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President Droupadi Murmu today stressed that there should be more women in the workforce as India is heading towards becoming the third biggest economy in the world. Addressing a day-long conference on the theme 'Nari Shakti Se Viksit Bharat' in New Delhi today to mark the International Women's Day, the President emphasized that the daughters of the nation are playing a crucial role in realizing the vision of a developed India. She highlighted the importance of society creating a supportive environment to help them progress and fulfill their potential. She described the provision of reservations for women in the Lok Sabha and State Assemblies through the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam as a historic step towards political empowerment.

President Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have extended greetings to the people on the occasion of International Women's Day. In her message, the President said, International Women's Day is an occasion to honour the achievements of women power and their unique contribution to the country and society. Murmu urged countrymen to pledge support to women in their journey and ensure that no one is left behind. In his message, Prime Minister Modi bowed to the women of the country. In a social media post, Modi said, government has always worked for empowering women through various schemes and programs.

The three-day Inter Tribe Festival 2025, organized by All Arunachal Pradesh Students Union (AAPSU) under the theme 'Threads of Unity, Embracing Diversity,' began at Indira Gandhi Park, Itanagar today. While attending the inaugural event, Chief Minister Pema Khandu appreciated AAPSU for organizing the festival, bringing together diverse tribes, fostering cultural interaction and strengthening the spirit of oneness and harmony. In a social media post, Khandu said Events like these not only celebrate our rich heritage but also create deeper bonds of understanding among our youth, who are the torchbearers of unity in our state. Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein, MLA Ninong Ering, NESO Chief Advisor Samujjal Bhattacharya, student leaders from the Northeast, and other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

Arunachal Pradesh Assembly on Friday engaged in a comprehensive discussion on the Report on the Roadmap of the Education Scenario of the State, a day after Education Minister Pasang Dorjee Sona tabled the report in the House. The roadmap was developed following a three-day Chintan Shivir cum Education Conclave held in August 2024, along with subsequent follow-up meetings conducted by the Minister with various stakeholders across all districts. Despite continuous efforts to improve education in Arunachal Pradesh, challenges persist in infrastructure, human resource distribution, capacity building, and learning outcomes. To address these issues, the government has outlined a three-year strategic roadmap under the 'Mission Shikshit Arunachal 2029' initiative.

Arunachal Assembly on Friday passed two important bills aimed at improving land management and mitigating flood risks in the state. The Arunachal Pradesh Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) (Amendment) Bill, 2025, introduced by Land Management Minister Balo Raja on Thursday, was passed by voice vote. The bill seeks to amend the existing AP Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Act, 2003, to streamline land dispute resolutions. The Assembly also approved the Arunachal Pradesh Flood Plain Zoning Bill, 2025. Introduced by Water Resources Minister Biyuram Wahge, the bill provides for the zoning of flood plains along rivers across the state, restricting human activities in flood-prone areas.

India's highest bi-lane tunnel, the Sela Tunnel, situated at an altitude of 13,000 feet, marks its first anniversary since its inauguration by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on March 9, 2024. The tunnel has significantly enhanced connectivity to the Tawang region of Arunachal Pradesh, facilitating seamless movement of tourists, locals, and military convoys throughout the year. To commemorate the occasion, Union Minister Kiren Rijiju visited the tunnel and extended his heartfelt compliments to the entire team behind this engineering marvel.

Nagaland Governor La Ganesan, who was on a three-day visit to Arunachal Pradesh, has observed that borders should serve as bridges of friendship, trust, and cooperation rather than barriers. Ganeshan, who is also the Chairman of the North East Zone Cultural Centre, made this observation while speaking at the Border Area Programme, organized by Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), and the Papum Pare district administration at Kimin on Friday. He

described the program as a celebration of fraternity and an opportunity to experience the richness of India's cultural heritage. He highlighted that culture serves as a bridge connecting the past with the future and plays a pivotal role in uniting people.

Union Minister of State for Railways and Jal Shakti, V Somanna on Friday chaired a meeting at Tezu, Lohit district to review the progress of various centrally sponsored schemes (CSS). Speaking on the occasion, Somanna highlighted the need for better coordination between the State government and the Centre to streamline the implementation of development programs. He exhorted all stakeholders to prioritize public welfare and ensure that the benefits of these schemes reach the people in a timely and effective manner. Earlier, the Lohit Deputy Commissioner provided an in-depth presentation, highlighting the ongoing schemes, their progress, and the achievements thus far. Lok Sabha MP Tapir Gao also attended the meeting.

In a significant step to boost the education scenario in Arunachal Pradesh's most remote and high-altitude border villages, the Education Department on Friday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the NGO, '17000 ft Foundation'. This MoU establishes a collaborative framework to address key educational challenges in the frontier region of Arunachal Pradesh and is aimed at modernizing educational facilities, upgrading teaching methodologies, and expanding access to quality education for students, Director & co-founder 17000 ft Foundation, Sandeep Sahu said.