

GALO INDIGENOUS FAITH AND CULTURAL COUNCIL(GIFCC)

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All President/Secretary

Mopin Preservation Society [West Siang/Leparada/Lower Siang/ Upper Subansiri/Itanagar/Naharlagun/Chimpu].

SUB:- PROPOSAL FOR FORMATION & FUNCTIONING OF GALO FESTIVAL COUNCIL(GFC) IN THE DISTRICT.

Dear Sirs,

Previously, Galo had a singular festival, "MOPIN," which received official recognition from the government. Now the government has officially declared two additional festivals for the Galo, bringing the total to three festivals. Additionally, several Galo festivals remain unrecognized, which should not be allowed to become extinct.

As a consequence of the official declaration of the new festivals, I am of the opinion that the regulation, promotion, and preservation of all Galo festivals in the district will be managed by the current Mopin Preservation Society (MPS) starting next year. The district lacking an MPS may promptly establish a Galo Festival Council (GFC) to oversee and promote the galo festival within the district.

The Galo Festival Council (GFC) must ensure that the ritualistic essence of the festival is preserved and not altered amidst modernization and the current context of "Tribes in Transition." All other hidden festivals practiced in the villages of the Galo are preserved to prevent extinction and uprooting due to the influence of foreign beliefs.

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Yours Sincerely

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