

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
ARUNACHAL PRADESH  
ITANAGAR**

**PRESS RELEASE**

Chairperson of State Finance Commission Smt Fantry Mein Jaswal, IRS (Retd) formally submitted the recommendations of the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Finance Commission to the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. Gen (Retd) Nirbhay Sharma at Raj Bhawan, Itanagar on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

The Governor lauded the effort of the Commission in compilation of the report. He said he will endorse it to the State Government and advised the Government to take the recommendations seriously.

The Governor emphasized on strengthening the local bodies, i.e. Panchayati Raj Institutions and Municipalities by enhancing their capacities and effectiveness, enable democratic decision-making and accountability in Panchayats, promote people's participation and devolution of powers and responsibilities to Panchayats according to the spirit of the Constitution and Panchyats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act.

Earlier Smt Jaswal briefed the Governor on the effort put in by the commission. She informed that the State Finance Commission has recommended the principles which should govern the distribution between the State Government and Local Bodies i.e. Zilla Parishads, Anchal Samitis, Gram Panchayats and Municipalities on the proceeds of taxes, duties, tolls and fees leviable by the State Government.

It also recommended on the determination of the taxes, duties, tolls and fees, which may be assigned to, or appropriated, by the local bodies from the Consolidated Fund of the State.

The Commission also made recommendations on the grants-in-aid to the local bodies and measures needed to improve their financial position.

Secretary to Governor Shri Shurbir Singh, Secretary, 2<sup>nd</sup> State Finance Commission Shri Dani Salu were also present in the meeting.

PRO to Governor  
Arunachal Pradesh  
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