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Governor extends Janjatiya Gaurav Divas greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt Gen KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), extended his warm greetings to the people of the State and to the tribal communities across the country on the occasion of Janjatiya Gaurav Divas, commemorating the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda. He expressed his hope that the occasion would renew our pride in our indigenous heritage and inspire us to uphold the values of courage, dignity, justice and self-respect.

In his message, the Governor said that Bhagwan Birsa Munda was a visionary tribal leader, freedom fighter and spiritual guide who courageously championed the rights of tribal communities and defended their land, identity, faith and ancestral traditions. His life and sacrifice remind us that cultural identity is a source of dignity, strength and self-respect.

The Governor said that India's tribal communities are custodians of an extraordinary cultural legacy. Their languages, folklore, indigenous knowledge, festivals, music, dances and traditional crafts enrich our national heritage. Arunachal Pradesh, with its 23 major tribes and more than 100 sub-tribes, reflects this remarkable diversity. Our traditions also teach us valuable lessons in community harmony, respect for nature and peaceful coexistence. This occasion must inspire us to go beyond remembrance and work towards better education, healthcare, livelihoods, skill development and opportunities for our tribal communities, while preserving their distinct cultural identities, he said.

On this occasion, let us pay heartfelt tribute to Bhagwan Birsa Munda and all tribal freedom fighters whose courage and sacrifices enriched our freedom struggle. Let us preserve our roots, empower our communities and ensure that our cultural heritage remains a living source of pride and inspiration for generations to come, the Governor said in his message.

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