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President Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Sports Awards 2024 at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi today. World Chess Champion D. Gukesh, double medalist at the Paris Olympics Manu Bhaker, Men's Hockey Team Captain Harmanpreet Singh, and gold medalist at the Paris Paralympics Praveen Kumar were honoured with the prestigious Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award. The award is given for the spectacular and most outstanding performance in the field of sports by a sportsperson over the past four years. Para-shooting coach Subhash Rana, Shooting coach Deepali Deshpande, Hockey coach Sandeep Sangwan, Badminton coach S Muralidharan and Football coach Armando Agnelo Colaco were presented with the Dronacharya Award. The Arjuna Award was given to 32 Sportspersons.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today highlighted the country's potential as an investment destination in the mobility sector while emphasizing on government support, green technology, and the 'Make in India' initiative. Mr Modi was speaking after inaugurating six-day Bharat Mobility Global Expo 2025 at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi. The Prime Minister asserted India's automobile sector is unprecedented transformation, driven witnessing an by aspirations of the people of the country. The Prime Minister pointed out that India is focusing on the development of Green Technology, Electric Vehicle, Hydrogen Fuel and Biofuels. He emphasized that the country stands as an outstanding destination for every investor looking to shape their future in the mobility sector. Highlighting the expansion of the Bharat Mobility Global Expo this year, Mr Modi noted that more than 800 exhibitors participated and over 1.5 lakh people visited the expo last year. The Prime Minister also reviewed the pavilions showcasing innovations and advancements in the automotive and mobility sector at the expo. The theme of Bharat Mobility Global Expo is Beyond Boundaries: Co-creating Future Automotive Value Chain.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today inaugurated the APEDP 4.0 (Arunachal Pradesh Entrepreneurship Development Program) aligning with the National Startup Day. Khandu in a social media post, showed optimism that the program will promote innovators to

boost startups. The APEDP 4.0 aims to build a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem that will further drive socioeconomic growth, Khandu added. The Arunachal Pradesh Entrepreneurship Development Programme was first launched in August 2020. The objective of the programme is to sensitize about startups and give the budding entrepreneurs of the State an avenue to realize their dreams and 'become job givers instead of job seekers'.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein has urged the Deputy Commissioners to focus on effective implementation of government schemes, particularly in agriculture, tourism, and youth and women empowerment. Mein said this while addressing the DCs and senior officials during the inaugural session of the DCs' conference, themed 'Sashakt Arunachal', convened under the leadership of Chief Minister Pema Khandu. The Dy CM highlighted the importance of leveraging Arunachal's hydropower potential and raising awareness among local communities about the inclusive benefits of such projects. Mein also emphasised the government's ambitious plans for youth empowerment under the 'Year of the Youth' initiative, and the targeted goal of financially empowering 21,000 women as lakhpati didis through self-help groups. He reiterated the need for active collaboration between district and state authorities to fulfil the aspirations of Arunachal's citizens and achieve the vision of a developed Arunachal. The conference served as a platform for senior officers and DCs to discuss governance challenges, share best practices, and chart a roadmap for achieving the vision of an empowered and developed Arunachal Pradesh.

In view of the excessive noise and disturbance of public peace, the police department has prohibited the selling, installing, or using modified bike silencers with immediate effect in the ICR Naharlagun region, under violation of the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988, and other relevant laws. In the meantime, the police department has cautioned that, any individual, shop, or establishment found violating this order will face strict legal action under the provisions of the law. The notice has been issued in the public interest to maintain peace, reduce noise pollution, and ensure the safety and well-being of the residents of ICR.

In response to a criticism made on social media, the State Police have reiterated its stand over the arrest of UTA associate. In a press statement, the Director General of Police revealed that the accused was in direct contact with senior members of UTA and Naga Insurgent groups and acted as a link between the group and vulnerable youth in Arunachal Pradesh. The accused was the main recruiter and recruited young individuals and facilitating their transportation to camps associated with banned organizations, said a press statement. In the meantime, the State Police have appealed to parents and guardians to remain vigilant and guide their children away from such harmful influences.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar