

Speech

of

Dr. Hari Babu Kambhampati Hon'ble Governor of Mizoram

On The Occasion of

Hackathon (Hackventure)

At Arya Mess, Police Headquarters, Aizawl

> On 27th April, 2023.

- Dignitaries
- Invitees
- My dear students from NIT colleges all over India, Mizoram University, Govt. Zirtiri Residential Science college, NIELIT and ICFAI.

It is my privilege to be the Chief Guest at the inauguration ceremony of the 3-day Hackathon (Hackventure) organized by the Mizoram Police and be a part of this event.

We have observed time and again the laudable actions of Mizoram Police in dealing with law and order issues, traffic management, drug detection and general crime investigation. It is commendable that apart from these normal police duties, they have undertaken to organize, for the very first time, a Hackathon event for students.

As we continue to face new and emerging challenges in policing, it is becoming increasingly clear that traditional methods of policing are no longer enough. With the prospects of technology growing at an exponential rate, it is being used to perpetrate many different kinds of crimes, and it is heartening to know that we will be able to rely on the youth to counter the acts of these criminals.

Police departments across the country are recognizing the need for innovative approaches to public safety, and one of the most promising ways to achieve this is through collaboration with technical institutes.

By partnering with an elite technical institute like National Institute of Technology (NIT) Mizoram, Mizoram Police can tap into the expertise of the students and faculty in the fields of computer science, data analytics and artificial intelligence. These experts can help Mizoram Police Department analyze crime data, develop predictive policing models, and create new tools and technologies that can help officers do their jobs more effectively.

I am confident that the Police department has a great potential for growth in this regard, and I would like to encourage the youth to employ their sharp minds and put forward their innovative ideas in order to support and aid the Mizoram Police and Mizoram Government in the years to come.

It is heartening to learn that this event besides including cyber security based quiz competitions, web development contests, and idea pitching contests for the youth, will be holding talks on important cyber related topics by experts from Govt. Institutions like NCB (Narcotics Control Bureau), I4C (Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre) and NCRB (National Crime Records Bureau).

I find it highly encouraging that students will be given such a platform for sharing and interaction, and I am hopeful that there will continue to be good participation from them in the future events as well.

I am sure this Hackathon will serve as a testament to the power of collaboration between academia and law enforcement agencies. It is a perfect example of how public institutions can come together to create something that has meaningful impact in the society.

With the combined expertise of students and faculty at NIT Mizoram and Mizoram Police, I am confident that this Hackathon will be a stepping stone to bring about a revolution in the field of policing that benefits the society.

I will conclude my speech by encouraging the young students who are gathered here today to continue doing your best for the country, as the Nation waits for you to lead us into the bright future.

Thank you.

Jai Hind!