

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Vice President arrives at Itanagar

The Vice President of India, Shri C.P. Radhakrishnan, arrived in Itanagar on 8th September 2026 on a two-day visit to Arunachal Pradesh. The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. Gen. K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), and the Chief Minister, Shri Pema Khandu received him at Donyi Polo Airport, Hollongi. On his arrival, the Vice President was accorded a ceremonial Guard of Honour by the Arunachal Pradesh Police.

The Vice President was accorded a traditional reception at Lok Bhavan, where members of various indigenous communities of Arunachal Pradesh, dressed in their vibrant traditional attires, welcomed him. The reception reflected the spirit of Arunachal Pradesh, renowned for its rich mosaic of tribes, traditions, languages, and customs.

Welcoming the distinguished guest to the State, the Governor expressed confidence that the Vice President of India's visit would serve as a source of inspiration for the people of the State. He said that the Vice President's engagement with the people of Arunachal Pradesh and his encouragement towards the State's developmental aspirations would further strengthen the confidence and enthusiasm of its citizens, particularly the younger generation.

A specially curated cultural presentation titled 'The Land of Cultures and Traditions' was organized in the Durbar Hall of Lok Bhavan in honour of the Vice President. The programme celebrated India's cultural unity and Arunachal Pradesh's vibrant heritage through music and dance. Students of the Department of Fine Arts and Music, Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh, presented two compositions rooted in the rich tradition of Hindustani Classical Music, symbolizing the harmonious blend of India's diverse cultural expressions. The musical presentation was followed by captivating performances of the classical dance forms Bharatanatyam and Kathak by students of Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya and Jomu Norbu Khrimy Public School, Itanagar. Showcasing the indigenous cultural heritage of Arunachal Pradesh, artists presented the Rikam Pada, one of the most cherished traditional dances of the State. Adding a patriotic fervour to the evening, Smt. Mibi Nyodu Taring, Staff Artist of the Department of Art & Culture, rendered a patriotic song that resonated with the spirit of national unity, pride, and devotion to the nation.

Later in the evening, the Governor hosted a State Banquet in honour of the Vice President at the Siddhartha Hall, Lok Bhavan. The State Cabinet and Members of Parliament, and other distinguished guests attended the banquet. The occasion provided an opportunity for interaction and exchange of views on the progress, development, and future aspirations of Arunachal Pradesh.

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