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The Economic Survey 2023-24 has projected a real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth of 6.5 to 7 per cent in Financial Year 2024-25. On the first day of the Budget Session, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharman tabled the Economic Survey in the Lok Sabha. According to the survey, domestic growth drivers have supported economic growth in the financial year 2023-24 despite uncertain global economic performance. The survey states that merchandise and services exports are likely to increase. It further mentions that a normal rainfall forecast by the India Meteorological Department and the satisfactory spread of the southwest monsoon is likely to improve agriculture sector performance and support the revival of rural demand. It also said, structural reforms such as the GST and the IBC have also matured and are delivering envisaged results.

The Government today asserted that there is no evidence of paper leaks in the last seven years and it is hiding nothing in the alleged NEET UG paper leak case. Replying to supplementaries during the Question Hour in the Lok Sabha, Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said, the National Testing Agency has conducted 240 examinations since its formation and over four crore 50 lakh students have appeared in the examinations conducted by the NTA. Rejecting the allegations levelled by the opposition parties that paper leak incidents have become rampant in the country, Mr. Pradhan said, the CBI is investigating into the matter and the NEET examination issue is sub-judice in the Supreme Court.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein said that Arunachal Pradesh has the potential to produce 40 percent of the total hydropower capacity of India. He said that the state has the capacity to produce 58000 MW of Hydro-power. Mr. Mein, who also holds the portfolio of Power department while replying to a question in the state assembly relating to Hydro-Power projects in the state said that Arunachal Pradesh as of today has an installed capacity of 1200 MW of hydropower. He said that the state government has recently signed MOUs for 13 Hydro-power projects in the state with 4 CPSUs. He said, of these, 4 projects are at progressive stages and will be started immediately. Mr. Mein said that once these 13 projects

become functional the state will have a yearly revenue earning of around 10 thousand crore. The Deputy Chief Minister also informed that the Lower Subansiri Hydro-power project will be fully commissioned by 2026. He added that work of the 28000 MW Dibang Valley Multi-Purpose project is going on and has achieved 12.32 percent of physical progress.

Arunachal Pradesh Home Minister Mama Natung today informed that there are 21 Women Police Stations notified in the state, of which 7 are functional as of now. The Home Minister said this while replying to a question raised by MLA Wanglin Lowangdong in the Assembly today. He said that 7 police stations, one each at Pasighat, Aalo, Itanagar, Tawang, Tezu, Seppa and Ziro are functional and the state government is working on making the rest 15 Women Police Stations functional very soon. Mr. Natung assured that once the process of infrastructure and creation of manpower is done, the remaining stations will also be made functional in phase manner.

The state's education minister PD Sona in a written reply in the assembly today said that it has placed requisition for recruitment of subject teachers for Government Higher Secondary and Government Secondary Schools across the state. He stated that there is acute shortage of Govt. teachers in these schools. He added that however, under Mukhya Mantri Shiksha Kosh, the education department has provided 777 subject teachers in 2023-24. On the rationalization of transfer and posting of teachers, he said that a Teacher Registry Portal has been developed for the purpose where data of 15888 teachers have been uploaded. He said that the department will issue direction to all teachers to apply online for transfer & posting. Mr. Sona in the reply stated that the present portal will be made fully functional from next academic session. environment for the students of remote areas. The amenities provided include PA system, water dispenser, computers, inverter and digital learning tools.

The Department of Women and Child Development in collaboration with the District Administration and Health Department organized "Beti Janmotsava" under Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Scheme at CHC, Kimin today. Deputy Director, District ICDS Cell, Yupia in her keynote address highlighted the programmes under the scheme and it's benefits. She further advised the women

participants to take advantage of women centric central/state schemes. "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao is a central scheme especially launched to save the girl child and educate them," she further added and exhorted all to report any form of violence against women or girl child even within the family or amongst relatives.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar