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The Union Cabinet today passed a resolution applauding Prime Minister Narendra Modi for becoming the longest-serving elected Prime Minister in consecutive terms. With four thousand 399 days of continuous service as an elected Prime Minister, Mr. Modi has surpassed the previous record held by former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, who served for four thousand 398 continuous days. Briefing the media in New Delhi after the Cabinet meeting, Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the resolution marks this historic milestone in Mr. Modi's continuous service to the nation and outlines several commitments and achievements. He said the Cabinet adopted a seven-point resolution to congratulate the Prime Minister on this landmark achievement. Highlighting the government's focus on the welfare of people, the resolution notes that the poor have remained at the centre of governance and details the unprecedented scale of amenities delivered. Mr Vaishnaw said unprecedented efforts have been made to provide pucca houses, electricity, clean drinking water, and direct benefit transfers. He added that more than 80 crore citizens are receiving free foodgrains, while over 60 crore beneficiaries have access to free medical treatment.

Science and Technology Minister Dr Jitendra Singh today said that the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is one of the most transformative reforms in India's education sector and one of the greatest hallmarks of the 12 years of the Modi government. Addressing the Week Education Conclave 2026 in New Delhi, the Minister stated that NEP has enabled students to pursue education aligned with their aptitude and aspirations rather than being confined to predetermined academic pathways.

Chief Secretary Manish Kumar today chaired the 8th State Level NCORD Meeting and reviewed the Action Taken Report on the decisions taken during the 7th State Level NCORD Meeting. The meeting assessed progress on district-level coordination, enforcement against drug trafficking, eradication of illicit opium poppy and cannabis cultivation, disposal of seized narcotics, rehabilitation measures, and awareness initiatives across the State. Addressing the meeting, the CS emphasized the need for intensive awareness programmes targeting youth through educational institutions and community engagement to prevent substance abuse and promote informed decision-making. In the meantime, the CS has directed SJETA, the nodal department for Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan,

to strengthen coordination with Deputy Commissioners and Police authorities for effective implementation, monitoring, and measurable outcomes at the district level.

Chief Minister Pema Khandu has hailed Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "Act East Policy", which recognised Arunachal Pradesh not merely as a border State but as a strategic gateway and civilisational frontier of India. He said, sharing international borders with Tibet, Bhutan and Myanmar and possessing over 1,080 kilometres of international boundary, Arunachal Pradesh has emerged as a key pillar of India's strategic and developmental vision under the Prime Minister's leadership. Congratulating Prime Minister Narendra Modi on completing 12 years of continuous service as the Prime Minister of India, Khandu described the tenure as an era of transformative governance, visionary leadership and unprecedented development that has fundamentally changed the trajectory of Arunachal Pradesh and the entire Northeast region. In a letter addressed to the Prime Minister on behalf of the people of Arunachal Pradesh, the Chief Minister expressed gratitude for the sustained support, guidance and commitment extended by the Government of India towards the development of the frontier State. Recalling the remarkable transformation witnessed since 2014, Khandu stated that Arunachal Pradesh has moved from decades of strategic neglect and developmental isolation to becoming an important contributor to India's growth story.

Minister for Tourism, PD Sona along with MLA and Advisor (Tourism), Mopi Mihi called on Union Minister of Tourism, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat at New Delhi today. Mr. Sona in a social media post informed that the meeting deliberated on Arunachal Pradesh's ongoing tourism initiatives and raised key priorities related to tourism infrastructure, destination development, and positioning Arunachal as a unique and sustainable tourism destination.

The Ministry of Home Affairs has approved the appointment of IPS officer Robin Hibu as professor of practice in the social work department of Saint Claret College, Ziro (SCCZ) in Lower Subansiri district. According to a press statement issued by the college, the approval was conveyed through an official communication issued by the ministry on 20 May, following a proposal submitted through the Delhi Police. The ceremony was attended by the staff of the college, and members of Helping Hands and Mahatma Gandhi Centre, Ziro. Hibu also attended the ceremony online, accompanied by his wife.

An Awareness Programme on Gender Equality and PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao initiative was successfully conducted today at Government Higher Secondary School, Lungla. Addressing the gathering, Dy. Director of Industries, Tawang, Tsering Drema highlighted the importance of gender equality and informed students about the opportunities and benefits available under PMKVY. The program was organised by the Department of Industries & Skill Development, Tawang.

The Meteorological Centre Itanagar has forecast yellow alert for twelve districts in Arunachal Pradesh. These districts are likely to receive thunderstorm with lightning and heavy rain at isolated places.