## GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri P.B. Acharya attended a Solung Festival celebration in the Shiv Mandir, Raj Bhavan Complex, Itanagar on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2017. Amidst the chanting by President, Golgii Bote Donyi Polo Ganggiing, Itanagar Shri Talom Dupak, ADC, Capital Complex, Itanagar and echoing of 'Bomyerung Donyi Polo', prayers were offered in the temple. Taku Taabat ceremony was performed. Mumlung Raseng, a cultural troupe from Adi community presented some cultural items.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor advised the people from all religions to celebrate their festivals and along with indigenous festival to promote the spirit of 'Sarva Dharma' and without diluting the essence of their respective traditions.

Preserve the essence of your culture but modify the obsolete ideas in traditions to blend with time, the Governor advised.

President, Adi Bane Kebang Shri Kangir Jamoh appreciated the Governor for his effort in promotion of indigenous faith and culture. He expressed hope that Governor will continue to protect the cultural, religious and traditional values.

Er. Anong Perme, CE (Power), President, Society for Festival of Adis and Chairman, Adi Galo Heritage Society conveyed the goodwill of Adi and Galo Tribes for laying the foundation stone for the Adi Galo Heritage Centre. He also highlighted the importance of the centre.

It is a new and unique idea of the Governor to encourage reverence for all religions and faiths and organized by Raj Bhavan Mandir Committee head by State First Lady Smt Kavita Acharya. The committee arranged 'Prasad' for the devotees. Traditional rituals of the temple were performed by Pundit Madan Lal Tiwari.

PRO to Governor Arunachal Pradesh ITANAGAR, September 2, 2017