



**GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
HOME DEPARTMENT
GANGTOK**

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The Armed Forces Flag Day is observed throughout the country on **7th December** every year including the State of Sikkim and will be observed this year as well in December, 2024. The day is observed to honor the valiant and the martyrs, to salute the Veterans and the brave and to reaffirm our solidarity with the Armed Forces Personnel who not only protect our country against external threat, but also assist the civil administration in tackling internal disturbances and rendering rescue and relief at the time of natural calamities.

It is, therefore, befitting to recognize their sacrifices and service to the nation by donating to the Flag Day Fund. The Flag Day contributions made by our citizens are utilized for the welfare, rehabilitation and resettlement of ex-servicemen, widows, disabled soldiers and the next of kin of those who are martyred.

All concerned are requested to contribute generously towards Armed Forces Flag Day Fund so that required welfare schemes can be initiated for the welfare, rehabilitation and resettlement of ex-servicemen, widows, disabled soldiers and the families including serving soldiers and their families in Sikkim.

Hon'ble Ministers, Advisors to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim, MLAs, Zilla Adhyaksha/Upadhaksha, Head of the Department, District Collectors, Sub-Divisional Magistrates, Block Development Officers, Principals of Colleges, Sr. Secondary and Secondary Schools including Public Schools, Heads of the Central Government Organizations, Corporate Houses, Public and Private Undertakings in Sikkim including the various Industrial Units operating in Sikkim are requested to kindly appeal to their Officers, employees, staff, students and the General Public to contribute whole heartedly for this noble cause. Token flags and the Car Flags will be handed over by the respective Welfare Officers of Zilla Sainik Boards located at Namchi, Gayzing and Gangtok within their respective Districts.



The Donations may kindly be forwarded by crossed cheque/Draft in the name of “**Sikkim State Armed Forces Flag Day Fund**” Account given below by 15th January 2025 to the Office of the **Secretary, Rajya Sainik Board, P.S Road, Gangtok** which will be acknowledged with an official receipt.

- (a) **A/C – 12930100002658**
UCO Bank, Gangtok Branch
P.S Road, Gangtok, Sikkim.
- (b) **A/C No – 11018702884**
State Bank of India, Gangtok Branch
MG Marg, Gangtok, Sikkim.

The Flag Day donations collected in cash may please be sent with details of the amount collected directly to Secretary, Rajya Sainik Board, P.S Road, Gangtok.

Note: Armed Forces Flag Day Donation is exempted from Income Tax vide Ministry of Finance, Government of India, Letter No-C 69 (12)-IT/54 dated 6th March 1954.



Sd/-

(V.B. Pathak) IAS

Chief Secretary
Government of Sikkim

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1. The Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, CMO;
2. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor, Raj Bhawan;
3. All HODs, Government of Sikkim;
4. The Secretary, Rajya Sainik Board;
5. All PS to Hon'ble Ministers/Speaker/Deputy Speaker;
6. All District Collectors/SDMs;
7. All PSs to Advisors to HCM;
8. All PSs to Zilla Adhyakshas;
9. All Central Government Headquarters and Offices;
10. All Principals of Colleges/Sr. Secondary Schools & Secondary Schools;
11. All Corporate Houses of Sikkim;
12. All Municipalities;
13. The Director, IPR - for wide publication;
14. The Assistant Director-IT, Home Department - for uploading on Govt. website;
15. All Key Area Ex-Servicemen of Sikkim;

Joint Secretary-II (Confdl.)
Home Department.