

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
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**Press Communiqué**

**Governor interacts with College Principals and NSS Volunteers**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) held an interaction with College Principals and National Service Scheme (NSS) Volunteers of the State through virtual media from Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2021. He urged upon them to be force multipliers and reach out to as many people as possible in creating awareness about COVID 19 Pandemic Protocols, Standard Operating procedures (SOPs), the precautions COVID and the vaccinations for their safety.

The Governor exhorted the Principals, Programme Officers college students and NSS volunteers to assist those who can't go themselves for vaccination, such as non-literate and old people, involve in helping people in getting Corona treatment, who do not have resources or knowledge to get it, ensure use of mask to save themselves and others and lead the society and the people in creating 'micro containment zones', in case of even a single positive case. He said that 'Micro containment zones' are the vital components of fighting against Coronavirus.

The Governor called upon the volunteers to assist the Health Department and the District Administration in their respective districts in implementation of the five-fold strategy of Testing, Tracing, Treatment, COVID-appropriate behaviour and Vaccination. He said that the Government of India under the dynamic leadership of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is arranging vaccination for everyone, above the age of 18 from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2021. Leading members of the society, NGOs and NSS have to motivate every member of the society to get vaccinated, he said.

Impressed by the good work done by the colleges and NSS Volunteers during the first wave of COVID Pandemic, the Governor said that the positive, active and promotional attitude of the volunteers is the strongest shield against the coronavirus. Commending them for their good input, positivity, genuine concern for the people, he said that their role is very important for the society.

The Governor emphasised on individual action by the people, such as distribution of facemasks, counselling of the affected persons and their family, ensuring that others also adhere to COVID SOP. This, he said, will bring the desired result in the fight against Coronavirus.

Dr. Tayek Talom, Director, Higher & Technical Education Govt of Arunachal Pradesh, Dr. A.K. Mishra, State Liaison Officer, NSS along with Principals and Programme Officers, NSS and NSS Volunteers attended the video conference. The participants assured the Governor that they will create awareness about the Pandemic, make and distribute masks, be ready for any emergency, motivate others to get vaccination and cooperate with the health department, district administration and police. COVID Helpline Numbers for districts, vaccination of NSS Volunteers on priority and starting online classes also came up during the video interaction.

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