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Governor congratulates

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri P.B. Acharya has congratulated the denizens of Pasighat on selection of Pasighat, the District Headquarters of East Siang District under Centre's Smart Cities Mission. Union Minister for Urban Development Shri Venkaiah Naidu made the announcement of 30 new smart cities, in New Delhi today.

Shri Acharya, who is one of the Nav Ratnas (Nine Gems) selected by Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi for Swachh Bharat Mission said that Pasighat, the centennial Town of State and one of the foremost educational hub of the erstwhile NEFA deserved to be included in the list. He expressed confidence that the first town of the State will now lay new benchmark for excellence in standard of life, health care and educational facilities and basic infrastructure.

The Governor, who visited Pasighat in 1965 said that Smart City Mission will drive overall economic growth and thereby improving the quality of life of people by enabling local decentralization for better local area development and harnessing green technology, especially technology that leads to Smart outcomes. Specific area-based development will transform existing areas into better planned ones, thereby improving liveability of the whole City. New areas will be suitably developed around cities in order to accommodate the expanding population in urban areas. Application of Smart Solutions will enable cities to use technology, information and data to improve infrastructure and services. Comprehensive development in this way will improve standard of life by creating employment and enhancing incomes for all, especially the poor and the disadvantaged, leading to inclusive Cities.

The Governor expressed his hope that Capital City of Itanagar, which is under consideration will definitely picked up in the ensuing selection for which he sought the support of all the stakeholders.

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