## GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT ARUNACHAL PRADESH ITANAGAR

## Press Communiqué

## Governor visits vibrant village, reviews development programmes

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), who is on a two-day visit to the border district of Shi Yomi, visited Lhalung Village, a border village under the Vibrant Village Programme in Mechukha Block on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023. He interacted with Gaon Burahs, Panchayati Raj members, villagers and government officials during the village tour and reviewed the progress of Central and State Government flagship programmes.

The Governor said that the Central Government under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has accorded top priority to development of border areas and has launched several welfare schemes and projects including the Vibrant Village Programme. He said that activities have commenced on a war footing in cooperation with the Armed Forces deployed along the borders and will require active participation of the population residing in border areas.

The Governor said that prosperity in the border villages will further strengthen the border security. He called upon the villagers to be cooperative and continue to strengthen the bonhomie with the armed forces.

The Governor called upon the villagers to preserve their vibrant customs and traditions. He said that our vibrant villages have the potential to attract many tourists and this can lead to development and progress of every household in the village.

To encourage the Self-Help groups, the Governor procured their horticultural products and distributed the items amongst the needy people in the village. He also visited a newly constructed home stay of a village resident and advised him on the finer aspects of cultural tourism.

Earlier in the day, the Governor chaired a meeting with the Heads of Department and reviewed the State and Central Government flagship programmes. He emphasized on proper utilization of funds and involvement of the people in implementation of the programmes and projects. The Governor expressed his concerns about opening of bank accounts of the beneficiaries, delay in disbursement of bank loans to farmers and lack of internet connectivity. He suggested a long term comprehensive plan to address these issues.

The Governor stressed on early automation of department data and activities and said that information must reach every stakeholder. He suggested adopting a District Vision, with plans for activities in the next five years, which must be realistic and standardized. It will enhance the working capacity, provide required direction and a good methodology for successful implementation.

The Governor advised the officers to visit the remote villages and stay with them frequently to understand their needs and difficulties. He said that such a proactive step will help them to feel the pulse of the people and hasten the development in the village.

Shi Yomi District Deputy Commissioner Shri Liyi Bagra and Departmental Heads briefed the Governor regarding implementation of developmental projects and programmes in the district.

PRO to Governor Arunachal Pradesh ITANAGAR, April 14, 2023