

## **REGIONAL NEWS UNIT, ITANAGAR**

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Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) today participated in the 'Right to Information Week Celebration 2025' at DK Auditorium, State Legislative Assembly Complex, Itanagar. The Governor, along with the State Law Minister, released the Annual Report of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission and gave away the prizes for the essay writing competition, conducted by APIC in collaboration with the Political Department, DNGC. In his address, the Governor emphasized that the Right to Information Act is a law and a living expression of democracy. Commending the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission for organizing a meaningful programme, the Governor said such initiatives celebrate people's empowerment and public participation in governance. Later in the day, the Governor flagged off the Itanagar leg of the motorcycle expedition commemorating the 63<sup>rd</sup> Walong Day from Raj Bhavan, Itanagar. Conceptualized by Headquarters 3 Corps and conducted by 10 MAHAR, 21 riders, 11 from the Indian Army, and 10 civilian riders from Arunachal Pradesh and Assam are participating in the nine-day expedition, from Tawang to Walong.

Chief Secretary Manish Kumar Gupta chaired a preliminary meeting with General Officer Commanding, 56 Infantry Division, Likabali, Major General Vivek Bakshi and senior officers at Sigar Military Station, Likabali yesterday. The meeting deliberated on the framework and modalities for the upcoming Civil Military Fusion Conclave. In a social media post, the CS informed that the conclave will provide a platform to strengthen civil-military coordination, enhance security, operational preparedness, and holistic development across Arunachal Pradesh's strategic areas. On the sidelines of the preliminary meeting, the CS also inspected the display of arms and equipment, showcasing the operational capabilities of the armed forces.

The Arunachal Pradesh Government has announced a 3% hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR), taking it from 55% to 58%, effective 1st July 2025. Making the announcement in a social media post, Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday informed that the hike will benefit thousands of State Government employees, pensioners, and AIS officers serving in the State. He further informed that arrears for July to September 2025 will be

paid in cash, and the revised DA/DR will be included in October salaries and pensions. In the meantime, Khandu stressed that the decision reflects the State Government's strong commitment to employee welfare and ensuring that every member of the workforce and retired community feels valued.

Minister for Health and Family welfare, Biyuram Wahge today flagged off the Red Run Marathon in Itanagar. Students from colleges across Arunachal participated in the marathon, carrying the message of HIV/AIDS awareness under the theme "Youths Against HIV/AIDS." In a social media post, Mr. Wahge informed that the young runners were selected from their respective colleges. He further informed that the winners from this event will represent the state at the grand marathon in Dimapur, Nagaland scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> October.

The Banderdewa Police team yesterday apprehended 2 alleged drug peddlers from Banderdewa market area. After thorough investigation, four soap cases of contraband, suspected to be Heroin weighing a total of 50.03 gms were seized from their possession. In the meantime, a case has been registered under the NDPS Act and further investigation is underway.

A one-day Workshop cum Legal Awareness Programme was held at Itanagar today. Organised by the Arunachal Pradesh State Legal Services Authority in collaboration with the Arunachal Pradesh Women's Welfare Society under the aegis of the National Legal Services Authority, the programme focused on the social and legal challenges faced by women in Arunachal Pradesh, particularly concerning marriage and divorce.

Deputy Commissioner, Tawang, Namgyal Angmo today chaired the Vidyalaya Management Committee meeting of JNV, Tawang. During the meeting, Principal M.L. Meena presented an overview of the school's overall development, highlighting its outstanding achievements in CBSE results and performances at regional and national levels. He urged VMC members to motivate talented yet economically disadvantaged students from rural areas to appear for the JNV Selection Tests. He further informed that the school offers various scholarship programmes to support hardworking students preparing for competitive examinations such as NEET and JEE.

The Arunachal Pradesh Women Welfare Society, Yingkiong Branch today celebrated the 46th Foundation Day of APWWS at the APWWS Office, Yingkiong. The event witnessed enthusiastic

participation from senior women pioneers of Yingkiong, members of APWWS, Yingkiong and others. On the occasion, several APWWS members and the Simong team were felicitated with mementoes and certificates for their contributions.

The Meteorological Centre of Itanagar has issued Yellow Alert for East Siang, Lower Dibang Valley, Dibang Valley, Anjaw, Namsai, Changlang, Tirap and Longding district of Arunachal Pradesh. MCI has predicted thunderstorm with lightning very likely at isolated places in these districts.