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The state government is all set to implement the three new criminal laws - the Indian Judicial Code, the Indian Civil Defence Code, and the Indian Evidence Act – replacing the Indian Penal Code, 1860, the Code of Criminal Procedure Act, 1973, and the Indian Evidence Act, 1872, respectively, from 1 July. Extensive preparations have been made to ensure successful implementation and seamless transition to the new system. Home Joint Secretary Karma Leki in a release said that the state police force has been the main focus of intensive training programmes aimed at equipping them with the knowledge and skills necessary to enforce the three new criminal laws effectively. He said that a total of 106 officers, ranging from assistant sub-inspectors to inspectors, received training in the state in the first phase, which took place from 29 April to 24 May. In the second phase of the training, from 10 June to 28 June, 346 officers above the rank of ASI attended the training. A total of 39 sub-inspectors and inspectors have been trained as master trainers.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) has announced fresh dates for cancelled and postponed examinations. In a notification issued yesterday, the NTA said the UGC-NET June 2024 examination will now be held between 21st of August and 4th of September. The University Grants Commission-National Eligibility Test was cancelled a day after being conducted on 18th of this month as the Education ministry received inputs that the integrity of the exam was compromised. Joint CSIR-UGC-NET June-2024 Examination which was postponed as a pre-emptive measure will now be held from 25th to 27th of July.

Five Army soldiers were killed during a tank warfare exercise in the Ladakh region last night when the stream through which the tanks were passing suddenly got flooded. An exercise of tank warfare was going on in the Daulat Beg Ode area near the line of actual control. In an Official Statement, defense spokesperson in Leh said the mishap occurred while deinducting from a military training activity, an army T-72 tank got stuck in the Shyok River, near Saser Brangsa, Eastern Ladakh due to sudden increase in the water level. Rescue teams rushed to the location, but due to high current and water levels, the rescue mission didn't succeed and the tank crew lost their lives. The Indian Army regrets the loss of five brave personnel. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has expressed grief on the loss of lives of five Indian Army soldiers in an unfortunate accident while getting the tank across a river in Ladakh.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will share his thoughts with the people of the country and abroad in the 'Mann Ki Baat' programme on Akashvani at 11 AM tomorrow. It will be the 111th episode of the monthly radio programme. It will also be the first episode after Mr Modi assumed charge of the Prime Minister for the third consecutive time. The programme will be broadcast on the entire network of Akashvani and Doordarshan, AIR News website and newsonair mobile app.

The Meteorological Department has issued a warning for very bad weather in five districts of Arunachal Pradesh. East Siang, Dibang Valley, Lower Dibang Valley, Lohit and Namsai district may witness thunder and lightning with very heavy rain. Tawang, Papumpare, Kra Dadi, Lower Siang, Lepa Reda, West Siang, Siang, Upper Siang, Anjaw and Changlang District also may witness thunder and lightning with heavy rain in the next 24 hours. Other districts will also witness similar weather till tomorrow.

A total of 226 patients benefited from a free 'eye screeningcum-general health camp', organised by the Tirap unit of the Arunachal Vikas Parishad, in collaboration with the Tirap district administration, at the EAC headquarters at Lazu on Friday. Deputy Commissioner Ira Singhal visited the camp and urged the villagers to maintain a hygienic lifestyle to promote good health.

The Men in Blue will face South Africa in the final of T20 World Cup 2024 at the Kensington Oval in Barbados on today. The match will start at 8pm. Much like the semi-final, rain is likely to play a part in Saturday's T20 World Cup final. According to the weather report, there is a 78% chance of rain and a 47% chance of thunderstorms on June 29. ICC has allotted 190 minutes of extra time for the completion of play. The world cricketing body has also made provisions of reserve day in case the final match cannot be completed today.

As the state government prepares to implement three new criminal laws, the District Administration Capital Itanagar conducted a refresher course for all Executive Magistrates, Special Magistrates, and Judicial Branch staff in the Conference Hall of the DC office today, DC Capital Itanagar, Smti Shweta Nagarkoti Mehta, IAS, encouraged all officers and staff to take full advantage of this opportunity to familiarize themselves with the new criminal laws. She commended EAC Khoda Lasa, the resource person for the session, for his detailed presentation and in-depth explanation of the new laws. The training session included group discussions and a auestion-and-answer round, providina а comprehensive understanding of the changes. Legal Officer Janvak Karlo also served as a resource person, contributing to the informative session. The three new criminal laws—Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharativa Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam-will replace the Indian Penal Code (IPC), the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC), and the Indian Evidence Act, respectively and will come into effect from July 1 this year.

The office of the Assistant Director of Economics and Statistics in Tawang celebrated National Statistics Day with great fervor. The event was graced by Addl. DC Tawang Sang Khandu as the Chief Guest. Addressing the gathering, Addl. DC Tawang highlighted the significant contributions of Professor PC Mahalanobis, an eminent Indian scientist and statistician, particularly noting his development of the Mahalanobis Distance and his role as a member of India's first Planning Commission. Stressing the of accurate importance statistical data, he emphasized its crucial role in achieving developmental goals. In his welcome address, I/C ADES Tawang, Tenzin Phuntso, explained the significance of National Statistics Day, commemorated annually on 29th June in honor of Professor PC Mahalanobis. He expressed plans to expand future celebrations of this day in the district. During the ceremony, senior Statistical Investigator Nawang Dorjee announced the winners of an essay writing competition among students, who were honored with cash prizes and certificates by the ADC. The event also included felicitations for teachers and guests, with Statistical Investigator TP Yati underscoring the importance of reliable statistical data in decision-making processes. The event concluded with a commitment from officials to ensure error-free publication of the annual Statistical Data Information Book, which provides comprehensive insights into Tawang district.

In view of the monsoon season and the risks associated with it and as per the directives of DC cum DM Capital Itanagar, the team of District Administration Capital Itanagar led by ADC Itanagar Datum Gadi and accompanied by EAC Itanagar Takam Nicholas, EAC (Judicial) Tamo Dadda, SDPO Kengo Dirchi and his team, Town Planner Dacha Bagang, and engineers from the Highway Department, carried out eviction of vending outlets constructed over drains along the National Highway at 6-kilo today. DC Capital Itanagar Smti Shweta Nagarkoti Mehta, IAS, stated that with the onset of the monsoon season, the Administration has been working diligently to implement measures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all residents. The monsoon season brings an increased risk of landslides, flooding, and other weather-related hazards, posing significant dangers to both vendors and the public. The vendors were running their vending outlets over drains, which poses a great threat to their lives. Notices were issued to shift to safer areas, regular announcements were also made to inform them of the probable risks of residing in such vulnerable locations and to move to safer locations. Despite these warnings, the vendors were still continuing to run their outlets and hence it was necessary to carry out the eviction to prevent potential accidents and ensure everyone's safety. Also, multiple complaints were being received by DA regarding encroachment over the drains in the 6 kilo area. The occupants on the other side who were not sitting over the drains were not evicted, informed the DC. The DC stressed that the top priority is to protect lives and minimize damage to property. While this may cause some inconvenience, it is a necessary step to ensure everyone's safety. The DC praised the entire team of magistrates and police for their excellent coordination in successfully carrying out the eviction drive. The DC informed that areas are also being identified where encroachment has taken place over drains and can pose danger during the heavy rains. She has advised all such illegal occupants to vacate such areas and move to safer locations. The DC further informed that the eviction drive will continue in all vulnerable and disaster-prone areas of the Capital.

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