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**PRESS RELEASE**

**I am confident that you will win a medal in the Olympics: Governor to Lapung**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa felicitated the South Asian Games 2016 Gold medallist Shri Sambo Lapung, at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016. Along with a memento of appreciation, a Nyishi jacket and a bopia (Headgear), the Governor presented a cheque of Rs.10.00 (Ten) lakh, which he had announced yesterday.

Presenting the award to Shri Lapung, the Governor exhorted him to excel further and bring more laurels to the State and the Country in future. Today, you have won the Gold medal in South Asian Games, tomorrow in the World level and then the Olympics. I am confident that you will win a medal in the Olympics for the Country and it will be a proud moment for all the people of Arunachal Pradesh, the Governor said.

The Governor asked the Advisor (H&P) Shri BD Sharma, (IPS), who was also present to initiate steps recommending a 'out of turn' promotion for Shri Lapung, who is in the Army. The Advisor asked him to furnish necessary details for the purpose.

The Governor said that sports talent is very high in the State. With proper trainings, guidance, support and direction, the State can produce large numbers of sportspersons of national and international standards. He directed the Sports Department to take immediate action to address the bottlenecks, including training halls etc. and to strengthen the State Sports Authority.

The Governor also advised the department to conduct joint meeting of the sports associations at the earliest.

Earlier, Arunachal Weightlifting Association Secretary Shri Teli Deniel briefed the Governor on Weightlifting scenerio in the State.

Shri GS Patnaik, Advisor (FPD), Shri BD Sharma, Advisor (H&P), Shri Dani Salu Secretary Sports and Shri Tadar Appa, Director Sports graced the occasion among others.

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