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The 22nd India-Russia Annual Summit will focus on defence, trade linkages, investment ties, energy cooperation, education, science and technology, culture, and people-to-people connections as the key discussion points. This was stated by Foreign Secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra during a press briefing in New Delhi today. On the Prime Minister's upcoming official visit to Russia and Austria from 8th to 10th of this month, Mr Kwatra said, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Russian President Vladimir Putin will review the entire range of multifaceted relations between the two countries. He said, they will exchange views on contemporary regional and global issues of mutual interest.

India has registered the highest ever growth in the value of defence production in 2023-24. The value of production has reached nearly one lakh, 27 thousand crore rupees in 2023-24, which is 16.8 percent higher than the value of production of the previous financial year. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has lauded the country for achieving the highest ever growth in the value of defence production in 2023-24.

Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw today said that Indian Railways is manufacturing 2 thousand 5 hundred General Coaches this year and this will follow the manufacturing of 10 thousand more General coaches. Speaking on the occasion of a MoU signing between Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya of Indian Railways and leading commercial aircraft manufacturer Airbus, Mr Vaishnaw said that the government's prime focus has been to cater to the economically weaker section and middle class.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein today inaugurated the Apatani Heritage - Souvenir Shopping Complex and the Golden Jubilee Dree Heritage Gate at Dree Ground Papu Nallah on the occasion of Dree festival. The newly inaugurated complex provides a platform for local artisans to showcase their unique crafts and traditional artifacts, promoting sustainable livelihoods and cultural exchange. Further, the Golden Jubilee Dree Heritage Gate symbolizes the vibrant traditions and history of the Apatanis celebrating 50 years of the Dree Festival's legacy.

State Governor retired Lt. General K.T. Parnaik has extended his good wishes and festival greetings to the people of the State in general and to Apatani community in particular on the auspicious occasion of Dree. He expressed his hope that the warmth and splendour, which have always been an important part of the festivity, will usher in happiness and prosperity for all.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu yesterday announced that the state government is preparing a roadmap called 'Mission Olympic 2028' and 'Mission Olympic 2032' under its ambitious 100-day action plan. Inaugurating a FIFA Standard Artificial Turf Football Ground at Gyalwa Tsangyang Gyatso High Altitude Stadium, he said that the aim is to send as many athletes as possible from the state to the Olympics representing the country. Khandu also revealed that a new Youth Policy is also under preparation to tap and hone the talents of the youths in various fields.

The State Department of Finance, Planning & Investment has invited valuable suggestions from the citizens of the state for the upcoming 'Arunachal State Budget 2024-25'. The citizens can submit their suggestions at the Arunachal budget portal by 11th of this month. Further, the top three suggestions will receive Rs 50,000/- each.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a red alert for very heavy rainfall in Uttarakhand and most parts of North-East India for today and tomorrow. The Weather department said that a cyclonic circulation lies over northeast Rajasthan and a trough runs from northeast Rajasthan to Bangladesh.

Deputy Commissioner Capital Complex, Shweta Nagarkoti today issued a traffic advisory order to close down the road from Nirjuli to Banderdewa till the clearance of the blockade at Karsingsa. All vehicular movement from Nirjuli to Banderdewa shall be diverted via Gumto road. The DC also directed SP Capital and SP Traffic to depute police personnel for the diversion. She further directed Executive Engineer, PWD, Naharlagun Highway Division, Nirjuli to display banners and barricade at the entry point of the roads.

NEET-PG Entrance Examination 2024 will be held on 11th of next month and to be conducted in two shifts. The National Board of Examinations in Medical Sciences has issued the revised schedule of the examination today.

'Project Shaksham', an initiative to support the meritorious children of police personnel to qualify for the NEET-2025 examination was jointly launched today by the capital police and Lalan's Coaching Centre, Itanagar at the Conference Hall of the SP, Itanagar. On the occasion, an orientation program was also held where seven outstanding students were awarded scholarships including full waiver for five students.

A day long training programme and input distribution was organized by Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), East Kameng district at Silla village yesterday. During the training, Soil Science specialist Mr A. K. Pandey and Plant Protection specialist Mr P. P. Tripathi also interacted with the farmers. About 35 farmers have benefitted from it and have received seeds of seasonal crops, vegetables and Nano Ureas. Further, a short crop field inspection programme was also conducted.

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