

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Governor condoles the loss of brave soldiers

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) has condoled the loss of brave soldiers of the 19th Battalion of Jammu & Kashmir Rifles in an avalanche, while on a patrol, on the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the Tawang Sector.

The Governor, who was closely monitoring the search and rescue operation since 6th February 2022 along with top Army Commanders expressed deep sorrow and said that the loss of life of seven soldiers is a big shock to the bereaved families, the Army and to the people of India.

The Governor said that the enterprise of these brave hearts to secure the territorial integrity of our motherland, inspite of the vagaries of the weather and the difficulty of the terrain will always inspire us and it will be remembered by the people of Arunachal Pradesh and also the Nation.

“My thoughts and prayers go out to the families of the deceased soldiers, in this hour of grief, and I pray for the secure future of their kith and kin”, the Governor said. He conveyed condolences to the bereaved families on behalf of the people of Arunachal Pradesh and prayed for the eternal peace for the departed souls.

It may be recalled that the 19th Battalion of Jammu & Kashmir Rifles received Governor's Citation at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 4th February 2022 for their professional competence and élan, which they have displayed in their operational role while deployed on the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Arunachal Pradesh. The soldiers of the Battalion, by their grit, round the clock surveillance and appreciable bravery, have been maintaining the highest order of sanctity of the LAC.

PRO to Governor
Arunachal Pradesh
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