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Chief Minister Pema Khandu said that efforts are being made to connect all the 2018 Gram Panchayats of the state with 4G Internet Connectivity under Project Bharat-Net Phase-3 conducted by BSNL. In a social Media Post Khandu said that this project will include the remote border areas of the state. He also said that BSNL has initiated the tender process for the selection of implementing partner. He also added that to implement the idea of last mile development team Arunachal has done a remarkable job and people of the state are availing the benefits of Direct Benefit Transfer, a program by the Government of India to transfer benefits directly into the bank accounts of the beneficiaries due to the better digital connectivity.

A drone attack was reported at the residence of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu today morning. The attack was carried out by Hezbollah, who launched a drone towards Netanyahu's residence located in the Caesarea area. Israeli Prime Minister's spokesman said that the premier was not in the vicinity and there were no casualties. The Israeli military confirmed that a drone had struck the central town where Israeli Prime Minister resides, and two additional drones were intercepted before they could reach their targets. Meanwhile in a statement online, the Iranian military confirmed Hezbollah's involvement in the attack, stating that Lebanese brothers targeted Netanyahu's residence in a drone attack. They also shared visuals from the area surrounding Netanyahu's home.

An Indian Air Force havildar and his 14-year-old son were swept away by strong water currents in the Kameng river in West Kameng district, defence sources said on Friday. Both of them are yet to be rescued, the sources added. Havildar Bapi Ghosh, posted at the IAF camp in Salonibari here, had gone to Bhalukpung with his wife and son for an outing on Thursday evening. His son reportedly slipped and fell into the river. As he was swept away, Ghosh also jumped into it to save his son, and both of them were carried away by the strong water currents, sources said.

Education Minister PD Sona, who is on a follow-up programme of 'Chintan Shivir-cum-education conclave' visited Yingkiong in Upper Siang district and called for collective efforts from PRI leaders, NGOs and CBOs to implement intervillage schools in the State. Attending a Post-Chintan Shivir meet at Yingkiong Sona assures to strengthen vocational pattern of teaching in Arunachal Panyang and other government officials, Sona on Friday said his visit to Upper Siang district is to understand the ground reality of existing government-run schools so that proper clubbing of schools can be carried out on priority basis across the State. "For the bright future of the students, we need to take it to a logical conclusion," said Sona.

The Arunachal Karate-Do Association (AKA), led by its president-cum-MLA Likha Soni and chairman Shihan Likha Tara, on Friday felicitated its media consultant and senior journalist of the state, Pradeep Kumar Behera before his departure to his native state Odisha. Terming Behera a path-breaker in the state's media, Soni said that his valuable services will go down the annals of history for the next generations to recall in the future. Mr. Behera is also associated with All India Radio and Doordarshan Kendra Itanagar.

The Arunachal Pradesh Literary Society and St Claret College hosted its first-ever Spelling Bee competition at St Claret College, Ziro on Friday. The objectives of the competition included cultivating effective spelling habits, developing communication skills and student connections encouraging through extracurricular involvement. In the final round, Rawt Awng Tingwa, a first-semester student in the political science department, secured first place. Punyo Biida from the English department at SCCZ and Mihin Nipa from the economics department claimed the second and third place, respectively. The competition featured Dr Sonisha R Syiem as the master speller, with judges Gyati Ampi and Ranadip Dutta overseeing the proceedings.

Tobacco use is one of the major causes of preventable deaths and diseases in India and accounts for nearly 1.35 million deaths every year in the country. As part of the National Tobacco Control Programme, District Tobacco Control Cell of West Siang District conducted tobacco raids around the educational campuses of Aalo Town to check for ToFEI compliance. Challan was issued to

shopkeepers for selling tobacco products near schools and Tobacco Product worth more than 30000 was seized and burnt on Friday at Aalo.

Rupa Bayor of Arunachal Pradesh won the Silver medal at the Kasad 6th Asian Taekwondo Open Championships which was held on 15 to17th October 2024 in Tangerang, Indonesia. Chief Minister Pema Khandu congratulating Rupa said that her achievement has made Arunachal Pradesh and the entire nation proud. Khandu wishes her all the best for her future career and keeps shining and inspiring young athletes with her dedication and talent in a social media post.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar