President Droupadi Murmu has said that Republic Day is a matter of collective joy and pride for all citizens. She stressed that in the last seventy five years, India has been taking strides to regain its rightful place in the comity of nations. She underscored that justice, liberty, equality and fraternity have always been part of India's civilization heritage.

## **President Murmu**

President Murmu observed that in recent years, India's economic growth rate has remained persistently high. This has created job opportunities for the youth, and put more money in the hands of farmers and labourers. The President praised the way the government has used technology in the field of finance. She said that digital payment options and direct benefit transfer system have promoted inclusion.

The Nation is celebrating the 76th Republic Day today. President Droupadi Murmu will lead the Nation in celebrating the Republic Day from Kartavya Path in New Delhi. President of Indonesia Prabowo Subianto will be the Chief Guest at the parade. A 160-member marching contingent and 190-member band contingent from Indonesia will take part in the Parade.

The Republic Day Parade at Kartavyapath will be a unique blend of India's cultural diversity and military prowess, with special focus on 75 years of enactment of the constitution and Jan Bhagidari. The Republic

Day Parade will start with Prime Minister Narendra Modi laying a wreath at the National War Memorial. President Droupadi Murmu will arrive at Kartavya Path in a ceremonial buggy and take the salute during a ceremonial march past, which will include units from the Armed Forces, Para Military Forces, Auxiliary Civil Forces, NCC and NSS. Meanwhile, Akashvani Delhi will broadcast the running commentary of the Republic Day Parade and Cultural Pageant 2025 from 9:40 onwards. All Akashvani stations including Local Radio stations, Community radio stations and FM channels will relay the running commentary of the Republic Day)

Joining the rest of the country, Nagaland is celebrating the 76th Republic day today. A state level programme will be held at Nagaland Civil Secretariat. Governor of Nagaland La Ganesan will unfurl the National Flag and address the people of the state. The celebration will witness 17 parade contingents, including Arunachal Pradesh Police participating in the parade. On the occasion, the Governor will flag off Chief Minister's Mobile Operation Theater and also inaugurate exhibition stalls. The Department of Information & Public Relations will telecast the celebration program live on its official YouTube channel - DIPR Nagaland. Meanwhile, commemorating the day, Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio unfurled the Tricolor at the Chief Minister's Residential Complex this morning.

Akashvani Kohima including HPT Zubza and stations under its cluster is also celebrating the 76th Republic Day today. Assistant Director

(Engineering) Adaphro unfurled the National Flag at the office premises and took the salute.

Chief Minister of Nagaland, Neiphiu Rio held a review meeting with the Department of Information & Public Relations at the Chief Minister's Office in Kohima yesterday. The meeting discussed on-going projects and the consideration of new and upcoming initiatives. During the meeting, officials of the Department also raised concerns and grievances regarding challenges faced in executing their activities. The Chief Minister expressed his support and cooperation, assuring the department of his commitment to its efforts aimed at the state's progress and the welfare of its citizens. The meeting was attended by Chief Secretary Dr. J Alam, Advisor for Information & Public Relations Imkong L Imchen, Development Commissioner Ramakrishnan and officials of the Department.

