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**Press Communiqué**

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The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, Lt Gen KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.), attended the two-day 'China Seminar' at Likabali Military Station, Likabali, on 23rd and 24th March 2026.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that China and its armed forces emphasize integrated and centralized command and control, ensuring seamless coordination among different services through networked systems and joint theatre commands capable of launching Multi Domain Operations. He said that it demonstrates the importance of understanding and shaping the security environment, combining military readiness with information dominance and strategic signaling.

The Governor, who has served extensively along the northern borders from Ladakh to Arunachal Pradesh, including tenures in Bhutan, highlighted that the Chinese invest heavily in cyber capabilities, recognizing cyberspace as a critical domain for both defence and offensive operations. He said that it prioritizes electronic warfare and spectrum dominance, using electronic surveillance, jamming, and countermeasures to disrupt adversaries while protecting its own communications. The Chinese armed forces are rapidly advancing autonomous and intelligent systems, including unmanned platforms and AI-enabled decision support, to enhance operational speed, situational awareness, and battlefield effectiveness in modern warfare, he said.

The Governor said that to effectively counter potential aggression from the People's Liberation Army, India must continue enhancing and strengthening unified command under Chief of Defence Staff through fully integrated theatre commands. Faster decision-making, unified command structures, and improved logistics along the Himalayan border will ensure rapid mobilization and coordinated operations in any contingency, he said.

The Governor further said that modern conflicts extend beyond traditional battlefields. India must strengthen its capabilities in cyber defence, satellite surveillance, electronic warfare, and AI-enabled intelligence systems. Enhancing institutions like the Defence Cyber Agency and Defence Space Agency will help secure communications, disrupt adversary networks, and maintain information dominance, he said.

Sharing his experience of more than forty years in the defence force, the Governor said that strategic cooperation with partners such as the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue strengthens deterrence and stability in the Indo-Pacific. Joint exercises, intelligence sharing, and coordinated maritime presence improve collective preparedness and send a clear signal against unilateral aggression, he said, while stating that joint military readiness, technological superiority, and strong alliances will create a robust deterrence framework capable of maintaining stability and safeguarding national interests.