

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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KEEP YOU MIND OPEN TO NEW IDEAS AND INNOVATIVE WAYS - GOVERNOR TO
SENIOR OFFICERS

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. Gen (Retd) Nirbhay Sharma reviewed the State's developmental activities and law and order scenario with senior officers including the Chief Secretary, Director General of Police and Development Commissioner at Raj Bhawan, Itanagar on 13th June 2013.

Highlighting that the State has a small and therefore manageable population, the Governor said that the people the State have a tremendous opportunity to develop at very high growth rates. The officials have to formulate ways and means and harness this opportunity through the best possible methods, he stressed.

Minutely noting the progress of developmental projects in the State during the meeting, the Governor advised the officials to ensure that the projects are implemented within prescribed time frame. The Governor exhorted the officials to keep their mind open to new ideas and innovative ways to meet the challenges posed by the changing trends in administration and governance.

The Governor, who had recently visited Changlang, Tirap and East Siang districts, shared his observations with the senior officers. He asked them to take initiative to instil sense of security amongst the people in the disturbed districts of Tirap, Changlang and Longding.

The Governor also expressed concern on the low literacy rate in the State, particularly the female literacy rate. He stressed on quality teachers and accommodation for them, especially for those who are serving in interior areas.

As Arunachal Pradesh is an agrarian State, the Governor emphasized on organic farming, double cropping and using latest technologies in agriculture and horticulture activities.

While calling for protection of the forests, the Governor advised the officers of Environment and Forests department to involve of all stakeholders at community level.

Earlier, with the help of a detailed power point presentation, State Chief Secretary Dr. H.K. Paliwal briefed the Governor on overall developmental scenario of the State. Progress of works in different sectors, including road, railway and air connectivity, water supply hydropower, and power sector were discussed. Health, education, forests, agriculture, horticulture and tourism were also taken up during the meeting.

The Chief Secretary also briefed the Governor on the progress of works under Prime Minister's package in the State.

State Director General of Police Shri K.K. Maheshwari later briefed the Governor on the law and order and security scenario of the State.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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