

## **Neermahal Jal Utsav opens amidst fanfare**



*Pic. by Atul Debbarma, ICO*

MP Pratima Bhowmik inaugurated the three-day Neermahal Jal Utsav today at Rajghat, Melaghar amidst much fanfare. Organized jointly by the information and cultural affairs department, tourism department, Melaghar Municipal Council, Rudrasagar Udvastu Fishermen Cooperative Society, Sepahijala Zilla Parishad, youth affairs and sports department and Sepahijala district administration this festival opened at the open stage of Rajghat.

Addressing the gathering MP Pratima Bhowmik said, the government is making sincere efforts to preserve the culture of the people dependent on water for living. When Manasamangal and Noukabaiche arrives every year an ecstasy can be noticed among the people around Rudrasagar. She said, last year the government launched a duck rearing project centering Rudrasagar. As a part of this 50 hybrid ducklings are being

given to 1000 families, which will not only increase income but also add to the aesthetic value of Rudrasagar.

Among others who spoke on the occasion included chairperson of Melaghar MC, Saha Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad Pintu Aich, president of Rudrasagar Udvastu Fishermen Cooperative Society Pabitra Das and the like. At the end of the inaugural programme started Manasamangal competition. Swimming competition and boat race will be held on September 15.

## **Seminar on disaster management held in Santirbazar**



*Pic. by Rupak Kumar Acharjee, ICO*

With a view to building awareness among the common people about natural disaster a seminar was organized at Santirbazar Government Degree College yesterday. The seminar was jointly

organized by Santirbazar sub-divisional administration and NDRF. The kinds of measures need to be taken in crisis moment as well as preventive measures were discussed in the seminar. Inspector of NDRF first battalion Rajesh Kumar Yadav, disaster nodal officer-cum-DCM Suman Rakshit, vice-President of Red Cross Society, Santirbazar Dhananjoy Bhowmik and principal-in-charge of Santirbazar Government Degree College Sanjoy Das took part in the discussion. Students of the concerned college and different schools were also present there.

### **G.K. Rao takes oath as new chief information commissioner**



*Pic. by Sakhadhan Kalai, Photographer*

G. Kameswar Rao took oath as the chief information commissioner yesterday at the Durbar Hall of old Raj Bhawan, Agartala. The oath taking was administered by the Governor Ramesh Bais. The programme was attended by dignitaries like deputy chief minister Jishnu Dev Varma, education minister Ratan Lal Nath, chief secretary U. Venkateswaralu and other top official of the state administration.

### **SAKHI One-stop centre opens in Khowai**

SAKHI One-stop centre was ceremonially inaugurated at Khowai quarter complex yesterday. The centre opened by the district social welfare and social education office was inaugurated by Sabhadhipati of Khowai Zilla Parishad Joydeb Debbarma. Other dignitaries present on the occasion were Saha Sabhadhipati Harishankar Paul, ADM Rajib Datta, chairman of Khowai Child Welfare Committee Jayati Bhattacharya, deputy director of the concerned department Sanjit Rupini and other officials. In his inaugural speech Mr. Debbarma urged all to cooperate in implementation of the development programmes taken up by the government.

### **Rashtriya Poshan Maah observed by Kamalpur ICDS project**

Under the aegis of Kamalpur ICDS Project Rashtriya Poshan Maah programme was observed with the Anganwadi workers and helpers in Kamalpur Nagar Panchayat area on September 12. The programme was inaugurated by the secretary of Kamalpur Press Club Supriya Datta at North Kamalpur town hall. Deliberating on the significance of Poshan Maah Debabrata Mishra Chowdhury, principal-in-charge of Kulai

ICDS training centre said, nutrition aspects of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating mothers and 0-6 years old children are taken care of under this programme. A rally was taken out in the streets of Kamalpur Nagar Panchayat. Children presented a cultural programme and quiz and cooking competitions were held. Fifteen contestants were given prizes in different categories. Members of Kamalpur Nagar Panchayat Jitendra Bhattacharya and Dilip Kumar Das were also present there while headmaster of Kamalpur H.S. Madrassa Sachindra Debbarma presided over the programme.

### **Boat race & swimming competition at Rudrasagar on September 15**

Traditional boat race and long range swimming competition will be held at Rudrasagar on September 15. The chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb will inaugurate the competition and M.P Pratima Bhowmik will grace the occasion as the chief guest. M.L.A Subhash Chandra Das, M.L.A Pramode Reang, M.L.A Krishnadhan Das, chairman of Tripura Wakaf Board Baharul Islam and vice-chairperson of Melaghar M.C Supanka Sarkar will also be present as guests of honour. D.M of Sepahijala district Chandra Kumar Jamatia, S.P of Sepahijala district Krishnendu Chakraborty, director-incharge of tourism department Abhijit Chakraborty

will remain present as special guests. The programme will be presided over by chairperson of Melaghar M.C Uttam Das.

Closing and prize distribution ceremony will be held at Mukta Mancha of Rajghat in the afternoon. Tourism minister Pranajit Singha Roy will be present in that programme as chief guest. M.L.A Subhash Chandra Das, Saha Sabhadhipati of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad Pintu Aich, member of Sepahijala Zilla Parishad Ratan Das, chairman of Nalchar Panchayat Samiti Jahar Ghosh, chairman of Mohanbhog Panchayat Samiti Sribash Bhowmik, secretary and president of Rudrasagar Udbastu Matsyajibi Samabai Samiti Parameshwar Das and Pabitra Kumar Das respectively, vice-chairperson of Melaghar MC Supanka Sarkar will remain present as guests of honour.



*State level Khelo Tripura School Sports Meet 2019 (Part-8), badminton competition opened at Panisagar RCPE College on September 12. The event was organized by youth affairs and sports department.*

*Pic. Indrajit Saha, ICO*

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## **Workshop on child safety and childcare held in Gomati**

Under the aegis of Gomati district social welfare and social education office and Gomati District Legal Service Authority a workshop on child safety and childcare was held at conference hall no. 2, Rajarshi Kalakshetra, Udaipur. Inaugurating the workshop MLA Burbamohan Tripura said, the state government is committed to protection of child rights. He urged all to be sensitive so that no child is deprived of his/her rights. Welcome address was given by the ADM Pranesh Lal Chakma. Chairman of Gomati district child protection committee Prantosh Datta, deputy director of social welfare and social education Bijan Chakraborty, lawyer of Gomati district legal cell Maniklal Saha had detailed discussions over child safety issues. Among others were present CDPO of Gomati district, supervisor, police personnel, officials from the subdivisional administration and CHILDLINE.

## **Cash crop plantation in Dhalai district: many families benefited**

Various horticultural cash crop plantations have been raised by the office of deputy director of Dhalai district of horticulture and soil conservation department for more than 600 poor families of Dhalai district during the current financial year. Under the scheme mango plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 30 families, betel nut plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 120 families, lemon plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 40 families, Musambi plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 40 families of Manu block have been raised.

Mango plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 10 families, betel nut plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 80 families, lemon plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 20 families and musambi plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 20 families of Chhamanu block have been raised. 16 families have benefited under the scheme in Domburnagar block. Betel nut plantation in 24 hectare land has been raised for the beneficiaries. Betel nut plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 8 families and lemon plantation in 0.5 hectare land for each of 8 families of Raishyabari block have been raised. Under the scheme betel nut plantation in 27 hectare land for 54 families, lemon plantation in 18.5 hectare land for 37 families and mango plantation in 13 hectare land for 26 families have been raised. On the other hand, betel nut plantation in 0.5 hectare land for 110 families of Ganganagar block has been raised. Betel nut plantation in 12 hectare land has been raised for 11 families of Salema block. The office of deputy director of Dhalai district horticulture and soil conservation has informed this.

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