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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor exhorts the officials to try, motivate and ensure to curb drug addiction and gun culture**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.), who is on a three-day tour of Longding, Tirap and Changang districts, addressed a public meeting at Khonsa in Tirap District on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018. First Lady of the State Smt Neelam Misra, local MLA Shri Tirong Aboh, government officials, public leaders, students were present on the occasion.

The Governor emphasised that if the people want peace, prosperity and development, they have to stand against poppy cultivation, gun culture and corruption. He said that opium addiction is destroying the society and people themselves have to address the challenge. He stressed that the Goan burahs and Panchayat leaders must play their role in eradication of the drug menace.

The Governor also urged the people of Tirap to stand against gun culture. He appealed to elders and guardians to bringing back their children to mainstream society, while stating that nowhere in the world, it has benefited to the people.

The Governor appealed to the youth to join the Indian Army, which is conducting pre-recruitment rallies in the State at the request of the Governor. Maximum number of our youth should join the army, he said while recalling the valour of Ashok Chakra Awardee Havildar Hangpan Dada.

The Governor exhorted the people to fight against corruption and corrupt practices by ensuring transparency, accountability, continuity, review and audit and midterm correction in all the development programmes and schemes.

Expressing his concerns on health and education sectors, the Governor said that if these two sectors are in addressed in correct prospective, then the society will be in ascending mode.

Local MLA Shri Aboh, in his welcome address conveyed gratitude to the Governor and First lady of the State for visiting the Tirap District. He also highlighted the challenges of the people.

Nocte Mothers' federation and students of Pine Wood School, Govt. Town Secondary school and Govt. Higher secondary school of Khonsa Township presented a traditional cultural programme on the occasion.

Later in the afternoon, the Governor met the Village Chiefs, Goan Burahs, PRI Members, Ex Servicemen and Government officials separately. He gave a patient

hearing to their problems and challenges and also suggested ways and means to address their issues.

In the meeting with Heads of Department, the Governor called upon the Government officials to reach out to the people and visit the field themselves. He also advised them to take extra step to ensure that fruits of development and benefits of programmes and schemes reaches to the targeted beneficiaries.

The Governor emphasised on proper implementation of important schemes including Swachh Bharat Mission, Prime Minister Ujjawala Yojana, Prime Minister Ujala Yojana, soil health card, Janani Shishu Suraksha Kayakram, Dulari Kanya Scheme

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Earlier, Shri P.N. Thungon, Deputy Commissioner briefed the Governor on various Central and State Governments' schemes and programmes, including 28 centrally and State Government sponsored programmes.

PRO to Governor  
Arunachal Pradesh  
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