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Queen's Baton given rousing welcome at Raj Bhawan

Itanagar, July 22: The Queen's Baton Relay, 2010 was accorded a rousing welcome at its arrival at Raj Bhawan here this afternoon.

Received by the Raj Bhawan officers and officials led by the Secretary to Governor Ankur Garg and Commissioner Finance V.K Deb, the Baton entered the Raj Bhawan from the Main Gate and passed through the campus up to the Raj Bhawan helipad Gate.

The Baton was accompanied by the Arunachal Olympic Association (AOA) President Padi Richo, Capital Deputy Commissioner Dr. Deepak Kumar, Papum Pare Deputy Commissioner Nandini Paliwal and other officers and members of the Arunachal Olympic Association, besides the officer incharge accompanying the Queen's Baton from Delhi, Lt Gen Kadyan.

On the occasion, students from Government Middle School, P Sector, Itanagar participated in a rally programme with posters on low carbon practices and plantation drive in the Raj Bhawan campus on the route of the Queens Baton Relay. The rally was organized in collaboration with Future Generations Arunachal (FGA) & Centre for Environment Education (CEE), Ministry of Environment & Forest, GoI to create awareness on low carbon practices.

Earlier, the Queen's Baton was received by President AOA, Padi Richo on its arrival from Tawang at Naharlagun Helipad. After officially launching the Relay at Rajiv Gandhi Stadium, the Baton, besides Raj Bhawan passed through various places in the twin capital cities including Capital DC office complex, Ita fort South Gate, Thupten Gatsaling Gompa, I G Park, Banquet Hall, Sangey Lhaden Sports Academy, Chimpu and market places of Akashdeep and Legi Complex.

The Baton would be kept at Raj Bhawan tonight and would left tomorrow for its onward journey.

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