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Press Communiqué

Governor attends NERIST Convocation

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.) attended the 11th Convocation of North Eastern Regional Institute of Science and Technology (NERIST) in its campus at Nirjuli on 21st November 2025. He presented the Gold medals to the toppers of the various Engineering Branches. He also felicitated Alumni Achievers, Scientist in ISRO, Trivandrum, Shri Subrata Chakrabarti (1990 Batch, B. Tech), Scientist and Head, Quality Assurance and Control Division of URSC, ISRO, Dr. Sarat Kumar Dash (1994 Batch, Ph.D.), and Founder, Naara Aaba Ms. Tage Rita (1996 Batch, B. Tech.). Ms. Rubu Lucy, from B.Sc. Forestry received the Gold Medal for the highest CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) across all branches, instituted by the NERIST alumni batch of 1987, from the Governor.

In his address, the Governor congratulated the graduates and achievers. He advised them to carry the knowledge, skills, and values to reduce disparities, uplift communities, and build technology that is inclusive and humane. He further said that whether it is in infrastructure, energy, digital literacy, or local innovation, their contributions can transform lives and bring pride to the North East Region.

The Governor exhorted them to be proud contributors to Viksit Bharat with their innovation, integrity, and hard work to help build an India that is strong, sustainable, and globally admired. He also reminded them of their duties to society, the State and the nation, while urging them to reflect upon the Fundamental Duties enshrined in the Constitution.

The Governor also advised them on being good citizens and their role as leaders. He said that products of NERIST must be academically well-informed, disciplined and motivated. As the future leaders, they must be physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight, while externally calm and intense in heart. Plan with clarity and foresight, and guide with perception, empathy, and a deep understanding of those you lead, he said.

The Governor, who is the President of NERIST Society, said that NERIST stands as a testament to the visionary commitment of our nation towards the development of the North Eastern Region. The collective efforts in shaping the success of the graduating students and their achievements reflect the commitment, patience, and mentorship.

The Governor emphasized the need to expand the scope further to introduce new programmes such as Sustainable Development, Environmental Management, AI, and IoT applications, to help the new generation of learners gain an edge in the emerging competitive market. It must establish a Centre of Excellence for Future Growth in Geospatial AI and Remote Sensing, Artificial Intelligence and Data Science. He also stressed on participation of women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and

Mathematics (STEM), and called for proactively championing women's participation in STEM disciplines.

Stating that NERIST have a crucial responsibility in making Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of Viksit Bharat come true by 2047, the Governor said that NERIST's core mission is to develop technical manpower for the North East is directly aligned with the national objective. He said that in the period of 'Amrit Kaal', NERIST has to be proactive and progressive and always work with a spirit of 'In pursuit of excellence', treat challenges as opportunity,

Addressing the NERIST faculty, the Governor advised them to embrace interdisciplinary teaching and research. He said that they have to connect academic expertise with the needs of society and build an ecosystem where innovation flows from the classroom to the community. Their real challenge lies in instilling the art of practical implementation of knowledge for problem-solving and articulation as a leader. Also teach ways and means for 'Perception Management', he underscored.

Prof. Devendra Jalihal, Director, IIT Guwahati, Prof. (Retd.) M.S.M Rawat, Chairman, NERIST Board of Management, and Prof. Narendranath S., Director, NERIST, also spoke on the occasion and shared their thoughts.

Toppers in Post Graduate (M.TECH) courses, Ruchi Kumari Prasad, Dalvi Talukdar, Kshetrimayum Jobash Singh, Jimmy Bagang, Arjun M, Gracy Dangmei, and Thotchan As, topper of Post Graduate (M.Sc.) courses, Vivek Sahu, Mintu Sonar, Nui Pertin, toppers of Post Graduate (MBA), Charu Nani, toppers of Under Graduate (B.TECH.) courses, Musarrat Jahan, Chasam Wangsu, Rajneesh Kumar Yadav, Shikshita Chhetri, Babul Kumar Gupta and Nitish Kumar, topper of Under Graduate (B.Sc.) course, Rubu Lucy and toppers of Certificate Courses, Mamang Taniang, Beegam Jongkey, Rakesh Kumar Gupta and Lanika Ahmed received the Gold Medals from the Governor.

713 individuals received their Ph D, Post Graduate and Under Graduate degrees in the 11th Convocation of NERIST.

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