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Arunachal Pradesh is one of the leading states in terms of scale and diversity of national infrastructure projects, with 81 projects involving a cumulative investment of Rupees 5,09,395 Crore (Five lakh nine thousand three hundred ninety-five crore rupees). Out of 22 PRAGATI Projects, 04 projects with an investment of Rupees 14,265 Crore have been commissioned, while 18 projects involving Rupees 93,849 Crore are currently under implementation. The portfolio is dominated by Roads & Highways with 49 projects, and Power Generation, Transmission & Distribution, which has 15 projects.

The State Foundation Days of Manipur, Meghalaya, and Tripura were celebrated at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar. The occasion turned into a celebration of unity, culture, and shared heritage among the Northeastern States. The highlight of the function was a vibrant showcase of traditional dances and cultural performances presented by the people of the three states. The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General Retd. KT Parnaik, remarked that celebrating the foundation days of other States goes beyond a ceremonial observance. He said that it reinforces the spirit of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' by deepening understanding, fostering unity, and strengthening emotional bonds among people across State boundaries.

Arunachal Pradesh's P Martina Wangjen and Shijen Monnow, each secured silver medal at the 69th School Games Wushu, which was held in Imphal. Meanwhile, Nomi Tammut was successful in winning bronze.

A new ginger species 'Parakaempferia alba' was discovered from the Siang Valley of East Siang district. It was found in the Miglung area, growing in shaded streambanks in humid and sandy soil. As part of the ginger family, the plant may also hold medicinal and economic significance, pending further research. The discovery has been published in Nordic Journal of Botany by Researches Tatum Mibang, Bipankar Hajong, Devpratim Koch, and Pankaj Bharali.

Khonsa Battalion of Assam Rifles, under the aegis of Inspector General Assam Rifles (North), successfully facilitated the surrender of one hardcore insurgent belonging to the NSCN-KYA group during a joint operation in Longding District of Arunachal Pradesh. Based on the confirmed intelligence, Khonsa and Longding Assam Rifles in coordination

with Arunachal Pradesh Police reached the suspected area, followed by own ground sources activated and tasked to establish contact with the insurgent and persuade him to surrender. After several hours of relentless efforts, the insurgent responded positively and agreed to surrender, shunning the path of violence. Later on the Individual was handed over to Police Station Longding.

Rajiv Gandhi University, organised a One-Day Seminar on "Intellectual Property Rights (IPR): Awareness, Protection and Commercialization". The aim was to create comprehensive awareness about the significance of intellectual property in academia, administration, research, and society at large. 200 participants, including faculty members, officers, non-teaching staff, and research scholars from various departments of the University participated in the seminar

The District Administration, Keyi Panyor, successfully conducted Day 1 of the Keyi Panyor Suvidha Outreach Campaign at the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Yachuli. 100 participants, including ASHA Workers, Anganwadi Workers, and representatives of Market Associations, attended the campaign. The outreach aimed to promote awareness and adoption of Keyi Panyor Suvidha, a WhatsApp-based citizen service platform designed to simplify access to government services and strengthen last-mile service delivery. Full digital and online services have now been activated under Keyi Panyor Suvidha.

The government approved the continuation of Atal Pension Yojana till the year 2030-31 along with extension of funding support for promotional and developmental activities. The scheme was launched in May 2015 with the objective of providing old-age income security to workers in the unorganised sector. The scheme offers a guaranteed minimum pension, ranging from one thousand to five thousand rupees per month after attaining the age of 60, depending on the subscriber's contribution. Over eight crore 66 lakh subscribers have been enrolled so far under the scheme. The Union Cabinet has also approved an equity support of five thousand crore rupees to the Small Industries Development Bank of India.

Football in the Northeast gets a boost with the signing of an agreement in Guwahati between North East State Football Associations and Japan-based Bestserv Inc. to launch the Northeast Football League, strengthening grassroots talent and building a sustainable football ecosystem.

The 5th Edition of Arunachal Yuva Samanvay 2026 is underway at Chongkam in Namsai district. The event is a platform to inspire, connect, and empower youth through dialogue, leadership, culture, and innovation. The Four-day event was inaugurated yesterday by the state's Minister of Sports & Youth Affairs Kento Jini. Youths from 24 districts of are participating in the event which will conclude on 25 January.

That's all, in this News Bulletin, Namaskar