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Governor unveils bust statue of Martyr Mihin Bagang

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig.(Dr) B.D Mishra (Retd.) on 6th December 2018, unveiled the bust statue of Martyr Sepoy Mihin Bagang of the 5th Battalion of the ASSAM Regiment of the Indian Army, who made the supreme sacrifice for the defence of the Nation on 6th December 1971. The Bust statue is very appropriately located in the school compound of the Government Secondary School, Hapoli which has, by State gazette notification rechristened as Mihin Bagang Government Secondary School, Hapoli. The occasion coincides with the 3rd Youth Rising Day celebrations of Apatani Youth Association to commemorate 47th Death anniversary of Martyr Sepoy Mihin Bagang.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that India defeated Pakistan 1971 war on the strength of patriotism and 'Nation First' spirit of the people like that of Sepoy Mihin Bagang.

Paying tribute to the Martyr Mihin Bagang, the Governor said that Late Mihin had dreamt of joining the Indian Army and nothing could stop him from that. His mission to serve Mother India and his supreme sacrifice in the line of duty has made him immortal. He called upon the people to remember and cherish the valour of Martyr Sepoy Mihin Bagang.

Our tribute to this brave son of this beautiful valley will be to encourage our youth to follow his path and join the Army, Air Force and the Navy in various capacities, the Governor said. He urged the District Administration, political leadership and Goan Buras to motivate the youth to come forward and serve the nation through a good career which the Indian Armed Forces provide. He also recalled with appreciation the recently conducted Pay Back to Society programme by 27 Armed Force Officers, 20 Army, 4 Navy and 3 Air Force from Arunachal Pradesh.

The Governor, while addressing the Ex-Servicemen present on the occasion exhorted them to serve the society. He also called upon the political leaders to explore avenues, where these Ex-Servicemen can be placed to contribute to the public wellbeing.

Sharing his mission and priorities, the Governor said that youth, education and cleanliness are must for the progress of a society.

I dream to see an Arunachali IAS / IPS officer in each of 29 States and 3 Union Territories of the country" the Governor said, while informing that he has already initiated for establishment of seven additional Kendriya Vidhyalayas in Arunachal Pradesh.

MLA Er. Tage Taki, President AYA Habung Tamang, Shri Radhe Millo, Secretary Capital Complex Tajang Welfare Association also spoke on the occasion. Shri Mihin Tallang Tangu presented a brief narrative on the life of Martyr Mihin Bagang.

The First Lady of the State Smt Neelam Misra, Lower Subansiri District Deputy Commissioner Shri Chukhu Taker, Superintendent of Police Shri Mihin Gambo, Heads of Department, Goan Buras and Goan Buris and general public attended the program.

A colourful cultural program dedicated to Martyr Bagang was presented by the ladies of the Apatani community and school children on the occasion.

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