



Kachigang Madrasa and Aajgarh Rahman Pur High School. An amount of Rs. 2,27,211 has been spent in it. With the Panchayat Development Fund 18 ponds have been reclaimed and five are under reclamation. Under Ujjwala Yojana free gas connections have been given to 127 women. Target is there to give gas connections to more 289 women under the said scheme.

### **Workshop in connection with Road Safety Week in Kamalpur**

In connection with observance of 30th Road Safety Week an awareness camp was organised by Durga Chowmuhani block at Kamalpur. School students and vehicle drivers were made part of the workshop. Speakers of the event included member of Dhalai Zilla Parishad Anadi Sarkar, BDO Rameshwar Chakraborty, inspector of schools Amaresh Das, SI of Kamalpur PS Jakir Hussein. In the second part of the workshop a quiz competition was organised for students and transport workers. Chairman of Durga Chowmuhani Block SC Development Committee Amritlal Das presided over the occasion.

### **Tripura one of ten states to provide dal at subsidised rate through PDS**

Tripura becomes one of the ten states in India that provide *Masoor dal* at half market price through the public distribution system. Yesterday the Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb officially launched the

programme at Shahid Khudiram Basu English Medium School ground. Inaugurating the programme the Chief Minister said, now onward every ration card holder's family will get 1 kg. *masoor dal* at Rs. 40 every month. In the state this system will be in operation through 1809 ration shops.

The Chief Minister said further, *dal* (pulses) is not produced in sufficient quantity in Tripura. Only because of the central government that has given Rs. 15 subsidy on each kilogram of unprocessed *dal* Tripura could procure this *dal* from outside the state. And in processing about Rs. 6 crore is spent every year by the state. If the young entrepreneurs of the state could take up a milling venture that Rs. 6 crore could be saved or kept within the state, stated the Chief Minister.

Addressing the gathering the Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Minister Manoj Kanti Deb said, with the decision of the state government to supply *masoor dal* through PDS about 37 lakh people of the state would benefit. In order to strengthen the PDS further initiative would be taken to include sugar, mustard oil and soya bean in the list of items to be supplied like this.

Welcome address was given by the secretary of food, civil supplies and consumer affairs department Dr. Debasis Basu. Among other dignitaries were present social activists Rajib Bhattacharya, Manik



