

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Governor addresses Special Session

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), addressed the special session of the eighth Legislative Assembly on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the State Legislative Assembly in the Assembly Hall, Legislative Complex, Itanagar, on 18th August 2025.

In his address, the Governor said that the Legislature of Arunachal Pradesh has upheld the spirit of democracy by promoting participatory governance, transparent law-making, and inclusive development. From a remote frontier, the State has grown into a confident democracy rooted in justice, equality, and representation. He said that over five decades, the Assembly has evolved into a vibrant forum for debate and policymaking. Despite challenges of geography and diversity, it has consistently carried out its constitutional duties with dignity, reflecting the true spirit of participative democracy.

The Governor highlighted that the Assembly has nurtured democratic values by bringing people closer to governance, strengthening the rule of law, and fostering constructive dialogue. It has also celebrated the State's rich tribal identity, ensuring that traditions, languages, and customs are protected while promoting inclusive growth, he said.

Reviewing the journey, the Governor noted that the Assembly has played a crucial role in education, health, agriculture, tribal welfare, connectivity, entrepreneurship, and conservation. Each decision, he said, has balanced local priorities with national interests, strengthening Arunachal's role in nation-building.

The Governor stressed that the Assembly must remain a model of transparency, discipline, and respectful debate. Legislators, he said, must always uphold the dignity of the Constitution, ensuring that justice, equality, liberty, and fraternity guide every action and decision.

The Governor urged lawmakers to align their vision with the National Sustainable Development Goals. Development, he said, must go beyond infrastructure to include education, healthcare, livelihood, social justice, and ecological balance. By doing so, Arunachal can emerge as a shining contributor to the dream of a Viksit Bharat by 2047.

Commending youth outreach and civic engagement initiatives, the Governor said such programmes instill awareness, pride, and responsibility in the next generation, inspiring them to become active participants in democracy. He also acknowledged the contributions of past leaders who laid the foundation of the State's democratic journey.

Looking ahead, the Governor said Arunachal Pradesh is blessed with rich traditions, natural beauty, and resilient people. Legislators must channel these strengths through innovation, technology, and people-centric governance. He emphasized adopting digital tools to improve service delivery, ensure transparency, and connect even the remotest villages with markets, healthcare, and education.

The Governor said that the Arunachal Pradesh of tomorrow should stand not only for its natural beauty but also as a hub of innovation, sustainable growth, and social harmony. With futuristic thinking, integrity, and unity, the Assembly can lead the State into a prosperous and progressive future.

Earlier, the Governor also released the Golden Jubilee Souvenir and a journal, along with a 10-minute documentary related to the Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly in the special session.

Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly (APLA) Speaker, Shri Tesam Pongte also spoke on the occasion. A video message of Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla was displayed during the special session.

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