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PRESS RELEASE

**Don't depend on the government to practice Swachhata to keep your place:
Governor**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri PB Acharya, who arrived at Ziro from Daporijo yesterday, participated in the cleanliness drive organised by the District Administration under Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM). Government officials and general public joined the Governor in the programme.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that Swachh Bharat Abhiyan is neither an event nor a symbolic gesture. Rather it should be way of life. Every citizen should imbibe it as a daily habit. Till our home, colonies, towns and cities are clean; we cannot have progress in real sense of the term, he underscored.

One must stop the age old practices of open defecation. There must be provision of toilet in every household and in public places. It should be built in environmentally sound manner with the use of renewable energy as much as possible.

There must be toilet provision in public places, particularly for females, young, old and infirm, the Governor, stressed.

Don't depend on the government to practice Swachhata to keep your place, he advised. One has to do it first with oneself.

Parliamentary Secretary for food and civil supplies and local MLA Er. TageTaki, while welcoming the participants to the cleanliness drive expressed hope that participation of The head of the state will herald in new zeal and vigour in the Swachh Bharat Mission in the district. The local MLA conveyed the unflinching commitment of people to make the mission successful.

Deputy Commissioner Shri KemoLollen said that Swachh Bharat Mission must not only be a limited mission but a part of our live. A clean environment will ensure healthy lifestyle, he stressed.

Earlier in the day, the Governor paid obeisance at the renowned Sidheswar Nath Temple, 6 km from Ziro. He advised the Temple committee and villagers to form a trust for managing the activities of the sacred place. The Deputy Commissioner, local MLA and MP must be ex-officio, he pointed.

The Governor, who is one of the nine national ambassadors for SBM selected by the Prime Minister of India, suggested for washroom and other facilities for the pilgrims and tourists coming to the Sidheswar Nath Temple.

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