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NCST Chairman calls on the Governor

Introduce more tribal community centric projects and programmes under the education and health sectors: Governor to NCST Chairman

The Chairman of the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST), Shri Nand Kumar Sai called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 27th November 2019. They discussed about welfare programmes for tribal people, particularly the students.

The Governor, who has been closely monitoring the education and health sectors for the tribal communities, told the visiting dignitaries to develop their habitats with these two vital areas need. He requested the NCST Chairman for the introduction of more tribal community centric projects and programmes under the education and health sectors.

The Governor emphasised on the enhancement of tribal income generation activities for a better standard of life. He suggested for introduction of new techniques in agri-horticultural activities and recommended a visit of farmers and entrepreneurs to progressive farming being organised in Kurukshetra, Haryana to arrest Jhum or (Shifting) cultivation.

Sharing his interactions with various communities of Arunachal Pradesh, the Governor said that Puroik Community, the marginalised ones, requires special care and National Commission for Scheduled Tribes needs to explore ways and means to address the challenges faced by the community. He suggested for special skill development programmes for them and educational provisions for the students, preferably in professional courses, being run by other States.

The Governor said that another sector which is a bottleneck in tribal area development is road communication. Good road communication will facilitate in socio-economic empowerment of the tribal communities. He requested the NCST chairman to impress upon the President and Prime Minister for relaxation of the norms for the construction of roads in Arunachal Pradesh.

NCST members Shri Harhadbhai Chunnilal Vasava and Shri Hari Krishna Damor, NCST Joint Secretary Konthang Touthang accompanied the Chairman. Social Justice Empowerment and Tribal Affairs (SJETA) Secretary Ms Niharika Rai was present in the meeting.

PRO to Governor
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