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One more Indian-flagged LPG tankers Green Sanvi has crossed the war-affected Strait of Hormuz and is now en route to India, carrying 46 thousand 650 metric tonnes of LPG cargo with 25 seafarers on board. Government sources said that Green Sanvi has become the seventh India-bound LPG tanker to cross the Strait of Hormuz since the West Asia conflict began.

Meanwhile, the Petroleum and Natural Gas Ministry has said that the government is making all efforts to ensure availability of Petrol, Diesel and LPG across the country. It has advised citizens to avoid panic purchase of Petrol and Diesel and unnecessary booking of LPG.

Arunachal's Rupa Bayor has created history by becoming the first Indian to reach World Taekwondo (WT) World Ranking No. 5. In a social media post, Chief Minister Pema Khandu, congratulating Bayor, said that it is not just a personal milestone, but a proud moment for the entire nation. Her dedication, discipline, and relentless hard work have set a new benchmark for Indian Taekwondo, the CM added.

A search and rescue operation conducted today by the 12th Battalion NDRF and the SDRF Team, Khonsa, led to successful recovery of another missing individual, Laichat Wangpan (25), from the Tissa River near Otongkhoa village, in Tirap district. The rescue operation was led by Inspector Prabir Amani of the NDRF and Assistant Sub-Inspector Yumto Pulong, In-Charge of the SDRF Regional Centre, Khonsa. Earlier on 2nd April, in the initial search and rescue operation, one body, identified as Wangthoa Wangpan, was recovered while the other missing person could not be traced. The 2nd April rescue operation was carried out by the SDRF Tirap team in coordination with the District Administration, District Disaster Management Authority, Khonsa, and locals from nearby villages.

At least five houses were reduced to ashes in a devastating fire that broke out at around 12:15 AM today, near the SP Office in Daporijo, Upper Subansiri district, which also caused extensive damage to property. No human casualties have been reported so far. The extent of the loss is yet to be assessed.

Meanwhile, the Colony Secretary expressed concern over the difficulties faced by emergency responders during the operation. He stated

that haphazard parking of vehicles along the road creates obstruction for smooth movement of fire tenders during the emergency. He urged vehicle owners to park responsibly to avoid traffic congestion and ensure unhindered access for emergency services in the future.

Arunachal Photography Club president Dr Radhe Natung, along with vice president Takam Arun, called on Governor Lt General (Retd.) KT Parnaik at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar today. During the meeting, they apprised the Governor of the Club's ongoing initiatives and shared details about their upcoming photographic workshop-cum-exhibition, 'The Platform', which aims to provide a creative space for photographers to showcase their talent and perspectives. The Governor suggested that the Club should also focus on capturing and highlighting the developmental strides of Arunachal Pradesh. Showcasing these positive transformations would help build a sense of pride and optimism among the people, while also enhancing awareness of the Government's efforts, he said. Encouraging the Club to expand its outreach, the Governor advised its representatives to actively engage with students in schools and colleges to adopt photography as a hobby.

The Arunachal Pradesh Football Association began its three-day selection trials for the Under-20 Men's State Team today, at Rajiv Gandhi Stadium, Naharlung. The trials, from April 4-6, aims to scout top talent for the upcoming championships.

Winter sports training and the Open National Ski Mountaineering Championship is set to begin at Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh, from tomorrow and will continue till 14th April. The championship will be on 15th April. International Ski Mountaineering Federation, Skimo India Federation, and Department of Youth Affairs, GoAP are collaborating to organize this event, marking a significant advancement for adventure sports in the region.

ICAR-National Research Centre on Yak, Dirang successfully conducted a yak re-introduction programme at Mechuka block in Shi-Yomi district on Friday. The programme aimed to promoting livestock-based livelihoods, enhancing eco-tourism opportunities, and conserving the traditional cultural heritage associated with yak rearing in the region. The programme was held in collaboration with the JomloMongku Mithun Farmers Federation and the Animal Husbandry Department.