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Raj Bhawan initiatives 'bowl' Selja 'over'



ITANAGAR, Jan 13: Union Minister of State for Housing, Urban Poverty Alleviation and Tourism, Kumari Selja has termed the 'awe-inspiring' initiatives of State Governor Gen (Retd) JJ Singh and a few hours' stay at the Raj Bhawan as enriching experience

This observation was made by the Union Minister who was hosted at Raj Bhavan here earlier in the morning before leaving for Delhi today.

While making a round of the Raj Bhavan complex, she saw the prefabricated wooden hornbill cottage, cane and bamboo fur-

nished guest house, 'world class' golf course, local fish rearing tank, local breed poultry, honey boxes, orchid house, kitchen garden, horticultural farm, medicinal plant house, flower gardens and the Darbar hall.

Appreciating the efforts of the Governor and his wife Anupama Singh for instilling innovative ideas among the local populace, Selja said, it's very striking to see the extensive use of cane and bamboo produces in the Raj Bhavan, farming of organic vegetables, display of tradition attires and gears in the Darbar Hall.

Gen Singh told the Union Min-

ister that the effort has been made to transfer of technology and ideas to the local communities.

The initiatives on horticulture and kitchen garden are meant to provide exposure to the villagers to new varieties of vegetables and to ensure that the local farmers are acquainted with the new farming skills to exhort them for organic produce, he added.

The Governor sought the Union Minister's endorsement to Housing, Urban Poverty Alleviation and Tourism projects for Arunachal Pradesh to contribute towards development of the state. (PRO)