GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT

MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG

Press Communiqué

Shillong, November 7th, 2026: The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri C.H. Vijayashankar, graced the Annual Rajya Puraskar Rally 2026 and the 76th Foundation Day celebration of the Meghalaya Bharat Scouts and Guides at Lok Bhavan, Shillong. H C Chaudhary, IFS, Additional Chief Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, office bearers, unit leaders, teachers and Scouts & Guides along with their parents were present on the occasion to celebrate the achievements and contributions of the organisation in promoting discipline, leadership and community service among young people.

A major highlight of the celebration was the presentation of Rajya Puraskar Certificates to the award recipients, recognising their dedication, training and commitment to the Scout and Guide movement. The Bharat Scouts and Guides National Award was also presented to the K.J.P. Girls Higher Secondary School Guide Unit in recognition of its status as a Historical Unit. On the occasion, the Hon'ble Governor generously donated ₹2 lakh to the Meghalaya Bharat Scouts and Guides towards supporting and strengthening its activities and programmes across the State. He announced thar similar contribution will be made every year. The occasion also featured the release of Bharat Scouts and Guides flag stickers and a community song presented by the awardees.

Addressing the gathering, the Hon'ble Governor highlighted the important role played by the Bharat Scouts and Guides in shaping young people into responsible citizens since its formation in 1950. He emphasised that scouting and guiding instil values of discipline, leadership, self-reliance, teamwork and national integration. Congratulating the Rajya Puraskar recipients, he encouraged them to continue setting higher goals and serving their communities with sincerity.

The Hon'ble Governor appreciated the Meghalaya Bharat Scouts and Guides for its activities and programmes across the State, particularly the National Level Tribal Meet held in Shillong in June 2026, which promoted interaction and understanding among young people from different regions. He also congratulated the K.J.P. Girls Higher Secondary School Guide Unit on its recognition as a Historical Unit, acknowledging its longstanding contribution to the movement in Meghalaya.

Highlighting the challenges faced by young people, including substance abuse and social pressures, the Hon'ble Governor stressed the importance of guiding them towards positive thinking, healthy lifestyles and responsible citizenship. He encouraged Scouts and Guides to take an active role in environmental protection, community service and helping those in need, reminding them that true leadership is reflected in the willingness to serve others. He also urged the State leadership, unit leaders, teachers and

volunteers to strengthen the movement, particularly in rural and remote areas, so that more young people can benefit from its opportunities.

The celebration reaffirmed the commitment of the Meghalaya Bharat Scouts and Guides to nurturing disciplined, confident and service-oriented young citizens who can contribute towards a peaceful, united and developed India.










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