

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT
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Press Communiqué

Painting and Essay writing competitions conducted at Lok Bhavan

As part of the 77th Republic Day celebrations, painting and essay writing competitions were held at Lok Bhavan, Itanagar, on 19th January 2026. The events, conducted by the Governor's Secretariat, witnessed enthusiastic participation from a large number of schoolchildren, including students from Donyi Polo Mission School for the Hearing and Visually Impaired, Chimpu, and Oju Mission, Naharlagun. Their spirited involvement added colour, creativity, and inclusivity to the celebrations. The winners will be receiving their prize from the Governor at the 'At Home' function.

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), initiated the competitions to engage the youth in meaningful participation in the National Day celebration. The initiative aimed to nurture patriotic values, encourage creative expression, and instil a sense of responsibility and civic consciousness among young minds as the nation progresses towards the vision of Viksit Bharat@2027.

The essay writing competition covered thought-provoking themes such as 'Unity in Diversity: Strength of India', 'Children as Responsible Citizens', and 'Our Constitution: Our Pride'. The painting competition focused on the theme of the role of youth in development and nation-building, providing students with an opportunity to express their aspirations for India's future through art and imagination.

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