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Both the Houses of Parliament were adjourned for the day following opposition uproar over various issues. The Rajya Sabha was first adjourned till 12 Noon and then finally for the day. While the proceedings of the Lok Sabha were first adjourned till 2 PM before being finally adjourned for the day.

External Affairs Ministry today said the sourcing of India's defence requirements is determined solely by country's national security imperatives and strategic assessments. Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said this while briefing media in New Delhi in reply to a query on defence procurements. On energy sourcing, the spokesperson asserted that New Delhi is guided by what is on offer in the markets, and by the prevailing global circumstances. Responding to a query on India Russia ties, the spokesperson said bilateral relationships with various countries stand on their own merit and should not be seen from the prism of a third country. He stressed that India and Russia have a steady and time-tested partnership.

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu has said that the state is set to commission 19,000 megawatts of clean and renewable hydropower by 2035. In a social media post, the Chief Minister emphasized that the initiative goes beyond electricity generation. He said it aims to create employment for the youth, improve roads, schools, and infrastructure, and ensure equitable development by sharing resource-based wealth with local communities. Highlighting major projects like Kameng, Subansiri, and Dibang, he said the initiative would bring hope, opportunity, and dignity to even the most remote villages. Mr. Khandu stated that the state government envisions Arunachal as not just a scenic frontier, but as a key contributor to India's sustainable energy future.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein today announced an increase in the annual grants-in-aid of the Donyi-Polo Mission School for the Hearing and Visually Impaired, Itanagar from Rs 1 Cr 40 lakhs to ₹2 crore and to allocate ₹5 crore Corpus Fund for long-term sustainability of the school. The announcement was made during the workshop of 'Let's Speak Arunachal' on the theme 'Empowering Youth Voices and Building Pathways', hosted at the

school. The DCM assured to incorporate both the commitments in the upcoming State Annual Budget for the next financial year. The initiative is aimed at nurturing leadership and amplifying the voices of differently-abled youth through public speaking and civic engagement.

The District Road Safety Committee today convened a meeting to finalize plans for the upcoming Road Safety Awareness Programmes scheduled for the last week of August 2025. Chairing the meeting, Deputy Commissioner Vishakha Yadav emphasized that the DRSC's plans should focus on practical, low-cost, yet impactful interventions. She urged representatives from automobile firms present to actively participate in the Road Safety Week and contribute towards the capital expenditure involved. In the meantime, DC Yadav has directed the Highway Division authorities of Naharlagun and Ziro to ensure that government-mandated road safety tips and guidelines are prominently displayed at key locations before the commencement of the awareness week.

In a tragic continuation of human-elephant conflicts in Tirap District, a third fatal incident occurred at Thalot village in Tirap district yesterday. The deceased was attacked and killed by a wild elephant between 9:00 and 10:00 PM within his residential premises. Meanwhile, Chief Conservator of Forests Deomali, Chimoy Simai has advised local residents to remain vigilant and avoid leaving food waste as it attracts elephants. Furthermore, he announced plans to convene an emergency coordination meeting involving the Forest Department, District Administration, local chiefs, ZPMs, and Gaon Buras to develop a comprehensive strategy to address the issue.

The Shiksha Saathi Dibang initiative was officially launched by the Department of Panchayati Raj, Anini yesterday, in partnership with the Department of Education and Hope Defence. This groundbreaking initiative aims to deliver crucial career counselling sessions in schools throughout Dibang Valley, preparing our youth for success in their futures. The inaugural session was held at PM Shri Upper Primary School, Angolin, where over 45 eager students and their parents came together to explore their future possibilities.

The India Meteorological Department has issued a yellow alert for twenty-two districts in Arunachal Pradesh. IMD has predicted thunderstorms with lightning and heavy rain very likely at isolated places. Meanwhile, IMD has said that the second half of the

southwest monsoon season is expected to deliver above-normal rainfall exceeding 106 per cent of the long-period average across the country. IMD Director General M Mohapatra said that most parts of India are likely to receive normal to above-normal rainfall from August to September. However, northeastern and adjoining eastern regions, some isolated areas of central India, and southwestern parts of peninsular India are likely to receive below-normal precipitation, he added.