Governor expresses serious concern on the traffic violations

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa has expressed serious concern on the traffic violations particularly by the bike riders in the twin-city of Itanagar-Naharlagun. He said that many were found to be whizzing between the lanes dangerously, mostly without helmets and many with two pillions. It is also found that cars are parked randomly in the both sides of the road creating bottlenecks for moment of vehicles. It is a serious matter as it may also restrict the movement of ambulances and other emergency service vehicles.

The Governor, who has been regularly and personally monitoring the incidences of road accidents in the State through media reports emphasised that the Police must control theses ill-manner bikers and reckless drivers as other law abiding citizens on the road are harassed by them. He opined that it seems the drivers and bike riders are not aware of traffic rules.

Sharing his experiences of his recent visits to Mumbai, Hyderabad and Shillong also his visits earlier to USA and Switzerland with Police Heads of Papum Pare District and Capital Complex at Raj Bhavan, Itanagar on 31st May 2016, the Governor said that there is complete compliance of traffic rules and everyone takes it seriously as it is a matter of life and death and loss of precious lives.

The Governor said that if the people of Capital Complex can obey traffic rules in recent past then why they can’t do it now. When people are not law abiding, the law enforcing agencies must compel them to abide the law for the safety and security of the common people, he said while sharing the concern of many parents and denizens of the twin city. Some bikers and drivers violate traffic rules in front of the police personnel. Let there be respect for law and law enforcing agencies. If they don’t respect the law enforcing person, they will not respect common citizens. At the same time let them also feel that Police are for the people, he added, while suggesting for ‘People friendly Police motivation Camps’.

The Governor also suggested for raising the traffic penalties, suspension of driving licences for repeated offenders, installation of automatic signalling systems and many other methods to ensure that every citizen follow traffic rules and prescribed speed limits.

The Governor appealed to the parents and guardians to keep a watchful eye over theirs wards and not to allow them to ride motorcycles or drive cars without driving licences. Accountability lies on them too for such reckless behaviour of young boys and girls, he pointed. He also appealed the enforcing agencies to be ideal examples for the citizens and rise to the expectation of the poorest of the poor and weakest of the weak.

The Governor also expressed concern of shortage of senior Police officers in the IG and DIG levels. Surprised to know that some of the Districts in the State are without SPs, he stressed that District Police Chief Office must not be kept vacant in any circumstances.