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PRESS RELEASE

Governor extends 'Pongtu' Festival Greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa has extended his festival greetings and Best Wishes to all the fellow citizens of the State in general and to Tutsa brethren in particular, on the auspicious occasion of 'Pongtu,' He expressed hope that the festival will usher in peace, harmony, happiness and prosperity for all.

In his festival message, the Governor said that Pongtu, an agricultural festival of the Tutsa tribe of Changlang and Tirap Districts is observed on the eve of the rainy season. The festival is celebrated after the harvesting of millet to welcome the New Year. He trusts that the celebration this year will invoke the blessings of the Almighty for a bumper harvest and safety and security of the crops against natural calamities, pests, diseases etc.

Along with all my Tutsa brethren, I offer my prayers to Supreme God Rangkathok for his choicest blessings. I also wish that the festival will be celebrated with much gaiety and enthusiasm, the Governor said.

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