

## Pisciculture Knowledge Centre & retail fish market inaugurated today



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The fisheries minister Narendra Chandra Debbarma officially inaugurated the newly constructed two-storey building of the fisheries department called Pisciculture Knowledge Centre at Panisagar and a retail fish market at Jalabasa today. speaking on the occasion the minister said, the government is encouraging the fish farmers in scientific pisciculture and

Tripura is much ahead of many states in the Northeast in terms of fish production. He informed, the government is helping the fish farmers in case culture. He expressed hope this with the technical knowledge of this centre the fish farmers will benefit.

Welcome address was given by the deputy director of fisheries department Gopal Sherpa. He informed, an amount of Rs. 1.5 crore has been spent in construction of this Pisciculture Knowledge Centre under RIDF scheme. Among others present on the occasion were Sabhadhipati of North Tripura Zilla Parishad Bhabatosh Das, MLA Bidhubhushan Das, chairperson of Panisagar Nagar Panchayat Papia Das and director of the fisheries department D.K. Chakma. Sanjoy Das, chairman of Panisagar Panchayat Samiti presided over the programme.

On the other hand an amount of Rs. 25 lakh has been spent in construction of the retail fish market at Jalabasa, informed the deputy director Gopal Sherpa. Equipped with all modern facilities, total 24 sellers together could sell fish at the market. The minister, on this occasion also stressed on the need for increasing production and sale of fish.

### **Rajnar School's two-storey building unveiled**

The government is working with a holistic approach for building 'Ek Tripura, Shreshth Tripura', stated the education minister Ratan Lal Nath after unveiling the plank of two-storey building of Rajnar H.S. School in Agartala yesterday. Speaking on the occasion the minister, referring to the utmost priority to education sector by the government, also mentioned about introduction of NCERT syllabus, April-March academic year, centralized question papers for 4,400 schools, vocational courses, training for 30,000 teachers etc. initiatives.

In addition, in order to encourage the students in study, the government has come up with Mukhya Mantri Merit Scholarship, B.Ed. Anuprerna Yojana, Super 30 and so on. IIIT in higher education, placement cell opened in 34 higher education institutions, M.Tech in TIT, for new DIET college etc. are also there. The programme was also attended by MLA Surajit Datta, Councilor Dalia Singha, chairman of TRTC Deepak Majumder, chairman of Tripura State Haj Committee, and social activist Tapas Kumar Deb.

### **State cabinet decision: Town Committee in ADC areas**

The state cabinet has decided to recruit into the 500 vacant posts of the home department. Under the new recruitment policy, State Board will be constituted for recruitment into these posts. Yesterday after conclusion of the cabinet meeting the education minister Ratan Lal Nath informed this to the media persons during a press meet at the secretariat. He said, the age limit of the candidates has to be 18-24 years. Five years relaxation will be given in case of ST/SC candidates. Similarly, educational qualification for the general candidates will be Madhyamik pass, while for the ST/SC candidates eight standard pass will serve the purpose.

On the other hand, the Council of Minister had also decided to recruit 4000 LDC and multi-purpose workers through the Manpower and Employment department. This recruitment for Group-C and Group-D will be done through a Joint Recruitment Board. In case of LDC post, a candidate may get appointed even if he or she does not know typing. In that case the concerned candidate must clear a type-test within six months of appointment. If anyone from among the teachers who lost their jobs, desires to apply for this post they will be given relaxation in age criterion. At the cabinet meeting the New Recruitment Policy-2018 has been amended little. As per the amended policy, written test will be for 85 marks and viva will be for 15 marks. The Manpower and

Planning department will constitute Joint Recruitment Board for this purpose.

The education minister also informed, the proposal for formation of Town Committee in ADC areas has been approved by the cabinet that day. It was a longstanding demand. In 2016, the Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District (Establishment of Town Committee) Bill 2016 (TTAADC Bill - 01 of 2016) was passed. But for reasons unknown, the Bill was not implemented. The present government has formed a committee combining revenue, tribal welfare, education and law, to review the Bill. After petty modifications the Bill was placed at the cabinet and approved accordingly. The minister said, now the Bill will be sent to the Governor and then ADC administration will issue notification on this.

**12,01,185 Mandays have been generated under MGNREGA**

During the current financial year 12,01,185 mandays have been generated under MGNREGA in Padmabil, Tulashikhar and Khowai block of Khowai subdivision. Under the scheme an amount of Rs. 21,77, 03,000 has been spent for this purpose. And a total of 36,551 people have benefited from this. In Padmabil block area 2,70,827 mandays have been generated benefiting 9,507 people at the cost of Rs. 4,26,02,445. In Tulasikhar block 4,52,729 mandays have been generated at the cost of Rs. 8,36,73,102 giving employment to 11,561 people. In Khowai block 4,67,629 mandays

have been generated at the cost of Rs. 9,14,28,053 benefiting 15, 483 people. Under the scheme land leveling, renovation of rural road, plantation work, reclamation of pond, rubber terrace cutting, construction of mud road, brick soling, construction of drain, shed construction for pig and livestock etc. activities have been implemented. This information has been given from the Khowai DM office.



*Delhi Doordarshan team at Rudrasagar Lake and Sepahijala today.*

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