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India and the United States have agreed to enhance cooperation in fighting the menace of terrorism, extremism and radicalisation. In a joint press statement at the White House following delegation level talks, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump reiterated their commitment to eliminate terrorism and their safe havens. Mr. Modi said, the two countries will enhance intelligence exchange in respect of terrorist organizations. Mr Modi said, India considers US a valued partner in its flagship programmes. He said, trade, commerce, investment are key areas of cooperation.

DoNER minister Dr Jitendra Singh said that Northeast states will benefit from GST. Addressing a function in New Delhi yesterday, Dr Singh said, contrary to certain misconceived notions in certain quarters, GST will offer these States an opportunity to realise fiscal growth in tandem with the more developed states of India. He said, Government's target of Housing for All by 2022 will also gain momentum through reinforced State ex-chequer, consequent to the supplementation of the tax-pool following the implementation of GST.\_

Chief Minister Pema Khandu today released a book on 'Prosecution of forest offenders in Arunachal Pradesh' written by PCCF GN Sinha in presence of Speaker Tenzing Norbu Thongdok .The Chief Minister in his remark appreciated Sinha for taking pains to incorporate the amended Act of 2005 of Assam Forest Regulation 1891 into the parent Act through this book.The Chief Minister expressed hope that the book will be of great help in understanding forest law in Arunachal Pradesh and will be a useful guide for the forest officials, lawyers and judicial officers.

Lardik Kare, A prominent figure of the Tagin community and his wife were nearly attacked recently near Vishwanath Chairiali Assam at around 7 am. FIR has been lodged against the miscreant .In a letter to the union Home minister Khiren Rijiju Kare placed the grievances of Arunachalees who are at the receiving end of such incidences along the Arunachal –Assam highway stated a press release .

State Governor P.B Acharya yesterday inaugurated the Office of Autonomous Puroik Welfare Board in the state Civil Secretariat in Itanagar. Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikash' would be possible only when all the section of the society are given equal opportunity. He said with the constitution of the board the Puroiks can put up their issues and problems in front of the government through a channelled way. Chairman of the Board, Satya Gopal informed that necessary directives have been issued to the deputy commissioners of Kurung Kumey, Papum Pare, Kra Daadi, East Kameng and West Kameng districts for special drives for enrolling members of the community under Jan DhanYojana, AadharCard, Job Card, Ration Card, and PM Awas Yojana .

International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking was observed in different parts of the state, raising awareness of the dangers posed by illicit drugs to the society and individual users. The theme for this year is "Listen First- Listening to youth and children is the first step to help them grow healthy and safe". The Arunachal Pradesh State AIDS Control Society observed the day in association with Donyi Polo Vidya Bhavan School, involving more than 300 students and teachers of the school in Itanagar. The day was also observed at Changlang, Namsai and Lower Dibang Valley, wherein thousands of student participated and taken our rally against Drug abuse and illicit trafficking.

Meanwhile The District Administration under the leadership of Tirap DC Ravi Jha, celebrated Anti-Drugs and Illicit Trafficking Day at Khonsa. The day was marked by Awareness Campaign on Drug Abuse and its bad impact on Health, Family and Society. Principal, Govt. Hr. Secondary School, Khonsa and Dr. P. Rakshit, SMO attended the program.

On the other hand Women and villagers from various walks of life took out a procession yesterday from office of the Mothers Vision to the street of Aalo to mark the International Day against Drug Abuse and Trafficking. Addressing the gathering at Old Market Dere, West Siang D C Gamli Padu said that drug abuse and trafficking are detrimental for our younger generation and people should come up to locate sources of transaction to check it.

Minister Urban Development and Land Management Nabam Rebia on Monday visited some of the villages of Karsingsa Panchayat under Banderdewa Circle and heard the grievances of the locals. The Panchayati Raj Institution leaders of the area submitted a six-point memorandum to Rebia demanding infrastructure development at Government Middle School Karsingsa, including double storey building, boundary wall, teachers' quarter and upgrading it to secondary school level. Mr. Rebia acknowledged the needs and assured to take it up. He also requested people not to encroach upon the land of schools, colleges and hospitals as there should always be scope for expansion in future for public benefit.

### **Now the weather forecast...**

According to the Met Centre, the sky will be cloudy and few spells of rain and thunderstorm may occur in Itanagar and surrounding areas during the next 24 hours. The maximum temperature recorded today was 32.6 degree Celsius with a minimum of 23.1 degree Celsius.

**That's all in this news bulletin, Namaskar**