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Kisan Rail to start its first journey from Agartala on 11th June

Farmers have been facing loss due to the Covid pandemic and the condition of farmers in Tripura is no different. The central and the state government keeping that in mind are set to start Kisan Rail from Agartala Railway Station. This will be the first time in Tripura that such step has been taken to solve the crisis and to prevent the wastage of seasonal agricultural products. Thanks to the present state government that 20 buggy trains will leave from Agartala to Delhi, Howrah and Guwahati to transport fruits like jackfruit, pineapple, lemon etc and vegetables with minimum cost. First train from Agartala to Delhi is on 25th June, 9th July, 16th July, 23rd July and 30th July. Schedule of the rail from Agartala to Howrah is on 16th June, 30th June, 7th July, 14th July, 21st July and 28th July. All the trains will leave at 1pm. These trains will have GS coaches and commodities may be loaded from Ambassa and Kumarghat railway station of Tripura.

Chief Minister in his tweet on 2nd June, 2021 thanked the Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Railway Minister Piyush Goyal for granting the commencement of Kisan Rail from Agartala.

The rates of transporting the agricultural products through Kisan rail is as follows-

- 1. Agartala-Delhi = Rs. 2.815/kg
- 2. Agartala-Howrah = Rs. 2.025/kg
- 3. Agartala-Guwahati = Rs. 0.882/kg

Interested farmers and traders/exporters are being requested to contact concerned parcel officer to book space and for availing further details. The contact numbers of Agartala, Ambassa and Kumarghat station are given below-

Agartala= 7985971616/ 7005367158

Ambassa= 9435809266/ 9835013714

Kumarghat= 9430036234/ 7005190646

This information has been collected from a press release issued by the Department of Horticulture, Government of Tripura. After the government gifted the state with now available local trains, the gift of Kisan Rail is hoped to be a boon for the farmers of the state and the state altogether. Now with the opening of SEZ and Kisan Rail, hopefully Tripura will set benchmark in markets both nationally and internationally.