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**Inauguration of Superintendent of Agriculture office of Belbari Agri. Sub-Division**  
**Farmers' role is important in the economic**  
**development of the state: Agriculture Minister**

The role of farmers is important in the economic development of the state. Therefore, the state government is working seriously for the development of agriculture and the welfare of farmers. New plans are being taken for the welfare of farmers. Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Ratan Lal Nath said this while inaugurating Belbari Agriculture Sub-Division Office yesterday. On the occasion, the Agriculture Minister also said that this is the 45<sup>th</sup> agriculture sub-division office in the state. In the coming days, the agriculture sub-division office will be opened in each block of the state. The government is above politics and working for everyone so that even the last person of the society is not deprived of the government scheme. It is for this purpose that Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra. Along with this, Prati Ghare Sushason 2.0 campaign has also been started in the state so that people can take advantage of various schemes and services of central and state government. The Agriculture Minister said that 45 percent of the agricultural work in the country is now done by machines. Our goal is to take it to 100 percent. So farmers are being given different agricultural machinery under government subsidy. The income of farmers has also increased in the state.

On the occasion, Tourism Minister Sushanta Chowdhury said that the aim of the government is to deliver government schemes to every eligible beneficiary of the state. The government has adopted various schemes to increase the income of farmers. The country will be prosperous only if the farmers are self-reliant. He said that paddy is now being purchased twice a year from farmers at MSP in the state and farmers are benefiting from it. Director of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department Sharadindu Das delivered the welcome speech on the occasion. Besides, MLA Biswajit Kalai, MLA Swapna Debbarma, MDC Ganesh Debbarma, Secretary of Agriculture Department Apurba Roy also spoke on the occasion. Chairman of Belbari BAC Roken Debbarma gave the vote of thanks. After the opening ceremony, the guests unveiled the plaque of Superintendent of Agriculture office of Belbari Agri. Sub-Division and visited the office. On the occasion, the guests handed over four power tillers, three sprayer machines, a pump set and other agricultural machinery to the beneficiary farmers.