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Press Communiqué

First Lady of the State proposes for traditional Loin Loom museum

The First Lady of Arunachal Pradesh Smt Neelam Misra visited National Museum of Charkha at Connaught Place, Delhi on 2nd April 2021. She interacted with officials of the museum and discussed about various important aspects of the heritage centre. The Charkha Museum depicts the history and evolution of Charkha, from a primitive instrument rising to a symbol of nationalism, freedom movement, and empowerment of the individual citizens by weaving Swadeshi cloth.

The First lady of the State, continuing her endeavour to promote Loin Loom tradition of the State, proposed for a museum on loin loom in Arunachal Pradesh on the same line as of Charkha Museum. She said that the Loin Loom weaving is one of the indigenous handicrafts and artisan skills. It is a shining legacy of our people which has been passed down by womenfolk of Arunachal Pradesh to successive generations and has been a good example of women empowerment. The designs and patterns of traditional weaving of Arunachal Pradesh are distinctive, attractive, exclusive and one of its kinds in the world. Every tribe of Arunachal Pradesh has its own distinct colour, design, pattern and style symbolizing their identity. Loin Loom weaving in Arunachal Pradesh has been an extension of the traditions and has been a time tested self employment avenue for the house makers, she said.

The First Lady of the State said that the Loin Loom Museum will be a surrounding board for the message of 'Start-Up' and 'Aatma Nirbhar Pradesh' and inspire large numbers of tribal women and girls for 'Make in India' by honing the fine skills which they have inherited from their forbears. She said that traditional weaving is not only a home need activity, but also an enterprise for self-financial support for the productive creativity of women. It is a good pursuit, excellent utilization of time and a hearty hobby for the members of a household, she said.

The First lady of the State called upon the Khadi and Village Industries Commission to assist the State in the endeavour. The project will showcase the vintage loin looms, products, accessories and recalling photographs and pictures depicting this age-old practice. The project must display traditional loin loom and the products of different tribes, which will be a great tourist attraction and interest, she stated.

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