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Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on a two-day visit to Singapore, held delegation-level talks with his Singaporean counterpart, Lawrence Wong, today. During the meeting, India and Singapore exchanged four Memorandums of Understanding for cooperation in the fields of health and medicine, education and skill development, digital technologies, and the India-Singapore Semiconductor Ecosystem Partnership. The two countries also agreed to elevate their ties to a Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, which would give a major boost to India's Act East Policy. During the talks in Singapore both leaders reviewed the progress of bilateral relations. Taking stock of the robust progress in economic ties, the two sides called for further expanding trade and investment flows between the two countries. Prime Minister Modi highlighted that Singapore, with an investment of around 160 billion US dollars in the Indian economy, is a leading economic partner for India.

Teachers' Day is being celebrated throughout the country today. The day is celebrated on the birth anniversary of educationist and former President Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. President Droupadi Murmu conferred National Awards to 82 teachers at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi today. Jyoti Panka of Government Higher Secondary School Longding also received the National Award from the President. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has extended his best wishes on the occasion of Teachers' Day. In a social media post, Mr Modi said, it is an occasion to express gratitude to all teachers who shape young minds.

In Nagaland, six people lost their lives and three were injured, after a series of massive mudslides and landslides hit National Highway-29 between Kohima and Dimapur following heavy rainfall last night. The deceased include five male and one female. Mudslides and landslides struck near Pherima and Tseipama/Piphema around 10:30 pm last night, while another landslide occurred at Pagla Pahar in the wee hours this morning, sinking a portion of the highway. The National highway-29 which is completely cut off for vehicular movement is the main lifeline for commuters travelling to state capital Kohima, and neighbouring state Manipur.

Teachers' Day is also being celebrated across Arunachal Pradesh. In a function organized by the state Department of Education in Itanagar, Governor KT Parnaik conferred the State Teachers' Awards to 40 selected teachers from across the state. Addressing the gathering on the occasion, the Governor said that teachers are the architect of the society. He said they mould the mind of the young pupils, instil values and inspire dreams. He said that many places in Arunachal Pradesh, particularly in remote rural areas, are facing issues like lack of proper infrastructures, qualified teachers, etc. limiting access to quality educational resources. He said these challenges hinder the children's ability to receive quality education. Deputy Speaker of the State Assembly, Kardo Nyigyor also attended the function.

Daporijo police have arrested nine persons in an abduction and murder case. In a press statement, Upper Subansiri SP Thutan Jamba informed that on Sunday a zero FIR was received at the Daporijo PS from the Silapather (Assam) PS, regarding kidnapping of one Sanjay Nath by 4-5 persons from near the Daporijo Subansiri bridge. Sanjay Nath had to pay 2,30,000 rupees to Tabu Doni and had been evading the latter. On 22 August, on receiving information of Sanjay's arrival in Daporijo four persons kidnapped him. Later they beat him, and Nath died. Then they buried him 12 km away from Daporijo. Police investigation team recovered his body on 2nd September and arrested 7 persons within two days including the main culprit Tabu Doni. Nath's body was handed over to his family.

On the occasion of Teachers Day, Yachuli MLA Toko Tatung presented the AAPSA Teacher's Award, 2024 to 26 teachers of private schools, in Itanagar on Wednesday. The award ceremony was held on the eve of Teachers' Day celebration of the All Arunachal Pradesh Private Schools Association (AAPSA) at the Don Bosco Youth Centre in Vivek Vihar. Tatung lauded the teachers and urged the principals and proprietors of the private schools to invest in teachers' needs and wellbeing, which will yield better results in the students' growth and formation.

Government Higher Secondary School Yazali, representing Arunachal Pradesh, drew 1-1 with Goa, and advanced to the quarterfinals of the 63rd Subroto Cup International Football Tournament in New Delhi on Wednesday. Mudang Lento scored the goal for the Government Higher Secondary School Yazali team.