

# **GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT**

## **MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG**

### **Press Communiqué**

**Shillong, December 30, 2024** : The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri C.H. Vijayashankar, attended significant events today in Jaintia Hills, Jowai, emphasizing Meghalaya's rich cultural heritage.

The Hon'ble Governor paid tribute to the legendary freedom fighter, U Kiang Nangbah, on his 162<sup>nd</sup> death anniversary, during a commemorative event. He described U Kiang Nangbah's leadership during the 1862 uprising against British colonial rule as a timeless example of courage and commitment to protecting the Jaintia community's cultural and moral values. He also acknowledged the role of organizations like Seinraij Jowai in preserving the cultural identity and traditions of the Pnar people.

Later, the Hon'ble Governor graced the program organized by the Kur Passah Clan, where he praised their efforts in preserving sacred sites and indigenous traditions. Addressing the gathering, he highlighted the importance of unity and cultural identity, lauding the clan's dedication as a model for other communities in safeguarding traditional values. He also unveiled the 'Plaque' of the beautification of "Ka Mujra Ka Mukan" of the Kur Passah Clan.

On his return, the Hon'ble Governor visited the historic Nartiang Temple and the renowned Nartiang Monoliths, symbols of Meghalaya's spiritual and historical legacy. His visit underscored the importance of promoting and preserving the state's rich cultural and historical heritage.

The Governor's engagements today reflected his deep respect for Meghalaya's traditions and his commitment to fostering unity and cultural pride among its people.