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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today emphasised the transformative power of artificial intelligence while underscoring the need for ethical governance and inclusive development. Modi was speaking at the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Action Summit at the Grand Palais in Paris. He was co-chairing the summit with French President Emmanuel Macron. Expressing gratitude to President Macron for hosting the summit and inviting him as co-chair, Prime Minister Modi highlighted AI's far-reaching impact on the economy, security, and society. He stressed that AI is developing at an unprecedented pace and that a collective global effort is needed to ensure responsible AI governance. He added that AI can help transform millions of lives by improving health, education, agriculture, and so much more.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said that mental health and well-being is among the most common topics that exam warriors want to discuss. In a social media post, Modi said that this year's Pariksha Pe Charcha has an episode specially dedicated to this topic. The Prime Minister announced that the episode will be played tomorrow, and actress Deepika Padukone, who is very passionate about the subject, will be talking about it.

In a significant step towards transforming the education landscape of Arunachal Pradesh, State's Education Department signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Adhyayan Quality Education Foundation for holistic development of the school ecosystem, with a special focus on strengthening school complexes. Commenting on this, Commissioner Education Amjad Tak said, "This MoU marks an important milestone in our efforts to uplift the quality of education in Arunachal Pradesh. Strengthening school complexes will allow for shared resources, peer learning, and better teacher support, ultimately benefiting students across the state." This partnership aims to enhance the quality of education by improving teacher pedagogy, fostering community engagement, strengthening leadership and governance, and activating school complexes as vibrant learning hubs.

Akashvani Itanagar Cluster has been awarded the prestigious title of the '1st Best Managed Cluster Office' in the North East Zone of Prasar Bharati by the Office of the Additional Director General (NEZ), Guwahati. There are 17 clusters of Akashvani and

Doordarshan Kendras under Prasar Bharati in the North-East Zone. This recognition to Akashvani Itanagar is given for the station's exceptional management and outstanding service to the department. N Ramanjanappa, Cluster Head, Akashvani Itanagar, said that the award reflects Akashvani Itanagar's commitment to operational excellence and its significant contributions to public broadcasting in the region. The recognition will further motivate the team in enhancing the quality and outreach of its services.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein hailed the ongoing efforts of Assam Rifles in combating drug menace and empowering the youth of Arunachal Pradesh. He also mentioned that the paramilitary force plays a key role in the State's progress, besides maintaining peace in the North East. Mein noted this while flagging off the National Integration Tour, a 13-day initiative designed to strengthen national unity and promote cultural exchange among youth, on Monday. The tour organized by 11 Assam Rifles will take 30 talented girl students from the Arunachal University of Studies, Namsai, on a journey to six significant locations across the country. The students will explore historical, cultural, and technological landmarks in Jorhat, Guwahati, Shillong, Kolkata, Dimapur, and Kohima.

Agriculture Minister Gabriel D Wangsu emphasized that three vital ingredients - breed, seed and feed - play a key role in development of farm sectors. The Minister stated this while conducting an extensive daylong tour of agriculture and allied sectors' facilities in Namsai district on Monday. Wangsu carried out a detailed inspection of various facilities including the Namsai Dairy, Horti Nursery at Kherem and Farmer Training Centre. His itinerary also included visits to private pig farms in Emphum village, local fisheries farms and the ongoing bio-fertilizer unit construction at Nanam Khamti village. He called for the need for collaborative efforts to address current challenges highlighted by the officers during the tour, particularly in the areas of fodder, feeds and seeds.

A team from the Dirang-based National Institute of Mountaineering and Adventure Sports (NIMAS), led by its Director Col Ranveer Singh Jamwal, achieved a groundbreaking feat of adventure and endurance by successfully completing the first-ever Brahmaputra River Rafting Expedition, covering the entire 1040-km stretch of the mighty Brahmaputra in 28 days from Arunachal Pradesh to Assam. The expedition began on January 14 at Gelling village in Arunachal, where the river enters India from Tibet, and

concluded on February 10 at Hatsingimari, Assam, near the Bangladesh border.

A tragic road traffic accident on NH-415 near Soge Resort, Hollongi Road, claimed the lives of two individuals on Monday evening. The accident involved an 18-wheeler trailer truck owned by M/S Ganpati Drilling, which was transporting heavy drilling equipment. The incident occurred around 7 pm when the truck lost control on a sharp turn and collided with a roadside hilly mountain. The impact caused the heavy cargo to lurch forward, crushing the truck cabin and tragically trapping the occupants inside, leaving them with no chance of survival. Both victims – driver and helper – were trapped inside the wreckage and died on the spot, Itanagar SP Rohit Rajbir Singh said.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast heavy rainfall or snowfall at isolated places in Arunachal Pradesh today. The weather department also said that parts of Assam and Meghalaya can experience thunderstorms accompanied and lightning till tomorrow. Dense fog conditions will likely prevail today over the Gangetic West Bengal region.