



**RAJ BHAVAN  
KOHIMA**  
*Press Release*

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE RAJYA SAINIK BOARD HELD**

The Governor of Nagaland, Shri RN Ravi stated that the welfare of ex-servicemen is very important as they have dedicated their youth towards the service of the Nation and we should do our best in supporting them while addressing the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Rajya Sainik Board at Raj Bhavan, Kohima on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020.

Governor Ravi called on the Deputy Commissions of the State to take initiatives in their respective districts so as to work out mean for rehabilitating ex-servicemen who usually retire young from service. Government employment for all ex-servicemen is not possible in the State Government sector and therefore alternative avenues should be explored and called for reemphasising skill development, vocational training, etc to rehabilitate them.

He opined that awareness for the Naga youth explaining the various avenues of the Armed forces, especially the Indian Navy and the Indian Air Force was needed in a State like Nagaland. He called on the Rajya Sainik Board to take active part in advertising and creating awareness of such recruitment drives in the State. The inherent strength of the people of Nagaland as a martial race is not adequately harnessed by the Country, he added.

The Governor also appreciated the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Shri Neiphiu Rio for announcing adequate contribution by the State Government towards the corpus fund of the Rajya Sainik Board for the next five years. He

stated that the contribution will go a long way in improving the welfare of ex-servicemen in the State of Nagaland.

Agendas for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting included Corpus Fund, Empanelment of Hospitals, Construction of State level Multifaceted Sainik Rest House at Kohima and Selection Board for appointment of Officers and Personnel Below Officer Rank.

Speeches were also delivered by the Chief Minister of Nagaland, Shri Neiphiu Rio, GoC, 3 Corps and AOC-in-C, Eastern Air Command.

*(PRO to Governor)*

## CONDOLENCE

The Governor of Nagaland, Shri RN Ravi has expressed shocked at the demise of Shri Z Obed, former Chief Secretary to Government of Nagaland and Cabinet Minister of Nagaland who passed away on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

In a condolence message, the Governor stated that Late Shri Z. Obed had served the society in various capacities, as a teacher, Head Master, Indian Administrative Service Officer, Minister of Nagaland Government, etc and in his death the State has lost a dedicated and sincere public leader.

He conveyed deepest condolences to the bereaved family members.

*(PRO to Governor)*