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News Flash

Bronze medallist Kamdon Boi accorded warm reception

DEOMALI, February 18: National Games (NG) medallist Kamdon Boi was given a warm reception when he returned here in Tirap district from Uttarakhand after participating in the Games on Tuesday, February 18.

Hailing from Turet village in Tirap district, Boi has become the first judoka from Arunachal to win a medal in the National Games. He achieved the feat by winning a bronze medal in the just concluded National Games.

The reception programme was led by Deomali ZPM Wangphoon Lowang, Soha ZPM Sam Korok, and DSO Noah Mongku, and was joined by members of the All Tirap District Students' Union, friends and well-wishers.

RGU honors National Games medallist

RONO HILLS, February 14:

Rajiv Gandhi University honoured its achiever Yorna Rosni, a 2nd-semester student from the Department of Sports Psychology, who represented the Arunachal Pradesh Wushu team and bagged a bronze medal at the 38th National Games, which concluded in Uttarakhand on February 14.

In this go, the NG medallist was feted in a felicitation ceremony organized at the VC's chamber, wherein RGU Vice Chancellor (in-charge) Prof S K Nayak presented her with accolades, acknowledging her dedication, perseverance, and commendable performance at the national level.

In his speech, the VC hailed Rosni's exceptional contribution to sports and also her unwavering commitment to excellence. He emphasized RGU's mission to nurture talent beyond academics, fostering a culture of holistic development that empowers students to excel in various arenas. Encouraging students to take inspiration from Rosni's achievement, Prof Nayak reiterated the university's continued support for co-curricular and extracurricular pursuits.

Prof Otem Padung (finance officer), Dr Anil Mili (HoD Physical Education), and Dr A Yuvaraj (Asstt Director Physical Education) were also present at the event.

Governor graces the 39th Statehood of Arunachal Pradesh



ITANAGAR, February 20:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) graced the 39th Statehood Day celebration at Indira Gandhi Park, Itanagar on 20th February 2025. The Governor unfurled the National Flag and took salute of the Guard of Honour.

In his address, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh extended his warmest greetings to the people of the state on its 39th Statehood Day.

He emphasized that this day is a celebration of Arunachal Pradesh's remarkable journey of progress and development, driven by the collective will and aspirations of its people.

The Governor shared his vision for a 'Viksit Arunachal', driven by investment in infrastructure, education, and youth empowerment. He called for collective efforts to build a State where every citizen has the opportunity to flourish.

The Governor appealed to

the people to build bridges of understanding, embrace our diversity, and draw strength from unity. Let us try and improve our Gross State Happiness. The choices we make today will resonate through generations so let us choose wisely and act boldly for our State's success and harmony, he urged upon the people on the occasion.

Highlighting the State's unique identity, the Governor described Arunachal Pradesh as a beacon of unity in diversity, deeply rooted in constitutional values while charting its distinct path of development. He noted that the state stands apart as a Green State, free from insurgency, where people uphold nationalistic sentiments with pride and unity, often echoing 'Jai Hind' as a symbol of patriotism.

Expressing gratitude to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, the Governor acknowledged his unwavering commitment to the development of the North Eastern region. He credited the Prime Minister's vision for positioning Arunachal Pradesh as the 'Gateway to South East Asia' under the 'Act East-Act Now' policy.

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CM dedicates three multi-storied car parking-lots to the State



ITANAGAR, February 19:

Chief Minister Pema Khandu on Wednesday, February 19 dedicated three multi-storied car parking-lots to the people of the state capital – one physically at the State Civil Secretariat and two virtually, one at ESS Sector and the other at APST bus station, Ganga Market.

The Multi-Level Automated Car Parking at the Secretariat consists of a 10-storied building with 4 floors in the basement for parking and the ground floor for exit and entry. 4 floors above-ground will also be for parking while the top floor will house a cafeteria and a gymnasium.

Constructed under the Itanagar Smart City programme by NHICDL

at an estimated cost of Rs 18.09 crore, the building will accommodate 108 cars in 8 towers. The new parking lot includes facilities like control room, waiting room, elevator, power back-up, drainage and mechanical ventilation.

The multi-storied car parking at ESS-Sector, Itanagar has been constructed by the Department of Urban Development & Housing (UD&H) with a total project cost of Rs.1471.60 lakhs. It will provide safe car parking for employees and visitors of Directorate of Higher Education, Directorate of Elementary Education, Mallo Tarin Higher Secondary School and the residents of the ESS sector.

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Governor provides financial aid to Everester Kabak Yano

ITANAGAR, February 19:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), demonstrated his unwavering commitment to supporting young talent and adventure sports by extending financial assistance to renowned mountaineer Kabak Yano.

In a special ceremony held at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar, on Wednesday, 19th February, the Governor handed over a token financial aid to Yano as a gesture of encouragement for her ambitious mountaineering mission.

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Governor interacts with tea growers

ITANAGAR, February 15:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), interacted with representatives of the State's Small Tea Growers at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on Saturday, February 15. They discussed strategies for promoting Arunachal Pradesh's tea industry.

During the meeting, the Governor emphasized the need for organic tea cultivation, highlighting its sustainability and strong market demand. He encouraged tea growers to adopt natural farming practices, which enhance product quality and align with global consumer preferences for eco-friendly and chemical-free products.

Reaffirming the State's commitment to strengthening its tea industry and positioning Arunachal Pradesh as a key player in the or-

ganic tea market, the Governor advised tea growers to leverage both traditional and digital marketing strategies. He urged them to develop a distinctive brand identity with an attractive logo, eco-friendly packaging, and a compelling tagline that reflects their commitment to organic and sustainable practices.

Stressing the importance of storytelling in branding, the Governor encouraged growers to share their farm's journey, cultivation methods, and sustainability efforts through social media and product packaging. He also recommended creating a professional website with an integrated e-commerce platform to facilitate direct consumer sales. Additionally, he urged participation in national and international tea trade fairs to connect with buyers and expand market presence.

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CM releases the Deputy Commissioners' Conference Outcome Report at Nyapin



ITANAGAR, February 17:

Following a landmark Outdoor Cabinet meeting, Chief Minister Pema Khandu, along with the Council of Ministers and Chief Secretary, released the Deputy Commissioners' Conference Outcome Report at Nyapin on Monday, February 17.

The report encapsulates key deliberations and action plans from the Deputy Commissioners' Conference held on January 16-17, 2025. The conference focused on six core themes essential for the state's development: Swasth Arunachal, Shikshit Arunachal, Smridh Arunachal, Surakshit Arunachal, Swachh Arunachal, and Sundar Arunachal.

Additionally, four special ses-

sions were held on critical governance issues including forest clearance, land acquisition, saturation of welfare schemes, and the role of guardian ministers and mentor secretaries.

The Outcome Report serves as a strategic roadmap for Deputy Commissioners, outlining challenges, issues, and gaps in each theme area, actions already taken by the departments, future action plans with specific timelines, expected responsibilities of DCs in implementing initiatives, and observations and directives from higher authorities.

The report will help the Deputy Commissioners take timely action on the theme areas, which will be quarterly reviewed by the Chief Secretary. Concerted action and review will help in the

timely completion of projects and foster the growth and development of the State.

The report is expected to drive focused governance, efficient project execution, and faster decision-making, ultimately fostering sustainable growth and development across Arunachal Pradesh.

The Chief Minister also chaired a district review meeting of Kurung Kumey at Nyapin in the presence of Deputy CM Chowna Mein, Cabinet colleagues, MLAs, HoDs, and officials.

During the meeting, CM Khandu emphasized the need to connect people more deeply with government schemes and welfare programs so that the benefits truly reach the grassroots.

DCM attends 55th Central Tamlā-Dü Festival

TEZU, February 15:

The 55th Central Tamlā-Dü Festival was celebrated with great enthusiasm in Khoraliang village, Tezu, bringing together the Mishmi community and dignitaries under the theme 'Connecting to Brotherhood'. The festival, a vibrant display of Mishmi community of Lohit District's rich cultural heritage, focused on fostering unity and communal harmony among communities.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein attended the festival as the Chief Guest, reaffirming his commitment to preserving and promoting indigenous traditions while strengthening Arunachal Pradesh's development vision. In his address, he emphasized the State's long-term mission for all round development in sectors like education, healthcare, tourism, horticulture, and agriculture, which serve as pillars of Arunachal Pradesh's progress and self-reliance. He reiterated the government's commitment to empowering youth, uplifting women, supporting the underprivileged, and strengthening farmers, citing that they

are crucial for building a prosperous Arunachal Pradesh.

On the occasion, Mein said that every district should have a football stadium to provide equal opportunities for the sporting youths across the state and added that Tezu should also get one football stadium. He highlighted that such initiatives would help nurture young sporting talent and strengthen Arunachal Pradesh's position in athletics and adventure sports.

On the occasion, Mein also released two books, 'Kaman Lai Ling Yai' authored by Sokhep Kri and 'Kumtibaa' by Kathesi Kri and also released the CALSOM calendar for Tezu block, each contributing to the documentation and preservation of the Mishmi community's linguistic and cultural heritage.

The festival also featured a range of activities, including traditional performances, community gatherings, and sports events, further strengthening the bonds within the Mishmi community.

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Governor reviews developmental works of Lohit District



TEZU, February 16:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) reviewed the Central and State Government-sponsored programmes, projects and schemes of Lohit District at Tezu on Sunday, February 16. The Governor, who is on a two-day tour of the district, was briefed about the progress and challenges of the flagship programmes.

The Governor emphasized the need for automation of all data related to Yojanas being implemented in the district to augment analysis, monitoring, and management. He also urged officials to think out-of-box, explore proactive measures, and actively en-

gage with the public.

Highlighting the potential and capability of the people of Arunachal Pradesh, the Governor stressed that government officials must support them in realizing their aspirations. He underscored the importance of transferring technical advancements from Krishi Kendras, scientific laboratories, and research centers to the fields, ensuring they benefit rural communities.

Encouraging officials to connect with the agrarian community and allied sector farmers, he noted that the State's farmers and entrepreneurs in the sector have the potential to transform the farming sector but need proper motivation and guidance.

The Governor emphasized

that the progress of the rural community, especially the youth, is vital for the development of Arunachal Pradesh. He stated that when rural areas become 'Viksit,' the State will achieve 'Viksit Arunachal,' contributing to the collective vision of a 'Viksit Bharat.'

Lohit Deputy Commissioner, Kesang Ngurup Damo highlighted the progress, accomplishments, initiatives and priority areas for development of the district.

Dr. Mahesh Chai, Director General of Police, Anand Mohan, Superintendent of Police, Thutan Jamba and Heads of Department participated in the review meeting.

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Snowfall affects essential services in Tawang

TAWANG, February 13:

Heavy and continuous snowfall in Tawang district since the evening of 11 February has led to disruptions in essential services, including electricity, water supply, and communication.

Falling trees and the accumulation of thick snow on power and communication lines have caused service disruptions in some areas. Although most shops remain open, footfall is low as residents step out only to purchase daily necessities.

Attendance in educational institutions has significantly reduced as vehicles are not operating, and walking on frozen snow poses challenges, particularly for children.

Despite the difficult conditions, various departments, including the Electrical Department, the Public Health Engineering Department, the Border Roads Organisation, the Public Works Department, and the Rural Works Department, are working tirelessly to restore and maintain essential services.

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Wordly Wise

"Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment."-Buddha

Editorial

Central Excise Day

Central Excise Day is celebrated annually on February 24th in India, marking the day when the Central Excise and Salt Act came into effect in 1944. This day is dedicated to recognizing the role of the Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) in collecting revenue for the government and promoting trade and industry in the country.

The History of Central Excise Day

The Central Excise and Salt Act was enacted in 1944, with the aim of consolidating and amending the laws related to central excise and salt. The Act imposed excise duty on goods manufactured in India, with the revenue generated being used to fund various government programs and initiatives.

Over the years, the Central Excise and Salt Act has undergone several amendments, with the aim of simplifying and rationalizing the tax structure. In 2017, the Goods and Services Tax (GST) was introduced, replacing the Central Excise and Salt Act, as well as other indirect taxes.

The Role of the Central Board of Excise and Customs

The Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) is the apex body responsible for administering the GST and other indirect taxes in India. The CBEC is responsible for collecting revenue, preventing tax evasion, and promoting trade and industry in the country.

The CBEC has played a crucial role in promoting economic growth and development in India. The board has implemented various measures to simplify and rationalize the tax structure, making it easier for businesses to comply with tax laws.

The Significance of Central Excise Day

Central Excise Day is significant because it recognizes the importance of taxation in funding government programs and initiatives. The day also highlights the role of the CBEC in promoting trade and industry in the country.

Central Excise Day is also an opportunity to acknowledge the challenges faced by taxpayers and the efforts made by the CBEC to simplify and rationalize the tax structure. The day is celebrated with various events and programs, including seminars, workshops, and awards ceremonies.

Conclusion

Central Excise Day is a celebration of the role of taxation in funding government programs and initiatives. The day recognizes the importance of the CBEC in promoting trade and industry in the country and acknowledges the challenges faced by taxpayers. As we celebrate Central Excise Day, we must also recognize the need for a simple and rational tax structure that promotes economic growth and development.



SERVICE LINE



HOSPITALS

General Hospitals, Naharlagun			
Casualty wing	: 0360-2244677	CMO	: 0360-2244293
Medi Supdt	: 0360-2244156	Ambulance	: 0360-2244479
R.K.Mission Hospital, Itanagar			
	: 0360-2212263		
Heema Hospital, Itanagar			
	: 0360-2291094		
Niba Hospital, Pappu-Nallah			
	: 0360-2244574		
Hospital in Guwahati			
GNRC Hospital	: 0361-2227701/2227702/2227703		
Down Town Hospital	: 0361-2336906/2336911		
GMC Hospital	: 0361-2528417/2529457		
International Hospital	: 0361-2347700/2347701		
B.Barooah Cancer Institute	: 0361-2472364		

POLICE STATION

Itanagar	: 0360-2212233	Naharlagun	: 0360-2244329
Nirjuli	: 0360-2257220	Doimukh	: 0360-2277220
Banderdewa	: 0360-2266236		

FIRE STATION

Itanagar : 0360-2212640	Naharlagun : 0360-2244399
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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-Sagelee	Day Service	Mon/Wed/Fri	06:00 am
17.	Itanagar-Anpoli	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	DEP.TIME	STATION	ARR.TIME	FLY.TIME
MONDAY	Naharlagun	09:00	Pasighat	10:05	1:05
	Pasighat	10:30	Pangin	10:50	0:20
	Pangin	10:55	Mechuka/Monigong	11:45	0:50
	Mechuka/Monigong	11:50	Pangin	12:40	0:50
	Pangin	12:45	Pasighat	13:05	0:20
TUESDAY	Pasighat	13:15	Naharlagun	14:20	1:05
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45	0:45
	Mohanbari	10:15	Khonsa	10:45	0:30
	Khonsa	10:50	Longding	11:10	0:20
	Longding	11:15	Khonsa	11:35	0:20
WEDNESDAY	Khonsa	11:40	Changlang	12:00	0:20
	Changlang	12:05	Mohanbari	12:45	0:40
	Mohanbari	13:10	Naharlagun	13:55	0:45
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45	0:45
	Mohanbari	10:10	Pasighat	10:40	0:30
THURSDAY	Pasighat	10:45	Roing	11:05	0:20
	Roing	11:10	Anini	11:35	0:30
	Anini	11:45	Roing	12:15	0:30
	Roing	12:20	Dambuk	12:35	0:15
	Dambuk	12:40	Roing	12:55	0:15
FRIDAY	Roing	13:00	Pasighat	13:20	0:20
	Pasighat	13:50	Naharlagun	14:55	01:05
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45	0:45
	Mohanbari	10:00	Maio	10:40	0:40
	Miao	10:45	Vijaynagar	11:20	0:35
SATURDAY	Namsai	11:25	Miao	12:00	0:35
	Vijaynagar	12:05	Mohanbari	12:45	0:40
	Mohanbari	13:00	Naharlagun	13:45	0:45
	Naharlagun	09:00	Mohanbari	09:45	0:45
	Mohanbari	10:30	Namsai	11:05	0:35
SUNDAY	Namsai	11:10	Tezu	11:30	0:20
	Tezu	11:35	Hayuliang	12:10	0:35
	Hayuliang	12:15	Tezu	12:50	0:35
	Tezu	12:55	Namsai	13:15	0:20
	Namsai	13:20	Mohanbari	13:55	0:35
OFF/MAINTANANCE	Mohanbari	14:20	Naharlagun	15:05	0:45
					4:30

NB:- Condition apply (VIP movement/ bad weather/patient evacuation/ technical snag/passengers availability and emergency etc)

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Governor graces the 39th Statehood...

Underscoring Arunachal Pradesh's strategic significance, the Governor noted its crucial role in national security due to its borders with Tibet-China and Myanmar. He lauded the unwavering support of the people toward the Armed Forces, reinforcing the State's commitment to safeguarding the nation. He also emphasized the region's rich tradition of self-governance through institutions like Buliang, Kebang, and Mukchum, which have long upheld democracy, fairness, and accountability.

On the occasion, the Governor paid tribute to the sacrifices of the state's unsung heroes, including Matmur Jamoh and Moje Riba, who fought for Arunachal Pradesh's rights and autonomy. He urged citizens to draw inspiration from their courage and work towards building a 'Viksit Arunachal.'

The Governor highlighted the exceptional support from the Government of India, exemplifying the strength of a 'Double Engine Government.' He noted that various central schemes have played a pivotal role in transforming Arunachal Pradesh, particularly in infrastructure development, women's empowerment, education, skill development, and economic self-sustainability of border villages. He reaffirmed that these initiatives align with the national vision of 'Sab Ka Saath, Sab Ka Vikas, Sab Ka Prayas, Aur Sab Ka Vishwas'.

The Governor also highlighted the State Initiatives for Progress. He said that the State Government is committed to improving the quality of life through 24 key initiatives focused on good governance, effective administration, and proactive citizen services, adopting new policies in Tourism, Industry, Agriculture, and Horticulture, establishing of an Institute for Transforming Arunachal as a policy think tank, implementation of the 'Year of the Youth 2025' initiative, expansion of the successful 'Sewa Aapke Dwar 2.0' program and introduction of 'Cabinet Aapke Dwar' for grassroots governance.

Highlighting the Success Stories in the last 8 years, the Governor said that Arunachal Pradesh has witnessed remarkable growth across various sectors, including infrastructure, hydropower, education, agriculture, and women empowerment. He said that 4,000 km of roads were constructed, connecting all district headquarters with two-lane highways and 1,748 km of Frontier Highway under mission-mode development. The State has 58,000 MW potential, which is 40% of India's total capacity. Lower Subansiri Hydro Project (2,000 MW) nearing completion, the Dibang Multipurpose Hydro Project (2,880 MW) is under construction and the Siang Upper Multipurpose Project is recognized as a strategic national priority.

The Governor said that in the women empowerment endeavour, the 'Lakshmi Didi' scheme has empowered over 4,332 women to earn over ₹1 lakh annually. He said that the State plans to assist 25,000 women in achieving financial independence in five years.

CM dedicates three multi-storied car parking-lots...

It will also offer parking for the Arunachal Pradesh State Assembly and the State Civil Secretariat.

The six-storied building has total parking capacity of 143 light motor vehicles (LMVs) with 3 automated mechanical car lift and one separate passenger lift. There is a ramp provision in lower 3 floors of the building where a car can be parked without using the automated mechanical lift.

Also constructed by UD&H at the cost of Rs. 1471.68 lakhs, the multi-storied car parking at APST Bus Station near Ganga Market will cater to the parking needs of market goers, visitors, nearby hotels, Arunachal Press Club, RK Mission Hospital and office goers of Station Superintendent, Arunachal Pradesh State Transport Service, Itanagar, etc.

This six-storied building has total parking capacity of 100 numbers of light motor vehicles with three automated mechanical car lift and a passenger lift.

The 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors of the building offers car parking and the 5th floor has been kept for office space of Station Superintendent, Arunachal Pradesh State Transport Services, Itanagar. The ground floor will house the Ticket Booking Counter, cloak room, cafeteria and other allied activities of Arunachal Pradesh State Transport Services. A total eight bus bays are available in the Ground floor and the remaining open space around the building will be utilized for bus transit.

In his brief address, Khandu congratulated the people for the state-of-the-art facilities offered by the state government and expressed optimism that traffic congestion due to random parking along the roads will be minimized to much extent.

He urged the local legislator, the Itanagar Mayor and his team of Corporators to create awareness amongst the citizens to avail the new parking facilities and contribute in easing traffic jams and congestions on the roads.

Khandu further said that similar facilities will be developed across the state capital region and requested the legislator and the mayor to identify areas within their respective jurisdictions and submit proposals to the state government.

Governor provides financial aid to Everester...

Ms. Yano has set an inspiring goal to scale all eight peaks that rise above 8,000 feet, a challenge that requires immense physical endurance, mental resilience, and financial backing. Recognizing her dedication and the significance of her journey in promoting adventure sports and inspiring the youth of Arunachal Pradesh, the Governor lauded her determination. He emphasized the importance of perseverance, discipline, and meticulous preparation in extreme sports like mountaineering.

Additionally, the Governor urged various stakeholders, including the government, private organizations, and sports enthusiasts, to extend their support to such exceptional athletes who bring pride to the state and the nation. He expressed confidence that Ms. Yano's achievements would serve as a motivation for aspiring mountaineers and adventure seekers, encouraging them to push their limits and bring laurels to the country.

The Governor, known for his dedication to inspiring and encouraging the youth, especially athletes, urged Yano to remain focused and determined in her mission.

Secretary to Governor, Darade Sharad Bhaskar was present on the occasion.

Governor interacts with tea...

The Governor assured representatives that as a welfare State, the State Government would extend full support, including marketing assistance, provided tea growers adhere to quality standards, adopt sustainable farming methods, and maintain high production standards.

Tadak Gab, President of the Small Tea Growers' Association, and Marpu Baja, a tea grower, apprised the Governor about issues related to the tea industry in Arunachal Pradesh.

DCM attends 55th Central Tamlā-Dü...

The event was attended by MLA Roing Mutchu Mithi, MLA Tezu Dr. Mohesh Chai, Padma Shri awardee and GI expert Dr. Rajanikant, DC Tezu K.C. Damo, SP Tezu Thutan Jamba, SM of the Mountain Brigade Brigadier Kaustubh Kekre, former minister Nakul Chai, and former Bamboo Mission chairman Tungri Effa, among other dignitaries.

The 55th Central Tamlā-Dü Festival once again showcased Arunachal Pradesh's commitment to preserving its cultural heritage and fostering unity among communities, reflecting the state's vision of inclusive growth and sustainable development.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein also attended the 41st Shapawng Yawng Manau Poi celebration in Namgo on Friday. He expressed immense pleasure in celebrating the rich cultural heritage and ancient traditions of the Singpho community, paying tribute to their forefathers and chiefs.

The celebration not only highlighted the Singpho community's rich cultural legacy but also reaffirmed the importance of preserving and promoting diverse cultures for future generations.

In his remarks, Mein spoke of the spirit of unity among the community and the importance of preserving traditions while moving toward a bright future. He also released the Singpho Folk Song music album and festival souvenirs to commemorate the occasion.

Mein was joined by Minister of Urban Development, Land Management, and Civil Aviation, Balo Raja; MLA and Advisor to the Minister of Power, Jikke Tako; MLAs Kamlung Mossang, Puiunyo Apum & Oni Panyang, GI Man of India, Padma Shri Dr. Rajnikanth; Executive Director of RIWATCH, Dr. Vijay Swami; and among other dignitaries.

Governor reviews developmental works...

Earlier, the Governor met the Gaon Burahs, Panchayat representatives and the public. During his interaction, emphasizing the crucial role of education in shaping the future of the State, the Governor urged village elders to ensure that every child completes their education without dropping out. Citing the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, he highlighted its potential to equip students with essential skills, making them job-ready, particularly in sectors such as hydropower and infrastructure development.

Expressing concern over the rising menace of drug abuse among the youth, the Governor called for collective efforts to address the issue and safeguard the younger generation from its harmful impact.

Stressing the need to strengthen the healthcare sector, he underscored the importance of cleanliness, hygiene, and sanitation awareness in fostering a healthier society. As a proactive measure, he suggested the formation of a Hygiene and Sanitation Committee led by women, who could be trained and incentivized to promote better hygiene practices within their communities.

The Governor reaffirmed the government's commitment to education, skill development, and public health, emphasizing that these initiatives are essential for the State's progress and prosperity.

Local MLA, Dr. Mahesh Chai, Director General of Police, Anand Mohan, Superintendent of Police, Thutan Jamba and Heads of Department were present in the meeting.

The Governor started his district tour with a visit to the famed religious site, Parasuram Kund, near Wakro, in Lohit District. He reviewed the site which is being developed under PRASAD (Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Augmentation Drive) scheme of the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.

The Governor, who participated in the Kumbh Mela recently at the invitation of the Uttar Pradesh Government, suggested various measures to make it more convenient for the pilgrims and devotees and appealing to the visitors. He also advised for holistic development of the area, linking economic empowerment of the local communities.

Snowfall affects essential services...

The police and army personnel are actively assisting stranded tourists and commuters in the Sela and Jaswantgarh areas.

The district administration is closely monitoring the situation and coordinating with the army and other relevant agencies to ensure smooth functioning of emergency response efforts.

According to the latest weather forecasts, the adverse weather conditions, including snowfall, may persist for the next few days. If the situation continues, further disruptions to normal life may occur.

As of now, no report of significant damage or accidents due to snowfall has been received.

The residents have been advised to take necessary precautions, avoid unnecessary travel, and stay updated with official advisories.



The Governor said that While Arunachal Pradesh has made significant progress, key challenges remain. He emphasized reducing drop-out rates and ensuring 100% school completion, improving waste disposal and sanitation, ensuring a clean and Green State, strengthening prevention, enforcement, and rehabilitation efforts to counter the drug menace, enhancing infrastructure and hospitality services in the tourism sector and strengthening governance mechanisms through transparency and accountability.

The Governor felicitated Dr. Rajnikant, General Secretary, Human Welfare Association Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh for his contribution in securing GI Registration for 18 indigenous products of Arunachal Pradesh. His efforts have been instrumental in preserving and promoting the unique cultural and traditional identity of the State.

To commemorate the 39th Statehood Day celebration, the Governor released a Coffee Table book, titled 'Reminiscences in the Time (1947-1987)'.

State Chief Minister Shri Pema Khandu, Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs & Minority Affairs Shri Kiren Rijiju and State Deputy Chief Minister Shri Chowna Mein also spoke at the Statehood Day celebration.

Adding colours to the festivity, war and folk dances displayed by various tribes of Arunachal Pradesh was organized on the occasion. Aka War Dance from Bomdila, Miji War Dance from Nafra, Nocte War Dance from Khonsa, Moh Mol War Dance of Muklom, Buyu Folk Dance of Nyishi from Koloriang, Wancho War Dance from Longding and Tapu War Dance of Adi Tribe from Siang District were presented on the occasion.

Highlights of the celebration were the Indian Army Band Display by 13 Grenadiers of 5Infantry Brigade and 4/1 GR of 103 Infantry Brigade under the aegis of 3 CorpsDimapur, Mega Cultural display by the Apatani, Monpa, Nocte, Nyishi, Adi, Gelo, Wancho, Tagin, Puroik, Aka, Miji, Bengali, Assamese and Gorkha (Nepali) dancetroupes and pulse setting rendition of 'Hamara Arunachal' Song.

Governor interacts with Self Help Groups



ITANAGAR, February 17:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) met the women Self Help Groups (SHGs) of Lohit District at Tezu on 16th February 2025. The Governor, who is on a two-day District tour, commended the SHGs for their proactive role in transforming the socio-economic scenario of rural and urban Arunachal.

The Governor said that women of the State are now in the forefront in education, games and sports, entrepreneurship and in taking initiative in every field. He urged them to form more Self-Help Groups (SHGs), emphasizing the power of teamwork in achieving greater impact, increased opportunities, and sustainable growth.

A strong advocate for cleanliness and hygiene, the Governor encouraged women to take an active role in maintaining a pristine environment by volunteering as hygiene and sanitation inspectors in their villages. He also called upon them to ensure that every child in their community completes their schooling.

To further support financial empowerment and self-sustainable entrepreneurship among rural women, the Governor announced to provide 15 sewing machines for SHGs. He encouraged skilled individuals to train at least three other women in tailoring, enabling more women to achieve economic independence.

Recognizing the potential of women-led businesses, the Governor urged SHGs to explore entre-

preneurial ventures such as salons and beauty parlors, which can create employment opportunities for many. He assured his support in facilitating training programs in nearby towns for the convenience of interested women.

The Governor also commended the Arunachal State Rural Livelihood Mission (ArSRLM) for its proactive role in empowering women and promoting self-reliance.

Takar Hakom, Block Mission Manager of ArSRLM Tezu Unit briefed the Governor about the ArSRLM activities in the district. He informed that there are 206 Self Help Groups in the district.

Lohit Deputy Commissioner Kesang Ngurup Damo was present during the interaction.

Governor reviews TCL security scenario



ITANAGAR, February 18:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) reviewed the security scenario of the Tirap, Changlang and Longding District with the security agencies at Khonsa, Tirap District on Monday, February 17. He said that for the development and progress of the people and the State, a secure environment is paramount.

Highlighting the strategic importance of border security, he stated that every possible measure must be taken

to safeguard the nation's interests and ensure the well-being of those residing in border areas. He asserted that no external interference will be tolerated.

The Governor reaffirmed the commitment to protecting citizens from outside influence and intimidation, warning anti-national elements of severe consequences. He also urged security forces to strengthen ties with villagers in remote border areas and extend support for their essential needs through Sadbhavana projects, fostering trust and cooperation.

Director General of Police Shri Anand Mohan, Inspector General of Police, TCL, Shri P.N. Khrimy, Commander 25 Sector, Assam Rifles, Brig. Sarabjeet Singh, Tirap Deputy Commissioner Shri Techu Aran, Superintendents of Police of Tirap, Changlang and Longding, representatives from Border Roads Organization, Central Reserve Police Forces and Assam Rifles participated in the meeting.

Tirap SP Shri Singjatla Singpho presented a PowerPoint presentation on security in the TCL region.

IFCSAP participates in an international seminar

PRAYAG, February 18:

Maya Murtem, General Secretary of the Indigenous Faith and Cultural Society of Arunachal Pradesh (IFCSAP), participated in an international seminar on "Shared Sustainable Prosperity through Traditional Knowledge" at the Kiva KumbhMela 2025 in Prayag on February 16.

The seminar featured cultural discussions and vibrant exchanges of wisdom, showcasing the richness of indigenous traditions from around the world. The event drew approximately 110 foreign delegates from the Kiva tradition worldwide, 2 Sadhis from Parmartha Niketan, and 35 members from the International Centre for Cultural Studies.

Organized by the International Centre for Cultural Studies and Par-



martha Niketan, the seminar provided a platform for Maya Murtem to speak about the rich cultural heritage of the state with a special focus highlighting the sustainable practices employed by the indigenous people of Arunachal Pradesh for centrist.

Maya also elaborated on the

pivotal role of the Indigenous Faith and Cultural Society of Arunachal Pradesh (IFCSAP) in preserving and promoting the indigenous faith and belief systems of Arunachal Pradesh.

Prakash Kumar, member of National Commission for Schedule Tribe also participated in the seminar.

NAKSHA launched



NAMSAI, February 18:

Coinciding with its countrywide launch, the National Geospatial Knowledge-based Land Survey of Urban Habitations (NAKSHA), a one-year pilot programme of Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development, GOI under Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme, was launched in Namsai.

The programme was inaugurated by Union Minister of Rural Development and Agriculture & Farmers'

Welfare Shivraj Singh Chouhan in 152 cities across 26 States and 3 Union Territories, with Namsai being the lone district selected from Arunachal Pradesh, at Raisen, Madhya Pradesh on Tuesday, February 18.

The NAKSHA programme aims to create a comprehensive and accurate geospatial database for urban land records. This initiative will empower citizens, improve ease of living, enhance urban planning, and reduce land-related disputes.

In collaboration with the Survey of India, the programme will utilize drone-based aerial surveys, field surveys and ground truthing to map Namsai township. The programme is expected to facilitate improved urban planning, disaster management planning, change in detection in built-up areas, land acquisition ease for development and redevelopment, and modernisation of land records for ease of doing business.

During the launch event, the chief guest Nang Urmila Mancheikhun, ZPC Namsai emphasised the importance of the stakeholders' cooperation for the successful implementation of NAKSHA in Namsai Township.

A NAKSHA booklet, flyers and video of NAKSHA initiative were released in the launch event along with a drone demonstration by the Survey of India team.

The event was attended by Deputy Commissioner CR Khampa, Director, Survey of India (Shillong), RK Srivastava, SP Namsai, ADC-cum-Estate Officer, various heads of departments, and representatives from Namsai township colonies.

Massive fire broke out at Tenga Market



BOMDILA, February 15:

A devastating fire broke out at Tenga Market in Arunachal Pradesh's West Kameng district in the early hours of Saturday, February 15 reducing around 47 shops and about a dozen houses to ashes.

The inferno, which started around 3 am, caused widespread destruction, leaving numerous families displaced. Though there were no reports of any casualties, some individuals sustained minor injuries in the process of firefighting and were provided immediate medical assistance.

Assessing the severity of the fire, West Kameng Deputy Commissioner Akriti Sagar immediately arranged additional water tankers from the Indian Army to aid in firefighting efforts. After relentless efforts, the District Fire Brigade, with support from the Indian Army, successfully

brought the fire under control.

Singchung ADC Murnya Kakki and District Disaster Management Officer (DDMO) in-charge Phuntso Tashi also rushed to the site to personally oversee the firefighting efforts.

In immediate response, the District Administration, along with essential departments, set up a relief camp at the Upper Primary School, Tenga, to provide shelter, food, and medical assistance to those affected.

The district Agriculture Department donated vegetables and essential items to support the victims. The DC also visited the affected families and assured them of full support and assistance from the government.

Thrizino-Buragaon MLA Tenzin Nima Glow visited the site and extended generous support to the victims, assuring them of all possible help in their rehabilitation.

Additionally, the members of the Tenga Market Association, and the Bomdila Taxi Association also came forward extending their helping hands to the fire victims, officials said.

The Indian Army played a crucial role in controlling the fire. Troops reached the scene swiftly, assisting in firefighting operations and providing urgent relief, medical aid, and humanitarian assistance to the affected families.

"Their swift response and coordinated efforts not only contained the fire but also provided immediate humanitarian support to the distressed residents," a Defence official said.

Authorities have launched an investigation to determine the cause of the fire, while relief operations continue to ensure that those impacted receive the necessary support.



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PRESS RELEASE

The hearing of Appeal cases fixed on 27th February' 2025 (Thursday) before the Hon'ble Court of Shri Dani Gambo, State Information Commissioner (APIC) Itanagar, have been postponed due to **unavoidable situation**. And, thus, these cases are re-scheduled on Thursday **13th March' 2025, at 02:00 PM**.

Following eases are:-

S I . No	Case/Appeal No.	Name of Appellant	Name of Respondent (PIO)
01	APIC-NO.399/2024 (Appeal)	Shri Shankar Kino Lobi, PO/PS Itanagar, Papumpare District A.P (M) 8794575216 / 6909233449 Pin: 791111	1. PIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) Roing Forest Division, Lower Dibang Vallev District A.P Pin Code: 792110 2.FAA, Chief Conservator of Forest (CCF) Lohit GoAP Lohit District A.P Pin Code: 792001
02	APIC - NO.429/2024 (Appeal)	Shri Pisa Tapam Dokum Colony Naharlagun PO/PS Naharlagun, Papumpare District A.P (M) 8413931088 Pin: 791110	PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (EE) Koloriang Hydropower Division (HPD), Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118
03	APIC- NO.430/2024 (Appeal)	Shri Pisa Tapam G-Extension Naharlagun, PO/PS Naharlagun, Papumpare District A.P (M) 8413931088 Pin: 791110	1.PIO, o/o the Block Development Officer (BDO) CD Block Sangram, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118 2.FAA, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kurung Kumey, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118
04.	APIC- NO.432/2024 (Appeal)	Shri Pisa Tapam G-Exteshion Naharlagun, PO/PS Naharlagun, Papumpare District A.P (M) 8413931088 Pin: 791110	1.PIO, o/o the Block Development Officer (BDO) CD Block Nyapin, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118 2.FAA, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kurung Kumey, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118
05.	APIC- NO.433/2024 (Appeal)	Shri Pisa Tapam Dokum Colony Naharlagun, PO/PS Naharlagun, Papumpare District A.P (M) 8413931088 Pin: 791110	1.PIO, o/o the Deputy Director of School Education (DDSE) Kurung Kumey, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118 2. FAA, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kurung Kumey, Kurung Kumey District A.P Pin Code: 791118

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Governor adopts two TB patients of Lohit District



TEZU, February 16:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVS, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), visited the Zonal General Hospital, Tezu, Lohit District on Sunday, February 16. During his visit, he visited different wards of the Hospital and interacted with medical officers and nursing staffs.

Continuing his ongoing commitment to eradicate tuberculosis in the State, and in his role as a Nikshay Mitra, the Governor adopted two TB patients from Lohit District. He presented food baskets to the adopted patients. As a Nikshay Mitra, the Governor will be providing the TB patients with nutritional, diag-

nostic, and vocational support for six months.

The Governor appealed to the people to adopt TB patients and join hands to eradicate Tuberculosis from Arunachal Pradesh. He reminded them of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's goal to eliminate tuberculosis from India by 2025, ahead of the global TB-related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) target of 2030.

The Governor encouraged health officials to promote healthy lifestyles, raise health awareness, and leverage technology for better analysis and planning. He also praised the dedication of doctors, nurses, and

paramedics in driving social reforms within the health centers, embodying the ethos of "care and share."

District Tuberculosis Officer Dr. Uttam Kumar Nath briefed the Governor on TB and health issues in the district.

Local MLA, Dr. Mahesh Chai, Director General of Police, Shri Anand Mohan, Superintendent of Police, Lohit Deputy Commissioner, Shri Kesang Norbu Damo, Shri Thutan Jamba, District Reproductive and Child Health Officer, Dr. Linya Lollen, District Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. T. Kena and officials of Health Department were present during the visit.

DC reviews status of Taliha-Siyum BRO road



DAPORIJO, February 13:

Upper Subansiri Deputy Commissioner Tasso Gambo convened a meeting with BRO officials here on Thursday, February 13 in the presence of Tagin Cultural Society (TCS) president Larji Rigia, ZPMs and others, to review the status of the Taliha-Siyum BRO road.

During the meeting, the TCS president said that "the public of Upper Subansiri, especially Taliha to Taksing, are not happy with the

BRO's work culture, its snail's pace of work, and its compromising the quality of work".

Rigia said that the BRO took up the project decades back to construct the road "from 0 Point to Taliha road, measuring hardly 40 kms, and still couldn't achieve the target even after passing of many deadlines,".

He assured the BRO that if it faces any difficulty or disturbance, the public and the administration are always ready to solve the issues to

ensure smooth progress of the road work.

77 RCC OC Akash Rout gave assurance that "the remaining hard cutting 29-39 kms shall be completed in mid of December" and said that quality of work would be the top priority.

The DC fixed the next review meeting with the BRO at the end of March, and directed the BRO officials to "bring positive result in the next meeting".

Tawang celebrates Major Bob Khating Day



TAWANG, February 14:

The people of Tawang on Friday, February 14 paid tribute to the legendary Major Ralengnao 'Bob' Khating by celebrating Major Bob Khating Day with great enthusiasm and patriotism.

The event was marked by a wreath-laying ceremony at the statue of Major Bob Khating near the Bob Khating Memorial Museum of Valour. The ceremony was led by Tawang Brigade Commander, Brigadier Bhupal Singh, in the presence of officers from the district administration, senior officers of the Tawang

brigade, panchayat members, ex-servicemen, GBs, NCC cadets, and the general public.

Despite heavy snowfall disrupting vehicular movement, a large number of people, including residents from remote villages, attended the event.

Addressing the gathering, Brigadier Singh highlighted the historic significance of the day, recalling that on 14 February, 1951, Major Khating hoisted the national flag in Tawang, reinforcing the Shimla Pact of 1914 and integrating the region with the rest of the country. He

lauded Major Khating's courage, nationalism, foresight, and diplomatic acumen, which played a pivotal role in uniting Tawang with India.

Brigadier Singh expressed gratitude to Major Khating for his service and emphasised the importance of remembering his contributions. He urged the public to visit the Major Bob Khating Memorial Museum of Valour, which is dedicated to his life and achievements.

The event also featured patriotic songs performed by students, who were felicitated by the commander for their inspiring performances.

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National seminar on 'Rejuvenating Ecosystem for Viksit Bharat' organised



RONO HILLS, February 14:

A two-day national seminar on 'Rejuvenating Ecosystem for Viksit Bharat', organized by the Department of Commerce (Rajiv Gandhi University) commenced at the RGU's mini auditorium on Friday, February 14, with Vice Chancellor Prof S K Nayak inaugurating the event, in presence of a host of dignitaries including Prof Mohammed Basheer Ahmed Khan, former Vice Chancellor Sido Kanhu Murmu University, and Damodar Mishra, General Manager NABARD RO (Itanagar), and Ira Singhal, Secretary Health & Family Welfare (GoAP).

India's goal of transitioning to a developed nation involves inclusive economic policies, expanding access to financial services, and improving education and healthcare. Additionally, promoting innovation through Digital India and embracing environmental sustainability are key to ensuring long-term growth and mitigating climate change.

The seminar aims to generate meaningful discussions, fostering

collaboration, and pave the way for actionable strategies toward a rejuvenated ecosystem for Viksit India.

Speaking as chief guest on the occasion, Prof Nayak highlighted the multifaceted contributions of different sectors to Viksit Bharat, with a special focus on the agricultural sector as a cornerstone of national development. He underlined the key indicators of developed nations and discussed how India can achieve the vision of Viksit Bharat, emphasizing the pivotal role of the rural sector.

The VC stressed the importance of such seminars in generating ideas, insights, and encouraging youth participation for the nation's progress, expressing optimism about the positive outcomes of the two-day event.

Prof Khan enlightened the house on various initiatives contributing to Viksit Bharat, including awareness programmes and policy dialogues. He stressed the importance of inclusivity and equity in national development with regard to higher

education.

Secretary Singhal emphasized the importance of strategic planning and encouraged students to prepare for their future, stating that national progress begins with individual growth and success.

In his address, GM Mishra outlined key focus areas for sustainable economic growth and financial empowerment.

Dy Director Finance, Planning, and Investment (GoAP) Dr Akepi Linggi Ehili expressed his enthusiasm for the seminar, highlighting it as the first-ever collaboration between the Department of Finance, Planning, and Investment and RGU's Department of Commerce.

Earlier, Prof R C Parida emphasized the seminar's objectives and its crucial role in fostering discussions on ecosystem rejuvenation in alignment with the vision of Viksit Bharat.

Dr Atege Linggi, Seminar Coordinator, Dept of Commerce (RGU) also spoke.

International Mother Language Day held

RONO HILLS, February 13:

As part of the International Mother Language Day which is observed on February 21 every year, Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) commenced its celebration through a slew of contests on Tuesday, February 11.

The first leg of the celebration was conducted by the Faculty of Languages. It consisted of three competitions for the students of the RGU. The first in the series was an essay competition on the topic 'The Role of Mother Tongue in Promoting the Indian Knowledge System'.

This was followed by a poem writing competition on the theme 'Mother Tongue'. Both the competi-

tions were conducted offline in the Department of Hindi. Along with the faculty members, the scholars of both Hindi and English departments helped in the conduction of the said programmes.

Students shared their traditional wisdom hidden in their tradition through the story telling competition that was based on the theme 'Traditional Knowledge System'.

The participants provided a background of what the story was about in Hindi or English and then narrated their stories in their mother tongues. The folklores were narrated in Adi, Nyishi, Galo, Nocte, Tangsa, and Assamese languages.

The audience seemed very enthusiastic about the stories that unfolded through prolific narrative performances.

Prof P K Acharya from Department of Education (RGU), one of the jury members of the event, advised the students to create new narratives to preserve the culture and ethos of the State.

Over 70 students from various departments participated in the three competitions organized in the university. The results of the contests will be declared on the International Mother Language Day (Feb 21), in the final event to be held at the RGU mini auditorium.

Gensi Music Festival underway

LIKABALI, February 16:

With a view to celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the Galo tribe and promoting tourism in the region alongside, Gensi Music Festival 2.0 got underway at the scenic town of Gensi in Lower Siang district on February 16 with great fervour and gaiety.

The three-day event being staged at the picturesque town of Gensi aims to showcase the area's cultural vibrancy and potential as a tourist destination.

Speaking as chief guest on the

occasion, Basar MLA Nyabi Jini Dirchi appreciated the organizing team led by chairman Gope Taipodia and secretary Nyukar Taipodia for their tireless efforts in conducting the festival.

She also extended her best wishes to the talented artists who traveled from across the region to participate in the event. "Your passion and dedication are truly inspiring, and I wish you continued success in your artistic journey," she remarked.

Aalo East MLA Topin Ete also addressed the gathering, emphasiz-

ing the importance of such events in preserving cultural heritage and promoting tourism.

The inaugural event was also graced by Kardo Nyigyor, State Assembly Deputy Speaker, as the chief patron.

The three-day festival will continue with various cultural performances, musical events, and local exhibitions, promising an unforgettable experience for visitors while highlighting Gensi as a promising tourist destination.

Mass cleanliness drive held at Bagra Circle



AALO, February 15:

As part of the initiative 'Dolu em Kaken be Molaju' (Let's make villages beautiful) taken up by the Bagra circle officer Jumi Ete with support from Panchayat leaders, Gaon Buras, SHGs and line departments under the guidance of West Siang Deputy Commissioner Mamu Hage, a mass cleanliness drive was carried out in Bagra circle under West Siang district on Saturday, February 15 that involved a total of 16 villages.

Around 1600 people com-

prising PR leaders, GBs, SHGs, CBOs, youths and common villagers took part in the clean-up effort.

CO Ete along with HGB Minjom Bagra visited the villages to monitor the cleanliness drive and urged all the commuters not to throw garbage on public space, particularly on the highway and roadside falling under the jurisdiction of Bagra circle.

It was also informed to the commuters and villagers that if anybody is found throwing garbage on public space under Bagra circle

then a FIR will be lodged against the violators and action will be taken as per the relevant section of law.

Moreover, the CO also encouraged the villagers to make the initiative a grand success.

Through the CO Bagra-adopted initiative the local administration has decided to conduct a mass cleanliness drive in all villages under Bagra circle on the 15th of every month. This initiative aspires for overall development of villages - economically, politically, socially, educationally and ecologically.



**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
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POCSO ACT

The Govt. of India has enacted "The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (No. 32 of 2012) Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Rule, 2020 in order to protect children from the offences of sexual assault, sexual harassment and pornography, while safeguarding the interests of the child at every stage of the Judicial process by incorporating child-friendly mechanisms for reporting, recording of evidence, investigation and speedy trial of offences through designated Special Courts. The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act defines child as any person below 18 years of age. The said Act has come into force with effect from 14th November, 2012 along with the Rules framed by the Govt. of India.

The Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (Amendment) Act, 2019 was notified on 5th August, 2019 to amend the POCSO Act, 2012.

Sl.No	POCSO Acts and its Punitive Provisions		
	Offence	Punishments	Section in the Act
1	Penetrative Sexual Assault (Section 5)	Rigorous imprisonment for a term not less than 20 years but may extend to imprisonment for life and shall also be liable to fine or with both	Sec (5) of POC-SO Amended act, 2019
2	Aggravated Penetrative Sexual Assault (Section 5)	10 years of rigorous imprisonment Life and Imprisonment	Sec (6)
3	Sexual Assault (Section 7)	3 years to 5 years and fine	Sec (8)
4	Aggravated Sexual Assault (Section 9)	5 years to 7 years and fine	Sec (10)
5	Sexual Harassment (Section 11)	Up to 3 years of Imprisonment and fine	Sec (12)
6	Using child for Pornographic purposes (Section 13)	5 years and in case of subsequent conviction 7 years	Sec 14(1)
7	If along with pornographic acts offence also committed under- • Penetrative Sexual Assault (Section 3) • Aggravated Penetrative Sexual Assault (Section 5) • Sexual Assault (Section 7) • Aggravated Sexual Assault (Section 9)	10 years of life imprisonment • Life imprisonment • 6 years to 8 years • 8 years to 10 years	Sec 14(2) Sec 14(3) Sec 14(4) Sec 14(5)

ADOPTION REGULATION ACT, 2012

Adoption means the process through which the adopted child is permanently separated from the biological parents and becomes the lawful child of the adoptive parents with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities that are attached to a biological child.

Legislation or regulation for legal adoption is governed by Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of children) Act 2015, Amendment Act, 2021 and Adoption Regulations, 2022

Punitive Provision of Illegal Adoption			
	Offence	Punishments	Section in the Act
8	Offering, giving, or receiving any orphan, abandoned, or surrendered child by a person or organization	3 years of imprisonment or with a fine of one lakh rupees or with both	Sec 80 as JJ(Act) 2015
9	Taking or sending a child to a foreign country or taking part in any arrangement for transferring the care and custody of a child to another person in a foreign country without a valid order from the court.	Punishable as per section 80	Sec 80
10	Selling or buying a child for any purpose	Imprisonment for 1 year which may extend to 5 years and also liable to fine of Rs. 1 Lakh	Sec 81
11	Selling or buying a child for any purpose by a person having actual charge of the child including employees of a hospital, nursing home or maternity home	Imprisonment for 3 to 5 years	Sec 81

Any person found violating any of the laws are liable to be punished under various provisions of the Acts and Rules.

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Announcement:

- Govt has allocated a Budget amount of Rs. 62.5 Crore for the current Financial year 2024-25.

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Eligible Beneficiary

- Bonafide individual farmer
- SHGs/FPOs.

Scheme Components;

- Farm machineries (Tractor, Power Tiller, Rotary Tiller, Paddy transplanter /Harvester/thresher/Winnower/Paddy de-husking machine/Paddy weeder/Power operated Brush /weed cutter, Oil expeller, Mini flour/Rice Mill, Sugarcane crusher, Water pump set, of Rubber Roller/sheeting machine, Smoke House, Rubber Tapping/rain guarding materials & other Argil. related Farm tools & implements etc.
- Field crops: Cereals, Pulses, Oilseeds, Spices, other crops cultivation schemes etc.
- Scientific land Terracing.
- Double cropping scheme
- Permanent vegetable garden.
- Bee Keeping
- Protected Poly-house/Green house

ACTIVITIES UNDER RASHTRIYA KRISHI VIKASH YOJANA

Cafeteria of CSS Scheme under PM-RKVY: Krishonnati Yojana (KY):

- Agriculture Extension – Agriculture Technology Management Agency (ATMA) – For dissemination of technology from land to lab through field functionaries.
- National Food Security & Nutrition Mission (NFS&NM) – To self-sufficiency in food crops
- Mission on Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH)
- Su Mission on Seed and planting materials (SMSP)
- National Mission on Edible Oil – oil Palm (NMEO-OP) – To bring self-sufficiency in edible oil and save money from oil import.
- National Mission on Edible Oil – Oil seeds (NMEO-OS)
- Mission on Organic Value Chain Development – North East Region (MOVCDNER)
- National Bamboo Mission (NBM).

DPR based Project under Agriculture Department (Production related infrastructures, created post and pre harvest infrastructures to boost agri. Production and marketing)

- Construction of Farm / Pack House
- Construction of Vermi compost pits
- Construction of Way side market
- Reclamation of Acidic Soil
- Distribution of Gender Friendly Hand Tools kits & implements
- Cultivation of King Chili
- Cultivation of Off-Season Vegetable
- Distribution of packaging materials
- Protected cultivation/ Green House for High Value crops

Annual Action Plan based:

- Soil Health & Fertility (SH&F)
- Rainfed Area development (RAD)
- Paramparagat Krishi Vikash Yojana (PKVY)
- Sub Mission on Agri. Mechanization (SMAM) – To Mechanize Agriculture sector to mitigate labour shortage in A.P.
- Prime Minister Krishi Sichaye Yojana – Per Drop More Crop (PMKSY-PDMC)
- Agroforestry
- National Bee & Honey Mission (NBHM)

National Mission on Edible Oils – Oil Palm (NMEO – OP)

- Oil Palm is the highest oil yielding crop.
- Farmers get several subsidy benefits for cultivation of oil palm during the initial 4 years viz., planting material, maintenance subsidy, intercrop, bio-fencing, irrigation equipment, harvesting tools, technical handholding etc.
- Huge readily available market, Guaranteed buy back at price assured by the government, protects the farmers from price volatility.
- Under this scheme farmers get assured returns on their products through the mechanism of VIABILITY PRICE declared by central government.
- Year round income on monthly basis to the farmers
- Less pests and diseases menace-easy to maintain
- Once planted-easy to grow and maintain for 25 Years
- 'Grow Oil Palm – Grow with Oil Palm'





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Pre-Nyokum Festival celebrated



KHONSA, February 15:

The Nyishi employees residing in Tirap district celebrated the pre-Nyokum Festival under the theme "Honoring Our Heritage & Fostering Unity among Tribes" with great enthusiasm and traditional fervour at Khonsa on Friday, February 14.

The special invitee, Tirap Deputy Commissioner Techu Aran extended his greetings to the Nyishi community. Recalling his tenure in Seppa, Aran commended the Nyishi community for their warm hospitality and helpful nature, as well as their dedication to preserving and promoting their rich cultural heritage.

Emphasizing the importance of cultural continuity, he urged the younger generation to actively learn and practice their traditions. He remarked that Nyishis are known for their goodwill towards good people while standing firmly against negativity.

Tirap ZPC Chathong Lowang described Nyokum as one of the most significant festivals of Arunachal Pradesh. She praised the organizing committee for bringing the vibrant culture of the Nyishi community to Khonsa in such a grand manner.

Khonsa ADC and organizing chairman Tana Babu narrated the Nyokum mythology, explaining that it

is the principal festival of the Nyishi community, deeply rooted in their traditions.

Organizing secretary and executive engineer (PHE&WS) Bharat Sonam delivered the welcome address. The celebration concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by AE (Power) Kipa Kame, followed by a grand community feast.

The day's festivities included the vibrant cultural performances, and colorful traditional dances presented by artists from various parts of Tirap district. The event served as a significant platform to showcase and celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the Nyishi community.

The event was also attended by Deomali ADC Bondulom Tawsik, ZPM Khonsa Block Wanghong Panaka, ZPM Khela-Bunting Tumwang Lowang, ZPM Bari Basip Tediap Hallang, SP Singjatla Singhpho, ASP Aditya Singh, and Second-in-Command, 44 Assam Rifles, among others.

Jollang: Don Bosco College, Itanagar here celebrated 10th pre-Nyokum in the college campus on Saturday. Gracing the event, former MLA Tana Hali Tara stressed on the interconnection between faith and ritual. He exhorted the students to not just speak but love their mother tongue.

Speaking on the diverse culture of Arunachal Pradesh, he said that celebration of festivals helps in the preservation of culture. He advised the students to preserve their culture and language.

Nyishi Festival Council secretary Amit Bengia informed that the celebration of Nyokum was a unifying factor. He exhorted the students to celebrate Nyokum as any other festival of the country and preserve the cultural heritage of the forefathers. He thanked the Salesians of Don Bosco for preserving the culture and legacy of Nyokum.

Fr CD Mathai, Rector of the College, in his address said that festival is a time of celebration and get together. Celebrants look forward towards a better tomorrow, invoke god's blessing and pray for sustenance. He added that Nyokum is not just a celebration but a preservation of one's culture.

The college Principal Fr Jose George also spoke on the occasion. Taba Niglo, ex-ASM, Jollang Panchayat, recounted the first Nyokum celebrations in Jollang with the initiative of Don Bosco College. He exhorted how the "Nyishi Identity" is linked with the culture and celebration of festivals. He highlighted the importance of Pudum, the traditional headgear.

Inter-departmental sports meet underway

LIKABALI, February 16:

The 3rd edition of the Lower Siang inter-departmental sports meet was declared open at the Chidu Chigo general ground here by Gensu ZPM Dapu Doko on Sunday, February 16 in the presence of DC Rujum Rakshap, SP Gothambo Dajangju, HoDs, and others.

In his inaugural address, Doko emphasised the importance of sports in promoting teamwork, discipline, and unity among vari-

ous departments. He commended the organising committee, and encouraged the participants to maintain sportsmanship throughout the meet.

The DC in his address highlighted the role of such events in strengthening inter-departmental relationships and fostering a spirit of cooperation. He urged the participants to actively engage in the events, "not just to win, but to build camaraderie and unity."

This annual event features eight participating departments competing in various sporting events. The three-day meet will continue on 18 February.

The opening ceremony was marked by a football match between the General Administration (GA) Department and the Education Department. The match saw both teams putting up a spirited performance, with the GA Department securing a hard-fought 2-1 victory.

Awareness programme on PC&PNDT Act held



LIKABALI, February 14:

The Department of Women & Child Development, Lower Siang district organized an educational-cum-awareness programme on PC&PNDT Act, 2014 in collaboration with the district administration and the Department of Health & FW with an aim to familiarize the frontline workers especially, the Anganwadi workers, ANMs, ASHAs and other stakeholders of Likabali about the Pre-Conception and Pre-natal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act.

The main function was held at the District Hospital Likabali, which was graced by Lower Siang Deputy Commissioner Rujum Rakshap and

Superintendent of Police Gothambu Dajangju.

The event also marked the beginning of a six-week-long celebration, commemorating the completion of 10 years of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) campaign in the country. The district launched its campaign on January 22 last which will culminate on March 8 next.

Addressing the gathering, the DC underscored the importance of women empowerment and stated that the campaign will not gain success without active participation of women. He motivated the women folks to have a deep understanding of the content and purpose of the Act for its effective implementation and

disseminate the same among their fraternity.

Dr Binpi Karlo, Gynaecologist of District Hospital Likabali, spoke at length on various provisions of the Act. CDPO-cum-District Nodal Officer BBBP (Lower Siang), Jikom Doye exhorted the attendees about how dropout rates among girl child can be minimized in the tribal society.

Among others present in the function were the district officers, Panchayat leaders, GBs, members of APWWS district unit. The other highlights of the daylong programme included a mass tree plantation in the town, in collaboration with the Department of Environment & Forests.

Special service camp held

BOMDILA, February 16:

The West Kameng District Administration organized a special service camp at the Govt ME School, Tenga, on Sunday, providing essential documents to the fire-affected people.

During the camp, officials issued 37 Inner Line Permits (ILP), provided 25 birth certificates, and replaced 25 electoral photo identity

cards (EPIC). Additionally, 21 Aadhaar enrollments and updates were facilitated, while 95 individuals received police verification certificates.

This initiative aimed to assist those impacted by the recent fire incident. As many as 47 shops and about a dozen houses were reduced to ashes in a devastating fire accident at the Tenga Market in the early hours

of Saturday, February 16.

As an immediate relief, the district administration has temporarily sheltered the fire affected at the Govt ME School, Tenga.

Meanwhile, in a humanitarian effort, the Large Area Multipurpose Society (LAMPS), Bomdila today distributed rice to support the fire-affected families in Tenga.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS 2024-25



Hon'ble Cabinet approved the Innovative Arunachal Pradesh State Youth Policy 2025 during the Cabinet Aapke Dwar at Nyapin, Kurung Kumey District



Conducted 4th Edition Arunachal Yuva Samanvay at Jirdin,Aalo, West Siang District w.e.f. 28th to 31st Jan' 2025 and opening ceremony was attended by Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister Shri Chowna Mein



Conducted Battle of Minds at D.K. Convention Hall, Itanagar w.e.f. 24th to 26th Jan' 2025, Ld. Chief Secretary was attended the Finale.



Participation of Arunachal Pradesh State Contingent in 28th National Youth Festival Flagged Off by Hon'ble Governor on 7th Jan' 2025



Conducted consultative meeting with Inter-department and CBOs, NGOs & Students Organization of 5 (five) major basin for formulation of Arunachal Pradesh State Youth Policy



Conducted State Level Viksit Bharat PPT Challenge at D.K. Convention Hall, Itanagar w.e.f. 26th to 27th Dec' 2024



Observed Constitution Day by conducting of Padyatra from Akashdeep to I.G. Park Itanagar on 26th Nov' 2024



Conducted 7th Edition National Level MTB Tawang Challenge at Tawang w.e.f. 25th to 26th Nov' 2024



Clinched 3rd Prize in the Tableau Display during the celebration of Independence Day on 15th Aug' 2025 at I.G. Park, Itanagar



Conducted National Exposure Youth Programme with Shillong, Meghalaya at Bomdila & Ziro w.e.f. 30th Sept to 4th Oct' 2024



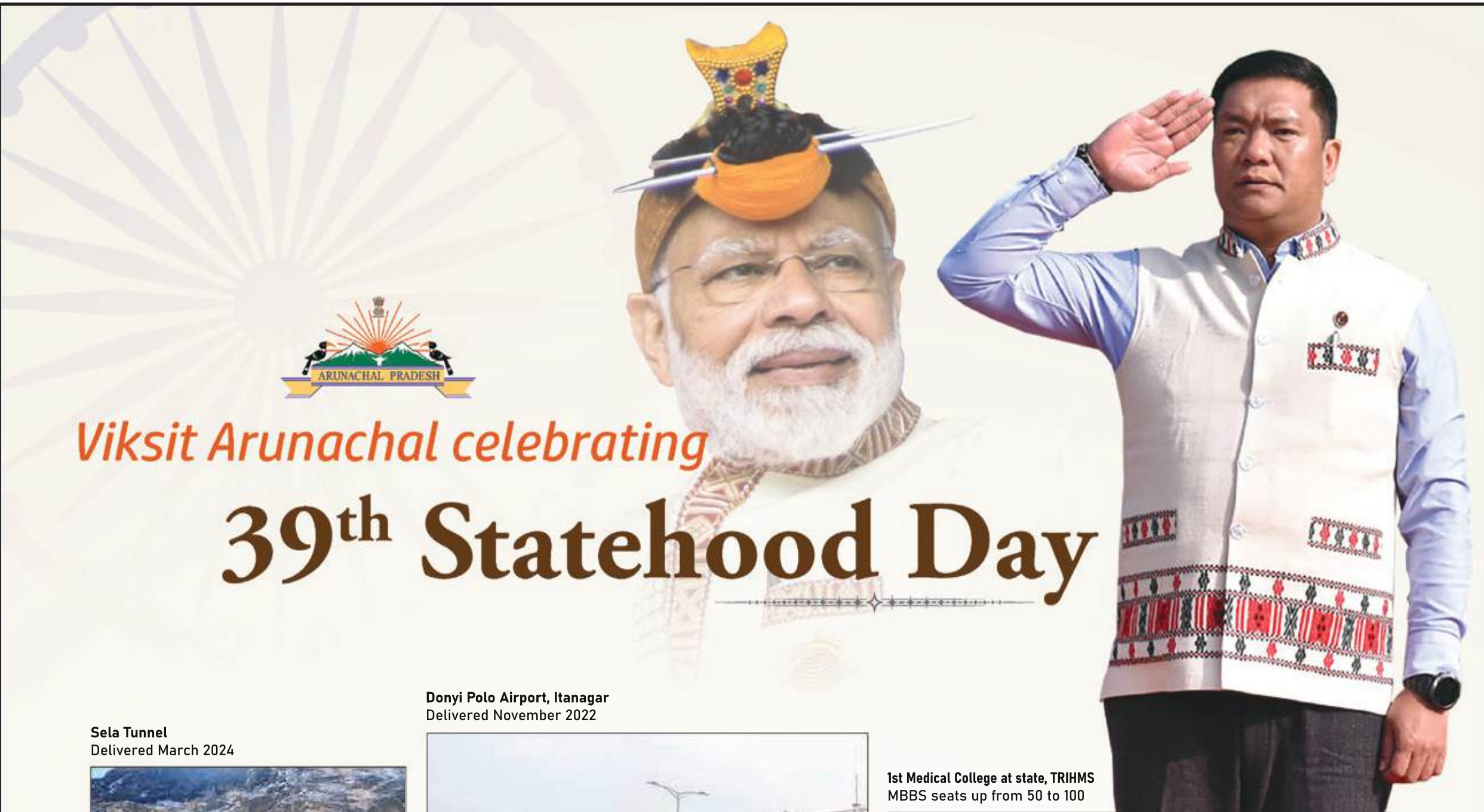
Celebrated 10th International Day of Yoga at SLSA Complex, Itanagar on 21st June 2024, Hon'ble Minister (SYA), Shri Kento Jini has consented the programme.



Conducted 1st Ever 5 (five) days North East Zonal Level Basic Course on Route Settler and Belayers of Sport Climbing at Chimpu, Itanagar w.e.f. 3rd to 7th Aug' 2024



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Viksit Arunachal celebrating
39th Statehood Day

Sela Tunnel
Delivered March 2024



Donyi Polo Airport, Itanagar
Delivered November 2022



1st Medical College at state, TRIHMS
MBBS seats up from 50 to 100



Arunachal Pradesh University
Delivered July 2022



Kameng Hydro Electric Project
Delivered November 2022



Pipsorang, Vijaynagar & Tali
connected by road network for
first time since Independence



Governance reaching at people's doorsteps
- 1st Cabinet Aapke Dwar conducted at Nyapin on 17th February 2025
- Key decisions made for overall development of Arunachal Pradesh



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“Cabinet Aapke Dwar” meeting aims at accelerating the state’s overall development



ITANAGAR, February 17:

In a significant move towards decentralized governance, the Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet, headed by Chief Minister Pema Khandu, convened its first outdoor Cabinet meeting of the current tenure at the Mini Secretariat in Nyapin, Kurung Kumey district on Monday. This marks the fourth such meeting in the state's history, following previous sessions in Seijosa, Pasighat, and Ziro.

Dubbed “Cabinet Aapke Dwar”, this initiative reinforces the Pema 3.0 government's commitment to grassroots governance and inclusive decision-making. The meeting saw a record 38 agenda items approved—the highest in Arunachal Pradesh's history—aimed at accelerating the state's overall development.

The Cabinet approved a groundbreaking bill, “Arunachal Pradesh Arun Parivar Patra Authority Bill, 2025”, to create a family-centric citizen database. This initiative will streamline delivery of public welfare schemes and services, ensuring efficiency and transparency in governance.

Aiming for evidence-based governance and strategic planning, the Cabinet green-lit the establishment of the Institute for Transforming Arunachal (ITA), a state-level think-tank, in the line of NITI Aayog, towards providing research-backed advisory support, policy recommendations, and strategic direction to accelerate socio-economic development.

To be housed within the Department of Finance, Planning & Investment, it will drive economic growth, sustainable development, and policy innovation, aligning Arunachal Pradesh's progress with India Vision@2047.

The Cabinet approved the ‘Arunachal Pradesh Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2025’ to ensuring better tax administration and compliance of the Arunachal Pradesh GST Tax Act, 2017. The Bill is likely to be tabled in the ensuing State Assembly session.

To curb rampant encroachment of government lands, the government revised the Arunachal Pradesh Public

Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Act, 2003. The amendment designates Deputy Commissioners as appellate authorities, streamlining land dispute resolutions.

The Cabinet approved the launch of “Arunachal Pradesh Handloom and Handicrafts Policy-2024,” aimed at revitalizing and modernizing the state's handloom and handicraft sector. The policy envisages a comprehensive digital database for weavers and artisans to streamline resource allocation and provide customized support. Under the policy, recognition of exceptional craftsmanship award has been increased from Rs 75,000 to 1,00,000, while second prize has been increased from Rs 65,000 to 75,000.

Towards boosting the child protection initiatives, Cabinet approved 270 contractual posts for immediate operationalization of Child Helpline Services across the State as per guidelines of Mission Vatsalya Scheme and Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs) of Child.

To enhance emergency response, the Council of Ministers approved the establishment of five new Fire Stations in Raga (Kamle), Yupia (Papumpare), Boleng (Siang), Lemmi (Pakke Kessang) and Tato (Shi-Yomi) alongside the creation of 90 new posts.

The Cabinet approved a new Directorate of Prosecution to expedite legal proceedings, besides giving its nod for creation of 84 new posts for prosecution services. It also okayed creation of 25 posts of scientific assistant and laboratory assistant against five mobile forensic vans.

The Cabinet directed for winding up the isolated engineering wings to ensure financial propriety, quality of execution and monitoring and no-delay in execution of projects. Instead, responsibilities will be assigned to engineering departments for efficient project management.

Mission Olympics: Aiming for Olympic participation, the state will provide athletes with world-class training, expert coaching, and nutritional support. The focus sports include: Badminton, Skateboarding, Taekwondo, Judo,

Weightlifting, and Wushu.

Youth Policy: As the financial year 2024-25 has been declared as the ‘Year of Youth’, the Cabinet approved a comprehensive Youth Policy with nine development goals, including holistic and quality education for youth, promoting healthy lifestyle and well-being of youth, generating sustainable employment avenues, and so on

The Cabinet granted State Calendar Event status to the Late Kalikho Pul Memorial State Table Tennis Championship, and the Late Jambey Tashi Memorial State Level Tug of War Championship.

Revamping the Dulari Kanya Scheme, the government enhanced the fixed deposit amount from existing Rs 20,000 to 30,000 on the institutional birth of girl child (to mature at age of 18 years), and on class XI admission, Rs 20,000 will be given to the beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), totalling Rs 50,000.

The Cabinet was apprised that with 22 out of 26 Treasury Offices onboarded onto the Centralized Treasury NET SYSTEM, the government aims for 100% computerization by May 2025, ensuring transparency and efficiency.

Key announcements for Kurung Kumey include: Administrative Strengthening: New Circle HQ at Panu, re-notification of Parsi-Parlo circle as ADC (Independent) HQ, and upgrade of CO Sarli to EAC HQ.

Infrastructure & Power: Creation of PWD Sub-Division at Nyapin with sanctioned posts for 1 Assistant Engineer (Civil), 1 Upper Division Clerk (UDC), and 1 Lower Division Clerk (LDC), and Electrical Sub-Divisions at Nyapin and Monigaon.

Rural development & roads: Creation of Nyobia CD-Block, new RWD Division at Koloriang, infrastructural development of CHC, Sangram, construction of Ring Road from General Ground to Chera Talo District Hospital, multipurpose sports hall at Laying, Circuit House at Koloriang, and Model Anganwadi center cum geriatric care (old age) centre in the district HQs.

fully conducted today at the Community Hall, Diyun, which brought together key stakeholders and the general public to discuss various developmental initiatives.

Speaking at the event, local MLA Nikh Kamin highlighted the fast paced developments going on in Arunachal Pradesh and Bordumsa-Diyun in particular. Elaborating on the Govt's efforts to reach remote areas, he encouraged citizens to think beyond conventional approaches and take full advantage of the Govt's initiatives. Additionally, he made a strong appeal to the youth to stay away from drug abuse, emphasizing the need for a healthier and more progressive society.

DC Vishal Sah highlighted the various Govt schemes and encouraged people to take full advantage of them. He also spoke about the ongoing developmental activities in the Diyun circle, urging the public to extend their support and cooperation with the administration for effective implementation.

ADC Gurung also emphasized the importance of collaboration and active participation in the district's developmental activities and urged all present to extend full cooperation to district administration in implementing various schemes and welfare programs.

A PowerPoint presentation on various schemes was delivered by the Branch Manager, SBI Diyun.

An open discussion session was also held, providing an opportunity for attendees to clarify doubts and address concerns related to various schemes and guidelines.

Governor inaugurates drug de-addiction facility

ITANAGAR, February 17:

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) inaugurated a counseling hall and isolation room of Charju De-Addiction Center, near Khonsa in Tirap District on 17th February 2025. Care Me Home Welfare Society is running the centre. Care Me Home Welfare Society Chairperson, Smti Sontung Lowang Bangsia and renowned social activist Shri Tai Tagak conducted the Governor around the Centre and briefed about the activities of the NGO.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that helping an individual overcome addiction is no less than an act of God. He commended the efforts of Care Me Home Welfare Society, stating that their work contributes towards ‘Viksit Arunachal’, a healthier, more progressive society.

Expressing deep concern over rising drug addiction among the youth and the threat posed by drug peddlers, the Governor stressed that drug abuse is eroding the fabric of society. He called upon every responsible citizen to take a stand against this growing menace.

The Governor urged Panchayat members, Gaon Burahs, and community elders to play an active role in monitoring, guiding, and mentoring young individuals, ensuring they become responsible and productive members of society. He emphasized that all efforts be made to prevent youth from getting addicted to drugs, by early detection and reformative action.



Addressing young individuals struggling with addiction, the Governor reassured them that they have a future. He encouraged them to believe in themselves, engage in physical activities such as sports, and acquire skills that will help them rebuild their lives. He also assured them of the State Government's full support in their journey to recovery.

As a symbolic gesture of encouragement, the Governor presented a ‘Team Arunachal’ lapel pin to a reformed youth who shared his personal battle with addiction. He urged him to inspire others by sharing his journey and guiding them toward a healthier, drug-free life.

The event also saw active participation from recovering youth

and inmates of the rehabilitation center.

Local MLA Shri Wanglam Sawin and Tirap Deputy Commissioner Shri Techu Aran also spoke on the occasion.

Director General of Police Shri Anand Mohan, Inspector General of Police, TCL, Shri P.N. Khirney, Superintendent of Police Shri Singjatla Singpho, Government officers and officials and Gaon Burahs and Panchayat members were present on the occasion.

Earlier, arriving at Charju Village, the Governor offered prayer at Charju Rangsom Hum, an Indigenous prayer center, along with the local population for the wellbeing of all.

DC reviews road safety measures during District Road Safety Committee meeting



TEZU, February 13:

A meeting of the District Road Safety Committee was held at the District Secretariat here today under the chairmanship of Lohit Deputy Commissioner Kesang Ngurup Damo to review and discuss road safety measures in the district.

The DC stressed the importance of traffic awareness among the public. The PWD Executive Engineer presented the action taken report from the previous meeting, following which the DC assessed the progress of earlier safety measures and suggested further improvements.

During the meeting, it was decided that road signage that does not accurately depict directions or locations should be reviewed and re-installed with correct information. Additionally, regular traffic awareness campaigns will be conducted with the

involvement of local organizations, media, student unions, and students.

It was also decided that any encroachment along the Right of Way (RoW) of the roads must be reported to the district administration at the earliest. The provision of speed breakers, blinkers, and traffic signal lights should be made at strategic locations only after coordination with the Police department to ensure efficiency.

To enhance pedestrian safety, proper sensitization regarding the risks of jogging or walking along the National Highway will be conducted through a public announcement system. Regular jungle clearance along the highway will also continue to improve visibility. Furthermore, vehicles such as tractors without proper rear lighting will be required to paste retro-reflective materials to enhance visibility at night, and old trucks with faulty

lighting will be inspected and directed to rectify the issues.

SP Thutan Jamba provided data on recent road accidents in the district, which showed a decline in fatalities in recent years. He attributed this to strict traffic rule enforcement and public awareness campaigns. However, he urged road agencies to consult the Police Department before installing road accessories, as they have firsthand knowledge of accident-prone areas.

DC K N Damo also gave a PowerPoint presentation on efficient traffic management in Arunachal Pradesh, highlighting key challenges and possible solutions with relevant data and examples. He emphasized the need for proper coordination among all stakeholders and urged that the meeting's resolutions be implemented effectively for the welfare of the public.

Veterinary camp conducted

MOGTO, February 18:

The 38th battalion of the Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) conducted a veterinary camp under its civic action programme, providing essential veterinary services to livestock and pet owners, in Mogto and Serjong villages in Tawang district on Tuesday, February 18.

The camp was organised under the supervision of SSB 2iC Dr

Sudhir Sangma and Jang EAC Dr Honjon Perme.

A total of 34 livestock and pet owners benefited from the camp, where 260 animals, including cattle, goats, dogs, and poultry were treated and vaccinated.

As part of the initiative, livestock owners were also educated on foot and mouth disease (FMD), lumpy skin disease (LSD), rabies,

and tick-borne protozoan diseases. They were encouraged to adopt best practices such as periodic de-worming, routine use of topical flumethrin, and regular vaccinations against FMD, LSD, and rabies.

Awareness was also spread on the importance of regular livestock examinations to prevent common diseases and enhance productivity.

Inter-Departmental Sports Meet conducted

LIKHABALI, February 18:

The 3rd edition of the Inter-Departmental Sports Meet 2025 concluded on Tuesday, February 18 with an exhilarating football match between the Health Department and the General Administration (GA) Department. The grand finale saw an intense battle on the field, culminating in a dramatic penalty shootout.

The Health Department took an early lead with a well-crafted goal, but the GA Department responded with determination, leveling the score at 1-1 by the end of regulation time. The match proceeded to a nerve-wracking penalty shootout, where

the GA Department emerged victorious with a 5-4 scoreline, demonstrating remarkable composure and teamwork.

The event was witnessed by ADC Headquarter Mokar Riba, Ainstein Koyu ADC Nari, various Heads of Departments (HODs), and the enthusiastic public of Likabali. Their presence added to the significance of the occasion, fostering a spirit of unity and sportsmanship among the participants.

The sports meet was inaugurated by ZPM Gensi Dapu Doke in the esteemed presence of Deputy Commissioner Shri Rujum Rakshap

and Superintendent of Police Shri Gothambo Dajangu. Their participation highlighted the importance of such events in promoting community spirit and inter-departmental cooperation.

The organizing committee congratulates the General Administration Department for their hard-earned victory and commends the Health Department for their competitive spirit and performance.

The successful conclusion of this sports meet underscores the importance of inter-departmental camaraderie and the role of sports in promoting cooperation and team spirit.