

**Chief Minister fulfills Prime Minister's dream**  
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Old persons have gained lots of experience over the time. Instead of neglecting them, we must make use of the wisdom and experience of the old persons for the welfare of the society. Only then, the system will be able to be strong and beautiful, enunciated Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb after inaugurating the new building of Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Old Age Home in Narsingarh today. He said, the present central government is working on priority basis to ensure the rights the last person and senior citizens of the society. Bunch of plans are being implemented so that the elderly persons do not go neglected. To speed up this process, Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb today inaugurated the new building of Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Old Age Home with Green Technology under Demonstrative Housing Project through Building Materials & Technology Promotion Council of Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India. Construction of the new Old Age Home was completed under the direction of the Chief Minister which fulfilled the dream of the Prime Minister. There used to be a time when Old Age Home used to be perceived differently. But this Old Age Home has been built with advanced technology and has modern facilities. Residents of the Old Age Home held the Chief Minister expressing their gratitude and happiness after having shifted to the new building. They shared their feelings to the Chief Minister, to which he listened patiently. Seeing the happiness in their eyes, he expressed his gratitude towards the Prime Minister. The Chief Minister later had lunch with the residents of the Old Age Home.

The Chief Minister said, the present central government is working diligently to deliver different government facilities till the last person and senior citizens of the society under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. It was possible to construct one thousand flats for the poor in the state under Light House Project with the sincere initiative of the Prime Minister.

The Chief Minister said, a state cannot develop by differentiating between be it rich and poor, labour and owner. There used to be this difference in the past days. The state was behind due to this non-progressive mindset. The present state government is taking the state ahead freeing it from that kind of mindset. As a result, farmers income has increased and original beneficiaries are getting housing under PMAY scheme. Not only this, due to the sincere efforts of the central and the state government, original beneficiaries are getting benefits from different government schemes.

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The Chief Minister said, the Prime Minister has a special compassion towards the Northeastern states of India. It is because of the sincere efforts of the Prime Minister that development in Tripura has sped up. The state-grown fruits such as Jackfruits, Scented lemons, Pineapples etc., are now being exported abroad. As a result, the farmers are economically getting benefitted. He said, this new building of Old Age Home has been built with modern earthquake resistant Green Technology. He said, the present state government is working with the mantra- Niyam, Niti and Nishtha. The state government is not only providing houses to poor families but also is providing 2 thousand rupees to the Antyodaya families to perform last rites on the death of their relatives.



Social Welfare & Social Education Minister Santana Chakma said, it is the state government's duty to work for the welfare of the senior citizens. With the sincere efforts of the state government, the poor and old persons are able to avail free health treatments under Ayushman Bharat scheme. The department has taken initiative to increase old age pension and other social pensions to 2 thousand rupees before this Durga Puja. SW & SE Minister called on everyone to cooperate with the government to build Ek Tripura, Sreshtha Tripura.

In his welcome speech, Secretary of SW & SE department Abhishek Singh said, modern Green Technology has been used in building the new building of Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Old Age Home. As a result, it was possible to construct the new building in short span of time. The new building has been built on 1038.74 Square Meter area at the cost of 6 crore 82 lakh 90 thousand rupees. He said, there are 4 Old Age Homes in the state at present. Among those, one is managed under the government and 3 are managed by NGOs. He also informed that there are plans to set up two more Old Age Homes in Khowai and Amarpur.

Other dignitaries present in the inaugural programme were MLA Krishnadhan Das, Secretary of Urban Development department Kiran Gitte and Director of SW & SE department Dr. Sidharth Shiv Jaiswal.

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