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The Union Cabinet has approved the Terms of Reference of 8th Central Pay Commission. Briefing the media after the Cabinet meeting in New Delhi today, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said that the Commission will make its recommendations within 18 months from the date of its constitution. He informed that the Commission will comprise one Chairperson, one Part-time Member, and one Member-Secretary. The Cabinet also approved the Nutrient-Based Subsidy rates for Rabi Season 2025- 26 on Phosphatic and Potassic fertilisers.

The Chairman of the Uttar Pradesh Public Service Commission, Sanjay Shrinet, and the Chairman of the Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission, Captain Rameshwar Singh Thakur (Retd.), called on Governor Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.), at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar, today. They exchanged views on the functioning, best practices, and emerging challenges of Public Service Commissions across the country. Sharing his observation, the Governor emphasized strengthening transparency, efficiency, and credibility in recruitment processes to ensure that public institutions continue to attract the finest talent. The Governor also shared insights into the challenges faced by the APSC in recent years and the steps taken to restore public confidence and institutional integrity.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today inaugurated the 69th National School Games 2025 (Under-17 Boys & Girls - Boxing) at the Khelo India Indoor Stadium, Itanagar. The event marks the first-ever hosting of a National School Games competition by Arunachal Pradesh. While addressing the gathering, the Chief Minister expressed immense pride at this milestone, calling it a reflection of the State's growing confidence and capacity to host major national events. He highlighted that the School Games Federation of India (SGFI), established in 1954, has been instrumental in nurturing India's young sporting talent and providing the foundation upon which many national and international athletes have built their careers. The CM added that Arunachal Pradesh, which became affiliated with SGFI in 2008-09, has since made impressive progress in developing school-level sports. In the meantime, Mr. Khandu reiterated the State

Government's strong commitment towards sports and youth empowerment.

Minister for Agriculture, Gabriel D. Wangsu today inaugurated the 4th State Level Archery Championship 2025 at the High-Altitude Sports Stadium, Tawang. While addressing the gathering, the Minister stressed the importance of promoting traditional games and commended the organizers for providing a platform for young archers to pursue the sport as a discipline and potential career at national and international levels. The three days championship is being organized by the Tawang District Archery Association under the guidance of the Sports Authority of Arunachal and the Arunachal Pradesh Archery Association.

Minister for Agriculture and Horticulture, Gabriel D. Wangsu yesterday participated in the 3rd High-Level Task Force meeting on Agriculture and Horticulture via video conference. The meeting was chaired by Sikkim Chief Minister, Prem Singh Tamang Golay in presence of Union Minister for DoNER, Jyotiraditya M Scindia and focused on value-chain exports, marketing strategies and market linkages in the North East Region. Sharing the news in a social media post, Mr. Wangsu informed that he highlighted the state's views on private sector engagement and public-private partnerships in the farm sector. Additionally, he also proposed crop-specific contract farming models and suggested setting up a regional Agri-Export Center in the region.

The third phase of the search and rescue operation to trace civilian porter, Jamok Pansa, was launched yesterday by the District Administration, Anini. The porter had gone missing on 22nd September last from his tent camp at Kangri Army Patrol Base. Earlier, the second phase of the search and rescue operation was called off on Sunday due to adverse weather conditions, including incessant rainfall, poor visibility, and heavy snowfall. In the meantime, the District Administration has expressed its gratitude to all participating agencies and volunteers for their continued dedication and resilience.

The Arunachal Pradesh University, Pasighat will hold its first convocation ceremony on October 30 at its Hill Top campus. Chancellor of the University and Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.) will confer gold medals and degree

certificates during the event. A total of 71 students from five departments will be honoured for their academic achievements.

Director of Agriculture, T.G. Neekom today inaugurated the newly constructed ADO Office-cum-Store Building at Geku in the presence of departmental officers, officials from Upper Siang District, representatives from the Directorate Office, Naharlagun and progressive farmers. While addressing the gathering, the Director encouraged all officers and the public to remain active and vibrant in carrying forward agricultural development activities with renewed enthusiasm. He appealed the public to safeguard government assets and beautify the premises for future generations.

The 48th Yonex-Sunrise U-19 Junior Badminton Championship is scheduled to take place from November 18-24 at Itanagar. Around 32 states including UTs are expected to participate in the national badminton event, which is happening for the first time in the state.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar