ADDRESS

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OF

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ON

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Hon’ble Speaker and Hon’ble Members of our Legislative Assembly,

1. I welcome all the Hon’ble members to this Third Session of the Seventh Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly for the year 2020. I take this opportunity to convey my best wishes to all of you and to the people of Arunachal Pradesh for a very happy and prosperous New Year. This year 2020, let us rise together and take our State, with faster speed, towards peace and prosperity.

**OUR VISION**

2. My Government has set forth its vision, to bring development in the State and bring equitable progress for all.

3. My Government is seeking team spirit and working hard to achieve Excellence in Governance, quality Education, better Health services, progressive changes in Agriculture & Horticulture sectors, Blue Economy, Employment Generation, Livelihood Activities, Ease of doing business, drinking water to all households by 2024, inter-tribe harmony, perfect law & order, modernization of Police Force, social partnership, uninterrupted power supply, road and internet connectivity, Hydropower generation, attractive Tourism, ecological balance, Green Cover and for becoming the repository of Carbon sink for the Country. We are following the mantra of Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas’ to make Arunachal Pradesh as one of the best administered and governed states in the country.

**ROAD & COMMUNICATION**

4. To reduce the huge backlog in road communication infrastructure, we are adopting a comprehensive approach with better and new technologies for simultaneous building up of Roadways, Railways, Airways, Waterways and Internet-ways in our State. To streamline the planning and development process of all roads under
Public Works Department, we now have a five year road plan as ‘THE CHIEF MINISTER COMPREHENSIVE STATE ROAD PLAN 2019-2024’. This initiative will bring improvement in 150 km of Capital Complex road, upgrade important inter-state and inter-district roads to the specification of State Highway (SH), all the arterial roads in district headquarters, all ADC headquarters shall be connected by Major District Road category and majority of the ADC and CO Headquarters shall be connected by all weather Other District Road category by the year 2024. The economic development of the districts in the eastern sector of the State is going to see a big leap with the operationalization of bridges across Dibang and Lohit rivers, Sisar Bridge over Sisar River between East Siang and Lower Dibang Valley Districts along National Highway-52.

5. In the rural road sector, so far, we have covered 1,099 habitations with a road length of 7,942 km under the PMGSY scheme and plan to cover 204 such unconnected habitations having a length of 3,500 km this year. As on date, we have completed 8,138.64 km length of roads under PMGSY. We are also going to provide support for the repair and maintenance of already completed roads under the programme.

6. In the interest of national security, supply of essential commodities and for welfare of the people living in remote areas, we are working on the 157 km strategic road project of Miao-Vijaynagar in Changlang district, in association with Border Road Organization. This road with several bridges will be the longest road in the country under the PMGSY.

**POWER & HYDRO POWER**

7. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by the Hon’ble Prime Minister has approved the expenditure of Rs. 28,080 crores on pre-investment activities and various clearances for 2,880 MW Dibang Multipurpose Project. The project will be completed in 9 years. On completion, our Government will get 12% free power from the
Project which, besides other industrial and commercial externalities, will enhance State’s revenue by about Rs. 26,785 crores over the project life of forty years. My Government will involve all stakeholders and take care of the dislocation of people, if any, and environmental degradation before the start of the project work.

8. Along with the laying of 31 sub-stations, under comprehensive Scheme of Transmission & Distribution System, the 110 MW Pare Hydroelectric Power Plant was dedicated to the Nation by the Hon’ble Prime Minister on 9th of February 2019. We have commissioned the 24 MW Dikshi Hydroelectric power project for commercial operation. My Government has also commissioned 2x500 KW Nura-nang Ph-II, 2x50 KW Khinmey Gompa and 2x1500 KW Sumbung Hydroelectric Stations. I am pleased to inform you that we have achieved 100% household electrification under **SAUBHAGYA SCHEME and DEEN DAYAL UPADHYAYA GRAMIN JYOTI YOJANA**. We will also be conducting Saubhagya Rath Yatras to ensure that no household is left out from the benefit of getting electricity. To bring greater efficiency in management of power infrastructure and reduce transmission and distribution losses, my Government is establishing a **State Load Dispatch Centre**. All efforts are being made to install LED street lights in all urban townships and also upgrade the power infrastructure in all the newly created district headquarters. For robust power infrastructure at Hollongi Airport site, we are setting up a 400 KV High Tension line and other essential external installations.

**WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION**

9. Our Government is making all efforts for providing drinking water to all the households of the State by 2024. It is expected that Government of India will be providing substantial fund under its flagship programme ‘**JAL JEEVAN MISSION**’ for this purpose.

**HEALTH**
10. In Health Sector, we have launched the ambitious **CHIEF MINISTER’S ARGYA ARUNACHAL YOJANA**. This provides health insurance cover for a family upto Rs. 5 lakhs per year for Secondary and Tertiary Care Hospitalization which are not covered under **AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME** of the Government of India. The coverage under both, the **PRADHAN MANTRI JAN AROGYA YOJANA** and the **CHIEF MINISTER’S ARGYA ARUNACHAL YOJANA** has benefited around 1 lakh households in the State. As on date, 2,167 patients have already availed treatment under these schemes. Another 1,616 patients are presently undergoing treatment under the scheme in various Hospitals and 3,783 cases have been registered for taking treatment in the empanelled hospitals of the country. We are also providing assistance upto Rs. 10 Lakhs per patient under the **CHIEF MINISTER’S FREE CHEMOTHERAPY SCHEME** and up to Rs. 10 lakhs per patient for kidney transplant under the **CHIEF MINISTER’S RENAL REPLACEMENT FUND**.

11. Under **UNIVERSAL IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMME**, my Government is trying to raise the immunization coverage in the State from the present 78% to 90% by the end of this year. To achieve this target, a concerted drive for bringing awareness regarding the scheduled immunization of the child has been launched among the people, by my Government. Our target is to vaccinate minimum 90% of the children who could not be vaccinated due to the lack of awareness of their parents, or due to the mindset of those parents who apprehended adverse effect on their children following immunization.

12. To deliver a Comprehensive Primary Health Care in the State, under **AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME**, we have already made 98 **Health & Wellness Centres** operational in selected Sub-Centres and Primary Health Centres. Another 91 **Health & Wellness Centres** will be made operational by March this year. All the Sub-Centres, Primary Health Centres and Urban Primary Health Centres are expected to be upgraded to Health and Wellness Centres by year 2022.
13. Besides operationalizing the ‘Tomo Riba Institute of Health & Medical Sciences’, the five Zonal Hospitals at Bomdila, Ziro, Aalo, Tezu and Khonsa are also being upgraded and strengthened in a comprehensive manner to cater for the entire population of the state.

14. Under ‘DULARI KANYA YOJANA’ for the girl-child, born in any Government Hospital or Government recognized private hospital, 1,922 beneficiaries have been provided an amount of Rs. 20,000 each, as Bank Fixed Deposit, during FY 2018-19. Under JANANI SURAKSHA YOJANA, 1,515 mothers have been benefitted in the State during this period.

AGRICULTURE & ALLIED SECTORS

15. In our endeavour to achieve doubling of farmers’ income by year 2022 and to raise the contribution of agriculture sector to national GDP, we are investing heavily in agriculture and allied sectors. We have increased the funding of CHIEF MINISTER’S SASHAKT KISAN YOJANA to Rs. 95 Crores with specific focus on cash crops. We have also launched two important schemes that is ‘ARUN PIG DEVELOPMENT SCHEME’ and ‘MUKHYA MANTRI NEEL KRANTI ABHIYAN’ with an outlay of Rs. 20 Crores each. We have also launched the CHIEF MINISTER’S WHITE REVOLUTION SCHEME to harness the dairy potential of the State. In Sericulture, Integrated Large Scale Eri Farming and Integrated Large Scale Muga Farming are other income generating activities of high potential which we have started in various districts of the State.

NEW ZEALAND VISIT

16. Recently a team of officials, connected with Kiwi growing, has visited New Zealand for acquiring Know-How on the world’s best variety of Kiwi grown there. I am glad to inform you that, the expertise, unshared with any outsider in this field, so far, has been shared with us by the New Zealanders.
17. Our State Tea Growers participated in the 7th World Tea and Coffee Expo held in Maharashtra from 21st to 23rd November 2019. This Expo has generated great demand for our organic green tea and white tea.

18. To augment fish seed production and harness the aquaculture potentials of the state, my Government has launched the **MUKHYA MANTRI NEEL KRANTI ABHIYAN** with an allocation of Rs. 20 Crores.

**EDUCATION**

19. Providing quality education is the top priority of my Government. In this endeavour, we have successfully conducted Arunachal Pradesh State Board Examination for Class-V & VIII and the Second Pre Board Examination for Class-X and XII. We have procured text books directly from NCERT and provided them for the students of Class-I to XII for the sessions 2018-19 & 2019-20. For educational development, my Government has provided training to 3,701 untrained Elementary Teachers, conducted first ever Heads of Schools Conference, raised 2\textsuperscript{nd} Arunachal Pradesh Battalion of NCC at Tawang, introduced first ever Subroto Cup Tournament for Girls. Under **CHIEF MINISTER'S ADHUNIK PATHSALA YOJANA**, we are upgrading one School into a Model Residential School in each district and plan to develop them as the ‘Centre of Excellence’. We have distributed Smart phones to all Class XII passed Girl students and given awards for best Government Higher Secondary School both at district and State level. To deal with the issues related to teachers’ shortages, we have appointed 115 Post Graduate Teachers for various Higher Secondary Schools of the State and 540 more teachers shall be appointed soon for which the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission has already conducted the examination and interviews. To rationalize the shortage of teachers in 3,513 government schools, which include 211 community schools, my Government has approved **ARUNACHAL PRADESH TEACHERS TRANSFER & POSTING**
POLICY, 2020 to ensure need-based, equitable and transparent positioning of approximately 16,594 regular teachers in the State. This will protect the academic interest of the students and optimize the responsibility sharing among the teachers.

20. We have also recruited 71 Assistant Professors and Lecturers for various Colleges and Polytechnic institutes of the State. To regulate and monitor the functioning of Private Universities and Colleges in the state, we have passed the Arunachal Pradesh State Private Educational Institutions (Regulatory Commission) Act 2017.

21. Our’s is the only State in the country to conduct ‘Pay Back to Society Group’ activity by inviting all the 23 serving Arunachali Armed Forces Officers for career counselling of students across the State.

22. The first Sainik School of the State at Niglok in Pasighat is now running its second batch of 60 students. We have planned to make it an iconic institution of the State.

23. The Law college at Jote has started functioning from this year.

24. Our government has planned to provide uninterrupted power supply, through installation of roof-top solar panels, to all the Secondary and Higher Secondary schools in the State.

SOCIAL JUSTICE, WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

25. Under Social Security, our Government has enhanced the Old Age Pension, Widow Pension and Disability Pension.

We have also provided additional Honorarium of Rs. 2,000 per month by the State Government, in addition to Central Share of Honorarium to about 6,225 Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers who provide services to 24,517 pregnant women and Lactating Mothers and 1,89,060 Children in the age group of 0 to 6 years.
26. For need based support to the women in the State, we plan that in all the women beneficiary-oriented schemes, at least 50% of the beneficiaries should be widows, marginal farmers, Self Help Groups, Farmer Producer Organizations and families, having annual income of less than Rs. 2.50 Lakhs. Since the launching of the maternity benefit scheme of **PRADHAN MANTRI MATRU VANDANA YOJANA**, we have covered 12,511 pregnant women so far. Due to my Government’s serious orientation and sensitisation programmes under **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Abhiyan**, at Block and District levels, there has been a marked improvement in the girl child gender ratio.

**TOURISM**

27. For development of tourism in our State, through digital platforms, my Government is planning to tie up with ‘Airbnb’, ‘Make My Trip’ and other organisations for registering home-stays, on their platform. My Government is bringing out a comprehensive Tourism Development policy for the State to harness the State’s tourism potential. My Government is taking up development and beautification programme, duly harmonized with nature, for Indira Gandhi Park and Gekar Sinyi Lake popularly known as Ganga Lake. We have made a request to Government of India to help in expediting early finalization of the Parshuram Kund project. This will substantially enhance the spiritual tourism in the State and will economically benefit the people of the area.

**INDUSTRIES**

28. My Government plans to leverage the huge potential for industrial growth in our State.

We want to enhance the employment opportunities for our youths through incentives in identified thrust areas like tourism, food processing, agri-horti based industries, textiles, handicrafts, hydropower etc. We have approved the **ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE INDUSTRIAL & INVESTMENT POLICY, 2020**. Under this Policy, we will set up a single-window system to facilitate all clearances, approvals,
licenses and permissions for setting up industrial ventures. With the aim of creating a conducive atmosphere to attract businesses and investments, my Government is promoting ‘Make in Arunachal’ policy, through which the state Government and other State-Controlled Agencies will give preference to enterprises, registered in the State, who are purchasing our manufactured products.

**RURAL HOUSING**

29. Provision of Housing for the rural population, people living below poverty line and landless villagers by year 2022, is the priority agenda of our Government. In order to achieve this goal, we have introduced ‘CHIEF MINISTER’S RURAL HOUSING SCHEME’ which will provide a ‘top up’ of Rs. 50,000 to each house being constructed under **PRIME MINISTER AWAS YOJANA (GRAMIN)**. We have a target of 7,500 beneficiaries to be provided housing under the **PMAY (GRAMIN)** in the State during the year 2019-20.

**GEOLOGY & MINING**

30. The State has generated Rs. 60.34 Crores income from the Mineral Sector so far. All the concerned Government departments have been directed to ensure maximum revenue generation in this Sector. For bringing sustainable development in the mining potential areas, District Mineral Foundation has been established in all our districts. This will ensure effective implementation of the provisions, incorporated in the **PRADHAN MANTRI KALYAN YOJANA**. We have handed over **Petroleum Exploration Licenses** to Oil India Limited for oil exploration and production in seven new blocks in our State. Substantial part of royalty, received through such projects, will be utilized on development and welfare of the people of those areas.

**CIVIL AVIATION**

31. My Government is making all efforts to operationalise Hollongi Greenfield Airport by March 2022. For this 667 acres of land has already been handed over to the Airport Authority of India and additional
6 acres of land will be provided to them shortly. The Project would include construction of 2.5 kilometres global standard, lit, landscaped, green planted, approach road from National Highway to Hollongi Airport, with provision for future expansion. For Air Connectivity in Western part of the State, Pre-Feasibility Study has already been conducted by the Airport Authority of India for another Greenfield Airport in Tawang.

CLEAN ENVIRONMENT/CLIMATE CHANGE

32. Our Government is seized of the environmental challenges of global warming and deteriorating ecosystems. We have launched Clean Green Arunachal Campaign wherein we will plant one Crore trees in next 5 years.

33. Following Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji’s appeal to free the State from single-use plastics and to prevent land, water and air pollution, Bordumsa Administration has taken up a laudable innovative initiative to install Plastic Shredding Unit for construction of road in Bordumsa Town by using the shredded plastic mixed with bitumen.

SPORTS

34. Our State has been able to obtain approval from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt of India for a Centre of Excellence in 3 sports disciplines, viz. Boxing, Weight Lifting and Martial Arts. This Centre will have residential school for 100 students in each discipline and will be set up in Sangay Lhaden Sports Academy. With this we are hopeful to produce World Class sports persons. This process has already started with many of our youths bringing laurels for the State by winning medals in various competitions within and outside the country.

35. The football turf and hockey astro-turf laid at Sangay Lhaden Sports Academy Complex, Chimpu and the Outdoor stadium at Pasighat are going to be completed very soon. I am very happy to inform you that our State is planning to host the North East Youth Festival this year.
DIGITAL INITIATIVES

36. My Government has implemented a very transparent and efficient procurement system for public use items through GeM for all Government departments. Our State is one of the very few States in the country to receive the *Compliant Buyer-in Payments Award-2019* from Government e-Market Place (GeM) by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry. This prestigious award recognizes the commitment of our Government towards eliminating corruption and bringing transparency in Government procurements.

37. We have adopted extensive use of Information Technology to redress citizen’s grievances along with helplines like Arunachal e-Services, e-ILP, Chief Minister’s Helpline, e-Office, e-Cabinet, Secretariat WiFi, Jeevan Pramaan, Central Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System, GeM, NSP etc., to facilitate the process. Public Financial Management System and Direct Benefit Transfer modes have been adopted for payment to beneficiaries of various central as well as state schemes. Our State has also been conferred with ‘Digital Transformation Award 2019’ in the 3rd Digital Transformation Summit & Awards held on 6th November 2019 for the successful implementation of e-Inner Line Permit (e-ILP) in the State.

38. I am very happy to inform this august House that Arunachal Pradesh State Remote Sensing Application Centre (SRSAC) and Planning & Investment Department has been conferred with the *India Geospatial Application Excellence Award* for conceptualizing and designing a *Satellite-Based Monitoring* and *Geo-Tagging* for our development projects. Our Government has made it mandatory for all the departments to Geo-Tag all infrastructure projects in one common portal. This will lead to better planning and transparency in governance.
SOCIAL SECURITY / GOOD GOVERNANCE

39. In order to ensure Transparency and accountability in governance, my Government has made the Lok Ayukta functional from this year and is also constituting the Arunachal Pradesh State Human Rights Commission. For their working ease and efficiency, we are taking up the construction of offices for Lokayukta, State Human Rights Commission, Arunachal Pradesh State Commission for Women, Information Commission etc., along with a common complex for all the Directorates in the Capital area.

LAW AND ORDER

40. Maintenance of law and order is the priority task for my Government. We aim to make our State a ‘land of peace’ where all communities may co-exist harmoniously and cooperate to ensure peace and tranquillity. Our State is one of the very few States to enact for death penalty for rape of girls below 12 years of age. Under our recently launched ‘HAMARA ARUNACHAL ABHIYAN’, the Police department is collaborating with CBOs, common public, PR Leaders, Youths and Student organisations for taking up the issues of common concern and develop a discourse and dialogue for lawful preservation of peaceful neighbourhood.

41. Present leadership of Government of India is all appreciative and supportive of our pro-poor, pro-backward policies for all round development of the State. I am confident that with collective wisdom and positive support of this august house, our State will continue its march on the road to development, peace and prosperity. We will ‘move on’ irrespective of the challenges and difficulties that we have or we may face.

42. With these words I call upon the Hon’ble Members to commence the conduct of the business of the House and blaze path, for making Arunachal Pradesh, of our dream, a reality.
43. Before I conclude, I would like to share with you a motivating stanza of a poem written by our former Prime Minister Bharat Ratna, Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji: I quote,

“बाधाएँ आती हैं आएँ

घिरें प्रत्य की घोर घटाएँ,

पावों की अग्नि आएँ

सिर पर बरसें यदि ज्वालाएँ,

निज हाथों में हँसते हँसते

आग लगाकर जलना होगा।

क्रदम मिलाकर चलना होगा।

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