

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Governor extends Dree greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has extended his warm greetings to the people of the State in general and to Apatani brethren in particular on the happy occasion of Dree Festival. He expressed his hope that the festivity will usher-in good harvest, peace, prosperity and happiness for all.

In his message, the Governor said that the Dree festival showcases the unique and vibrant culture and traditions of the Apatani Tribe. During the festival, the Apatanis offer prayers for protection and prosperity of their people. On this occasion deities are also worshipped for invoking blessings to make the soil fertile and paddy plants not to go dry. This agriculture centric rituals based festival of the Apatani Tribe reflects their cultural identity and reinforces the splendid fabric of the community, he said.

The Governor earnestly appealed to the informed elders and knowledgeable men and women of the community to promote self-esteem in their ethnicity and customs and preserve it for the posterity

On this joyous event, I offer my prayers to Danyi Piillo to invoke the Dree spirit amongst the people for the well being of mankind, the Governor said in his message.

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