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The 4th edition of the Northeast India Festival 2025 will begin tomorrow at the Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, bringing India's Northeast to the heart of Singapore. Marking the 60th anniversary of India-Singapore diplomatic ties and the India-ASEAN Year of Tourism, this landmark event aims to position Northeast India as India's natural bridge to Southeast Asia. Arunachal Pradesh will showcase its rich cultural and economic strengths and feature captivating performances such as the Lion Dance, as well as fashion show presenting the unique fabrics and designs of the State.

The Chief of the Army Staff, General Upendra Dwivedi called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar today. They discussed security, Frontier Highway, and developmental projects in the State. The Governor underscored the importance of a collaborative and people-centric approach in implementing the Vibrant Village Programme, highlighting that its success depends on the joint efforts of the government, local communities, and security forces. Meanwhile, the COAS discussed the issue of land acquisition with the Governor, emphasizing the need to expedite the process so that essential defence infrastructure projects could move forward without delay.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today interacted with Chief of Army Staff Gen. Upendra Dwivedi, accompanied by Lt. Gen. Abhijit S. Pendharkar, General Officer Commanding (GOC), 3 Corps at the Civil Secretariat. The meeting covered a wide range of issues, reaffirming the Army's role as not just a border-guarding force but as an active partner in the state's development. He further urged all MLAs and local administrations to actively involve the Army in civilian functions and recognize their role as partners in the state's developmental journey. In the meantime, Khandu has expressed gratitude to the Army for its support in developing tourist facilities

A three-day Statewide Mock Exercise on Earthquake Scenario concluded successfully across all districts of Arunachal Pradesh today. The exercise was organized by the Department of Disaster Management, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, in collaboration with

the National Disaster Management Authority, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India. The drill was conducted simultaneously in every district from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, beginning with sirens at designated incident sites and the mobilization of emergency vehicles. In the meantime, the Department of Disaster Management advised the public not to panic, reiterating that the activity was only a drill.

Minister for Industries, Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Nyato Dukam today inaugurated the District-Level Cluster-Wise Investment & Entrepreneurship Workshop under UNNATI 2024 at Ziro. Over 250 entrepreneurs, youth, and district-level stakeholders participated in the workshop.

The District Disaster Management Authority, Papum Pare successfully conducted a mock drill on an earthquake scenario today as part of the national preparedness initiative. As part of the drill, earthquake and its collateral damages were simulated at multiple key locations including the DC Office Yupia Complex, IOCL Depot Emchi, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Awasiya Vidyapeeth Yupia and Donyi Polo Airport Itanagar. The exercise aimed to test the readiness of line departments, educational institutions, healthcare facilities, and the general public in responding to earthquake emergencies.

As a prelude to the prestigious North East Meet of Astronomers-XI, a special night sky stargazing event will be held on 5th October next at Rajiv Gandhi University. The event is being organized by the Department of Physics, Rajiv Gandhi University in collaboration with Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Pune. The initiative hereby invites astronomy enthusiasts, students, researchers, and the public from across the region to experience the marvels of the night sky through powerful telescopes.

The Indian Army under Spear Corps yesterday launched a two-week Yoga training programme for combat soldiers at Aalo in West Siang district. Defence spokesperson Lieutenant Colonel Mahendra Rawat said that, the training aims to boost the holistic well-being of troops by enhancing their endurance, focus, and resilience.

In a significant boost to healthcare services, the Community Health Centre, Doimukh yesterday inaugurated an X-Ray Unit, a SOST

Centre and a Viral Hepatitis Treatment Centre. The event also saw the launch of the Swasth Nari Sashakta Parivar Abhiyaan 2025, focusing on empowering women and strengthening families through health awareness and preventive care.

The Indian Army under its flagship community initiative, Operation Sadbhavana yesterday inaugurated a Sports Complex, featuring a Futsal Court and two Volleyball Court at Tuting in Upper Siang District. The project aims to encourage fitness, teamwork, and a vibrant sporting culture among youth in one of Arunachal Pradesh's most remote vibrant border areas.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar has issued a yellow alert for sixteen districts of Arunachal Pradesh, and has predicted thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain very likely at isolated places.

That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar