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PRESS RELEASE

Governor extends Shapawng Yawng Manau Poi greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) extended his heartiest greetings to the people of the State, especially Singpho brethren on the auspicious occasion of Shapawng Yawng Manau Poi. He expressed his hope that the sacred occasion will usher in harmonious coexistence and socio-cultural growth of our rich traditions.

In his message to the people, the Governor said that Singpho mythology has it that the Singphos are the descendent of Shapawng Yawng. Accordingly, Shapawng Yawng Manau Poi festival is celebrated in the memory of the community's ancestor Shapawng Yawng. Our Singphos seek blessing of their forbears and the creator of the world 'Mathum Matha' through ritualistic ceremonies, dances, cultural programmes, group feasts, literary activities and interactive sessions during this festival. These events have become proven medium of preserving our heritage, he said.

The Governor called upon the Singpho elders and the youth alike to promote this event in the State and abroad, to further strengthen their culture and carry it forward to cement the bondings in their fold,.

On this auspicious occasion, I join my Singpho brethren in offering prayers to Shapawng Yawng to bless each one of us with peace, progress and prosperity, the Governor said in his message.

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