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Union Cabinet has approved two projects of Ministry of Railways with total cost of six thousand 405 crore rupees. These projects include Koderma - Barkakana Doubling and Ballari - Chikjajur Doubling rail line. Briefing media in New Delhi after the Cabinet meeting today, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said that Koderma - Barkakana Doubling project of 133 Kilometers will provide enhanced connectivity to 938 villages and 15 lakh population. He said, the projects will connect four districts in Jharkhand - Koderma, Chatra Hazaribagh and Ramgarh. Mr Vaishnaw informed that the project section will pass through a major coal producing area of Jharkhand.

India has undergone a decade of remarkable transformation in the transport infrastructure sector. Over 20 thousand kilometres of highways were constructed to develop economic corridors and reduce logistics costs under Bharatmala Pariyojana. 44 Ministries and 36 States and Union Territories integrated on a GIS-based digital platform for unified infrastructure development under PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. About 88 airports were activated under Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) scheme. 23 cities are linked with Metro rail connectivity. About 277 port-linked projects were completed under Sagarmala Programme. The Statue of Unity, Chenab Railway Bridge and Atal Tunnel stand tall as symbols of India's engineering marvels. These milestones are productivity, improving connectivity and laying the foundation for a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

Chief Secretary Manish Gupta today reviewed the status of monsoon preparedness in the state in a meeting held in a conference hall in Itanagar. He directed all the Deputy Commissioners to be ready with all resources to tackle any eventualities due to natural calamities. He insisted all the DCs, SPs and other Heads of the Offices to be stationed in the headquarters during the monsoon season. He also directed the key departments to ensure buffer stock of essential items and medicines well in advance. He further urged the Deputy Director General Telcom to maintain mobile connectivity functioning especially during the monsoon season and ensure uninterrupted power supply to the facility centres. The Chief Secretary also requested DGP, Arunachal

Pradesh Police to review the functionality of WT stations across the state.

State Governor Lt. General retired K.T. Parnaik met Governor of Assam Lakshman Prasad Acharya at Raj Bhavan in Guwahati today. They had a cordial exchange of views on key regional issues and collaborative opportunities concerning both States, while reaffirming their shared commitment to peace, progress, and prosperity for the people of the Northeast. Highlighting the potential of the Act East Policy and the 'Rising Northeast' initiative, the Governor underlined the Northeast's immense promise in manufacturing, services, and entrepreneurship, and its emerging role as a hub for regional and international cooperation. Later, he presented a book titled 'Orchids of Arunachal Pradesh' to Governor of Assam.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar (MCI) has forecast that 10 districts are in yellow alert zone and will receive thunderstorm with lightning very likely at isolated places. Meanwhile, the maximum temperature of 41.7 Degree Celsius was recorded at Bilat in East Siang district yesterday.

The first District-Level Steering Committee meeting for the Stop Diarrhea Campaign 2025 was held today at Deputy Commissioner's Conference Hall in Yupia. Deputy Commissioner Papum Pare cum-Chairperson District Health Society Vishakha Yadav urged all key departments to remain alert and prepared to handle any potential outbreaks. District ASHA Nodal Officer Dr. Taniya Raju informed about Stop Diarrhea Campaign 2025 targeting about 3,611 children 0 to five years across the district. The campaign will be executed in two phase Preparatory Phase i.e. from 2nd to 15th of this month and Implementation Phase from 16th of this month till 31st July.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein today extended greetings to Sherdukpen community on the auspicious occasion of Kro-Chekor. In a social media post, he said May Nehchin Dombo Lahiri bless all with peace, good health, and prosperity.

In the run-up to International Yoga Day 2025 on 21st of this month, 'Yoga at Workplace' workshop was organized at Akashvani's Rang Bhawan in New Delhi today. The session was taken by Dr Punit Chaturvedi, Assistant Professor, Swasthvritta & Yoga Department, National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur. The session

included interactive and live demonstrations on various work-friendly yoga exercises.

A joint civil-military mock drill on disaster preparedness was successfully conducted today at Mhentsang Rong (Bomdir Nallah) in Tawang. The exercise aimed to strengthen coordination and enhance the disaster response capabilities of various agencies in the event of natural calamities such as landslides, earthquakes, flash floods, and fires. The mock drill was executed simultaneously at five different locations.