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The protest against M/s Aether Alloys LLP's ferro-silicon factory in Niglok Industrial Growth Centre, East Siang district, has temporarily lifted as the protestors suspended their agitation for a period of six months on certain conditions. The development came on Tuesday after Ruksin ADC Kiran Ningo convened a consultative meeting with the protesting villagers at Ngorlung community hall in presence of the stakeholders and silicon company executives. Villagers from seven nearby villages alleged pollution caused health hazards and crop damage, leading to a year-long agitation. A February clash injured four police during a court-ordered material escort.

A pall of shock has descended over Naharlagun following the mysterious death of a Class 12 student at the Vidya Bharati Institute. According to the school authorities, the student allegedly died by suicide. However, the family has strongly contested this claim, insisting that the circumstances surrounding the death are suspicious and demanding a thorough investigation. Speaking on the matter, Naharlagun Superintendent of Police Neelam Nega said that a case has been registered and an investigation is currently underway. He assured that all angles are being examined and that the police will conduct a fair and impartial probe to ascertain the exact cause of death. Authorities have urged the public to remain calm and allow the investigation to proceed without speculation. Further details are awaited as the probe continues.

The district administration of Papum Pare held a crucial meeting at Yupia, on Tuesday to address illegal encroachment and unauthorized constructions on government land. Chairing the meeting Deputy Commissioner Lobsang Tsering directed officers to ensure that all government properties are secured and brought under proper custody. He emphasized issuing fresh notices to encroachers to vacate within the timeframe or face legal action. He instructed officers to adhere strictly to mandatory notice periods while issuing eviction notices to avoid legal complications. Acknowledging challenges due to the lack of proper demarcation in several areas, the Papumpare DC stated that an "as-is-where-is" approach may be adopted in such cases. He directed officers to proceed with action based on available records and encouraged the

digitization and compilation of land-related data for improved clarity and efficiency.

The Circle Officer of Ruksin in East Siang district following a set of representations submitted by PRI leaders today, instructed field officers of agriculture and horticulture department to assess the rate of loss and damaged caused by the cyclone, which ravaged major parts of Pasighat West area on April 25 last and triggered huge devastation. The cyclone ravaged Depi, Detak, Debing, Rayang, Niglok, Ngorlung, Ralung and Lingka villages under Ruksin circle and caused large-scale damages. However, no loss of human lives and domestic animals by the natural disaster is reported from affected areas.

The 18th District Level NCORD Committee Meeting was held today in Ziro, chaired by DC Oli Perme. It aimed to curb drug trafficking and substance abuse in Lower Subansiri. The Chairperson directed sharing meeting minutes and circulars with ZPC, DIPRO, and school heads after Educational representatives highlighted urgent need for parental awareness programs.

The College of Agriculture, Central Agricultural University (Imphal), Pasighat, successfully inaugurated the Drone & 3D Printing Innovation and Experience Hub today, marking a significant step towards promoting technology-driven agriculture in the region. Highlighting the administrative importance of agriculture, the Deputy Commissioner of East Siang, Sonalika Jiwani stressed its critical role in ensuring food security. Calling for the empowerment of food producers, she urged the Dean and faculty members to actively participate in the Command Area Development Programme, noting that Pasighat, Ledung under Ruksin, has been selected as the pilot location.

Sixty-three residents from Likor village submitted their consent today for the Pre-Feasibility Report activities of the proposed Siang Upper Multipurpose Project at the Conference Hall of the DC Office, Yingkiong. With this latest development, the total number of families from Likor village supporting the PFR activities has risen to 134. Notably, 53 of these families are currently residing in Yingkiong township, while only four households are yet to extend their consent.

An interaction programme with Class X CBSE (AISSE) toppers of East Siang district for the academic session 2025–26 was held today at the DC's Conference Hall, Pasighat. A total of 14 toppers, accompanied by escort teachers and officials from the DDSE Office, participated in the programme. The initiative aimed to motivate students, provide career guidance, and expose them to real-world administrative functioning.

Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecast yellow alert of thunderstorm and lightning with heavy rain very likely at isolated places in Papumpare, Lower Subansiri, Lepa Rada, East Siang, Lower Siang, Anjaw, Namsai and Longding districts of Arunachal Pradesh.

That is all in this News Bulletin, Namaskar.