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External Affairs Ministry today said India and China have reaffirmed their commitment to explore a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable framework for the settlement of the boundary question in accordance with the political parameters and guiding principles agreed in 2005. Briefing media in New Delhi this afternoon, Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said, Special Representatives of India and China met on the 18th of this month. He said, apart from discussing the framework for settlement of the boundary question, the Special Representatives also reviewed issues of peaceful border management comprehensively.

The Lok Sabha has registered over 54 percent productivity while the Rajya Sabha registered 40 percent during the Winter Session of Parliament. Briefing media after the conclusion of the session in New Delhi today, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju said the productivity of the two Houses was low and everyone should think about it. Mr Rijiju said, the session provided 20 sittings of Lok Sabha and 19 sittings of Rajya Sabha.

Union Minister of New and Renewable Energy Prahlad Joshi today said, Six lakh 30 thousand installations were made in India under PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana (PM SGMBY). He was chairing a meeting in Kolkata with the representatives of West Bengal, Bihar, Odisha, Jharkhand and Northeastern states to review the implementation of this scheme. The minister said some states are lagging in implementing the scheme, including West Bengal. He said the Surya Ghar Yojana is an important government scheme and is a durable program. He said electricity is cheaper under this scheme. He urges all stakeholders to do the necessary things for the implementation of the Yojana.

The 72<sup>nd</sup> Plenary of the North Eastern Council (NEC) has started today at Agartala in Tripura. The main plenary will begin from tomorrow and will be presided over by Union Home Minister and NEC Chairman Amit Shah, DoNER Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia and Minister of State Dr. Sukanta Majumdar. The session will hold strategic discussions with two NEC members, the Governors, Chief Ministers, Chief Secretaries and Planning Secretaries of the eight north-eastern states and high-ranking officials. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Pema Khandu and State

Governor retired Lieutenant General KT Parnaik have reached Agartala today to participate in the plenary meeting.

State Governor retired Lieutenant General KT Parnaik today addressed the inaugural session of the two-day annual Conference of Superintendents of Police and Commandants of Arunachal Pradesh Police (APP) at Dorjee Khandu Convention Centre in Itanagar. He emphasized on ensuring discipline, law and order, smart policing and countering the drug menace, while touching on new criminal laws and the welfare of police personnel.

The 8<sup>th</sup> edition of 'Pariksha Pe Charcha' will be held next month. The registration has already started and will remain open till 14<sup>th</sup> January next year on MyGov Portal. During the registration process, the students can submit questions of their choice that they would like to ask Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Meanwhile, in a statement, Ministry of Education said, a quiz competition in Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) format has been developed for the students of classes 6 to 12, teachers and parents.

All Nyishi Youth Association (ANYA) conducted three day social awareness cum education tour at Maro and Baririjo circle under Dumporijo in Upper Subansiri district from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> of this month. The ANYA team visited various schools and interacted with the school authorities and the students. President ANYA Jamru Ruja apprised on the need for improvement of school infrastructure and to club schools for its better functioning. He further appealed local MLA Rode Bui and the public to support in implementing better education policy for quality education in these circles. Furthermore, he urged the parents and the students to opt and avail the education from government schools also.

The Indian Army organized an excursion for 17 students and 3 teachers from the Mahabodhi Society School, Teli, Tawang at the Holy Waterfalls Chumi Gyatse near the Indo-Tibet border today. To deepen their understanding, the students were briefed about the historical and cultural importance of the site for the local community. Further, to foster a sense of patriotism and gratitude among the students, an interactive session with the border army was also held. Meanwhile, the Mahabodhi Society School has expressed gratitude to the Indian army for the excursion.