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Union Labour and Sports Minister calls on the Governor

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Union Minister of Labour & Employment and Youth Affairs & Sports, Shri Mansukh L. Mandaviya called on the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 2nd May 2025. They had an insightful discussion focused on youth empowerment, sports development, and labour-related challenges in the State.

The Governor underscored the growing reputation of Arunachal Pradesh as a rising hub of sporting excellence and youth dynamism. He said that Arunachal's youth are full of energy, talent, and determination. The natural agility, stamina, and discipline, especially among our tribal communities, have resulted in outstanding performances in boxing, martial arts (taekwondo, wushu), and athletics at the national and international levels, he said.

The Governor emphasized that while the talent is abundant, there is a pressing need to provide adequate facilities and infrastructure to help these young sportspersons reach their full potential. He urged the Union Minister to support the development of multi-disciplinary stadiums in towns, and sports infrastructure such as football and volleyball grounds, and archery facilities in remote villages, where raw talent is often hidden due to a lack of access.

Highlighting the exceptional achievements of Arunachali women in adventure sports, the Governor proudly mentioned five female mountaineers, Tine Mena, Anshu Jamsenpa, Muri Linngi, Tashi Yangjom, and Kabak Yano, who have conquered Mount Everest. He said that these women have become icons for the youth of Arunachal Pradesh and India, and they deserve continued support and recognition to pursue their dreams and inspire many more.

On the issue of labour, the Governor acknowledged that Arunachal Pradesh is undergoing a transition in its labour ecosystem. 'While traditional occupations still form the backbone of rural livelihoods, we are witnessing a growing need for formalization, skill development, and employment generation', he noted. He stressed the importance of inclusive policies, investment in human capital, and robust infrastructure to unlock the full potential of the State's workforce.

The Union Minister shared his commitment to creating opportunities for Arunachal's youth and improving the socio-economic landscape through focused initiatives in sports and labour development.

State Minister of Labour and Employment Shri Nyato Dukam was present at the meeting.