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The festival of colours, Holi is being celebrated throughout the country today. The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt General (Retd.) KT Parnaik, has extended his warm greetings to the people of the State on the festive occasion of Holi. Further, the governor celebrated Holi, with representatives of the Brahma Kumaris at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar. Interacting with the members of the spiritual organization, the Governor appreciated their commitment to promoting peace, harmony and moral values in society. Governor Parnaik said that Holi, the vibrant festival of colours, is a reminder for all to strengthen bonds of brotherhood, absolve differences and renew our commitment to collective well-being. He expressed hope that the joyous occasion would inspire citizens to spread peace and tranquility in the society.

State Minister of Science & Technology Dasanglu Pul reviewed the progress of ongoing Central Sector and State Sector schemes during a comprehensive meeting of the Department of Science & Technology. During the meeting, departmental initiatives, implementation status, and future priorities were assessed to further strengthen scientific advancement in the state. On the occasion, Minister Pul also launched the book "Geothermal Energy in Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh – A Journey Toward Sustainable Energy Solutions" by the Centre for Earth Sciences & Himalayan Studies. The publication highlights state's commitment to exploring sustainable and innovative energy solutions, reinforcing vision for a greener and self-reliant Arunachal Pradesh.

Basar MLA Nyabi Jini Dirchi chaired a preparatory meeting in Leparada, for the 9th Edition of the Hangpan Dada Memorial Trophy 2025-26. The MLA said the district-level tournament will showcase thrilling competitions in Football and Volleyball for Boys & Girls Under-16 categories, aimed at nurturing young talent, promoting fitness, and upholding the spirit of sportsmanship in our community. The Basar MLA also flagged off a fully equipped School Van of the Menjwk Meqkok Rwgau Gurukul School, Basar, which was donated on 27th February at F&G Sector, Itanagar.

The District Level Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament 2026 was successfully organized at Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat. The programme was conducted by the NSS unit of the college in collaboration with My Bharat, East Siang District, Pasighat. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students who actively engaged in discussions and deliberations on themes related to nation building, democracy and the vision of Viksit Bharat. After a competitive and engaging sessions, 10 participations were selected to represent the district at the forthcoming State-level Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament Competition.

Major surgical milestone has been achieved at Zoram Medical College & Hospital, Mizoram, where doctors successfully removed a massive ovarian tumour weighing approximately 33 kilograms. Hospital officials described the tumour as the largest ever removed at the institution. According to medical staff involved in the case, there has been no previous record at the hospital of a tumour exceeding the size of the one recently operated on. The complex procedure was carried out through a collaborative effort between the hospital's Departments of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Anaesthesiology at its Falkawn facility.

Information and Public Relations Department, government of Arunachal Pradesh is organising a three-day 11th Arunachal Film Festival from March 6 to 8 at TNZ Cinemas, Itanagar. The festival will feature storytelling sessions, panel discussions, workshops and interactions with filmmakers and artists from across the region. The event aims to promote emerging voices from the Northeast, especially talents from Arunachal Pradesh, providing a platform to showcase creativity.

In ICC Men's T20 World Cup, India will face England in the second semifinal match at the Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai tomorrow. The winners of both these matches will face each other in the finals on 8th of March at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad.

Two senior citizens from Tripura, 66 yrs. old Chandan Bhowmik and Ajay Kumar Saha of 59 yrs., have successfully completed a 5,300-kilometre bicycle journey from Agartala to Kanyakumari in Tamil Nadu. The duo set off on January 5 and reached Kanyakumari on March 1 after covering the extensive distance on bicycles. According to the Agartala Cycloholc Club, the purpose of their journey was to spread awareness about the conservation of natural resources and environmental protection.

Conflict in West Asia has intensified as Israel carried out a series of strikes on the Basij and internal security command centers in Tehran. The Israel Defence Forces said in a social media post that the targeted command centers were used by the Iranian regime to maintain control throughout Iran. The IDF also struck the regime's missile launchers and other systems. The Israeli Air Force also said that Iranian soldiers who operated air defense systems against Air Force aircraft have been neutralized. Meanwhile, Iranian state television reported today mourning ceremony for Khamenei had been postponed and would be held later.

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