

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
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ITANAGAR**

**Press Communiqué**

**Governor extends Khiksaba Greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), has extended his greetings and good wishes to the people of the State, especially to the Sherdukpen community on the auspicious occasion of Khiksaba. He expressed his hope that the sacred festival would fill every home with peace, prosperity, and lasting happiness.

In his message, the Governor said that Khiksaba is a vibrant expression of the Sherdukpen community's living heritage, a reminder of the values, beliefs, and wisdom that have shaped their identity for generations. The festival beautifully captures the Sherdukpen people's deep connection with nature, reflecting their gratitude for the mountains, forests, and rivers that sustain them. It also highlights the unique and harmonious blend of animist traditions that makes their culture so distinctive and spiritually enriched. Khiksaba stands as a heartfelt celebration of who they are, rooted in tradition, united in community, and guided by an enduring reverence for the natural and spiritual world, he said.

May this joyful occasion strengthen the bonds of togetherness, inspire the younger generations to carry forward their treasured customs, and bring blessings, guidance, and protection from the deities to all, the Governor wished in his message.

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Arunachal Pradesh  
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