## GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

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## Now it is the time to pay back to the society: Governor to passing out students

## Copies of fundamental duties given along with degree certificates.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd) graced the 6<sup>th</sup> Convocation of the North Eastern Regional Institute of Science and Technology (Deemed University) as Chief Guest in the NERIST Campus, Nirjuli, Itanagar on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

In his Convocation Speech the Governor called upon the passing out students to contribute towards the development of the society, alma mater, State and the nation. He said that till the day of the convocation, the parents, guardians, institution and society have been contributing in the achievement of the passing out students and now it is the time that they pay back to the society.

Congratulating the students who were awarded degrees, the Governor emphasised that the passing out students must strive to develop the scientific temper, humanism and the spirit of inquiry and reform in them and also protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wild life, and to have compassion for living creatures as enshrined in the Constitution. To remind the graduating students of their fundamental duties enshrined in the Indian Constitution, at the advice of the Governor, the printed copies of fundamental duties were given to the students along with their degrees, which has presumably been done for the first time ever in any convocation in any university.

The Governor was highly impressed to see large number of girl students amongst the recipients of PH.D Degree and he offered his felicitation to them.

The Governor, who is also the President, NERIST Society called upon the members of the faculty to be coach, friend, philosopher and guide to the students. He emphasised on creating learning atmosphere through a holistic academic management. He suggested for two classes a week by the Director to built stronger bond between the students and the faculty, while informing that he himself will conduct interactive sessions with students once in a fortnight.

Stating that science and technology are the keys to national development, the Governor urged upon the teaching faculty and students to carry out research works and innovation which will ensure progress of the nation.

The Governor exhorted them to be self motivated and mission oriented. While referring to mythological figures of Ek Lavya and Guru Dronacharya, he advised them to be self disciplined, have respect their teachers and tirelessly pursue the path to knowledge.

Advising the continuing students, the Governor said that they must set their goal, work hard and earn knowledge. He also emphasised on games and sports and extracurricular activities along with academic courses for the students.

The Chairman, Board of Management, NERIST, Prof. U.C. Ray and the Director, NERIST, Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University also spoke on the occasion.

Earlier, the Governor presented the Gold Medals to 50 students for securing highest Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) for academic session of 2015-16 and 2016-17. 37 students received their Ph.D degree and 412 out of 1086 students received their degrees in person on the occasion.

PRO to Governor Arunachal Pradesh ITANAGAR, November 10, 2017