

Gangtok, Jan 8:(IPR) A press conference was held at a local hotel here today where the Brand Ambassador, A R Rehman answered questions put forward by the media. The panel consisted of The Hon'ble MP, Lok Sabha, Shri P.D.Rai, Hon'ble Minister for Information & Public Relations, Shri A.K.Ghatani, Mayor GMC, Shri Shakti Singh Chaudhary, Commissioner cum Secretary, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Shri Puneet Kansal, Managing Director, Temi Tea Estate, Smt Mrinalini Shrivastav and representatives of various media sections.

MP, Lok Sabha Shri P.D.Rai talked about the significance of being the Brand Ambassador of Sikkim and said that the state was honoured to have such a big international icon promote the Himalayan region. He said that Sikkim was ready for the changes to surge forward under the Hon'ble Chief Minister and that we now have to make concrete plans and execute it.

Shri A.R.Rehman said that he was privileged to be associated with such a state which is inspiring on its own. He further said that he has many ideas and plan for the state and said that the North-East has so much to offer and now it is time to get it more on the mainstream map. He also said that he was humbled by the hospitality shown by the people of the state and hoped that the journey together would be a beautiful one.

Minister, Informations and Public Relations Shri A.K.Ghatani gave the opening remarks where he congratulated the people of the state for cooperating in making the Red Panda festival a success. He also said that Sikkim was honoured to host the musical maestro and wished for a long partnership together.

Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Shri Puneet Kansal introduced the musical legend and talked about the many roadmaps that the department had chartered for further growth of the state.

The vote of thanks at the end was proposed by Managing Director, Temi Tea Estate, Smt Mrinalini Shrivastav.

