

## **REGIONAL NEWS UNIT, ITANAGAR**

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India scripted history by winning the ICC Men's T20 World Cup title for a record third time, beating New Zealand by 96 runs in the final match at Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad last night. Chasing a massive target of 256 runs set by Suryakumar Yadav-led Men in Blue, New Zealand got bundled out for just 159 runs in 19 overs. Jasprit Bumrah bagged the highest 4 wickets and was adjudged Player of the Match.

On Day 2 of Budget session of Eighth Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly today, the house passed five bills including The Arunachal Pradesh Salaries, Allowances and Pension of Members of Legislative Assembly (Amendment) Bill, 2026. It abolishes mandatory four-year tenure for elected MLAs to be eligible for pension. In the Assembly, Chief Minister Pema Khandu said the CM comprehensive state road development plan, which started in 2024, has been extended till 2029 to improve the road connectivity in various parts of the state. RWD & Tourism Minister PD Sona said 97 percent projects under PMGSY 1 in the state are completed. He added, the state is confident of getting an extension till March next year to complete the remaining 45 roads. During question hour, Mr Sona said money sanctioned by the Centre for tourism circuit will be spent in a judicious manner. Meanwhile, Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein is scheduled to present the State Budget 2026-27 tomorrow.

The Government of Arunachal Pradesh has officially announced the schedule for House Listing Operations (HLO) of the Census 2027. The first phase of the census process will begin on 16<sup>th</sup> of next month across the state. The Digital Census Covering Self-Enumeration will take place from 16<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of next month. Residents will have the opportunity to provide their household information online using official census portal. The fieldwork for HLO will be conducted from 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May this year. Residents are requested to provide accurate and complete information to the enumerators.

State Governor Lt General (Retd) K. T. Parnaik planted saplings of avocado in the horticultural farm of Lok Bhavan, Itanagar today. Saplings of two varieties of avocado, Hass and Pinkerton, were planted as part of a pilot project organized by the State Department of Horticulture. The initiative aims to explore the suitability of high-value fruit crops in the

region while promoting sustainable horticulture practices. The Governor emphasized, such initiatives can serve as demonstration models and inspire people to utilize small spaces at their homes for vegetable gardens and fruit cultivation, thereby strengthening household nutrition and self-reliance.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar forecasts that Dibang Valley and West Kameng districts will have isolated rainfall and snowfall likely at higher reaches. Longding, Tirap, Changlang, Siang, West Siang, Kamle, Kurung Kumey, East Kameng and Lower Dibang Valley districts will likely receive rainfall and thunderstorm at isolated places. Meanwhile, Upper Siang and Upper Subansiri districts will very likely receive scattered rainfall and thunderstorm.

A delegation from Dream for United Arunachal (DUA) called on Chief Minister Pema Khandu at his office chamber in Itanagar today. During the meeting, the DUA submitted a petition seeking a statewide ban on tobacco, gutka, and pan masala products. The DUA urged State Government to implement massive sensitization programs and empower local leaders, including Corporators and Panchayat representatives, to ensure the movement reaches the remotest villages. The DUA team also called on Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein in this regard.

The 12<sup>th</sup> Batch of the Ashtalakshmi Darshan – Youth Exchange Programme was inaugurated by MLA Mutchu Mithi at Rajiv Gandhi University in Rono Hills, Doimukh today. The programme is supported by North Eastern Council under Union Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region with the objective of promoting cultural exchange and strengthening national integration. Delegations comprising faculty members and student participants from Jharkhand and Puducherry are participating in the 14-day youth exchange initiative.

The State government has restricted the operation of weekly markets in Itanagar Capital Region (ICR) and Papum Pare district to Saturdays only. The move aims to check the entry of unauthorised immigrants and plug revenue leakages.

The week-long National Service Scheme (NSS) Special Camp of Saint Claret College, Ziro was inaugurated today at Ziro Valley School, Lempia in Lower Subansiri district. The programme commenced with plantation of orange saplings within school campus. ZPM Lempia Rubu Tadii expressed

gratitude to NSS Unit for selecting Lempia Village under its five-year village adoption plan. He assured his support and cooperation for successful implementation of all activities under the NSS Camp.

**That's all, in this News Bulletin, Namaskar**