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The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the 177-kilometre-long doubling of the Bhagalpur – Dumka – Rampurhat single railway line Section in Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal with a total cost of approximately 3,169 crore rupees. The Cabinet has also approved the Construction of a 4-lane greenfield access-controlled Mokama-Munger section of the Buxar-Bhagalpur High-Speed Corridor, Bihar on Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM) with a total project length of over 82 kilometres and a Total Capital Cost of over 4,447 crore rupees. Briefing media in New Delhi today about the Cabinet Committee's decisions, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said, the enhanced line capacity will improve mobility, providing enhanced efficiency and service reliability for Indian Railways.

Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.), has extended his heartiest congratulations to Chandrapuram Ponnusamy Radhakrishnan on being elected as the 15th Vice President of India. The Governor said that Radhakrishnan's election to the august office reflects the deep trust and confidence reposed in his leadership, integrity, and long-standing service to the nation. While reposing his confidence the Governor said, that under Radhakrishnan's guidance, the Rajya Sabha will witness deliberations enriched with dignity, inclusiveness, and a constructive spirit, further strengthening the democratic ethos of our great nation.

Chief Secretary Manish Kr Gupta held a meeting today with Additional Secretary, MoRTH-cum- Chairman of NHLML, Vinay Kumar to discuss the potential development of ropeways in Arunachal Pradesh. In a social media post, the CS emphasised that such infrastructure could significantly enhance connectivity and accessibility across our diverse and challenging terrain, thereby supporting the inclusive socio-economic development of the state.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu said that the state government has made tremendous reforms in governance and developed a transparent system where there is no window for corruption like in earlier days. He said this during a function held to hand over the Offer of Appointment to 140 selected candidates of the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Combined Competitive Examination 2024 at the D.K. Auditorium Hall, Itanagar today. Mr. Khandu said Prime

Minister Narendra Modi has set a target for the country to become a developed nation by 2047, and accordingly, every state is making its own policies to contribute its part. He said these 140 newly inducted civil servants will play a crucial role in achieving this status. The Chief Minister also appealed to the candidates to be guided by moral and ethical principles while discharging their duties. On the occasion, the newly inducted candidates were administered the oath of allegiance by the state's Chief Secretary Manish Kr Gupta. Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein, Assembly Speaker Tesang Pongte, and a host of dignitaries were also present on the occasion.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today sanctioned an amount of rupees Five Crore from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for providing assistance to the people affected by the recent floods in Himachal Pradesh. The sanctioned amount will be contributed to the Himachal Pradesh Aapda Raahat Kosh–2025, set up by the Government of Himachal Pradesh to mobilize resources and extend large-scale relief to those affected by the devastating natural calamity. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Khandu expressed deep concern over the loss and hardship caused by the floods and reiterated Arunachal Pradesh's commitment to stand with fellow citizens in times of crisis.

Government has advised Indian citizens to defer travel to Nepal until the situation stabilises. In an advisory, the government has advised Indian citizens presently in Nepal to shelter in their current places of residence, avoid going out onto the streets and exercise all due caution. It also advised to follow local safety advisories from Nepal authorities as well as the Embassy of India in Kathmandu. In case of any assistance required, the government has also issued helpline numbers +977-980 860 2881 and +977-981 032 6134 of the Embassy of India in Kathmandu.

A team of Arunachal Pradesh State Human Rights Commission led by its Chairperson, Bamang Tago has commenced a three-day Outreach Programme on Human Rights Awareness in Kurung Kumey District starting with Sangram. The initiative seeks to create awareness about human rights among the public. The attendees include Gaon Buras, Panchayat Leaders, educators, NGOs, Women Organizations, legal professionals, human rights activists, district authorities and youths.

A Lecture-cum-Demonstration on creating Mathematics Labs in Middle level schools was held at the Panchayat Hall, Roing today. Jointly organised by RIWATCH and the DDSE office, the program aims to make Mathematics Learning more joyful, activity-based and innovative. Director of Sumanthan Learning Resources, Pune, Rahul Kokil was the resource person. Director Kokil has been catalyst in establishing more than 20 Mathematics Labs in India.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has issued Yellow Alert for West Kameng, East Kameng, Lower Subansiri, Papumpare, West Siang, Shiyomi, Upper Siang, Dibang Valley, Anjaw and Namsai district of Arunachal Pradesh. MCI has predicted thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain is very likely at isolated places.