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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Governor conveys Festivals greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa has conveyed his warm greetings to the people of the State on the auspicious occasions of Sangken and Gumkum Gumpa. He expressed hope that the sacred traditions and the festivity associated with these festivals will herald a happy and prosperous year ahead.

In his festival message, the Governor said that Sangken festival is the occasion to bathe the images of Lord Buddha ceremoniously. He wished that this festival of the Khampti and Singpho brethren will bind one and all in fraternal love, goodwill and affection and inspire all to strive for the unity, progress and well being of all.

The Governor also conveyed his heartiest greetings to the people of the State on the joyous occasion of Gumkum Gumpa, which is on 15<sup>th</sup> April. He hopes that the celebration would continue to strengthen the spirit of brotherhood amongst the members of the community and also the other tribes of the State.

The Governor said that Arunachal Pradesh is a mosaic made up of several of Tribes, of which the Puroik community is a very important part. Due to traditional practices, the fruit of development reached this community very late. He wishes that the Puroik brethren take extra step in term of education and health and also avail benefits of Government programmes.

May this festival of reunion promote harmony and reinforce stronger bond in the Puroik community in general and all the people of our beautiful State, the Governor wished.

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