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Budget Session of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly commenced today. On the first day, three bills were introduced in the house. The bills include The Arunachal Pradesh Public Examination (Measures to Prevent Unfair Means in Recruitment) Bill, 2024, The Arunachal Pradesh Amendment Bill, 2024 and The Balupara, Tirap, Sadia Frontier Tract Jhum Land Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2024. Earlier, State Assembly Speaker Tesam Pongte announced the Panel of Chairmen for the current session. The members are Dr. Mohesh Chai, Hayeng Mangfi, Tsering Lhamu and Mopi Mihu. The state budget for the fiscal year 2024-25 will be presented by Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein, who also holds the Finance portfolio, on July 24. This second session of the 8th Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly will consist of six sittings and conclude on July 26.

Later, MLA Mutchu Mithi moved the motion of thanks to Governor's address in the house. Moving the motion, Mr. Mithi said that the Arunachal Pradesh government in the last 8 years have been working on equitable distribution of resources. He said that the state government has been aligning central government schemes with that of the state for the benefit of its people. He said that the Governor's speech points to a single goal and that is the welfare of its people. Seconding the motion, Member Jikke Tako said that the state government has worked a lot on the infrastructure and connectivity in the state and has been very much successful in doing so. MLA Nikh Kamin while taking part in the discussion suggested the state government to give more emphasis on the health and education sectors. He said that along with basic infrastructure facilities, attention should also be given to the requirements of manpower in the departments. Member Thangwang Wangham said that tourism potential should be tapped to create more opportunities in the state. He also suggested the state government to implement Social Audit system in the state to ensure public accountability in the implementation of various schemes.

In order to curb the irregularities and use of unfair means in public examinations, Arunachal Pradesh government tabled The Arunachal Pradesh Public Examination (Measures to Prevent Unfair Means in Recruitment) Bill, 2024 in the state assembly today, on the first day of the Budget session. The proposed law has strict provisions of punishment of imprisonment and penalties, debarring of candidates from appearing recruitment examinations as well as attachment and confiscation of property. A provision dealing with designation of Special Court for speedy trial of such offences has also been provided in the bill.

Talking to media persons at the State Assembly premises, Chief Minister Pema Khandu said that it is a very good initiative of the state government to curb the ill practice of paper-leaks in public examinations. He said that once the bill is passed no one will dare to do such malpractices. Mr. Khandu said that The Arunachal Pradesh Public Examination (Measures to Prevent Unfair Means in Recruitment) Bill, 2024 is more stringent than the national one, The Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Bill, 2024. He said that youths and the aspirants of the state will be very much satisfied with this bill.

Former Arunachal Pradesh PWD Minister and ex-APCC president Talo Mugli passed away at 67 at his residence in Raga, Kamle district on Thursday after a prolonged illness. Governor Lt General (Retd) KT Parnaik has conveyed condolences to the bereaved family, praising Mugli's extensive service as a Panchayat member, MLA, and minister. Meanwhile, Chief Minister Pema Khandu and Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein have also mourned his demise, highlighting his significant contributions to community welfare and the state's development.

A review meeting of the newly inducted members of the Regional Border Dispute Committee for Papum Pare was held at Yupia today to evaluate the ground work done by the previous border committee and also the current conditions and to formulate strategies to solve the border issues between Assam and Arunachal amicably. Speaking on the occasion, Doimukh MLA Nabam Vivek stressed the need for accurate, up-to-date information to address border challenges. He urged administrative officers to complete field assessments by August 2024 and proposed meetings with the Chairman and Assam counterparts in September.

Meanwhile, Rajya Sabha MP Nabam Rebia briefed on the MoU signed by the Chief Ministers of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh under the Namsai Declaration. He emphasized the need for stakeholder consultations, and recommended studying the Tarun Chatterjee Commission Report for an amicable solution. The committee includes Chairman Balo Raja (Land Management Minister) and members Nabam Vivek, Nabam Rebia, Papum Pare DC Jiken Bomjen, and SP Taru Gusar.

The death toll from the Gonda rail accident in Uttar Pradesh has risen to four after one person died in a Lucknow hospital, and another body was recovered from a coach today. Two other injured are in serious condition. 21 coaches of the Dibrugarh bound train derailed yesterday afternoon, injuring 30 people. The restoration of the Lucknow-Guwahati main rail route is underway, with trains being diverted to other routes.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar