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# Nacho Tourism

unlock vibrant Nacho

Dear readers,

As summer arrives, Nacho is readying itself to showcase its unique characteristics. Visitors will be enthralled to see up close, the intricate craftsmanship

and architectural marvels of the Tagin community's housing system. This month we feature this unique feature. Also this month, we feature the Statehood Day marked, by showcasing the community's rich cultural heritage.

- **Shri Penga Tato**, DC, Upper Subansiri District & Chairman, Destination Management Committee - Nacho

## DESTINATION SPOTLIGHT

### Traditional Tagin House Construction

The Tagin tribe in Nacho practices the construction of traditional houses using locally sourced materials, notably bamboo and star palm leaves. These indigenous dwellings, reflective of Arunachal Pradesh's rich architectural heritage, showcase a blend of sustainable building techniques tailored to the region's climate and cultural ethos.

Characterized by their use of bamboo, these Tagin traditional houses are emblematic of a time-honored construction approach deeply rooted in the local environment. Bamboo, renowned for its strength, flexibility, and abundance in the area, serves as a primary building material. Its resilience against floods and seismic activity makes it particularly well-suited for withstanding the challenges posed by Arunachal Pradesh's climatic variations.



Using star palm leaves in roofing showcases an ingenious response to the region's climatic conditions. Thatch roofs, fashioned from these leaves, offer effective insulation against extreme temperatures while also maintaining an aesthetic charm.

Beyond their material composition, Tagin houses embody a holistic construction approach. Raised platforms, reminiscent of the 'Chang ghar' prevalent in Arunachal Pradesh, elevate living spaces above floodwaters, underscoring the practical wisdom inherent in indigenous architecture.



The construction process reflects a communal endeavour, where the collective knowledge and skills of the community are harnessed. This collaborative spirit not only fosters social cohesion but also ensures the preservation and transmission of traditional building techniques across generations.

Houses with a flexibility in design points to an adaptive approach to creating living spaces, capable of meeting evolving familial needs over time. This dynamic quality speaks to the enduring relevance of indigenous architecture in addressing the ever-changing demands of contemporary life.

In essence, the traditional houses of the Tagin tribe in Nacho is a synthesis of local material, cultural heritage, and environmental adaptation. They serve as tangible expressions of Arunachal Pradesh's architectural legacy, embodying principles of sustainability, resilience, and community stewardship.



# Statehood Day Celebrations in Daporijo

Signifying the 38th anniversary of becoming a state in the Indian Union, Statehood Day, was commemorated in Daporijo on February 20, 2024. A significant milestone in the region's history was this celebrated.

Festivities unfolded at the District Stadium, graced by esteemed guests including **former Home Minister Daklo Nidak, District Collector Penga Tato, and Superintendent of Police Thutan Jamba.**

The event was a vibrant spectacle, showcasing the rich cultural heritage of the community. The audience were treated to an array of activities, including the exhibition of local artefacts and products, captivating cultural presentations featuring traditional folk dances, and spirited games like Archery competition. The celebration served as a poignant reminder of the region's journey towards statehood and its vibrant cultural tapestry.

