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Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday announced a hike in monthly honorarium of Gaon Burahs (GBs) and Head Gaon Burahs (HGBs) across the State. Sharing this information in a social media post, he said monthly honorarium of GBs has been increased from 1,500 rupees to 2,000 rupees and for HGBs from 2,000 to 2,500 rupees. In a statement, Khandu said, "We commend the contributions of GBs and HGBs, who are an integral part of the Arunachali society, and serve as exemplary models of democratic self-governance." The last hike of the village heads' honorarium was effected in February 2019 when GBs' remuneration was revised from 1,000 to Rs 1,500 rupees and for HGBs from 1,500 to 2,000 rupees.

The State Cooperative Development Committee (SCDC), in its first meeting chaired by Chief Secretary Dharmendra, today approved district-wise plan of setting up of new 150 Large Sized Multi Purpose Cooperative Societies (LAMPS), 157 Dairy Cooperative Societies and 184 Fisheries Cooperative Societies over the next 5 years. The SCDC also approved the setting up of 500 metric ton grain storage plan by Namsai LAMPS on pilot basis. The Chief Secretary also reviewed steps taken by the Department of Cooperation in implementing various schemes/initiatives of Ministry of Cooperation, GoI in the State and suggested, all state plan schemes of line departments to be mapped by Dept of Cooperation for convergence.

A delegation from Arunachal Pradesh, headed by Assembly Speaker PD Sona, is participating in the 66th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC), which began in Accra, Ghana on Wednesday. The delegation includes Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein, Deputy Speaker Tesam Pongte, MLA Nyamar Karbak and Assembly Secretary Kago Habung. The opening ceremony was graced by President of Republic of Ghana, Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo. In his speech, Speaker Sona expressed his eagerness to engage in meaningful discussions on global issues throughout the conference.

He emphasized the critical role of the CPC as a platform for addressing worldwide concerns and fostering international cooperation.

Union Minister of State for Panchayati Raj Kapil Moreshwar Patil took a detailed review of all the centrally sponsored schemes (CSS) with the state and central government officials in a meeting at district secretariat, Ziro on Wednesday. Lower Subansiri Deputy Commissioner Bamin Nime was also present in the meeting. The Minister advised the government departments to work on convergence mode and deliver seamless service to the people as envisioned by the PM Narendra Modi led Central Government. During the visit, Patil inaugurated the Panchayat Bhawan cum Common Service Centre at Biirii and an eco-friendly childrens park at Nago Putu. He also distributed farm machineries to a few beneficiaries under Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization Scheme at the Subansiri Sadan.

State Government's Commissioner (Education) Amjad Tak today paid a visit to Balijan in Papum Pare district to monitor the progress of work being carried out at the work site of NCC Academy over there. The Commissioner expressed satisfaction with the quality of work done so far including the materials used in construction work. He called for completion of the NCC Academy by January 2025. He further stressed on regular monitoring by Commanders from NCC and department officers from time to time. During the site inspection, the Commissioner was accompanied by Secretary (Education) Pige Ligu, NCC Commanding Officer Col Roshan Verma and the Executive Engineer of Education Department's engineering wing, Gyamar Karo.

West Kameng District Administration, in collaboration with Pratham Education Foundation and the Education Department, has on Tuesday launched an online training program called "VidyaVahini" in a bid to elevate the education standards in the district. This online training program is designed to benefit more than 500 teachers and all students from classes VI to VIII across the district. The training, spanning six months, will be conducted in batches, covering various aspects of teaching-learning modules, along with an English spoken course.

At the Hangzhou Asian Games in China, India amassed a total of 84 medals, including 21 gold, 31 silver, and 32 bronze. India is currently in fourth place in the medal tally. This is India's best-ever performance at the Asian Games surpassing the previous best of 70 medals at the 18th edition of Asian Games in Jakarta. In Archery, Indian men's compound archery team beat South Korea by a score of 235-230 to win gold. Earlier, the trio of Jyoti, Parneet, and Aditi

secured Gold in the women's team compound event prevailing over Chinese Taipei with a scoreline of 230-228. In Squash, Indian mixed doubles pair Dipika Pallikal and Harinder Pal Singh Sandhu clinched the gold medal after defeating the Malaysian pair.