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## Agriculture Minister inaugurated Agri Knowledge Centre in Bishalgarh Plans have been taken to set up agricultural sub-divisions in 18 blocks of the state

The central and state government is working to help make the farmers financially self-reliant. The central government's goal is to double farmer's income by 2022. Agricultural production even in the Covid-19 situation has increased due to the right management of the central government. Farmer's income has also increased, enunciated Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister Pranajit Singha Roy after inaugurating the newly built Agriculture Knowledge Centre in Madhupur under Bishalgarh sub-division yesterday. Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zila Parishad Supriya Das Dutta, Chairman of Bishalgarh Panchayat Samiti Chanda Debbarma, President of Zila Parishad Agriculture Standing Committee Biswajit Saha, Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation department Phani Bhusan Jamatia, Kamalasagar socialist Subir Choudhury were present in the inaugural programme. It has been informed that the Agriculture Knowledge Centre was built spending 53 lakh rupees.

The Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister in the programme said, the state government aims to provide different kinds of assistance to the famers. Plans have been taken to set up agricultural sub-divisions in 18 blocks of the state. Earlier the monthly salary of the farmers in the state was 6 thousand 500 rupees. Their monthly salary in 2021 has been increased to 11 thousand 100 rupees. He said, recently total 28 Krishak Bandhu Kendra have been started in the state. During Covid-19 situation, the farmers received assistance of 361 crore rupees under PMKISAN scheme in the state. Not only this, the state government has taken different initiatives to build agriculture infrastructure in the state.

Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zila Parishad Kakali Das Dutta and Chairman of Bishalgarh Panchayat Samiti Chanda Debbarma delivered their speech in the programme. Welcome speech was delivered by Director of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare department Saradindu Das. The Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister felicitated 6 farmers for their achievement in the programme.

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