

18th State Level Orange Festival, 2025, held at the Mini Stadium in Tamenglong District Headquarters on 17.12.2025



Shri Ajay Kumar Bhalla, Hon'ble Governor of Manipur inaugurated the 18th State Level Orange Festival, 2025, held at the Mini Stadium in Tamenglong District Headquarters on 17th December, 2025. The event featured a presentation by the Orange Growers Association and vibrant cultural performances, including traditional war cries, folk dances by the Zeme and Rongmei tribes, and a tug-of-war demonstration involving all four tribes - Rongmei, Liangmai, Zeme and Inpui - added colour and enthusiasm to the occasion. Addressing the gathering, the Hon'ble Governor lauded the unity and cultural diversity of Tamenglong and reiterated the State Government's commitment to inclusive development, preservation of indigenous culture, and promotion of local livelihoods. Speaking on the theme "Celebration for a Cause," the Governor said the festival symbolises not only the celebration of the famed Tamenglong orange but also the promotion of sustainable livelihoods and tourism potential. He highlighted that Tamenglong orange, which received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag in 2017, contributes over 50 per cent of the State's orange production and has emerged as a vital source of income for local farmers, with notable progress in organic cultivation.