

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor calls on Union Minister MSME**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa, who is on an official tour to the National Capital, called on Union Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Shri Kalraj Mishra at New Delhi on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015. The Governor impressed upon the minister for harnessing the tribal expertise of the State in handloom, handicrafts and textiles sector and the vast potential in Horticulture sector through Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. Highlighting the potentials in these sectors, he said that the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector will emerge as a highly vibrant and dynamic sector in the State, if proper guidance and assistance both through finance and technology is provided by the Central Government.

Sharing his experiences of his tours to the industrial outlets in different parts of the State, the Governor, requested the Union Minister to depute experts in his Ministry to the State of Arunachal Pradesh to visit Arunachal Pradesh to discuss in the concerned agencies of officials for preparing a road map to the industrial potential of our State in order to provide the youth training and opportunities on employment as well as self-employment by setting up Micro and Small Industries in particular. The Minister really agreed to defence the Managing depute Director and other officials of NSIC to visit Itanagar immediately and to prepare the road map on starting "Incubation Centres" for hands on vocational training at district head quarters. The State Government would be required to provide buildings for the purpose. At the request of the Governor, the Minister also agreed to visit Arunachal Pradesh soon and assured all assistance towards industrial development of the State.

The Governor also emphasised on more focus on setting up Khadi & Village Industries in Arunachal Pradesh. He suggested to the Union Minister for KVIC centre in every district, with centres in Itanagar, Pasighat and Ziro to start with. The Hon'ble Minister assured to extend necessary support under the Prime Ministries Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). It may be mentioned here that at the request of the Governor. The Minister instructed the managing Director, NSIC to visit Itanagar immediately, with his team of officials.

The NSIC Managing Director will be visiting Arunachal Pradesh on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015 and discuss with the Governor, State Minister, Chief Secretary and others concerned in meetings.

PRO to Governor  
Arunachal Pradesh  
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