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The Rajya Sabha has passed the Protection of Interests in Aircraft Objects Bill, 2025. The bill seeks to give legal effect to the convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment. The Bill also empowers the central government to make rules to implement the provisions of the Convention and the Protocol. The legislation designates the Directorate General of Civil Aviation as the registry authority for the purposes of the convention. The registry authority is responsible for the registration and de-registration of aircraft.

The State Foundation Day of Odisha, 'Utkala Dibasa,' was celebrated with enthusiasm at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar today. Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) joined the Odia community in the state to mark the occasion. Extending his warm greetings to the people of Odisha, the Governor conveyed his best wishes to the people of Arunachal Pradesh. He emphasized that celebrating the Statehood Days of different states fosters unity and provides an opportunity for deeper engagement with communities working in Arunachal Pradesh. Expressing his gratitude, the Governor lauded the contributions of the Odia community in the fields of education and social welfare and hoped that the enduring goodwill between the two states would continue to strengthen and drive Arunachal Pradesh toward greater development under the vision of 'Viksit Arunachal.'

Chief Minister Pema Khandu, along with Home Minister Mama Natung, State BJP President Kaling Moyong, and MLAs jointly released at least 7,000 Schizothorax fish into Choskhorong-Kho river to boost indigenous fish population and promote conservation under River Ranching Programme at Shergaon yesterday. The initiative, led by the Department of Fisheries, West Kameng district, and supported by the National Fisheries Development Board, Hyderabad, aims to enhance fish stock, maintain biodiversity, and discourage harmful fishing practices.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein attended the Bharatiya Janata Party Interaction-cum-Coordination Meeting of 46-Chongkham-Wakro BLC Presidents and Mandal Committee at Tengapani, Namsai today. Lauding the efforts of the karyakartas, the DCM in a social media post informed that Chongkham Mandal has secured the second position in Sarvadik Mann Ki Baat percentage, reflecting their dedication. On the occasion, Mein

handed over appointment letters to the newly selected Morcha Executive members, Mandal members, Booth Level Presidents and Executive members of Chongkham unit.

The Chairman of the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission, Prof. Pradip Lingfa called on the Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar today. The APPSC Chairman briefed the Governor on the effective functioning of the Commission, the upcoming examination calendar, and various initiatives undertaken to enhance the efficiency and transparency of the selection process. The Governor emphasized the crucial role of the APPSC in ensuring a fair and merit-based recruitment system, which is vital for strengthening governance and public administration in the state. Secretary, APPSC, Parul Gaur Mittal was also present during the meeting.

The Election Commission of India has successfully conducted a total of 4,719 meetings, with 40 meetings by CEOs, 800 by DEOs, and 3,879 by EROs, engaging over 28,000 representatives of political parties nationwide in a span of 25 days. These meetings were held in accordance with the directives issued by Chief Election Commissioner, Gyanesh Kumar along with ECs Dr Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Dr Vivek Joshi, during the Chief Electoral Officers' conference held at New Delhi on 4th to 5th March last. The ECI had engaged in a series of structured engagements with political parties at the level of Electoral Registration Officer, District Election Officer and Chief Electoral Officer across the country. These engagements have been well-received by political parties, with active and enthusiastic participation across Assembly Constituencies, districts, and States/ UTs.

The District Disaster Management Authority, East Siang convened a pre monsoon preparedness meeting with all the stakeholders at Pasighat today. Addressing the meeting, DC cum Chairman DDMA, East Siang, T.Taggu stressed on the preparedness in view of the onset of Monsoon. The DC has urged all stakeholders to be aware of their roles and responsibilities and be prepared to face any unforeseen situations. Additionally, he took stock of the contingency plans of all departments and stakeholders and has asked for strengthening their respective contingency plans with a preventive mindset to save lives and mitigate loss of properties & infrastructures etc.

The much-anticipated Final Round of the 20th Tadar Tang State Level Football Tournament 2025 commenced at the Golden

Jubilee Outdoor Stadium, Yupia today, bringing together the top 13 teams from across Arunachal Pradesh. After an intense Zonal Round, these teams have emerged victorious and will now battle for the prestigious championship title. The tournament, organized by the Arunachal Pradesh Football Association, is the state's most prestigious football event, providing a platform for top district teams to showcase their talent.