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## MESSAGE

### NATIONAL PRESS DAY (16<sup>th</sup> November)

On the occasion of National Press Day, I convey my warm greetings and good wishes to all the members of media fraternity of Arunachal Pradesh. I trust that the occasion will motivate every member to be more responsive, more responsible and proactive. I am sure that all my media friends of the Arunachal Pradesh will continue their excellent tradition of constructive journalism, displaying highest standards of professionalism in their duties.

The National Press Day, which commemorates the establishment of a self-regulatory mechanism in the country, is symbolic of the conviction with which the freedom of the press is cherished in the country. The Press Council of India started functioning on this day as an ethical regulator to ensure that the press maintains the high standards expected from this powerful medium, while retaining its character as an internal self-regulatory body. The press is one of the foundation stones of democracy and its freedom is an essential pre-requisite in a world of challenging phase of media reporting today.

Today, our beloved State is going through a historical phase of development. Therefore, developmental journalism is the need of the hour to project the developmental activities being undertaken in the State. I am sure that such reporting will send a good message to the people, which in turn will ensure their participation in the process.

I extend my best wishes for the successful celebration of the day, hoping that our media, of which we are justifiably so proud of, continues to represent the voice of people of the State.

General