

**GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT  
ARUNACHAL PRADESH  
ITANAGAR**

**Press Communiqué**

**Governor extends Oriah Festival greetings**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt. General K.T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), has extended his warm greetings to the people of Arunachal Pradesh in general, and to Wancho brethren in particular on the joyous occasion of Oriah Festival. He wished that the vibrant festival strengthen emotional bonds, reinforce the spirit of brotherhood, and usher in peace, prosperity, and harmony in our society.

In his message, the Governor said that festivals are jubilant expressions of joy, compassion, and our shared humanity. Tribal festivals, in particular, keep alive age-old legends, traditions, and ancestral wisdom, passing them on to future generations. The Oriah Festival, celebrated to seek the blessings of Almighty Rangwa for a bountiful harvest, fills the Wancho community with hope and pride while safeguarding its rich cultural heritage. It nurtures respect for elders, strengthens bonds within and across communities, and brings people together in a spirit of unity to protect, celebrate, and rejuvenate the vibrant traditions of the Wancho people.

On this auspicious occasion, I pray that Almighty Rangwa bestows His choicest blessings upon all, bringing happiness, good health, and prosperity to every home, the Governor said in his message.

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Arunachal Pradesh  
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