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The Public Service Broadcasting day was observed in India today. The day is celebrated to honour 'Father of the Nation' Mahatma Gandhi's only visit to All India Radio, to address the displaced people temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition, on 12<sup>th</sup> November 1947 in New Delhi. The day was officially declared as Public Service Broadcasting Day in 2001.

Union Minister of Panchayati Raj & Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying Ranjan Rajiv Singh is on his maiden visit to Lower Subansiri and Keyi Panyor districts today. In his address, the Union Minister emphasized on the importance of progress in Northeast and said, without taking northeast along, India's vision of Vikshit Bharat cannot be possible. He assured that any support needed from the Centre, shall be extended to the state without any lapses. The union minister also visited the recreational fisheries project under PMMSY by Tage Richo of Pare Ami village in Lower Subansiri district. Later, he also visited model fish farm of Likha Kamin at Yachuli in Keyi Panyor district.

State Chief Secretary Manish Kumar Gupta today chaired a meeting to review Land Acquisition cases and other issues related to the Frontier Highway roads and other important roads in the state. During the meeting, the Chief Secretary stated, the 1859 kms Frontier Highway road from Nafra in West Kameng district to Vijaynagar in Changlang district covering 11 districts, as the strategic road of national importance, is being monitored by the Centre. Regarding it, the Chief Secretary directed all the DCs to stick to the timelines to complete the acquisition process and also personally supervise framing of Draft Award. The chief secretary further directed the requiring agencies to extend support in the districts for expediting Land Acquisition process.

The 6<sup>th</sup> edition of *Arunachal Literature Festival (ALF) 2024* begins tomorrow at the *DK Convention Centre* in Itanagar. The three day festival is hosted by the Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR). This year's theme, '*A New Dawn of Literature*' celebrates the transformative power of storytelling, bringing together readers and creative writers. The festival is also conducting workshops for aspiring writers and fun activities for children, in partnership with *Tinkle Magazine*.

The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting along with the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) and the Entertainment Society of Goa (ESG) is set to host the 55<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa from 20<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of this month. The curtain raiser press conference of the festival was held yesterday in New Delhi. On the occasion, Union Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting Dr L Murugan said, this year's edition has seen an overwhelming response for international film submissions, reflecting the festival's expanding reach and impact.

Commemorating the 62nd Walong day, the Indian Army's motorcycle expedition team completed the three-day journey covering 5 hundred 50 kilometers yesterday. The expedition was flagged-in at the Walong War Memorial, where riders paid tribute to the martyrs of 1962 Battle of Walong. Earlier, about 20 riders from the Indian Army and local adventure enthusiasts began their journey from Dibang Valley on 9<sup>th</sup> of this month crossing Roing, Tezu and Hayuliang.

A meeting to observe the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Anhiyan (DAJGUA) was chaired by Papum Pare DC Jiken Bomjen yesterday at the DC Conference Hall in Yupia. During the meeting, the DC briefed all the HoDs about the activities to be undertaken and directed them to submit the list of the beneficiaries of the specified interventions. He further called for cooperation to successfully conduct the program. Meanwhile, to commemorate tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda's birth anniversary on 15th of this month, stalls will be set up by all the departments implementing welfare schemes at Yupia headquarters for public utility.

The Tawang Police today conducted a District-level Narcotics Coordination Committee (NCORD) meeting at the conference hall of the DC's office in Tawang. In the meeting, In-charge DC Sang Khandu called for the need to heightened awareness and proactive measures to prevent any escalation of drug abuse in the district. He urged the intelligence agencies and Bazaar Committees on strengthening inter-agency coordination to combat narcotics-related activities in Tawang.

The Indian Army yesterday hosted a Grazers' Mela under the 'Vibrant Village Zemithang' at Nelya village in Zemithang in Tawang district. The Mela was aimed to revive and support the centuries-old

practice of cattle grazing of the local community. About 150 grazers have participated in it. Meanwhile, a free medical camp for villagers was organized by the Gajraj Corps and the Indian Army. Further, essential supplies were also distributed to the villagers.