

Tripura awarded in Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban Scheme

Tripura has been awarded at the all-India level as best performing state in Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban scheme. Prime Minister Narendra Modi handed over the award to Tripura Urban Development Department Secretary Kiran Gitte yesterday in Rajkot, Gujarat. It may be noted that a total of 87,226 houses have been approved for construction in 20 urban areas of the state under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban scheme as per six DPRs and out of which, the construction work of 70,640 houses has started. Construction of 53,302 houses has already been completed. The remaining 33,924 houses will be completed by March 31, 2023.

Tripura was selected for the award along with four other states as the best implementing state for Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban scheme, an initiative of the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, Government of India. The other four states awarded under this scheme were Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

Nirman Shramik Welfare Scheme 2.0 launched

Workers are the main architect of the nation and the present government accords due respect and importance to them, stated the chief minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha after launching the Nirman Shramik Welfare Scheme 2.0 at Rabindra Satabarshiki Bhavan today. He also unveiled the cover of a booklet on this occasion. The chief minister said, the state government is sincere about the workers' welfare and various schemes are being implemented towards their development. He said, like other states, Tripura also has good number of skilled workforce. This government knows how to evaluate their skill. Earlier in the state a reign of owner-worker conflict was set in, but now that culture has been done away with. Both the owner and worker are dependent on each other. Earlier meetings, rallies etc. were common in the name of workers movement, which is no more existent in the rule of this government. Now the workers are getting their due wages in their accounts through DBT.

The chief minister also said, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi the central government is formulating new plans one after another.

And the state government is also marching ahead on the footprints of the central government. He said, everybody should contribute to the development of the state. He also referred to the ongoing Prati Ghare Sushason campaign as a drive to reach out to the people in remote areas with various welfare schemes.

Speaking on the occasion the labour minister Bhagaban Chandra Das said, launching of the Nirman Shramik Welfare Scheme 2.0 marks a historic day in the state. He said, the present government after taking over has taken up various welfare schemes for the welfare of the workers. Because, this government believes not in slogans but in action. Transparency has been effected in the implementation of welfare schemes. The government is sincere about providing more benefits to the workers in the coming days.

At the launching programme the chief minister handed over cheques to the beneficiaries under Nirman Shramik Welfare Scheme 2.0. Additionally a labour cess collection portal has been launched by the chief minister today. Chairman of Tripura Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board and MLA Binoy Bhushan Das also spoke on the occasion. Welcome address was delivered by the secretary of labour department Abhishek

Singh while vote of thanks was given by labour commissioner Dr. Naresh Babu N.

156 schools to be identified as model schools under PM SHRI scheme

156 schools across the state will be identified as model schools under the PM SHRI scheme of the central government. Education Minister Ratan Lal Nath informed this news in a press conference at the Secretariat yesterday. Education minister said that two schools each from 58 blocks and 20 urban local bodies of the state will be identified under this scheme. The central budget for the implementation of this scheme is Rs. 27 thousand 360 crores. A total of 14,500 schools across the country will be selected as model schools under this scheme. Education Minister said that the identification of these schools will be completed in the state very soon. The Minister expressed hope that the implementation of this scheme will increase the quality of education of the students as well as the quality of learning environment.

In a press conference, Education Minister informed that Chakma language will be introduced in another 36 schools in the state. Among them it will be in 2 secondary schools, 2 higher secondary

schools, 6 primary schools and 26 lower primary schools. He said that earlier Chakma language was taught in 87 schools and now it will be introduced in another 36 schools. Education Minister informed that yesterday another 179 teachers have been posted as post graduate teachers in schools across the state. Among them 43 are in Economics, 46 in Sociology, 41 in Psychology and 49 in Geography. He also informed that 256 people were given offer for TET-1 undergraduate level. Out of which, 196 people have accepted the offer. He further informed that 258 people were given offer at the undergraduate level. Out of which 247 people have accepted the offer.

In the press conference, Education Minister also informed that, 3,108 posts have already been advertised through TRBT to fill the vacancies in Education Department. Of these, there are 757 vacancies in TET-1 and 2,351 vacancies in TET-2. Apart from these, TRBT has advertised to fill up another 60 vacancies.

**Workshop on single-use plastics:
Demonstration on digital thickness
measuring device**

A workshop on elimination of single-use plastics was held yesterday at Tripura State Pollution Control Board Conference

Hall. The workshop was inaugurated by Principal Secretary of Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Khushwant Singh Shetty. Demonstration on working of digital thickness measuring device was held in the workshop and the device was distributed in the workshop. Sub-Divisional Magistrate and the officials of 18 Sub-Divisions participated in this workshop. It may be noted that from July 1, 2022 the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change of the Government of India has completely banned the production, import, stocking, distribution, sale and use of single-use plastic materials identified in a gazette notification dated August 12, 2022. The workshop was organized to motivate agencies implementing and enforcing the ban in the state. Chairman of Tripura State Pollution Control Board Prof. BK Agarwal, Director of Department of Science, Technology and Environment Animesh Das, West Tripura District Magistrate Debapriya Bardhan, Member Secretary of Tripura State Pollution Control Board Dr. Bishu Karmakar and Executive Engineer Manas Mukherjee were present at the workshop.

Chairman of Tripura State Pollution Control Board, Prof. BK Aggarwal discussed the key issues in the workshop. In the workshop, project engineer Saptarshi Roy gave detailed information

on the working process of single use plastic and digital thickness measuring device through power point presentation. At the end of the workshop digital thickness measuring devices were distributed among the Sub-Divisional Magistrate and their officials. The member secretary of Tripura State Pollution Control Board informed this news in a press release.

Karbook Block-level Vikas camp

As part of Prati Ghare Sushason campaign a mega Vikas camp will be held at Karbook block on October 21 at Jatanbari Community Hall. MLA Ranjit Das will inaugurate the camp. Chairman of Karbook BAC Asim Tripura and Sub-Divisional Magistrate of Karbook Partha Das and others will be present in the camp. Exhibition stalls from different departments will be opened at the camp. Different government schemes and services will be provided to the people from these stalls. The block administration has requested the public of Karbook Block to attend this mega Vikas camp and take benefit of government schemes and services.

Prati Ghare Sushason Camp at East Takchaya Village

Prati Ghare Sushason camp was recently held at East Takchaya ADC Village of

Tulasikhor Block. BDO Manas Murasingh, DCM Hemanta Dhar and officials of different departments were present in this camp held in the premises of the village committee office. In the camp, applications for Pond Help Card and Kisan Credit Card from 1 fish farmer were accepted by the Fisheries Department. Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department accepted applications for Kisan Credit Card from 20 farmers and soil health test from 30 farmers. Animal Resource Development Department has received Kisan Credit Card application from 10 animal breeders. Moreover, Tripura Rural Livelihood Mission sanctioned Rs 1 lakh loan to 2 self-help groups in the camp. A self help group with 10 village members has also been formed in the camp. In the camp, 5 members of self-help groups were brought under Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Yojana. 7 beneficiaries of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Rural Scheme were handed over a cheque of Rs 48,000 as the first installment at the camp. Two pregnant women were given nutritional food kits by the Department of Social Welfare and Social Education as part of Poshan Abhiyan. Enrollment in ROR, PRTC and ST certificate applications was accepted by the sub-divisional administration in the camp.