

Agriculture Minister inaugurated Farmers Knowledge Centre in Karbook
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Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister

India is an Agriculture based country. The central and the state government is working to increase farmers income for the economic development of the country. The government has prioritized in making farmers efficient in modern way of farming. In this regard, the present government is setting up a Farmers Knowledge Centre in every agricultural sub-division, enunciated Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Minister Pranajit Singha Roy after inaugurating Farmers Knowledge Centre in Karbook on February 19. He said, to assist the farmers in farming, they are being given financial assistance of 6 thousand rupees annually under PMKISAN directly to their own bank accounts through which more than 2.5 lakh farmers were benefitted. 10 thousand 575 farmers of Karbook sub-division were benefitted through this financial assistance, specially those who have faced loss due to non-seasonal rainfall.

Agriculture Minister said, it is due to the sincereness of the Chief Minister that the state government has arranged loan opportunities for farmers who do not own any agricultural land. Soil testing are also being done for the farmers from the department. These initiatives were never taken before. Paddy procurement from farmers at MSP is being done across the state. This is a significant step taken by the government as this has uplifted farmers to great extent. The government has started Fasal Bima Yojana to help farmers if they suffer financial loss or their crops get damaged due to natural disasters. Agriculture has been linked with animal rearing as agriculture and animal rearing are the main factors of economic growth in rural areas. The present government has emphasized upon economic development of the state through pisciculture and animal rearing besides farming.

Agriculture Minister also said, the government is working on introducing drone technology to save time in farming. He lauded the farmers of Karbook sub-division for setting examples through ginger, chilly and watermelon cultivation. He also urged the farmers to spend some time from their daily schedule and interact as well as gain knowledge at the Farmers Knowledge Centre. He informed that the state government plans to set up Farmers Knowledge Centre in every block area besides setting up in 37 agricultural sub-divisions.

MLA Ranjit Das in the inaugural programme said, the state government is working to provide every kind of facility to the farmers. This Knowledge Centre are being set up to cut down the production cost and to increase agricultural production as well as help the farmers become self-reliant through gaining proper knowledge on farming. In this way, farmers can increase their incomes and do farming on their own land through scientific ways. Welcome speech was delivered by Deputy Director of Agriculture department, Gomati district. Others present in the programme were Joint Director of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare department Rajib Debbarma, District Deputy Director of Horticulture & Soil Conservation department Dipankar Deb, socialist Atindra Reang and Dharjoroy Tripura. The programme was presided over by Chairman of Karbook Block Advisory Committee Asim Tripura. At the end of the programme, Agriculture Minister unveiled the board for Farmers Knowledge Centre.