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Inauguration of soil testing laboratory at Khowai

The government plans to make the state self-sufficient in food by increasing productivity and to achieve this, soil testing is one of the most important criteria. For this reason, state government is setting up soil testing centers at various places. Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Department, Ratan Lal Nath said this while inaugurating the soil laboratory at the office of Agriculture Supervisor of Khowai Sub-Division. Inaugurating the soil laboratory, the agriculture minister said that what is lacking in a farmer's land to produce more crops can be known by testing the soil. For this, soil laboratories have been started in Arundhatinagar, Gomti, Dhalai, North Tripura and recently in Khowai districts. Apart from that 3 mobile soil testing laboratories are there. In the last 6 years, 1 lakh 73 thousand 876 farmers in the state have been given soil health card after testing soil. Another 30,000 farmers will be given in the next financial year. The Agriculture Minister said that there are 11 thousand 179 hectares of cultivable land in Khowai Agricultural Division and 8 thousand 983 farmers. Under the Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme Rs. 9 crore 42 lakhs have already been transferred in the accounts of 3 thousand 74 farmers. He said that the farmers of Khowai district also have to take an important role to build a better Tripura in the future.

On the occasion, Chairman of Khowai Zilla Parishad Jaydev Debbarma urged farmers to take advantage of soil testing of agricultural land. Subrata Majumder, President of the Zilla Parishad Standing Committee and Vice Chairman of Zilla Parishad Harishankar Pal were also present. Tapas Das, vice chairman of Khowai Panchayat Samiti, presided over the program. Sharadindu Das, Director of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department gave the welcome address.
