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The three New Criminal Laws - Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam, 2023, came into force today. The Parliament passed these Bills during the winter session last year. The new criminal laws mark a significant step towards empowering Indian citizens. These laws aim to create accessible, supportive, and efficient justice system for everyone. The key provisions of the new criminal laws include Reporting Incidents Online, Filing an FIR at Any Police Station as well as the victims getting a free copy of the FIR.

Apart from this, in the event of an arrest, the individual has the right to inform a person of his choice about their situation. The new laws have also prioritized the investigations for offenses against women and children, ensuring timely completion within two months of recording information. In the new criminal laws, it has become mandatory for forensic experts to visit crime scenes for serious offenses and collect evidence. Summons can now be served electronically, expediting legal processes, reducing paperwork, and ensuring efficient communication between all parties involved.

In Arunachal Pradesh, incessant heavy rainfall continues to wreak havoc across the state. India Meteorological Department has issued a red alert for 9 districts namely Papum Pare, Kurung Kumey, East Kameng, Leparada, East Siang, Lower Dibang Valley, Namsai, Lohit, and Changlang. The rest of the districts are either in the orange or yellow zone. The Pare Hydro project near Sagalee has released a record of 1334 Cubic Meters of water today, which is the highest since 2014 and likely increase again. The downstream dwellers are advised to be vigilant and avoid the river banks for the next few days.

In the Capital City Itanagar, the district administration has directed to close all the schools for the next five days from tomorrow due to non-stop heavy rain. Meanwhile, road blockades due to landslides were reported from multiple locations along the Pasighat-Pagin-Aalo road. The public is advised to avoid the route during heavy rains and night hours. Meanwhile, the restoration work is underway.

The Assam Rifles has launched 'Operation Saviour' to rescue stranded civilians and provide relief to the flood-devastated villages in Namsai and Changlang districts. Almost 500 civilians were rescued from Vijoypur, Dharampur, Mudoj, Shrishtipur, Hanthi Mara Beel and Chowkham. Further, the troops have also set up temporary camps and shelters for the flood victims and are coordinating closely with the civil administration to provide emergency rations, food, and medicines.

India and Pakistan today exchanged the lists of civilian prisoners and fishermen in each other's custody through diplomatic channels in New Delhi and Islamabad. External Affairs Ministry said India has shared the names of 366 civilian prisoners and 86 fishermen in its custody, who are Pakistani or are believed-to-be-Pakistani. Pakistan has shared the names of 43 civilian prisoners and 211 fishermen in its custody, who are Indian or are believed-to-be-Indian. Such lists are exchanged every year on 1st January and on 1st July under the provisions of the bilateral Agreement on Consular Access 2008.

Itanagar Capital Police today organized an awareness cum launching programme on the implementation of the New Criminal Laws at Itanagar Police Station. Deputy Commissioner Itanagar Capital Region Shweta Nagarkoti Mehta was also present during the programme. Speaking to the media, SP Capital (In-Charge) Angad Mehta said that with the implementation of the three new laws, the conviction rate will increase and in the context of Arunachal Pradesh, it will rise in double digits. He said it also marks a big change as various measures have been taken to help the citizens in terms of transparency, victim compensation, witness protection, and others with the focus on delivering justice to the victim. He also expressed confidence that the Itanagar police and the whole organization of Arunachal Pradesh Police will be forefront of this. Furthermore, he also informed about three processes of FIR registrations, online FIR, Zero FIR, and normal FIR. He also explained urban bias and how the new laws empowered the role of police. Similarly, the East Siang District Police also organized a special program at the Reserve Police Line (RPL), Pasighat to sensitize about the reformative new laws for citizens, police personnel, and all stakeholders.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) today declared the revised result of 1563 candidates and the rank of all Candidates of the NEET (UG) exam after the Re-Test.

The NTA said in a release that the revised Score Cards of all Candidates are available on its website. It added that 813 Candidates appeared for the re-test.

A workshop on preservation of Priesthood Culture Cum Conference was jointly organised by State Indigenous Affairs along with District Administration Namsai today at Town Club Namsai. On the occasion, Director of Indigenous Affairs Sokep Kri spoke about the preservation and promotion of the age-old spiritual way of priesthood. Meanwhile, priests from various communities have also attended the programme.