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The nation is observing 60 years of the 1965 India-Pakistan War this month by remembering the sacrifices and acts of courage of those who took part in the fierce battles. To honour the brave hearts who made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty, the government is organising a series of events. In line with this, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh today interacted with veterans and families of war heroes in New Delhi to commemorate India's victory over Pakistan 60 years ago. Addressing the event, Mr. Singh said that every Indian soldier serves with the conviction that the sovereignty and integrity of the nation will never be compromised at any cost.

Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.), along with Chief Minister Pema Khandu, participated in a PowerPoint presentation by the President of Geospatial World, Annu Negi, and Director, Swati Mittal at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar today. The Governor emphasized that the technologies, when adopted, must facilitate the State Government in analysing existing systems, strengthening their efficiency, and finding innovative solutions to its pressing challenges. He asked the representatives to share their sector-specific requirements and the need for GIS (Geographic Information System) technologies to enhance efficiency with the State Government. The Chief Minister along with the State Chief Secretary, Manish Gupta, and other senior state government officials, actively participated in the meeting.

Deputy Chief Minister, Chowna Mein, today underscored the transformative impact of the next-generation GST reforms and reaffirmed the State Government's commitment to health and nutrition during a series of engagements in Namsai and Chongkham. While addressing a programme on GST at Namsai, the DCM termed the GST reforms as "people's reforms". Mein highlighted, Arunachal Pradesh's robust GST growth trajectory, stating that collections rose from ₹227 crore in 2017-18 to nearly ₹1,900 crore in 2023-24, reflecting over 700% growth in six years. He further added that the number of registered taxpayers grew from 7,365 in 2017 to 18,477 by mid-2025, showcasing the State's efforts to expand digital access, simplify registration, and bring small businesses into the formal economy.

Celebrated Assamese singer and cultural icon Zubeen Garg lost his life in Singapore after a scuba diving accident. According to reports, Singapore police rescued him from the sea in unconscious condition and rushed him to a local hospital. Despite being placed under intensive care, doctors were unable to revive him. Zubeen had travelled to Singapore to attend the North East Festival, where he was scheduled to perform today. Meanwhile, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has expressed sadness over the sudden demise of singer Zubeen Garg. In a social media post, Mr Modi remembered him for his rich contribution to music and his renditions. Chief Minister Pema Khandu has also extended his heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family and prayed for the departed soul.

The Central Bureau of Communication, Regional Office Itanagar today organized a Special Outreach Programme at Eleazer English School, Itanagar. The programme was designed to reach out and empower adolescent girls, highlighting the importance of good nutrition, health, and well-being for building a stronger and self-reliant nation. The program was attended by Deputy Director, CBC, Regional Office Itanagar, Utsav Parmar, Deputy Director and Head of Office, Doordarshan Kendra and Akashvani Itanagar, Shakti Pratap Kanchan and others.

The District Health Society, Papum Pare (Rural) officially launched the "Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan" from CHC Doimukh yesterday. The inaugural programme was attended by local MLA, Nabam Vivek, Deputy Commissioner, Yupia Vishakha Yadav and others. This district-wide health initiative will continue till 2nd October, covering all CHCs, PHCs, Health and Wellness Centres and Sub Centres under Papum Pare (Rural). The DHS has urged all eligible women and children to actively participate in the campaign and avail the comprehensive healthcare services being offered.

Deputy Commissioner of East Siang, Sonalika Jiwani today chaired the monthly review meeting of the District Level Monitoring Committee-cum-District Development Report in Pasighat. During the meeting, the DC took stock of the progress of ongoing state/central schemes across all departments. She instructed all departmental officers to work cohesively as a team and emphasized that it is the responsibility of each official to ensure the delivery of last-mile services to the public, to reach the unreached, and to cover all target beneficiaries.

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

In badminton, PV Sindhu has bowed out of China Masters 2025. In the women's singles quarter final today India's ace badminton star was defeated by South Korea's An Se Young in straight sets, 14-21, 13-21 in just 38 minutes.

That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar