

## Cabinet decided to waive stamp duty on loan up to Rs 5 lakh

The state cabinet has decided to waive stamp duty on loan up to Rs. 5 lakh from banks for various government sponsored projects informed the education minister Ratanlal Nath in a press conference held at the secretariat on December 29. He said that loan applicants had to pay stamp duty of Rs 10 or Rs 50 to avail loans for various projects sponsored by the government such as KCC, or under PM Kishan, Self Help Group, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme, Swabalamban, Prime Minister's Street Vendor, Atma Nirbhar Nidhi, Prime Minister's Housing Scheme, Chief Minister's Self Reliance Scheme, Chief Minister's B.Ed Anuprerana Scheme, Diary Industry Development etc schemes. However, the Council of Ministers of Tripura Government has decided that stamp duty would not be required any more to avail such loans. He also informed that total 2.21 lakh persons took bank loans under the schemes during the 2019-20 financial year. In these cases, everyone had to pay stamp duty of Rs 10 or Rs 50. This stamp duty is one of the sources of revenue of state government. The government has decided to forgo the revenue for the sake of Atma Nirbhar Tripura. The government would lose

revenue of Rs. 60 lakh 90 thousand due to the decision of waiving off the stamp duty.

Moreover, in the cabinet meeting, it has been decided to add a new amendment to the new appointment policy in government offices. According to this amendment, from now on, the job seekers would require to have knowledge in Bengali or Kakborok language as well as the required qualification. For this some marks will be kept in oral or written tests.

## Sepahijala Zilla Parishad's executive committee reviews works

A meeting of the executive committee of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad was recently held at the conference hall of Zilla Parishad. The meeting was presided over by the Sabhadhipati Supriya Das Datta in presence of the Sahakari- Sabhadhipati, members of Zilla Parishad, and officials of the concerned departments. Decision was taken in the meeting that Rs 16 lakh 26 thousand 583 would be provided to different departments for implementation of rural development work during the current financial year.

It was also informed in the meeting that Rs 1 lakh had been sanctioned for construction of a community hall at Golaghati. Rs 6 lakh 73 thousand has been provided to the district office of

Directorate of Information & Cultural Affairs - Govt. of Tripura –30-12-2020 e-mail:- esambad.ica@gmail.com agriculture and farmers' welfare department for purchasing different agricultural equipments. Rs 2 lakh has been sanctioned for renovation of Champamura H.S School. Rs 4 lakh will be provided to the animal rearers for goat in East Gokulnagar farming gram panchayat of Bishalgarh block. Moreover Rs 2 lakh will be provided to 16 beneficiaries for pig farming through the district officer of animal resources development department. Rs 12,500 will be spent for each family. Moreover, RS 50,000 will be provided to youth affairs and sports department for development of rural sports.

## Financial assistance under Pradhan Mantri Kishan Samman Nidhi

The video conference to highlight the occasion of depositing 18 thousand crore rupees into the accounts of 9 crore farmers of the country under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi at Ampinagar community hall and Amarpur town hall on December 25 was telecast directly. One programme was organized by Ampinagar RD block at Ampinagar community hall and another programme was organized by Amarpur RD block at Amarpur town hall. MLA Sindhu Chandra Jamatia, MLA Rampada Jamatia, BDO Pritam Sarkar and superintendent of Kahinoor Debbarma agriculture were present in the programme held at Ampinagar community hall. On the other

hand chairperson of Amarpur Panchayat Samiti Monti Debnath (Rudra Paul), Vice-Chairman of Shankarananda Saha, social activist Sanjoy Chakraborty, Senior Scientist Harphool Islam and Agri-officer Tusharkanti Das of Agriculture Science Centre were present in the programme held at Amarpur town hall.

Local farmers have participated in both the programmes. Similar programme was held in Karbook And Shilachhari block on December 25. Local farmers of the both blocks are receiving financial assistance under Pradhan Mantri Kishan Samman Nidhi from time to time. MLA Ranjit Das and Chairman of BAC Ashim Tripura were present in the programme of Karbook block. Chairman of BAC Sanjoy Jamatia was present in the programme of Shilachhari block. Similar programme was organized by Jampuijala block and Jampuijala agriculture superintendent's office Bukhurui at Community hall on December 25. MLA Birendra Kishore Debbarma, BDO Barun Debbarma and Agriculture Superintendent Kingshuk Debbarma were present in the programme. Similar programme was held in Powangbari, Satchand Rupaichhari blocks on Decemer 25. Local farmers were present in the programmes. MLA Shankar Roy was present in the programme of Rupaichhari block. Local public representatives, BDOs and agriculture superintendents of the concerned blocks were present in the programmes.

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