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Celebration of State-level International Women's Day

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The state government is committed to protecting the rights of women. In this case, if women are made self-reliant, their self-confidence will increase as well and the level of various abuses will also be reduced. Under the strong leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Central Government has given special importance to the socio-economic development and self-empowerment of women. The state government is also working in that direction. Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha said this while inaugurating the state-level International Women's Day celebrations organized by the Department of Social Welfare and Social Education at Rabindra Bhawan. A documentary on the achievements of the Department of Social Welfare and Social Education in the field of women and child welfare was also screened on the occasion.

The Chief Minister said that the government is always committed to tackling crime against women. According to the latest NCRB data, Tripura from below 8th ranks in the country in terms of physical assault and crimes against women. Toll-free 'Women Helpline' 181 has been launched in the state to ensure the safety of women and provide immediate assistance to them. Keeping in mind the mother and child, a 100-bed mother and child-care has been planned to be built at GBP Hospital.

The Chief Minister said that the state government had formed 53,623 self-help groups in the state under the Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission (TRLM) project aimed at the financial empowerment of women. In the financial year 2017-18, only 32.67 crore rupees were given to the self-help groups of the state. 714. Crore 16 lakh rupees has been disbursed since 2018-19 financial year.

In case of bank loans, an amount of Rs. 4crore95 lakh has been given before 2017-18 and an amount of Rs. 1465 lakh 81crore has been given since 2018. It is due to the efforts of the present government that Risa, made by the tribal mothers of the self-help groups and the famous Pera Prasad of the Matabari, got the GI tag.

The Chief Minister also said that more than 41.4 percent of women in the state are involved in various businesses through startup projects. The state government is committed to providing quality education to the students. Admission fees, college development fees, and examination fees for undergraduate and postgraduate students have been waived. Free bicycles have been distributed to about 1 lakh 22 thousand 509 girl students studying in 9th class. Apart from this, loans have been provided at an interest rate of only 3 percent to female students for pursuing higher education in national-level educational institutions.

On this program, Minister for Social Welfare and Social Education Tinku Roy highlighted the programs taken up by various departments across the State in a fortnight to mark International Women's Day. He also highlighted various schemes of the department for the welfare of women and children.

In the state-level function, 21 women and 3 self-help groups were awarded by the Department of Social Welfare and Social Education for their excellence in their respective work.

The Chief Minister handed over certificates, mementos, and cheques to three Anganwadi workers and three Anganwadi helpers. Three CDPOs and three ICDS Supervisors were also awarded. The Chief Minister gave away prizes and certificates to the winners. Two women police constables and one-woman SPO were also awarded.

Social Welfare and Social Education Department delivered the welcome address. Jharna Debbarma, Chairperson of Tripura Women's Commission delivered the vote of thanks. Among others present on the occasion included the Chairperson of Tripura Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Jayanti Debbarma; Director of Social Welfare and Social Education Department, Tapan Kumar Das; DM & Collector of West Tripura District, Dr. Bishal Kumar; Superintendent of Police of West Tripura district Dr. Kiran Kumar K.
