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Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lt General (Retd) KT Parnaik has said that the Indian Armed Forces which continue to play a pivotal role in nation building have emerged as a national symbol of integrity and resilience. Participating in the Lt. General PS Bhagat Memorial Lecture at the Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi on Friday, the Governor recollected the vision of Viksit Bharat. He emphasised that the transformation of the Armed Forces hinges on Force Structuring and Optimization, Modernization and Technology Infusion, Human Resource Management and Jointness and Integration. The Governor said that the Armed Forces should be the biggest catalyst to facilitate the country to become a developed nation.

In view of rising dog bite incidents in the State, Director of Health Services (DHS) Dr Riken Rina on Friday convened a crucial meeting in his office at Naharlagun to assess the preparedness of the Health and Family Welfare Department toward tackling the situation. The DHS advised the public to take every animal bite or scratch "seriously". He said, the most crucial step is to wash the wound immediately with running water and soap for not less 15 minutes, then report the case to the nearest health facility and complete their vaccination. Suggesting that proper sanitation and prevention of garbage accumulation are essential to control the stray dog population, he advised the people not to panic but maintain caution as rabies is a 100% preventable disease with timely PEP (post-exposure prophylaxis).

Director General of Doordarshan, Kanchan Prasad has called for involving Doordarshan in dissemination of development activities concerning Arunachal Pradesh, and sought collaboration with the State government particularly with the Information and Public Relations (IPR) Department in this direction. The DG made this call during a meeting she had with Secretary IPR Nyali Ete at his office chamber on Friday. While emphasizing on showcasing the rich cultural heritage including diverse cuisine, folklore, and places of tourist attractions in the State through the Arunprabha channel of Doordarshan, the DG felt that the 'step' would help in reaching a wider range of audience. In response, the Secretary IPR assured the Doordarshan team of an

elaborate plan and strategy to be taken up for collaborative effort for highlighting the developmental activities through the DD.

In a significant step towards ensuring safety and wellbeing of the Puroik community of the district, a dedicated emergency helpline number was officially launched by East Kameng Deputy Commissioner Sachin Rana on Thursday last. Recognising the need for immediate and effective assistance in view of recurring incidents happening to the Puroik community, the helpline number (7085721317) will serve as a crucial lifeline for the community members. This initiative is part of the district administration's ongoing efforts to provide timely assistance to the Puroik community. The emergency helpline number will be operational 24/7, allowing individuals to report emergencies and seek immediate help.

The week-long 1st edition of the Siang Biodiversity Meet concluded today. A total of 140 species of butterflies, 100 species of birds, 300 species of moths were spotted during the Biodiversity Meet. It was organised by Gobuk Welfare Society in collaboration with Epum Sirum Welfare Society and with support from Titli Trust, DFO, Mouling National Park cum Wildlife Division, and Upper Siang district administration. Rare species of butterfly such as Dark Freak, Brown Gorgon, Yellow Gorgon, Elusive Prince, False Tibetan Cupid, Green Dragontail and Mottled Argus were spotted during the meet. Rare bird species such as Green Cochoa, Large Niltava, Black-chinned Yuhina, White-napped Yuhina, Slaty-bellied Tesia and Spotted Elachura were also spotted during the event, attended by 25 people including researchers and nature conservationists from different parts of the country.

Internationally famous bodybuilder Paklu Taipodia will be hosting a two-day 'Paklu Taipodia Classic National Bodybuilding & Fitness Championship' in the community hall of the Art & Culture Directorate at Naharlagun in August next. This is the first time that Arunachal Pradesh will be hosting the championship under the patronage of Chief Minister Pema Khandu, Deputy CM Chowna Mein and other leaders. "As Arunachal is known for its global sports medal holders in karate, weightlifting and taekwondo, and arm wrestler Pakjar Tapipodia was the first to fly Arunachal's flag in the global field, the event is expected to serve as a platform to promote this state," Taipodia said.

The India Meteorological Department has forecast heatwave conditions over the Northwest, Central and Eastern parts of the country for the next few days. The IMD said heatwave to severe heatwave conditions are expected over parts of Rajasthan, Punjab, Haryana and Delhi till Tuesday. These conditions have also commenced over Eastern and Central parts of the country from today. In East India, isolated heavy rainfall is very likely to occur over Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Assam, Nagaland, Manipur and Meghalaya till Monday. The maximum temperatures over many parts of Northwest, Central and East India are expected to increase gradually by about 2-4 degrees Celsius for the next 3-4 days.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar.