

## **CM inaugurates Sai aba Temple & flags off ambulance**

The chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb today inaugurated Sri Shirdi Sai Baba Temple at Sainagar near Amtali byepass, in presence of MLA Mimi Majumder. Thereafter he also flagged off an ambulance procured with the MLA development fund of MLA Mimi Majumder at the Anandamayee Kali Temple at Beltali. Addressing the gathering after inaugurating the Saibaba Temple the chief minister urged all to be on alert in view of the deteriorating COVID-19 situation in the world. He also emphasized following COVID appropriate behavior like maintenance of social distance, used of mask and sanitiser, avoiding crowd etc.

On the other hand, after flagging off the ambulance the chief minister said, this ambulance will be at service of the patients and the local people will benefit out of it. He stressed that necessary arrangement should be made so that the ambulance could be in use in time of need. He also said, a mentality of self-reliance is developing the state and this will help Tripura to be self-reliant. MLA Mimi Majumder also spoke on the occasion. The chief minister handed over

the ambulance to the Kali Temple authority.

## **CM launches new services at IGM Hospital**

The chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb urged all to co-operate with the state government in combating COVID-19 situation in the state. He said, last year, due to the cooperation and helping hand of doctors, nurses, other professionals, clubs and NGOs, we could put ourselves in a better position. This year also we would fare well, hoped the chief minister after inaugurating new blood bank, OPD registration counter and 10 bedded casualty block at IGM Hospital, Agartala on April 24. Before that the chief minister also inaugurated 10 advance life support ambulances sponsored by NHIDCL in front of his residence.

Inaugurating the three services at IGM the chief minister said, at present above 45 years are being vaccinated in the state. He said, the Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared that from May 1, above 18 years will also be vaccinated and free ration will be provided to the BPL families for two months and the state government would also follow suit.

The chief minister said, there was no casualty block in IGM Hospital earlier. For

the first time e-registration has also been launched. People of the state will be benefitting from these facilities. Sufficient blood could be stored in the new blood bank. On the other hand, about the life support ambulances he said, the Central government had given 50 life support ambulances to Tripura for combating COVID-19. Now these 10 ambulances given by NHIDCL have been added to for service. Each ambulance costed about Rs. 27 lakh. These ambulances are equipped with 54 facilities except ventilator.

Among others present at IGM Hospital programme were MLA Dr. Dilip Kumar Das as special guest and principal secretary of the health department J.K Sinha as guest of honour and other officials of the department. MLA Dr. Dilip Kumar Das, initiative would be taken to establish an oxygen plant at IGM. On the other hand, in front of the chief minister's official residence were present executive director of NHIDCL A.K. Kusha, general manager R.P. Singh and director of family welfare and preventive medicine.

#### **Assistance for farmers in Bishlagarh subdivision**

During the 2020-21 financial year, financial assistance has been given to 30 farmers of Bishlagarh subdivision for demonstrative cultivation over 5 ha. land under soil health card scheme. Each farmer has received Rs. 12,500 as

assistance. On the other hand, under SC Sub-Plan, high yielding paddy has been cultivated over 100 ha. land and hybrid paddy over 40 ha. land in Charilam and Bishlagarh block. In addition, under Tribal Sub-Plan, four pump sets have been given to four beneficiaries in Chelikhala, Bastali, Amatali and Padmanagar with a subsidy of Rs. 10,000 and two power tillers have been given to two beneficiaries in Bastali and Amtali with the subsidy of Rs. 50,000. Agriculture supervisor, Bishlagarh subdivision, has informed this.

#### **Agri-equipments distributed in Bishlagarh**

Under Submission Agricultural Mechanisation scheme, various agricultural equipments have been distributed among farmers in Bishlagarh agri-subdivision. Under the scheme, during 2020-21 financial year, 91 power tillers at a subsidized price of Rs. 85,000, 18 threshing machines at a subsidized price of Rs. 75,000, 75 pump sets and one power weeder have been distributed. In addition, under Rashtriya Krishi Vikash Yojana, during the 2020-21 financial year, 40 winowing machines with a subsidy of Rs. 6,000, six wheelbar with a subsidy of Rs. 18,000, six sack sewing machines and six weighing machines have been distributed. This information has been given by the Bishlagarh agri-subdivision office.