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Chief Minister Pema Khandu paid his last respects and homage to late Dr. Bengia Tolum at his residence in Yazali, today. In a social media post the CM called him a widely respected figure and a towering indigenous leader of the state, and said his immense contributions towards society and the preservation of the indigenous identity will always be remembered with deep respect and gratitude.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt Gen KT Parnaik, (Retd.), presented the 'Governor's Citation' along with a cash award to Smt. Minati Dakuya, a staff member of Lok Bhavan, at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar, today. She received the citation and a cash award of Rs. 20,000 in recognition of her timely action, which helped avert a major tragedy in the Lok Bhavan Complex. On 8th May 2026 at around 7:30 PM, Smt. Minati Dakuya noticed an electrical fire breaking out from a nearby electric pole in Sector-B. She immediately alerted the Electricity Department and continuously followed up to ensure that the power supply was disconnected without delay. Her prompt action prevented what could have become a major fire accident.

The state-level U-16 football and volleyball tournaments for the 9th Hangan Dada Memorial Trophy began today at Aalo, West Siang district. The tournament is conducted annually at constituency, district and state levels in memory of Ashok Chakra Hangan Dada. It is a flagship sports event of the state government to nurture talent at the grassroots level. Winners of district-level tournaments advance to the state level. In U-16 football, inaugural match in boys category between West Siang and Shi Yomi ended in a 1-1 draw. In another fixture, Longding defeated Dibang Valley by 3-0. Meanwhile, Siang defeated East Siang 3-0. In girls category, Longding and Kra Dadi played out a 1-1 draw. Further, Namsai defeated Siang 2-1 in their match. The tournament will continue till 27th of this month.

State Minister for Health & Family Welfare Biyuram Wahge inaugurated the Rubber Producer Society Office-cum-Training Hall at Seijosa, in Pakke Kessang district, today. He said Seijosa has immense potential in rubber cultivation, and with proper training and guidance, production can be significantly enhanced, leading to increased income and employment opportunities for local people. On the occasion, a statue in honour of Late Lt. Nisam Nabam, a Progressive Farmer Awardee and visionary pioneer who introduced rubber cultivation in Seijosa in 2012, was also unveiled.

The inauguration ceremony of the 'Tulang' pure edible oil factory was held today at the Industrial Estate, 2 Mile, near Sawmill, Pasighat. The factory was inaugurated by the Commerce and Industries Minister Nyato Dukom, in the presence of 38 Pasighat East MLA Tapi Darang, 37 Pasighat West MLA Ninong Ering, and 39 Mebo MLA Oken Tayeng. Addressing the gathering, Minister Nyato Dukom said that to chase a dream, one must remain persistent and consistent. He lauded pilot-turned-entrepreneur Mohonto Pangin for turning his vision into reality. Speaking on the occasion, the three local MLAs of East Siang jointly emphasized the importance of using locally produced goods. The MLAs also appreciated Mohonto Pangin for setting up the factory within the district, noting that it would greatly help local farmers in the coming days.

The Agniveer Recruitment Common Entrance Examination for the Recruiting Year 2027 will be conducted from 01 June 2026 to 12 June 2026 at various designated examination centres across the region. All eligible candidates of Arunachal Pradesh who have successfully registered for the Agniveer recruitment process are advised to download their admit cards from the official recruitment website i.e. www.joinindianarmy.nic.in within the stipulated timeline and carefully verify the details mentioned therein. Entry into the examination venue will be permitted only upon production of a valid admit card along with an original photo identity proof. For further updates and detailed instructions, candidates may contact helpline numbers of Army Recruiting Office, Jorhat 0376-2333136 and +916901963193, email address at ap.upper@nic.in.

National Dengue Day is observed today in the country. Officially declared by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the day aims to raise awareness and strengthen preventive pre-monsoon measures against the disease. May has been designated as a key month for pre-monsoon awareness activities to curb the spread of dengue. Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecast thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain is very likely to occur at isolated places of Upper Subansiri, Siang and Upper Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh.