

## **State-Level Bijhu Festival from April 13-15**

The 48<sup>th</sup> State-Level Bijhu Festival will be held at Dupatachara of Kanchanpur sub-division on April 13 till April 15. A preparatory meeting was held at Revenue Dak Bungalow of the sub-division under the initiative of Kanchanpur sub-division administration yesterday for successful conduction of the State-Level Festival. MLA Prem Kumar Reang and officials of different departments attended the meeting. MDC Bimal Kanti Chakma, SDM Subhash Acharya, dignitary Gautam Roy and Secretary of Bijhu Mela Committee Chandan Chakma sought everyone's cooperation for the successful and peaceful conduction of Bijhu Festival.

## **Block-Level Health Fair on April 18 in Jampuijala**

Under the initiative of Health & Family Welfare department, a Block-Level Health Fair will be organized on April 18 at Jampuijala Block Office campus. 16 stalls will be opened at the venue on behalf of the health department. Free health check-ups will be done by specialists and doctors and free medicines will be distributed in the Health Fair.

A preparatory meeting was held at the conference hall of Jampuijala SDM office for the successful conduction of the Block-Level Health Fair. The meeting was attended by Jampuijala BAC Chairman, MLA Birendra Kishore Debbarma, Jampuijala SDM Sanjit Debbarma, Jampuijala Block BDO Rajib Debbarma, Jampuijala SDPO Dipankar Pal, officials of various departments of the sub-division and social activists.

## **3-day Indo-Bangla Tourism Festival 2022 to start from April 17**

There is linguistic and cultural similarity between India and Bangladesh. Tripura specially holds a lot of similarity with Bangladesh, which is why the 3-day Indo-Bangla Tourism Festival 2022 is about to start from April 17 in order to further strengthen the bond. The event will be inaugurated by Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb on April 17 at Ujjayanta Palace at 6 pm, informed Tourism Minister Pranajit Singha Roy in a press conference called at Geetanjali Tourism Guest House today. He said, a team of representatives from Bangladesh and tour operators of West Bengal and Northern states will be

taking part in the 3-day Tourism Festival. Hoteliers, Tourism officials, Independence activists, authors, artists, intellectuals, political figures and people from different professional backgrounds will be taking part in this. There is a possibility of MoU to be signed with the tour operators of Bangladesh.

Tourism Minister said, apart from linguistic and cultural similarities, both the countries have commercial relationship too. Tripura extended its helping hand during Liberation War of 1971, for which the Bangladesh government has always shown its gratitude on different occasions. He said, once the under-construction bridge over River Feni is completed, trade between both countries will increase. Agartala-Dhaka bus service is already there. The Bangladesh government has requested to start a new bus service from Chittagong to Agartala via Comilla. He also informed about the plan to start air connectivity of Agartala with Dhaka-Chittagong. Besides this, rail connectivity is being expanded with Bangladesh via Nishchintpur. Along with this, boat services will be connected from Daudkandi to Sonamura through waterways.

Tourism Minister invited all to make the 3-day Indo-Bangla Tourism Festival successful. He said, a road show will be organized on the inaugural day. Cultural programme and food festival will be organized at Ujjayanta Palace. The tour operators from Bangladesh, West Bengal and Northeastern states will be taken to various tourist spots on April 18. An interactive meeting will be conducted on April 19 with hoteliers, tour operators and tourism representatives of both the countries on issues like business and tourism. Director of Tourism department Tarit Kanti Chakma and other high officials were present during the press conference.

### **CM to inaugurate 20<sup>th</sup> State-Level Buisu Festival 2022 at Dhumacherra**

Two-day 20<sup>th</sup> State-Level Buisu Festival 2022 will be held at Hokutwisa English Medium Higher Secondary School ground in Dhumacherra under Longtharai Valley of Dhalai district on April 13 and 14. The event being organized with the initiative of Tripura Chubalai Buthu will be inaugurated by Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb at 4 pm whereas Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Tribal Affairs Bishweswar Tudu will be gracing the

event as the chief guest. MP Rebati Tripura, Tribal Welfare Minister Mevar Kumar Jamatia, Food Minister Manoj Kanti Deb, ICA Minister Sushanta Choudhury, Samajpati of Tripura Society Birendra Tripura, former MP Jitendra Choudhury, MLA Dhananjay Tripura will remain present as special guests at the event.

The two-day festival will be celebrated in a grand manner followed by cultural programmes, traditional games and sports, awareness-based seminar, blood donation camp and cultural exhibition. Stalls will be put up by different departments carrying information about various departmental activities and schemes. The two-day festival will be presided over by President of Tripura Chubalai Buthu Sachnidra Tripura. High Level Committee and executive committee has been formed for the successful conduction of the event.

Royal scion Pradyot Kishore Manikya will be inaugurating the closing ceremony on April 14 at 6pm. Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region B. L. Verma will remain present as the chief guest. CEM, TTAADC Purna Chandra

Jamatia, MP Rebati Tripura will remain present as special guests at the event. MLA and Chairman of Manu Block Advisory Committee Diba Chandra Hrangkhawl will remain present as the guest of honour.



*Mega legal services camp held in Khowai recently.*

*Pic. by Dulal Debbarma, ICO*



*Legal services camp held at Manikpur market on April 10.*

*Pic. by Sidhartha Debbarma, ICO*