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Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple development projects worth over 12,200 crore rupees in Delhi today. The key focus of projects is to enhance regional connectivity and ensure ease of travel. The Prime Minister also undertook a ride in Namo Bharat Train from Sahibabad RRTS Station to New Ashok Nagar RRTS Station. Speaking on the occasion, Mr Modi said, Delhi-National Capital Region has received a significant gift from the Government of India and added that India's urban mobility has expanded further. The Prime Minister emphasized that once the Namo Bharat project is completed, there will be a significant change in traffic on the Delhi-Meerut route. He highlighted that India's metro network has now reached one thousand kilometres and lauded it as a remarkable achievement.

Science and Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh today announced that Council of Scientific and Industrial Research have developed an indigenous technology to produce Paracetamol, a widely used pain reliever and fever reducer drug. Addressing the Foundation Day of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in New Delhi, he said that this innovation aims to make India self-reliant in paracetamol manufacturing and reducing dependence on imported ingredients to make this drug.

The Ministry has invited comments on the Digital Personal Data Protection draft rules from the public and stakeholders till the 18th of February next through the MyGov platform, in line with the Government's commitment to adopt an inclusive approach to law-making. The draft Digital Personal Data Protection Rules issued by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology aims at safeguarding citizens' rights for the protection of their personal data. The ministry, in a statement, said that these rules seek to operationalise the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 (DPDP Act), in line with India's commitment to create a robust framework for protecting digital personal data.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General (Retd.) K.T. Parnaik has conveyed his good wishes to the people of the State on the auspicious occasion of Si Donyi. He expressed his hope that the celebration continues to strengthen our State's splendid cultural heritage and traditions. The Governor said that the Si-Donyi festival of the Tagin Tribe is a vibrant cultural and religious celebration

deeply embedded in the community's way of life. May this year's Si-Donyi celebration bring peace, prosperity, and happiness to the entire State, the Governor wished in his message.

Minister for Agriculture and Horticulture, Gabriel D. Wangsu said that allocating funds under Centrally Sponsored Schemes based solely on population metrics is detrimental to Arunachal Pradesh. Instead, he called for a framework that considers the state's vast land resources and the socio-economic conditions of its farmers. The minister said this in a significant discussion on agricultural reforms chaired by Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Shivraj Singh Chauhan via video conferencing in New Delhi yesterday. The minister presented a comprehensive case for the state's unique agricultural needs and spoke on the distinctive challenges and opportunities of Arunachal Pradesh, proposing reforms to promote sustainable agricultural development in the region.

A massive clean-up drive was conducted yesterday at the Yagamso River in C-2 sector, Itanagar, resulting in the removal of 12.96 tonnes of garbage. The event, organized by the Youth Mission for Clean River in collaboration with the Capital Police under its "Police Ajin" initiative, witnessed enthusiastic participation from the local community, including members of the Colony Welfare Committee, Ward 10 IMC Corporator, Ward Members, and a large contingent of women police personnel. SP, Rohit Rajbir Singh, who actively participated in the cleanup, stated that this initiative aimed to celebrate the New Year by demonstrating the Capital Police's commitment to serving the community in all capacities.

Operation Dawn 2024 has emerged as a beacon of hope for the residents of ICR Naharlagun, significantly reducing crime and curbing the menace of drug abuse in the region. Led by SP Naharlagun, Mihin Gambo, the operation has achieved unprecedented success in combating narcotics-related offenses and ensuring public safety. In a press statement, SP Naharlagun informed that, the year 2024 saw a dramatic rise in cases detected under the NDPS Act, with 41 cases registered compared to just 18 in 2023. A significant 43% reduction in theft and burglary cases was another highlight of the operation. In 2024, only 152 cases were reported compared to 263 in 2023. This decline is attributed to the operation's focus on addressing drug-related offenses, as many thefts were committed by individuals struggling with addiction, the SP added.