ITANAGAR, Feb 13: The naval team from the Eastern Naval Command, led by Lt Manoj Gawli, which had conducted underwater survey in Gekar Sinyi (popularly known as Ganga Lake), submitted its interim report to Governor Gen (Retd) JJ Singh at Raj Bhavan yesterday, reports PRO to Governor.

The survey will be a precedent for more such activities in Arunachal Pradesh, since there are many more places, caves and water bodies attached to myths, legends and beliefs which are yet to be surveyed for tourism promotion, the governor said after receiving the report.

The preliminary report says that Gekar Sinyi has the potential to host water sports, water skiing, angling and other activities. Lt Gawli informed that the deepest point in the middle of the lake is 9.6 meters, and that there is a huge deposit of trees down there. A 3D map of the entire lake is being prepared, he added.

Today, the governor made a tour of the lake and, while appreciating the lake’s tourism potential, commented on the discarded wrappers, water bottles etc littered around. He directed the lake’s caretaker, Sama Dodum, to put bamboo-made waste bins on the path, and assured to provide 20 such waste bins along with two ‘special casted waste bins’ from the Raj Bhavan. On Dodum’s plea, the governor assured to provide security, lighting and water supply for the lake.

He also took time to interact with some picnickers there, and sounded them out on the value of cleanliness and basic etiquette while visiting places of tourist interest.

Tourism director AK Singh, assistant director Gelo Eshi and adventure tour operator Komkar Riba and his team accompanied the governor during the visit, the report adds.