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Review meeting of ARDD, SC Welfare and Labour department at the Secretariat

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Government is working to escalate state's economic development through animal rearing and dairy farming which is Priority has been given on income growth of persons involved in animal rearing and dairy farm. Success was achieved recently. Rural people have found their way to becoming self-reliant through animal rearing, enunciated Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb in the review meeting of ARDD, SC Welfare and Labour department at the Secretariat. He said, the success achieved in the state in the animal resource development has to expanded. ARDD, SC Welfare and Labour department Minister Bhagaban Das, chief secretary Kumar Alok, ARDD director Dr. K. Sashikumar, SC Welfare department director Santosh Das and other high officials of the concerned department were present in the review meeting.

Chief Minister in the meeting spoke on the need to vaccinate animals to assure income and improvement in quality of living of people living in rural areas as their livelihood mostly depends upon rearing Cattle, poultry, duck and other animals. He emphasized on encouraging cooperative societies and SHGs to set up small dairy trade as there is appropriate environment in the state for setting up trade and enough opportunities and facilities are being given by the government. ARDD secretary Dipa D. Nair in the meeting informed, at present the state has 13 lakh 18 thousand animal resources and 41 lakh 24 thousand numbers of duck and poultry. In regard to the animal health sector, 12 lakh 4 thousand Cattles and 33 lakh 38 thousand birds have been vaccinated in 2020-21. Department has given special importance to milk, meat and egg production in the state. As a result, the production has significantly increased.

The secretary in the meeting said, milk production in the state in financial year 2019-20 was 11 lakh 97 thousand 268 MT whereas in 2020-21, the production has increased to 2 lakh 6 thousand 170 MT. Meat production in the state in financial year 2019-20 was 50 thousand 840 MT whereas in 2020-21, the production has increased to 52 thousand 180 MT. Egg production in the state in financial year 2019-20 was 29 crore 50 lakh whereas in 2020-21, the production has increased to 30 crore 24 lakh. The secretary informed that initiatives were taken increase number of female calves through sex-semen sorted technology for increasing the production of milk in the state. In financial year through Mukhyamantri UnnatGodhanPrakalp, 15 thousand 916 births were possible through artificial technique. Apart from this, 10 thousand 853 births were given till August in the present financial year.

The secretary also speaking about various plans said, piglets of hybrid species are being given to beneficiaries and 6 thousand 373 small poultry units are being set up as assistance to beneficiaries to increase meat and egg production. Apart from that, assistances are being given to beneficiaries to set up 597 pig and 375 goat farms under Chief Minister Swanirbhar Parivar Yojana. Also, assistances were given to 18 thousand 260 families to rear duck and chicks under the same scheme.

Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb in the meeting said, importance has been given to priority sector development like pisciculture, animal rearing and agriculture in order to increase incomes and improve quality of living of SC community. The people belonging to SC category should be involved in economic processes of all these sectors. Chief Minister ordered the department to keep watch if loan amounts withdrawn from SC Corporation are being used appropriately. SC Welfare secretary L.H Darlong informed, all central schemes for education sector, economic sector, social sector and infrastructure sector are all implemented by SC welfare department. The department is working for overall development of 6 lakh 54 thousand 918 people belonging to SC category. Target has been taken to give post-matric scholarships to 15 thousand 144 pre-matric and 18 thousand 412 post-matric students in financial year 2021-22 for which data is being uploaded in National Scholarship Portal. He informed that different kinds of assistances have been provided to 3,143 SC category beneficiaries under special central assistance to schedule caste sub plan for creating income opportunities. Apart from that, 166 crore 62 lakh rupees has been provided to strengthen computer learning in 53 schools in the SC populated areas. SC welfare department secretary further informed that necessary initiatives have been taken by the department for speedy implementation of Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana. Under this scheme, 30 SC populated villages were chosen to be turned into ideal villages, for which each village has been given 20 lakh rupees. Total 6 crore rupees was invested for this. Different infrastructural development has been recently in 18 villages.

Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb in the review meeting emphasized upon catering benefits of central and state schemes of labour department properly to workers. He advised the department to take necessary initiatives to bring more unorganized workers under Pradhan Mantri ShramjiviMaandhan Yojana. Department secretary Kiran Gitte in the meeting informed that the department is implementing different schemes including Pradhan Mantri Shram YogiMaandhan Yojana, unorganized workers assistance schemes for social safety welfare of the workers. He informed that there are at present 48 thousand 654 building and other construction workers in the state. Among them, 7 thousand 789 workers have renewed their registration till the month of August from financial year 2019-20 to 2021-22.
