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Khamti and Singpho Community of Arunachal Pradesh are celebrating the three-day Sangken, Theravada Buddhist New year water festival, from today. The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt Gen KT Parnaik, (Retd.), has extended his warm greetings and best wishes to the people of the State. He expressed his hope that the sacred festival would inspire all to walk the path of compassion, peace, and righteousness as shown by Lord Buddha.

Samrat Choudhary has been elected as the BJP legislature party leader in Bihar, paving the way for him to become the next Chief Minister of the state. The announcement was made after a meeting of the NDA legislature party in Patna. Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who was appointed as the central observer, said that Choudhary was elected unanimously. The development comes after Nitish Kumar resigned as Chief Minister and dissolved his Cabinet. He had recently become a Rajya Sabha MP.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today laid foundations stones and inaugurated key projects, totalling a landmark investment of Rupees 196.44 Crore in Siang district. The foundation laid projects include- Accommodation for Government Staff in Siang District, Women Police Station Building at Pangin, Improvement of District HQ Township Road at Boleng (CMCSRDP-II), Improvement of Pangin ADC HQ Township Road (CMCSRDP-II), Road from Yibuk to Lising (Phase-I), and many other projects. Further, the inaugurated projects are - Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) at Pangin, Double-lane CC Pavement Road from BRTF Rengo Road to District Hospital, Boleng, 70m Bailey Bridge over Subbung River on Dosing-Pareng-Yibuk Road, Fire Station at Boleng (Rengo). CM Khandu also handed over cheques amounting more than Rupees 25 lakh each to four Integrated Farming Clusters across Siang district to strengthen livelihood activities and boost rural income generation.

The nation is paying homage to the Chief Architect of Indian Constitution Dr B.R. Ambedkar on his 136th birth anniversary today. Several functions have been organised throughout the country to mark the occasion.

HCG Cancer Hospital has launched an Expert Cancer OPD in Itanagar, on Monday, to improve access to specialised oncology care in the

Northeast. The OPD will be held at Polo Hospital, Ganga Market, every Friday (4 PM–8 PM and evening slots) and Saturday mornings. Specialist doctors, including Dr. Arijit Bishnu and Dr. Manjunath, will provide consultations and treatment guidance. The initiative aims to enable early diagnosis, reduce travel for patients, and strengthen collaboration with local medical communities.

The Department of Youth Affairs, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, is organising Annual Job Fair at DK Convention Hall, Itanagar of Papum Pare district, tomorrow. The next destination of the Job fair will be at Lower Dibang Valley district on 17th April. Previously, on Monday, the department organised the Annual Job Fair at Buddha Park, Bomdila, where 40 companies participated.

Fire Station Naharlagun commenced "Observation of Fire Service Week" today, running from April 14th to 20th of 2026. This year's theme, "Safe School, Safe Hospital & Fire Safety Aware Society," focuses on community-led prevention. During the event, Sujit Chakraborty (Assistant Director, Fire & Emergency Services) and Kokir Amo (Officer In-Charge, Naharlagun), urged citizens to report fire incidents immediately by calling 112. The officials emphasized extreme caution when handling LPG cylinders and electrical equipment to prevent domestic tragedies. They appealed to locals to remain proactive, stating that a "Fire Safety Aware Society" is the strongest defense against disasters.

Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General KT Parnaik (Retd.), reflecting concern for the health and well-being of children and the need for safe drinking water, presented a high-end water purifier to the hostel of Gyan Mission Orphanage at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar, on Monday. The Governor assured continued support to the organization and expressed his readiness to assist in every possible way, emphasizing the collective responsibility of society to care for and empower its most vulnerable.

Nari Shakti Vandan Adhinyam Bike/Scooty Rally is going to be organized in Arunachal, on 15th April 2026 from Borum Ground, Naharlagun to DK Convention Hall, Itanagar.

Met Centre Itanagar has issued yellow alert. Thunder and Lightning with heavy rain is very likely at isolated places in Dibang Valley and Longding districts of Arunachal Pradesh.

The Gurudwara Singh Sabha, Naharlagun, today vibrantly celebrated Baisakhi. The event drew a large gathering of devotees and local leaders to the Gurudwara Saheb. Talking to the media person, Gigi Rena Camdir, Corporator of Ward No-18 (IMC), emphasized the spirit of communal harmony. She urged the citizens to strengthen the bonds of brotherhood among themselves, highlighting that such festivals are vital for social cohesion. Inder Singh, Vice-President of the Gurudwara Singh Sabha, noted the day's significance in promoting equality and selfless service.