

NATIONAL PEOPLES PARTY ARUNACHAL PRADESH



MANIFESTO 2024

"For New Opportunities and Possibilities"

It is well known that Manifesto is a public declaration of policy and aims, by a political party or candidate during a democratic election so that public is aware of the party or candidate's goals and aims to achieve in a written form of actionable plan for the development and welfare of the people and the State. For National People's Party (NPP), manifesto is more than a document itself. It is like a sacredbook, the Bible, the Quran and the Gita that will not only guide NPP conscientiously but also enable to strictly abide by its policies and aims as enshrined for the welfare and betterment of the public. NPP, with fresh vigor and zeal guided by its manifesto, shall obstinately work for the welfare of the people of Arunachal Pradeshwith following goals on a mission mode:

1. PEOPLE CENTRIC POLITICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS:

- a) In populace democratic set up, equal and proportionate representation in Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies is a constitutional right. While welcoming the Delimitation process, the NPP will initiate for increase of State Legislative Assembly seat from 60 to 80 by 2026,based on population census wherever possible. This is for proper and equitable representation of MLA in the state Assembly, thereby giving more rights and power to people for greater development.
- b) Since 1977, Arunachal Pradesh has been representing with only 2 (Two) seats, East and West Parliamentary Constituency. With growth of population over four decades the question for equal and proportionate representation arises. As such NPP is committed to initiate andcreateone more Lok Sabha Seat in Central part of Arunachal Pradesh.

- c) NPP is for people's welfare centric and ensure that public has hassle-free accessibility with ease in various administrative offices. To fulfill this NPP shall introduce Directorate complex (secretariat) in the state capital where all the office of all Directors, Chief Engineer offices, etc. shall be located in one complex so that public need not rush from one place to another with difficulties. NPP shall also initiate to constructmini secretariat for all Independent ADC office will be have across the state.
- d) With the technology influencingall spheres of life, changing dynamics and paradigm shift in office working style, NPP shall introduce e-filing system and office automationin all officesreplacing manual filing with improved network connectivity across the state.
- e) Forconvenient of public and ease connectivity, Wi-Fi facility shallbe made free in all university, colleges, hospitals& important public places like amusement park, shopping complexes, etc.
- f) Enhancement of salary of regular state government employees by 5% and contingency staff monthly wages to 25,000/- per month. Further, provision of appropriate honorarium for *Gaon Bura/Buri&Aganwadi* workers shall also be introduced. To meet these financial requirements proper budgetary plan and allocation of fund with judicious utilization shall be made with generation of additional revenue.

2. FOR EXCELLENCEEDUCATIONAL SYSTEM:

An educated society is an enlightened and empowered one. Such society can make well-informed choices in its social, political and economic welfare. Education, therefore, ensures social justice, economic strength and political freedom. NPP is focused and dedicated to make Arunachal Pradesh, an educated society with education as one of its prioritized goals.

According to the Ministry of Education, Bihar has the lowest literacy rate in India followed by Arunachal Pradesh at 65.3%. Of this male literacy stands at 72.55% while female literacy is at 57.70%. This is indeed a perturbing and alarming data for a state like Arunachal Pradesh with very less and manageable population. NPP is resolute to enhance the literacy rate to 75 % in coming 10 years without compromising the quality of the education by taking up following steps:

- a) Free admission up to primary level in all govt & semi-govt schools. As per*chapter* 2, section 3 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009every child of age of six to fourteen years shall be provided the right to free and compulsory education in a neighbourhood school till the completion of elementary education. But this provisions is not adhered by the government in true letter and spirit. NPP shall ensure this provision with additional support system.
- b) Implement National Education Policy 2020 in all schools of the state. This will ensure our students to catch up with the rest of the nation with syllabus and course structure as per NEP in higher education.
- c) Clustering of the village schools with boarding/hostel facility in centrally located area with all co-curriculum syllabi and activities.
- d) Introduction of recruitment rule (RR) in private schools/colleges/universities and fixation of minimum salary limit of basic payas per government pay scale for the teaching & non-teaching staffs in the private school/colleges/universities. This will boost the morale and confidence of the teachers with better incentives which will stop floating of teachers from one place to another thereby affecting the quality teaching.
- e) District & block wise license quota on the basis of student population to control and regulate mushrooming of unchecked private schools.
- f) Incentive to teacher for free-tuition during off-duty (vacation)time in all schools in villages.
- g) Policy to discontinue such schools and colleges where enrollment is not at par with established norms of regulatory bodies like CBSE/UGC, etc.

3. A HEALTHIERHEALTH POLICY:

Healthcare is critical for economic growth and development. A healthy population is more productive and able to participate in the workforce. Access to quality healthcare is essential for reducing the burden of disease and improving overall health outcomes. Good health is prerequisite for the prosperous and flourishing societies that NPPwill strive to achieve.NPP will adopt policy to improve the health sector by taking up following steps:

a) Reducing mortality rate with better healthcare facilities and access in every district.

- b) Establishment of Model Community Health Care in every sub-divisional zone &health sub-center for every two number of villages.
- c) *Hospital on Wheels* for cluster of villages to provide medical aid and services to poor and needy at their door steps.
- d) Free medicine &various testing facilities in all government hospitals.
- e) General and Referral Hospital in each districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- f) Policy framework on district-wise quota license to establish private hospital/clinic to maintain uniform health facility and accessibility across the state, and regulation of charges on various treatments in all private hospital/clinic.
- g) Provide free accommodation facility for referred medical patients at various empaneled cities across the country.

4. A ROBUST AGRICULTURE & ITS ALLIED SECTOR:

Agriculture and allied activities, one of the prime sectors of the economy, accounts for an average 12.1 % share in the Gross State Value Added. More than half of the rural population in the State depends on agriculture and allied activities for their livelihood. Agriculture impacts society in many ways, including supporting livelihood through food, habitat, and jobs; providing raw materials for food and other products, and building strong economies through trade. Arunachal Pradesh is an agrarian state with more than 90 percent of the state's rural population and around 70 percent population dependent on agriculture as the main occupation. Therefore, NPP is committed toprioritize and adopt robust agricultural and its allied policy for direct benefits of farmer-cultivators, commercial value of cash-crops, growth of rural economy and agricultural based industries and employment generation. To achieve these following policies shall be adopted:

a) Buy back policy of agricultural&allied product.

b) Minimum Support Price (MSP) for all cash crops.

c)Working capital assistance for cooperative farming system for landless farmer.

d)Proper policy on market linkagefor export & import agricultural product in the state.

e) Provide financial support and subsidies to farmers to adopt traditional and indigenous practices forencouraging all forms of eco-farming. It will provide chemical fertilizer-free and pesticides free food grains and other crops to improve soil health and reduce environmental pollution, thereby, migrate towards organic farming.

5. NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNEMPLOYED YOUTH:

One of the biggest challenges of the state is unemployment which is an emerging crisis in Arunachal Pradesh. The unemployment figure for Arunachal is also the second highest in the country. As per the state's Labour department, about 67,000 youths were registered as unemployed in 2018. Government jobs and vacancies are gradually saturated. Lesser and lesser jobs will be offered by the government. With increasing numbers of educated youth, job demands are also multiplying. Today out of 10 youth, 7 are unemployed. Unemployment is also one of the main reasons for unwanted activities like drugs, alcohol addiction, theft, extortion, insurgency, etc.

We firmly believe that, Youths can change the world as they are the agent of transformation. Therefore, the NPP party shall adopt proper policy framework to mitigate this emerging crisis:

a) Categorization of Unemployment shall be done in three segments-

i)Graduate/Professional:90% Job encouragement in Government for APST&30% job reservation for APST in all private companies' operation in the state of AP.

ii) **Dropout/Skilled:**Allocate 3% of state fund as financial aid for selfentrepreneurship start-up plans.

iii) **Illiterate/Unskilled:**Placement cell shall be created with proper channel with the state & central sponsors and agencies with financial subsidy to take up agricultural, horticultural& animal husbandry activities for commercial production iv) Ensure provisions for granting honorarium to graduate or technically unemployed youth for a duration of 3 (three) years until they are employed.

6. A TRHIVING TOURISM SECTOR:

Tourism is a crucial contributor to the growth of local economies. A thriving local economy creates opportunities for residents to lead happier, more comfortable lives.

- a) Proper and comprehensive tourism policy shall be adopted as master guideline to develop and improve the tourism sector to newer height to boost the local economy, create employment and improve the lives of the local people.
- b) Introducesubject course and syllabi on Tourism and Hospitality in schools, colleges and university so that tourist friendly attitude and importance of tourism is imparted to student and youth at the early age. Training on various aspects of tourism and hospitality shall be imparted free of cost.
- c) More tourist circuit and places of interest shall be identified and developed. Policy of private public partnership (PPP) mode shall also be adopted wherever needed for better development and management.
- d) Improve air connectivity, road& tele-communication.
- e) To increase the occupation rate and easy accommodation opening of more hotels and homestay shallbe encouraged with subsidies and financial support to entrepreneurs.
- f) Grant homestay and tour operator licenses to motivated, unemployed, and educated youths interested in exploring opportunities in the tourism sector.

7. GOOD WILL SCHEME FOR OLD AGE, DESTITUTE PERSON & BPL CITIZEN:

With theState support schemes for elderly, destitute and BPL person can use the for self-care and life sustenance. As they will be financially independent, care, nutritional status and their social group will also increase. Elderly person can also support their family with the amount in need.

- a) NPP shall adopt common man'sbasic need scheme "*Roti,Kapada&Makaan*" for old age citizen, destitute& BPL citizen. Home for old age and destitute shall be constructed in every district with proper facilities. Prominent NGOs shall be collaborated to run and manage.
- b) Procedure for pension benefits and payments for senior citizens shall be made hassle-free and easy with one-stop facility to complete all formalities through online/offline.
- c) Job reservation for differently abled person (DAP) shall be increased to 10%.
- d) In addition to National Social Assistance Program (NSAP) scheme, state share for the elderly, widows, and disabled persons belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) shall be increased for those fulfilling the guidelines.

8. BETTERAND EFFECTIVEGOVERNANCE FOR TRANSPARECNY AND TRUST:

Good governance is the process of measuring how public institutions conduct public affairs and manage public resources, and guarantee the realization of human rights in a manner essentially free of abuse and corruption and with due regard for the rule of law. In this NPP shall focus more on:

- a) Transparency & accountability by introducing State LokpalBill.
- b) Make procedure of RTI simpler and more public friendly.
- a) E-governance and use of Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) tools in all office.

9. JUDICIOUS UTILISATION AND MANAGEMENT OF STATE RESOURCES:

Arunachal Pradesh has vast reserves of natural resources like mineral, coal and gas. Besides, state has huge reserve of dolomite, limestone, graphite, marble, lead and zinc, etc. Hydropower is one of its main resources.

- a) Proper planning, scheduling and allocation of human resources, money and technology shall be done so that greatest organizational value and development is achieved.
- b) State policy shall be adopted to tap 50% of the state Hydro power potential in due consultation with the stake holders of the state.
- c) Proper survey and land mapping shall be done so that abundance natural resources is tapped without destroying and adversely impacting the environment.

10. TAXATION POLICY FOR BETTER FISCAL SITUATION:

Taxation has been the primary sources of revenue for states to fund public services that accelerates economic and social development. In the state of Arunachal Pradesh revenue from taxation is very minimal and hardly contributes to greater fiscal situation.

a) Adopt a proper policy guidelines and principles for imposition and collection of taxes.

- b) Tax reforms shall be introduced to improve tax administration and management to provide better economic and social benefits.
- c) Taxation on luxury and wealth shall be adopted along with reduction in the taxationon basic commodity.

11. DETERMINATIONON VEXEDISSUES OF THE STATE:

Arunachal Pradesh has been known for peace loving people for long. But recent socio-political development has given rise to various vexed issues that confronts the peaceful atmosphere and harmony of the society. NPP realizes this issue to the core of its objectives and stand resolute to resolve such vexed issues of the state with broader perspectives and solution end options.

NPP shall engage people's mandate and opinions, CBOs and various panels of expertise personnelin atime frame withproper policy and road map to resolve issues like Inter-State border, controversial Arunachal Pradesh Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 2014 (APUAPA) and its repeal or amendment, reformation of Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission (APPSC), Chakma-Hajong(refugee), Permanent Resident Certificate and Schedule Tribe (PRC & ST), Codification of CustomaryLaw and Amendment of Article 370(H). NPP is committed to bring back the reputation of Arunachal Pradesh as peaceful state free from major controversy that will adversely affect the lives of the common man and identity of our State.

12. SMART VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT POLICY:

To improve the quality of life and living standards for the residents of a village through various initiatives such as infrastructure development, economic growth, education and skill development, healthcare and social services, a new concept ofpolicy scheme of "*WapisGaon Ki Aur*" shall be adopted.

Smart Village action programme shall be launched with proper allocation of fund for holistic development. Preserve the natural surroundings of villages mostly covered with tress and plants which plays major role in maintaining the ecological balance of the environment. Further, sustainable agricultural practices be maintained.

13. POLICY ON PENSION FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE:

For the greater interest of the state government employee and considering their service and contribution towards development of the state and society, and to ensure social security, the NPP shall adopt Old Pension Scheme (OPS) rather than National Pension Scheme (NPS). To this affect a legislation shall be made for implementation.

NPP is resolute that if given an opportunity and elected to power it will establish new opportunities and possibilities for a newer and better Arunachal Pradesh.

14. SOCIAL AUDITS:

The National People's Party (NPP) is committed to building a transparent, accountable, and people-centric government. As an integral part of our governance philosophy, we recognize the importance of Social Audit in ensuring that government policies and programs meet the needs and expectations of the citizens we serve. Our commitment to Social Audit is rooted in the principles of transparency, citizen engagement, and continuous improvement.

- a) Definition: We define Social Audit as a comprehensive process that involves the systematic evaluation and assessment of government policies, programs, and activities to guarantee alignment with the aspirations of the people. The primary purpose is to promote transparency, reduce corruption, and enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of government initiatives.
- b) Citizen Participation: We pledge to increase citizen participation in the Social Audit process. We will establish user-friendly platforms for citizens to actively engage in scrutinizing government activities. Our government will ensure that citizens have the tools and opportunities to provide feedback, raise concerns, and contribute to the Social Audit process.
- c) **Regular Reporting:** We will conduct regular Social Audits on key government programs and initiatives, providing a transparent timeline for these assessments. The results of these audits will be shared with the public, and we will establish a clear process for addressing issues identified, including corrective actions and consequences for wrongdoing.

- d) Whistle-blower Protection: We recognize the importance of protecting whistleblowers who expose corruption or malpractices within the government. Our government will implement robust mechanisms to safeguard and support those who come forward with information in the public interest.
- e) We pledge to create room for comprehensive scrutiny by involving all Government Departments, as well as the MLALAD and MPLAD funds within the ambit of Social Audit, to evaluate the performance, efficiency, and adherence to established guidelines.

15. SPORTS SECTOR:

- a) **Sports quota to 7%** Foster a dynamic and inclusive sporting culture by introducing a comprehensive sports quota, reserving 7% in educational institutions and job recruitments. This initiative is not just about representation but about unleashing potential and ensuring that no talent goes unnoticed.
- b) We propose the implementation of mandatory sports classes in all schools and colleges across the state with the aim of instilling a sense of discipline, teamwork, and physical well-being.

16. LOAN FACILITIES TRHOUGH LAND MORTGAGES:

NPP will ensure that genuine land owner with LPC will get mortgage loan from all National Banks operating the State to boost up their economic activities.

17. SKILL & TRAINING INSTITUTE IN ALL DISTRICTS:

"A skilled person is a boon for the society & his family". A skill person can create his own destiny and live his own livelihood. NPP will strive hard to train and skill all educated youth of the State for more productivity, innovative and creativity towards socio-political and economic development in the State.

With this objective, our Party will establish Skill and Training Institute in all districts headquarter of the State with adequate manpower and facilities, so that the youth of

the State are empowered to achieve their goals in life. Software development and hardware repair training will be provided to all youths of the State.

18. BUILDING A STATE TRHOUGH INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

The industrial revolution has served as the catalystfor the economic development of any country as experienced from the past.

History is the witness, that the industrial advancements have been the pathway for Socio-economic progress of any Nation. Any countries of the world that prioritize industrial development have emerged as a strong Nation, both economically and politically.

In line with this perspective, the NPP will facilitate the enthusiastic entrepreneurs to set up industries of their choice. The main focus of the party will be directed towards key sectors like; Food processing industries, Stone crushers, Electrical, Iron & Steel industries, wood-based industries, cosmetic industries, Fertilizer industries, bamboo product industries, textile industries, tiles & marble industries, rubber industries, tea industries, spice industries, Palm oil industries, heritage Beverage industries. This industrial revolution will pave way to generate more job opportunities and tackle the unemployment problems of the youths of the State.

19. WOMEN WELFARE INITIATIVES:

"Women are the creator and maker of homes'.

For a strong nation and a vibrant society, the women must be given better opportunity for progress and growth. The NPP party will implement the following programme especially for women.

- a. Financial assistance to all existing Women Self-Help Groups(SHGs) across the State, and efforts will be made to encourage the creation of SHGs in every village.
- b. Financial support will be extended for the education of girl children up to class 12, aiming to reduce the dropout rate among female students.
- c. Mensuration Period leave for all women working in Government, private offices and institutions.
- d. Interest-free soft loans will be made available for young women entrepreneurs to start up their new businesses.

e. All Widows of the State shall be grouped into effective SHGs and financial incentives shall be provided to them to run small and medium businesses of their preferences, aiming to make them independent and self-reliance and to tide over their economic hardships in the absence of their love ones who were the primary bread earners of their families.

IN A NUTSHELL, we are truly convinced that NPP party's visionto enhance the vibrancy and prosperity of our state across all sectors can be fulfilled if the electorates of the State repose their unflinching faith in the leadership of the NPP party and give their mandate to serve the State effectively.

This document in the form of Manifesto will be truly transformed into practical reality by the NPP party for the benefit of the common masses of the State. We earnestly appeal the intelligent voters, senior citizens, youths, students, women, office-goers, farmers, and business community to extend their unwavering support to NPP Candidates in this ensuing Assembly as well as Parliamentary Election 2024.Together, let us work towards achieving conclusive and tangible development in Arunachal Pradesh.

Jai Hind!

Jai Arunachal!

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