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President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated the two-day conference of Governors at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi today. In her opening remarks today, the President said that the agenda for this conference included carefully chosen issues that are crucial in achieving the national goals. The Governors of all States are attending the Conference. The agenda of the Conference includes the implementation of three criminal laws, reforms in higher education and accreditation of universities, and the development of focus areas development like tribal areas, aspirational districts and blocks and border areas.

A record 7.28 crore Income-tax Returns, ITRs have been filed for 2024-25 till 31<sup>st</sup> of last month. Finance Ministry said in a statement that this is 7.5 per cent more than the total ITRs for 2023-24 filed last year. An increasing number of taxpayers have opted for the New Tax Regime this year. About 72 per cent of taxpayers have opted for the New Tax Regime, while 28 per cent continued to be in the Old Tax Regime.

Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has said that Supreme Court's observation on no systemic breach of sanctity in NEET-UG exam and therefore no re-exam vindicates the stand of the Government. In a social media post, Mr Pradhan said, the government stands committed to Tamper-free, Transparent and Zero-error examination system. He said, for ensuring the same, the Government will implement recommendations of the high-level committee of experts, at the earliest once they are submitted.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecasted that except for Dibang Valley, Upper Siang and Shi Yomi districts, all the remaining districts of the state are in yellow alert zone and will receive thunderstorm with lightning, very likely, at isolated places.

The State Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (SIRD&PR), Arunachal Pradesh, yesterday, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Shillong to enhance leadership and management capacities of Panchayat functionaries. Congratulating SIRD & PR and IIM, Chief Minister Pema Khandu in his social media post said this partnership will prioritize training, support, and equipping Panchayat

representatives to achieve Localization of Sustainable Development Goals (LSDGs) in every village, benefiting the state's development.

Delhi University Vice Chancellor Professor Yogesh Singh yesterday said that the University will use Class XII marks to fill any remaining vacant seats after the regular admission rounds are completed. The announcement comes as the University Grants Commission (UGC) issued a standard operating procedure (SOP) for Central Universities to ensure all seats in UG and PG courses are filled.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Edition of the 'Samwad' was organized today by the Capital Police of Chimpu Police Station at the Community Hall in Ganga Basti, Itanagar. The event aimed to foster the community engagement and strengthening the bond between the police and the public. On the occasion, the handing over of lost and stolen properties to their rightful owners was also held; MLA Techhi Kaso officiated the event. Meanwhile, the appreciation letters were also awarded to Inspector Neeraj Nishant and his team from Chimpu Police Station.

Former Director of Central Bureau of Communication, K K Pant, who also served as Editor in Akashvani News, passed away today. He breathed his last in Gurugram after prolonged illness. The 64-year-old former senior officer of Indian Information Service had served in different wings of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in various capacities.

The month long 'Gift a Radio Campaign' carried out by Akashvani Pasighat and other Akashvani stations of North East Zone has concluded yesterday. A closing ceremony was observed at Akashvani Pasighat in East Siang district.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase of Psycho-social Counselling for the inmates of District Sub Jail, Yingkiong was jointly organized yesterday by Sikiing Kojee Charitable Society and District Legal Service Authority Yingkiong in Upper Siang district. The counselling programme aimed to motivate and prepare the inmates to become a better person, and learn to effectively deal with demands and challenges of everyday life when they re-enter the civil society. Meanwhile, during the programme, the toiletry items were also distributed to them.

The Doimukh Police yesterday apprehended two individuals in connection with a gold chain theft case.

The alleged accused were identified as Kedar Sah and Amar Kumar, residents of Bhagalpur, Bihar. A case was registered on 28<sup>th</sup> of last month after the victim filed a complaint, alleging that, two unidentified individuals had stolen their gold-chains under the guise of cleaning them.