

**DEPARTMENT RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE
HELD AT HOTEL MAYFAIR RANIPOOL, INTERACTED ON VARIOUS ISSUES
WITH ICAR-NRC FOR ORCHIDS, PAKYONG SIKKIM
ON THE DAY OF 20TH NOVEMBER-2018.**

Department related Parliamentary Committee on Commerce held at hotel Mayfair Ranipool, on the day of 20th Nov. 2018. The committee had an interaction with Dr. D.R. Singh, Director, ICAR – NRC for Orchids, Pakyong - Sikkim on the various issues related to Orchids Cultivation, Conservation, Production and Management. The issues related to Packaging, Storing, transportation and marketing were also discussed. Though, Orchid being a high value crop and it was proposed that it should be included in Crop Insurance, the initiative by the ICAR - NRCO taken like value addition, wealth from orchids waste, Orchid Based Integrated farming system to achieve the target of “Doubling Farmers Income” were also put into highlight by the Director, ICAR – NRC for Orchids, Pakyong - Sikkim and it was highly appreciated by the hon'ble Chairman and members of the committee.

