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President Droupadi Murmu visited Siachen Base Camp today in Ladakh and interacted with soldiers and officers posted at the Siachen Glacier. In her address, President Murmu praised the bravery and services of soldiers in protecting the country in challenging severe climatic extreme conditions. President Droupadi Murmu is the third president to visit Siachen Glacier after former President A. P. J. Abdul Kalam and former President Ram Nath Kovind.

Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, AFSPA has been extended in three districts of Arunachal Pradesh and a few areas in Namsai district for six months with effect from 1st of October. In a notification, the Home Ministry said Tirap, Changlang and Longding districts in Arunachal Pradesh and areas falling within the jurisdiction of Namsai, Mahadevpur and Chowkham police stations in Namsai district have been declared as disturbed area. AFSPA has also been extended in eight districts of Nagaland and a few areas in five districts for 6 months. These districts are Dimapur, Niuland, Chumoukedima, Mon, Kiphire, Noklak, Phek and Peren.

External Affairs Minister Dr S. Jaishankar participated in the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting held in New York yesterday on the margins of the UN General Assembly. The meeting was chaired by Brazil President Lula da Silva. Speaking as a Troika member, Dr Jaishankar highlighted India's views on the three key areas of global governance reform. These are reforms of the UN and its subsidiary bodies, reforms of the international financial architecture, and reforms of the multilateral trading system.

On the sideline of his district tour of Siang District and West Siang District, Governor Lt. General (Retd.) KT Parnaik interacted with Lakhpati Didis, members of women self-help groups at Boleng and Aalo today. He facilitated the members of the Self Help groups motivated them to maintain the spirit. The commended the Arunachal State Rural Livelihoods Mission, which is transforming Arunachali rural women towards independence, improving their social status, and fostering community development, through various schemes and programmes. On the occasion, the Governor opened an 'Exhibition of Waste to Art' organized by the Self Help Groups, which is part of 'Swachhata Hi Seva 2024' at Aalo.

In a landmark judgment, the Special POCSO Court in Yupia has convicted three individuals in a high-profile case concerning the sexual abuse of 21 children from a government residential school in Shi-Yomi district. On Tuesday, the court found Yumken Bagra, Marbom Ngomdir, and Singtung Yorpen guilty of serious offenses under the Indian Penal Code and the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act. Yumken Bagra has received a death sentence due to the severity of his crimes. Meanwhile, Marbom Ngomdir and Singtung Yorpen have been sentenced to 20 years of rigorous imprisonment.

The Central Drugs Standards Control Organisation (CDSCO) has declared more than 50 drugs as 'not of standard quality 'in its recent monthly report. This raises safety concerns regarding their usage. These drugs include paracetamol, Vitamin B Complex, and calcium and Vitamin D3 tablets. These products found not of standard quality were manufactured by several companies.

Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry, APAAR, is a part of the One Nation, One Student ID initiative under the visionary National Education Policy 2020. It is a revolutionary step in transforming education in India. This initiative will provide a student a lifelong student ID and enable seamless tracking of academic progress. It provides the facility to securely store digital records in DigiLocker, making education more inclusive and efficient. Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry also addresses critical challenges such as reducing dropout rates and ensuring smooth transfers between schools.

A delegation from the Department of Art & Culture headed by its Director conducted an inspection of key cultural projects at Tezu today. The team evaluated the completed Multipurpose Cultural Centre at the CALSOM Office in Tamla Nagar and the underconstruction Arunachal Indigenous & Heritage Cultural Centre located behind the DIC Office of the Joint Director. The Director assured the executing agency of prompt funding releases to facilitate the timely completion of ongoing works.

Education Department organized the District Level Kala Utsav for Higher Secondary and Secondary Schools of Tawang district at Government Town Secondary School, Tawang today. Kala Utsav has been a part of the annual school calendar since 2015-16. The Utsav provides a platform for students to showcase the district's rich traditions and culture at a larger platform at the state and national levels.

The Itanagar Meteorological Centre has forecast light to moderate rain is very likely to occur at most places over Arunachal Pradesh for the next five day. Additionally, the centre has forecast thunderstorm and lighting with very heavy rainfall very likely at isolated places over Papumpare, East Kameng, West Siang and Lohit district.

That's all, in this news bulletin, Namaskar