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Governor surveys Bogibeel bridge project, visits Namdapha

Itanagar, Aug 7: Arunachal Pradesh Governor Gen J.J Singh today visited the Bogibeel Bridge Project over River Brahmaputra and took stock of the progress of the construction works.

While inspecting the Project, the Governor accompanied by his wife Anupama Singh discussed with the team of Engineers from Railway Engineering Department and Gammon India Ltd. He said that as the project is of national and strategic importance; quality of works should be ensured through use of latest hi-tech technology. He asked the Engineers to put on best of services so that the future generations of the country would be proud of their works.

Impressed by the commitments and hard works put on by the Officers, Gen Singh directed them to complete all phases of the grand project in the stipulated time, while suggesting them to think an appropriate name for the gigantic project.

The bridge project is undertaken by Railway Engineering Department with Gammon India Ltd as its contractual partner. The bridge would facilitate dual road and rail communication system. The proposed railway link has a total length of 74.095 Kms, while the proposed road link has a total length of 24.455 Kms.

The team of Engineers led by Sanjay Mukherjee, S.K Baranwal and Anupam Das briefed the Governor on the project and informed about the rail and road approach alignments. While assuring the Arunachal Pradesh Governor of completing the bridge by 2014, the Engineers informed that 50% of the works have been completed.

Later, the Governor landed at Miao and visited the Namdapha Wildlife Sanctuary along with his entourage.

“It is the greatest gift of God untouched by the human being and the people of Arunachal must understand it and work to protect its virginity”, he said while referring to Namdapha National Park. He exhorted the people to reap the benefits of the rich potentials of the state for socio-economic development, adding that the beneficiaries of development should be Arunachalee only. Stating that the state is the 14th hot spots of the world on biodiversity, the Governor called for preservation and conservation of flora and fauna, besides emphasizing on promotion of tourism on controlled manner like that of Bhutan as it has the similar geography.

While lauding the department of environment and forest for their sincere service in protecting the rich flora and fauna of the park, the Governor hoped for the same spirit of work from the department thereby ensuring the safety of the prestigious National park.

While expressing his concern over the plight of the people of Vijayagar circle due to delay in construction of Miao-Vijaynagar road, Gen Singh directed the executing department to start the construction work immediately and finish the construction work by December next. He expressed his happiness on the people of the area for their co-

operation to the Local Administration and the Security force in maintaining peace and tranquility in the area and hoped that the camaraderie would continue in the future too.

Earlier, Gen Singh and the State's first lady was accorded warm welcome on his arrival at Miao Helipad by the local Administration headed by ADC T . Mara, Chairman Zila Parishad Mrs J Jugli, Panchayat leaders, local people and students.

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