

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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PRESS RELEASE

Governor extends Buddha Purnima greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri P.B. Acharya has extended his sincere greetings to the people of the State in general and to my Buddhist brethren in particular on the auspicious occasion of Buddha Purnima. He expressed his hope that that the occasion will spread Lord Buddha's message of love, peace and compassion.

In his message, the Governor said that the eightfold noble path of Lord Buddha - Right View, Right Intention, Right Speech, Right Action, Right Livelihood, Right Effort, Right Mindfulness and Right Concentration encompasses the entire Wheel of Dharma, with its central axis of ethical discipline. The idea of ahimsa or harmlessness is very closely connected with it. It is self-discipline in body, word and mind, self-development and self-purification. It is a Path leading to the realization of Ultimate Reality, to complete freedom, happiness and peace through moral, spiritual and intellectual perfection.

The Governor appealed to all to follow the eight noble paths and rise above the materialist world. He exhorted all to strengthen brotherhood / fellowship amongst the different tribes of Arunachal Pradesh.

On this sacred occasion, I offer my prayer to Lord Buddha to bless each one of us with his choicest blessing, the Governor said.

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Arunachal Pradesh
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