

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
ARUNACHAL PRADESH  
ITANAGAR**

**Press Communiqué**

**Governor extends Pongtu Festival greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has extended his warm greetings to the people of the State on the festive occasion of Pongtu Festival. He expressed his hope that the festivity will usher in peace, happiness and prosperity for all.

The Governor in his message said that Pongtu, an agricultural festival of the Tutsa tribe of Changlang and Tirap Districts is observed before the onset of rainy season. The festival is celebrated after the harvesting of millet to welcome the New Year. I trust the celebration this year will invoke the blessings of Almighty for bumper harvest and security of the crops against natural and other calamities, he said while offering his prayers along with the Tutsa brethren to Supreme God Rangkathok for his choicest blessings to all.

The Governor, while taking the opportunity has appealed to all the citizens of the State to observe the precautions against COVID-19 and make full effort in checking COVID19 spread.

PRO to Governor  
Arunachal Pradesh  
ITANAGAR, April 10, 2021