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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh yesterday launched the Navy's updated indigenous programme Swavalamban 2.0 in New Delhi. Speaking on the occasion, he said the Government is making all possible efforts to make India self-reliant in the Defence sector. Singh added that India is now moving forward in mission mode in the research and development, because of the policies framed by the Government. During the event, the Defence Minister also released the fifth Positive Indigenisation list of 98 items.



The Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the year 2023 has been awarded to three scientists for their discovery and synthesis of quantum dots. The three scientists are French-American chemist Moungi G Bawendi, American Louis E Brus, and Russian-born Alexei Ekimov. Quantum dots are tiny nanoparticles whose properties are determined by their size. Their discovery has significantly contributed to the technology of QLED televisions and LED lamps, where these nanoparticles are instrumental in creating vibrant colours.



The Enforcement Directorate (ED) yesterday arrested Aam Aadmi Party, Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh in connection with the Delhi excise policy case. Singh was arrested following the raid at his residence in the national capital. He is the third leader of AAP, who has been arrested in this case. Earlier, AAP leaders Satyender Jain and Manish Sisodia were arrested over the charges of corruption.



Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio has extended Yemshe and Tsokum greetings to the Pochury and Khiamniungan brothers and

sisters. Rio wishing the Pochury community a joyful festival filled with love, good health many blessings, said, Yemshe is the festival of welcoming new harvest and the blessings associated with it. Extending good health and happiness to the Khiamniungan brothers and sisters, Rio wished that the Almighty answer our prayers for a bountiful harvest and safeguard our lives.



In Sikkim, 59 people including 23 Army personnel have been reported missing while five people were confirmed dead after cloudburst over Lhonak Lake in Mangan triggered a flashflood in Teesta river in the Lachen valley. Speaking to Akashvani News Chief secretary of Sikkim Vijay Bhushan Pathak said that all necessary measures for relief and rescue is being undertaken. Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke to Chief Minister of Sikkim Prem Singh Tamang and took stock of the situation arising from the Glacial Lake Outburst Flood in parts of Sikkim. The Prime Minister assured all possible support and prayed for the safety and well-being of those affected in the wake of this unfortunate natural calamity. Meanwhile, the search and rescue operation by Indian Army for the 23 missing soldiers in flash floods is continuing. One soldier has been rescued so far.



India Meteorological Department has forecast that heavy to very heavy rainfall will continue in Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Sikkim, North Odisha during next two days. It said, North-Eastern part of the country also expected to receive heavy to very heavy rainfall during next three days.



Nagaland Adventure Club(NAC) is all set to organise the 9th Horsepower challenge from 12th to 14th of this month at Agri Expo site Chumoukedima. Addressing a press conference last evening in Kohima, NAC president Burakum Ao said, in this year's edition, the Autocross (Four Wheelers) will feature SUV, Open, Stock, Rookie (amateur), and ladies categories. He added that for the first time, the stock category is being included in the challenge. He said the autorickshaw rally, a first of its kind, will also be held during the event.

Burakum said, more than 70 participants are expected to register for the challenge, which include participants from Tura in Meghalaya, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland. He informed that the early registration will be till 9th October, while late registration is on 10th and 11th and spot registration on 12th October. The main rally will begin on 13th and 14th October from 9AM to 4 PM. Winners of each category will take home cash prizes money ranges from 60,000 rupees to 10,000 rupees.

