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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. Gen (Retd) Nirbhay Sharma met the Union Minister for Civil Aviation Shri Ajit Singh at New Delhi on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2013. They discussed the overall civil aviation scenario and aviation related projects coming up in different parts of State. The Governor requested the Union Minister for expediting the projects in the State, more helicopter services, and restoration of Lilabari Airport. The Governor said that good air service from fully developed Airport at Lilabari must be made operational on highest priority.

Stressing for ensuring Air Connectivity to the State, the Governor said that due to its vastness and tough geographical terrain, Arunachal Pradesh is largely dependent on helicopters, air services for its connectivity requirement. He requested for two helicopters to be placed at the disposal of the State Government. One for regular passenger movement and other for ration sorties.

On the aviation projects in the State, the Governor said that the work progress of NEC funded Tezu Airport is slow. The Airport Authority of India (AAI) must be asked to speed up the work. Timely completion of this project will go a long way in improving the connectivity in Arunachal Pradesh.

The Governor also called for expediting work related to Advance Landing Grounds (ALGs) and Greenfield Airport.

PRO to Governor  
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