

CM inaugurates stone crusher unit & other initiatives in Belonia



Pic. by Rajesh Debnath, ICO

The chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb inaugurated a stone crusher unit by the name Mohangiri Stone Crusher and unveiled the plank of Sarasima Industrial Estate at Sarasima, Belonia yesterday. Later on he also inaugurated a Gym and Yoga Centre at North Sarasima. This Gym and Yoga Centre was set up at the cost of about Rs. 35 lakh under BADP scheme.

It is worth mentioning that Sarasima Industrial Estate was under the industry and commerce department. Now it was handed over to the Tripura Industrial Development Corporation (TIDC). An amount of Rs. 10.82 crore will be spent on development of infrastructure of this industrial estate. Similarly, Rs. 3.62 crore has been invested to establish this stone crushing unit.

Speaking on the occasion the chief minister said, success has already started showing its colour in various programmes taken by the state government for the overall development of the state. During these occasions the agriculture and tourism minister Pranajit Singha Roy, MLA Shankar Roy, MLA Arun Chandra Bhowmik, chairman of TIDC Tinku Roy, secretary of industry and commerce department Dr. P.K. Goel, director Ravel Hemendra Kumar and DM of South district Debapriya Bardhan were also present.

Govt. coming up to people with quality services – Deputy CM

Deputy chief minister Jishnu Dev Varma inaugurated a 1X10/16 MV power transformer at the 132 KV sub-station at Garadtila, Kamalpur subdivision on

February 11. After that the deputy chief minister also inaugurated the newly constructed building of 33/11, 2 X 8 MV sub-station. The programme was also attended by the food and civil supplies minister Manoj Kanti Deb, Sabhadhipati of Dhalai Zilla Parishad Rubi Ghosh, chairman of Durga Chowmuhani and Salema Panchayat Samiti Sampa Das and Sujit Biswas respectively and other dignitaries including MD of Tripura State Electrical Corporation Limited Dr. M. S. Koley.



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The deputy chief minister said, people would not have to approach the government, but the government will come up to them with quality services. TSECL is working towards ensuring quality power supply and services, the deputy chief minister added while talking to the media after inaugurating the new building of the power sub-station. He also said, work of giving power connection to every household under Saubhagya Yojana will

be completed by March 31. The life insurance amount of the Linemen has been increased from Rs. 3 lakh to Rs. 10 lakh.

Chief minister stressed on new methods for increasing fish production

To increase fish production in the state, the Fisheries Department has to adopt new methods. In order to enhance production, emphasis should be laid on the adoption of biofloc method, Cage culture and three year method. This was stated by the chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb at a review meeting of the Fisheries Department at the Conference Hall No. 2 of the General Assembly on February 10. He said that according to the data of 2019-20 fiscal year, there is a shortage of 23,568 MT of fish in the state.

The chief minister said, to fill this gap, fresh entrepreneurs need to be encouraged and Sukhsagar reservoir in Udaipur should be used for fish farming. Moreover, other unused reservoirs in the state should be identified and added for fish farming. He said the department should extend a helping hand by identifying all the entrepreneurs who want to engage in fish farming through the biofloc method. To ease the process, he directed the department to launch a scheme called “Mukhyamantri Pondless

Yojana". He said that the project should focus on increasing fish productivity in the state. In this way, the state will be able to become self-reliant in fish farming and dependence on other states for fish will lessen. He also added that at present, 385 people are involved in fisheries through biofloc method. They are being given necessary training for this. The department has to make arrangements so that the fishermen can preserve the remaining fish after selling. The chief minister also emphasized ornamental fish farming.

Taking part in the review meeting, Fisheries Minister Narendra Chandra Debabarma said that there are currently four fish farmers' development agencies in four districts of the state. Proposals have been sent to the Center to set up another four fisheries development agencies in four other districts. He directed the Fisheries Department to form a committee comprising Water Resources Department, Fisheries Department and Revenue Department to increase fish production in the state.

Director of Fisheries Department, Dilip Kumar Chakma inaugurated the discussion at the meeting. He said that there are 2,3830 water bodies in the state at present. At present, each person consumes an average of 25 Kgs of fish per

year. Last year it was 23 kgs. He added that in the last 2018-19 financial year, demand for fish in the state was 98,398 MT and the production was 70,586 MT. In the 2019-20 financial year, the demand has increased to 1 lakh 1198 MT and 77,630 MT fish were produced. The area of water reservoirs in 2018-19 was 28,110 hectares which has increased to 28,775 Hectares in the financial year 2019-20. 110 Aerators were distributed in 2019-20 FY under the "Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana" scheme. Eight mobile fish clinic vans have been distributed in all the eight districts. Installation of Solar Power in 4 government farms is under progress. In the fiscal year 2020-21, 28 Lakh 81 Thousand minnows have been released in different water bodies. 1,120 hectares of water bodies have been developed. 4,920 people have been trained. At present, fish farming has been done in 678 check dams. NABARD has provided financial assistance of Rs 2,52,460 to the state for fish farming in cage culture system. He said that new initiatives have been taken for fish farming. Besides chief secretary Manoj Kumar, principal secretary of Fisheries department S R Kumar, principal secretary of Health department, J K Sinha, PCCF Rameshwar Das, secretary of Planning and Coordination Department Apurba Roy and others took part in the discussion.

Training on mental disease and stress management at Ambassa PHC.

Training on mental disease and stress management was organized for the multipurpose workers at Ambassa PHC of Dhalai district on February 10. 42 multipurpose workers participated in the training. Training was given to the medical staffs on how to maintain stress free and healthy life by Dr. Anup Debnath. Member secretary of state health & family welfare society has informed this in a press release.

Training camp at Sonaram Anganwadi centre

A health camp was held at Sonaram Anganwadi centre under Kalyanpur community health centre of Khowai district on February 9. The medical staffs of West Ghilatali health sub-centre discussed on various health issues. Importance was given on regular vaccination of children, care of infant baby, healthy diet of pregnant women and institutional delivery. 33 persons have availed medical service and required medicine had been given to them. Among them, malaria test was done for three persons through RD hit. But no malaria parasite had been found in blood of these persons. Moreover, HIV test of 9 persons was done. Family welfare and preventive

medicine department has informed this in a press release.



Observance of 32nd Road Safety Month in Panisagar

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Training camp on Kayakalpa scheme

Kayakalpa scheme has been introduced in health centres to maintain health guidelines and prevent disease. A training camp on the scheme was held at CMO office of Khowai district on February 9. Training was imparted to doctors, nurses and other medical staffs on modern health service. Dr. Nirmal Sarkar, district nodal officer of quality assurance and Dr. Raj Kishore Debbarma were present in the camp. 50 health workers participated in the training camp. Member secretary of state health and family welfare society has informed this in a press release.