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Agri items distributed to patta holder tribal beneficiaries under Forest Rights Act

With the initiative of Superintendent of Agriculture,Padmabilagricultural subdivision office under Forest Rights Act, agriculture items were distributed to 6 patta holder tribal beneficiaries through a programme at Maharani Kanchan Prabha Devi Community Hall nearby Padmabil block. This facility has been provided through Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) scheme of present financial year. Dignitaries present in the distribution programme were MLA Prashant Debbarma, local social workers Bajendra Debbarma, Sanjib Debbarma and C.K Debbarma etc., Joint Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation, Khowai office Kashinath Das.

MLA Prashant Debbarma in the programme said, officials of the concerned departments must work with more sincerity so that no land remains a wasteland in the state. The government has started several schemes to make proper use of agricultural lands of the tribal habitats. On the other hand, Joint Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation, Khowai office Kashinath Das in the programme urged the local farmers to get the insurance of their produced crop done under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana. Welcome speech was delivered by Superintendent of Agriculture, Padmabil agricultural sub-division Arabinda Debbarma. 6 patta holder beneficiaries were distributed one weeder machine, one power spray machine, one pump set and one grass cutting machine each under Forest Rights Act spending 1 lakh 25 thousand rupees on each beneficiary. Apart from that, under this Act, 20 beneficiaries were given 20 spray machines on subsidy of 10 thousand rupees, one beneficiary was given one grass cutting machine on subsidy of 30 thousand rupees and one beneficiary was given one paddy threshing machine on subsidy of 1 lakh rupees.
