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The Goods and Services Tax reforms launched by the government are all set to reduce tax rates on a variety of daily use items of consumers from September 22. The GST Council has simplified the indirect tax system from a four-tier structure of 5 percent, 12 percent, 18 percent and 28 percent, into a two-tier structure of 5 percent and 18 percent. From medicines and milk to cars, soaps, and even IPL tickets, the GST Council's latest rate rationalisation is expected to ease the tax burden on consumers significantly. Reforms undertaken for dairy products, the GST Council approved the exemption of several dairy products from taxes. Items like Paneer, Chhena and Ultra High Temperature Milk which attracted a five percent GST rate are now tax-free.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General Retd. KT Parnaik, participated in the inaugural session of the 47th foundation day celebration of Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar, yesterday. The Governor, while paying homage to the former Education Minister Late Dera Natung, urged the people to draw inspiration from his vision and to carry forward his legacy by dedicating themselves to the noble cause of education. He appealed for a collective commitment to nurture a brighter, more enlightened future for the State. He called the Students torchbearers of the nation's future. Governor K.T Parnaik felicitated achievers of the college, including Rajiv Gandhi University toppers, student achievers in zonal National and international competitions and outstanding alumni. He also released a book authored by Dr. Tumbom Riba Jomoh.

The New District Emporium, Pasighat was inaugurated yesterday by Minister for Textiles & Handicrafts Nyato Dukam. In his address, Minister Dukam called for the New District Emporiums to be a vibrant hub for marketing innovative products of SHGs, Artisans and Weavers in the true spirit of promoting "Vocal for Local" initiative of the State Government for strengthening the handloom sector. This new emporium is one of the projects taken up in a phased manner for upgradation and revamping of District Govt. Emporiums in the state.

The Department of Disaster Management Arunachal Pradesh conducted a high-level Meeting on friday at the Conference Hall of

the Directorate of Disaster Management, Itanagar. The focus was on enhancing inter-agency coordination, preparedness strategies, and capacity building to ensure a robust disaster response framework across the state. Meeting was chaired by Disaster Management Advisor, Nakap Nalo, joined by National Disaster Management Authority, Joint Advisor Dr. P.K. Singh, and under Secretary, Saroj Kujur, members of SDMA, NDRF, SDRF, DDMAs.

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu in a social media post yesterday, announced that from this year onwards a 5-day 'SUN RISE Festival' at Dong from 29th Dec to 2nd Jan will be hosted, to boost tourism and create new opportunities for adventurers & nature lovers. Chief Minister urged the people to come and witness the first dawn of the New Year in the Land of the Rising Sun.

Sopo and Jampa under Rose Panchayat, Doimukh Circle have been identified as pilot villages for the implementation of the SVAMITVA Scheme in Papum Pare district. Accordingly, a Gram Sabha was convened in the two villages, jointly organised by the District Administration, Department of Panchayati Raj, and Land Management Department on friday. DLRSO Nanne Yowa delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the objectives and benefits of the SVAMITVA Scheme. The SVAMITVA Scheme aims to provide an integrated property validation solution for rural India, paving the way for better land ownership clarity, planning, and development.

Border Roads Organisation's Project Brahmank conducted Outreach Exchange Programme at Pasighat, East Siang District, aimed to foster structured engagement between BRO personnel and the local civil administration, academia, and youth, by raising awareness about the mission and contributions of BRO over the decades, while also encouraging youth to consider a meaningful career with the organisation. The programme was held from 01 to 06 September 2025. Under the Exchange Model, BRO teams visited prominent institutions and faculty members and students from these institutes visited Project Brahmank headquarters.

In Daporijo, Government Bazar Middle School, celebrated its Golden Jubilee, on Friday. The school was established in 1975. The Chief Guest of the occasion Taniya Soki local MLA Daporijo urged that the school need to push more effort and ensure the modern education quality adhering the modern teaching guidelines and norms, the present government is dedicated and paying fullest

attention towards the education sectors. He highlighted and expressed concern that the school infrastructures are in need to recalibrate according to demand of present scenario. DC Upper Subansiri Tasso Gambo attended as Guest of honour.

Meteorological Centre Itanagar has issued Yellow Alert for West Kameng, East Kameng, Papumpare, Kra Dadi, Lower Subansiri, Kamle, West Siang, Tirap and Longding District of Arunachal Pradesh and predicted thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain is very likely at isolated places.