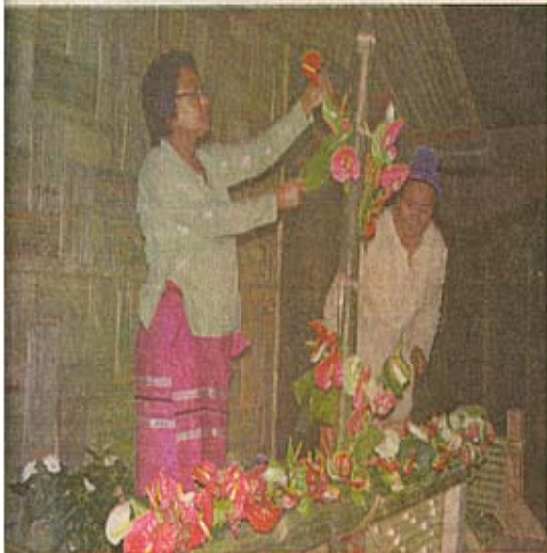


Itanagar decked up for Patil's visit



ITANAGAR, Mar 31: Arunachal Pradesh is all set to receive the President of India Pratibha Devisingh Patil who will be arriving in the state capital on April 1st on a two days visit.

Patil will deliver the first convocation address of

North Eastern Regional Institute of Science & Technology at NERIST playground, Nirjuli on April 1st.

Banquet hall is all set to showcase the rich cultural heritage of the state with 25 SHGs and NGOs coming together to showcase their

pioneering efforts of economic sustainable development through ARUN Self Help Mela.

The banquet hall has been transformed into a rural getup with ethnic touch for the Arun Self Help Mela which will be inaugurated

by the President of India on April 2.

The Arunachal Pradesh state museum has for the second time received a facelift for her Excellency's visit.

NHS2A and VIP road has seen overnight transformation before President

Patil's visit.

Rehearsals of President's convoy were seen for the past two days in and around the state capital. Traffic movements were closed for two hours during security rehearsal. The traffic will be closed for citizens

from 1400 hours to 1520 hours and 1600 hours to 1720 hours in April 1.

No vehicle parking along the road side of VVIP route from Mithun Gate Itanagar to Nirjuli are allowed including market areas of Naharlagun and Nirjuli from

1300 to 1730 hours. On April 2, traffic movement will again be restricted.

Patil will be flying to Tawang and then to Kibitho according to an unconfirmed report. The President of India will then leave for Delhi on April 3 next.