

Horticulture & soil conservation department takes major initiative for rain water conservation

Under the aegis of West Tripura district horticulture and soil conservation office 40 water bodies will be sunk to preserve rain water in nine block areas during the current financial year. Rs. 36 lakh will be spent in digging of each water body. Among these, four will be in Jirania block, three in Belbari, three in Old Agartala, eight in Dukli, four in Madwi, five in Mohanpur, four in Lefunga, five in Bamutia and four in Hezamara block. This has been informed by the West district office of the horticulture and soil conservation department.

Online application for GPF final payment launched

The office of the Auditor General has launched online submission of GPF final payment for the retired employees of the state government. The respective DDOs, after registering on the portal of AG office, will find a link for submission of application form for final payment of GPF.

The AG office, after downloading the application will send an authority letter. Once the GPF will be finalized the

pensioner will receive an SMS on his / her mobile. Then the pensioner could collect the final payment authority letter from any CSC against Rs. 30. To know about the nearest CSC Help Desk may be contacted on (0381)235-0909 and email: csc.helpdesk-tr@gov.in or <http://locator-csccloud.in/> can be accessed. This CSC service will be available on [https://services.csccloud.in/Tripura Account General/Default.aspx](https://services.csccloud.in/Tripura_Account_General/Default.aspx)

Activities of RD department reviewed yesterday

To increase employment in rural sector the chief minister has directed to speed up activities during a review meeting of the rural development department held yesterday at the state secretariat. Chaired by the chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb, the meeting was also attended by the deputy chief minister Jishnu Dev Varma, chief secretary Manoj Kumar, secretary of RD Soumya Gupta, additional secretary of RD Vikash Singh, special secretary Prashant Kumar Goel, secretary of planning and coordination Apurba Roy, director of panchayat department R.K. Noatia and other officials of the respective departments.

Apart from discussion over various activities of the panchayat department the chief minister emphasized on sectors like fishery, floriculture, bee keeping etc. He was in favour of connecting SHGs in cluster system.

The secretary of RD department presented a report on various activities of the department. Discussion hovered around schemes like MGNREGA, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Rural), Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana, National Rural Livelihood Mission, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Vikas Yojana, Shyamaprasad Mukherjee National RURBAN Mission etc. Accounting software of Panchayati Raj Institutions, gram panchayat development plan, panchayat monitoring system, e-Gram Swaraj application, online audit etc. also found place in the discussion.

MGNREGA activities in Jirania block

MGNREGA activities are in full swing in five gram panchayats and three ADC village of Jirania block. These activities are being implemented as part of 45 development projects. An amount of Rs. 41,98,242 will be spent to implement the projects. The projects include earth leveling in eight places of North Majlishpur gram panchayat, digging of

two irrigation canals and construction of two flood control dams. Besides, there are digging of four irrigation canals in North Joynagar gram panchayat, four irrigation canals in Sachindrangar Colony gram panchayat, earth leveling in two places of the same panchayat, six land leveling works in East Barjala gram panchayat, digging of two irrigation canals, one land leveling and one flood control dam construction in West Majlishpur gram panchayat. On the other hand, two irrigation canals and two land leveling works are going on in East Debendrangan ADC village. This information has been given by the Jirania block office source.

Seminar on Jal Jeevan Mission on June 12

On June 12, a seminar will be held at Bishramganj multi-purpose hall to discuss issues related to Jal Jeevan Mission. MP Pratima Bhowmik will inaugurate the seminar. Among others to be present are MLA Birendra Kishore Debbarma, MLA Subhash Chandra Das, Saha Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zilla Parisha Pintu Aich, DM of Sepahijala district C.K. Jamatia, chief engineer of DWS Baishampayan Chakraborty. Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad Supriya Das (Datta) will preside over the occasion.