

Deputy CM launches Ajeevika Gramin Express Yojana today

Today the deputy chief minister Jishnu Dev Varma launched Ajeevika Gramin Express Yojana and a mega credit camp for the self-help groups under Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission. Opening the event at the Rabindra Shatabarshiki Bhavan the deputy chief minister said, rural economy must be strengthened to make India self-reliant. And for that empowerment of rural women should be prioritized.

MP Pratima Bhowmik graced the occasion as chief guest. Addressing the audience there she said, it was during lockdown period that the Prime Minister announced the Gramin Jeevika Mission. To make the country self-reliant then the women were advised to make mask and sanitiser and the self-help groups acted accordingly. For this, she thanked them saying that the rural women have played a very special role during that crisis period.

The event was also attended by the Sabhadhipati of West Tripura Zilla Parishad Antara Sarkar Deb as guest of honour, and secretary of rural development department Saumya Gupta. Welcome address was given by the

executive officer of Rural Livelihood Mission Vikas Singh. On this occasion, sanction letters worth Rs. 14.23 crore were handed over to 973 SHGs from Tripura Gramin Bank, Cooperative Bank, Punjab National Bank, Uco Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of India. In addition, 20 vehicles for carrying goods were given to 20 SHGs without interest.

COVID-19 vaccination starts: PM & CM term it a historic day



COVID-19 vaccination started in the country today. Prime Minister Narendra Modi officially kicked off the vaccination programme through video conferencing. In this context, addressing the nation, the Prime Minister termed the day as historic one. He said, during Corona time everyone was concerned as to when

would COVID-19 vaccine come. But due to incessant hard work of the researchers, scientists and health workers, the vaccine could be produced in the country itself in a very short span of time. For this, he thanked and greeted all associated with the making of COVID-19 vaccine. On the other hand, chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb launched vaccination programme in the state at Agartala town hall.



In his address the Prime Minister said, in the first phase doctors, nurses, all health workers, safai workers will receive the vaccine. In this phase total 3 crore vaccines will be administered and the

entire expense on account of that will be borne by the central government. For the first phase vaccination dry runs have been done across the country and names have registered for that. He said, after the first dose of vaccine, the second dose should be taken after one month and all other health related precautions like wearing mask, maintenance of social distance, washing hands etc. should be continued.

In conformity with the rest of the country the central vaccination programme in the state was organized at Agartala town hall. Terming it a historic day the chief minister inaugurated vaccination programme in 17 health centres simultaneously through video conferencing. Speaking on the occasion the chief minister said, in the state in first phase doctors, nurses and other health workers, Anganwadi workers will get the vaccine. They will be given 45,420 doses. For this, the health department has taken necessary measures. In the second phase, police, staffs of the revenue department, municipal employees and employees associated with disaster management will get vaccinated. He said, the people of the state have struggle hard against COVID-19 and a spirit of mutual co-operation and support, and gaining self-reliance has developed during Corona time. And the government has launched Swanirbhar

Parivar Yojana, Mukhyamantri Swanirbhar Yojana etc. for the benefit of people.

On this occasion other speakers included the Mission Director of National Health Mission Dr. Siddharth Shiv Jaiswal. Among others present there were secretary in charge of health department Kiran Gitte, DM in-charge of West district Sandeep N Mahatme, director of Tripura Health Services Dr. Subhasis Debbarma and director of health and family welfare department Dr. Radha Debbarma.

Newly built fishery shed inaugurated in Chhechua market

Today the fishery minister Narendra Chandra Debbarma inaugurated the newly constructed fish shed for the retail fish traders at Chhechua market in Ampa block under Amarpur subdivision. Speaking on the occasion he said, the present government has taken various plans to make the state self-sufficient in fish production. He urged all to play cooperative in this endeavour. Welcome address was given by the deputy director of fishery department Sujit Sarkar. Among others were present MLA Sindhu Chandra Jamatia, SDM Bijoy Sinha and joint director of fishery department Abani Debbarma. It is worth mentioning here that an amount of Rs. 21.13 lakh has been spent in construction of the shed under RIDF scheme.



Street drama presentation in Teliamura subdivision today

Pic. by Siddhartha Shankar Paul, ICO

Brick soling road in Kumarghat block under MGNREGA

One km. brick soling road will be constructed in each of nine ADC villages of Kumarghat block. These roads will be constructed in Rajkandi, Saidachera, Demdum, Fatikchera, Darchai, East Raituisa, Deo Valley, South Unakoti and Jurichera ADC village under MGNREGA. For construction of each km road Rs. 18 lakh will be spent. In total Rs. 1.62 crore will be spent. This information has been given by the Rajkandi sub-zonal office of TTAADC.



Mohanpur sub-divisional level folk dance competition held at Hezamara community hall today. Pic. by Ashok Debbarma, ICO