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Extend 'Pre-recruitment Training' to all the Districts of the State: Governor to Army

Major General Vikal Sahni, General Officer Commanding, 56 Infantry Division, Likabali called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 23rd June 2016. The GOC briefed the Governor on the follow up action taken of the Army Commander's meeting with the Governor which was held on 19th May 2016 at Raj Bhavan.

The Governor commended the Indian Army for the prompt response and expressed hope that generous initiative from the Army will instil sense of security amongst the local people. With cordial relationship, the local villagers can act as force multipliers for the regular Army units, and significantly enhance their Border Guarding potential. The Governor advised the Army to coordinate with the District Administration and with Goan Burahs of border villages for conducting any multifaceted civic action works for the benefit of rural population at Village level.

Expressing his appreciation for special consideration for local youth in Army Recruitment procedure, the Governor advised that the Army must extend 'Pre-recruitment Training' to all the Districts of the State.

Concerned about the safety and security of the people of the State, which has 1680 km of International border and disturbed by cases of spill over militancy, the Governor said that for better coordination at highest level, he is going to convene a high-level Security Review Meeting very soon. It may be mentioned that last Security Review Meeting was conducted on 1st July 2015.

The Governor, on behalf of people of the State conveyed in person sincere condolence to the GOC on the demise of Lt. Col. Pankaj Chauhan in a road accident. Lt Col. Chauhan of 218 Medium Regiment was stationed at Likabali, West Siang District under 56 Inf Div.

Earlier, the GOC informed that orders have been issued to various Army formations in the State of Arunachal Pradesh to conduct medical camps, providing study materials to the local children and ration items to people, where it is required in the border areas under Operation Samaritan. He said that focus in on interior and less developed areas of the border belt.

On the special height and chest considerations for indigenous communities during the Army recruitments, the GOC informed that issue has been taken up. He added that the Army formations have conducted special recruitment rallies in Daporijo and Likabali and 75 boys have been recruited. Pre-recruitment trainings are provided where local boys are groomed so that they can join the Indian Army.

The GOC also briefed on other issues taken up in the 19th May 2016 at Raj Bhavan.

PRO to Governor
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