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Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav on December 11 Meeting chaired by Chief Minister at Secretariat

Bharatiya Bhasha Utsay is going to be held for the first time in the state on December 11. On that day, State-level Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav will be celebrated at Rabindra Bhavan in Agartala. In connection with this, a meeting was held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha at Secretariat yesterday. In the meeting, Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha emphasized on realizing the importance of this day and taking it in the light of talk-shows and campaigns. In this context, the Chief Minister also said that to strengthen multilingualism, students need to acquire knowledge about their own language as well as other languages. The meeting was attended by the Secretary to the Chief Minister Dr. PK Chakraborty, Special Secretary of Education Department Ravel Hamendra Kumar, Director of Higher Education Department NC Sharma, Director of Information and Cultural Affairs Department Bimbisar Bhattacharya, Director of Elementary Education Department Subhasish Bhattacharya along with other officials of Education Department and teachers of different schools. Special Secretary of Education Department Ravel Hamendra Kumar discussed the state-level celebration of Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav in the meeting. He said that apart from mastering the mother tongue among the students, the Bharativa Bhasha Utsav will be celebrated to develop love and skills for the 22 languages recognized by the Constitution of India. December 11 is the birthday of Tamil poet Mahakayi Chinnaswami Subramania Bharati. He was a leading poet of Tamil poetry. He instilled patriotism during the freedom movement through poetry and songs. So this day has been chosen as Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav. He also said that various programs are already being held with students in different schools of the state since September 28. So far, competitions have been organized among students in 633 schools of the state on 8 themes. Essay competition was held online among class IX to XII students on the topic 'Multilingualism is the cornerstone of unity in India's diversity'. The 5 best essay writers will be awarded at the state-level Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav celebration on December 11. Also students of different schools of Agartala will participate in cultural programs.
