Make ILP simple to make Arunachal tourist friendly: Singh

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State Governor, General (retd) J J Singh said that tourism, after the hydropower, is one of the income and employment generating sectors, and to make Arunachal a tourist friendly state, the Inner Line Permit (ILP) must be made easy and simple along with the improvement of the transportation system.

The Governor, who is on a 3-day visit to Tawang from March 26 last, asserted that the state has vast scope for development of religious and adventurous tourism, and within a couple of years the tourism sector is going to develop.

While interacting with tour operators, hoteliers and taxi cab owners at Changprong, Singh, citing the example of Rajasthan tourism laid emphasis on adopting the traditional and local design in construction of houses, instead of concrete buildings, which must be eco-friendly, hygienic with proper sanitation facilities. He added that the foreign tourists mostly prefer traditional and adventurous things.

The first lady of the state, Anupama Singh added that goodwill gesture of the Governor to promote tourism in the state and urged the tour operators and hoteliers to provide good hospitality and facilities to the tourists.

Chief Minister Dorjee Khandu highly appreciated the interior designing and decoration of the house must be given the local touch, thereby maintaining cleanliness, and simultaneously local dishes and cultural entertainment need to be incorporated for inviting more and more tourists.

Khandu also urged the people to maintain the essence of Buddhist, proper attitude and courtesy towards the tourists, and to keep Tawang clean and beautiful.

During a visit to the Tawang Monastery this morning, the Governor donated Rs. 10,000/- for the welfare of the Monastery and expressed his full support and cooperation.

He called upon the monks to maintain the sanctity of the Buddhist religion as prevalent and spread the message of peace, love and tranquility throughout the world.

The monks of the Tawang Monastery were also elated and happy to meet such dynamic, benevolent, energetic and gracious personality.

The Governor also visited the War Memorial and laid wreath as homage to the martyrs of 1962 Indo-China war and interacted with the army personnel and motivated them to be optimistic in discharging their duties.

The Governor was sent off this morning by the chief minister, MLA Tawang, DC, SP, commander 190 Mtn Brigade and all head of offices.