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**Tribute to Martyrs of 1962 Indo-China War**

Today, as we complete 50 years since the 1962 Indo-China war was fought, I join every Arunachali and all Indians in paying homage to the valiant sons and daughters of our nation who laid down their lives while defending the motherland during October and November 1962. I also pay rich tributes to all the brave soldiers of Indian Army, our Air Force and the NEFA administrators who stood firm in the defense of our nation in extremely tough and challenging conditions.

The 1962 war reminds us of exemplary bravery of the Indian Army and the ultimate sacrifice of the heroic combatants, who inspite of facing heavy odds, fought to the last bullet and the last man. This speaks volumes of the gallantry displayed by every officer and man of our armed forces and also reminds us of the exceptional patriotism of the civil administration and people of Arunachal Pradesh who provided able support at each step.

The sacrifices of men in the call of duty have never gone in vain. The 1962 war has been a lesson in strengthening our capabilities and modernizing our armed forces. It has helped in formulating appropriate responses to our nation's foreign and security related challenges and in a concrete increase in our collective national strength. The sweat and blood of our men in uniform have ensured our territorial integrity, our freedom and our national pride and their sacrifices will remain a source of inspiration for our citizens and armed forces for all times to come.

On behalf of the people of Arunachal Pradesh and on my own behalf, I pay tributes to the men and women, who have laid down their lives in the service of the Nation. May they always rest in peace and keep a watchful caring eye on their beloved nation from the skies above.

Jai Hind.