## GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

## Press Communiqué

## **Governor extends Solung greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B. D. Mishra (Retd.) has extended his warm greetings to the people of the State, especially the Adi community, who celebrates the occasion as part of their cultural heritage, on the festive occasion of Solung Festival.

In his message, the Governor said that the Solung Festival is the embodiment of the Adi way of socio-cultural and religious life. The community, since time immemorial, has been celebrating the festival with traditional gaiety and enthusiasm primarily to appease their deities, for bumper harvest of crops, welfare of domestic animals and peace, prosperity and well being of mankind as a whole. Ponung dance is an integral part of Solung celebration, he said.

The Governor said that the Solung celebration keeps alive the ancient tradition of the community and at the same time helps the younger generation to have better comprehension of the relationship between man and nature. It also facilitates in promoting universal bonding and bonhomie in today's world, which is the need of the hour. 'Solung' creditably adds to the vibrant cultural heritage of our State Arunachal Pradesh, he said while urging the elders of the Adi community to continue the excellent tradition and integrate their younger generation into the core values of their roots.

May Kine-Naane, Doying-Bote and Dadii-Bote bless us all, the Governor wished in this message.

PRO to Governor Arunachal Pradesh ITANAGAR, August 31, 2022