

## **Panchayat Awards – 2020 announced**

The Government of India has honoured different states with “National Panchayat Awards-2020”. Giving this information the director of panchayat department stated in a press release that due to COVID-19 situation this year the Ministry of Panchayati Raj has skipped any national level programme, instead it has released the list of awardees on its website and later on it was communicated to the state government through a letter.

This year’s Deendayal Upadhyay Panchayat Shashaktikaran Puraskar as part of Panchayat Awards-2020, has gone to West Tripura Zilla Parishad, Kanthalia and Bishalgarh Panchayat Samiti in Sepahijala district, Mohanbhog gram panchayat under Mohanbhog block and Khasmadhupur gram panchayat under Dukli block in West Tripura district.

On the other hand, Khasiamangal gram panchayat under Teliamura block in Khowai district has received Nanaji Deshmukh Rashtriya Gourab Gram Sabha Puraskar. Moilak gram panchayat under Amarpur block in Gomati district has been bestowed with Child Friendly Gram Panchayat award and Gram Panchayat Development Plan Award has gone to

Goachand Nandigram panchayat under Satchand block in South Tripura district.

The director of panchayat department has further stated that the panchayat department is committed to earning awards and appreciation from the central government towards building a bright and successful Tripura. Keeping faith in the ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ policy of the Prime Minister, the state government is committed to drive the Panchayati Raj system in that direction.

## **11,862 MT paddy produced in Killa block**

During the last Aus, Aman and Boro crop season paddy was cultivated in 3,708 ha. land in Killa block. With this cultivation 11,862 MT paddy was produced. Of the total production 426 MT paddy was produced in Aus cultivation in 176 ha., 5,346 MT paddy was produced in Aman paddy cultivation in 1,638 ha. land and 6,089 MT paddy was produced from Boro paddy cultivation in 1,894 ha. land. Giving this information the district office of the agriculture and farmers’ welfare department revealed that during the last year soil test was done in 518 places of Killa block Soil Health Cards were given to 486 farmers.

**453.845 MT paddy procured  
in Sabroom: More procurement  
to start on July 9**

Paddy was procured from the farmers at minimum support price at Krishnanagar and Brajendranagar paddy procurement centre in Sabroom subdivision during the period from June 18 to June 29. At the rate of Rs. 18.15 per kg. 453.845 MT paddy was purchased from 233 farmers. Paddy procurement from the farmers will also start at Rajibnagar paddy procurement centre from July 9 onward. And this process will continue till July 25. The supervisor of Sabroom agricultural subdivision has informed this.

**Assistance provided to fish farmers  
for lobster cultivation in Dhalai**

Assistance will be provided by the fishery department to 18 fish farmers under Lobster cultivation scheme during the current financial year. Under the scheme, one fish farmer from Ambassa Municipal Council area, three fish farmers from Durga chowmuhani block, one fish farmer from Kamalpur nagar panchayat, one fish farmer from Raishyabari block, one fish farmer from Dumboornagar block, one fish farmer from Manu block and one fish farmer from Chhamanu block will be benefited.

Under the scheme, 1600 fingerlings of lobster, lime, oil cake, fish feed, medicine etc will be provided to each fish farmer for per 0.16 hectare water land. In total 2.88 hectare land will be covered under lobster cultivation. Rs 37 thousand 238 will be spent for each beneficiary. The deputy director of district office of the fishery department has informed this.

**3087 persons getting social pension  
in Dharmanagar MC**

Pension under different pension schemes of the Union and State government is being provided to 3087 persons in Dharmanagar Municipal Council area. Among them, 711 persons under three centrally sponsored schemes and 2376 persons under 27 pension schemes of the state government are receiving different pensions.

Moreover, 798 persons of Panisagar Nagar panchayat are receiving different pensions of the central and state government. Among them, 306 persons under three pensions' schemes of the central government and 492 persons under 21 pension schemes of the state government are receiving different pensions. The district officer of the concerned department has informed this.