

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Governor extends International Women's Day greetings

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Lt. General K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) has extended his greetings and felicitations to the womenfolk of the State on the special occasion of International Women's Day (IWD). He expressed his hope that this year's celebration, with its theme, 'Invest in women: Accelerate progress' will motivate all in addressing the cause of advancement of every girl child and woman in the State.

In his message, the Governor said that International Women's Day serves as a day to celebrate the contributions of women in various fields and highlights the accomplishments of women. It provides an opportunity to raise awareness about gender-based discrimination, inequality, and challenges for women. He further said that IWD acts as a catalyst for change by mobilizing individuals, organizations, and governments to initiate action towards achieving gender equality and women's empowerment, while fostering a sense of solidarity and unity among women and their allies worldwide. I am sanguine that this day will inspire women to recognize their worth, assert their rights, and strive for greater opportunities, leadership roles, and economic independence, he said.

The Governor said that working shoulder to shoulder with their men folk, the women of Arunachal Pradesh have been making noteworthy contributions across all spheres of life. Initiatives like 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' spearheaded by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi have a huge positive impact in extensively addressing gender issues and promote education and empowerment among girls. Such initiatives have played a crucial role in fostering the progress and strengthening of women in society. Under the dynamic leadership of Chief Minister Shri Pema Khandu, Arunachal Pradesh government is committed to promote the holistic growth of women as empowering women is not just a matter of gender equality; it is essential for the inclusive development and prosperity of all in the society, he said.

I wish all success for the International Women's Day celebration in our State, the Governor said in his message.

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