

## **GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT**

### **MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG**

#### **Press Communiqué**

**Shillong, June 02, 2025** : Raj Bhavan, Shillong, today celebrated the **Foundation Day of Goa and Telangana** with a vibrant and dignified programme held at the Durbar Hall, reflecting the rich cultural heritage and unique identity of the two states. The event was graced by the **Hon'ble First Lady of Meghalaya Smti. Babitha Vijayashankar**.

The event commenced **lighting of the ceremonial lamp**, signifying knowledge and unity followed by a **video presentation** showcasing the journey of both states along with respective Hon'ble Governor's message of both the states was screened, highlighting their history, traditions, and achievements.

The programme featured a **cultural performance** organized by the Department of Arts & Culture, Government of Meghalaya, in collaboration with the **Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)**. The colourful showcase of Khasi Indigenous Instruments played by Mr T Lynsiang and Fusion Dance of the diverse Konkani tribe of Goa, with a rhythmic blend of Telegana, was performed by Cultural Team of I.A.V Dance Studio, choreographed by Ms Pooja Baraily celebrating the cultural diversity of both the states. A special **video message from the Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Shri C.H. Vijayashankar**, was also screened, in which he conveyed his warm wishes to the people of Goa and Telangana and spoke of India's unity in diversity.

The celebration marked yet another instance of Raj Bhavan's commitment to strengthening the spirit of unity, harmony, and cultural exchange among the states of the Indian Union under the vision of "Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat".