

**ARDD Minister inaugurates newly built two-storied
Veterinary building in Anandanagar**

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People in rural areas of the state do rear animals. One can easily become financially self-reliant through animal rearing in very short time, but could not yet become self-reliant in dairy, egg and meat production because apt steps were not taken towards development of the rural economy through animal rearing by the previous government, enunciated Animal Resources Development Department Minister Bhagaban Chandra Das after inaugurating the newly built two-storied Veterinary building in Anandanagar today. It is to be noted that construction of the building started in 2018 under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana. The new building has been built at the cost of 62 lakh 8 thousand rupees. As a result, now there is a good number of animal rearers in nearby areas including Anandanagar, Srinagar, Malaynagar Gram Panchayat.

ARDD Minister in the programme said, almost every household in the rural areas of the state do rear duck, poultry, cattle, pigs etc as a source of income. The state could have been self-reliant in animal source food production long ago through proper management and planning making good use of this inclination of people. That is why the government is taking small and timely initiatives towards this. While talking about entrepreneur Swapan Debnath, the ARDD Minister said, he has set up a n egg producing farm taking loan worth 2 crore rupees, presently, the farm produces 70 thousand eggs every day. This is a unique example of self-reliance.

The ARDD Minister also said, many enterprising young people from different areas are communicating to get involved through such different programs almost every day. He said, the ARDD department has been distributing animals after identifying few villages in cluster. As a result, it is becoming convenient to identify beneficiaries and provide facilities.

Fire & Emergency Services Minister Ramprasad Paul said, the state government has taken different plans to develop the rural economy of the state. Advanced infrastructures are also being built which is encouraging the animal rearers of the state to do more of rearing.

Additional Director of ARDD department Bimal Kumar Das informed that 10 veterinary hospitals and dispensaries were constructed and 22 sub-centres were repaired in the last two years. Apart from that two more hospitals are being constructed and five sub-centres are being repaired. He also informed that so far, 15 thousand families in the state have benefitted through the department under the Chief Minister Swanirbhar Parivar Yojana. 90% success rate has been noted under Mukhyamantri Godhan Prakalp. 47 persons and have been recruited after imparting three months training to them as dose tapper. They also have been provided with financial assistance of 40 thousand rupees along with different materials. 13 mobile veterinary vans will soon be started after Durga Puja to provide further quick services. Chairman of Dukli Panchayat Samiti Ajoy Kumar Das, Pradhans and Upapradhans of different Gram Panchayats were present in the programme.