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Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today visited the flood and erosion-affected areas of Balijan Gaon, Chabua in Dibrugarh, Assam. He also visited Kordoiguri area in Tinsukia district to inspect the devastation by the floods. During the visit, the Union Minister reviewed the precautionary measures being taken in the wake of the floods, as well as the steps initiated to curb riverbank erosion. Sonowal directed officials to ensure that relief and rehabilitation measures for the affected communities continue without disruption.

Civil Aviation Minister K Ram Mohan Naidu today informed that Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has given an order for extended surveillance of the 34 Boeing 787 planes which are currently present in Indian aircraft fleet. He added that out of them, eight have already been inspected with immediate urgency. Briefing the media in New Delhi today, the Minister informed that a high-level committee of experts from various sectors is also being formed to look into the investigation of the incident. He said Home Secretary will be the chairman of this committee.

The death toll in the devastating Air India plane crash in Ahmedabad has reached to 254. President Gujarat unit Indian Medical Association Mehul Shah has confirmed deaths of four medical students and the wife of a doctor. A team from Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau has recovered aircraft's black box from the crash site. Forensic experts have also begun detailed examinations.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecast that 17 districts including Papum Pare are yellow alert zone. These districts will receive thunderstorm with lightning very likely at isolated places.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) today released the final answer key and the results of the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test Undergraduate (NEET UG). The score cards are available on the official website of the exam. Mahesh Kumar of Rajasthan has ranked first while Uttkarsh Awadhiya from Madhya Pradesh and Krishang Joshi from Maharashtra have been ranked second and third, respectively.

State Governor KT Parnaik yesterday chaired a special Cabinet Meeting on at Conference Hall of the Chief Minister's Office, Niti Vihar in Itanagar, to commemorate the completion of one year of the State Government's tenure. The Governor commended the government's strong commitment to inclusive growth and development. He expressed his hope and confidence in Cabinet's continued journey of good governance. He said he looks forward to a year of even bolder, more compassionate, and people-centric action. The Governor urged the State Government to continue prioritizing the four key pillars of sustainable development for the state on education, health, infrastructure, and tourism. He also shared his concerns about encroachments.

The Special Cabinet took few decisions on development of Hydropower in the state, in a meeting held in Itanagar . The Cabinet approved for creation of an escrow account for strategic management and utilization of revenue generated from proceeds of free power from Hydro Electric Powers (HEP). Regarding proposed Siang Upper Multipurpose Project (SUMP), the Cabinet re-emphasized on need for continuous dialogue by State Government with Project Affected Families (PAFs) to ensure fair compensation, if the Pre-Feasibility Report (PFR) states its approval for suitability of project and a robust Rehabilitation & Resettlement Plan. The Cabinet further directed UD Department for constitution of Yingkiong Development Authority and Geku Development Authority to enable building future-ready alternate towns. The Cabinet also approved to request Government of India (GoI) to sanction a special development package for Siang and Upper Siang districts. The Cabinet directed PWD department to initiate survey for a necklace road along Siang River.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday attended the Passing-Out Parade ceremony of 49th batch of Arunachal Pradesh Police (APP) recruits at Police Training Centre (PTC) in Banderdewa. In his address, Khandu urged all new police recruits to stand tall against any form of corruption once they officially join the department and get posted across the state. Congratulating Home Minister Mama Natung, DGP Mohan and Principal of PTC, Khandu expressed satisfaction on 49th batch consisting 885 constables including 110 women, the largest contingent to pass out from the training centre.

The Indian Army welcomed 419 new young officers today. A grand Passing out Parade was held at the Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun in Uttarakhand.

A mass cleanliness drive was conducted today at Singhik Hall by Cherom Welfare Society in Daporijo in Upper Subansiri district. The cleanliness drive is initiated under the supervision of Tagin Cultural Society (TCS) under which 20 clan-based organization are responsible to clean the town in various locations during designated days.

South Africa today clinched their first ICC title in 27 years, beating Australia to win the World Test Championship (WTC) final 2025 at Lord's Cricket Ground, London in United Kingdom.