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Today is National Energy Conservation Day. This day is annually observed to raise awareness about the importance of energy conservation and to highlight the nation's achievements in energy efficiency. On the occasion, President Droupadi Murmu felicitated the winners of the National Energy Conservation Awards (NECA) 2025 and National Painting Competition on Energy Conservation 2025 in New Delhi. Addressing the gathering, the President said that energy conservation is no longer just an option but a necessity of the present time.

In Arunachal Pradesh, general elections to the panchayati raj institutions and municipal bodies of Itanagar and Pasighat will be held in a single phase tomorrow, from 7 am till 4 pm. Meanwhile, out of the total 8,208 seats of Gram Panchayats in the state, 6,227 candidates have already been elected unopposed, and polling will be held on 1,947 seats. 2171 polling stations have been set up for the panchayat and municipal elections, while 79 polling stations have been established for the elections of the Itanagar Municipal Corporation and Pasighat Municipal Council. Approximately 15,000 polling personnel have been deployed to ensure the elections are conducted smoothly.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General (Retd.) KT Parnaik, has earnestly appealed to every voter in the State to participate wholeheartedly in the upcoming Panchayat and Municipal elections and cast their vote tomorrow. Reflecting on India's democratic legacy, the Governor reminded citizens that the country stands as the world's largest democracy, founded on universal suffrage and adult franchise. Every vote, he emphasized, carries great significance and must be exercised with sincerity, not only as a constitutional right but as a moral and national duty. He also called upon all officers on election duty to uphold the highest standards. Meanwhile, Vishakha Yadav, Deputy Commissioner-cum-District Election Officer (Panchayati Raj), Papum Pare, has also urged voters to ensure a peaceful, violence-free election and strictly adhere to the principle of "one voter, one vote", thereby strengthening the foundations of democracy.

According to the directions issued by the State Election Commissioner, Arunachal Pradesh, the documents for verification of the identity of an elector on the day of poll for the Itanagar Municipal Election, 2025 are- EPIC issued by the Election Commission of India, Passports,

Driving License, PAN Cards, Service Identity cards issued to its employee by State/Central Government/Public Sector Undertaking, Photo affixed Bank Pass Books/Post Office Pass Books, Students Photo Identity Card issued by Recognized Educational Institutes, Ration Card, Photo ILP/SC/ST OBC Certificate issued by Competent Authority, Pension Documents, Arm License, Certificate of Physical Handicap Issued by Competent Authority, Aadhar Card.

Press Information Bureau (PIB) fact check has called a video fake that is being shared in several social media accounts, with the claim that China has started a massive military build-up near Arunachal Pradesh. PIB said the video shared shows a military exercise conducted by a brigade of the PLA's 78th Group Army, which is part of the Northern Theatre Command, headquartered in Harbin, Heilongjiang Province, further adding that the video has no relation to any exercise on the Indian border.

1 Arunachal Pradesh Battalion National Cadet Corps (NCC) under the aegis of NCC Group Headquarter Tezpur is conducting a Combined Annual Training Camp (CATC - 134) since yesterday till 22 December 2025 for NCC cadets at Himalayan University campus, Itanagar. The aim of the camp is to instill the spirit of camaraderie and nationalism among the NCC cadets. A total of 272 volunteer NCC cadets from various institutes of Arunachal Pradesh are participating in the camp. 03 Associate NCC Officers, 12 Army instructors and 09 civil staff are actively involved in imparting training to them.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today shared an article written by Union Minister for Development of North-Eastern Region Jyotiraditya Scindia in an English daily. Responding to a post of Mr Scindia on social media, the Prime Minister said that the Minister's article describes Nagaland's Hornbill Festival as a collection of the human spirit and a masterful convergence of the ancient and the contemporary. PM Modi reiterated that the country will rise only when the Northeast shines.

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, conducted India's first clinical trial of a new and advanced stroke treatment device named the Supernova Stent. AIIMS informed that Supernova is designed for the country's diverse patient population, where strokes often strike patients younger than in the West. AIIMS also underlined that this is the nation's first stroke device cleared on the basis of a domestic clinical trial. The medical institute further said that the Supernova Stent will now be

manufactured in the country, offering hope to over 17 lakhs citizens who suffer strokes each year.