

## **Under PM Matsya Sampada Yojana new water bodies created over 175.65 hectare**

Various developmental programmes are being implemented by the Central and State Governments to increase fish production in the state. BS Mishra, principal secretary of the Fisheries Department, said this in a press conference held yesterday in the press conference Hall of the Secretariat, highlighting the notable achievements and future plans of the Fisheries Department. He informed about the Government of India's Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana implementation in the state and said that this scheme has been adopted in the state for 5 years. The Central Government has sanctioned 2,206,14 rupees to the state for the implementation of this scheme in the financial year 2022-23. Excavation of new reservoirs in 175.65 hectares has already been completed under this scheme. For fish farming in 201.44 hectares of water bodies fund and necessary materials have been given. 14 hatcheries including one shrimp hatchery, have been constructed. Of these, the construction work of 5 has been completed. Construction of 8 out of 24 colourful fish breeding centres has been completed.

In the press conference, the principal secretary said that 41 bio-floc units have been set up in the state. 6 fish markets have been opened. 1 out of 3 catfish sale centres has been opened. Two more will be opened soon. Initiatives have been taken to set up 13 fish feed mills. In addition, the scheme provides assistance for purchase of bicycles, motorcycles and tricycles with insulated boxes. Out of this, 216 bicycles, 64 motorcycles and 39 tricycles were purchased. Principal Secretary also said that 5 hatcheries have been constructed in 2021-22 through the National Fisheries Development Board under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana.

Principal secretary of the Fisheries Department said that fishery resource survey is conducted every year to find out various information related to fisheries such as production, amount of water bodies under fisheries, number of fishermen etc. According to the Fishery Resource Survey data in the financial year 2020-21, there are 1,95,808 fishermen and 2,12,445 reservoirs for fish farming in the state.. He said that fish production is increasing by about 2 percent every year. Special emphasis has been given to the economic development of fish farmers by increasing the production of fish fry.

It was also informed by the principal secretary that 6 fisheries knowledge centres have been set up in the state at Nalchar, Karbook, Kakraban, Amarpur, Silachari and Satchad in Sabroom to raise awareness among the fishermen about various knowledge and technologies related to fisheries. Besides, a fish market has been constructed in Murasing para of Patichhari market in Santirbazar subdivision of South Tripura district and Baramaidan area of Padmabil block of Khowai district. These will be opened soon. A call centre will be set up by the Department to assist the fishermen. Director of Fisheries Department Devananda Reang and joint director Abani Debbarma were also present at the press conference.

### **Vikas Meeting at Kumarghat Block**

A developmental meeting was held yesterday in Kumarghat block as part of Prati Ghare Sushason campaign. In this block-level developmental meeting held at Panchayat Samiti Hall, Minister of Labour Bhagaban Chandra Das, Chairman of Kumarghat Panchayat Samiti Happy Das, Vice Chairman Debabrata Dutta, Chairman of Kumarghat BAC Tapanjoy Reang, District Magistrate of Unakoti District U.K Chakma, BDO Dr. Sudip Bhowmik along with Chairman, Vice Chairman of Gram Panchayat and Village

Committee, officials of different departments were present. In the meeting, Labour Minister Bhagaban Chandra Das said, there was a time when people had to go to the government to get various government facilities. Now the situation has changed. Now the administration is going to the people to give the benefits of various government schemes. Prati Ghare Sushason campaign has been undertaken to make this process more organized. In the meeting, Labour Minister also said that most of the people of Tripura live in rural areas. Most of the people from different tribal groups live in the ADC area. Many people are not aware of different public welfare schemes of the central and state government. To make the people of this section aware of the schemes he called upon all concerned departments to play a role in providing them with more benefits of all the schemes.

In the meeting, District Magistrate U.K Chakma said that the public welfare programmes of the central and state government should be delivered to every house in mission mode. The campaign will continue till November in all parts of the district. For this, camps will be organized in all gram panchayats and villages of the district. There will be two development fairs at the district level and two more development fairs will be organized in all

the four blocks of the district. Jal Jeevan Mission, Ayushman Bharat, PM Kisan, Jeevan Jyoti Bima, PM Suraksha Yojana, PM Jandhan Yojana, Atal Pension Yojana, Kisan Credit Card, Ujjawala Yojana, Mukhyamantri Gramin Samridhhi Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Mukhyamantri Cha Sramik Kalyan, e-labour etc. were discussed in the meeting, the officials of Health, Labour, Social Welfare and Social Education, Fisheries, Drinking Water and Sanitation, Animal Resource Development, Rural Development, Food, PWD, Forest, Agriculture, School Education, Rural Livelihood Mission spoke about the schemes of their respective departments.

### **Rs. 2000 social pension before Puja - ICA minister**

To give social pension of 2000 rupees before puja as part of Prati Ghare Sushason is one of the goals of the present government. For this, the annual expenditure of the state government will be 603 crore and 89 lakhs rupees. An additional 31 crore 44 lakh rupees will be spent every month to pay the social pension. Minister of Information and Cultural Affairs Sushanta Chowdhury announced this in a press conference at the Secretariat yesterday.

In the press conference, the Minister said that after the formation of the present government, various social pensions were increased from 500 and 700 rupees to 1000 rupees. Now it has been increased from 1000 to 2000 rupees.

A total of 32 social pension are in operation in the state. Three of these pension are covered under the National Pension Scheme. The number of pension beneficiaries in this scheme is 1 lakh 58 thousand 117 people and 1 lakh 60 thousand 218 people are getting social pension under 29 social pension schemes of the state government. The Minister said that a total of 3 lakh 18 thousand 415 social pension beneficiaries will get social pension of 2000 rupees. He said that it will be effective from this September. Social Welfare and Social Education Department Secretary, Abhishek Singh and Director Siddharth Shiv Jaiswal were present at the press conference.

### **Prati Ghare Sushason campaign launched in Dhalai district**

Prati Ghare Sushason campaign started in Dhalai district on 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2022. The main programme was organized at Haduk Kolok Para, Reang (Bru) Migrants resettlement Centre of the district. The newly constructed Anganwadi Centre in Haduk Kolok Para was inaugurated as part

of the Prati Ghore Sushason campaign. Anganwadi centre was inaugurated by MLA Parimal Debbarma. Ambassa Panchayat Samiti Chairman Suchitra Debbarma, Senior Deputy Magistrate Jayanta Debbarma, Ambassa Sub-divisional Magistrate Arup Deb, Ambassa BDO Munmun Debbarma and others were present at the programme.

Inaugurating the Anganwadi centre in Haduk Kolok Para, MLA Parimal Debbarma said that Prati Ghore Sushason campaign was launched to deliver the opportunities and benefits of the developmental programme to the last person in the society. Anganwadi centre was inaugurated to provide pre-primary education to children in Reang Migrants camp in Haduk Kolok Para. At the programme, 30 small businessmen from the Scheduled Caste community of the district were given financial assistance of 10,000 rupees under Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana. Moreover, 76 families have been given one mosquito net each. MLA Parimal Debbarma handed over all these assistance to the beneficiaries.

### **First day of Prati Ghore Sushason campaign**

Prati Ghore Sushason campaign has started on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2022. Chief

Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha launched this campaign at Rabindra Bhawan with the initiative of the Department of Information and Cultural Affairs. This campaign will continue till November 30. In this campaign, various government services will be delivered through rural camps besides making people aware about various central and state government schemes. In the inaugural programme, the Chief Minister along with other guests formally handed over the benefits of various services to some beneficiaries.

Under the income generation scheme, 5 small businessmen belonging to the Scheduled castes were given cheque of 10,000 rupees, 10 people were given auto-rickshaw keys and 6 people were given term loan cheque from SC Corporation, 5 people were given submersible pump approvals under PM-Kusum scheme, 3 best tax payers were felicitated, Revolving fund to 3 SHG groups in second phase of JICA project, UDID certificate to 5 person, cheque of enhanced social pension to 5 person, cheque of 5 thousand rupees to each of 5 beneficiaries was given under Pradhan Mantri Matru Bandana Yojana. Apart from this, certificates were awarded to the chairman of 5 Gram Panchayats who had implemented Har Ghar Jal successfully.