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<u>CM interacts with beneficiaries of different schemes at Chesrimai HS School campus</u> The present government is determined to improve socio-economic condition of the farmers: CM

The nation's development is directly proportional to the development of the farmers. The present state government is determined to ensure doubling income and improving socioeconomic condition of the farmers. Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana is being implemented in the state to double farmers' income, enunciated Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha in an interaction programme with beneficiaries of PMKISAN and PMAY-G schemes organized at Chesrimai Higher Secondary School campus in Sepahijala yesterday.

The Chief Minister also said, our Prime Minister has given people their rights back. People are not afraid to dream anymore. Each and every person is getting his rights back. People of all sections of the society are getting the benefits of government's welfare schemes. People now can witness the speed of development being brought by the government. He said, there used to be a time when there was no development in Charilam. Now, development in all sectors can be seen happening-from roads to power, education to infrastructure. He said, the Prime Minister is giving great emphasis on the development of the Northeast region. There was a time when development of Northeast including Tripura was halted. But with the farsighted administration of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, people of the state can see development happening in each and every sector.

The Chief Minister said, the state government will continue to work in the same way just as the developmental works in Tripura were being implemented under the leadership of former Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb. While speaking about PMKISAN scheme in Sepahijala district, he said, 29 thousand 133 beneficiaries of the district have benefited under PMKISAN. Total 39 crore 15 lakh rupees has been provided to them. He said, this signifies government's transparency. The money is directly being sent to the farmers' bank accounts. This is the result of transparent vision of the central and the state government. He said, the central government launched PMAY-G on April 1, 2016. Its main objective is to provide Pucca housing to those people in the country who do not have one by 2022. In case of hilly states, the financial assistance for construction of houses has been increased from 70 thousand rupees to 1 lakh 30 thousand rupees. Over 4 thousand beneficiaries in Sepahijala district have got Pucca houses in the financial year 2019-20. 1 lakh 59 thousand houses were granted for the state in the financial year 2021-22. Among those, 22 thousand 890 beneficiaries of PMAY-G are in Sepahijala district.

While speaking about Mukhyamantri Cha Shramik Kalyan Prakalp, the Chief Minister said, the present government is taking important steps for the development of tea garden workers, their families and also the tea gardens. The tea gardens of the state have been resurrected after the new government took over. He said, there are 54 tea gardens and over 2 thousand 500 micro tea producers in the state. 9 million kilograms of tea is being produced in Tripura every year. He said, the present state government is continuing its work with great importance towards the socio-economic development of workers associated with tea industry in Tripura. The government is also taking initiatives so that the workers could get the benefits of healthcare, education, labour and of public welfare schemes of the central government. The Chief Minister elaborately spoke about the progress of Mukhyamantri Cha Shramik Kalyan Prakalp in Sepahijala district, about different tea gardens under the district and about workers associated with the tea gardens.

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Deputy Chief Minister Jishnu Dev Varma during the interaction programme said, the present state government is people's government. The state government is working with the mantra of people's welfare. He said, approval has been received for construction of 1 lakh 59 thousand houses in short period of the present government. He said, there used to be a time when this region lacked any signs of development. Today, one can witness development in all sectors including road, infrastructure, education, healthcare etc. There were only 4 thousand SHGs in the state before but during the period of the present government, there are 34 thousand SHGs. Social pension has increased from 1 thousand rupees to 2 thousand rupees which beneficiaries will be getting before this Durga Puja. He said, 7 lakh families were provided with assistance under PMKISAN during Covid-19 pandemic without any kind of political bias. The government is implementing work plans in all sectors starting from providing power connection, construction of houses under PMAY, providing loans to farmers through banks etc. He said, this government is people's government and it will be possible to take the state further ahead with the cooperation of the people.

Chairman of State Khadi & Village Industries Board Rajib Bhattacharjee also spoke on the occasion. Welcome speech was delivered by Sepahijala District Magistrate & Collector Vishwasree B. Vote of Thanks was delivered by Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad Supriya Das.
