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Students from IIFL Foundation, Ministry of Defence supported Program in Arunachal Pradesh, Secure Placement at Sterling Hotels

Six students from the Home Stay Training Program at Indira Gandhi Government College (IGGC) in Tezu, Arunachal Pradesh supported by **IIFL Foundation**, the **National Cadet Corp (NCC)** under the **Ministry of Defence** and **REACHA** have successfully secured placements at Sterling Hotels in Manali, Mussoorie, and Darjeeling.

The successfully placed students are Subani Meyor from Walong, Anjaw, Jija Mipi from Anini, Mawu Melo from Punli, Dibang Valley, Nuya Miso from Punli, Dibang Valley, Esuli Molo from Angrim Valley, Dibang and Pinika Taidong from Changlang, Changlang district.

Commenting on the successful placement of the students Mr. Pema Khandu, Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh said, “So happy to learn that 6 candidates – 5 girls and 1 boy - from IIFL Foundation supported Homestay Host Training Program at IGGC, Tezu, have been placed at Sterling Hotel at Manali, Mussoorie, and Darjeeling.”

Mrs. Madhu Jain, Director, IIFL Foundation said, “We are deeply honored by the recognition from the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh. This acknowledgment reinforces our commitment to empowering communities through sustainable development. Thank you to Brigadier Bali, Indian Army, Government of



Arunachal Pradesh, Trainers and the REACHA team for their unwavering support and counseling throughout this journey.”

Mr. Nikhil Pant, CEO, REACHA said, “These young trailblazers are not just taking a step forward in their careers but also inspiring other girls and boys to pursue opportunities beyond their hometowns. Best wishes to Subani, Jija, Mawu, Nuya, Esuli, and Pinika on their exciting new journey. Your success is an inspiration to us all!”

This is the first batch of the program that emphasizes on hospitality training, technical skills training as well as teaches essential soft skills such as communication, grooming and computer proficiency.

The home stay program was inaugurated in September 2023 in presence of General Officer Commanding 2 Mountain Division Lt. General M.S Bains, Mrs. Madhu Jain, Director of IIFL Foundation, Brigadier Dr. P.M Bali, Dr. Kangki Megu, Principal, IGGC Tezu, Local District Administration and Mr. Nikhil Pant, CEO, REACHA. Deputy Chief Minister Shri Chowna Mein, MP Shri Tapir Gao and others conveyed their wishes through video messages.

This is IIFL Foundation’s second such project after setting up successful hospitality and retail training centres in Kupwara district in Kashmir which has already provided jobs to local youth in reputed hotels and retail chains. Indian Army and government officials from center and state appreciated IIFL Foundations initiatives in these regions, where infrastructure and economic developments are a part of government’s agenda. The Ministry of Corporate Affairs in May 2023 had called for balanced CSR spending, particularly in the Northeast. Organizations like NCC, THSC, the District Commissioner's Office and Ministry of Development of North East Region (MDoNER) support this initiative.

This project is aligned with Prime Minister Modi's vision for Northeast development. IIFL Foundation with REACHA and NCC's support is taking a vital step in this direction. Collaboration is central to MDoNER's focus, setting an example for regional development. This initiative promises positive change, nurturing youth potential and creating a brighter future for Tezu and Arunachal Pradesh.



IIFL Foundation is well-known for its successful interventions in the areas of education, health, poverty alleviation and climate action among others. Through its various initiatives the foundation reaches over 10 lac beneficiaries.

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