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PRESS RELEASE

Governor conveys Si Donyi Festival greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has conveyed his good wishes to the people of the State on the auspicious occasion of Si Donyi.

In his message to the people, the Governor said that during festivals, a variety of religious prayers and ceremonies are conducted amongst the tribal communities to invoke the blessings of Almighty, to ward off evil spirits and for bumper harvest. He expressed his hope that the celebration will strengthen the splendid cultural heritage and traditions of the State.

The Governor said that Nature worshipping and appeasing of various forms of deities and spirits, are the basis of the religious belief of the indigenous communities. The Si-Donyi festival of Tagin Community signifies this belief. Tagin community believes that the omnipotent Si-Donyi is the supreme authority of all the living beings on earth. To invoke the blessings of Si Donyi rituals are performed with grandeur and religious fervour, which, as per their faith, in turn helps in preserving the rich cultural heritage of the community. I am sanguine that our Tagin brethren will continue to preserve and promote the fine aspects and values of their age-old traditions, he said.

May the festivity of Si Donyi celebration, this year, usher in peace and prosperity in the State, the Governor wished.

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