The Minister of State (Ind. Charge) for Rural Development & Medical Heath, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Dr. Mahindra Singh called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 27th December 2018. The minister informed that he has been sent by the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath to Arunachal Pradesh with special request to all the Gaon Buras, Gaon Buris, Heads of the villages and youth of the State to invite them to visit Kumbh Mela from 15th January to 4th March 2019 on any day as per their convenience.

Dr. Singh, while formally inviting the Governor to the Kumbh Mela in Prayagraj (Old name Allahabad), Uttar Pradesh, briefed the Governor about the arrangement for the devotees, pilgrims and tourists during the sacred occasion. The Minister said that the arrangements made for the Kumbh Mela this year are the best ever done for any Mela in the world. There are extremely good provisions for the pilgrims for their movement, stay, food, public address system, parking, lighting and medical emergencies. Not only the Mela ground has been expanded by 100% but also the hygiene, sanitation and pilgrims conveniences have been taken full care of. Around 90 countries visitors are coming to visit Prayagraj Mela this year, the Minister said.

In the meeting, they discussed about various bilateral State issues including Ek Bharat Srestha Bharat programme.

The Governor advised for facilitating youth and student interactive programmes through tours and visits, and for that the best start can be made during the Kumbh Mela at Prayagraj (Old name Allahabad).

Shri N.P. Singh, IAS, Commissioner, RD accompanied the minister in the meeting.