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It is against the very spirit of National Character: Governor on Higio assault case

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri P.B. Acharya is pained to know the criminal assault on Master Higio Gungtey, an undergraduate student at a private university at Bangalore in Karnataka.

The Governor said that such irresponsible and uncivilised behaviour of a few needs to be condemned by one and all. It is against the very spirit of National Character.

The Governor had telephonic talk directly and took up the issue with his counterpart, Hon'ble Shri Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala, Governor of Karnataka. He requested Shri Vala to give special attention towards these problems and challenges of students from North East, particularly Arunachal Pradesh, which is a strategic border State.

The Governor Shri Acharya also spoke the Chief Secretary of Karnataka Shri Subhash Chandra Khuntia and directed him to take immediate and strong action against the culprits. A criminal case under the provision of SC/ST act may also be initiated against the culprits.

The Governor met a delegation of relatives of Master Higio Gungtey at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar. They submitted a memorandum.

After hearing the whole episode, the Governor immediately spoke to Higio's parents Dr.Higio Tama and Smt Higio Yame, who are in Bangalore to meet their son and take further steps. The parents of Higio are also requested to meet the Karnataka Governor and apprise him about the serious incident.

The Governor assured the delegation that he will take all steps to punish the culprit.

The Raj Bhavan, Itanagar has forwarded the memorandum submitted by the relatives of Master Higio Gungtey to the Raj Bhavan, Karnataka and the office of Chief Secretary, Karnataka for necessary action.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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