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Governor graces Inter-ALG Football Tournament Final; Lauds IAF for youth engagement through Sports

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), graced the grand finale of the maiden Inter Advance Landing Ground (ALG) Football Tournament as the Chief Guest at the Golden Jubilee Outdoor Stadium, Yupia on 8th July 2025.

In a spirited contest that showcased talent and teamwork, the ALG Pasighat team emerged victorious, defeating the ALG Aalo team 4-2 to lift the inaugural Inter-ALG Football Trophy. Along with the coveted trophy, the winners also received a cash award. The Governor presented the Champion and Runners-up trophies, congratulating both teams for their outstanding performance and sportsmanship.

Applauding the Indian Air Force (IAF) for its commendable initiative, the Governor said the tournament was more than a sporting competition. It was a platform for meaningful engagement with the youth living around the Advance Landing Grounds (ALGs) across the State. He said that involving young people in constructive activities like football promotes discipline, teamwork, and a sense of purpose. It helps in identifying hidden sporting talents from remote corners of the State and offers them a path to shine at higher levels, he said.

The Governor said that Arunachal Pradesh holds immense potential in sports, and such initiatives by the IAF has helped unlock the potential and foster values like resilience, leadership, and camaraderie. This tournament is a shining example of nation-building through sport, discipline, and inspiration, he said.

The Governor also noted that events like these ignite patriotic spirit and may inspire young minds to consider careers in the Indian Armed Forces.

Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Eastern Air Command, Air Marshal Surat Singh, AVSM, VM, VSM, along with senior IAF officials of the command, were present at the event. The atmosphere was electrifying, with students from various schools cheering enthusiastically. A band display by the students of Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, Nirjuli, added a vibrant touch to the grand finale.

Organized by the Eastern Air Command, the tournament saw participation from eight teams comprising IAF personnel and local players representing the ALGs of Tawang, Ziro, Mechuka, Aalo, Pasighat, Tuting, Walong, and Vijoynagar. The tournament commenced on 24th June 2025 and successfully brought together communities, fostered unity, and celebrated the spirit of sportsmanship amongst the participants.

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