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Prime Minister Narendra Modi today said India is a food surplus country and engaged in providing solutions for global food security and global nutrition security. Addressing the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists in New Delhi, Mr Modi said, agriculture is the centre of government's economic policy. He said the government is strengthening the agriculture sector with reforms and measures aimed at improving the lives of farmers. He informed that more than 700 Krishi Vigyan Kendras are providing information about new technology to them. Prime Minister further said India is promoting chemical-free natural farming. Meanwhile, India is the largest producer of millets, milk, pulses, and spices.

The government has mandated the Public Sector Insurance companies to extend all possible support to the victims of the landslide incident in Kerala. Regarding it, the General Insurance Council will coordinate with the insurance companies to ensure that claims are processed and paid expeditiously. It will also host a portal for all insurers to report claim status daily. Meanwhile, the Union Finance Ministry said, Central Government remain committed to supporting the victims of this calamity and ensuring they receive the necessary assistance without delay and trouble.

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved 8 important National High-Speed Road Corridor Projects of length nine hundred 36 kilometres to improve logistics efficiency, reduce congestion and enhance connectivity across the country. Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that the projects will have a multiplier effect on country's economic growth and will boost employment opportunities.

The Centre has issued a fresh draft notification to declare over 56 thousand 800 square kilometres of the Western Ghats across six states as an Ecologically Sensitive Area (ESA). These states are Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu. The government has also invited suggestions and objections from the public within 60 days.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has appealed to the countrymen to hoist the Tiranga at their homes from 9th to 15th of this month under the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign. He also urged the people to upload their selfies on the website. He said it is awakening

the basic unity in every Indian across the length and breadth of the nation.

Union Tourism and Culture Minister, Gajendra Singh, today said that Hospitality tourism has the potential to drive the Indian economy to become the third largest in the world. Addressing at the inaugural ceremony of the 7th Edition of India International Hospitality Expo 2024 in Greater Noida, Mr. Shekhawat has emphasised that the government is committed to excelling in tourism and hospitality.

The Indian Army has mobilized resources to aid in relief operations in flood-affected areas of Himachal Pradesh, specifically in Shimla and Mandi districts. In Samej Village, Shimla, the Army has deployed three columns of personnel, an Engineer Task Force and a medical team who repaired roads, built an improvised foot-bridge and provided medical treatment to affected civilians. Meanwhile, in Barot Village of Mandi, the SDRF is managing the situation after a cloud-burst left 10 people missing.

Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein yesterday attended a review meeting held at Guwahati in Assam, to assess the progress of the Heritage Park and Museum dedicated to the Unsung Heroes and Tai Khamti Chief Chaupha Planglu at Tengapani in Namsai district. He urged all the stakeholders to expediate the work to ensure timely completion of the project. The DCM, in his social media post, said this project holds immense cultural and educational value, aiming to preserve and promote the rich history and heritage of the Tai Khamti community.

Two veteran writers, Wangsam Zongsam and Thajam Aboh, were jointly conferred with Luminous Lummer Dai Literary Award 2024 in a special award ceremony held at Towong Lowangdong auditorium in Borduria in Tirap district yesterday. Chief Minister Pema Khandu in his social media post congratulated them for their achievements.

A review meeting regarding the law-and-order issue in Upper Subansiri district was held yesterday under SP Upper Subansiri Thutan Jamba with other stakeholders in Daporijo. During the meeting, the SP urged public and all stakeholders to extend their cooperation to maintain law-and-order and fight drug menace in the district. Meanwhile, the Tagin Cultural Society (TCS) highlighted the issues of traffic congestion and gambling in and around Daporijo. The Society also requested for establishment of police stations at

Limeking and Taksing. In the Paris Olympics 2024, today, Archer Dipika Kumari lost to South Korea's Nam Suheyon in the Quarterfinal. Another Archer Bhajan Kaur also lost to Indonesia's Diananda Choirunisa in the Round of 16. In 25M air pistol shooting, Manu Bhaker lost to Hungary's Veronica Major and came in 4th position.