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**PRESS RELEASE**

**(SAGY) Adoption of Villages by Elected MP's**

Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Shri Neiphiu Rio called on Hon'ble Governor of Nagaland, Shri P.B.Acharya on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at Raj Bhavan, Kohima.

Among other issues discussed, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) appraised Hon'ble Governor about the developmental projects taken up in Selouphe Village in Dimapur which was adopted by Hon'ble Member of Parliament(Lok Sabha) under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAJY) in November 2014.

Now, Shri Neiphiu Rio has adopted Longwa Village in Mon District as his second village under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAJY) as suggested by Hon'ble Governor earlier. According to Shri Rio, the traditional Angh's House has been renovated under SAJY, half of which in India and half in neighbouring country and hundreds of Naga brother are on the other side of Nagaland in Myanmar. Shri Rio has invited Honourable Governor to inaugurate it during the month of October, 2016.

Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY) was initiated to bring the Member of Parliament of all the political parties under the same umbrella while taking the responsibility of developing physical and institutional infrastructure in villages and turn them into model villages Under this scheme. Each member of parliament needs to choose one village each from the constituency that they represent, except their own village or their in-laws village and fix parameters and make it a model village.

Thereafter, they can take on two or three more villages and do the same by the time the next general elections come along in 2019, and thereafter, set themselves ten-year-long village or rural improvement projects Villages will be offered smart schools, universal access to basic health facilities and Pucca housing to homeless villagers.

Hon'ble Governor appeals to all our elected MLAs to adopt a village or two with the same spirit in their own constituency. "India is a country of villages"- statement by our Honourable President of India, so village development is the development of the whole Country".

So Governor appeals to all the Members to develop the villages and empower the villagers.

**PRO to Governor**