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India and Fiji have reiterated zero tolerance towards terrorism by rejecting double standards on it. During the bilateral talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Fiji Sitiveni Rabuka in New Delhi, both leaders agreed to strengthen cooperation against terrorism and condemned terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. The two leaders condemned the Pahalgam terrorist attack which took the lives of 26 innocent civilians in Jammu and Kashmir in April this year. India and Fiji stressed on the need to counter radicalization, combat terror financing, prevent exploitation of new and emerging technologies for terrorist activities and tackle terrorist recruitment. Briefing media in New Delhi today, Secretary (South) of Ministry of External Affairs Neena Malhotra said, PM Modi and PM Rabuka witnessed the exchange of nine bilateral documents and MoUs.

The 2nd Annual North East Zonal Conference of Press Information Bureau and Central Bureau of Communication began today in Shillong, Meghalaya. Organised by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, the two-day conference aims to build capacity, promote greater synergy among field units, and ensure that communication strategies in the North East are more impactful, technology-driven, and locally relevant. Officials from all the North Eastern states, including Directors, Field Publicity Officers, Field Publicity Assistants, Accounts and Administrative staff are participating in the two-day event.

Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, invites nominations for the National Youth Award (NYA) 2024. The Award aims to motivate young persons (aged between 15 – 29 years) to achieve excellence in the field of national development or social service. Nominations for NYA 2024 have been invited online through the portal <https://awards.gov.in>. Last date for submission of application is being extended to 30th September, 2025.

The Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh today launched e-Bhavishya, a pension reform initiative aimed at ensuring transparent, speedy, and hassle-free retirement benefits.

Announcing the initiative through a social media post, Chief Minister Pema Khandu said that the State Government is committed to honouring the service of its employees by ensuring that they receive their dues on time. Khandu emphasised that the new system would guarantee delivery of the pension payment order (PPO) on the day of retirement, thereby removing delays that have long troubled pensioners. With the introduction of e-Bhavishya, over 95 per cent of pension cases are expected to be disposed of within the next three years, he added.

Academician Taku Tacho has been honoured with the Bharat Samman Award -2025 by Global Excellence Forum in recognition of his outstanding contribution in the field of Digital-Art, Literature and Social Work at New Delhi yesterday. Tacho, a government school teacher, is credited with over 150 publications as an artist in the Department of Education, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh and the Rajiv Gandhi University. He has also authored two comic volumes. Meanwhile, Education Minister PD Sona has lauded Tacho for the achievement. In a social media post, Sona said that Tacho's contributions in art, literature, education, and social work are truly inspiring and a matter of pride for Arunachal Pradesh.

Under the mentorship of the Indian Army's Blazing Sword Division under Gajraj Corps, 32 students from Dirang and Jang have been admitted to Woods Park Sainik School, Hamirpur. Army officials highlighted that the initiative is aimed at guiding young minds from far-flung regions by enabling them to grow as responsible citizens and future leaders. The endeavour stands as a testament to the Indian Army's commitment towards empowering youth, fostering education, and strengthening the vision of a stronger and self-reliant Viksit Bharat.

The Department of Education, Tawang successfully organised the Kala Utsav 2025 at the Government Town Secondary School auditorium today. A total of 13 Higher Secondary and Secondary Schools from Jemeithang to Jang participated in the event. The day's programme featured folk songs, folk dances, skits, and dramas highlighting the importance of preserving local dialects, the Monpa marriage system, traditional wood, bamboo and clay crafts.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has issued a yellow alert for Tawang, West Kameng, East Kameng, Lower Subansiri, Papum Pare, West Siang, Siang, Shi Yomi and Anjaw districts of Arunachal Pradesh. MCI has predicted that thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain is likely to occur at isolated places over the state.

The authorities from the Indian Army organised an interactive session with Agniveer aspirants at Aalo today. The programme aimed at instilling confidence and inspiring the youth to pursue a career in the Armed Forces. The event underlines the commitment of the military towards supporting and empowering local youth.

That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar