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The Chief Minister of Sikkim, Prem Singh Tamang, courtesy called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General Retd. KT Parnaik who is on a two-day official visit to Sikkim at Lok Bhavan, Gangtok. The Governor commended the Chief Minister for Sikkim's remarkable achievement in emerging as the cleanest State in the country. He lauded the State Government's sustained focus on cleanliness, environmental conservation, and civic responsibility, noting that these efforts reflect a strong sense of public discipline and collective ownership among the people. Acknowledging the cordial and constructive relationship between the Chief Ministers of the two States, the Governor expressed hope that this goodwill would translate into enhanced cooperation in various areas for the mutual benefit of both States. Furthermore, The Governor also interacted with the officers and all ranks of 17 Mountain Division on the occasion of its 65th Raising Day at Army Cantonment, Gangtok.

Deputy CM Chowna Mein test-drove a restored WWII Willys Jeep ahead of the Willys Jeep Rally on January 19-20, from the Hump Museum, Pasighat to historic Pangsau Pass, marking 80 years since the end of World War II. Calling it deeply personal, Mein recalled stories of his grandfathers who drove a Willys Jeep via the Stilwell Road from Pangsau Pass to Myitkyina during WWII. He said the drive honours the resilience of the people and Arunachal's role in history.

Arunachal Pradesh Parliamentary Affairs and Libraries Minister P D Sona had a meeting with the Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (APSCPCR) led by Chairperson Ratan Anya, along with the Commission Members and Member Secretary, in the presence of the Commissioner Education Amjad Tak. The Commission submitted its Special Report on the inquiry conducted at Sainik School, Niglok, East Siang District in connection with the tragic incident where a 12-year-old minor boy lost his life. The Commission shared its key findings and important recommendations to ensure stronger safety mechanisms for our children. In response, the Minister assured that the matter will be placed in the Legislative Assembly during the upcoming Budget Session, so that meaningful and concrete steps can be taken to strengthen child safety and create a secure learning environment across all institutions.

Dr. Sabyasachi Roy, Regional Head (NES), National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), Kolkata along with Sameer Kumar Parida,

Managing Director, West Assam Milk Union Ltd. 'Purabi Dairy', visited the western part of Arunachal Pradesh and interacted with dairy farmers, cooperative members, Panchayat leaders and field officials across West Kameng districts. The overall objective of the visit was to advance White Revolution 2.0 in Arunachal Pradesh through formation of Multipurpose Dairy Cooperative Societies and new Milk Unions, establishment of dairy processing plants, strengthening of milk value chains, and creation of sustainable livelihoods for milk producers. The goal is to ensure supply of quality milk and milk products in India's frontier state, including to the Indian Army.

Namsai district, Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein inspected the newly under-construction Chongkham Stadium, a project that reflects the commitment to strengthening sports infrastructure at the grassroots. The Deputy CM said, once completed, the stadium will provide a dedicated space for the youth to train, compete, and nurture their sporting dreams. He further added that empowering young talent through quality infrastructure remains a key priority towards a healthier, more active, and confident Arunachal.

National Youth Day, commemorating the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, was observed by the students and staff members of the various institutions of Ramakrishna Mission Nagar at Deomali, Tirap district. Indira Tamoung Riba, Assistant Commissioner, Deomali, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and addressed the students at the Vivekananda Statue on Vivekananda Marg. In her address, she emphasized the importance of proper use of time and senses and encouraged the youth to overcome fear and shyness.

In the first meeting of Councillors and for election of Chief Councillor & Deputy Chief, Pasighat Municipal Council in East Siang District held at DC's Conference Hall, Tagom Padung from GTC (Ward No. 01) has been unanimously declared unopposed as Chief Councilor to Pasighat Municipal Council, meanwhile Kamin Lego (PPA) hailing from Paglek & representing Ward No.04 was also declared unopposed as Deputy Chief Councilor to Pasighat Municipal Council.

Panchayat office building under State Own Revenue (SOR) for the year 2024-25 was completed and handed over to Meche Marde PLF Group by Nikron Bui C.O cum-Member Secretary Topo Heche- II Gram Panchayat at Dumporijo in Upper Subansiri District. Mr Bui informed that the building was provided to ARSRLM Self Help Group aiming to provide necessity and

also to strengthening the livelihood activities of rural areas in grassroots level of Panchayati Raj.