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Press Communiqué

Governor releases a book 'Prison Reforms in India'

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt Gen KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), in the sideline of two-day 'China Seminar' released a book titled 'Prison Reforms in India: Legal Framework, Judicial Role, and Institutional Mechanism' at Likabali Military Station, Likabali, on 23rd March 2026. The book has been authored by Dr. Muluvesalu Keyho, Head of Department and Assistant Professor (Law), Police Administration, Rashtriya Raksha University, Pasighat Campus, East Siang District.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that India's prison reforms are gradually transforming correctional institutions from mere places of punishment into centers of change, hope, and rehabilitation. He said that the modern approach to the criminal justice system is increasingly shifting from retribution to restoration, which includes restoring dignity, rebuilding lives, and renewing purpose. The broader vision is to ensure that when a prisoner walks out of the gates, he or she steps into a future defined by responsibility, inclusion, and opportunity, he said.

Emphasizing the significance of the publication, the Governor said that the book would serve as a valuable guide for policymakers, a practical reference for administrators and practitioners, and an important source of insight for scholars of law, criminology, penology, and human rights. He added that the work reminds society that the true strength of a nation lies not merely in punishing wrongdoing, but in its ability to reform, redeem, and reintegrate individuals back into the mainstream.

The Governor commended Dr. Keyho for her scholarly contribution and described the book as a thoughtful work that reflects both academic depth and a humane outlook towards the justice system. He remarked that with clarity and compassion, the author combines academic rigour, field experience, and a reform-oriented vision, effectively bridging the gap between scholarship and practical institutional reform.

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