

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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PRESS RELEASE

Governor expressed concern about the labourers and contingency staff

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri P.B. Acharya chaired a meeting along with Chief Minister Shri Pema Khandu to discuss various social issues at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 29th April 2017. Shri Ashish Kundra, Commissioner Finance, Shri J. Angu, Secretary Food & Civil Supplies, Ms. Nitika Pawar, Special Secretary, Social Justice, Empowerment and Tribal Affairs, Shri L. Borang, Director, Food & Civil Supplies, Shri K. Dolo, Jt. Director, Rural Development and Shri Vinod P. Kavle, Secretary to Governor were present in the meeting.

The Governor emphasized that on the International Workers' Day, we should strengthen our welfare projects of labourers and contingency staffs. He asked the Chief Minister to initiate steps towards benefits like Earned Leave, pension, accommodation for the contingency staffs and labourers and also providing basic provisions under Food Security Act and other central projects.

The Governor also suggested the Chief Minister to create Department of Tribal Dialects in the Universities in the line with Department of Foreign Languages. It may be recalled that on the initiative of the Governor, eight universities i.e. Mumbai University, SNDT University, Symbiosis University, Pune, Karve University (Pune), NITTE Medical University, Mangalore, Alva Education Foundation, Moodubidire, Karnataka and Manipal University in Mangaluru have started six-month Tribal Dialect (N.E.) Course.

The Governor also dwelled in length on the Autonomous Welfare Board of Puroik Community. It may be mentioned here that on the initiative of the Governor, Autonomous Welfare Board is constituted. He also took personal initiative through Indian National Fellowship Centre, Mumbai for other welfare programmes for the Puroiks including free general nursing course for four persons and educational and emotional cum integration home stay and tour for 20 youth in Mumbai & Pune / Goa from 2nd to 15th June.

The Governor was informed that the State Cabinet has approved the constitution of the Development board and notification of Puroik Development Board will be issued by soon.

The Governor, while recalling his visit to lone cremation ground at Karsingsa called for at least three cremation grounds for Hindus, especially Non-Tribals in the city. He expressed his dismay that inspite of have huge population, there is no proper cremation or burial grounds. It is unfortunate that the bereaved family members have to go to neighbouring State to perform the last rites of their loved ones.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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