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The Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha have been adjourned sine die today. With this, Monsoon Session of Parliament which began on 21st of last month, concluded. In the Lok Sabha when the House assembled after the first adjournment at 12 Noon, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla said, during the session, 14 government bills were introduced and a total of 12 bills were passed. Meanwhile, in the Rajya Sabha, the Constitution (One Hundred and Thirtieth Amendment) Bill, 2025, the Government of Union Territories (Amendment) Bill, 2025, and the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization (Amendment) Bill, 2025 have been referred to a Joint Committee of Parliament for further scrutiny by the Rajya Sabha.

Parliament has passed the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill, 2025, with the Rajya Sabha approving it today. This Bill encourages e-sports and online social games while prohibiting harmful online money gaming services, advertisements, and financial transactions related to them. It has the provision for the appointment of an Online Gaming Authority for coordinated policy support, strategic development and regulatory oversight of the sector. The objective of the Bill is to protect individuals, especially youth and vulnerable populations, from the adverse social, economic, psychological and privacy related impacts of such games. Additionally, the Bill has a provision of complete ban on offering, operating, or facilitating online money games and provision of imprisonment up to three years and fine up to one crore rupees.

External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar and his Russian counterpart Sergey Lavrov reviewed the entire gamut of India-Russia bilateral relations during their meeting in Moscow today. In a joint press briefing after the talks, Dr Jaishankar highlighted that relations between India and Russia have been among the steadiest of the major relationships of the world after the Second World War. He added that geopolitical convergence, leadership contacts and popular sentiments remain the key drivers of India-Russia partnership. Both Ministers reaffirmed shared ambition to expand bilateral trade in a balanced and sustainable manner, including by increasing India's exports to Russia.

Chairman, Public Accounts, Dr. Mohesh Chai today chaired the 4th sitting of the Committee on Public Accounts of the Eighth Legislative Assembly of Arunachal Pradesh at the Assembly Conference Hall, Itanagar. During the proceedings, four government departments viz. Tourism, Lottery, Science & Technology, and Public Works Department appeared before the Committee to tender oral evidence pertaining to the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) Report. The evidence was duly examined and deliberated upon by the Members of the Committee for further course of action.

Arunachal Tourism has been awarded the International Tourism Conclave & Travel Awards (ITCTA) 2025 for Promoting Unexplored Destinations during an award ceremony held in New Delhi. While expressing pride over the achievement, Chief Minister Pema Khandu in a social media said that, the recognition reflects the tireless efforts of the Arunachal Tourism Department in unveiling the state's hidden treasures, showcasing unique experiences, and inviting the world to explore places less travelled.

The Arunachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board conducted a public hearing yesterday for environmental clearance to the proposed 1,200 MW Kalai-II hydroelectric project in Anjaw district. The hearing, chaired by Anjaw Deputy Commissioner Millo Kojin, saw the participation of Women and Child Development Minister Dasanglu Pul, THDC officials and over 350 project-affected persons (PAFs) from 33 villages. Urging locals to back the project, Pul cited Uttarakhand's Tehri dam as an example of the benefits of large hydropower infrastructure. She assured that 50% of the project's employment opportunities would be reserved for land-affected families, besides boosting self-employment and entrepreneurship in the region.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has issued an orange alert for West Siang, Lower Dibang Valley, Lohit and Changlang district in Arunachal Pradesh. MCI has predicted thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rainfall very likely at isolated places. Additionally, a yellow alert has also been issued for eighteen districts.

Under the Vibrant Village Programme, a Horticulture Awareness & Input Distribution Programme was held today to promote organic farming and provide essential inputs to farmers under Kyidphel Circle.

The event aimed to promote organic horticulture practices and provide essential agricultural inputs to local farmers, helping them enhance productivity, improve income, and embrace sustainable farming methods. 72 farm families received input kits containing hybrid vegetable seeds, organic manures, pesticides, fungicides, bactericides, and sprayers.

World Senior Citizens Day was observed today by “Ayi ke Ekum” a society dedicated for elderly care at Ranaghat, Pasighat. The celebration aims to emphasize the roles of caregivers at home, to engage with and to support their elderly members. On the occasion, District Program Coordinator, ABPM-JAY East Siang, Bir Bahadur Rai conducted an awareness campaign on Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY.

That’s all in this news bulletin, Namaskar