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Governor K T Parnaik, reviewed welfare measures taken up by the State's Rajya Sainik Board with the Director-cum-Secretary, Rajya Sainik Board, Arunachal Pradesh, Air Commodore R D Mosabi (Retd.). They held detailed discussions on the welfare of ex-servicemen and their dependents, resettlement and employment support, and effective coordination with the Armed Forces and government agencies.

The Donyi-Polo Kargu Gamgi -cum-Cultural Centre was inaugurated at Modi Rijo in Itanagar. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Pema Khandu observed that in rapid modernisation and global influences, indigenous belief systems face increasing challenges, especially among younger generations. Institutions like the Kargu Gamgi play a crucial role in preserving, practising and transmitting indigenous faith and values in an organised and meaningful manner, Khandu said. He announced that the State Government, in collaboration with Cultural institutions, is working towards establishing a dedicated university for indigenous studies. The Chief Minister further shared plans to promote global exchange and learning about preservation of indigenous practices by facilitating study visits. He also expressed intent to host international conferences in Arunachal Pradesh on indigenous faith and cultural practices. Appealing for harmony and mutual respect, CM Khandu urged people to refrain from using divisive language on matters of faith.

Prison Legal Aid Clinic at Sub-Jail Pasighat was inaugurated today opening the door for free legal services for prison inmates within the jail premises. Justice Sanjay Kumar Medhi, Judge of the Gauhati High Court and Executive Chairman of the Arunachal Pradesh Legal Services Authority inaugurated the Aid Clinic. During the programme, inmates were familiarised with various National Legal Services Authority initiatives by Advocates.

Minister of RD & Panchayati Raj Ojing Tasing visited Parong-II village in East Siang district to meet the families whose houses were damaged in the fire incident that occurred last month. Minister Tasing reassured them that the government stands firmly with them and will extend all possible support to help them rebuild their homes.

Minister of Animal Husbandry, Veterinary, Dairy Development Gabriel D Wangsu chaired a review meeting of the AHV&DD Department at Nirjuli

to assess ongoing initiatives and address key operational issues. During the meeting, officers engaged in detailed brainstorming on improving overall departmental functioning across the state. The status of milk management in Arunachal, was also reviewed, including the performance of Arun Dairy, Karsingsa and Ane Dairy, Pasighat. Discussion was also held on the role of National Dairy Development Board in strengthening the dairy sector and evolving future-oriented strategies for tangible public benefit.

Basar MLA Nyabi Jini Dirchi announced a new batch of APSSB free coaching for the youth of Leparada district. The MLA said this initiative is part of her sustained mission to support, guide, and uplift the aspiring youth of the district in their pursuit of success. This session is scheduled to commence this month, specifically targeting the APSSB Combined Graduate Level Examination to be held in the month of May.

The second edition of the Arunodaya E-Sports Championship-2026 concluded on Saturday, in Itanagar. Around 3000 gamers across India and neighbouring countries- Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka participated in the tournament. In the open category, about 528 teams participated in the online games which included a special category exclusive for Arunachal Pradesh comprising 128 teams competing among them. Team Godlike representing India came on the top as the winner of the Mobile Legends championship defeating ONYX from Bhutan.

The Indian Army is conducting the maiden edition of International Military Adventure Challenge Cup 2026 at Adventure Village, Yingkiong in Upper Siang district from 12 to 28 February. The district administration has invited local youths of the district to participate in the Adventure Run event scheduled to be held on 24 February.

Dao Division, under Spear Corps Indian Army, handed over musical instruments to Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya under Operation Sadhbhavana at Anini, Dibang Valley district. The initiative aims to foster creativity and cultural expression among students in the remote border region, reinforcing the Indian Army's commitment to youth empowerment and community outreach.

All India Football Federation D Certificate Coaching Course concluded at Pasighat, East Siang district. It was organised by Eagle Welfare Association under the aegis of Arunachal Pradesh Football Association and All India Football Federation. Instructor Madhusudan Majumder and

Assistant Coach Educator Sangey Tsering provided guidance to the coaches.

In Men's T20 Cricket World Cup, group-stage match between Sri Lanka's and Ireland is underway in Colombo. Winning the toss Ireland elected to field first. Sri Lanka were 61 for 1 in 8 overs. In earlier match England beat Nepal by four runs in Mumbai. Before this, in another group-stage match today, New Zealand won by 5 wickets against Afghanistan in Chennai.