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GOVERNOR CONVEYS NATIONAL PRESS DAY GREETINGS

Itanagar, Nov.16: The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh General (Retd) J.J. Singh has conveyed his warm greetings and good wishes to the media fraternity of Arunachal Pradesh and India on the occasion of National Press Day. The Governor has expressed his hope that this celebration of free Press and freedom of expression instills new zeal and passion amongst the members of the Fourth Estate and encourage them to continue their indispensable contributions toward building stronger, healthier and more peaceful societies.

In his message to the Press Fraternity on the occasion, the Governor said that a free Press gives people access to the information they need to make critical decisions about their lives. It is part of everybody's life. It holds people accountable and promotes transparency in decision making. It raises awareness and offers an outlet for different voices, especially those that would otherwise go unheard.

Stating the media today has become a force for social transformation, the Governor said that it has enabled civil society, young people and communities to bring about massive social and political transformation by self organizing and engaged them in the fight to be able to freely express themselves and the aspirations of their wider community. Yet media freedom is fragile. It has been abused and attacked. In an era of rapid and often momentous change, the value of a vigorous, independent and pluralistic Press is unquestionable. Therefore, it is of paramount importance that for a better and healthier society, the freedom of Press must be respected while the Press Media also maintain Press ethics.

On the special occasion, the Governor called upon every citizen to uphold the sanctity of the Fourth Estate, **informs a Rajbhawan release.**

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