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Distinguished Guests,
Participants,
Ladies and Gentlemen.

Good Morning to you all..

It is a great pleasure for me to grace the 4th edition of the e-Naga Summit 2018 and I am extremely happy to learn that pioneers in the field of e-Governance in the world are here today to enlighten the people of Nagaland on the e- Governance models prevailing elsewhere in the world and motivate us to adopt the digital technology wherever it is feasible.

The world today is depending on Information Technology for easier access to information and services. The e-Naga Summit can be the right platform in bringing together experts in the IT field from different Countries, Industries, Central and State governments officials and through them, the State can build a knowledge based society which would ultimately help in providing good governance.

Young people can not only be innovators and creators, but can be the leaders of the future if they acquire right kind of skills and equip themselves to seize the opportunities for income generation and job creation. With the right policies in place and through extensive investments in human capital, we can empower young people to drive socio-economic development and increase our capability for income generation. It is learnt that search for jobs and a decent livelihood are the biggest motivators of migration to other places and we must invest in skill development of youths in order to realize their full potential and also to make an effort to bring them back to the State.

During the last century the world has transformed from agricultural society to industrial society where the management of technology, capital and labour provided competitive advantage. In North eastern States, the industrial and agricultural sectors could not made desired growth on par with rest of the country. In this 21st Century, a new society is emerging where knowledge is the primary resource instead of capital and labour. The State of Nagaland too, we have to balance the peculiar situation in which we are placed to catch up with the rest of the world.

Our great Prime Minister Modiji and UGC have made a uniform formula for youths equipped with skill in their studies so that once they are coming out from the institution they are not job seekers but providers. Government of India is extending all required help to the IT industry even to

the extent of bringing out a separate Digital India policy. Government of Nagaland will also be providing all required support to meet the challenges of changing times.

Our IT industry is playing a major role in India's economic growth and the success of software business in Bangalore, Hyderabad, Chennai etc are indication of how the economy can grow so fast by employing the latest IT technology and the time has come for the State of Nagaland to harness the numerous benefits of Information Technology. Now, the State of Nagaland has also catch up with the advanced other States of our country and also seize this opportunity to transform the State into a knowledge-based society through active use of information technology

With the initiative of Raj Bhavan we have been able to introduce 32 schools/institutions e- Learning supported by Mumbai based Organization.

I am grateful to the e-Governance Academy of Estonia for collaboration in this e-Naga Summit. Knowledge-sharing and learning from the distinguished speakers will help Nagaland to be a model State in e-Governance. I am sure this e-Naga Summit will spur the young minds towards harnessing knowledge in Digital and IT field and take the State to greater heights in the future. I wish the e-Naga Summit 2018 a grand success.

Jai Hind!