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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor extends Oriah Festival greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has extended his hearty greetings to the people of the State in general and to Wancho brethren in particular, on the joyous occasion of Oriah Festival. He expressed his hope that the festival will strengthen the emotional integration, brotherhood and bring prosperity in our society.

In his message, the Governor said that festivals are the expression of happiness, empathy and benevolence. Our Tribal Festivals freshen our memories of age-old legends, traditions and ancient wisdom to the benefit of the succeeding generations for imbibing love, tolerance and assimilation.

The Governor further said that Oriah festival is essentially celebrated to evoke the blessings of Almighty 'Rangwa' for bumper harvest. It gives us hope and amply helps us to preserve our Wancho customs and traditions. This festival also instils respect in the younger generation for their elders and equally well for other communities. He appealed to Wancho people to avail of this opportunity to work in unison for promotion and rejuvenation of the rich and colourful cultural heritage of the Wancho Tribe.

On this auspicious occasion, I pray to Almighty Rangwan to bless each one of us with his choicest blessings, the Governor said in his message.

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