

GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT

MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG

Press Communiqué

Shillong, February 27, 2025 : The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri C.H. Vijayashankar, inaugurated the **National Conclave on Teacher Education** at North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, today. The two-day conclave, organized by the **National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)** in collaboration with NEHU, aims to bring together key stakeholders to discuss and implement reforms in teacher education as envisioned under the **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**.

In his address, the Hon'ble Governor emphasized the pivotal role of teachers in nation-building and the need for continuous innovation in teacher education. He lauded the efforts of NCTE in introducing transformative initiatives such as the **Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP)**, **National Professional Standards for Teachers (NPST)**, and the **National Mission for Mentoring (NMM)**, which seek to enhance the quality of both pre-service and in-service teacher training across India. The Hon'ble Governor emphasized on the fact that a child's brain is most receptive from the age of 04 to 14 years therefore in that phase teachers should try their best to instill knowledge for their social, mental, physical and overall development.

The conclave, covering the eastern and northeastern states, is part of a series of four national-level discussions aimed at strengthening teacher education networks, sharing knowledge, and fostering a deeper understanding of region-specific educational challenges. Eminent academicians, policymakers, educationists, and teacher educators from across the country are participating in plenary sessions and panel discussions focusing on **policy implementation, professional growth, and the future of teacher education in India**.

The Hon'ble Governor commended **NEHU** for its commitment to academic excellence and its role in shaping the educational landscape of the region. He expressed confidence that the deliberations at this conclave would contribute significantly to building a robust and future-ready teacher education system in India.

The event was attended by senior officials from the central and state governments, thought leaders, experts from teacher

education institutions, school principals, and faculty members from various universities and colleges.