

Tripura Industry & Commerce Fair from January 29

Tripura Industry and Commerce Fair will start from January 29, 2019 at the international fair ground of Hapania. This will be the 29th Industry and Commerce Fair. In connection with this a preparatory meeting was held at the conference hall of Shilpa Nigam at Khejurbagan today. Tinku Roy, chairman of the Tripura Industrial Development Corporation presided over the meeting. Among others present were director of industry and commerce department Dr. Sandeep R. Rathore and other officials of the department. The fair will continue till February 15, 2019. Each day of the fair will be packed with cultural programme and workshop.

Stress on augmentation and quality upgradation of rubber production

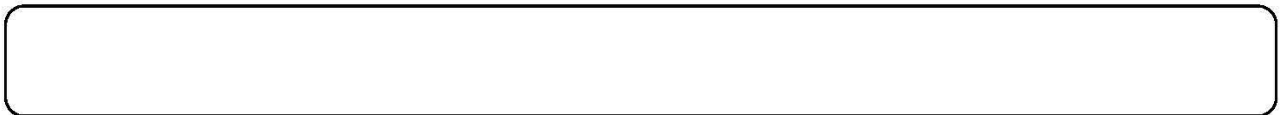
The Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb stressed on quality rubber production and training of the personnel associated with processing during a review meeting in connection with formulation of strategy and plans for the rubber sector held yesterday at the state secretariat. If required hands-on training in the field has to be arranged for the stakeholders.

With a view to increasing rubber production in the next three years the

director of the industry and commerce department informed about the state strategy that in the initial phase 50 group processing centers would be set up for building 150 group processing centres in total. Similarly, with a target to set up 750 micro-cluster processing centres in three years, 250 such processing centres would be set up every year. It is worth mentioning that at present yearly production of rubber in the state is Rs. 65, 330 MT and total area under cultivation is 84, 480 ha. (2017-18).

Moreover, target has been fixed to set up 12,000 individual smoke houses in three years with 4000 smoke houses every year, informed the Chief Minister adding that initiative has been taken to arrange loan for this purpose through banks, Tripura Industrial Development Corporation and Swabalamban. Additionally gap in rubber plantations over 6000 ha. will be filled up in next three years through MGNREGA.

The meeting was also attended by chairman of Tripura Industrial Development Corporation Tinku Roy, chief secretary L.K. Gupta, additional chief secretary Dr. GSG Ayyangar, principal secretary to the Chief Minister Kumar Alok, principal chief conservator of forest Alind Rastogi, principal secretary L.H. Darlong, managing director of TRPC and other officials. Representatives of



seed among the farmers of Mandai block, 15 MT potato seed among the farmers of Dukli block, 9 MT potato seed among the farmers of Old Agartala block and 8.15 MT potato seeds among the farmers of Belbari block.

Development activities in Kulai RF extension village

A target has been taken to construct 10 roads under MGNREGA in Kulai RF extension ADC village of Ambassa block. Out of 10 roads, construction of 5 roads has already been completed. An amount of Rs 86 lakh 15 thousand 983 will be spent for construction of 10 roads. Moreover, a target has been taken to distribute 121 constructed houses among 121 poor families under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana. Till now, construction of 47 houses has been completed. Construction of remaining 74 houses is going on. An amount of Rs 1.3 lakh will be spent for construction of each house. Construction of 369 toilets under Swaach Bharat Mission, Swaach Bharat Kosh and MGNREGA schemes is nearing completion. An amount of Rs 12 thousand will be spent in construction of each toilet.

Blood donation camp in two places of Khowai

A voluntary blood donation camp was organized by NSS unit of Sonatala

Government H.S School on December 15. Chairman of school management committee of the concerned school Ajit Shil, superintendent of Khowai district hospital Dr. Dhananjay Reang were present in the camp. The programme was presided over by the headmaster Bipin Debbarma. 17 persons donated blood in the camp. Moreover, a voluntary blood donation camp was organized by Muktaamma at Totabari Jagannath Ashram on December 14. In total 32 persons donated blood in the camp.

Health & Nutrition Day observed at Vivekananda Palli of Sabroom

Rural Health and Nutrition Day was observed by Sabroom Sub-divisional hospital with the assistance of National Health Mission at Vivekananda Palli health Sub-Centre on December 15. MLA Shankar Roy inaugurated the programme and discussed about the health programmes of the State Government. He appealed to concerned all to come forward in ensuring health safety of rural children and mothers. Moreover, ex-chairperson of Sabroom Nagar Panchayat Shantipriya Bhowmik, Sabroom SDMO Dr. Pritam Das, CDPO Souharda Chakraborty were present in the programme. On the occasion of Nutrition Day game and quiz competition were held among the rural women.