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Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) launched the 'Rise & Shine' calendar 2025 at Dorjee Khandu Convention Centre, Itanagar yesterday. The calendar highlights the unparalleled beauty, cultural heritage and tourism potential of Arunachal Pradesh reinforcing the State Government's commitment to positioning the State as a premier tourism destination. The Governor said that the event will contribute in promoting Arunachal Pradesh as a world-class tourism destination. He reposed his faith that the tourism and travel initiative would go a long way in reflecting the true cultural diversity of Arunachal Pradesh and harnessing the tourism potential of the State. The Governor stressed that Arunachal Pradesh has all the ingredients to become a world-class tourist destination. In the meantime, the Governor has commended the Tourism Minister PD Sona, officers and officials of the State Tourism Department and Miss India Organization, Times Group for the joint venture. He said that through the collaboration with Times Group and Miss India Organization, the State will showcase the wonders of the State to the World. The event was organized by the State Department of Tourism in collaboration with Miss India Organization, Times Group. A specially curated audio-visual presentation of the State's tourism attractions was premiered, offering an immersive glimpse into the cultural and natural wealth of Arunachal Pradesh.

Chief Secretary Manish Kumar Gupta inspected the various projects implemented by the Govt. Departments and the Smart City Mission at Pasighat today. Under the Smart City Mission, the CS visited the Integrated Command and Control Centre, Pasighat, Market Up-gradation project, Recreation Centre at Gumin Nagar, Siang river front site, Solid Waste Management Plant and Smart Guest House taken up under Pasighat Smart City Development Corporation Ltd. While appreciating the works done under Smart City Mission, the Chief Secretary advised the Chairman cum DC and CEO to run the projects on self sustainable and revenue generating mode, for which he asked to start the necessary procedure at the earliest. Later in the day, the CS visited the Pasighat Sub-Jail to inspect the facilities and measures in place for inmates, the Oil Palm Plantation and Water Amusement Park funded under Deendaval Swavalamban Yojana during 2023-24. The Chief Secretary who is on a one day visit to East Siang was accompanied by Chairman APSSB, Padmini Singla, Commissioner Health & Family Welfare, GoAP, Pawan Kumar Sain and other dignitaries.

Health Minister Biuram Waghe has welcomed announcement of increasing ten thousand additional seats medical colleges across the country and opening day care cancer centers in all district hospitals in the Union Budget for the financial year 2025-26. Speaking to Doordarshan News, the Health Minister said that setting up day care cancer centers in district hospitals will help in better care of cancer patients in the state. The Minister informed that a cancer hospital will be opening in Yupia shortly. The MoU and tender process for the hospital has been completed, added Waghe. He additionally informed that a MoU has been signed with B. Borooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati to conduct research on the alarming rise of cancer cases in Arunachal Pradesh. The Minister further said that adding ten thousand additional seats in medical colleges will increase opportunities for medical education for the youth.

team of dedicated forest member and conservation volunteers from Arunachal Pradesh were invited to witness the prestigious 76th Republic Day celebrations at the national Capital. The volunteers from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's Forest and Environment Department represented the state as special quests at the 76th Republic Day celebrations held at Kartavya Path, New Delhi on 26th January last. During their visit, the team had an interaction programme with the Minister, E, F & CC, Govt. of India, Bhupender Yadav. Their selection is a part of a distinguished group of 35 representatives from the Northeast highlighting their vital role in fostering environmental sustainability under the vision of Swarnim Bharat (Golden India).

As a part of observation of world wetland day celebration, the Indian army organized a drawing/ painting competition amongst the children at Daporijo on Friday. Speaking on the occasion, Army authority informed that, the motive behind organizing the program is to educate the students and their responsibilities towards the protection of nature and environment. Students from various schools participated in the competition.