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Governor conveys Nyokum Yullo greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Shri P.B.Acharya has conveyed his warm greetings to the people of the State on the auspicious occasion of Nyokum Yullo. He expressed hope that the celebration will further strengthen the rich and vibrant traditions of the Nyishi Community.

In his message, the Governor said that the word 'Nyokum' has been derived from two words; 'Nyok' means the entire landmass of earth and 'Kum' means putting things together. The festival could be termed as a gathering of all Gods and Goddess with the principal deity and showering their choicest blessings upon the human being for their prosperity, happiness and for bumper crops and rich harvest in the next agricultural season. Our ancestors giving us the festivals, prayed for the welfare of not only of our society but of the people of whole world, he underscored.

The Governor further said that the traditional knowledge of ancestors should be respected and valued. The younger generations should take pride in it and festival is the time they learn the folk proverbs, folklores, folk songs and folk dances and the rituals from the priests to preserve their distinct socio-cultural identity. These are the essence of our identity and modernization and access to internet should not wean us away from our inheritance, he emphasized.

On this festive occasion, I offer my prayers to Nyokum Ane for her choicest blessings for all of us, the Governor said in his message.

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