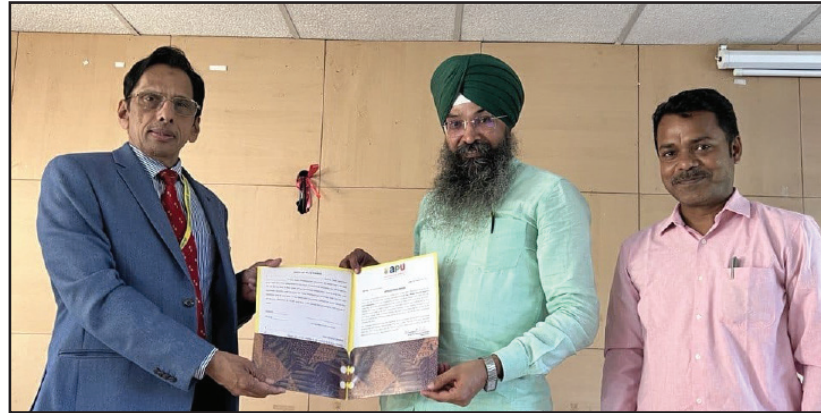
programmes to spread joy and hope among the people.

The primary goal of Seva Pakhwada is to instil a sense of social responsibility, volunteerism and community service among individuals and organizations. It aims to create a positive impact on society by addressing pressing social issues and fostering a spirit of compassion and service.

During the commemorative programme, prayers were offered at the Empong Buddhist Temple for the good health and long life of PM Modi, where Mein along with the rest of the participants joined in. At the same time, in the spirit of strengthening the Swachh Bharat campaign and upholding a greener future, Mein actively participated in a cleanliness drive, followed by the plantation of saplings in the vicinity of the temple.

The event was attended by the District BJP President Sujana Namchom, District BJP Incharge Badang Tayang, BJP State Executive Member Tseng Tsing Mein, Mandal President Rupam Namchom, ZPM Chongkham Jenia Namchom, Booth Level President, BLA and other Party karyakartas.

Prof. NA Khan takes charge of Vice Chancellor of APU



PASIGHAT, September 21:

A distinguished educationist, Prof. Nasir Ahmed Khan, a Hyderabad Central University senior professor assumed office as the Vice-Chancellor of Apex Professional University (APU), Pasighat. He took over charge from the APU Chancellor Acharya

Dhanwant Singh.

According to VC, APU, Prof. Khan education presents a great opportunity for India which has a very diverse and young human resource to harness the demographic dividend. He assured that he would focus on the quality education and integration

of technology with education support service.

Prior to joining the APU, Prof. Khan has held various key positions and has thirty four years of impressive academic as well as administrative experiences in various capacities. He is recipient of many awards including Shiksha Ratan Award, 2011. He travelled extensively across the globe to attend seminars and present research papers. 32 students have been awarded Ph.D and M. Phils and 2 post Doctoral Fellows (PDFs) under his supervision.

APU Chancellor Acharya Dhanwant Singh while extending his good wishes has stated that Prof. Khan has considerable administrative experience as he served as the head of the department and Director in the university system (Hyderabad Central University).

Finger millet Field Day& Farmer Scientist Interaction organised

BLETING, September 21:

A Finger Millet Field Day& Farmer-Scientist Interaction was organized by Almora (Uttarakhand)-based ICAR-Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan at village Bleting in district Tawang in collaboration with KVK, Tawang, under NEH Programme of Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) to mark the International Year of Millets 2023 here on Wednesday.

The programme was attended by 34 farmers of the village.

Interacting with the farmers, Dr RK Khulbe, Principal Scientist, ICAR-VPKAS provided an overview of the initiatives undertaken by ICAR-VPKAS for promotion of millets in the district that include introduction of improved technologies (VL Mandua 376 and VL Millet Thresher) and farmer participatory quality seed production. He appreciated the farmers for conducting good demonstrations and their engagement in farmer participatory seed production programme of the institute. He specially thanked Nima Tsering and Sonam Wangmo, who collectively produced 250 kg seed of VL Mandua 376 during kharif 2022 due to which seed of VL Mandua 376 has been able to reach a much larger number of farmers during 2023.

Senior Scientist & Millets Breeder Dr DC Joshi highlighted the role of early maturing and lodging tolerant finger millet varieties in boosting finger millet production in the region with special reference to VL Mandua 376. He explained the various ways in which value addition can be done to earn more profit from finger millet.

Millet agronomist Dr RP Meena shared the improved finger millet production techniques with the farmers and emphasized on adoption of mechanization for reducing production cost and enhancing profitability. Making special mention of VL Millet Thresher, he explained how its adoption can save time and cost and reduce the drudgery involved in post-harvest processing, besides minimizing losses and improving quality of the produce.

Dr CK Singh, SMS Agronomy, KVK Tawang, who has played an important role in dissemination of the variety by conducting demonstrations and encouraging farmers for adopting early maturity variety VL Mandua 376, highlighted the growing demand for VL Mandua 376 seed and VL Millet Threshers, and emphasized the need for ensuring their adequate and timely availability for upscaling cultivation

of the variety in the district.

During monitoring of the seed production fields of VL Mandua 376, the precautions required for ensuring genetic and physical quality of the seed produced were explained to the farmers. The farmers informed that they shared the seed of VL Mandua 376 produced last year with farmers of the adjoining villages, as a result of which VL Mandua 376 is being cultivated in over a dozen villages this year.

Dr DC Joshi appreciated this approach of the farmers and urged them to maximize horizontal dissemination of VL Mandua 376 seed through extensiveseed sharing among farmers within and across villages in the district.

Village Head Ngurup Tsering acknowledged the efforts of ICAR-VPKAS and KVK Tawang in disseminating improved finger millet variety VL Mandua 376 in the area. Farmers of the village appreciated the performance of VL Mandua 376 and informed that they are harvesting almost 1.5 times more grain from VL Mandua 376 in comparison to the local cultivar. Besides giving higher yield, VL Mandua 376 matures almost a month earlier and its grain to husk ratio is also higher compared to the local cultivar.

CM inaugurates Donyi Polo Khumko Naam

'Our language and culture give us our identity' - Khandu

KUPORJO, September 21:

Chief Minister Pema Khandu inaugurated the Donyi Polo Khumko Naam here at Kuporjo in Upper Subansiri district on Monday in presence of Minister Tourism Nakap Nalo, MLAs of the district Rode Bui, Nyato Dukam and Tanya Soki, members of Tagin Welfare Society, Nyishi Elite Society and Galo Welfare Society and believers of Donyi Polo.

Speaking on the occasion, Khandu urged all to maintain the deep connect with their respective indigenous culture.

He said that while development is an integral part of life, it is important that the indigenous people of the state never forget their roots and cherish their rich culture and tradition.

Khandu also stressed that indigenous languages should be popularly spoken in the society so that every young child learns it naturally.

"Our language and culture gives us our identity," he said.

Khandu further acknowledged the significance of the 'nyibus' (shaman) in preserving the culture and traditions of the Tani tribes and expressed gratitude to them on behalf of the people of the state.

He appealed all to always place the nyibus on the highest pedestal as all cultural traditions as well as festivals revolve around them. "Without them none of our indigenous rituals will be complete," he said.

Khandu reiterated his advice to dedicate a place of worship in their homes to foster a spiritual connection with the Supreme Power and gave the



example of Monpa tribe to which belongs. He said that rich or poor every Monpa family has a place of worship in their homes. A sense of peace and righteousness prevails, he said.

"Government is doing all it can to preserve our indigenous culture and traditions but all depends on the indigenous communities and their determination to preserve theirs," Khandu said.

Khandu also appealed people not to make comparisons between different religions and faiths but treat every religion with respect.

"We are what we are and we should be proud of what we are," he added.

Khandu. Meanwhile, witnessed elaborate rituals performed by the Nyibu to invoke blessings from Donyi Polo for the well-being, good health and long life of all.

During the inaugural function, the indigenous priests performed miracle which was displayed before the gathering of guests and believers apart from other prayers and rituals chanted for the welfare of mankind and living creatures.

Union Minister calls on the Governor



ITANAGAR, September 21:

Union Minister of Earth Sciences Kiren Rijiju called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 16th September 2023. They discussed developmental initiatives applying the latest accomplishment in science and technology.

The Governor emphasized on using satellite data for enhancing agricultural and horticultural

productions, monitoring progress in infrastructural development, including roads, observing areas prone to landslides and floods. He requested the Union Minister for Earth Sciences to assist and facilitate the State Government providing real time data.

The Governor informed that many places in the State are frequently affected by heavy rains, thunderstorms, cyclonic wind, hailstorms, cloudburst and floods. He suggested for an observation centre

in the State to share information and technologies of the earth system science for socio-economic benefit of the society.

The Governor also suggested for carrying out geophysical exploration for providing critical new information regarding the subsurface geology and mineral deposit in the State.

The Union Minister was very positive and forthcoming to provide needed assistance to the State on his behalf.

MIDH officials visit vibrant villages, assess horti development



TAWANG, September 21:

Union Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) Cell Under Secretaries Harit Kumar Shakya and Anil Kumar Meena, along with state Horticulture Director Nawang Lobsang and Tawang District Horticulture Officer (HQ) Benjamin Pertin, visited 'vibrant villages' Audung, Bekhar Kitpi, and T-Gonpa near here on September 15 and 16 last.

Tawang District Horticulture

Officer Safior Rahman organized the field visit programmes to assess the kiwi, walnut, vegetables, etc, gardens established in the villages with financial assistance from the MIDH Cell.

During the visits, the duo interacted with farmers and villagers about the centrally-sponsored schemes, with special emphasis on agriculture and allied sectors, and the assistance that the farmers are availing of. The undersecretaries noted also the issues raised by the

farmers, especially the menace of wild animals, and marketing of their produces.

The duo assured the farmers that provision will be made to set up solar fences to protect the gardens from the menace of wild animals.

They also advised the horticulture department to "educate the farmers for marketing of their produces through forward and backward linkages by forming farmers-producers' organizations."