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Union Women & Child Development Minister Anupurna Devi today addressed a programme organized under the ongoing 7<sup>th</sup> edition of fortnight nationwide campaign Poshan Pakhwada Maah 2025 held at Palin in Kra Daadi district. On the occasion, an exhibition on the locally available local vegetables and other food items of the district were displayed under the theme 'Sahi Poshan, Desh Roshan'. Meanwhile, the Union Minister planted a sapling at Byabang Heri Government Higher Secondary School and inspected the New Age Learning Centre. She appreciated the centre for providing digital and inclusive learning to the students. Meanwhile, State Women and Child Development Minister Dasanglu Pul, Urban Development Minister Balo Raja and MLA Jikke Tako were also present.

State Governor Lt. General (Retd.) K.T. Parnaik has extended his warmest greetings to the citizens especially to the Tutsa community, on the festive occasion of Pongtu. He expressed his hope that the celebration would usher in peace, happiness, and prosperity for all. Chief Minister Pema Khandu and Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein have also extended their greetings on the occasion of Pongtu festival.

State Governor Lt. General retired KT Parnaik yesterday participated in a Lion Safari at Gir National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary in Gujarat. The Governor expressed the intention to follow successful models of Gir's management in Arunachal Pradesh's wildlife sanctuaries and national parks as well. He noted that wildlife safaris play a vital role in raising awareness about endangered species, preserving habitats and promoting human-wildlife coexistence. The Governor said, the safaris will encourage for local community involvement in conservation efforts. He further urged that by training locals as guides, hospitality staff and artisans, it will provide them sustainable livelihoods and foster a shared sense of responsibility toward biodiversity.

Home Minister Mama Natung today inaugurated a new Police Station at Yangkang Village, Water Supply projects of Yatdam circle & Namtok EAC Head Quarters with adjoining villages and laid Foundation stone of Tutsa Gurukul at Yatdam village at Changlang district. On his visit, he also attended the celebration of Pongtu Kuh

festival at Changlang. In a social media post, the Home Minister informed that the state government will also dedicate a fire station and a women police station soon.

State Chief Secretary Manish Kumar Gupta today visited Jemeithang in Tawang district. The Chief Secretary on his maiden tour, visited Sangetsar Lake, Khendzemane and 12th-century old Gorsam Stupa to assess the region's development potential while acknowledging its spiritual, cultural and natural richness. He also held a review meeting to evaluate the progress of ongoing developmental projects and discuss administrative priorities. He further stressed on the importance of promoting tourism and encouraged all stakeholders to harness Jemeithang's unique potential for sustainable growth. Meanwhile, he inspected the Material Recovery Facility (MRF). Furthermore, he assured to provide all possible support from the administration to ensure the success of the initiative and reinforce of sustainable waste management practices by Jemeithang Waste Management Committee (JWMC).

A special plantation drive was conducted to mark the week-long celebrations of 46<sup>th</sup> Sthapna Diwas of Bharatiya Janata Party at Mukto in Tawang district today. Chief Minister Pema Khandu who was also present during the plantation drive, in a social media post said this green initiative reflects people's collective commitment to environmental sustainability while honoring the founding values of BJP— service, good governance and upliftment of the last person in the line.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar (MCI) has forecast that Kameng, West Kameng, Kamle, Lower Subansiri, Papum Pare, West Siang, Upper Siang, Anjaw, Lohit and Longding districts are in yellow alert zone. These districts will receive thunderstorm with lightning very likely at isolated places.

The Arunachal Publishers & Broadcasters Guild (APBG) yesterday submitted a memorandum to the Minister for Information & Public Relations (IPR) Nyato Dukam seeking urgent redressal of long-standing issues affecting the media fraternity in the state. APBG called for the state government to revise advertisement rates in a structured and timely manner. They urged all departments to strictly adhere to the DIPR-prescribed rates, and suggested DIPR not to accept or circulate advertisements that do not comply with these standards. APBG also requested an annual allocation of

sufficient funds under the Information, Education and Communication (IEC) component to support the state's digital and electronic media. Further, the Guild appreciated the recent adoption of a digital billing system by the government and recommended for a feature to display the real-time status of pending bills.