

## **Dairy Fair – 2019 exploring future prospects**

Our target has to be making Tripura self-sufficient in production of milk and milk-based products. Because, every year the state loses about Rs. 1100 crore every year, stated the chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb after inaugurating Dairy Fair – 2019 at the international fair ground, Hapania on October 1. On this occasion hybrid cows were distributed among 50 selected beneficiaries under NEC development project. Besides, artificial reproductive equipments and bi-cycles were distributed among 36 trained cattle reproduction workers. Moreover, at the fair ground applications were accepted and loans were disbursed under the dairy entrepreneurship development scheme. The fair was organized by the animal resource development department.

Minister of animal resource development Santana Chakma also deliberated on the activities of the department and reiterated that this sector would also contributed to the endeavour for making the state a model state. Among other dignitaries were present MLA Krishnadhan Das, Sabhadhipati of West Tripura Zilla Parishad Antara Sarkar Deb, vice chairman of State Planning Board R.K. Mathur,

member of the board Dr. B.K. Joshi, Reshmi Verma and Dr. S. Ayappan. Welcome address was delivered by the secretary of animal resource development department Sailendra Singh while vote of thanks was given by the director of the department Dilip Kumar Chakma.

## **International Day of Older persons observed in Agartala**



*Pic. by Abhishek Sinha, Photographer*

A state level seminar was held at Nazrul Kalakhetra on the occasion of International Day of Older persons -2019. The programme was inaugurated by the social welfare and social education minister Santana Chakma. Founder of Apna Ghar old age home situated at Barjala, Dilip Kumar Paul in life time achievement division, retired Supervisor Milan Dey (Datta) in bravery and courage division, Chunilal Das and Jamadhan Chakma in creative art division have been honoured with state level Vayoshreshtha

Samman by the concerned department. Minister Santana Chakma and other guests handed over memento, citation, shawl and Rs 10,000 to each of the awardees. Director of social welfare and social department Guncha Sanobar, joint director of the department Subhasish Bandhopadhyay, many senior citizens and pensioners, organizations, residents of old age homes were present in the programme.



*One day shramdan as part of Swachhta Abhiyan in Karbook market area on October 2, on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary*

*Pic. by Anupam Paul, ICO*

### **Assistance for animal husbandry in Dhalai district**

With the objective of making tribal people financially self-sufficient through animal husbandry assistance will be provided to 72 poor tribal families of 8 blocks of Dhalai district by animal resources development department for pig farming

with the fund from tribal welfare department. Under the scheme 6 poor families from Manu, Domburnagar, Chhamanu, Raishyabari, Ganganagar blocks and 3 poor families from Ambassa, Salema and Durga Chowmuhani blocks will be benefited. 3 Pigs, medicine, utensil and feed will be provided to each beneficiary – family. Assistance will be provided to total 33 families including 6 families each of Salema, Domburnagar and Ambassa blocks and 3 families each of Manu, Durga chowmuhani, Chhamanu, Raishyabari and Ganganagar blocks for goat farming. 4 lambs will be provided to each beneficiary-family. Rs 25 thousand will be spent for each beneficiary family under the scheme. The office of the deputy director, district animal resources development department in Dhalai has informed this.

### **LPG connections under PM Ujjala Yojana in Mohanpur**

Work for providing free LPG connection under PM Ujjwala Yojana is going on in Mohanpur subdivision. Upto September, 2019, LPG connections have been provided to 9,574 families of the subdivision. The office of the assistant-director of food, civil and consumer affairs department, Mohanpur, has informed this.



*Central programme of SD Barman's birth anniversary observance at Rabindra Shatabarshiki Bhavan on October 1.  
Pic. by Manimala Das, ICO*

### **Khowai district level Youth festival held**

Khowai district level Youth Festival was organized by Khowai district youth affairs and sports office at Jibanananda Krishi Bhavan, Sonatali on September 30. The programme was inaugurated by the chief whip of Tripura Legislative Assembly Kalyani Roy. MLA Kalyani Roy and MLA Pinaki Das Chowdury delivered their speeches. Joint director of district level Youth Festival Committee Asit Baran Paul delivered welcome address. Member of Zilla Parishad Subrata Majumder, Pradhan of Sonatala panchayat Shankari Das, assistant director of youth affairs and sports department Priyadarshi Chakma were present in the programme.

The programme was presided over by Sabhadhipati of Khowai Zilla Parishad Joydev Debbarma. Young artistes of several blocks of Khowai district

participated in Kathak dance, classical song, group folk dance, group folk song, Jari song, Gajan dance, tribal folk dance, tabla, harmonium rendition etc. of the festival.

### **Assistance under National Bamboo Plantation Scheme in Udaipur**

3 hectare land of Udaipur subdivision has been brought under National Bamboo Plantation Scheme by the sub-divisional horticulture and soil conservation office at the cost of Rs 50,000 per hectare. Assistance will be provided to 14 beneficiaries of Matabari block under the scheme. 7 hectare land of Matabari block will be covered under the scheme. Rs 50,000 per hectare land will be spent. The office of Udaipur office of horticulture and soil conservation department has informed this.



*Special gram sabha in Rupaichari Block as part of Mahatma Gandhi's 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary observance.*

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