Speech by the Honorable Governor of <u>Tripura</u> Address to NCC Cadets Participated in the Republic Day Program, Delhi

Respected NCC Officers,

Proud Cadets,

Distinguished Guests

Today is a very special day, I am delighted to share that I was also a part of the NCC during my school days.

Today, as we celebrate the unwavering spirit of our National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets who represented Tripura with distinction at the Republic Day celebrations in Delhi.

Your participation in this historic event is not just a personal achievement but a testament to the values of discipline, unity, and patriotism that define our great nation.

Republic Day is more than a commemoration of the day our Constitution came into effect, it is a celebration of India's unity in diversity, democratic ideals, and the enduring promise of justice, liberty, and equality for all.

For our cadets to march on Raj path, amidst the grandeur of this national festival, is a rare honor. You carried the hopes of Tripura and showcased the courage and dedication that defines our youth.

Your journey to Delhi was paved with relentless training, sacrifices, and an unyielding commitment to excellence. The precision of your parade, the pride in your bearing, and the discipline in your hearts have made our state and nation proud.

"Unity and Discipline" and proved that the youth of Tripura are second to none in their love for the motherland.

The NCC is not merely a program; it is a movement that molds character, instills leadership, and nurtures a sense of duty.

Through drills, camps, and community service, you learn the essence of teamwork, and compassion. These values are the foundation of a progressive society.

As cadets, you are now torchbearers of our Constitution. The oath you took to join in NCC is not just words it is a pledge to uphold the sovereignty, unity, and integrity of India. Whether in uniform or in civilian life, I urge you to be ambassadors of peace, champions of inclusivity. Remember, the strength of a nation lies in the character of its people.

- Practice fine arts, driving, swimming
- Visit other states, other countries
- Join in Armed, auxiliary forces

As you return to your communities, carry forward the lessons of the NCC. Be mentors to younger cadets; inspire peers to contribute to nation-building. In you, we see the future soldiers, entrepreneurs, teachers, and policymakers who will steer India to new heights.

In closing, I extend my deepest gratitude to the NCC officers and mentors who guided these cadets with dedication. To cadets: Wear your NCC badge with pride, for it symbolizes the trust the nation has placed in you. As you march forward, remember that every step you take in service of India strengthens the fabric of our reaffirm democracy. Let us our commitment to the ideals of our Constitution.

Jai Hind! Jai Bharat!