

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
ARUNACHAL PRADESH
ITANAGAR**

Press Communiqué

Governor conveys Onam greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has conveyed his warm greetings and good wishes to people of the State in general and to the people of Kerala, especially those serving in the State, in particular on the auspicious occasion of Onam. He wished that the festivity ushers in the true sense of amity and prosperity for our countrymen.

In his festival message, the Governor said that Onam, *the thanksgiving festival*, originating from the Land of our Keralite brethren, is linked with the harvest season. This is celebrated as a great traditional event with gaiety and enthusiasm. The highlight of the celebrations includes the welcome of the legendary King Mahabali, who in spirit, is believed to be visiting, Kerala on the day of Onam. The mood of Onam rejoicing is vividly captured in the age-old rituals, passed on from generation to generation, uniting all in a common brotherhood, transcending the barriers of community, belief and faith, he said.

Taking the opportunity, the Governor appealed to the people to strictly comply with the COVID-19 protocol and COVID appropriate behaviour to remain safe from this Pandemic.

May this year's Onam strengthen the spirit of unity in diversity in our Society, the Governor wished in his message.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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