

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor participates in the Guru Nanak Jayanti celebration**

**Guru Nanak Prakash Utsav (Gurpurab) is a reminder for the devotees to follow his teachings and overcome the five vices: Governor**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) participated in the Guru Nanak Jayanti celebration at Gurudwara Saheb, Naharlagun on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019. The Governor paid obeisance to Guru Granth Sahib, the Sikh's holy book.

The Governor greeted the people on the pious occasion and said that Guru Nanak Prakash Utsav (Gurpurab) is a reminder for the devotees to follow his teachings and overcome the five vices - lust, greed, attachment, anger and pride and devote one's life in the selfless service of God. He expressed his hope that on this occasion, Guru Nanak Dev ji's message of peace, brotherhood and development will be further embedded in the heart and mind of the people.

The Governor said that Guru Nanak Dev ji had travelled far and wide, learned about all manners of people, their faith and practices and preached the best out of it. He taught that all human beings, irrespective of gender and caste are equal. He also preached that there is only one God and all human beings connect with him by 'Naam Japana' (Chanting of God's name). 'Kirat Karna' (doing payers) and 'Vand Chhakana' (sharing of earning with others).

Sharing his personal experiences war experiences and daily life events in interface with the people of Sikh community, including the Sikh soldiers of the Indian Army, the Governor said that helping attitude and selfless service are the hallmark of their behaviour pattern.

A large number of people from various communities from the State participated in the celebration in the Gurudwara Singh Sabha, Naharlagun. After the prayers, a very dignified and decent lunch service was offered to every visitor to the Gurudwara.

The Gurudwara Singh Sabha, Naharlagun was established way back in 1974 in a temporary hamlet and subsequently, the Sangat of Itanagar constructed a proper building for it. The Gurudwara Singh Sabha, Naharlagun has a six-room Yatri Nivash, which is being run by the Gurudwara Committee, providing shelter to any individual coming from outside the Capital Complex. There are about 30 Punjabi families residing in Itanagar and Naharlagun.

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