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Deputy Chief Minister Chowna inaugurated the Triratna Buddha Vihara at Jona-III (Borbeel) at Namsai today. In a social media post Mein informed that the Vihara will serve as a spiritual sanctuary for meditation, learning, and community gatherings, enriching lives and strengthening the bonds of unity. In the meantime, Mein has extended his heartfelt gratitude to the Bhikkhu Sangha, Poi Lu-Chong Celebration Committee, and all devotees whose dedication and collective efforts have turned the vision into reality. Their commitment to preserve and promote Buddhism is truly inspiring. May this sacred space guide generations on the path of Dhamma, spreading wisdom, compassion, and serenity, he further added. On the occasion, the Dy CM also released a souvenir titled Poi - Lu - Chong.

Development and Child Minister Dasanglu Pul Women inspected various development projects and reviewed the progress of key infrastructure initiatives in Anjaw district today. During her visit, Pul assessed the up gradation work of the road from NH-113 to Charnai village, stressing the need for timely completion to enhance connectivity for the local population. She also reviewed the construction of the bypass road to Old Hawai town and further inspected the ongoing work at the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya in Hawai and the Walla Middle School. Expressing satisfaction with the progress of the projects, Pul assured the locals that the government would continue to prioritize infrastructure development in remote areas.

A two-day Voluntary Blood Donation Camp themed "Be Cool, Give Blood" concluded at the Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly Complex today. The Camp was graced by Assembly Speaker Tesam Pongte. The initiative aims to promote the spirit of compassion and community service by encouraging voluntary blood donation to save lives. The event was organized by the Arunachal Life Saving Foundation in collaboration with the NSS Unit of the Directorate of Higher & Technical Education.

In a swift and coordinated operation, Naharlagun Police rescued three missing minor girls from Duliajan, District Dibrugarh (Assam), ensuring their safe return to their families. The girls, aged between 14 and 15 years, had boarded a train intending to reach Tinsukia but mistakenly arrived at Naharlagun Railway Station on

March 12. The authorities promptly intervened, providing them with medical attention and secure shelter at Oju Shelter Home, Naharlagun. With the timely support of Duliajan Police, Assam, their families were traced, and the girls were formally handed over to their parents at Papu Hills Police Station on March 14. In the meantime, the police have urged parents to stay vigilant and ensure the safety of their children while traveling.

Former Indian football skipper, Baichung Bhutia with his coach and trainers of Baichung Bhutia Football School, Sikkim started trials and assessments of young footballers of Mebo Sub-Division on Friday. While speaking at the sidelines of the training and addressing the young footballers, Baichung Bhutia said that his football academy will recruit and select the best players and later provide them with sponsorship and scholarship. The kick-off ceremony of the training which began on March 14 and continue till March 21 will see the participation of more than 250 young football players including young footballers from Doimukh under Papum Pare District. The registered footballers ranging from age 13 to 19 years for both boys and girls will undergo rigorous training on basics of footballing and its disciplines.

The India Meteorological Department has issued Yellow alerts over twelve districts of Arunachal Pradesh. Rainfall with thunderstorms and lightning very likely to occur at isolated locations over the next 24 hours. In the meantime, as per a Special Weather Bulletin issued today, IMD has predicted an increase in rainfall activity for today and tomorrow. Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall/thunderstorm lightning is very likely to occur over Arunachal Pradesh today and tomorrow.

The Department of Sports, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, launched the ASMITA CITY League at Sangay Lhaden Sports Academy yesterday. Addressing the participants, Director of Sports, Tadar Appa reaffirmed the government's commitment to increasing women's participation in sports, ensuring proper training facilities, and maintaining equal gender representation in all KICs. He praised the achievements of women athletes in the state, particularly those from SLSA who have secured medals at the National Games. The league will feature competitions in Judo, Archery, Weightlifting, and Badminton, bringing together athletes from the Khelo India State Centre of Excellence and District Level Khelo India Centres.

A mass plantation drive was organised along the National Highway in Pushi Bango Area (Bagra circle) under the initiative 'Dolu

em Kaken be Molaju' (Let's Make Villages Beautiful) yesterday. Initiated by the Memo Ao Welfare Society, more than 1,000 tree saplings were planted during the drive, with an aim to promote a healthier and sustainable environment.