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DIET teachers, training co-coordinators, pedagogy coordinator and post-graduate teachers from eight districts took part in the workshop. Biswajit Gupta, director of SCERT inaugurated the workshop by lighting the ceremonial lamp. Other distinguished guests present on this occasion were the Prof. Srivastav, Dean, NCERT; Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Professor, DIET, New Delhi; and Mhd. Arif, technology expert of NCERT.

Addressing the gathering the director of SCERT said, the main objective behind this workshop is to ensure quality learning by the teachers and enable them to take prompt corrective measures if required. It is worthmentioning that in a national excellence survey it has has come to the light that Tripura is lagging behind in terms of teaching results of class III to class VIII. In view of this fact this workshop has been organized to identify the drawbacks in teaching and learning process and take required corrective measures.

Jirania Block declared Open Defecation Free (ODF)

Jirania block under West Tripura District has been declared as open defecation-free (ODF) block on September 15. On this occasion a seminar was organized at Jirania block premises where ADM of West Tripura District Tapan Das informed, Belbari block has got the recognition of first open defecation-free (ODF) block while Jirania block has been the second to have got this recognition under West Tripura district. He urged upon all to keep toilets clean and also to follow the proper manners of sanitation. Among other dignitaries, BDO of Jirania block Utpal Chakma, member-secretary of West Tripura District Swachh Bharat Mission Management Committee Sambhu Debbarma and social activist Manoranjan Debnath discussed on related issues in the seminar.

A total of 4,238 toilets under MGNREGA and Swachh Bharat Mission(Gramin) have been constructed in Jirania block. On this occasion of declaration of Jirania block as ODF, a rally was organized which marched through different gram panchayats and villages under Jirania block. Moreover, for cleanliness of toilets a total of 19 beneficiaries of this block from each panchayat and village were awarded in the programme.

Physiotherapy camp at Teliamura

The state government has taken special measures to provide health services for critical diseases related to cardio-thorasic, nephrology, oncology in the state only. Discussions are on with a Tamilnadu-based private hospital for setting up such facilities in the state. If everything goes smooth then from next year these facilities will be in IGM Hospital of the state, stated the Health

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