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**GOVERNOR VISITS NATIONAL HANDLOOM EXPO**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland, Shri PB Acharya expressed his delight in seeing so much talent amongst the Naga people during his visit to the National Handloom Expo held at the Gurkha Panchayat Public Ground, Chandmari, Kohima on 23rd March 2017.

The Governor said the Government should encourage the craftsmen and entrepreneurs by organizing such Expo's from time to time all over the State. He also stated that an Exhibition of such kind should be held at least once a year in metro cities of the country to boost and encourage the talents of the local people. He also asked entrepreneurs to take up their profession seriously and added that entrepreneurs can avail the Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana which mainly focuses on small and micro level businesses where the interest rates of the loan are affordable and low when compared with other bank's interest rates.

The Governor also appealed the people to visit the ongoing exhibition and to encourage the artisans who have come to take part. Shri Acharya also thanked the Minister of Textiles, Government of India, Smt Smriti Irani for her initiative in sponsoring the exhibition.

State's First Lady Smti Kavita Acharya also commented that the handlooms and crafts showcased at the pavilion were priceless and appreciated all participants for their wonderful work.

The 15 days handloom expo is being organized by the Nagaland Handloom & Handicrafts Development Cooperation Ltd and sponsored by the Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.

PRO to Governor  
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